

Frank Kitts profiles: Diane Strachan

Each week we profile stallholders at the new Frank Kitts Saturday Market.

■ Frank Kitts Market is open every Saturday, 10am to 4pm.



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Paraparaumu's Diane Strachan has been a seamstress all her life, but during the week real estate work pays the bills. She wanted to up the stakes with her craft skills, saying it would be a handy thing when retirement comes. The result is Stitch in Time, a

collection of ladies' and children's hats, aprons, and other crafts – including penguin dolls. "I had always done dressmaking and crafts," she says. "I've got grandchildren who love me – they are always looking to see if I've got a bag

when I visit them. "But I decided I wanted something else for retirement. "So I've been doing this for about six months." She reckons Frank Kitts Market is great. "There's a good quality of products here."