1940 - Ashford "Homecraft" spinning wheel with double drive flyer.

1942 - Ashford "Homecraft" spinning wheel with pig tail flyer.

1943 - New Ashford flyer with single drive allowing quick and easy bobbin change without removing the drive belt. A patent pending was granted.

1942 - Ashford "Homecraft" spinning wheel with pig tail flyer.

1965 - Three knob spoke, simple maid uprights, leather bearings, hub screwed together.

1975 - Hard-wearing and consistently high quality nylon, impregnated with graphite, replaces the leather as the flyer bearing. A spring supplants the rubber band on the scotch tension. Spokes have single bump.

1981 - Two speed flyer with click-fit flyer bearings allow the bobbins to be changed without turning the maid upright. Tension knob is located on the front of the maiden bar to be closer to the spinner. The crank is now one piece with a cotter pin securing the con rod in place. The wheel is finger-jointed for extra strength.

1982 - Double drive with Scotch tension option. Spokes and maid uprights have more detail. Ashford logo is a circle of "A"s in the shape of a wheel branded on the single leg.

1983 - Nylon bearings introduced on bobbins.

1989 - Three speed flyer. Treadle board supplied assembled onto the treadle rails. Single bolt and barrel nuts used to assemble frame. Leather conrod joint replaced with round polyurethane connector.

1991 - Barrel shaped self-aligning wheel bearings introduced.

2008 - Ball bearings for effortless treadling.