

## Parramatta Bridge Club: Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 22nd January 2026

Venue: Burnside Café.

Time: 9.15 am.

MINUTES (for acceptance at next Committee meeting)

1. Attendance: Margaret East, Peter Dun, Ted Richards, Bill Doman, Geoff Henson, Lynn Roes.

2. Apologies: Margaret D'Arcy.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting 4th December 2025.

Moved: 1 Ted, 2 Lynn. AIF Carried.

4. Matters arising: All resolved.

5. Treasurer's Report.

5.1 Balance to 31 Dec 2025 showed the Club has a steady financial position.

The Treasurer reported that preliminary results for Congress 2025 show a small profit and GNOT 2025 had a small loss.

The profit and Loss statement will be prepared for the AGM in March 2026.

5.1 Table money

The transition from P/P to MyABF as alternative to cash for F2F is completed.

5.3 Review of fees for guidance of future Committee.

Increase in costs for hall hire, ABF and Bridge NSW will occur in 2026.

The Treasurer intends to analyse our Club fees to meet cost increases.

The next Committee may adopt a fee structure to encourage members who are regular players.

Members who join PBC just to avoid higher fees elsewhere may be discouraged.

Moved: 1 Bill, 2 Ted AIF Carried.

6. Membership:

6.1 Annette Ashmore an exceptional supporter of our Club and Life Member has transferred her Home Membership to Trumps.

6.2 New Home Members:

Alex Zhang ABF 752541,

Irene Guo ABF 752551,

Mark Relling ABF 1245643.

### 6.3 New Away Members:

Felicity Aldred ABF 1041959 (Wollstonecraft BC),

Cedric Parker ABF 104 1940 (Wollstonecraft BC),

John Allsop ABF 121 7909 (ARV BC)

Jyoti Gokani ABF 880477 (Carlingford BC)

### 6.4 Annual Capitation Fees

Both NSW Bridge and ABF invoice each club based on the number of home members. They do not grant exceptions. PBC member renewal is due on 1<sup>st</sup> January but we can give leeway until 28 February. If we do not notify ABF of a cancellation we will be charged.

That is why it is important for Club members to pay their renewal fees on time.

## 7. Calendar:

### 7.1 Congress Sunday 1st Nov 2026.

Ermington Community Hall. 10am start. 8am to 6pm hall booking.

### 7.2 Don Moore Reserve meeting room

Relocation dates Saturday 14th Feb and 9th May 2026.

### 7.3 Beginner Lessons at Burnside

Monday evenings commencing 23 Feb 2026,

### 7.4 GNOT Teams

Saturdays 23 and 30 May 2026 at Burnside

Director will be Paul Weaver.

### 7.5 Christmas Party Saturday 12th Dec 2026 at Burnside.

## 8. Correspondence

### 8.1 GNOT

Email from Metro GNOT organizer dated 19 Jan 2026 has been received.

If we have 8 to 13 tables, PBC may send 1 or 2 teams.

The Metrop final will be F2F at Sydney on 22-23 Aug. 2026.

Keen players may enter as many qualifying events at different clubs as they wish.

A team missing out on representing a club can pay for direct entry as long as each team member played in a qualifying event somewhere.

## 8.2 ATO

Ross Best received an email asking for submission of a Non-Profit Organisation (NPO) self review return. PBC is registered with NSW Service.

The Treasurer is to investigate if the email is authentic or a scam.

## 8.3 ABF Masterpoint Centre

\* Our member Glen Chick is the National Master Winner of the 2025 McCutcheon Shield Bridge Competition. Glen was awarded 201.00 masterpoints in 2025.

\* Two home members of PBC were also on the McCutcheon 2025 list.

Coral Williamson with 31.22 masterpoints and

Shannon Queree with 78.51 masterpoints.

Well-earned recognition to these Club members.

\* Promotions in Dec 2025 for Celeste Norman (Graduate), Judy Messingham (Silver Local) and Ahmad Akbari (Regional).

## 9. Other Business

Peter suggested introduction of a lottery teams event.

The challenge for F2F is that 5 or 6 full tables would be necessary.

For online Eric would need to be consulted.

For further discussion.

10. Next meeting. Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 9.15 am at Burnside Café.

Meeting Closed: 9.49am