

## Minutes for Committee Meeting Central Coast Bridge Club

**Date:** February 11, 2026

**Time:** 9:30 am

### Meeting Roles:

Chair: Peter Cloughessy

Secretary: Lyn Paton

**Attendees:** Peter Cloughessy (PC), Norm Berger (NB), Rod Shellshear (RS), Lyn Paton (LP), Matt Raj Mal (MRM), Brian Millanta (BM), Ros Hoatson (RH), Jill Wildey (JW), Sue Woodbury (SW)

**Apologies:** Brian Millanta (BM)

### Approval of Previous Minutes:

Minutes of Meeting January 14, 2026. Proposed SW, Seconded MRM, all in favour

### Business Arising from Previous Minutes:

- Gary Barwick to look at IT. Norm will contact him.
- Plaque to acknowledge donors. RS has approached a company to do this and will circulate wording.

### Correspondence:

#### Incoming:

1. 16 Jan, 2026 Leonie Grimshaw: Thank you to Carolyn Dickinson and helpers for the garden and Jennie O'Donohue's husband for the outdoor table and benches.
2. 30 Jan, 2026 Revenue NSW: Application for Exemption denied
3. 5 Feb, 2026 ABF: 2025 Statement for James O'Sullivan Trust Fund Loan
4. 6,9 Feb 2026 Lyn Lynch: Query re complaint made 3/12/25
5. 4 Feb, 2026 David Havyatt: Congress – query re 2 day event
6. 10 Feb 2026 Stewart Duxbury: Men's toilets + soundproofing. He will present options to the committee.

#### Outgoing:

1. 16 Jan, 2026 Colin KLEINIG: Thank you for your suggestion re children's books but the consensus is that we will not act on your suggestion at this time.
2. 16 Jan, 2026 Berenice AIR: Reply to emails (Jan 11 & 13). The club intends to mount a plaque acknowledging donors.
3. 16 Jan, 2026 John REDFEARN: Reply to suggestions re improving numbers on a Saturday.
4. 16 Jan, 2026 Jane THOMAS: Welcome to CCBC
5. 8 Feb, 2026 Lyn Lynch: Will query the status of the complaint
6. 8 Feb, 2026 David Havyatt: Response to query (above)

### Business Arising from Correspondence:

- Complaint by LL. Discussed in General Business

**Membership Applications:** Maree CLUTTERBUCK: proposed LP, Second NB all in favour

### Treasurers Report:

#### January:

Total Income	\$	8,582.76
Total Expenses	\$	1,521.06

Net Profit	\$	7,061.70
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YTD April-January (10 months)

Total Income	\$	126,684.49
Total Expenses	\$	94,093.67
Net Profit	\$	32,590.82

Notes:

1. Income for this month included annual membership fees of \$1,595.49.
2. An application was lodged for a stamp duty exemption for that component of the CCBC Insurance premium. Unfortunately, that application was unsuccessful and the premium came in at \$12,545, up from \$9,000 the previous year. This has been paid earlier this month and will result in an overall loss for the month of February.

**Tournament Secretary:**

Individuals next Wednesday. GNOT Regional final may move back to CCBC.

**Masterpoint Secretary:** All up to date as of 9/2/26 except the Selangor Plate which is awaiting approval.

**Report from Marketing Sub Committee:**

- Matt's beginners' lessons were advertised in the local newspaper.
- Bridge NSW can supply Graduation Certificates
- Bridge NSW will advertise the congress
- Permanent sign – has been approved
- Electronic sign working but needs extra work.
- ID on registration form for Schools Challenge will be looked at.
- Feedback from Directors Course Toronto. NB will talk to new directors to organize ongoing lessons/assistance.
- Flags: holders to be investigated
- Marketing Budget: \$500 per month

**Report from Teaching and Development Sub Committee:**

Matt started Beginners' lessons yesterday. John R is doing 6 Improvers lessons. Peter and Kerrie Johnman are to begin a new series of Improvers' lessons (after John has finished his current series). John is to be approached to do a follow-up formal lessons for the beginners when they finish their six weeks.

**General Business:**

SD: Sound insulation + male toilets

- a) Welcome to Stewart Duxbury to the meeting.
- b) The consensus is that we should get advice from suppliers. We will need to line the walls and should have cloud ceiling insulation. If we do all the wall insulation ourselves it should cost approx \$14,000, insulation and timber slatting.
- c) The end wall can be lined with timber slatting and sheets of insulation on the walls (stick on with liquid nails). A suggestion was made that we do one wall to start with (approx. \$4000). We need to get a proven better product (than can be bought from Bunnings, for example).
- d) Stewart to continue investigating.
- e) Toilet: 2 packs of rubber mats would be required on the floor. RS to look at the nozzle to see if it can be fixed to stop water leaking. Some concerns were raised about the cleanliness of rubber floor matting.

JW: Will put posters up before the Congress.

JW: Coordination of enquiries from interested parties to the Marketing Committee's campaign. For example, general enquiries for membership and/or to take lessons.

NB: Wednesday 18 March bridge to be cancelled prior to the congress so the room can be organized.

Complaints:

- JA: PC to write a letter to him re his behaviour at the Christmas Party

- LL + MRM. Discussion

Matt: He said, "I thought Norm was her mentor". He said it very loudly. Re aggression, he didn't think he was aggressive and he does not believe he was a bully. He is not aware of witnesses.

The issue has not been substantiated. It was denied by MRM and there were no witnesses.

PC to give a written response to both parties.

MRM also concerned that there are whispers going around. LL asked JW about what had happened to her complaint.

- JA & SD. PC to write a response to JA.

The committee will discuss the complaints process at the next meeting.

**Meeting Closed:** 11:31am

**Next meeting:** 11 March 9:30am

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Lyn Paton (Secretary)

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Peter Cloughessy (President)