

Dear friends and family,

2011 is nearly at its end, and so it is time for me to sit and say hello to all the people that we just don't get a chance to talk to throughout the year.

We have had a busy year, and have enjoyed some family time together, but also, as the girls are getting older, we have also been going our separate ways. Earlier in the year we were able to holiday together at Caloundra and Mermaid Beach. Ken and the girls have gone on S.U. camps together (training week, and Bek and Ken on Sunny Coast schoolies), which has given



me some time for myself during the June and September holidays. We have just returned from 6 days in Melbourne, watching Han play volleyball and then we hired a motor home and travelled the Great Ocean Rd, and then to Ballarat. The all time highlight was a helicopter ride over the 12 Apostles. Absolutely amazing!

Bek celebrated her 18<sup>th</sup> b'day in style with a rooftop party earlier in the year.

Unfortunately it was postponed to Feb, due to all the flooding in Brisbane. She



has enjoyed her 1<sup>st</sup> year at Christian Heritage College, studying Primary Teaching. Uni life really suits Bek, and she has made some great friends there, and also through her ministry time with S.U. She has been a leader on Training Week and Sunny Coast Schoolies. It has been so encouraging to see her get involved with all these camps that she once came on with us as a small child.

We have another Learner Driver in the house! Hannah has just completed Yr 11, and has excelled in her marks. We have been really proud of her efforts, and she is being rewarded for them. Hannah has been voted in as vice-Captain of her school sporting house, and also vice-Captain of RIZN, which is the Christian group run at school. She also continues to enjoy playing Volleyball, and played with her team in Melbourne for the Australian Schools Volleyball cup.



2011 has been a bit of a struggle once again with my back. It is 2 years since I had original torn disc issues, and by the time you receive this letter I will have had a Medial Branch Block (6/12/11), which burnt 3 small nerves in my lower back to hopefully allow my muscles to gain some strength. I have just completed my 10<sup>th</sup> year of working at Redlands College, and love working in the Primary Support. I started to learn to play the piano earlier this year, and enjoyed the challenge, and hopefully, once the back issues are settled, I will start again.



Ken, as usual remains busy working with Scripture Union. To add some extra excitement to his life, he also recommenced studying! He is also involved with the local Men's Shed, and continues to visit Fraser Island with a group of men, which I think he enjoys after being in a female dominated household! Ken and the girls continue to play rebound volleyball, though the teams continue to change, and new friends are added.

We as a family continue to do Year 7/8 (now called 628 camp) in January, and it is in its 20<sup>th</sup> year. It is exciting seeing our beautiful girls growing up and also growing in their own personal faith. Both the girls attend Cleveland Baptist at night, and it is encouraging to see them becoming responsible adults. All the hard work when they were little was worth it!

We pray that your Christmas and New Year may be one of peace and happiness. If you are near our home, please give us a call, drop in and have a cuppa. We would love to see you.

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