

Parramatta Bridge Club: Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 16th April 2026 at 9.15am Venue: Burnside Café.

MINUTES (for acceptance at next Committee meeting)

1. Attendance: Margaret East (President), Ted Richards (Secretary), Bill Doman (Treasurer), Lynn Roese, Margaret D'Arcy, Loretto Murray, Lindsay Finlayson (seconded Club member).

2. Apologies: Peter Dun.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting 26th March 2026

Moved: 1 Bill; 2 Ted. AIF, Carried

4. Matters arising: Discussed later in meeting.

5. Treasurer's Report.

5.1 Balance sheet to 31 March 2026

5.2 Finance matters.

* Bill advised that a positive balance has again been returned to the end of March 2026.

* In answer to a question Bill confirmed that the accounts are on accrual basis.

* The significant and necessary payment for ABF annual fees has been made.

* Bill will be seeking assistance from Committee members to review the 2027 Budget. At this time the hall rent from July 2026 and NSW Bridge affiliation fees from October 2026 are not known. Modest increases in 2027 PBC fees may or may not be required.

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6. Membership:

Margaret East has advised that some of the graduates from the recent beginner's class will apply to join PBC.

Nalin Karunatilake of West Pennant Hills applied for home membership which was accepted by the Committee.

7. Calendar:

7.1 Congress Sunday 1st Nov 2026.

* Committee set entry fee at \$180 per team.

*Prizes to total \$1500.

Awards for 1 st and 2nd open; 1 st and 2nd PBC members; Restricted.

Only one prize for each team. A minimum of 24 tables is required.

7.2 GNOT Saturday 23 rd and 30th May 2026.

Entry sheet available at Burnside and via Club website. 1pm start. Hall booked until 4.30pm.

Entry fee \$25 per player. This is the only opportunity to play a gold point event at PBC.

7.3 Don Moore Reserve meeting room

Next date is Saturday 9th May 2026. Sunset will be 5.06pm. Do we want a member's picnic?

The park grounds are pleasant and the hall is available in case of inclement weather.

Saturday members will be asked for preference of before, during or after Bridge.

8. Correspondence

8.1 ATO

To meet ATO requirements by 30 June 2026, we need to add an amendment to our Constitution clarifying restrictions on distribution of property whilst operating or during wind up.

All Committee members present agreed and signed the Special Resolution.

A Special General Meeting is called for 10.30am on Thursday 21 May 2026 at Burnside Community Hall. The Secretary to email Members. Those who do not intend to play are asked, if possible, to come and vote the Resolution.

A quorum of 25 members is required. If insufficient members are present the matter will be adjourned until 1 PM on Saturday 23 May 2026 at Burnside.

8.2 ABF Masterpoint Centre

To encourage advanced players the ABF proposal is to add bonus masterpoints when the median of the participating players exceeds a certain level. The initial analysis by Bill is that there will be minimum affect to the existing status at PBC. Bill will enquire further.

9. Other Business

For consideration at future meetings Committee members were asked to bring forward matters or suggestions that will benefit Club members.

10. Next meeting. Thursday 14th May 2026 9.15am at Burnside Café.

Meeting Closed: 9.52am