

**September 2025**

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**Bob's Buzzing**

*Hi Probians, it's great to see sunshine at last. I hope all of you are well. Jill visited Beryl Littlewood in Hospital in Taree. She has been transferred to Laurieton for rehabilitation where she will be closer to her Daughter. Our fabulous caterers have been going through some health issues – we wish them well. See you at our next meeting 2-9-25 for more fun, food and friendship.*

**President Bob**

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**Next General Meeting:** Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025, at Black Head Surf Club, 10am start.**Next Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025, 10am at the library.**Setup, Welcome & Pack-up:** Russell Smith      **Setup & Pack-up:** Graham Lane**10 min Speaker:** Sheila Capperauld, 'Pickleball'.**Guest Speaker:** Barb Richardson, 'Turtle Tales from Diamond Beach'.**REPORTS****Treasurer:** (Ian Campbell 0417 928 791 for Kay Clucas)

	Date of report	Opening bal.	Add deposits	Less expenses	Closing bal.	Total Funds
	23/08/25	\$5,353.62	\$392.00	\$243.08	\$5,502.54	
<b>Equipment Account</b>		\$735.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$735.49	<b>\$6,238.03</b>

Club's Bank Account details: Hallidays Point Probud Club: BSB 932 000 Account No. 500082628.

**Activities:** (Jill Keenan 0431 190 819)

The cruise on Wallis Lake on the 'Free Spirit' is still under consideration.

7<sup>th</sup> October PROBUS MONTH CELEBRATION, special morning tea with Black Forest Cake.21<sup>st</sup> October BOULES AND BBQ, 12noon to 2pm, Black Head Reserve, \$5 per person.4<sup>th</sup> November MELBOURNE CUP, there are Prizes for Best Dressed Female & Male.2<sup>nd</sup> December CHRISTMAS CONCERT, including lunch catered by Chitti Chatters.

*Entertainment by Halliday Shores Musos John Willingham & Alan Munroe, with local vocalists including some former Probud choir members, and the program to focus on Christmas Carols including singalong by all.*

**Welfare:** (Trish LAMEY 0448 664 451)

Beryl Littlewood is recovering from a fall (see President's Report above).  
Terry-Ann Tregear is recovering from Type A flu and rhino-virus.

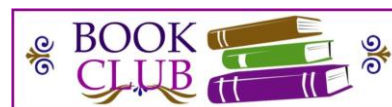


Probians celebrating birthdays in September are – Hazel Blight, Margaret Giggins, Terry Green, Cherilyn Leckner, Norm Maberly-Smith, Isobel Prindable, Ron Smith, Russell Smith, Terry-Ann Tregear.

**CLUBS****Book Club:** (Lorraine BLACKLOCK 0409 945 943)

'Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China' by Jung Chang.

(See over)

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### Book Club Continued:

*A memoir that chronicles three generations of women in the author's family against the backdrop of 20<sup>th</sup> Century China. The book tells of the personal impact that historical events, particularly the rise and rule of Mao Zedong and the Cultural Revolution had on the women and their families' lives.*

*Confronting and shocking at times, the book gives an insight into what life was like during this period of Chinese history.*

*Good Reading, Lorraine.*

**Gourmet Pubs & Clubs:** Robin BILLINGS (0407 006 648) Details TBA

**Movie Group:** Alan BATES (0448 555 537) Details TBA.

### LAST MEETING (Ian Campbell & Moira Power)

**Keith Pascoe, Guest Speaker**, (pictured) assisted by his wife Robin, grasped the microphone after morning tea to present his talk titled, **"Fun with Photography"**, following his introduction by Allison Maberly-Smith. Keith and Robin are members of Forster Combined Probus Club. We learned an interesting fact: "According to estimates more photos will be taken this year than in the entire history of photography."

His talk on the historical side of photography commenced with the Glass Plate Camera that was in use from 1850, showing a photo produced by such a device in 1872 of the Gulgong Gold Fields in the Central West of NSW. Next came the Kodak Box Camera available from 1900 to 1988 which most of us used at some stage during this period.

Keith then moved onto today's cameras and what they can do. He showed us an entertaining video on the Peacock Spider. In 2014 Keith won a Probus Photography Competition – a \$18,000 trip to Europe. He then showed us a beautiful video of him swimming with sea lions at Jurien Bay, WA. He had used his Go-Pro Waterproof Camera which goes to a depth of 10 metres. At the conclusion, Allison thanked Keith and Robin and presented Keith with a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift.



To set the ball rolling, President Bob welcomed everyone to the meeting, which included 44 members and 5 visitors – Fay Mercer, Eileen Brown, Margaret Mattiske, and the two speakers, Robin and Keith Pascoe.

He announced that the Christmas Lunch would be held at the Surf Club again this year, with catering by Chitti Chatters. Jill is still sourcing entertainment for the event.

Members with birthdays in August were Graham Lane, Margaret Lawson, (pictured), and Sno Moy, with congratulations to Isobel (pictured) and Ross Prindable who are celebrating 64 years of marriage. We all sang Happy Birthday to those present.

**Raffle:** Keith Pascoe was invited to draw the raffle. The winners were Margaret Mattiske, Bill Gibbs and Bev Baker.

**10 Minute Speaker, Peter Hester**, addressed his topic, **'Father and Daughter Holiday to Rome'**. Peter showed slides of his wonderful trip to Rome with his daughter Ruth which included a cruise from Mainz to Amsterdam. He showed us his special black tee shirt which read Warning 2025 Father and Daughter Trip in Progress (pictured) and which he enjoyed wearing!! There were beautiful slides of the villages and towns, lovely buildings and castles and of course windmills. Also, interesting photos of the Gutenberg Press on which the First Bible (in Latin) was printed in Mainz in the mid-1450s. They also went on to England and there was a photo of the house Peter's mother lived in and her local church.

**Morning Tea:** Thank you, Terry-Ann and Peter, for the delicious morning tea. The sausage rolls were a great success!

