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Welcome to my world

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Good morning all,

As you can see I have been playing around with the newsletter format again, though not at all sure if this one will be 'it', but it will certainly do for this morning.

I have to admit that I am really looking forward to having a working washing machine again, the laundry basket is bulging at the seams, despite a neighbour kindly running a couple of loads through her machine for me in the week.

I had a go at uninstalling the washing machine myself in the week, but no matter which way I twisted the little screw water was still coming out at a rate. So in the end I asked my nephew, who is a central heating engineer, to supervise me via the 'what's app' camera function.

Happily, as he has all of the protective equipment he said he will do the uninstall & install for me, I just have to stay in another room the whole time. Now we just need a delivery window to plan around, so await the early morning text.

This week has been mainly paper crafting or designing, but I have had the sewing machine out too, I wanted to get some face masks made in case the government decide that we can go out again at the end of this lock down, but only if we wear them. I easily have enough made now for the ladies in the family, but need to come up with some for the kids & the men – though I think I will struggle with the fabric for the latter. Even in this situation I doubt the men would want to wander around with floral face masks!!!

Image 1: A totally different form of paper collection to the norm as I take you on the journey with me in designing the initial paper to use as the base – that's the one I always name 'origin'



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in each collection – though I never got to that point here.

Image 2: The second of these really intricate floral decoupages, you can tell that I particularly like this image as I am constantly drawn to it!

Image 3: The only actual Father's Day design I have come up with this far, it is in card kit format, but nothing stopping you using it as a topper. I have given you a blank sentiment panel to cover the original, should you wish to add your own greeting

Image 4: The second of these mini ink pad storage designs now, this one is an individual drawer unit which holds nine pads. Personally this works better for me as I don't have all that many mini ink pads, but it will be easy to make more individual units should I decide to buy more! They are also stackable in a number of formations & you can make them with a decent card base weight card, I used my usual 300gsm.

Image 5: The final sheet from these card kits featuring children, where I ditched the usual accompanying mini images in favour of paper ribbons.

Image 6: The third of these intricate decoupages, though this one will be slightly easier than the other as there is only one intricate layer to contend with.

Image 7: The matching background for image 8.....

Image 8: I came across a bunch of images in my resources that I don't think I have ever used, so thought I would dust them off & see what I could come up with. There are four pairs of layered card kits/toppers, along with the matching background.

Image 9: A duo of rose oval decoupage toppers now, I think there are two or three of these – there were more but I binned some!

Image 10: Just something I have been playing around with, but haven't reached a point where I am happy, but because it is the stuff that I am not keen on that you seem to like I will use this sheet of toppers/embellishments as the bonus sheet for this morning. There is also a matching backing paper that I will post direct to page once I have published this newsletter, along with the final rose background papers & other bits.

This newsletter format has actually worked out far better than I could have envisaged, so I might keep it!

Rita x

