

## 2011 and what we have been upto....



It is so surprising how quickly another year has flown by. A year ago I built the start of this website - it replaced an older version that was getting difficult to maintain and I promised I would spend some time in 2011 building it up a bit and sharing a bit more of what we are all up to.

That was one New Year resolution that didn't get kept as I update this with a little more than a week to go to Christmas 2011. I guess the main reason it has taken so long is that we have all been very busy and working on other projects too.

This time last year we mentioned we were looking at rejuvenating the garden. Well in the last few weeks the transformation has been completed. In the end we went back

to the beginning and commissioned a new design and layout. We are really pleased with the result.

The biggest change this year however was Peter starting at Reading University in October. He is taking a Computer Science degree and living on the campus. He has settled in well and even getting to cook the odd meal for his flat mates. He has carried on with wargaming at Reading and has also joined the video gaming society.

Adrian is still working at HSBC (celebrating 30 years last summer). The ipad that came as a recognition award has been well used since with Matthew especially liking some of the games. He is still learning Archery and is also secretary of Lintman Archery Club .

Liz is still canoeing (secretary of the Basingstoke Canal Canoe Club) and Guiding. Guide Camp this year was in Norfolk and included a trip on a paddle steamer of the which the highlight was that Matthew got to drive!

Sarah is preparing for her GCSEs next summer and spreads her time between working, Ranger Guides, archery and some canoeing (when it is not too cold). She has carried on being a young leader with Brownies and also completed her Bronze D of E this year although she has to wait till next year to get the badge.

Matthew is now at Scouts as well as doing swimming and cross country racing. This year he played Tiny Tim in the school production of Scrooge.