

The Stitcher

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Hello and Welcome to our first edition of "The Stitcher" for 2011.

We were aiming to get an edition out late last year but we had such a busy time with Christmas and New Year celebrations and home renovations (we now have a lovely new deck which hosted family and friends over the festive season) and we even managed a wonderful family holiday which included some long overdue fishing!

We have been deeply moved by the tragic events over the last few months with people all over the country suffering hardship and loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone who has been affected in any way. It has been heart warming to see the efforts of so many to help out those in need.

We have decided to go back to our bi-monthly publishing of "The Stitcher", I'm sure the extra effort will be worth it! There will be some changes happening and we would love your feedback as to how you think we could do things better or thoughts of new inclusions. Remember this newsletter is yours as much as ours and we welcome all input.

Latest family news is that Jacob has started back at school and is now in Year 1! He is excited to have a new teacher and our first impressions are that she will be great and it will be a fun year.

Grant, our youngest, continues to keep us entertained with all of his funny little comments and actions. Grant is now 3 and a half and he will be starting Kindy later this year.

Dad (Bruce) continues to be busy running his lawn mowing and garden maintenance business as well as managing Sew Stitchable. We were delighted that Bruce was able to come away with us on our family holiday and he managed to catch a few fish as well! Bruce would like to express his gratitude to all of those loyal customers and friends who continue to support him and the business.

The Sew Stichable website is still undergoing some updates and improvements. We apologise for the time its taken to get things working properly but we are sure you'll appreciate all the effort.

We thank you all so much and we hope you enjoy our latest issue of "The Stitcher".

Damien

VASES OF FLOWERS BLOCK OF THE MONTH CANDLEWICK QUILT



This issue of "The Stitcher" gives a sneak peek at the soon to be released ELEVENTH block in the "VASES OF FLOWERS" Quilt – "Anemones". This pattern is due to be completed within the next few weeks but orders will be taken and dispatched ASAP.

In all 25 x 16 blocks will be released. In every issue of "The Stitcher", we hope to have at least one new block pattern to be released. We need to thank four wonderful ladies for their hard work and contributions in getting these designs released; Jill McGregor, Margaret Sampson, Pat Loose and Kris Petty. Margaret originally designed the quilt in colour but it also looks great stitched in cream thread. The patterns will be available indefinitely.

The pattern packs now available are—Anemones, Hibiscus, Freesias, Cooktown Orchids, Roses, Daisies, Tulips, Dahlias, Gerberas, Poppies, Pansies.

All "Vases of Flowers" pattern packs are only \$10 each

Postage and Handling for up to 3 pattern packs is \$1.40



SEW EASY CLEAR GRIP

This great product is very versatile. It is commonly used to hold down rulers to prevent them from slipping on fabrics when using rotary cutters but the possibilities are endless. Simply stick in on the under side of your ruler to prevent slipping. It can be cut to any shape and size. It can also be used for drawing around templates.

- Ultra clear
- Re-movable
- Reusable
- Delivers accurate cutting every time

Only \$9.00 each

Size—31.75 x 91.4cm



"GRANT'S QUILT" KIT



This quilt was originally started by Margaret with the intention of giving it to her youngest grandson Grant. This quilt was unfortunately one of Margaret's many UFO's and she was still working on the layout when she passed away. Since then it has been the intention of the family to have this quilt completed for Grant. The design has been completed by Grant's other Grandmother Carolyn Weston with the help of Grant's mum—Victoria. Margaret originally chose this fabric as Grant, like a lot of boys, loves trucks and diggers. A special thank you needs to go to Carolyn for completing the quilt and for working out the kit requirements. There is only limited supply of the fabrics used so get in quick to avoid disappointment.

Size—Designed to fit on a standard single bed

Kit \$95.00

Note: Fabric only available by purchasing this kit

CLOVER BIAS TAPE MAKERS & FUSIBLE WEB



This gadget from Clover allows you to create your own bias tapes in minutes. There are 5 different sizes to choose from 6mm (1/4"), 12mm (1/2"), 18mm (3/8"), 25mm (3/4") and 50mm (2"). They are perfect for Celtic Quilting, binding, leadlight quilting designs and more.

6mm (1/4") - \$11.50
9mm (3/8") - \$12.00
12mm (1/2") - \$12.30
18mm (3/4") - \$12.50
50mm (2") - \$17.50

Fusible web is a heat sensitive adhesive tape that is used with the bias tape makers. There are 2 sizes available -
 5mm for use with 6mm and 9mm bias tape makers and
 10mm for use with 12mm and 18mm bias tape makers.

Cost \$14.50

Length—5mm 25m roll and 10mm 12m roll
 Note: Fusible web not suitable for 50mm tape



QUILTER'S INVISIBLE THREADS



This thread is made in the USA using a single transparent filament of the highest quality nylon. The thread is soft and sewable and forms a strong smooth and balanced stitch. The thread takes on the colour of each fabric it is sewn into. The thread is available in two options—clear and smoke. Length—1500 yards

Cost \$9.50 each

101 QUILT BASTING SPRAY

Helmar 101 Quilt Basting Spray eliminates the need to use pins when putting quilts together. It provides a temporary bond and can be repositioned. It has a entirely new and improved formula which is non-staining, odourless, colourless, acid free and it will not gum up your needles. It can be used for basting, sewing, embroidery and quilting and is an absolute breeze to use. This product is made in Australia.

We currently have stock of the 165 gram size.

Cost \$9.70



"JUDITH & KATHRYN" COLLECTABLE CARDS



We have a good range of these cards in stock at a great price. The cards are printed in Australia and are blank inside. They come complete with an envelope and are sealed in a plastic bag.

Size : 15cm x 10cm (closed)

\$2.20 each
or
5 for \$10

CLASSES

WEEKLY—WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

(except Public and School Holidays)

9.30 To 11.30am

FORTNIGHTLY MONDAY NIGHTS

(except Public and School Holidays)

7.30 To 9.30pm

Classes are general classes where participants work on projects of their choice. Advice and help is given as required.

A variety of stitching skills can be worked on including: Patchwork by hand or machine; Appliqué; Candlewicking; Crazy Patchwork; Silk Ribbon Embroidery and General Embroidery.

Class fee: \$15.00 per 2 hour session.
All classes include tea/coffee refreshments.



"CHIT CHAT" TIME

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

(except Public and School Holidays)

1.00 To 3.00pm

This is a new time we have available for people to come along to our studio with one of their projects to work on. This will be a great time to get together with other people and work on your current project(s) or even one of those UFO's you have lying around while you have a chat and a cuppa.

The cost for the afternoon will only be \$5.00 per person. So come along and have some fun!

"UFO" DAY

19th March 2011

10am—3pm

\$20

BYO Lunch



This is a great opportunity to work on your "UFO's" It will also be a great opportunity to catch up with old friends as well as make new ones. Feel free to come along with any of your unfinished projects so that you can work on them at Sew Stitchable in a fun atmosphere.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR ALL CLASSES

Phone bookings are accepted with credit card payment.

Class reservations may be made by phone during normal working hours, or personally on Fridays & Saturdays from 9.30am to 1.00pm. There will be no refunds for classes cancelled two days or less prior to the day of class.

AUTUMN SALE



**Friday 25th
March**

9.30am—1.00pm



&

Saturday 26th March

9.30am—3.00pm

Selected items prices slashed!

End of bolt specials

Bargain priced books

and

Lots more



8" EMBROIDERY HOOP WITH SITTING BASE STAND

Sit on the base piece and adjust the height of the hoop to suit yourself. Tilt the hoop to the angle you require for stitching and when ending off threads, simply flip the hoop over. The sturdy hoop and base are made of beautifully finished Beachwood. Several hoop sizes are available, with the 8" size being recommended for candlewicking. Hoop sizes are interchangeable with the base stands.

Lap Base Stand with 8" hoop	\$85.00
6" hoop with attachment	\$35.00
8" hoop with attachment	\$45.00
12" hoop with attachment	\$50.00



"MARGARET'S CANDLEWICK DESIGNS" BOOK

- 50 new candlewick designs for 10" blocks
- Designs use only Stem Stitch and Colonial Knots
- 4 Pages of Colour pictures
- Instructions for assembling quilt, cushions and table runner
- Spiral bound for easy access and use

Only \$35.00 per copy
+ \$5.00 postage (within Aus.)
 (Overseas – actual postage rates will be charged)

WEEKLY STUDIO SPECIALS

Here is our list of specials for the next two months. These discounts can also be applied to mail orders – mail order customers, please request your discount.

**THESE DISCOUNTS DO NOT APPLY TO
ALREADY DISCOUNTED ITEMS.**

2011 Specials

14th February—20th February
10% OFF 240CM & 270cm WIDE
BACKING FABRIC

21st February—27th February
10% OFF ALL FABRIC ON FLAT BOLTS

28th February—6th March
25% OFF QUILTING STENCILS

7th March—13th March
10% OFF TORCHON LACE

14th March—20th March
10% OFF ALL NOTIONS

21st March—27th March
10% OFF ALL RULERS, CUTTERS,
CUTTING MATS & ALL TEMPLATES

28th March—3rd April
10% OFF ALL THREADS
+ ANCHOR STRANDED COTTONS
60 cents or 10 for \$5.00

**WE WELCOME YOUR VISIT
TO OUR STUDIO**

**FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS
9.30AM - 1.00PM.
WEDNESDAY
1.00PM - 3.00PM.***

Other times available by appointment.

**Closed on all Public Holidays.
We especially welcome Interstate and Overseas visitors.**

*During South Australian School Terms

FEEDBACK

We know that we have big shoes to fill now that Margaret is no longer with us. If you have any thoughts or suggestions on how we can improve this newsletter please let us know by email which is still margn@senet.com.au

Regards,

Bruce and Damien

2011 CATALOGUE

The Sew Stitchable Catalogue is due to be updated very soon. The new addition will contain more of our new products that have been updated since the 2009 catalogue. Check the next edition of "The Stitcher" for more details on what products will be included and how to order your copy.

DISCLAIMER

Please note that all prices quoted in "The Stitcher" are in Australian Dollars. Prices quoted were correct at the time of printing but are subject to change without notice.

GIFT VOUCHERS

Often when we wish to give someone a gift, it is difficult to know if we have chosen correctly. When such times of indecision arise, the dilemma may be solved with a Gift Voucher from Sew Stitchable.

We are happy to supply gift vouchers to the value of \$10 and upwards. If you wish, we can personalize the voucher with the person's name. Our Gift Vouchers can be redeemed on either goods or classes.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Starting next issue we are going to have a new section—letters to the editor.

We know that you all have great ideas and have lots of tips and tricks up your sleeve or just want to let us know about something. We would like you to share this information with us so that we can publish them in our newsletter so all our readers can benefit from your comments.

If your letter is published then you will receive a \$20 gift voucher to use on any of our products. This is our way of saying thank you for your time and willingness to participate. Your entries can either be sent to margn@senet.com.au or can be posted to "The Editor", Sew Stitchable, 2 Trafford Rd, Hope Valley, SA, 5090. We look forward to receiving your entries—Good luck!!

**Read above to find out how you
can win a \$20 gift voucher**