GREAT LAKES BRIDGE CLUB, Inc

Minutes of monthly Committee Meeting held on Thursday 10 September 2026 at the Clubhouse

The Vice-President Sylvia Goodwin declared the meeting open @ 1.10pm

PRESENT Sylvia Goodwin, Wendy Edwards (scribe), Bronwyn Williams, Barbara Richardson, Anne McKay, Carmel Pike, Toni Alexander, Jennifer Turville

APOLOGIES Uve Anderson, Ian Stewart, Denise Marr, Lynn Mooney

The Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and read and were confirmed as a true and accurate record. Moved: Anne McKay, Seconded: Toni Alexander, Carried. These minutes are now available on the Club's website (under Publications) and on the noticeboard at the Club.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- The carpark line markings at the Club did not go ahead and will be done in October.
- Upgrade to Bridgemates – discussed later in General Business
- Social bridge for older members – discussed later in General Business

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- Two letters from Greater Bank re Term Deposit Investment Statement received 25 August 2026.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Nil

PRESIDENT'S REPORT / MAINTENANCE OFFICER'S REPORT

The Vice-President provided a report in the President's absence. There would be two items for discussion, the Bridgemates update and Club Member photos which will each be discussed under General Business.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer reported that it had been a quiet month with income for the month of August consisting of table fees received in the amount of $5,236.97 and Expenditure $3,000.23. The profit as at 31 August was $47,361.39.

The Capital Works Fund term deposits had finished for the six month period and had been renewed for a further six month term. The balances as of 1 September were Capital Works Fund 1 - $11,419.11 and Capital Works Fund 2 $11,478.66. These amounts will now stay the same until they mature. The interest rate was 5.1% and the interest paid for the six month term of around $500.00 for both term deposits.

Ian Stewart is currently being trained up as Assistant Treasurer and will provide a valuable back-up support for the Treasurer.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and filed and is attached to these Minutes.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Tournament Director's Report was unavailable.

MASTER POINTS SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Master Points Secretary reported that for the month of August there had been 62.82 Green points uploaded and there were no new members. Next month, at the end of September there will be a quarterly report which will include Red and Green Points.

TRAINING OFFICER'S REPORT

The Training Officer reported that two lessons on Doubling had begun with the first taking place on Tuesday and the second lesson next Tuesday where boards would be available for play. This would conclude the training for this year with Beginner Lessons beginning next year. The lessons for next year are being advertised in *Forster Fortnightly*.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A discussion arose on Bridgemates being updated. The most recent problems were probably due to the fact that when Windows or another program is updating, the wifi/internet does not become available for the Bridgemates causing problems. Sylvia had talked to Paul Lavings about this and he had suggested that all the software programs should be updated before running a bridge session and that when he runs conferences he turns off the internet access so it does not impede the Bridgemates.

It was suggested that Sylvia have a discussion with Jason Manewell to see whether the current wifi/internet connections were suitable for today's bridge games and how the Club should proceed.

It was therefore agreed that the decision on upgrading the Bridgemates should wait until after that discussion with Jason. The Committee would like to thank Denise Marr for all her investigations in relation to this matter.

The director of the day could check that the internet/wifi updates have been turned off but not before finishing using the Zeller machine which is run on the Club's wifi/internet system.

Social bridge for older members was also discussed and whilst the Club could support this endeavour with promotion, boards and bidding slips this should remain a social game for those members as it falls outside the Club's remit.

On the wall at the back of the Gwen Perkins Room there are a small number of photos of our members celebrating significant milestones including one of our Grand Masters. More information needs to be placed with these photos for the benefit of our new and current members.

There is a *Suggestion Box* for the Club which is located just inside the entrance. Members are invited to notify the Committee (in writing) of any ideas/suggestions they would like to put forward. These written suggestions will only be considered by the Committee if they include the name of the proposer and are dated. Anonymous suggestions will not be considered.

The next Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday 15 October 2026 @ 1pm.

The meeting concluded @ 1:55pm.

GREAT LAKES BRIDGE CLUB Inc.
TREASURER'S REPORT
AUGUST, 2026

INCOME	**AUGUST**	**YTD**
Table Fees	$5,236.97	$11,982.03
Yearly Subs	$0.00	$60.00
Catering	$0.00	$0.00
Elect/Rates	$0.00	$0.00
Maintenance and Equipment	$0.00	$141.10
Books/Stat/Photocopying	$0.00	$0.00
Congress	$0.00	$0.00
Sundry	$0.00	$0.00
TOTAL	**5,236.97**	**$12,183.13**

EXPENDITURE		
Catering/Afternoon Teas	$598.97	$1,027.22
Cleaning	$540.00	$1,215.00
ABF	$826.00	$1,590.81
Maintenance and Equipment	$258.45	$974.13
Computer Hardware/Software/Support	$223.00	$355.00
Print/Stationery/Books	$34.97	$106.97
Congress	$20.00	$20.00
Electricity/ Rates	$215.34	$547.33
Travel & Entry	$175.00	$175.00
Telephone/Postage	$0.00	$7.55
Christmas Party and Prizes	$0.00	$0.00
Flowers and Cards	$49.50	$49.50
Sundry	$59.00	$59.00
TOTAL	**$3,000.23**	**$6,127.51**

RECONCILIATION AS AT 31/8/2026	
Balance as per Cash Book 31/07/2026	45,124.65
Plus Deposits	5,236.97
	50,361.62
Less Payments	3,000.23
BALANCE AS PER BANK STATEMENT 31/08/26	**47,361.39**

CAPITAL WORKS FUND 1	6 month renewal -1.9.26 -1.3.27 5.1%	**$11,419.11**
CAPITAL WORKS FUND 2	6 month renewal - 1.9.26 - 1.3.27 5.1%	**$11,478.66**

B. WILLIAMS (Hon Treasurer)