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Club Meets at Royal Oak Bowls 146 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, Auckland

Each Monday evening 5:30pm to 7:30pm, including dinner.

Newsletter to keep the Wheel Turning!



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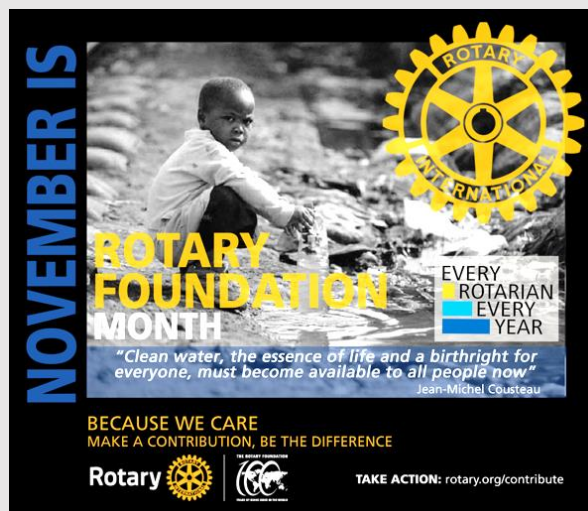
November is-

22nd November 2021 Zoom Meeting

Visitors: Peter Bossley, Jim Jackson

Members: 24

Apologies: Trevor Mosley, Ernie Meyer, Bruce Clegg, Ant Martin, Fatu and Parehuia Enari, Alistair Grundy.



Presidents Announcements:

Robin noted the good attendance and gave a special Welcome to our guests Pete Bossley and Jim Jackson.

Robin handed over to the Team of Four, Barry, Tony, Quentin and John Tapu, who are addressing the possibility of a Rotary project associated with the new Mangere Bridge.

Barry introduced the concept and advised that the final two parts of the bridge decking will be craned into place this week, and the Arch, which will be a distinctive feature of the new Bridge, will be erected in February 2022. When completed the New Bridge will be a wonderful facility for all those who want to use it. The opening will probably be in the second half of 2022.

The group has been investigating how the Rotary Clubs on both sides of the harbour could establish a connection with the new facility in a permanent way.

Some of the ideas included good quality signage and a QR code to link to a Dedicated Rotary Website to provide supporting information about the Bridge and surrounds.

The purpose of this is to raise our profile in the area and gain the interest of a younger generation in the opportunities of Rotary involvement.

Tony then presented an interesting and detailed show of the History of the Harbour crossing, the first of which was opened in 1875. The 2nd Bridge was opened in 1915 and carried traffic for 68yrs.

Old (2nd) Mangere Bridge 1915 - 1983 (68-yrs for traffic)



- [£25,000](#) ferro-concrete bridge w. concrete piles
- 11.6m wide for two-lanes & double tram-tracks, two footpaths
- Designed by R.F. Moore
- 1914: First pile driven in by William Massey (PM) on 20th June (11-months to build)
- 1915: 2nd bridge opened in May 1915
- 1970's: 1st ship rammed bridge
- 1983: Closed to motor vehicles (foot traffic only)
- 2002 Nov: Bulk cement carrier Westport [collided](#) stern first (controllable pitch propeller mechanism failure)
- 2005, Oct: Spirit of Resolution container ship [rams](#) bridge (Pilot error in heavy weather, [fourth](#) collision since 1998).

John Tapu spoke about capturing stories for use on various Media platforms to provide a human connection with the Bridge and the area. The Bridge has been a link between Mangere and Onehunga, as a physical connection between the two settlements and their spiritual history.

The Bridge was designed by **Bossley Architects** and **Guest Speaker Pete Bossley** presented a slide show of the development of the design from concept to design completion. Bossley Architects also designed the new footbridge at Raglan.

Pete explained, with the use of detailed slides, the design process and visions shared by all the interested parties. The council wanted it to be a destination wanted it to be wide and continue to provide some of the current functions such as fishing, picnicking and be a safe bridge that is well lit with some of the history of the place to be incorporated into the design. This was all part of the feedback from Public consultation. The connection to early Māori settlements in the area will be the commissioning of art works by Mathew von Sturman and Māori Carver Sunnah Thompson.

Pete took us through the design process and his vision for the shared use of the Bridge. It is an iconic design which will attract people to use the Bridge as a destination.

This was followed up with a lively Q&A session covering upper harbour small boat access, use of E bikes and E-scooters, skateboards, and Emergency vehicle access.

Jim Jackson was able to give us the benefit of his 10yr involvement with the development of the local foreshore and the Manukau Harbour in general.

2 Slides were presented with proposals for public wharf facilities in the deep water area between the new bridge and the SH2 bridge. Jim spoke about the possibilities of the return of commercial passenger boat traffic around the Manakau harbour. The current wharf is not available for this as Holciem have a 20yr lease of the area they occupy and could see the return of the cement ship traffic. Jim is involved with a group from Clarks Beach to re-establish wharf facilities there and Pontoon operations around the harbour.

Design Response

Urban Design + Landscape Context

Functional Requirements

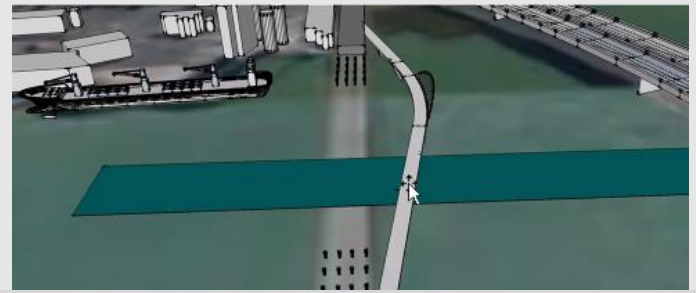
User Experience

Bridge Alignment

Structural form

Sense of Place

Spatial Experience

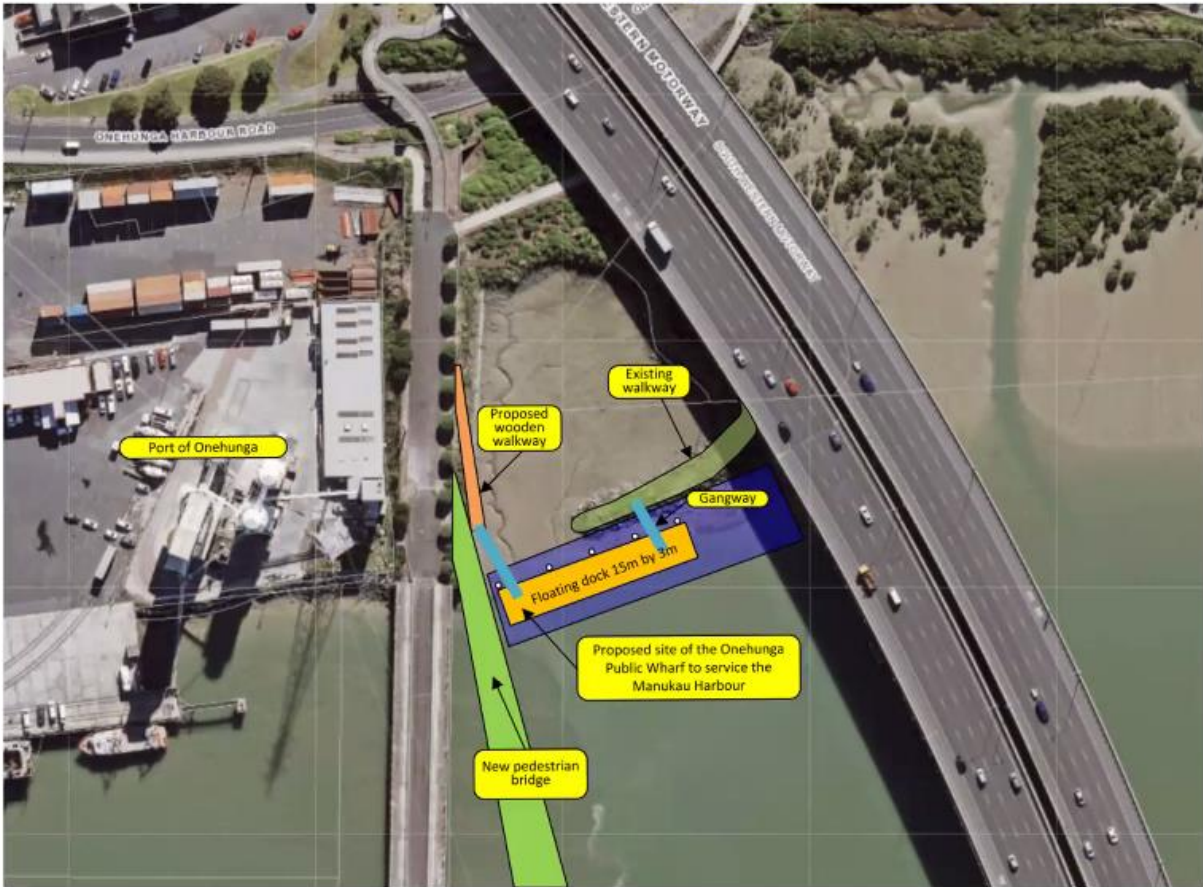


Feedback Theme from 2012	How it is incorporated
Keep the replacement bridge wide – similar to the current width	The minimum width has been increased from the original baseline of 6m to a new minimum width of 8m. In addition, wider bays of up to 11.5m will be located in key areas along the bridge to accommodate activities such as fishing.
Make sure it is safe – including much improved railings	Safety is a key factor in the bridge replacement and is being incorporated across a number of areas, including sight-lines through the bridge and new, vertical railing types.
Have it well lit	The design team are working to incorporate good lighting into the design and this will be a key feature of the new bridge.
Ensure that all of the activities currently undertaken can still be done so – both comfortably and safely	The project team took this feedback to the NZTA board for approval in order to obtain the extra funding needed for a wider bridge to accommodate the activities. The feedback and compelling community desire to use the bridge as not only an access way but also a recreation space has meant the team can now accommodate the increased width as described above, meaning activities can be more comfortably and safely carried out.
Ensure the history and character of the bridge is reflected (or preserved where possible) in the replacement.	NZ Transport agency is working with a number of key stakeholders including the Historic Places Trust and Local Iwi to understand key cultural, historic and character elements. A Panel of these stakeholders worked with the artists and the design teams to develop the design concept to reflect this community feedback



New Old Mangere Bridge
View 2 - 25 February, 2019

Close proximity to Onehunga Railway Station and town centre



Neil Reid gave the vote of thanks to Barry and his team of presenters for bringing all this to our attention and we have learned a lot about the area. He thanked Pete for his vision and how it will provide another focal point for recreation across the Isthmus. Neil thanked John for his involvement, and we will be guided by his expertise in the development of the Media content and marketing.

Neil thanked all presenters for a wonderful presentation.

Robin reported on the Te Tai Tokerau Mental Wellbeing project fund raising. District has raised \$578K towards a target of \$600K . Robin noted that \$100K support had come from a South Korean Club as the Global Grant overseas partner.

5-minute Speaker David Taylor left South Africa in 1986 and chose to speak not about himself but to share his knowledge about the third President of South Africa politician Jacob Zuma. David entitled his 5-minutes as 1st World law versus 3rd World politics.

When Zuma returned from exile having been a strong member of the ANC, .he becomes the deputy president of the ANC and the deputy president of the SA government. There was a bit of corruption during these times and the financial adviser was prosecuted and then jailed.

This opened the way to challenge Zuma, however this was stymied by the political system of the day and Zuma became president. David said the challenge against Zuma continues to this day and highlights the strength of the South African law system.

Thought for the Week: from Tony Rayner **_Lets Build Bridges, not Walls.**
(*Martin Luther King*).

Past President Bill Grayson's **Te Whakaora Tangata Trust** project has supplied an update on progress through a difficult Covid affected year and Bill will further report at the 29th November meeting. (AGM night).

Far North Graduation Stories

Click the video below to watch the stories of families that completed our recent Family Restoration Course in the Far North.



In the Far North, we were pleased to be able to run our Family Restoration Course in the weeks between the Northland lockdowns, and we're delighted to share a video with you below where our whanau share their stories and the impact this programme has had on their lives.

Date: 13th December **Christmas Function**

Note from Venue We expect to be reopening in early December when the govt has indicated Auckland will be moving into the Red level (exact date tbc). Under this level the following restrictions will apply:

Groups are limited to 100 or less (no problem for Rotary)

All guests must be double-vaccinated and be able to prove this by showing their Vaccination Passport (digital or paper).

Guests must sign in using the QR code or manual register

Masks are mandatory when inside the building, except for when eating and drinking. So guests must wear a mask when moving about inside the club (including using the toilets), but will be able to remove the mask when seated.

Guests must remain at least 1m apart at all times

Due to the risk of cross-contamination it will also not be possible to have your usual buffet food service, so all dining must be a-la-carte only.

I've booked you in for December 13, pending confirmation on alert levels from the govt in due course. I'll also confirm at that time how the vaccination passports will be managed by the club.

Kind regards / Ngā mihi
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General Manager



Host: PP Bill Grayson **Thought for the Week:** Iain McCrae

Date: 20th December **Guest Speaker** **Informal Meeting**
Last for 2021

5-Minute Speaker: n/a

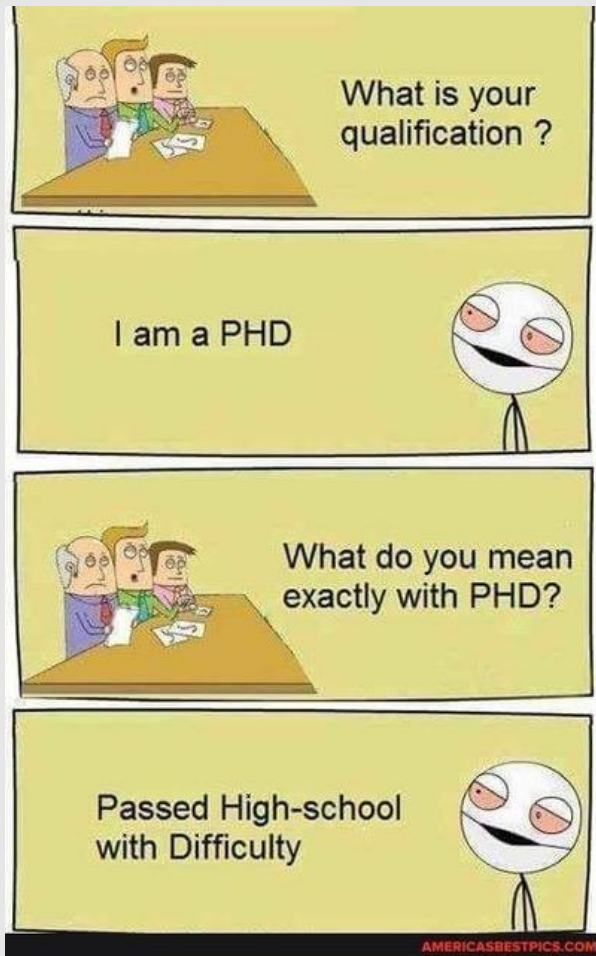
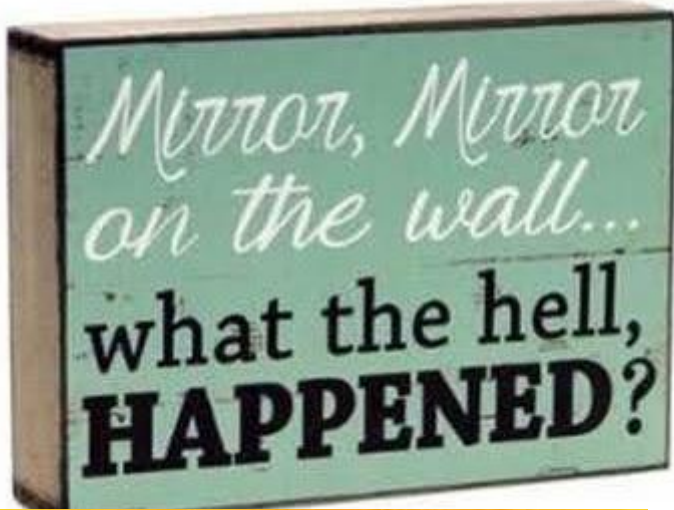
Thought for the Week: . Lloyd Albiston

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Touch of Humour



Don't let them take your temperature on your forehead as you enter the supermarket because it erases your memory.

I went for macaroni and cheese and came home with two cases of beer.

The irony for mankind is that a computer program asks a human to prove that they're not a robot.



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