

SPRING. INTO ACTION!

The award-winning **Alber Adventure** has independent four-wheel spring suspension, designed for anyone who wants increased independence and a more active lifestyle, both outdoors and in.

Adventure provides levels of driving safety, traction and comfort that were previously unheard of. Durable, reliable and easily adjustable to the needs of most wheelchair users, it is designed for use just about anywhere. Independent spring suspension offers effective and potentially therapeutic shock and vibration damping and maximises ride comfort on uneven surfaces. The long suspension travel provides traction and stability where other powered wheelchairs give up.



The driving force behind the Adventure is powerful and reliable electric wheel hub motors which use less energy and give up to 45% more range than conventional motors. Depending on the terrain and other factors, Adventure keeps going for up to 30 miles without recharging. And, thanks to an innovative regenerative braking system, energy is put back into the Adventure's compact, manageable batteries as it travels downhill, increasing the range still further.

Under normal urban conditions, and when overcoming everyday obstructions, Adventure's under-carriage comes into its own, coping with kerbs of up to 7cm (12 cm with the optional kerb climber) and long suspension travel gives increased traction and stability on sloping, uneven ground. A new, all-terrain tyre was developed especially for Adventure to give a smoother ride and easy rotation on smooth surfaces. The raised centre provides smooth running and ease of manoeuvring on level surfaces while the unique shoulder tread profile gives enhanced grip on soft surfaces and gives good, all round traction for safe travel across the roughest ground.

ON SHOW IN 2010

The exhibition season will soon be with us and you will be able to meet us at:

PMG Posture and Wheeled Mobility 2010

SECC Glasgow, 7-9 June

NAEP 22-24 June, Norbreck Hotel, Blackpool

Mobility Roadshow

1-3 July, East of England Showground, Peterborough



IT'S TIME YOU SPOKE UP!

We've always intended **The Spokesman** to be a dialogue, between us at Gerald Simonds and you, our current or future customers and friends. We see it as an opportunity for us to tell you about new developments in mobility and seating and for you to tell us about how you use them. Or how they could be improved. Or what else you would like to see.

We want to hear from you, whatever you have to say. This is your part of **The Spokesman** and we want you to use it. You can contact us by writing to The Editor, Spokesman, Gerald Simonds Healthcare Ltd., FREEPOST, Aylesbury, Bucks HP19 3BR or by emailing: spokesman@gerald-simonds.co.uk.



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THE NEW JAY J3 CUSHION IS HERE. JAY'S BEST JUST GOT BETTER.

Based on experience gained from the hugely successful J2 Cushion, every feature of the new **Jay J3 Cushion** has been anatomically designed for pressure reduction and positioning. The new **Jay J3 Cushion** now available from Gerald Simonds is an excellent solution for the client at high to extreme risk of skin breakdown who requires lateral and forward/rearward postural stability.

The result is a cushion that promises outstanding pressure distribution, reduced surface tension, heat and moisture dissipation, and optimal stability. It includes a choice of redesigned fluid pads - factory filled or field variable - a new cover, and it incorporates Jay Optiwell Pelvic Loading Area technology, designed to redistribute the load from the ischials to the trochanters, with the highest degree of anatomical alignment.

Available in many sizes from 30 x 30cm to 60 x 60cm, the Jay J3 is available in both deep and standard profile. The deep version offers maximum immersion for clients at the highest level of skin risk who may have severe muscle atrophy and/or tissue integrity compromise. The standard version provides pressure redistribution and stability for the high risk client where muscle mass and tissue integrity are not as compromised.

Pelvic Loading Area - sized to match the anthropometric measurements of the pelvis and is independent of the cushion width. The pelvis "fits" the well. This ensures achievement of the clinical goals of optimal pressure distribution and lateral stability.

Fluid or Air Inserts - a choice of Factory Filled or Field Variable Fluid Inserts and Single or Dual Valve Air Inserts offers virtually unlimited options for optimizing pressure distribution, sitting stability and comfort.

New Cover Technology - The new Microclimatic Cover is designed to help dissipate heat and moisture away from the body and is oversized to reduce surface tension, allowing optimal immersion of the pelvis into the fluid pads. An Incontinence Cover is optional.

Positioning Accessories - A wide range of accessories is available to customize the cushion to individual requirements.

Call us FREE on 0800 220975 for more details.

JAY J3 BACK

The benefits of the new Jay J3 cushion are maximised with an appropriate back support to optimise alignment, stability, comfort and function.



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ANNOUNCING THE NEW TILITE ZR AND ZRA SERIES 2



Wheelchairs that perform best combine superb fit with unparalleled quality of construction and the right blend of options. That's the new TiLite ZR and ZRA Series 2, now available from Gerald Simonds.

Don't you owe it to yourself to experience the super smooth ride of a custom-built, perfectly fitted titanium wheelchair? A chair that will perform as well in five years as it does today. Then why not try the new, adjustable ZRA or the outstanding ZR, designed for more experienced users.

The upgraded ZRA's SpeedLoader Adjustable Front Caster Housing quickly and accurately adjusts the fork angle in 1° increments, while TiLite's Tru-Fit System gives up to 3.5" of rear seat height adjustment.

The SlipStream single-sided fork has an integrated bumper and TiLite's new Performance 5-spoke soft roll wheel weighs just 1.6 ounces, shaving 40% from the weight of the original, 3-spoke wheel. The new Z's 1.25" mono-tube frame is 20% lighter than its predecessor but retains Titanium's 44% strength advantage over 7000 series aluminium.

With the new ZR and ZRA Series 2 you have the choice of more options than ever before, including

over twenty frame finishes, six colour anodised packages, and titanium tattoos!

The new Z Series. Custom-built in titanium and infused with human energy. Yours. Now that's cool. For more details or a no-obligation demonstration call us FREE on 0800 220975.



BUT WHY TITANIUM?

Reason No. 1:
Titanium absorbs vibration

Reason No. 2:
TiLite Titanium won't break

Reason No. 3:
Titanium has the highest strength-to-weight ratio of any metal on earth

There has been recent debate about the relative values of titanium and aluminium. TiLite believe that they both have their place in a range of custom-designed and built wheelchairs. They both offer lightness, strength and style and, between them, they provide a choice to fit all budgets.

Titanium is a valuable metal and therefore carries a premium. But what does it offer and does it represent value for money?

Titanium's unique properties - including high strength, low density, excellent fatigue life and corrosion resistance - make it the ideal material for wheelchair frames.

Smooth Ride.

Unlike other metals, Titanium is strong enough to dampen vibration. TiLite's trademark titanium wheelchairs offer the smoothest, most responsive ride of any wheelchair currently available, reducing fatigue and increasing all-day comfort.

Light Weight. Superior Strength.

Both titanium and aluminium are light and strong. TiLite offer a choice of the highest quality materials, designed to last and stand up to the demands of even the most active wheelchair user. A high strength-to-weight ratio means that TiLite can use less material to build a strong frame, giving a lighter, more durable wheelchair.

Durable.

Aluminium resists corrosion under most circumstances and titanium will not corrode during its lifetime. TiLite

offers a choice of a strong aluminium frame, or a titanium chair that has the added benefits of vibration dampening and superior durability. Satin and polished titanium finishes always maintain a new, fresh look and are virtually impervious to chips and scratches.

TiLite has many years' experience in the difficult process of refining and processing titanium into finished products such as their signature seamless tubes, using an alloy of titanium with 3% aluminium and 2.5% vanadium, known as Ti 3-2.5, for the majority of its products. Ti 3-2.5 was originally developed for the aerospace industry and its high strength and low density allow for the fabrication of tubular structures that are not only light in weight but extremely strong and durable.

By providing a wide choice of options and materials, TiLite ensures that the unique needs of each individual are met, an approach that has made TiLite the brand of choice for wheelchair users throughout the world for 10 years running!

THE POWER OF CHOICE

Gerald Simonds offers a wide range of power wheelchairs for use both indoors and out. They are designed to suit all budgets, open up new horizons and give unprecedented levels of access and mobility

Mobility is key, so you can choose from a range of models that are comfortable and easy to use at all speeds, whilst offering excellent manoeuvrability, both at home and in the great outdoors. A choice of front, mid or rear wheel drive gives added flexibility and a full range of adjustment options, special controls and accessories is available to meet your individual requirements

SPECTRA XTR

The **Spectra XTR** has been developed to combine powerful driving performance with comfort. High torque motors and a unique suspension design provide a smoother, easier ride. The interchangeable seating systems, coupled with a new, easy to remove, cable free battery system makes the Spectra extremely quick and simple to service.



QUICKIE SALSA

The **Quickie Salsa** power chair has a fully adjustable seating system with retro-fittable options for easy assessment, refurbishment and servicing. It has one fully adjustable seat with more than TWO MILLION seating combinations as standard! There are three hanger depths plus adjustable footplates and full height, depth and angle adjustment on flip-back armrests.



ALEX

Meet **Alex**, a modern wheelchair with attitude!

The key characteristic of Alex is its unique suspension system, which - together with renowned electronics and adjustable Sedeo seating system - ensure perfect driving outdoors. Compact dimensions and a very low seat height - from 48.5 cm (19.1") incl. cushion - also make Alex very practical for indoor use.



QUICKIE GROOVE

Quickie Groove offers you an independent choice of drive base and fixed, manually adjustable or powered seating, and delivers the most intelligent control system on the market. With speeds up to 13kph (8mph) delivered by high torque motors, the Groove's performance is truly astounding.

