

Christmas letter 2012



Beatrix & Albert

Enjoying life in Norway

Still ☺ But then, we have very good reason to!
Here are some of the pleasures in our life.



Treated to a RBK football game in May



Beautiful Northern Lights from our own window



We never get enough of the snow and long winters ☺

Most Thursdays, we enjoy a concert from Trondheim Symfoniorkester



Party time!

This year we had several parties to celebrate, both in Trondheim and the Netherlands.



In August Albert's parents celebrated their 60th (!) wedding anniversary. The entire family gathered in Ouddorp for a high tea and Albert's sister made a huge wedding cake.

In October we enjoyed NTNUs annual employee party. Many artists performed there, most of them coming from NTNU 😊



80: Bea's uncle Adriaan



In November Gertrude & Willem celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. They invited the entire family to Madurodam.



Visitors!!!!

This year as well brought several visitors from the Netherlands and the States to Flatåstoppen.



June: Ger and Marrie (Albert's sister)



June: Whitney from NYU



August: Bea's family, Annie, Cor, and Maartien



September: Albert's mom Marretje and niece Marijke



At Albert's work

Albert had another busy year at the Faculty of Medicine. Besides all the meetings at NTNU, he travelled to several places in Norway for his work.



February: Jens Stoltenberg, the Norwegian prime-minister, visited the Faculty of Medicine to officially open the Norwegian Brain Centre.



January: NTNU's annual leader meeting at Oppdal



September: a «team building and hiking trip» at Dovrefjell with the HR-department of DMF



The building where Albert's office is

Visiting Bergen to discuss the art of merging departments

November: the annual HR conference at Tønsberg



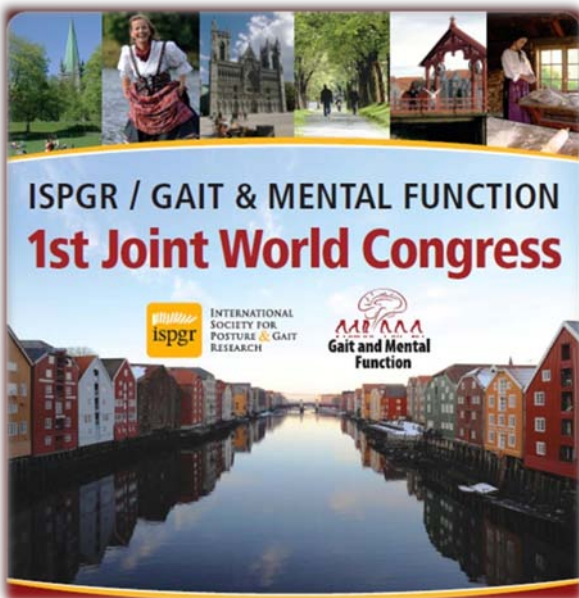
At Bea's work

This year has been busier than ever for Bea, did not even know that was possible. She is part of a large EU-project, FARSEEING, which brought her to Bologna in January and Manchester in November, and lots of work in between.



Rhythm & Blues at Mobex 2012 in Zürich

She also went to 2 conferences, Mobex in Zürich (January), and as keynote speaker at ICEPAMS in Jyväskylä (November). Albert joined both times ☺



The biggest event at work was the joint conference of ISPGR & GMF in June, for which Bea was the co-chair. Albert hardly got to see her in the spring because of all the preparations. It went like a dream, though, and Bea was happy and proud as a bee ☺



Bologna is famous for its archways



Viking dinner with Jarmo, Jyväskylä

In addition, Bea was the external advisor for the evaluation of the master programs at the Norwegian School of Sport Sciences in Oslo.



Travelling ☺

In addition to travelling for work and visiting our friends and family in the Netherlands, we visited several other places, both in Norway and beyond.



Escaping the cold April rain in Trondheim, we spent a warm week in beautiful Nerja, Spain. We went to Granada as well and were pretty overwhelmed by the Alhambra.

In May, we spent a weekend with our friends Karin & Christophe and their children at their mountain cabin at Nerskogen.



We spent our summer in Canada, visiting our friend Eleanor and parts of South Ontario, including Toronto, Ottawa, the Bruce Trail, and of course the Niagara Falls.

Admiring the Niagara Falls, both from the ground and from a helicopter ☺



We enjoyed the beautiful fall walking part of the Fjord-trail, with our friends Mireille & Erwin and their girls Mila & Lena.

Improving our house

This year as well we had some projects going on to improve our house and garden.



Painting the backside of our house



New sliding doors to the terrace



Replacing the birdhouse

Gardening



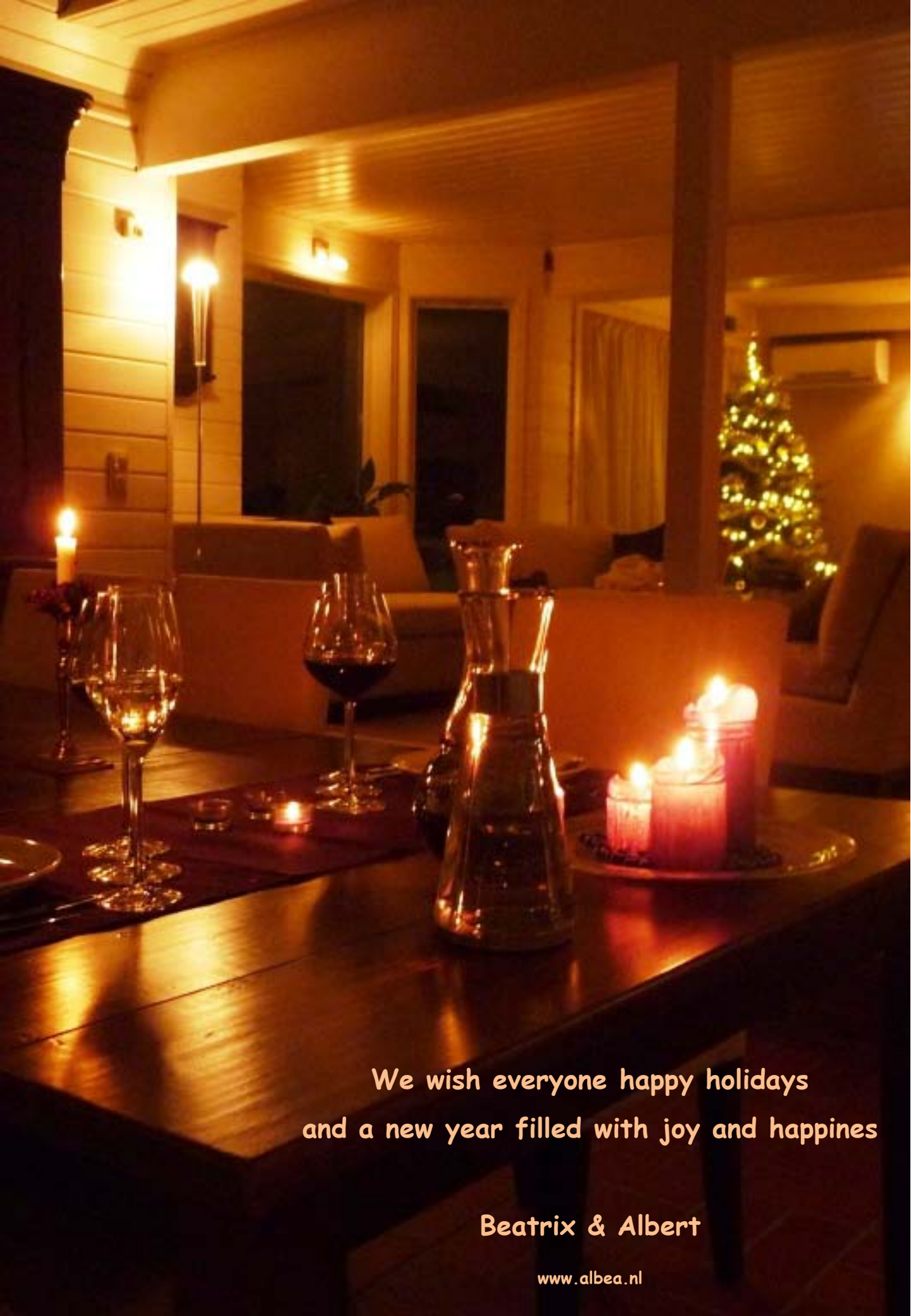
A new racking system in the storage room



A major upgrade of one of our guestrooms



New downlights



We wish everyone happy holidays
and a new year filled with joy and happiness

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