

The City of Redcliffe Chess Club Inc.

Minutes of the Redcliffe Chess Club committee meeting held in F Block of the Grace Lutheran College, Buchanan Street, Rothwell QLD on Wednesday 16th July, 2025 commencing at 6.42pm.

Present: Mark C.Stokes (President and in the Chair); Tony Weller (Treasurer); Nikola Maljkovic (Committee member); Jai Turner (Committee member); Max Kershaw (Secretary) and Allan Fossey (Committee member).

Apologies: NIL.

Minutes of the last committee member of the Redcliffe Chess Club held on Wednesday 9th April, 2025 as circulated were adopted as correct by Stokes/Turner. There were no outstanding business matters arising from those minutes.

President's Report: The President provided the following update:

“My President's Report to this Committee meeting begins with some sad news of the recent passing of one of the very early members of our club, Norm Braybrooke. Norm passed away peacefully on Sunday the 15th of June. Norm was the organiser of the club for many, many years and was instrumental in beginning the Peninsula Open, now in its 60th edition! Norm's son Colin has sent us the following message:

A celebration of the life of Norman Robert Braybrooke is to be held at the Redcliffe Dolphins Rugby League Club at 3pm on SUNDAY JULY 27 in the Dolphin Room. Arrival at 2:45pm till 3pm appreciated. All are invited. For catering purposes please text Colin on 0426 507 732 with your name and number of people able

to attend. The venue is located at the corner of Klinger Road and Ashmole Road, Redcliffe.

Our next ACF and QJ rated Club Tournament is now the 2025 Norm Braybrooke Memorial and it starts with round one tonight at 8pm and is a seven rounder over seven consecutive Wednesday nights. The Braybrooke family will donate a trophy for both the winner and Best Junior and a Perpetual Shield which will have both names engraved on it.

Speaking of the Peninsula Open, our just completed 60th Peninsula Open on Saturday June 28 and Sunday June 29, attracted 92 players and was jointly won by former Redcliffe Chess Club Member IM Brodie McClymont and current Redcliffe Chess Club Member David Beaumont, both on 5.5/6! It was great to see over 20 current Redcliffe members play in this event and we hope for even more in our next weekend, the Leo Wilkinson Memorial, on Saturday September 27 and Sunday September 28. It was also great to see other Redcliffe members do really well, including Jai Turner who was equal 3rd and rating grade A winner on 5/6 and Tony Dowden, who was best Senior with 4.5/6. Nishit Das was the best ACF unrated player too, and our own Max Kershaw was the Arbiter in charge of J Block and did another outstanding job.

Our Club weekly events have attracted well over 20 players this year and are now closer to 30 players and this is an encouraging sign that the Club is going well. Tony Weller and I will be away in August playing in the Bruges Masters in Belgium from Saturday August 9 to Friday August 15. I will be at the Club next week and then will not be back till Wednesday night September 3.”

After general discussion, the President's report was moved by Stokes/Kershaw and adopted.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurers financial statement for the period ending 30th June, 2025 (as per attachments) was presented to the meeting. The following points were noted:

1. Total expenditure for the 2024/2025 financial period to date of seven months was \$4,467.10 with incomes for the corresponding period being \$6,115.00 thus resulting in a nett income for the period of \$1,647.90.
2. Accumulated funds on hand as at 30th June, 2025 amounted to \$22,607.21.
3. The Treasurer advised that there was \$2,000.00 of prize money to be distributed following the recent completion of the most recent weekend chess tournament. Furthermore, this will be offset to some extent with forthcoming CAQ subsidies yet to come to hand.

The financial report for the period ending 30th June, 2025 was moved by Weller/Kershaw and adopted.

General Business: The following items of general business were discussed:

1. The President and Treasurer will be absent from the club most of August attending overseas travel and chess tournaments (!!!) and club member Rohan will undertake the role of opening and closing the venue; fee collections; event organiser et al. Allan Fossey will also assist as required.

Next Meeting: A tentative date was set as Wednesday 5th November, 2025.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 7.18pm.

Mark C. Stokes (President).¹