



Titirangi Ladies Probus

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE. It's now our 28th birthday and we hope there will be many more. We are invited to use Pinesong's Restaurant and the Chef there has offered a choice: Fish and chips etc or roast chicken and I think everyone has made their choice. The Chef at Pinesong has won awards, so we should be in for a treat. There is a decorated birthday cake for dessert and also a cup of tea to finish.

THE September meeting has been changed. It will not be "Bring and Buy" but a series of raffles with a summer theme. Apart from jellies and tins of fruit, this will employ some thought! What is not perishable and goes with a summer theme? There will be baskets at the lunch for your donations.

OUR sympathies go out to Frances Lister who had a car accident recently and Tiny Gjaltema who had what she thought was a minor leg injury but turned out more serious and resulted in several visits to White Cross Clinic in Avondale. It was very painful and not improved by her restless leg syndrome. We were all shocked by the sudden death of Lois Hart, a quiet lady who served on the Committee several times. Another stalwart member having to leave was sad for all of us.

OUR main Speaker should have been Malcolm Anderson telling us about MOTAT which was started in 1964. However, a very competent speaker (female, of course!), who had worked at MOTAT for several years and certainly knows her stuff. MOTAT started by using the old pump house which is a permanent fixture, which supplied water from Western Springs to all of Auckland. There are exhibition halls and workshops including the print shop where my husband worked as a volunteer. It has over 100 plus volunteers – she did say the exact number but spoke so fast that I missed it as she squeezed one hour talk into half-an-hour, so I could not get it all down! And in view of the fact I have Duputren's contracture in the right hand which, if I can get it down I can't read it later! Having been to MOTAT some time ago I found the war planes fascinating. In fact it was the only one I was ever allowed to board to look at the inside. If anyone would like to visit MOTAT it is free to gold card holders and if you have a ATHop card the bus is free from outside Pinesong village (you need to cross the road) and it stops just outside MOTAT.

OUR Mini Speaker has recently joined our Probus club from another one. Maureen Hargreaves gave an interesting story of her life, having once been caught in a flash flood. Maureen has ended up living in Mangere Bridge.

Amendment to phone number: Alison Johnstone's number is 817 7064.

Kind regards,

Christine