

December 17, 2008

Dear valued customers, business partners and friends,

As we are close to years end, I would like to take the opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation for the business we conducted together during this year.

2008 was once more a very challenging year for the sewing industry and its suppliers. The dramatic downturn of the automotive and furniture industry in conjunction with the financial crisis in general created new realities that we all have to deal with in business but also in our daily lives.

Today it is a common assumption of most of the analysts, that the crisis will persist for the next two to three years. To face that challenge, it becomes more and more crucial to work together in partnerships to get maximum synergies.

We are already seeing some success with customers coming back from abroad and investing in the US and Mexico again. In all cases they were looking for a partner providing expertise, service and quality equipment rather than cheap machines. Quality does matter!

Let us strengthen our partnership for a mutual benefit and I am confident that we will succeed in the coming years.

Thanks again for your business and support.

The whole team of Dürkopp Adler America wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and successful new year in 2009.

Kindest regards

Patrick Weissgerber

President
Dürkopp Adler America, Inc

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Machine in Focus:

745-34 Speedpocket Unsurpassed Price-Performance Ratio

No whistles and bells, just what you need to sew straight pockets!

The Dürkopp Adler 745-34 Speedpocket is **the most economic pocket welting machine in the market** and provides you nonetheless with all the flexibility you need to face changing production environments.

Originally designed for trousers production, the 745-34 Speedpocket reaches best results in production. Due to the easy operation concept, the processing of single or double welt pockets is possible.

Key features are:

- Freely programmable **pocket length from 20mm to 200mm**;
- **needle distances from 8mm to 30mm** available as a standard, other needle distances available upon request
- the **double capacity bobbin** ensures a high efficiency and a minimum of downtime;
- the **bobbin monitor** prevents you from running out of bobbin thread within the sewing process and thus prevents costly repairs of your sewing goods;
- the standard **laser markings** allow an easy and fast positioning of the sewing material.
- finally it is **easy to change from single welt to double welt** in no time.
- the optional **sensor for scanning flap start and end** facilitates your production process

Performance: 2,400 pockets in 480 minutes
(depending on the operation)

**Call us today at +1 770 446 8162,
ext. 1119.**

to see how we can
boost your production
and make you even more efficient.



Technical Service :

Announcements of Dürkopp Adler

This topic provides you with recent updates and announcements related to the products and services of Dürkopp Adler.

The following new and updated documentation is available for download:

- [Manual Class 281](#) *update*
- [Manual Class 887](#) *update*
- [Manual Class 910](#) *update*
- [Parts List Class 868](#) *new*
- [Leaflet Class 327](#) *new*

To access the complete download archive of Dürkopp Adler, please visit our website at <http://www.duerkopp-adler.com/en/main/downloads/>

Discontinuation of sewing drives — Additional Information

In addition to the previous announcement the sewing drive EFKA DC1550/DA321G will also be available for the following machine classes:

- Class **204**
- Class **205**
- Class **381 from October on**
- Class **382**
- Class **8967**
- Class **327 from November on**
- Class **367**

Machine class **204**, **205**, **381**, **382** and **8967** with serial numbers **from 300000** on (production start in October 2008) are already prepared for utilization of sewing drive EFKA DC1550/DA321G. That means that some additional equipments of these subclasses are modified to work correctly with this sewing drive. The modified equipments are listed in the pricelist under new material numbers and terms.

The changeover of class **327** und **367** starts with production month November 2008 beginning with serial number **from 608000**. Machines of these classes with serial numbers **up to 607999** can be driven with EFKA DC1550/DA321G as well by using an additional adapter (material number 9870 767036). This adapter can be ordered as spare part.

Additional remark to subclasses **204** and **205**: In order to drive these machine classes with EFKA DC1550/DA321G an additional Auto-Select-Plug is necessary if the machine is ordered without optional equipment like automatic backtack or pneumatic sewing foot lift (RAP / FLP).

Please pay attention to the according pricelist information of each subclass.

Quality matters :

When the going gets tough...

... only the tough get going!

Sounds familiar? But it is also the experience we face when it comes to sewing of really heavy materials. Only a high quality machine is durable enough to secure perfect stitching quality on the long run.

Together with our sales partner Weaver Leather, we modified our existing machine class **205-370** and extended the arm by four inches to a total of 16 inches. The now extended machine is sewing the heaviest materials and meets exactly Weaver's requirements.

As the leading supplier for saddle makers and manufacturers of harnesses in the US and Canada, Weaver only accepts the highest quality machines and sets them up to peak performance. Before shipping any machine to his customers, Weaver sews off each Dürkopp Adler 205-370 in their workshop. In order to be approved, **the challenge is to sew four plies of leather, totaling to a thickness of three quarters to seven/eighth of an inch.**

The Dürkopp Adler 205-370 as well as the extended version 205-370-40 passes this challenge without problems!

Vernon Weaver: "The 205-370 is an excellent sewing machine, but with the extended 205-370-40 with a 16 inch arm clearance we now have a machine that fits the needs of our business even better.



Sewing Sample with multiple plies of leather and nylon



During the last years we sold hundreds of regular 205-370 machines and have been selling the extended version since July this year. Our customers are simply enthusiastic. This machine just keeps on going without problems. Almost all machines we sold throughout the years are still up and running. To me this is the ultimate proof of quality."

As Weaver Leather is also running an own production line using Dürkopp Adler machines, Vernon knows what to look at to define quality.

The comprehensive experience and the outstanding expertise of Vernon and his colleagues make Weaver Leather a valuable partner to Dürkopp Adler America you enjoy doing business with.

Get your first hand information. Call Weaver Leather at +1 800 932 8371.

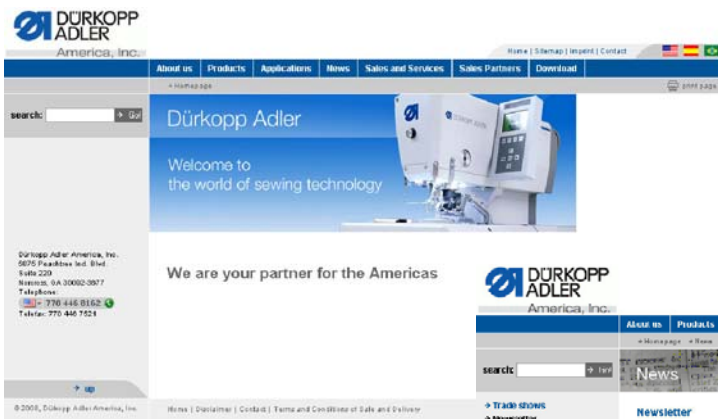
Behind the Scenes :

New Internet Homepage

Mid of September this year we went online with a completely revised internet appearance. The design of the new homepage of Dürkopp Adler America is similar to the global webpage of Dürkopp Adler AG in Germany.

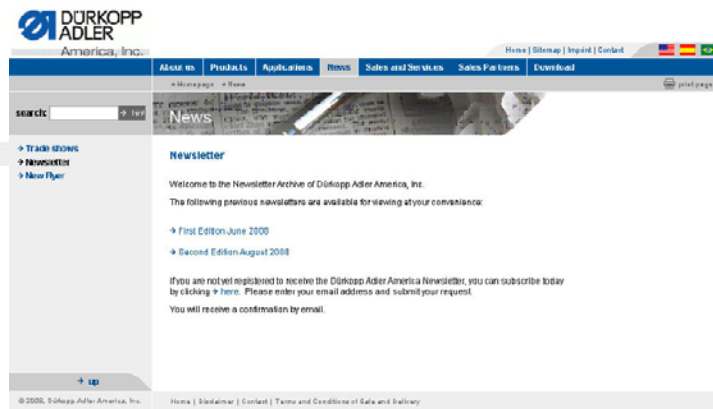
Besides the new design we also updated most of the contents and added some new features. You will see that the new structure is very user friendly and provides all the needed information at a glimpse.

The address www.durkoppadler.com will lead you straight to us.



Check out our new homepage and let us have your comments. We want to keep our homepage as lively as possible, so any suggestion is highly appreciated.

If you have missed one of our previous newsletters, you now can just download all of our publications in our re-designed news section. Besides the newsletters you will also find further announcements and promotions.



One of the synergies between our web presence and the global homepage is the possibility of connecting to the global download section. This ensures that you will have access to the latest technical documentations on our complete product range.

Just visit our webpage and experience the new design.

Fairs and Events :

***German Technology Days in El Paso
- Invitation -***

From January 20 to January 23 Dürkopp Adler America together with a group of German manufacturers will hold the first “German Technology Days” in the United States.

This is the best opportunity to experience all the attributes German companies stand for:

- Innovative solutions;
- High quality products;
- Expertise.

The “German Technology Days” are mainly focusing on the automotive, upholstery and shoe industry as well as on technical textiles.

Dürkopp Adler America is displaying the complete line-up of M-Type machines, such as the 867 and 887 flatbed machines and the 868 and 888 post-bed machines.

As a world premiere you will also see the new 669 cylinder-bed machine.

The concept of this show has been realized in Europe several times already and was an overwhelming success. We are convinced to have the same success here in the United States.

We invite all our business partners and friends to join us at the show and see how we can make your business even more successful!

Please confirm back to us at which day you want to attend the exhibition. We can assist you in booking a hotel room or organizing a shuttle service to the airport.

See you at the “German Technology Days” in El Paso!

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