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EVERYONE who went, enjoyed our Birthday Lunch held on 15 August at Pinesong. We were offered a choice – roast chicken or fish and chips. I chose roast chicken and it was very good and I'm sure the fish and chips were too. For dessert we had a big piece of birthday cake, made by our chef here at Pinesong. Members who were there were given a newsletter (I hope I didn't miss anyone out!) and there are a few left for those who didn't come. We were sorry our President Donna Glover was on holiday at the time, and we hope she is feeling better as she had an awful cough at the time we last saw her but Glenda Hanson, our Past President, took over with her usual pleasant manner.

We must also thank Margaret Bovaird who made all the arrangements for the meal, with the chef, and gave him instructions for a huge birthday cake (which was lovely) which some of our members had so indulged themselves on their first course they took their portion of cake home with them! The knife was first handed to one of our long-standing members who made the first cut and then the kitchen staff speedily cut up the rest. It all went very smoothly and Margaret managed to find a place for Xxxxxx who hadn't booked as one cancellation had been received. As this person had ordered fish and chips the newcomer had to accept this, which she gladly did. Thank you Margaret for your excellent but hidden work.

IT seems so long since I chatted to anyone, but if anyone knows anyone in hospital or unwell at home, Margaret Bovaird will get in touch with them.

TODAY is a mixed bag. The Committee were asked to bring something along which was very precious to them. This probably applies to members too, but as we have a Committee meeting a week before our main meeting, I can remind them! If we get too many, as we want to hear a bit of the story, that makes it special, we will pick out a selection and the rest, take back home and we might have the opportunity to do the same thing again. As we obviously have difficulty finding members brave enough to do a Mini Speech – I wondered if it might be a good idea to bring something precious to you, that there was no time for at this meeting, as I personally find it easier to talk about something I am holding in my hands, than standing looking at a room full of members.

Donations for the raffles are going well. I did say there would be baskets for donations at the birthday lunch, but I heard later that it was a bag! Anyway with my giving out the August newsletter I missed it, so I can bring mine to the Committee meeting.

If there is any time left I will devise a short quiz, which members will do with the person sitting next to them. I will try and bring some paper and pencils for those who don't have them – it will be a simple general knowledge quiz and if we don't have it in September I will keep it for another time. This is my own idea and not discussed with the committee.

THE proceeds of the raffle will go to pay for the bus to our Christmas lunch we have organised at the *Laughing Peacock*? The menu is slightly less than \$30 and seems good to me and the raffle will reduce the cost of the bus.

THE trip to Pukatutu Island on 4 October will cost \$25 which includes a morning tea and a one hour tour of house and gardens. It does NOT include the cost of the bus. The bus is the most costly thing now \$350 is the usual charge but Sharan Aikman is trying to find a cheaper one. It depends on how many people want to go. Some firms have buses of varying sizes. I am certainly looking forward to the trip.

We can pray for a nice day to Pukatutu Island's on 4 October which is a Tuesday. Listen for the details of when we set off, pay our fares etc. You will be told at this meeting

The next meeting is on 17 October, usual place, usual time.

Kind regards,