

REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB INC
Management Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 9 June 2026

Welcome: At 1345 Michael Souter declared a quorum to be present and the meeting was duly constituted. Michael thanked all for their attendance. He declared that Redland Bridge Club Inc was solvent. He determined that there were no conflicts of interest in any item on today's agenda.

Present: Michael Souter (Chair), Nigel Cleminson, Avra Bowler, Turgut Manli, Tala Badie, Gabriel Ruhland & Jane Whelan

Apologies: Colin Gorton

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD

The minutes were tabled and accepted as a correct record of proceedings. Moved: Michael Souter. Seconded: Nigel Cleminson CARRIED. Minutes signed as a correct record by Michael Souter.

Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting:

1. Painting Project: Michael/Jane

Outcome: Finalised

2. Non-Playing Director – Championship Pairs: Michael

Discussion: Very difficult to source a non-playing director.

Action: Michael will continue his efforts

3. Club Survey: Gabriel.

Outcome: Initial results and follow up was published in the June Trumpit. Gabriel and her sub-committee will explore facilitating new players' experience.

Action: Gabriel and the subcommittee will follow up on responses from new players and identify ways to facilitate their experience, with findings to be published in the next issue of Trumpit.

4. Foreign Residents' Gradings: Nigel/Carradine

Action: One assessment needs to be finalised.

5. Debit Card for Tala: Colin

Outcome: Finalised

6. Key Register & Control: Avra

Outcome: Finalised

7. Howell Movements: Avra

Outcome: Avra will present her lesson to Directors at 1330 Tuesday 16th June.

Action: Michael will advise Molly.

8. Fire Safety Drills: Judith

Status: In progress

9. Regular Working Bees: Turgut

Outcome: Some outside work done on 31 May.

Action: Outside work to be completed. Next working bee early 2027.

10. Auditor's Report: Colin

Outcome: Auditor has completed audit. Now waiting for report and return of financial records.

Action: Colin will continue with efforts to obtain above paperwork

11. Biggest Morning Tea: Jane

Discussion: Event very successful, Glynis Hendricks and Janet Aldridge provided the home cooked sweets and savouries.

\$1597.10 (\$266 of which was table fees) raised for Cancer Council.

Outcome: Event to be held next year.

12. Psych Bidding – Wednesday Nights & Tuesdays: Michael

Outcome: Psych bidding no longer being used on Wednesday nights and Tuesdays. (See #2 Late Business for Discussion of Psych Bidding at the club)

13. Voting By-Laws: Jane

Status: In Progress

14. Memorial Bench: Nigel

Outcome: Bench purchased and delivered.

Action: Memorial plaque to be made. Nigel will investigate using angle brackets before pouring the concrete for the bench under the trees.

15. Club Promotion Redland Bayside News: Nigel

Outcome: Finalised.

16. Tuesday Play: Michael:

Discussion: The current trial is continuing. A suggestion was made to divide Tuesday sessions into two sections: one for more experienced players, and another for players who wish to take part in supervised play for half points. A key consideration is whether

the time allocated for each round can be coordinated effectively across both sections.

Action: Nigel will investigate the feasibility of this proposed arrangement

2. CORRESPONDENCE:

The correspondence list from 11 May to 6 June 2026 was tabled. Motion that inwards and outwards correspondence be accepted was moved by Jane Whelan, seconded by Avra Bowler and CARRIED.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

1. Sue Sherrell: Morning tea for Maureen Kelso & Dawn Lepinath.

Discussion: Sue keen for club to hold a morning tea for Maureen and Dawn. The committee expressed strong support for the suggestion. However, members noted logistical challenges regarding transport, as Dawn no longer drives and Maureen now resides in an aged care facility.

Outcome: Jane to email Sue to request that she coordinate a suitable date and arrange return transport to the club for both Maureen and Dawn.

2. Kim Ellaway: ABF Clubs Marketing Webinar

Discussion: ABF holding a Marketing Webinar on 11 June. Unfortunately, there is no committee member available.

Outcome: Finalised.

3. Anita McKay, (from RCC Property Leasing):

Information: Jane has arranged for Anita to visit the clubhouse on 11 June

Action: Jane will report back to the committee regarding the visit at the next committee meeting.

3. Treasurer's Report: Colin

Colin reported that Phyllis Rankin will be resigning her role as banker from the next AGM.

Decision: The Committee will defer calling for expressions of interest for the above position until the end of the year.

The treasurer's report and invoices were tabled.

Nigel Cleminson moved that the report and invoices be accepted, seconded by Michael Souter and CARRIED

4. Directors Report: Michael. Turgut is sitting the Directors Exam on 20 June. The first directors' meeting commences with Avra's

lesson on Howell movements. Subsequent meetings will follow on as required.

5. Dealers & Masterpoint Secretary's Report: Carradine. No Dealers' Report. All Masterpoint uploads are up to date.

6. Education Report: Nigel. Two tables of students are participating in Supervised Play

7. Workplace, Health & Safety: Judith. Judith has purchased two cold packs for First Aid use. One is in the freezer whilst other is in the fridge.

8. Maintenance Report: Turgut. See #9 of business arising from May's meeting.

9. Congress/Convenors' Report: Jane. Approximately 20 pairs registered for Under 500 Graded Pairs. Avra will be calling for assistance with catering and help in the kitchen next week. X Imp Graded Pairs being held on 13th July will open for registration on 18 June.

10. Social Group: Gabriel. Gabriel will organise a social lunch for members after a Tuesday game in August.

11. New Members: Robina. No new members.

12. New Business:

1. Thursday Play Session Web Site Information: Jane

Discussion: Avra is arranging partners for Thursday games. Jane asked whether the website information about walk-ins should be updated. Michael advised that it would remain unchanged.

2. Honour Board Events: Jane

Discussion: Jane suggested that as the 2027 Congress Calendar has now been finalised, perhaps the club could now look at which non-playing directors are available to direct our 2027 Honour Board Events. All day Saturday competitions discussed, they would have to be held in the netball off season.

Action: Nigel, Michael and Carradine to discuss further.

13. Late/Urgent Business:

1. Bidding Boxes: Michael.

Discussion: Michael keen to adopt use of bidding boxes.

Outcome: Michael will put forward a motion for the adoption of bidding boxes at the 2027 AGM.

2. Psych Bidding; Nigel

Discussion: Nigel reported recent Psych Bidding at club where the opposition was severely disadvantaged. If a player believes the opposition has psyched bid, the Director needs to be called. If the Director agrees with the player, offender must complete the psych register. Frequent psych bidding may result in penalties being applied.

Action: Jane will submit an article on Psych Bidding to the Trumpit

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 14 July 2026 at 1330

Close: There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 1510.

Confirmed: _____

Date: _____