

NORTH SHORE BRIDGE CLUB

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Minutes of the Committee Meeting

held at The Willis Recreation Centre on 11th September 2025 at 9.30am

1. Attendees and Apologies

Attendees: Sharon Thompson (Chair), Peter Marshall, Jenny Madden, Robyn Rogers, Terry Dunne

Apologies: Jo Ampherlaw, Russell Spear

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Committee meeting of 17th July 2025 were approved.

3. Presidents Update

The President discussed several matters:

- **Membership** now totals 1,683 with 234 new members so far this year, well ahead of the Club's growth goal.
- **PP System** there was a general discussion about the ongoing maintenance and support of the PP system with the President expressing satisfaction that Matt McManus is happy to continue providing this service.
- **John Roberts** is approaching retirement and is looking to others to potentially run his Turramurra operations.

- **Staffing** John Newman is currently experiencing some health issues. Sue Crompton has agreed to provide cover for the session he directs.
- Interclub Teams Due to the Peninsular Club's venue being renovated, NSBC has agreed to stage the event this year, with Peninsular to step in on the next occasion NSBC is due to host. Alan Bustany will direct as he has already been appointed.

4. Finance Update

The Treasurer advised (in writing) that the Club incurred a small loss for the month due to the accrual of one off expenses. It continued to perform better than budget YTD.

5. Project 2070

Each member of the Committee has had an opportunity to review the proposed Memorandum of Understanding with Lindfield Bowling Club and has been given a personal explanation of the rationale behind the document. The Committee unanimously voted to proceed with the planned Amalgamation on that basis.

6. Sub Committees

- **Social** Jenny Madden advised of the success of the latest social night and that the next one is due to take place on October 29. A small increase in budget to provide snacks and free staff drinks and meal was approved.
- **Education** The President noted that the Education sub-committee needed more members and that this was a key area in the ongoing growth of the Club.
- **Sponsorship** The Club welcomed Richard Madden of McGrath Realty as a sponsor. Richard has agreed to sponsor the Greg Quittner Pairs Congress. The Committee also acknowledged Bendigo Bank for their donation of coffee cups.
- Reserve Fund The strategy to continue to shorten maturity of investments to aid flexibility with the planned Amalgamation is ongoing.
- **Health & Safety** it was noted that two incidents had occurred where members had tripped. Both events had been investigated.

7. Willis Rental Renegotiation

It was agreed that the Vice President would work with Mike Prescott to carry out the renegotiation of our rental of the Willis, which expires at year end. It is considered unlikely that there will be any issues arising from this process outside of the usual commercial ones.

8. Any other Business

It was agreed that future Committee meetings would be scheduled for Wednesdays as this day was difficult for the fewest Committee members.

9. Next Meeting

The next Committee is to be held online at 9:00 on Wednesday 22nd October.