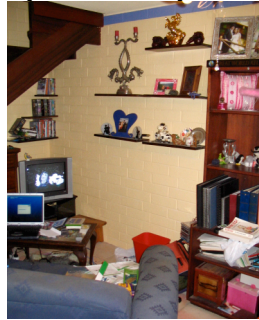


2004 –

2004 began with Tristan doing A LOT of fieldwork and myself also working for Geoforce as office manager. With both of us working hard, we decided to look for a place of our own and ended up buying our first place – a townhouse in Bayswater. We moved into it in April and very quickly set up house, and also fell pregnant around my 21st birthday.



Tristan organized me a wonderful Masquerade Party at my mum and dad's place, which was great fun! I got all dressed up Scarlett O'Hara style and Tristan went as Zorro my man in black. We had a great night.



We basically spent the next part of the year working and setting the place up for the arrival of Thomas, including getting another kitten – Dinah. Tristan had brought me home a lovely tortoiseshell kitten from one of the farms he was working on, Gabby, however, she actually died the day before we moved out of Hovia Terrace our old home.

We had a big family party for my grandmother for her 70th, and we saw lots of family and old friends. Then Christmas rocked up and the New Year.



2005 –

The beginning of the year flew by, even though I stopped working in January or so. It was very hot and I slept pretty badly with the heat and being heavily pregnant.

Thomas Jeremy Campbell was born 25 February 2005, not quite a birthday present for Tristan (whose birthday is the 13th) at 8pound 11ounces. I had a difficult birth, with a few dramas, however, Thomas was finally delivered safely and healthy.



We focussed a lot for the rest of the year on building our family unit, especially after Tristan finished a nasty stint of fieldwork. This stint finished up his semi-internship that all Geophysicists go through. Thomas was growing lots and starting to get very mobile so we decided that the townhouse wasn't the best for us anymore, so we bought our second home, a duplex with a backyard, just in time to host Christmas (which was a bit ambitious I know!) We all moved – Tristan, Thomas, Dinah and our new addition Jasper, and myself!



We saw in the New Year with news of expecting our second baby... check out 2006 for a full account.