

Happy New Year



I decided it was time to change the picture I normally have on the website. The picture on the right shows my beautiful daughter in law Jess, Richard (my husband) and I while we were on holiday in Germany visiting my son, Sam.

The picture on the left is of course, my grandson Clayton. I thought something sunny and warm might help those of you freezing away in much of America, England and Europe—I hear its been very very cold..

I love the start of a New Year, nothing wrong with 2008, it is just that the `unknown` ahead is exciting. I can imagine all sorts of good things.. I don`t think `bad`.

Pictured right is a new piece for 2009—I love this bear design it really reminds me of the very old European bears with short legs, big feet, long curved arms and a hump on his back. Did you know that the `hump` on the old bears disappeared during the war years when mohair was in short supply and they were trying to save fabric. I haven`t released this piece yet—cannot yet order it.

Remember there are competitions on the Message Board - there is one up there today to name this piece on the right . The winner will receive my original sample of this piece.





`Frost` Dragon is limited to 30 pieces
And is an exclusive to
Fairytale. RJTales@aol.com



`Valentino` is limited to 30 pieces and is
exclusive to `Bearabout`
bearabout@msn.com



`Trixielle` left is a
Deb`s Little Gem
pieces.
Trixi is 2 inches tall
and wears a pretty
colorful dress.
limited to 100

Tea Party

We have decided to hold off on the Tea Party until April since we would like to combine the event with Easter which will make it a lot more fun. We plan to make it a mini convention since the Disney event is not happening this year.

Convention 2009

25,26,27th September 2008 Tampa, Florida

There is going to be a competition in the next Doodle to `design` the pieces for this years convention. The pieces will be used as prizes which means they will be small editions. The theme is `Safari` so it can be a monkey, zebra anything—as long as I can turn it into fur.

Doodle

The next Doodle will be sent out at the beginning of February. It has to go out after the New Year Trade shows because the stores need to see all the items first. The UK and US trade shows are the end of January and beginning of February.

Show Special IDEX 2009

I will be attending the IDEX Trade Show in Orlando Florida on January 30th and 31st and Sunday 1st February. Please note that the show is not open to the public on Friday but it certainly is Saturday and until 2pm on Sunday. For more information on this event check out the IDEX Doll and Bear show.

There will be a show special for the event but I will release it in the Doodle.

New for 2009

We have new dragons, monsters and bears and a new cat collection and more mice. Please check back on the 2nd February for the new pieces.

Life`s Lil` Monsters

I love this line. It is inspired by life, by bad habits, life`s problems and `little foibles`. The newest is `Little Pretty`. She has spent hours getting ready to `wow` the world, flowered headband, pink bow—only to find she cannot do a thing with her hair!!! The more she tries to tame it the more static it gets.

She is limited to 60.

Tough Knutts



Little Pretty



Duster



Button It



Snot



Party Boy



Chocolate Monster



Cherie- Valentine

We recently checked through our stock and found a few surprises, well actually quite a few. This was a lovely Valentine bear we did in 1995 and we have 18 in stock. She was also featured on the front cover of Teddy Bear and Friends. She was a limited edition of 300 but only 200 were made. She stands 3.75 inches tall. Very cute.



Ginger Belle

Ginger Belle was a limited edition of 60 and we still have a few in stock. She makes a lovely Valentine bear.

Don't forget to check out the Message board competition...

Deb