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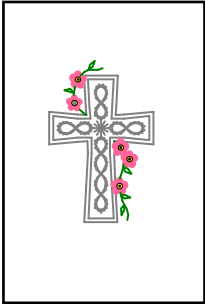
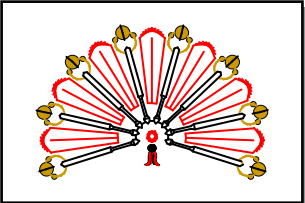

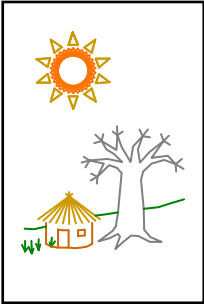
Here we go again and what a strange start to 2011! We are fortunate in Cape Town not to have too many weather problems although, judging by the freak weather worldwide, it may still be "waiting in the wings"! Our thoughts are with our Australian and South African counterparts who are having a really hard time of it.

The new designs are a "Quick 'n Easy" crop and we hope you will find something you like – The Bobbin Fan and the African Sun were requests so that is two more I can knock off my list!

My grandson is a delight and although we are saddened by losing Richard and his sister Jill in the same year, there is still a lot to be thankful for.

May the next quarter be fruitful and largely uneventful,

Sue in Cape Town

				
<p>C020 Happy Easter Code A</p>	<p>C021 Floral Cross Code A</p>	<p>FT040 Bobbin Fan Code B</p>	<p>K014 Gossip Bird Code A</p>	<p>FT041 African Sun Code A</p>
<p>See Special Prices on next page</p>				

"Hello from a very hot and humid Albury,

What a dreadful start to the New Year for so many!

Both Ned & I are in agreement that our wish for you all at this time is BE SAFE & MAY YOU HAVE GOOD HEALTH in 2011.

First of all let me say a big thank you to every one that sent lovely hand made Cards for Christmas - Prick 'n Stitch Designs of course!!

Apart from the crazy weather all around the world that has had such devastating consequences for so many people we have had news that a lot of our Prick 'n Stitch friends are having a bad run with health problems - we were so sorry to hear this and want you to know that we have you in our thoughts and prayers that you may recover quickly and the year will progress favourably for each and every one of you. *Continued...*

Since our last news letter we have had some very interesting phone calls and E-mails telling us all about family, weddings, new babies arriving and holidays as well as news about all the card making that has been going on for competitions and craft stalls, so congratulations to every one that has had an "event" happening in the last few months especially:-

Congratulations to:-

Margaret Schmidt :- who won full marks and commendation for her Blue & Silver Japanese Fan in the CWA competition, thanks also for your visit Margaret in October.

Elaine Cantwell:- entered cards in 3 shows and received a First and 2 Seconds all for her Praying Hands Design

Carol Henriksen:- been busy again entering into the Geelong Show and CWA with her Peace Wreath and Nativity cards. Thanks also Carol for the tip about using double thread for your Frangipani cards which makes the flowers stand out more.

Marie Brake:- for sharing her news about her St Ambrose Craft Group - always love to read your letters Marie and appreciate you taking the time to keep in touch.

Edward Blackley:- for selling over 250 Cards at Hatfield House - see more about this further on!

Thank you to Vivian Lovegrove who sent us a lovely card showing how she uses Crystals and pearls on the Xmas Fireplace Design to enhance it and we just loved the little cat sitting on the hearth Vivian!

Sharon Meyer has sent us two more handy Web-sites to share - one about making tassels and the other about card making supplies that she finds great. www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ra2qbqISwsM and www.cardsandgifts.com.au Thanks Sharon.

Carol Baker, one of our newest Prick 'n Stitch friends sent us this lovely story:-

"I thought you might like to know this. We have friends who live in Wales and they have visited us a couple of times. The second time we took them on a very quick trip to Tassie staying one night at Cradle Mountain. We said for them to look out for the Wombat that had on a previous visit come out at dusk, just outside the restaurant window where we were having dinner, and yes, he did put in an appearance. This made their trip to Australia"

You guessed it! Carol ordered the Wombat Design and the first time she works it will be for her friends Birthday in February - lovely story Carol and please let us know the response to your stitched card in due course.

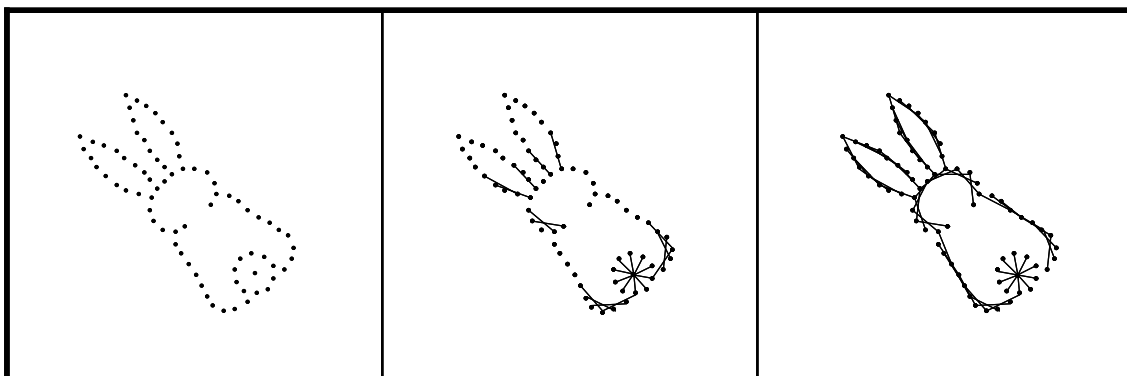
We also received a lovely long E-mail from Edward and Mary Blackley from UK with a couple of photos attached - one of the stall they had at Hatfield House, a Stately home near where they live, in November where they sold over 250 cards which Edward and his friend make all during the winter months. Well done Edward!! The other picture was of all the snow outside while you were nice and warm inside stitching your cards to re stock for the coming years events - I can't think of a nicer way to spend the time while it is freezing outside although it's hard to visualize while I sit here boiling from the heat in our air conditioned home!! Having mentioned in the last news letter about Bobbin Lace making we heard about two people that make Lace so thought I would just tell you about the Christmas Tree Festival held at our Church at the beginning of December. Any body can enter a Christmas Tree free of charge and we have open doors for the public to come in at a small fee and vote for their first three choices - the winning Tree has a donation sent to their chosen Charity so our Lace group decided on the spur of the moment that we would participate. We quickly decided on the Charity, then the colour scheme and got to work making White and Silver Christmas decorations in Bobbin Lace and Crochet adding silver & white Baubles to fill up the tree because we didn't think we had enough decorations made. It really did look pretty but as we hadn't thought of a name I quickly added "Bobbin Along" to the entry form at the last minute. To our great surprise (and delight I might add) we won 1st price so it just goes to show what can be achieved with enthusiasm while having fun along the way!

Until next time - Happy Stitching!

Liz & Ned

*****Freebie*** "EASTER BUNNY"**

Worked in Crossover Stitch (miss 2) and Spiral Stitch



Specials for this issue (available until 16th March 2011)

Design Only (not kits)

Normal prices:

Code A SA R20.00 AU \$ 4.45

Code B SA R22.50 AU \$ 5.00

Code C SA R25.00 AU \$ 5.55

Happy Easter (Code A)

South Africa: **R 18.00** (save R2.00)

Australia: **\$ 4.00** (save \$ 0.45)

Floral Cross (Code A)

South Africa: **R 18.00** (save R2.00)

Australia: **\$ 4.00** (save \$ 0.45)

Lace Bobbin Fan (Code B)

South Africa: **R 20.25** (save R2.25)

Australia: **\$ 4.50** (save \$ 0.50)

Gossip Bird (Code A)

South Africa: **R 18.00** (save R2.00)

Australia: **\$ 4.00** (save \$0.45)

African Sun (Code A)

South Africa: **R 18.00** (save R2.00)

Australia: **\$ 4.00** (save \$ 0.45)

SPECIAL

All Booklets less 10% (excluding Starter Kits)

Australia only:

Cards \$1.00 each (save \$ 0.35) until 16th April

Happy Stitching, Sue & Liz

Next Newsletter due out on 15th April 2011