

Merry Christmas  
and a  
Happy New Year



Love  
Roger, Jayne and  
Casey

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**Have a great Christmas!**



# Welcome to the NINETEENTH edition of Stack News

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The printer's switched on  
And there's plenty of ink.  
Fresh pack of card ready to go  
Jayne's done the artwork  
Don't mind the commotion  
It's only Stack News n,n,nineteen!



Apparently Albert Einstein once said, time only exists 'so that everything doesn't happen at once', and almost everyone feels that time is passing faster now compared to when they were half or a quarter as old as now. Psychologist Hudson Hoagland showed that raising a person's body temperature can slow down their sense of time passing by up to 20%, so if for you too 2015 has flown by it might be worth turning up the heating!

The year passed quite quietly for us – Casey had most of the excitement! We'll hear from him later.

Jayne continues the 'battle of the brushes' and joined Hayle Art Society along with continuing at Wesley Rock (Heamoor) and Allsorts at Illogan.

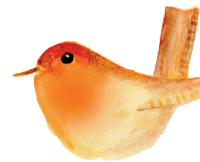
No classes at Sennen this year, but she sold some work at their exhibition in February and Jayne's new 'Zazzle' stores look promising. (Zazzle is an online retailer that creates and sells merchandise using images you load up – see links). Jayne's art is not intended



to make money – but these 'contributions' buy more materials some of which are surprisingly expensive. Recently received is a limited edition print by another artist that Jayne spotted on the internet. His drawing was based on Jayne's photo of our first greyhound, Blue – without permission. So the print was by way of compensation.

Roger managed even more beach days this year but (at last) finished his upgrade of our underfloor heating and various flooring areas. We've also had a major improvement to our broadband connection – not officially 'Superfast' but good enough to watch iPlayer or YouTube. Some outside jobs have been completed by our new Gardening Contractor – with more to come soon (hopefully). And after more contemplation, Roger has produced an 'architect's brief' and had initial visits from two potential companies for our new garage and music room project.

Roger attended a series of 'Maritime History' talks at Madron, and was joined there by Jayne for 'Cornish History' and 'Farming' talks. We're also going to monthly talks at Penlee House Gallery.



In April we had another week at Forester's Cottage in Wiltshire visiting Jayne's mum on her birthday and sightseeing including Avebury. Casey seemed to enjoy the sleep in the car.



*I did! Casey your K9 correspondent here. What a year I've had. I was taking Jayne out for a quiet walk when we were surrounded by a pack of ugly, nasty and mean looking fox hounds. I tried to jump up into a cloud to escape but couldn't pull Jayne up by my lead. Eventually some scruffy oik showed up and called them off. I get home and have to call maintenance to replenish my bean bag – I'm only 40Kg why do those pellets squash up? My people then take me to the v-e-t for a deep sleep. When I woke up I realised that they had stolen the dangly wart on my chest that I enjoyed licking so much- especially when it bled. My claws looked like I'd been to the poodle parlour and my teeth felt squeaky clean – at least they didn't nick any of them. Then there's the Cornwall RGT walks, the open day at the sanctuary, and the Christmas party coming up – I need a lie down. I'm looking forward to that drive to Jayne's mum soon.*

Despite 2015 being so much shorter than when Stack News started back in 1999 we have run out of space with just room to wish you 'all the best' for the festive season from:

*Roger, Jayne and Casey*

