



Patrick's been busier than ever this year what with food crises, the renewed GM onslaught and all that but has moderated his travel. Carbon-capped since July, he's been enjoying the delights of trains and ferries across Europe including to Barra in the Outer Hebrides for the annual Crofters' Gathering.

We've met up with most of the family in Denmark and Pewsey (above) whence we await joyous news from Sanne.



Maria has spent the second half of the year as Alex's Tia Maria. She is very busy with courses, Shelter, the gym, and, of course, Sapphie...



Tom and Kate are well. They moved to Gloucester as Kate got a new job to mind the roadside trees in the Cotswolds and Severn valley for the highways authority. It's a beautiful part of the country.