WHIZZING WHEELS

Take a large button and thread strong cotton through two of the holes as shown above. Give the cotton several twists, then gently pull the cotton outwards and the button will revolve. Allow the cotton to twist back by gently bringing your fingers inwards. The button can be made to revolve for a long time. You could also try cardboard wheels as shown below.

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