The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness has never put it out

Celebrating 30 Years
Yes, that’s right: it’s hard to believe that three decades have passed since that day in 1987 when we said, “I will!” We celebrated with a day out in Bath (and bought each other presents, of course!).

Swimming the Channel—again!
A huge thank you to everyone who sponsored Sue in this year’s Aspire Channel Swim Challenge: in the 12 weeks Sue swam over 50 miles—more than double the distance—and raised more than £724 (plus Gift Aid) to support people with spinal injuries.

Beyond Caen Hill...
The world-famous flight of Caen Hill locks, through which we rowed back again of course. If you’ve never been to Caen Hill, you should: it’s one of the wonders of the world.

Cruising the Norwegian Fjords
The year’s highlight came early on, a cruise around the Norwegian Fjords on Hurtigruten’s MS Finnmarken at the end of March. It’s a holiday we promised ourselves many years ago and this year’s trip exceeded all our expectations. For Sue, this trip was the highlight of the year, and for Phil, it was a chance to see a part of the world he had only ever read about. The trip was a huge success, with everyone who participated having a fantastic time. We cannot recommend this trip highly enough, and we look forward to visiting the Norwegian Fjords again in the future.

Learning...
Both of us are on a steep learning curve at the moment: for Phil, the L-plates are out as he—at long last!—learns to drive; and for Sue, it’s getting to grips with Canon (aka Ecclesiastical) Law. Ooo-er...

With our love, prayers and very best wishes for Christmas and the coming year,

Phil & Sue