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Happy Christmas Everyone, and Best Wishes for 2013

What an amazing year – Royal Jubilee, Olympics, Para Olympics, and Bridget's 44<sup>th</sup> Birthday (anniversary of her 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday!) We didn't get any tickets for the Olympics but Stuart went to Hyde Park and enjoyed seeing the Brownlee brothers (pictured) win Gold and Bronze in the triathlon, and we all watched far too much television.

We are both fine and Stuart has returned to full health after last year's heart attack. We have spent more time than ever in France and, apart from skiing our socks off in the Pyrenees in early Spring (to prove that we could both still do it!), we had visits in Summer from Bridget's cousin Christopher (and Rita) as well as family (Charlotte and Co ) and friends (Eddie and Christine).

We still play high-handicap golf (we reckon to walk twice the normal course length because of wayward shots), and we try to distinguish between the rough on the golf course (where we spend so much time) and the rough in our own garden, by weeding the flower beds & pruning when we can.



Rosie and Maria have joined Brownies and Rainbows respectively. Both enjoy school, love life and never seem to stop talking. They are great company and we expect to teach them a few more card games this Christmas. Shaun's recruitment business is doing well and Charlotte is now working part time in the offices of a local secondary school. They are all involved in their local church and there is never a dull moment in their house.

Sam and Lorna are now young adults. Sam is almost as tall as his granddad and taking cooking lessons from his nana - his spaghetti Bolognese is on a par with the best. Lorna loves horse riding and went to watch some of the Olympic show-jumping in the summer – lots of thrills and spills. The family had a dream holiday in Antigua this summer but Sam hasn't yet found a good recipe for stingray (see picture taken on holiday).



Mum enjoys good health at 92 although her last remaining brother passed away early in the year. She came down for a week's holiday in October and took M&S by storm. The leg-work was a bit much, but somehow she managed to career around in an electric buggy for hours. Although we didn't actually kill or maim anyone, we got very close to a couple of giant mirrors on wheels! She returned to Leeds with a completely new wardrobe feeling very satisfied with her trip.

If you have the chance to call and see us next year we are always delighted to share a meal with friends and of course we are en-route to the main London airports if you need a stopover

Meantime - Happy Christmas One and All and Lots of Love from  
Stuart & Bridget