

# PROBUS CLUB OF BALGOWLAH-MANLY (Inc.)

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**Meets second Friday of each month at 10.30 am  
at Balgowlah Bowling Club**

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**For the Meeting on Friday 12 October 2018**

Speaker's Corner: Chris Maxwell AM graduated from the University of Sydney (BScAgr Hons, 1974, PhD 1979) studying animal science and specialized in domestic animal reproduction. After a career in government, academic research and teaching, he retired in 2008 as Pro Dean and was appointed Emeritus Professor of Reproductive Biology in the Faculty of Veterinary Science at the University of Sydney. In 2007 he received the Urrbrae Award for outstanding contributions to the science and practice of Australian agriculture. In 2017 he was awarded Membership of the Order of Australia (AM) in the General Division, for significant service to veterinary science in the field of animal reproduction through academic and advisory roles.



Professor Maxwell and his students have published over 350 articles in international research journals, major reviews, book chapters and books. One book, with G Evans, a practical manual on the artificial insemination of sheep and goats, has been published in three languages and has international sales of over 10,000. In retirement, Chis and his long-term friend Alex Pugh are tackling the writing of Australian history. Their first book

together, *The Merchant of Sydney: James Chisholm (1772-1837)*, is the biography of an early colonial pioneer of whom Chis is a sixth generation descendant. Australian Scholarly Publishing (ASP) of Melbourne published the book in November 2015. In 2017, ASP published *The Master of Hell's Gates*, their biography of William Kinghorne (1796-1878), an early Scottish pioneer of Van Diemen's Land. They are currently working on the biography of another early pioneer.

Chis is involved in lay ministry at St John's Anglican Church, Beecroft. He is married to Belinda and they have two adult children.

Last month we were entertained by Monte Dwyer, who spoke on his very wide ranging life, he really covered a lot of ground!



**Birthdays,** We wish a very happy birthday to all of our members who celebrate their birthday in October: Max Cooper on 25<sup>th</sup>, Gwennie Hawke on 27<sup>th</sup> and Leslie Ryan on 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Cruise to Bobbin Head on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October,** Please arrange car pool to Palm Beach for the 11 am ferry and after lunch it will return to Palm Beach around 3.30 pm. Cost is \$35 for the boat trip and lunch at the cafe around the \$20 mark. There are only 9 on the list so far and if we get 20 the price drops to \$25 for the cruise. If you are interested and not attending this meeting, please contact Glenda Johnson on 9907 0795.

**Christmas Luncheon at the Balgowlah Bowling Club at 12 noon on Friday 14 December.** The Christmas lunch will be held at the Bowling Club on 14<sup>th</sup> December and the cost is \$60.00, following a brief monthly meeting. Please make sure you put your name on the list at the front table at the next meeting so we have an idea of numbers. More details as per menu at a later date

**Trip to the Southern Highland and Fitzroy Falls Wednesday 19 September.** Fitzroy Falls trip was enjoyed by all who went. Great day, a little bit windy but did not matter. We picked up the very informative guide Helen Dunn at Mittagong where we had morning tea and then continued on to the Falls café where we had a great lunch. A lot of historic homes were pointed out to us on the way back through the Southern Highlands.

Unfortunately, there was very little water coming over the falls and a lot of the dams we saw on the properties were pretty low as well.

Coming home we were held up on the M5 with a bad accident on our side and a previous truck fire on the southern side but after we got past that the trip went very well.



***Welfare:*** Pauline Gazzard and Ray Hamilton have contacted a number of members who have been absent from our monthly meetings to check on their welfare. They will give us an update at the meeting

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