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Apologies: Jeanette Thorn, George Varghese, Noel Carey, Bob Campbell, Cat Levine, Sharmeen Hyatt, Rod Kestle, Barry Stafford, Tony Rayner, Bill Grayson, Alan Bannin, Phil Aish

Acting Sergeant Lloyd thanked everyone for attending on a cold night.

Lloyd made a special welcome to our guests, Jim and Carolyn Jackson. Lloyd noted that Jim was well known to many of those present and that he was the Guest Speaker for the night.

Lloyd noted a number of Ladies attending and welcomed Sharon Williams, Debbie Bradley, and the President's wife Leanne Jenner.

He also welcomed Balaji Nagavan who was a guest of Tony Rayner and has attended a number of times before.

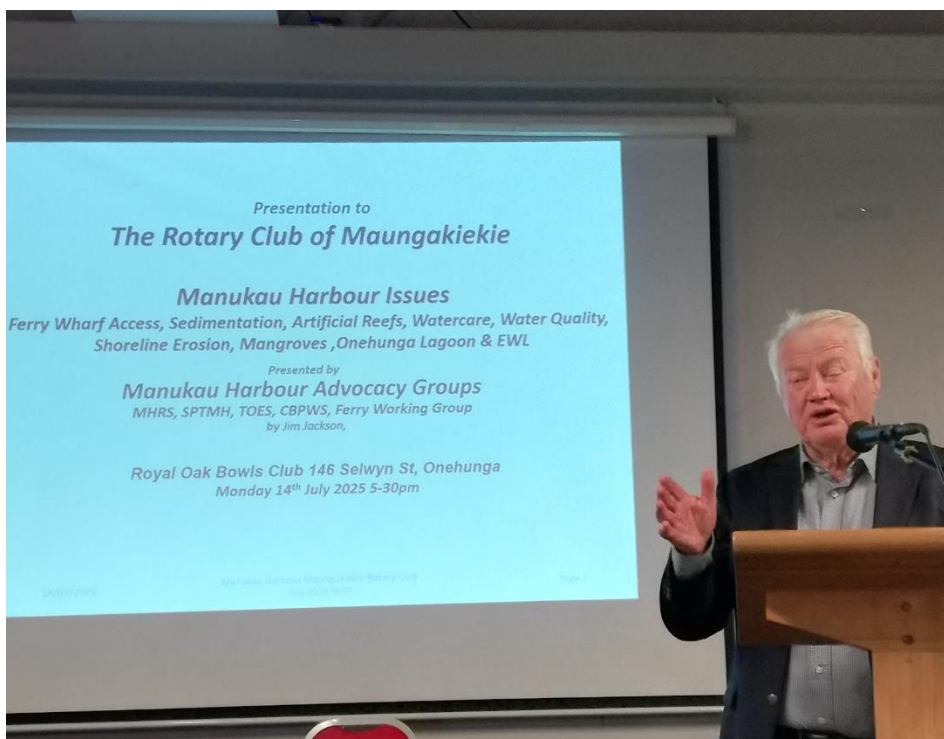
Acting Sergeant Lloyd then gave the Invocation and directed people to the Buffet.

President Paul welcomed everyone and a special thank you to the woman for their support.

Paul introduced the subject of, "The Joy of Walking" project, and advised that there will be information sent out before next week's meeting so that the club can have an informed discussion about it next week, as he will give a ten- or twenty-minute talk on the subject.

Paul mentioned that there are a few other items he will be discussing.

Guest Speaker Jim Jackson was introduced by Craig Jones, who acknowledged that as Jim was so well known by everyone, he did not need a detailed introduction.



Jim's presentation centred on the challenges and developments surrounding the Manukau Harbour, highlighting Jim's long-standing commitment to improving the area.

He shared his decade-long efforts to establish a ferry service connecting key locations like Clark's Beach and Onehunga, despite facing significant bureaucratic hurdles.

He outlined the historical context of the harbour, noting the decline in activity over the years and the ongoing struggle to restore and maintain infrastructure, including the only remaining wharf at Cornwallis. Jim emphasized the need for collaboration among local councils, iwi, and stakeholders to revitalize the harbour effectively.

Key issues discussed include the difficulties in securing permissions for essential projects, such as wharf construction and ferry services, often hindered by local council regulations and competing interests.

Jim noted that despite a growing population in the surrounding areas, transportation options remain limited, stressing that establishing a ferry service is a far more feasible and cost-effective solution than building new roads.

He also pointed out the detrimental environmental impacts of current wastewater management practices and the lack of accountability from relevant authorities, which undermine the health of the harbour and its ecosystem.

In conclusion, Jim called for a coordinated approach to addressing the myriad challenges facing Manukau Harbour, advocating for the establishment of a dedicated management entity that includes representation from all key stakeholders.

He argued that without such an initiative, the harbour's potential for economic and ecological revitalization will continue to be stifled.

Jim's experiences underscore the urgent need for practical solutions and community engagement to ensure the long-term sustainability and vitality of the Manukau Harbour region.

Jim was thanked, on behalf of the club, by Rob Lyons, for sharing the details of his battle for the preservation of the Manukau Harbour.

Thought for the week. From Gary Hays. Your thoughts on Monday morning set the tone of the rest of your week.

Next week

Guest Speaker **Monday 21st July 2025 Club Forum**

Duties

President	Paul Jenner
Attendance	Bill Grayson
Hospitality	Gary Hayes
Scribe	Bill A
Meals	Iain McCrae
Host	N/A
Thanks	N/A

Thought For the Week. Rob Lyons

Apologies to Lloyd before 5pm Friday. Mob

Willow Park Camp Attendees from Bill Grayson



Complete with Trophys.

Two students Tony Bradley transported to Willow Park.
As you can see, they were almost smiling after their stay!!

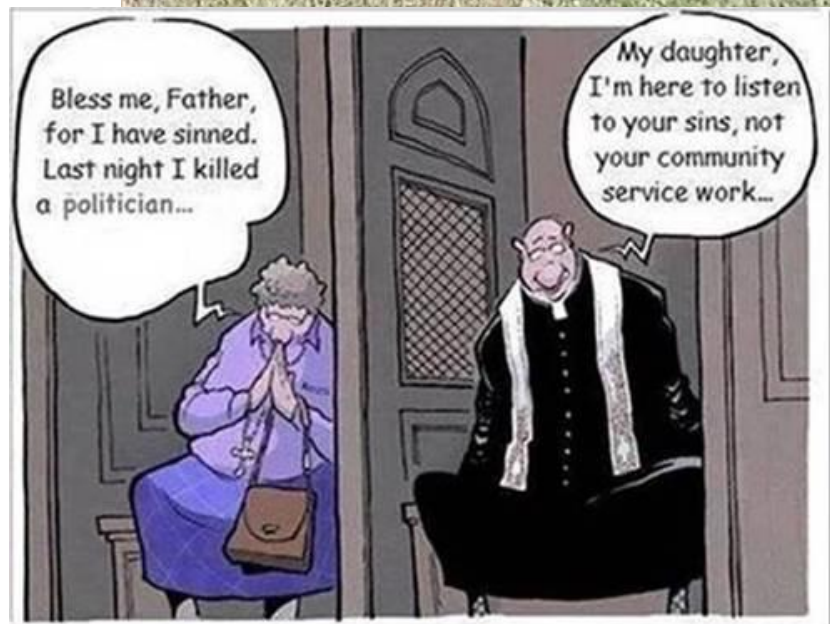


Smile: It makes people wonder what you have been up to!

Hired a handy man and gave him a list. When I got home, only #1, 3, & 5 were done. Turns out, he only does odd jobs!

Just because something is on Facebook doesn't necessarily mean it's true.

- William Shakespeare



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End note:

GO! THE ALL BLACKS.