



Meeting:	Minutes WR Bridge Committee Meeting
Date	19 th August 2026 at the Wellington. Club
Time:	1.00 PM
Meeting ended:	3.10 PM
Next meeting scheduled:	1.00 pm on Wednesday 16 September 2026

Alan opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Present:

Alan Grant, Chair	Margaret Robertson
Claudia Duncan	John Donbavand
Carol Cornelius (Microsoft Teams)	

Apologies:

Jill Herman	
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Minutes of the previous meeting 15 July 2026

Moved (Alan/Margaret) that these Minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting with an amendment from Jill by email.	Carried
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Matters Arising

Name badges are on hold until the new committee is formed.	
June minutes were amended and approved by email. Carol pointed out that the number of votes should be registered.	
Coordinating Interclub handover (Nesa, Kevin, Kim) was postponed.	Jill
With Bridget in attendance, it was agreed that most Clubs have the capacity for 10A tournaments but not many have 2 playing rooms.	
Margaret has returned John's BNZ authorised administrator papers to him to present to the bank.	John
WRC elections to be completed by 30 th September. Carol will resend her email about the benefits of joining the committee to John to review. Claudia to send out to Clubs before the Hui.	Carol/John/Claudia
Emails to Directors re tournaments. It was felt that it may not be necessary because NZBridge has followed up tournament organisation by requesting Clubs to send in a report after each tournament.	

Margaret has reminded Clubs to claim lesson reimbursements and has received more claims.	
Compscore – Carol sent comments to the WRC to consider. It needs further thought and consideration . Carol and Alan to have further conversations with Kevin Walker.	Alan/Carol
Sth Waiarapa has 2 trophies one of which can be used for the Interclub Intermediate plate. Carol will collect in October for prizegiving..	
Alan to confirm 2027 tournament dates for Mixed Pairs and Club Champs with Waikanae and WBC. Alan to check tournament dates with both CD and TOPS.	Alan

Correspondence:

IN: NZBridge: Home Club memberships, Masterpoints summary. Club administrators' info, NZ Wide Pairs, Regional Championships discussion and survey, CD newsletter, session charges reply, Board minutes, draft minutes of National Conference. IN/OUT: Carol/WRC-motion of approval for updated June minutes, Carol/WRC- motion of approval for Youth players subsidies for Youth camp, Youth Camp administrators/WRC – asking for subsidy, Alan/Jean(Karori)– Mixed Pairs changes, Alan/Peter Newell/ Jan Cormack/WRC – election forms? WRC/Alan/ARC – Regional Hui, HBC/WRC- Youth camp subsidies, HBC/Alan – tournament changes, Carol/WRC – draft benefits of being on the WRC. Alan/Karori/Rona – change of tournament title, Otaki Club – request for lesson subsidy, Hutt/Jill/WRC - Club Champs invoices OUT: Jill/U Hutt- 2027 Club Champs	
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Finance:

Moved (Alan/John) that the financial report for July and that the July Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss reports emailed out be received. Moved Alan/Claudia payment of the following approved invoices <u>Accounts received from 12 July to 15 August 2026</u> Accounts paid by Direct Debit [pre-approved] Xero \$ 40.25[paid 29/07/26] Accounts Paid under Approval at Meeting 17 July WBC – Realbridge for May \$ 191.16[paid 31/07/26] Wellington Club Champs Jill Herman – food & Caddy (\$80.00) \$ 455.22[paid 20/07/26] WBC – 10A Tournament Shortfall \$ 700.00[paid 20/07/26] Accounts for Approval to pay: Interclub Directors' payments for 07 August Nesa Djorovic \$ 100.00 Donna Chin \$ 60.00 Bryan Green \$ 60.00 WBC INV 5711 - Real bridge for June \$ 168.48 Hutt Bridge Club – Club champs room hire, etc \$ 564.07 WBC – Subsidy for lesson promotion \$ 300.00 Philippa McDowall Youth bridge weekend subsidy for Rory \$ 100.00 David Haines Youth bridge w/end subsidy for Esther & Ngaire \$ 200.00 Total for payment: \$1,552.55	Accepted Carried Margaret
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I have organised to transfer, on 17 August, \$1,200.00 from our online account into our current account to cover these expenses. I will set up payment for these accounts to be paid on Monday 24th August 2026 Margaret Robertson 12 August 2026 Margaret/Alan moved that \$500 from the Youth Camp budget be split between the three girls attending, 4 for, 1 against. Victoria is supporting their players. HBC asked WRC for support for their players. After further discussion Margaret/Alan moved that \$460 be split between the 3 girls and that \$20 go to the each of the 2 players from Victoria. Margaret proposed that \$200 be given in support of the Youth Camp for the 5 players attending. Carol seconded. Claudia to pass on Mereana's email address.	Carried Margaret Agreed Claudia
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General Business

Tournaments: Alan forwarded the 2027 tournament schedule. Alan has spoken and written to Karori re the Mixed Pairs. The Karori Easter tournament will now be an Open 5A tournament. Waikanae Club has been asked to consider holding the Mixed Pairs tournament on the 9th May 2027 Interclub. – Margaret explained that a team from Kapi Mana was disappointed about the outcome when a player's network from the other team collapsed. Alan will followup. Alan has spoken to Hamish Brown(Auckland committee) about combining the Open Interclub competition. This would give more competition. Alan will followup. Dan Clifford Rubber bridge competition. Finals to be played. Alan thanked John for organising the competition. John will promote the competition at the Hui. Honorariums – Postponed to the next meeting Regional Championships 2027 format – Sept/Oct agenda. Teaching and training module Not completed. Regional Hui Needs to be interesting. Copies of the tournament schedule available. Reports from Alan, Treasurer, Interclub, Rubber comp. Peter Newell(NZBoard) and Stephen Henry(Fairplay) to speak. Considered breakouts for "player retention" "encouragement of tournament entries"	Alan Alan ALL
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ACTION SUMMARY

Action Item	Owner	Status/Notes
Draft name badges	Carol	On hold until new committee is formed
Coordinate Interclub handover (Nesa/Kevin/Kim)	Jill	Postponed; discuss financial share & work handover
Continue Compscore discussions with Kevin Walker (regional instance & website results)	Carol/Alan	

Collect trophy from Sth Wairarapa for Interclub Intermediate plate	Carol	To collect in October for prizegiving
Confirm 2027 tournament dates (Mixed Pairs & Club Champs) with Waikanae and WBC; check dates with CD and TOPS	Alan	
Laptop health check	Alan	Pending- Arrange for Tim to check
Resend benefits-of-committee email to John, to review	Carol	
Send finalised benefits-of-committee email to Clubs before the Hui	Claudia	
Pass on Mereana's email address	Claudia	
Follow up on Kapi Mana Interclub network issue	Alan	
Follow up with Hamish Brown (Auckland committee) re combining Open Interclub competition	Alan	
Promote Dan Clifford Rubber Bridge competition at the Hui	John	Finals to be played
Discuss Honorariums		Postponed to next meeting
Add Regional Championships (2027 format) to next meeting agenda	Claudia	Sept/Oct agenda
Complete Teaching and training module		Not completed
Prepare for Regional Hui (reports from Alan, Treasurer, Interclub, Rubber comp; consider breakout sessions)	Alan/ALL	Needs to be interesting; copies of tournament schedule to be available
Circulate proposal on Leagues/Strategy	Carol	Pending
Circulate summary of strategic possibilities	Carol	Pending
Contact Matthew McManus re: Director emails	Alan	Closed (No longer required per Aug 19 decision)
Check club capacity for 10A+ tournaments	Carol	Closed (Capacity confirmed with Bridget)
John's BNZ authorised administrator papers.	John	In Progress – John to take to bank
Remind clubs to claim lesson reimbursements	Margaret	Closed (done)
Discuss profit sharing with Bridget/NZB	Alan	?
Write Interclub guidelines for distribution	Alan	?
Gather election nomination info	Alan	Closed (done)