

# WISH

New Year Edition  
No 23





In the past months it's been great to see new WISH members join us. so a big welcome from all the group. It's all about taking part, sharing our creations and gaining inspiration. We would love to see what the new members have been producing. Now that Christmas and new years are a distant memory we can look forward to some new projects. To reflect on the holidays we have some Christmas decorations Roxanne produced over the festive period. We also have lots of other beautiful creations. A special mention to Jay who has been getting stuck into lots of different activities recently. Later this year we will have the WISH get together where we can all come together & join in with some stitching & crafting in Inverness. more details to follow in the coming months. Enjoy the issue and we look forward to seeing your latest works!

'Life' is the leaves which shape and nourish a plant, but 'art' is the flower which embodies its meaning.  
Charles Rennie Mackintosh





# Janets Cot Quilt



I had used this pattern before for a bed quilt and thought it would make a lovely crib/cot quilt in shades of self-patterned cream and white. Finished with free machine quilting round borders and motif of teddy bear with red ribbon (Manchester United supporter!)

1. Is a photo of the original quilt made some 10 years ago with finished size of approx. 36" x 48"
2. Is the new white/cream cot quilt is approx. 24" x 28"



# Roxanne's Xmas Baubles

We made baubles, with our names on,  
with Pritt Stick dipped in glitter and hair sprayed  
over it and left to dry.



# Janets cake decorating cont!



A reminder of last years Ukulele cake

Do you remember last year the Ukulele cake made by me (with my daughter) for my granddaughter Ellen's 10th birthday? a whole year has gone and this year she asked for a Dolphin cake.

'Sea' above for Janets latest creation!! She has certainly done a fantastic job of celebrating her granddaughters Birthday. Do you have any ideas for a special cake? or have there been any interesting & memorable designs that have caught your eye? If you would like to give it a try get in touch & we can help. It can be a challenge & also a really rewarding experience and one that will mean the world to someone special.



# Jays Pram Restoration



## 75 Year Old Pram Restoration

The pram was really dirty & took a long time to clean. this is a very important if not a bit boring part of the project. I can assure you it's worth it to save a lot of hard work later on & you do get better results in the long run. This was done in preperation for painting.

Painting- Use a little paint brush & only concentrating on very small areas at a time & using little amounts of paint apply the first coat. At present I need to redo 2nd coat of paint. Leave a reasonable amount of time for it to dry (another important part) Then I'll make a start on the hood - it is now attached to the frame.

More to follow in future magazines



# Sandra's Stitching Projects

Sandra shared with us some of her excellent recent creations & kindly offered them for Jays raffle. Thanks Sandra!



Baby cardigan-Double Knitting

Sandra sells wool & her creations in a local gathering hall with lots of other craft stalls. Sandra is going to share an article on the craft stalls when they restart in easter.

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Shawl knitted 4 ply using 2 pins, Knitted on a circular needle. When finished wrap in damp towel to flatten & stretch it out

## Pram cover

Knitted with 'Pom pom wool' same needle as knitted cardigan. method: 2 stitches & add pom pom, Plain knitting, size: 16 x 20 inches. get in touch to find out more about the incredibly soft wool!

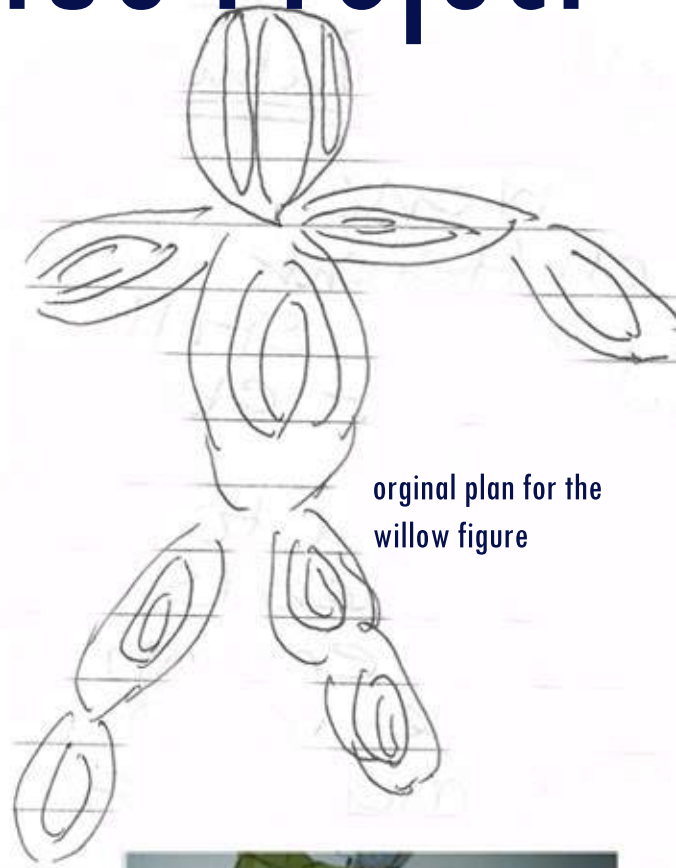


Shawl



Pram Cover

# Jays Willow Statue Project



original plan for the willow figure

I wanted to work with different materials, but still express my artistic ability.

Willow is quite hard to work with- it needs to be soaked enough to bend & shape into shapes, I used masking tape to hold it in place.

Willow cant be soaked for too long or it will become too wet & wont dry or work very well.

My project was to make an adult figure in basic shapes.

I achieved this using a Pattern of circles taped inside each other.

The Tape is secured to a small shape joining altogether to make the statue.



I had problems with drying the willow out & had to repair before moving forward





# Janets Jacket



A friend in Vermont USA had sent me the jade batik fabric with small pattern & I originally thought to combine it with 3 toning/contrasting fabrics to make a runner for my dressing table. When it was finished it was very pretty but did not match with curtains or carpet — in fact it clashed horribly!!

Hate to waste all that effort — and the colours are ones I like to wear —so I used an old jacket pattern, found some extra toning fabric and made this to wear on special occasions. Added the appliqué dragon made from scraps of gold fabric given to me by friend who does costume design. Wore it at our patchwork group Christmas lunch — much admired!



# Jays Patchwork Quilt



It Took me a long time to sew all the shapes together but the end result is wonderful. I Quite like an ongoing project but its lovely to see one completed.

I used to have a toilet bag with a small sewing kit & a selection of cut squares which I carried around holidays & hospital appointments etc It's very surprising how it grows once all strips are sewn together.

# WISH Message Board

Sue- I think the WISH magazine is great. Just a thought but what about a table at a craft fayre? We could raise funds by selling our small crafts. Perhaps at Easter and raise awareness of Befrienders

Sandra- I would like to offer items from my article for Jays idea of a WISH raffle or prize giving



**Submission date for the next Issue is 30th April  
we look forward to seeing what you have been  
creating**

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