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This picture has been made in July 2019. It is exceptional that the five Dirkzwager-granddaughters can come together for dinner with their grandparents. They have such a busy agenda

The three eldest granddaughters play and train hockey 5 times per week. They enjoy it and they have good marks in school.



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Dear Stuart,

Thank you for the congratulations on my birthday

According Samuel Taylor Coleridge (1772-1834): 'The happiness of life is made up of minute fractions: the little, soon-forgotten charities of a kiss or smile, a kind look or heartfelt compliment.' And I add hereto receiving 'birthday greetings'.

How old are you? Jonathan Swift (1667-1743) was asked.

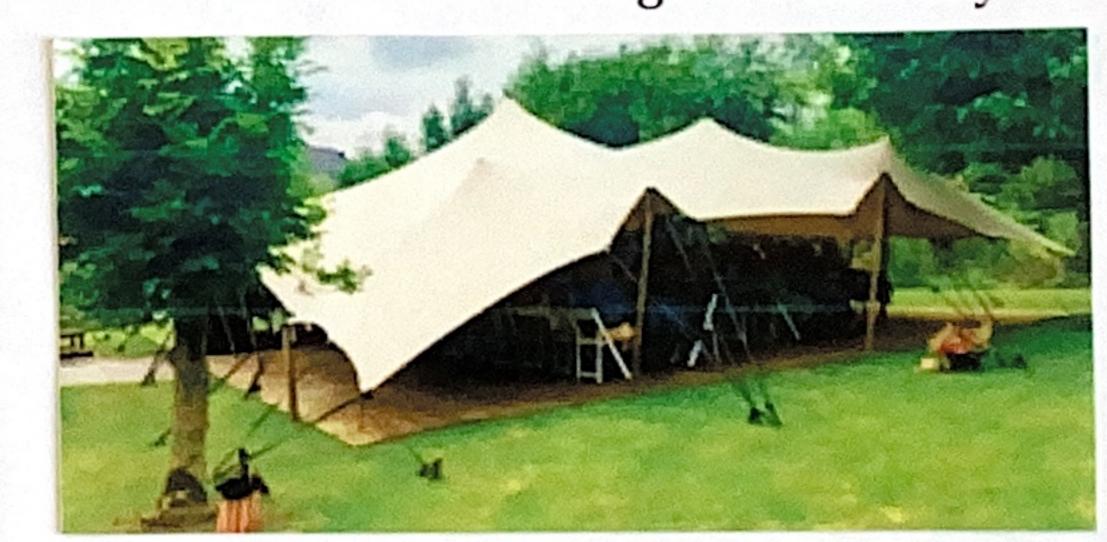
He replied: "As old as my tongue and a little older than my teeth."

A remarkable finding at a time when general dental care was not yet available to prevent dental deterioration.

You may recall, when we returned from abroad, we settled in the village Rhoon, a suburb of Rotterdam. We have lived there for 19 years. You cannot live for such a long period in one place and not making friends. A couple invited us, to attend their 50 years wedding celebration on my birthday on the 18th of August (my birthday) with 100+ other guests in their garden in Rhoon. We accepted the invitation as Floris was in Sri Lanka and Reinoud preferred to stay at home with his two children of 4 and 2 years old.

Only four persons living in Amsterdam were invited. The three of us drove by car to Rhoon. You recognize two people in the photo and the third is the wife of a retired surgeon, who had to fulfil another obligation that day.





all guests were photographed to present the photo allum to the host and the hosters. The host was a Contemporary from our student days. live got to know

have registered at universities in different cities: Leiden versus utrecht. That turned out to be no obstacle to becoming friends. It had been hjøyable de senner. Hope all is well with the family. We lay our dusterdam life! Love to ursula and you from Vera & Odrison. life!

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Adriaan This is to wish you a " A very Haffy Burttday" for this coming sunday and many you entoy many to work in the years to with all the very best from Urque and we Stuart-August 12th 19 E Tuesday of vert week, Whole +
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Spain. This year
the terry beaves from Prymouth so
(a charge from Portsmouth) so
we have a 5 hour drive from There. No matter, everything else Erenains the same - we strong & two weeks in the Sierra of Academa - (I hour north west of Sevilla) - our 15 usual destination, where we have & rented a coHage and then on E South to a customary hotel in the E outspirite of Marbella- for 5 days & Then the raining waters we olive vade to Sanfander Stopping on route in sweral place of interest!