

PARKES BRIDGE CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: 24th July 2025 **Venue:** Parkes Lutheran Church

Opened: 11am

PRESENT: Wendy Andrews, Barbara Hughes, Tim Baker, Gai Baker, Jill Peterson, Kevin Robinson, Suzie McNamara, Beth Thomas, Lee McCabe, Warren Blatch, Nancye Blatch, Joan Reilly, Margaret Hawken, John Quin, Peter Quin, Greig Ball, Peter Dearden, Jenny Freeman, Steve Morris, Rosemary Morris

APOLOGIES: Anita Medcalf, Marlene Freeman, Dawn Phipps

CHAIR: Tim Baker

Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting 25th July 2024 distributed to members by email prior to meeting and stand as read and approved.

Approved – Joan Reilly

Second- Lee McCabe

Business Arising – Nil

Comms – Nothing pertaining to the AGM

Presidents Annual Report – Presented by Tim Baker

A copy is attached to these minutes.

Treasurers Report and presentation of audited financial statement

Auditors Warren Blatch & Dawn Phipps

Moved Kevin Robinson

Seconded Lee McCabe

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Auditor's Report: Dawn Phipps and Warren Blatch have reviewed the treasurer's reports and signed the report as a true reflection of the Bridge Club's finances.

Election of Officer Bearers

Kevin Robinson conducted Election of Office Bearers and declared all positions vacant.

A signed nomination was received for all executive positions except President.

The nominations were moved, seconded accepted by the nominee.

confirmed each nomination separately.

Position of President was called from the meeting floor.

- President – Kevin Robinson
Nominated by Jenny Freeman Second Gai Baker
- Vice President – Tim Baker
Written Nomination Jill Peterson Second Laurie Keane 17th July 2025
- Secretary – Wendy Andrews
Written Nomination Lee McCabe Second Warren Blatch 17th July 2025
- Treasurer – Jill Peterson
Written Nomination Anne Berkeley Second Joan Reilly 17th July 2025

- Committee – Points Secretary – Peter Dearden
Written Nomination Jill Peterson Second Jill Peterson 17th July 2025
- Committee – Chris ten Cate
Written Nomination Gai Baker Second Gary Somers 15th July 2025
- Committee – Barbara Hughes
Written Nomination Gai Baker Second Jill Peterson 24th July 2025
- Committee – Lee McCabe
Written Nomination Chris ten Cate Second Robyn Greenwood 15th July 2025
- Committee – Suzie McNamara
Written Nomination Jill Peterson Second Bill Burke 17th July 2025
- Public Officer – Laurie Keane
- Auditor – Lee McCabe

Signatories of the Bridge Club accounts: Kevin Robinson, Jill Peterson, Wendy Andrews and Tim Baker.

Signatories Unchanged from 2025

General Business - Nil

Meeting Closed 11.08pm

Next AGM Thursday 23rd July 2026 - 11am

President Report 2025

I feel this has been a very successful year. So many members have pitched to help run the club, organising players for each day, organising and helping in the kitchen, dealing the cards, teaching new members, running the computer and doing the master points. A special thank you for the outgoing committee, they made my job so much more pleasant.

The club will not run without members pitching in and volunteering to help, I thank you all.

It has been enjoyable watching our table numbers increase up to 9 tables on a Thursday. This causes a minor problem as it can be hard to find partners for new players, everybody is playing.

It was unfortunate we needed to cancel out March congress, we had a lot of interest shown but it was impossible to find a director. Our August min-congress is going ahead and we have a director from Sydney coming for the day. A special thank you for Jill providing her accommodation for Ronnie and his sister. Central West is training our own local directors, so hopefully next year, one will be available, this will be considerably cheaper than one from Sydney.

Last years Xmas party was again fun, I hope everybody enjoyed it as much as I did. Having a set time for the presentation of the trophies was good. We have booked the same caterer for this year.

Greig, Kevin, the Twardys and Morrisies have all travelled to the area clubs to play in their congresses and there were some great results and when I played, some very poor results (last twice).

The use of the Hall seems to be going well, we do need a meeting with the church, but they don't seem concerned and have assured me that things will not change. The cooling in summer still needs work.

I wish the new committee well and I'm sure the members will support them.