

REDLAND BRIDGE CLUB INC
Management Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 13 January 2026

Welcome: At 1330 Nigel Cleminson declared a quorum to be present and the meeting was duly constituted. Nigel thanked all for their attendance. He declared that the Redlands Bridge club was solvent. He determined that there were no conflicts of interest in any item on today's agenda.

Present: Nigel Cleminson (Chair), Michael Souter, Colin Gorton, Max Latimer, Avra Bowler, Tom France, Tala Badie, Gabriel Ruhland & Jane Whelan

Apologies: Turgut Manli

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD

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

Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting:

1. Gambling Fund Grant: Jane. Awaiting outcome of application
Jane.
2. Tablecloths: Directors/Avra. Checked tablecloths not being used. Suggested volunteers wash playing tablecloths. Issue to be held in abeyance.
Nigel
3. Xmas Party (Feedback): Avra. Feedback positive; a successful evening. Colin advised club's subsidy was just over \$900
File
4. Honour Board Events: Nigel. Tim Freeman to direct the President's Cup. Other events non-playing directors in progress
Nigel
5. CPR Refresher Course: Max. In progress
Max
6. Second Monitor: Colin. In process of obtaining quotes
Colin
7. 2026 Membership Booklet: Jane. In progress
Jane
8. 2026 Calendar: Nigel. Now finalised.
File
9. Trumpit Editor: Glynis. In progress
Glynis
10. Plastic Spoons: Avra. Not being used.
File
11. Procedure for Dealing with Behaviour Complaints: Jane. Jane submitted amendment re sub-committee composition. Approved by

- committee. Jane
12. Retention of Members' Application Forms: Jane/Robina. My ABF records have been updated with members' details. CSV file can be downloaded from My ABF File
13. Survey re Social Activities: Gabriel. In progress. Gabriel

2. CORRESPONDENCE:

The correspondence list from 28 November 2025 to 11 January 2026 was tabled. Motion that inwards and outwards correspondence be accepted was moved by Jane Whelan, seconded by Colin Gorton and CARRIED.

Business Arising from Correspondence:

1. RCC: Community Grants. Applications opening soon. See New Business
2. Complaint regarding member's behaviour. Complaint procedure commenced. Nigel

3. Treasurer's Report: Colin

The treasurer's report and invoices were tabled.

Colin Gorton moved that the report and invoices be accepted, seconded by Nigel and CARRIED

End of year surplus \$7,000; would have been in negative if table fees had not increased to cover increased masterpoints costs.

4. Directors Report: Michael. Nil to Report

5. Dealers & Masterpoint Secretary's Report: Carradine. Green points to end 2025 uploaded. Red Points current.

6. Education Report: Nigel 2 tables supervised players. Lessons commence 3 March. Details of lessons to be sent to QBA for uploading to their site.

7. Workplace, Health & Safety: Tom. Nil to report

8. Maintenance Report: Max. Nil to report.

9. Congress/Convenors' Report: Jane Currently 8 teams registered for under 500 teams. Avra and Jane to ask for assistance & food approx. 24 Feb

10. Social Group: Gabriel. Nil to report.

11. New Members: Robina. Nil

12. New Business:

1. New Bridgemates/RCC Community Grants: Max. Max is keen to apply for RCC Grant to purchase Bridgemates 3. Not many in use at

other clubs. Wait until more clubs are using. Max to monitor. Max
2. New Vacuum Cleaner: Max. Max was experiencing difficulties with
the club's 2 vacuum cleaners. Issues now resolved File
3. 2026 AGM: Jane. AGM fast approaching. Nigel will F/U
appointment of Scrutineer for absentee votes, if necessary. AGM to
be discussed further in February. Nigel/Jane
4. Foreign Residents' Gradings: Carradine. Carradine concerned
about the experienced bridge playing migrants who commence play
in Australia with no ranking. Therefore, very experienced players
are playing against disadvantaged novices in events. The directors
will assess selected migrants' skill level. Results will be given to
Carradine to submit to ABF for an appropriate ranking. Nigel
5. Premium Outlook: Colin/Jane. Jane experiencing difficulties with
outgoing emails. Colin will upgrade to Premium Outlook Colin
5. Amended Voting By-Laws: Jane. Jane in process of defining
'Authorised Officer' in Clause 3 of Voting By-Laws. Upon perusing
document Jane believed the By-Laws should be updated. Discussed.
Jane to submit original and amended documents to Colin for merging.
To be discussed in February. Jane/Colin
6. Amended 6.1 Playing By-Law: Jane. Jane proposed an amended
clause 6.1 of Players By-Laws. Committee approved. Amendment to
be submitted at AGM for members' approval. Jane

13. Late/Urgent Business: Nil

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 10 February 2026 at 1330

Close: There being no further business, the meeting was closed at
1450

Confirmed: _____ **Date:** _____