

# prosecco & PAPARAZZI

A comical, romantic tale of what happens when the paths of a celebrity god and a mere mortal collide.

## ABOUT:



CELIA KENNEDY

When fifteen minutes of fame goes horribly wrong...

Charlotte Young and her five closest friends ring in the New Year on a ski vacation in the swanky, celebrity-packed French Alps, where her world collides with long-time celeb crush, Des Bannerman—aka “The King of Rom-Com.” Unexpectedly, Charlotte finds herself happily reconciled to an innocent evening of drinking champagne, gambling, and chatting to the celebrity of her dreams.

Charlotte’s friends join forces to help her realize her lifelong fantasy, yet his girlfriend, the latest Bond Girl, proves an insurmountable obstacle. Lighthearted banter turns into tabloid fodder and leaves Charlotte saddled with a restraining order.

With the help of her friends, Charlotte finds the answers to life’s biggest questions while trying to deal with the fallout of her fifteen minutes of fame.

*Prosecco & Paparazzi* is a contemporary romantic comedy about what happens when the paths of a celebrity god and a mere mortal collide.

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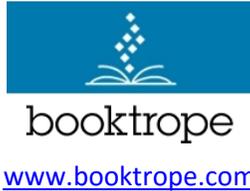
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## PRESS RELEASE

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### BOOKTROPE PUBLISHING RELEASES NOVEL COMPARED TO SEX AND THE CITY

*Seattle, WA, October 21, 2015*—Booktrope Editions, an imprint of Booktrope Publishing, announced today the release of Washington state author Celia Kennedy's novel *Prosecco & Paparazzi*, book one of The Passport Series. The novel is available on Amazon.com in Kindle and paperback versions, on BarnesandNoble.com in Nook and paperback versions, Apple's iBooks, as well as Ingram Content Group's Lightning Source.

In this contemporary romantic comedy Charlotte Young and her five closest friends ring in the New Year on a ski vacation in the swanky, celebrity-packed French Alps, where her world collides with long-time celebrity crush, Des Bannerman. Lighthearted banter turns into tabloid fodder, and Charlotte sets about dealing with the fallout of her fifteen minutes of fame. This story explores what happens when the paths of a celebrity god and a mere mortal collide.

"My husband and I watch Clint Eastwood on *Inside the Actors Studio*," said Kennedy. "Inspired by this multi-faceted man, we both thought how amazing it would be to meet him. Which begged the question, how does one go about meeting a celebrity in a non-stalkerish way? I began to wonder how celebrities make new friends, allow people into their lives."

The sexy, stylish characters in *Prosecco & Paparazzi* have been likened to the leading ladies in Candace Bushnell's beloved *Sex and the City*. Kennedy hopes fans of Carrie, Samantha, Charlotte, and Miranda will also fall in love with Charlotte, Marian, Hillary, Kathleen, and Tiziana.

"Celia Kennedy indulged my love of all things Hollywood and celebrity as well as my love of exotic locations all over the world in this delightful story that reminded me of the fun and sexiness of *Sex and the City*," said Tess Woods, author of *Love at First Flight*.

Celia Kennedy's passion for travel, friendship, self-discovery, wine, chocolate, love, and the designed and natural world is the foundation of her books. She was born on a military base in Wurzburg, Germany. Her parents' penchant for traveling stuck with her, and she's lived in and traveled through several countries. Celia has authored three fiction novels and published four anthologies. She is currently working on book three in The Passport Series. She lives in Washington state with the loves of her life.

For more information on **Celia Kennedy**, visit her website [www.celiakennedy.weebly.com](http://www.celiakennedy.weebly.com) or follow her on Twitter @KennedyCelia. Follow the hashtag #Prosecco&Paparazzi for more discussion on *Prosecco & Paparazzi*.

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## ABOUT BOOKTROPE

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## ENDORSEMENT

"Pure, lighthearted entertainment, one mishap at a time! Charlotte's misadventures and Ms. Kennedy's keen sense of wit, charm and humor will leave you with a smile on your face and a passport to fun in your hand!"

-Dianne Bylo, Tome Tender

## SUGGESTED INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

1. How did your life as a writer begin?
2. What inspires you to write?
3. How did you come with the idea for *Prosecco & Paparazzi*?
4. What experience of yours relates to a scene in your book?
5. What is your favorite scene in the book? Why?
6. Who is your favorite character in the book? Why?
7. Who is your celebrity crush?
8. What is your favorite book you've read?

## SUGGESTED READING GROUP GUIDE FOR PROSECCO & PAPARAZZI

- 1) Which of the female characters do you relate to the best? Girl Next Door Charlotte, Bombshell Tiziana, Sarcastic Marian, Prim and Proper Hillary, Aloof Kathleen?
- 2) Which of the female characters would you most like to be?
- 3) Which of the female characters would you most like to hang out with?
- 4) Of the leading men, who's more your type? Super-Celeb Des, Billionaire Ted, or Irishman Liam?
- 5) What words would you use to describe Des, Ted and Liam?
- 6) If you had a chance to meet your celebrity crush, would you take the chance?
- 7) If you met your celebrity crush, would you feel upset if someone accused you of stalking, or would you just feel happy you'd seized the moment?
- 8) What place in the book would you most like to visit? NYC? London? Dublin? Saint Tropez? Rome?
- 9) Did the author do a good/great/fabulous job helping you travel the world and experience international flavors?
- 10) If you could go on a tour of the locations in the book, with the author, and experience Charlotte's world first hand, would you want to?
- 11) If you were living large like these ladies, do you have four solid friends you could call upon to help you seize the moment? Bail you out of trouble? Fly across the world to have cocktails with?
- 12) In *Prosecco and Paparazzi*, do you think the main point of the book is travel? Romance? Friendship? Or some combination?
- 13) What is your favorite scene in the book?

### A Tasty Cocktail to Drink Along

#### *Lemon and Elderflower Fizz*

##### **Ingredients**

75 ml gin  
Juice ½ lemon  
2 t. caster sugar  
50 ml elderflower cordial  
750 ml bottle prosecco  
4 T. lemon sorbet  
To decorate  
2 T. caster sugar  
Juice and strips of zest from ½ lemon

##### **Method**

To decorate the glasses with a sugar rim, tip the sugar onto a flat plate and the lemon juice into a bowl. Dip the rim of each glass in the juice then twist on the plate of sugar to stick. Put the gin, lemon juice, sugar, and elderflower cordial into a large jug. Stir until the sugar has dissolved. Add the prosecco then the sorbet, and give it a good stir. Pour into the prepared glasses and pop in a few strips of lemon zest.

*This is my favorite prosecco cocktail... but, I've been known to enjoy an ice cold glass of the lively sparkling wine all by itself!—Celia*

Recipe from: <http://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/lemon-elderflower-fizz>



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