



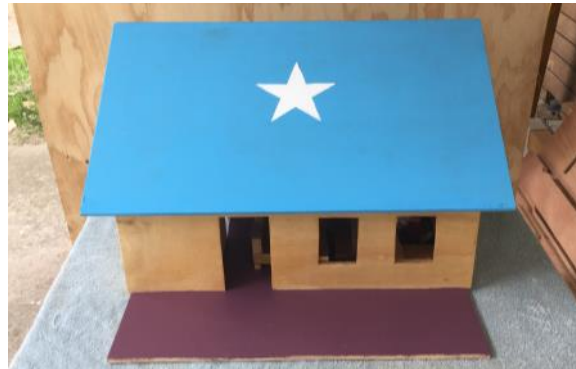
THE GERRARD DOLLS' HOUSE

For the past very many months and long before COVID, Charles Gerrard has been building the "World's Greatest Dolls' House". The story of the Dolls' House is the coincidence of several events,

Firstly, Gerrard's third daughter, Jessica, did not partner until she was 36 years old, so they had given up on the hope of any grandchildren from her. Never-the-less, very soon after, she had a beautiful daughter, Indigo.

Next, Charles' wonderful wife, Therese, encouraged him to join the Waverley Men's Shed and suggested that his first project could be a Dolls' House for Indigo. Charles started by buying a set of dolls, including; four adults, two teenagers, a baby, and a dog. The size of these dolls allowed him to draw up plans to a suitable scale., Charles planned a single level Dolls' House as this accorded with Jessica's house.

Charles tells us that he knew that his skill set was inadequate to the task of converting his plans into reality. **BUT**, generous help and assistance was enthusiastically forthcoming from so many of his fellow Shedders. A great **"Thanks so much for your help guys!"** from Charles.



Then after the Dolls' House construction commenced, their said daughter advised Charles and Therese that her family was expanding further, and the Gerrards' grandson arrived in August this year. His name is Aster, meaning star.

So now, the near- completed Dolls' House is for Indigo and Aster, which explains why the roof of the house is painted blue (Indigo) with two white stars (Aster). Therese will now do some work on soft decorations for the furniture, and then we will have Indigo and Aster's World's Greatest Dolls' House.

