

AGM GBU Minutes 31 January 2026

Venue: The Links

Time: 12h00

Present: S Francis D Craggs B Donde T Meyer B Ravenscroft D Rhyder T Nestoridis
C Polakow R Stephens J Grant C Polakow D Ingersent P Feinstein L Sorensen

Apologies: none

1. Welcome. Thanks to all for attending
2. Chairman's report – please see attached report
Proposed: Betty Ravenscroft Seconded: James Grant
3. Financial report – Tor Mayer Please see attached report
Proposed: Tas Nestoridis Seconded: C Polakow
4. Appointment of board members/ delegates
Delegates
Daphne Ryder
Duncan Craggs
Tas Nestoridis
Robert Stephens
Cindy Polakow
5. The Delegates voted as follows
 - a. Chairman Duncan Craggs
 - b. Vice-chair Cindy Polakow
 - c. Secretary Tas Nestoridis
 - d. Treasurer Daphne Rhyder
 - e. Member Robert Stephens
6. Appointment of delegates for SABF AGM – 4-5 delegates required for GBU.
 - a. Nominations for Secretary, Treasurer and board members of the SABF **Action: New board members**
7. Red point events for 2026
 - a. GBU teams and qualification for Medwin and Berkowitz events 10 and 17 May – 2 Sundays in a row. NB. 17 May is start of Mixed and Senior trials – to consider having GBU teams over a weekend **Action: New board members**

- b. Gill Brown pairs 22 March 2025 full day. Will be sponsored by the SABF R150 per head. Bernard agreed to TD the event
- c. End of years pairs event provisionally 6 December
- d. GBU mini congress
 - a. The Links agrees to organize a mini-congress in 2026
- e. Benoni Northerns want to have a red point event in September 20th or 27th.

8. General

- a. Request that SABF send minutes of all meetings to the GBU chairman
Action Bernard
- b. Orchards website – The GBU is not willing to advertise Lorna Speller's Real Bridge Events on the GBU website. Orchards is linked on the Gbu website, in the same way as it is on the Orchards website.. The RealBridge club is not affiliated. Problem with Realbridge is that it is difficult to load masterpoints and Lorna seems to be unable to do this in spite of being offered help. James Grant expressed extreme displeasure with this decision but Bernard and Sheila were adamant that GBU and SABF will not advertise clubs that are not affiliated.
- c. Wednesday afternoon club – GBU does not confirm that Wednesday afternoon club can use GBU boards for her club. The new board will decide whether to allow her to use the boards. **Action: New Board members**