

Climate Change?

This picture is of our house in Wokingham on 16th May this year!



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Happy Christmas everyone and best wishes for the New Year. Are you standing/sitting comfortably? - then lets begin. Updating the heading has reminded us – we started these letters when we first married in 1969 so this our 39th year together – we think our 40th calls for a big celebration or a special holiday. We have planned neither yet!

We live life now in the slower lane which is great. Instead of trying to fit-in a round of golf before work we allow a complete day for 18 holes – is that leisurely or what? However, the children and grandchildren keep us up-to-speed it's like a whirlwind around them. Samuel, Dan's eldest, started secondary school in September (at this rate we'll make it to great grandparent-hood before senility strikes?) and Charlotte's youngest girl Rosie is now at nursery school every morning.



Charlotte and Shaun are busy refitting their house in Cheam – we think this could herald more calls on our baby-sitting services. Shaun is self employed and (to-date) his recruitment business has not been hit by the recession – he has lots of candidates so just as long as he can keep on finding them vacanciesCharlotte's two girls (shown) are lively bundles of fun, and Shaun's other daughter Josie is coming through adolescence and holding down her 1st real job as a receptionist for a plumbers merchant!.

Dan has changed his job this year he is still in Business Training but no longer travels into London every day. Joanna isn't working at the moment; she had an operation on her shoulder in the summer and has had some adverse side effects following cortisone treatment - we are hoping she will be 100% in time for Christmas. Their two children (Sam & Lorna) are madly active and we long since abandoned attempts to keep up with their growing list of interests: rugby, judo, skateboarding, piano etc etc. They can both beat us at tennis and golf but only on the Wii (computer games).



Mum is extremely well for her 88 yrs and, in summer, was awarded her Land Army medal for service in WWII. She is coming to stay with us for Christmas and we will be able to use her card playing skills (probably learnt in the war) to help in entertaining the young ones. They in return have promised to teach her texting!

We like receiving updates from you at Christmas and like compiling our news for you – so our apologies to those who groan out loud at the thought of another 'round robin' However, better than a letter would be to see you in person for a chat, so if ever you are passing our way, please do give us a ring.

We Wish 'A Happy Christmas' to you and yours.