

## Parramatta Bridge Club: Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Venue: Burnside Café.

Time: 9 am.

### **MINUTES** (For acceptance at next Committee meeting) (Printed 9 April 2025)

1. Attendance: Margaret East (President), Ted Richards (Secretary), Bill Doman (Treasurer), Lynn Roese, Margaret D'Arcy, Geoff Henson.

Margaret East thanked all 2024 Committee members and welcomed the re-elected members and Margaret D'Arcy and Geoff Henson.

2. Apologies: Peter Dun

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2025  
Moved: 1 Bill Doman, 2 Lynn Roese. AIF Carried

4. Matters arising:  
The dealing machine continues to present problems. It will be necessary to approach the European manufacturer for remedies. Bill Doman and Martin Letherbarrow are handling.

5. Treasurer's Report.

5.1 February balance showed a steady sound financial position.

5.2 Transition to MyABF for payments will be trialed in March with Bill liaising with RB Director, Eric Lam.

Initially F2F players will be able to pay table money by cash or from their PBC Statement account. It is expected that F2F players also will be able to transition to MyABF payment after the trial.

5.3 Bill explored alternative payment methods, but the costs would exceed the 2% fee retained by the ABF.

5.4 The Committee agreed for the Treasurer to proceed with the MyABF trial and wide adoption of the proposal.

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6. Membership:

6.1 At 1<sup>st</sup> March 25 of our 125 Home members were unfinancial. They have until 27 March to pay arrears or they will be cancelled from the Masterpoint list and be classified as inactive. Committee members who will remind those involved where possible. However, each club member is responsible to support the club by paying membership fees.  
PBC has to pay annual capitation fees of \$23.30 per person to ABF on 1 Apr 2025.

6.2 Away Members: We had 34 in 2024. At 1 March 2025 we had 20 on the paid list. Non members will be required to pay visitor table money rate.

7. Calendar:

7.1 Congress Sunday 9th Nov 2025 at Ermington Community Centre.

Congress costing set at \$180 per team.

Ronnie Ng has agreed to be Director.

Dealing of the decks possibly to be delegated to Ronnie.

**Congress entries are open now on MyABF**

7.2 GNOT 2025. Dates selected 24 May and 31 May (NOTE amendment) to avoid Federal election and King's Birthday long weekend.

The cost is to be determined at next Committee meeting. The 2024 cost of \$88 per team will need to be increased this year.

Burnside hall booking for GNOT to be extended by 30 minutes each day to 4.30pm.

NOTE; Parramatta Bridge will only subsidise players to the Metro Final, that is the next stage, who have been members of PBC at least one month before the event.

7.3 Teams of Three to be considered for resumption in 2025 on Wednesday nights.

7.4 The attendance at the current beginner lessons is encouraging. We should plan further beginner lessons in 2026.

8. Website

8.1 Following enquiries from Club Members a link will be provided to the Honour Board

8.2 The Parramatta landscape photo is to be retained as a unique identification of Parramatta.

8.3 Steps to be taken to include an updated photo of 2025 GNOT players inside the website.

9. Other business.

9.1 The Committee accepted the offer by Glen Chick to direct RB sessions when Eric is unavailable.

9.2 To limit PBC access to the ABF Masterpoint pages. The Committee directed the Secretary to update the password. Further Committee review of data security to be scheduled.

10. Next meeting. Burnside Café. 9am Thursday 10 April 2025

Meeting Closed: 9.55am