

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF TOMAREE BRIDGE CLUB INC

HELD 9TH FEBRUARY 2026

Meeting Opened: 12.05pm

Present: Kerry Wright (President), Dot Saxon-Williams (Vice-President), Sandra Robinson (Treasurer), Lee Preston (Secretary), Pat Pepper (Masterpoint Secretary), Sue McMahon, Tom Fehily, Robyn Geale, Sue Grice

The meeting was called by President Kerry to discuss the request from John McIlrath that his Club, Hunter Region Bridge Association host the State Regional Pairs and Teams Finals Championship in the Elizabeth Waring Function Room on the weekend of 26th/27th September 2026 as our Club was no longer able to hold their Congress on that weekend.

John has also requested he be allowed to hire the Club's tables, dealing machine and boards. He also advised that if his requests were agreed to no other involvement from Tomaree Bridge Club would be envisaged (other than opening and locking up). His Club would also take care of any catering completely separate from our supplies.

Sue McMahon advised it would not greatly impact the dealers as the boards were dealt approximately 2 weeks ahead and from past experience, John usually supplies some.

As the Committee had previously declined the invitation from Bridge NSW to hold this competition (WhatsApp 30/01/2026) it was agreed by all Members that Hunter Region Bridge Association be allowed to hold the competition as requested and that a fee of \$100 be charged for the use of the Club's equipment.

The Committee also agreed for John to book the venue directly with Council.

Club Pairs Championship

The 3rd round will be held on Wednesday 18th February at the end of which drinks/nibbles will be served and prizes presented. Kerry will speak to Bev Lawler regarding the drinks, Sue Grice to liaise with Sandra Mackenzie about nibbles. Sandra Robinson to organize the prize money.

Meeting closed: 12.25pm