

Parramatta Bridge Club: Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 18th June 2026 at 9.15am Venue: Burnside Café.

MINUTES

1. Attendance: Margaret East (President), Peter Dun (Vice President), Ted Richards (Secretary), Bill Doman (Treasurer), Lynn Roesse, Loreto Murray, Lyndsay Finlayson.

2. Apologies: Margaret D'Arcy.

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

Moved: 1 Peter, 2 Lynn. AIF. Carried

4. Matters arising:

4.1 Member name badges including Parramatta Bridge Club, member name and ABF number agreed. Margaret D'Arcy to proceed with quotes. Club subsidy of \$5 per badge. Club members may participate or opt out. The Committee would like to see if the set-up cost will be substantial.

4.2 For GNOT the Club will nominate and pay entry for our qualifying winning team.

5. Treasurer's Report. 5.1 Balance sheet to 31st May 2026 showed steady result. We are waiting for invoices for GNOT, Masterpoints and Real Bridge. The depreciation is based on a 5 year life. We hope the dealing machine will last 8 years. However it has given more trouble requiring Martin Letherbarrow to follow up with the manufacturer.

5.2 With the closure of the Castle Hill branch Bill has been able to continue the Club accounts at the Parramatta Branch. Our investment account is maturing and Bill will negotiate renewal.

Moved: 1 Bill, 2 Margaret East. AIF. Carried.

6. Membership:

6.1 Club membership stood at 114 home and 32 away before the meeting.

6.2 Four new members from Wed night sessions were accepted as home members; Karen Rankin ABF 1262114. Halina Woelfle ABF 1262122, Kumar Tharmakumar ABF 1262106, Sheela Kumar ABF 1262130. Welcome to PBC.

6.3 May 2026 ABF Promotions: Kaustubh Banhatti & Mahesh Datar – Graduates achieving more than 2.00 Masterpoints. Congratulations!

6.4 Shijun Tian ABF 816078, a RB player renewed his home membership.

7. Calendar:

7.1 Over the Christmas holiday period the last F2F will be Saturday 19 Dec 2026. F2F will resume on Wed 6 Jan 2027 at Burnside.

7.2 Real Bridge to be cancelled on Thursdays 24 and 31 Dec 2026.

7.3 Other holiday dates such as Easter Saturday 2027 should be OK.

7.4 Beginner lessons at Burnside on six Wednesday evenings start on 23 Sept 2026. Caimein is the contact.

8. Correspondence

Mitch Dowling, the 2027 Congress coordinator, advised that we have been allocated 31 Oct 2027. Margaret East pointed out we always hold our Congress on the first Sunday of November. Margaret has gained support from director Ronnie Ng who is following up on our behalf. For 2028 we should return to the usual 1st Sunday in November.

9. Other Business

Peter pointed out the advantage of running Mitchel movement on a RB session. Eric will be consulted for a trial. Would not be suitable for special events.

10. Next meeting. Thursday 16 July 2026. 9.15 am at Burnside café.

Meeting Closed:9.50am