



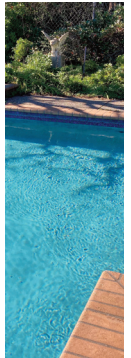
Christmas Celebrated, Chris Projects, A NEW Year, England & Puppy-Time

Robert, Chris, Miles, Brooklyn, Morgan and I spent Christmas in Oregon first enjoying Christmas Eve with Dave, Stacey, Ashley, Arya, Luna, and Enola. Christmas Day was, once again, spent enjoying the Pines' beautiful remodeled house. Chris really blew us all away with all the presents he gave. His woodworking skills are just over the top! He used wood from his old deck to make deck chairs that come apart to stack upright for storage. Then there was a LP storage rack for Brex who is into collecting LPs. For Sierra, he made a nocchi board with a letter S repeated on one half and a jigsaw puzzle pattern on the other half. Rylan's gift from Chris was a custom made phone stand/charger. Chris also made cool stocking stuffers— like surprise balls using a variety of colored crepe paper strips. and a tug toy for Kai using 3/8 inch poly rope. For more details and photos about ALL of his Christmas 2024 projects, visit osborncountry.com/chrisdec2024.pdf



Hoping 2025 is off to a great start for you!

How can it be 2025? It wasn't that long ago we were all trying to imagine how wierd and unreal it would be when the year 2000 arrived. Now 2025 is here and we are trying to imagine what life will be like with the introduction of AI and smarter robots in our lives—*turns out we already have a smart robot—named Viper.* Look how clean he keeps our pool!



Brex is now studying abroad. She flew off to England on January 3rd and is now pretty much settled into her host home located in Paignton,

England and has a roommate who is from Italy. She is attending Churston Ferrers Grammer School in Brixham and reports her and her roommate got lucky with such good host parents. They cook dinner for them every night.

Kai celebrated his third birthday on January 13th. Why is he pictured with the cute puppy? That cute puppy represents a puppy named Cashmere Sierra recently babysat. Cashmere is in training as a guide dog for the blind and spent a weekend with Sierra who has been approved for a local Guide Dogs for The Blind training program. Cashmere's family was out of town so she was in Sierra's care while they were away. When Sierra is ready, she will be receiving a puppy of her own to raise and train.

Morgan is now being introduced to barn hunt and still goes to agility class, both on the same night. Brooklyn is entered in a barn hunt trial at the end of March and this time she will have to find four rats when she goes into the barn hunt arena. And, I am pleased to announce, on December 30th, we were given the news Brooklyn, Morgan, and I passed our brace performance in the November Dogs Can Dance® Challenge scoring 144 points and placing second out of a total of 11 entries in the challenge. You can view our performance by visiting youtu.be/tasbaf5eaXQ



Christmas Eve Family Photo