

Humfress news for 2022

I know it is a real cliché, but the years are getting faster and faster. One thing is (if I am not tempting fate), although I have fallen several times this year, no bones have been broken. Bruised a little but not broken, hurrah. What a year it has been, the weather has been amazing, the garden looked a bit brown on the lawn but our new gardener, Pat, has been getting rid of all the nasties like ground elder, which has made a huge difference to the flower beds.



In our world, life has been going well, I just wish it was the same for the rest of the world. We have managed a few trips away, still staying in Blighty, even went as far as Norfolk to visit friends and family. Had a couple of weekends on the south coast and to celebrate my birthday we went to the home of The Repair Shop near Chichester and even telling them it was my birthday they wouldn't let me say hello to Will. We have celebrated

weddings and funerals and we cried and laughed at both.

This last year have done a lot of work to our house including our new kitchen. This has meant we have been to various recycling centres on a daily/weekly basis. We are even going greener with solar panels arriving early in February. I hope the hard work is now done for a while so we can go visiting more instead of clearing out junk after all next year is our 20th wedding anniversary (April 12th) and we would like to go for a good holiday. Not sure where we are going yet.



The big news about my family is that Terry has moved, she has gone lateral living (in a flat) in Claygate, near her son Jonathan and his family. It did create a lot of work for us but I think I can safely say she is happily ensconced there but some furniture is now needed as most of the cupboards in Putney were built in.



We had a great time for the platinum jubilee party in the village (pic). IN September, Pewsey decided to reinstate Carnival after the 2-year break. This started well with a fantastic Ball until our beloved Queen died. Obviously, events got cancelled or postponed but the Pewsey Parish Council (which I am still a member) did an amazing job keeping us all informed!

On a slightly different twist I heard that Jan, my ex-husband had died. He had been living in Ecuador since 2015 and was undergoing a hip replacement operation and unfortunately didn't survive. My feeling of loss surprised me.

Dave's three grandchildren continue to grow (as you might expect) and give him great pleasure, despite the trek to East Anglia to see them. Willow will be Five in January, Ada (Ben's daughter) was four in November and Alex is three in April. Lisa has just moved into a new home in Braintree with 4 bedrooms so big enough for the family and for us to stay over. This picture taken in September.



We continue to be active in the local community running the bridge club and the U3A gardening group as well as my council duties. We enjoy the U3A wine tasting each month and Dave goes for long walks with the U3A walking group (pic yesterday).

Short and sweet this year but we send lots of love to everyone. Please come visit as we would love to see you.

Lots of Love

Lizzie & Dave