COUNTRY FABRICS NEWS

February 2017

Bernina Foot Of The Month

Take 25% of the Bernina Needle Punch set #45. Enjoy this great offer from Feb. 1st - Feb. 28th.



Bernina Design Works On Sale

Let your creativity shine!

Save \$50 on BERNINA CutWork, PaintWork and CrystalWork Suites.*

Save \$100 off the BERNINA DesignWorks Deluxe Suite.*





Game Changer Financing

While the family prepares for the "BIG Game" bring home a new BERNINA and take advantage of 0% financing for 60 months on purchases over \$3,000 or more. This can be a combination's of new Bernina items.



Bernina Learn Your Machine

Did you know that if you own a Bernina Machine and it is older than two years you can take our Mastery Class. Mastery Class is geared towards your machine. You will how to use your machine, combine stiches and letters along with all the feet you have for that machine. If your sewing machine is embroidery you will also learn how to use that great feature as well. We have raised our price for this, but please note that if you have already been taking the class you have been grandfathered into that price. We did a little break down for this year of Mastery Classes. There will be roughly 51 classes which is roughly 255hrs. The new price for our one year program is \$255.00. With Mastery class comes with special discounts on class days!



February Sewing Class's



<u>Sewing Levels</u> - Every Thursday 1pm-5:30pm for any 2hr time block

<u>Mastery Class</u>- Feb. 10^{th} , 11^{th} and 24^{th} , 25^{th} 9am-2pm

Rent Our Long arm- 14th, 21st 9am-2pm

Valentine Gift- Feb. 6th, 7th 3:30-5:15

Check out our website as Casey is always updating it.

If you have any questions feel free to give us a call. You may check out our classes on our website.

www.mycountryfabricsml.com

Machine Quilting



Please take note that as of October 1st, 2016 we no longer will take any batting from outside the store. Don't forget you will get 15% off your batting purchase instore when you drop your quilt off. We apologize if this may cause any inconvenience.

Requirements-

-Backing must be 3" or greater than the quilt top

-1/4" sewn around the whole quilt top

- Both pieces must be separated
- Quilt top and back must be squared up

If you have any questions feel free to give us a call or stop by.

Bernina FREE Special



Bernina has extended their fantastic receive any one of these products for free plus shipping when you purchase an 880 or 790 Bernina: koala cabinet, Horn cabinet, 1300 MDC Serger or a 350 PE sewing machine until Feb. 6^{th,} 2017. Don't forget that with any purchase of a Bernina machine you receive FREE classes.

Q20 Sit Down Special

BERNINA Q 20 Longarm Sit-down model Was \$12,999 \$10,999** - Starting February 2



E16 Special Pricing

BERNINA E 16 Multi-needle embroidery machine Was \$16,499 \$12,999† - Starting February 2



Machine Rental

Rent our Long arm! Our classes for the quilt machine rental is picking back up. The class for this month is scheduled on Tuesday the 17th and 24th 9am-2pm. The cost for this class is \$100 that includes the kit with the training panel and a two handout pamphlets.

Stop by the store or give us a call to signup. Spots are very limited in this class. 509-764-4706

Machine Rental

Machine Servicing



Sewing season is in full swing! Does your machine need a servicing? Now is the time to do it before you're in the middle of a project.

For Sale

We are selling our quilt machine which is a Gammil. For more information on this machine please stop or call the store and ask for Casey.

509-764-4706



Row X Row 2017

ON THE GO! Yep that is this year's them. Once again we are looking for ideas for the row. Bring in a doodle of your idea for a chance to win a FREE row if we pick your idea. All ideas must be brought in to the store by 2/28/17



Bad Habits Quilters need to Quit



Have you heard the story about the woman that every time she makes a roast she cuts off the ends because that's the way she saw her mother cook it? The truth was the mother had too small of a cooking pan and cut the ends to accommodate.

Sewing can be like this too. You're taught or observe someone doing something and figure that's the way to do it. But there are some sewing and quilting habits that could be hindering your sewing experience. Here are 10 habits we recommend quitting:

Not organizing your fabric scraps

Will you ever use fabric scraps if you can't even tell what you have? Our favorite thing is to organize scraps by colors. If you don't have them organized, you might as well throw them out because they won't be used and they're taking up precious space!

Overly criticizing your work

Do you nit-pick and over analyze your stitches and points? Stop it. Seriously, just stop. You're not doing anyone any favors and especially yourself by trash talking. Why not celebrate that you actually made time to sew? Congratulate that you finished a project. Be happy that you created something that didn't exist before. That's pretty cool.

Putting water in your iron

We might all be guilty of this one. Water in the iron (with the exception of distilled) can corrode your iron. Or worse, a leak could leave a spot stain on your fabric. Get a spray bottle of water to help with misting needs.

Cutting the same place on your mat

Want a quick way to wear out your mat? Always cut at the same place. Mats need time to heal. Here's a little more on how to care for your mat.

Sewing over pins

Sewing over a pin causes problems. Needles bend, dull, or worse—break. If you have a habit of sewing over pins because you haven't experienced issues yet, please stop now.

Not maintaining your machine

Clean your machine regularly. Change the needle when you see stitch quality decrease or hear a gentle thud sound. Take your machine to the mechanic once in a while. Be good to your machine and she'll be good to you!

Not completing your projects

Having too many unfinished projects is discouraging. If you find you have a project you started, but haven't returned to in years, probably you're discouraged or simply not interested. This is a great opportunity to donate your half-done project to your guild or a friend who might love a head start on a new project!

Unthreading the machine incorrectly

When you change a spool color, the first thing we normally do is just pull the spool off the machine and pull the thread backwards through the tension discs. Easy? Yes. Bad for your machine? Yes. Time to break the habit and cut the thread at the spool and pull it out through the needle.

Using dull cutting tools

This is a no brainer, but sometimes you just hope our rotary cutter will make it a few more squares or that the frayed fabric edges from your shears aren't that bad. Sewing is much easier with crisp edges and choosing to use high quality sharps can help alleviate a lot of frustration and save time.

Using low-quality thread and fabrics

You knew this was coming! Low quality threads shed lint, break, and may not stand the test of time. Similarly, fabric quality will affect how long your quilt will last. We recommend buying the highest quality you can afford. This will make sewing and quilting much more enjoyable.

Casey found this blog post and thought everyone would enjoy these wonderful tips! You can find the website link below if you would like to visit the blog.

http://www.superiorthreads.com/blog/2016/3/bad-habits-quilters-need-quit/