

Things we did this year

... for the first time:

- All of us had covid injections, and Judy gave quite a few
- Judy has been painting ceramic tiles, which then get glazed and fired – see pictures
- Ben got a degree (MEng in Mechanical Engineering from Bath – results are top secret, but must have been better than OK because they are keeping him on for a PhD)
- Stefan conducted a Carol Concert (and did pretty much everything else for it too)
- Chris has learned QGIS (a geographical information package – help from Ben’s friend Matthew gratefully acknowledged) as part of a community-spirited enquiry into the planned East West Rail which may be passing through our area
- Chris has been playing in a brass quintet (sometimes also trumpet) – yes, really the first time!
- Judy & Chris did some recorded singing to backing tracks, as bad as it sounds, but better than nothing at all
- Enys has sold admission tickets online, featured a Fairy Trail during the summer holidays, and almost covered its running costs

... for the first time in over twenty years:

- ripped out and rebuilt a kitchen
- Chris swam in the sea off the UK (last time was near Aberystwyth in 1995, and it was COLD)
- choir rehearsal outside in a garden
- got a blue passport

... for the first time in a couple of years:

- Judy & Chris performed a choral concert in November
- Stefan got back to performing and music courses
- got a new guinea pig – white with a coffee-coloured face, so we have called him Poppaccino, as a companion for Popcorn

... and things we didn't do that we used to:

- go abroad
- give talks
- entertain friends

All down to covid of course – but thanks to the brilliance, skill and hard work of our scientists and health workers, we are in a much better position than last Christmas, apart from our politics.

Merry Christmas from Judy, Chris, Ben & Stefan – we wish you all a happier and safe New Year!



