

Greenmount – August 2008

On returning from holiday, it took us about a week to adjust back to the normal routine and to sort everything out at home. After so doing, we are ready for another holiday.

The opportunities to work outside in the garden have been few and far between as the heavy rain persists. The last decent warm, dry spell we had was back at the beginning of June. The blackcurrants are in and awaiting a jam-making session. The raspberries have been very poor this year and many of the golden ones rotted on the branches because of the poor weather. The blackberries seem to be doing well and, as the bush grows, it promises to deliver ever-better crops each year.

Jenny has been ill with 'flu so we have not done much work inside the house either.

I have managed to launch a web site and you may access it at the following address:

<https://www.networking-consultancy.com:4433/index.htm>

If and when you connect to it, you will receive a message telling you that the site's certificate is invalid. You may safely ignore the message and continue to the site. The message appears because Matthew is hosting the web site on his server and he has made up his own certificate instead of purchasing an authentic one. Obviously some of the Yorkshire breeding prevails.

The web site currently contains a short piece on each member of the family and a link to the family tree. It will shortly contain some technical PC tips. If anyone wants to contribute anything to the site, please let me know.

This is my first stab at web site development and I am thinking of enrolling in a course at the local adult education centre, so, hopefully, it will evolve.

Some of you will have received the news article about Carrie, having made page 3, in the local rag, that is. For the benefit of all, Carrie is now officially in remission and plans to return to work in September.

The radiotherapy treatment was worse than expected and left her with a very sore throat, unable to eat solid food. Fortunately, the effect was only temporary and was eased with copious amounts of medicinal (she says) alcohol.

Carrie's hair is starting to grow again except for a small square patch at the back that was accidentally zapped by the radiation on exit. This will take a little longer to regenerate, making her designer hair style somewhat unique.