

Abilities EXPO Toronto

We participated in the second annual Abilities Expo January 19-21, 2018 in Toronto at the International Center. It was a great end user show with some dealer participation, some prescribers attending, manufacturers, and most every other service available to people with a disability, their friends and family.

We are pleased to be attending this year again at the same location but hopefully an even warmer April 5-7, 2019.



This year, we will have all of the products we distribute on display and of course we will have lots of Batec's, Benoit





Systemes, and ZX-1 for people to check out.

We will also be offering tires, tubes, and snap on tires along with complete wheel setups right at the show.



Thanks to Abilities and their Canadian Show folks at Caneast, we will highlight Schwalbe, CEW, Softwheels, and a host of other products that end users will be able to pick up at the show!

BATEC at Abilities EXPO



Batec products have been the show stopper for the past two years at Abilities and this year may be no different. We will have all models on display and

ambassador to go for a ride with you regardless of your

physical condition as we will have a chair setup for you!



The major change with the Electric 2 (E2) from the Electric (E1) is that it has an 18" front wheel that has an ultra-grip, is wider, and makes the overall riding experience a little more compact.



The LCD screen now has all the commands on the handlebar with reverse, a horn, and superior lighting.

For transport purposes, the handle bar has a built-in folding system and it has a parking brake. These features compliment the 7005-aluminum frame

with 1.1/8 Black FSA Orbit Mx headset handlebar, mechanical Avid BB5 brakes with aluminum brake levers, Avid G2 180mm rotor disc, head lights and rear lights on the stand frame, BATEC ACOPLA support, all at 15,9 Kg (without battery/weights).

This unit goes 25 km/h with autonomy of 40 klms with 250 RPM high-torque brushless motor peaking at over 1000W. The ultra-fast charger makes it a travelling machine that you will never leave home without.

Naturally, it has compatible accessories like the BATEC BOSSA rucksack, BATEC EXCURSION 2 front rucksack, BATEC RODES off-road wheels, and Smartphone holder maintains this Batec as the work horse the brand has become over the last decade.

VARILITE® Self Inflating

Yes, VARILITE® products are self-inflating! We reiterate this over and over at in services as we inevitably have people express in amazement "how does it do that" as if it were magic!

Cascade Designs manufacture and market innovative, lightweight, user-friendly postural support systems through their medical division *VARILITE®*.

Their cushions come in widths from 10" to 24" and are tested to 750 pounds in the largest sizes.

Their "Air-Foam Floatation Technology" combines the best characteristics of air and foam! www.Varilite.com and www.Varilite.ca

VARILITE® Products excel in these areas of need meeting and exceeding end user and prescriber expectations:

- Pressure distribution
- Postural support
- Vibration reduction
- Light weight
- Low maintenance.



Evaluating Autonomy

Would you like to have your voice heard in the development of future mobility devices? Then, the University of British Columbia with principle investigator Ben Mortenson, PhD, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy need your help with the completion of a short 15-minute survey on "Evaluating Autonomy and Assistive Technology in Mobility Assistive Device Users". They are exploring how factors related to your assistive mobility device affects your personal autonomy while in five different settings.

You need to be 19 years of age or older, user of a wheeled mobility device, and able to move your device(s) from place to place independently at least some of the time. If this

BESPOKE PLUS – March 2019 - Volume 17, Number 231 sounds like you, please copy and paste this into your browser and take the survey (it only takes about 15 mins): https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7R6iKk2ozf3BBOJ

Independent Living CDN



Voir au-delà du handicap Promoting a new perspective on disability Independent Living Canada is hosting the AccessABLE Technology Expo TM May 30, 2019 from 11 AM – 7 PM at the Ottawa Conference & Event Centre, 200 Coventry Rd., Ottawa, ON K1K 4S3. They endeavour to provide attendees with the latest assistive technology for home,

leisure, work, or school for individuals and families living with a disability. 49 Bespoke Inc will be supporting this initiative and hope to see many of our industry partners at the event as well as exhibitors, sponsors, or attendees.

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Spinergy Wheel Weights



Spinergy has some of the lightest and strongest wheels on the market. The CLX=520g, LX=687g,

CLX=520g, XLX=658g, B.LXL=568g, L=721g, XSLX=757g,

LXL=568g, WIRE=776g, SLX=779g,

- ISS March 20 22 Pittsburgh, PA;
- NWBA Div 1 & HOF Inductions March 23 Cleveland, OH;
- OSOT Elder Focus March 27 Ajax, ON;
- Abilities Toronto April 5-7, International Center;
- 49 19th Annual Access Ability Show April 18 Oakville, ON;
- Rugby National Championships May 3-5, Ottawa, ON;
- Accessible Technology Expo May 30 Ottawa, ON;
- Access Expo June 7-8 at Variety Village, Toronto, ON;
- Rehab Equipment Expo (REE) Sept 10 Richmond, BC;
- Prairie Heart Show September 17 Regina, SK;
- MEDIChair Show September 19 Saskatoon, SK;
- Rehacare in Dusseldorf, Germany September 18-21.

BESPOKE PLUS is the newsletter of 49 Bespoke Inc., which markets products from around the world designed to better meet the needs of people with a disability.

We have grown up in sport, have a social service background, and have adopted an advocacy role in our business practice. Comments are welcome. Have a great Abilities Expo Toronto!