

## **Parramatta Bridge Club: Committee Meeting**

Date: Thursday 14th May 2026 at 9.15am Venue: Burnside Café.

### **Minutes**

1. Attendance: Margaret East (President), Peter Dun (Vice President), Ted Richards (Secretary), Bill Doman (Treasurer) Margaret D'Arcy, Lynn Roese, Lindsay Finlayson.

2. Apologies: Loreto Murray

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting 16th April 2026

Moved: 1 Ted. 2 Bill AIF Carried

4. Matters arising:

The picnic meeting at Don Moore Reserve on 9 May 2026 was well attended and successful. The next Don Moore booking will be too cold in August. A picnic lunch will be included for 14 Nov 2026 before Bridge at Don Moore Reserve, North Rocks.

5. Treasurer's Report.

5.1 Balance sheet to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026 was reported as being in line with our budget after the ABF payment was completed.

5.2 Finance matters: Real Bridge invoices are received 2 months after the applicable date. Bill has to allow for the invoices before they arrive.

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6. Membership:

6.1 Nalin Karunatilake was registered as home member ABF1255835.

Christine Grech transferred in as Home Member.

6.2 April 2026 ABF promotions to Edith Chan, Bronze Local, (25.30 masterpoints) and Shannon Queree, Life, (302.89 masterpoints).

Congratulations.

6.3 The Committee decided that ABF promotions should be announced under News on the Club website for one month.

7. Calendar:

7.1 Special General Meeting Thursday 21 May 2026.

Email sent to all members at their listed contact on 20 April 2026.

Apologies received to date from Ted Richards, Lindsay Finlayson, Gay Walsh.

7.2 GNOT at Burnside. 23 and 30 May. 1pm start. Hall booked until 4.30pm. Margaret East dealing to allow for 3 matches of 9 boards each day. Paul Weaver confirmed as Director. 12 tables have registered which will allow PBC to nominate one team to attend Metrop finals.

7.3 Don Moore Reserve meeting room further dates in 2026 are 8 Aug and 14 Nov 2026.

7.4 Congress Sunday 1st Nov 2026.

7.5 Congress 2027. ABF have tentatively allocated us Sunday 31 Oct 2027.

That date avoids conflict with NZ Congress and Southern Highlands and Armidale Teams events but would coincide with Tomaree event. Margaret East will request 7 Nov 2027 be allocated for our Congress. Further information will be coming.

7.6 Glen Chick will direct the RB sessions while Eric is on leave.

## 8. Correspondence

### 8.1 ABF

Public Liability policy renewal valid to 30 April 2027 was received and forwarded to Parramatta City.

## 9. Other Business

9.1 Lessons for beginners. Caimein will be contact. First lesson 6pm Wednesday 23 Sept 2026 at Burnside. Six lessons each following Wednesday. Hall booking from 5.30pm.

### 9.2 Real Bridge.

The Director to be asked if occasional Mitchell movement sessions could be included for a variety.

RB directors to be asked to aim for 10pm finish which should allow for 27 boards or 28 at a pinch.

### 9.3 Lottery Teams

Asked to be considered for F2F as a one off. It is noted that some members will not be interested and there could be challenges to arrange.

### 9.4 Eclectic F2F Thursdays.

First Thursday in July, Aug, Sept. a prior booking sheet be compiled.

Best 2 out of 3 to count with different partners and prize to be included.

Will be named "Anne Ashmore" in recognition of the continuing support Anne provides to the Club.

### 9.5 Name Badges

Many Bridge clubs encourage members to wear badges. We will consider if badges would be supported by PBC members. Badges would include name, Parramatta City emblem, ABF number. Possible for magnet connection to suit male and female attire.

Margaret D'Arcy to check with suppliers including quotes. To promote the badges the club could provide a 50% subsidy to members.

10. Next meeting. 18 June 2026, 9.15 am at Burnside Café.

Meeting Closed: 9.55am