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Starts October 1 and Valid through November 15, 2013.

Have you been wanting to upgrade to a Statler Stitcher? Maybe you want to trade in your existing machine for a new one and need to finance the difference. Perhaps you have a non-regulated machine and want to upgrade to a VISION. Now is the time to take advantage of this great offer!

Give us a call and we will be happy to discuss the program details with you or if you prefer send us an email to thequiltlady@patscalicoecottage.com and we will send you a one page PDF that contains all the information.

This offer is subject to credit approval. The offer cannot be combined with any other special. Only applicable to customers located in the United States (all 50 states).

Georgia Quilt Show

The Georgia Quilt Show was Sept 19-21 and it was a great success! It was so nice to see all of our friends. We appreciated you stopping by our booth to say hello. A special thank you to all of you who worked with us at the show (our class angels, sales representatives, and others who helped us set up and take down the booth and the classroom) we could not have done it without you! Be sure to check out our Facebook page to see some of the pictures that were taken at the show.

Pat & Richard Walker



Gammill GQ Talk Forum

If you own a Gammill and you have access to the internet we encourage you to sign up for the official Gammill GQ Forum on the Gammill webpage. Important information about your machine type will be published on this page only. Not on the other forums.

There are three separate forums on the Gammill GQ Talk Forum: Gammill, Statler Stitcher, and Dealer. The dealer forum is limited to Dealers only but the other two are open to owners of a Gammill, Statler Stitcher or a CHARM.

This GQ Talk Forum is also a vehicle for you to ask questions or present issues to the group for discussion and feedback and of course network and make new friends.

It is easy to sign up. Just click on the GQ Talk Forum icon at the top of the Gammill Webpage <http://www.gammill.net/> and follow the easy log in instructions. If you have any problems registering for the Gammill GQ Talk Forum please contact betseylangford@gammill.net.



Bobbin Case Price Increase

The cost of bobbin cases has gone up. We keep these in stock and only sell the official TOWA Bobbin Case. New Price: \$55.00

Following are some tips to use when making tension adjustments to your bobbin.

TIPS FOR MAKING TENSION ADJUSTMENTS PAINLESS!

Gammill machines are capable of producing stitches that lock in the middle of the batting layer and that are equally attractive on the top and back of the quilt with all commonly accepted brands of machine quilting thread. To get the desired stitch quality on a Gammill and to meet your expectations, follow these steps in sequence.

Top Thread Stitch Quality

1. Set bobbin case tension for the thread type being used. The "rule of thumb" is: with a full bobbin inside the bobbin case the bobbin, hold the bobbin case in the palm of your hand and pull the thread upward so that the bobbin case stands up in the palm of your hand but does not lift off the palm of your hand.

2. To get to the above "rule of thumb" it may be necessary to tighten or loosen the bobbin case tension. To do so, adjust the larger of the two screws on the side of the bobbin case (righty tighty - lefty loosy.) Note: When an adjustment is made on the bobbin case, the result of the adjustment should be apparent. If a change isn't noticed, then the bobbin case is suspect.

Bottom Thread Stitch Quality

1. "Rule of Thumb" on the Gammill machines is to have the main rotary (white knob) and the intermittent tension (black/grey knob) flush with the stems the knobs turn on. If the stitch looks loose, tighten the intermittent tension one full turn at a time and then test for results (righty tighty, lefty loosey.) To get a quality stitch, proceed to adjust the intermittent tension knob, one turn at a time and test.

2. The tension check spring on the main rotary tension should be set at 10:30. (The section of the spring closest to the machine is the focus, which needs to be set at 10:30.)

Tension Check Spring Tension

1. This tension spring needs to be set stiff enough to take slack out of the thread so the take up lever can pull the bottom stitch tight. To stiffen - use a small screwdriver and insert it into the end of the main tension shaft and turn slightly. (righty tighty, lefty loosey)

2. If the spring is too stiff, the result will be "eye lashes" when sewing a small circle. If "eye lashes" are present, the check spring is set too stiff, or the intermittent tension is too tight.
3) If the check spring is excessively stiff, it will no longer bounce up and down while sewing.



"Pokies"

Pokies mean tension is too tight on the side the pokies show up. Pokies are little dots of thread showing along the stitch path and generally occur when the top and bobbin threads are different colors. Even with the tension properly adjusted, pokies can and do happen. The best way to prevent pokies is to use the same color thread in the top as you do in the bobbin. Pokies can be less visible if a busy print fabric is used for the backing.

To fix "pokies" on the bottom, tighten top tension (or loosen bobbin tension).

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"Eye Lashes" or "Railroad Tracks"

When stitches appear as a straight line with dots along either side, these are called eyelashes or railroad tracks because of the obvious resemblance.

Eyelashes occur when the machine is moved too fast around curves or if the thread tension is too tight for one of the threads. If eyelashes appear in curves you should slow down movement of the sewing head while stitching the curve. If the eyelashes continue to persist then adjust the tension as explained below.

- If eyelashes appear on the front of the quilt, either the top tension is too tight or the bobbin tension is too loose.
- If eyelashes appear on the back of the quilt, either the top tension is too loose or the bobbin tension is too tight.

"Big Loops"

Big Loops on the back of your quilt almost always indicate that your machine is not threaded properly. Concentrate on the area around the tension assembly. You will probably find the thread is not following the proper course. Re-check to make sure that your machine is threaded properly.

Remember: If you cannot resolve your tension issues don't hesitate to give us a call.

NEW Statler Stitcher Touch Tools

Gammill is pleased to announce a new option enhancement package for use with your Statler Stitcher.

The Statler Touch Tools are used in conjunction with the existing Statler computer system, allowing the user mobility while working on designs. Several of our sales representatives have purchased them and they find them very useful when doing custom quilting. The Touch Tools also provide them with more flexibility if they need to be in other areas of their house or business away from the machine.

The Statler Touch Tools optional package includes: 1-Samsung Galaxy Note 10.1" Tablet (16 GB, pre-loaded with apps), wireless adapter, wireless keyboard w/mouse, installation guide, and wireless monitor install CD. Important Note: Statler Touch Tools is only compatible with Windows 7 Statler PCs.

Price: \$995 plus shipping

If you want to see an introductory video on the New Statler Touch Tools go to You Tube and type in Statler Stitcher Touch Tools or click on the link below and watch a live demonstration by Matt Sherman (Gammill).

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-kIdYg37AyQ>

New Products – FREE Motion Quilting Rings

Either one of these new products are a must have if you do lots of quilting on your domestic sewing machine or if you are the proud owner of the new sit down longarm by Gammill "The Charm". Yes there are folks out there that use their longarm and their domestic sewing machine independently.



The Quilt Halo by Sharon Schamber
Price: \$24.99
(1 per package)
The edges of the Halo are slightly

rough and rubbery. This allows the Halo to easily grab your quilt and allows you to quilt smoothly. No more gloves or uneven movement of your quilt while quilting. If you want to see a live demonstration by Sharon click on the link below

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SpmMYIDCrZw>



The Martelli "Grippers" by Martelli
Price: \$129.99
(2 per package)
Perfect sizes, 8" and 11" for free

motion quilting. Martelli's exclusive rubber backing grips your quilt top enabling you to easily maneuver your quilt "sandwich" as you sew. Convenient handles not only keep your hands a safe distance from the needle, but also allow for a comfortable grip of the hoop. You will truly enjoy these hoops! If you want to see a live demonstration click on the link below

http://www.martellicatalog.com/mm5/merchant.mvc?Screen=PROD&Store_Code=MC&Product_Code=GFM-08&Category_Code=FMQ

CPU Holder Side Mount

On Sale – while supplies last!



Statler Stitcher owners the current CPU side mount holder is being replaced by a slimmer version

to accommodate the new slimmer style CPUs provided with the Statler Stitcher. This unit raises the CPU 5 inches from the floor and it extends about 8 inches on the side of the machine. We have a limited supply in stock and we would like to share the savings with you.

Part Number: S-CPU Side MNT

SALE price \$90 (regularly \$100)

FREE Instructional Videos

Sew Many Treasures Machine Quilting
Glen Cook

<http://sewmanytreasuresmachinequilting.net/>
Glen produces some great videos and PDF documents on how to use Creative Studio on your Statler Stitcher and in SAM as well as tips on maintaining your machine.

Suggestions or Comments

We are open to suggestions so if there is something you would like us to address in our next newsletter please let us know.
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