

Newsletter Christmas 2012 26 Palmbrook Avenue, Havelock North, New Zealand, 4130

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Greetings Everyone: Best Wishes to you all for the coming Christmas and the New Year. We hope that you have good health and can join in celebrations with your family and friends wherever you are.

We are grateful that we have been able to enjoy a milestone year with our family. In a few days Rita and I will have reached three-quarters of a century and have already celebrated our Golden Wedding of 50 years. This was a wonderful occasion with all the family staying at our favourite resort of Twin Waters in Queensland Australia. The children enjoyed all the activities of Sailing; swimming; cycling; fishing; archery; sand castle competitions and of now of course shopping for the latest Aussie fashions. The wildlife was as lovely as ever and the kangaroos were very friendly. Have a look at the video I posted on You Tube.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FkOjlc7xe14&feature=youtube_gdata

Or go to You Tube and search for EnkayRK







1958 To 2012

Last Christmas saw Diane and family in the UK but this year we will all be in NZ. Prior to Christmas Diane and family will be in South Island but will return to Wellington for Christmas. We will travel down there to spend the holiday with them. Then David's and Diane's families will all come to us in Hawkes Bay in the New Year for a full family reunion once more.

Summer has come early this year and we have had to water the garden regularly. The roses, sweet peas, geraniums, petunias, mesembrianthemums and lavatera are in full bloom. (Garden Pictures Below)



The grandchildren continue to grow at an ever increasing rate and the eldest are young adults. Katie and Andrea have just completed their year 12 (Form 6) exams and have achieved excellences in many science and arts subjects. Katie has been chosen to attend a prestigious science summer school at Otago University and will also take part in the Chemistry Olympiad. Adam continues to excel in Science and Maths at Scotts College and surprised everyone by coming top in French. He is coming to Hawkes Bay soon to develop a school project in aeronautics with some grandparent advice. Logan is leaving us all behind in his technical abilities in computing and helped David with his company.



















ANDREA & Friend

DAVID & RITA

Diane continues with her jet setting with her medical duties here and in Australia and giving papers at conferences. David also has been to the USA and Australia with his company work.

Rita and I; fighting the progressive aging process; continue with our walks; cinema; Probus and computing activities and as my planes become larger and faster and take more car space. Rita helps out at the flying field talking to the public who always want information. Rita is well on the way to recovery from a cracked rib after a fall but my skin is rebelling against years of sun and a fair Anglo Saxon heritage and is needing constant treatment.











The Family with us at Easter 2012

Our Golden Wedding Dinner July 2012

The newsletter has been delayed (an age thing as it takes longer to do things-especially gardening) and I hope it arrives for Christmas. We have been blessed with a fabulous journey to bring us so far with so many wonderful friends and family and I may not have mentioned this before but I can only thank our parents in the way they cared for us, taught us and laid the foundations for our lives. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Have a lovely Christmas and New Year. **Best Wishes**

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