

# Rawdon Community Library

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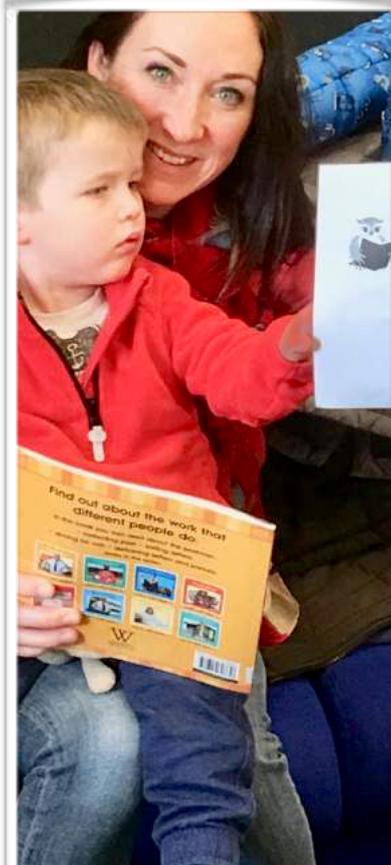
## A big thank you to Menston Coop!

Each year Menston Coop sponsors some projects suggested by local charities as part of the Coop's Local Community Fund.

Rawdon Community Library successfully applied to become one of their three charities over the summer period last year. (Menston is the nearest Coop to Rawdon Community Library.)

Every time a member shops at the Co-op, 1% of what is spent on selected own-brand products and services goes to the local community fund. Just before Xmas, RCL received a cheque for £1400 to help support the library and specially the Children's library.

We are using the money to buy book boxes and further develop the Children's resources in the library.



**Please join us for a repeat of last year's fantastic French Breakfast!**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 10.00 am at Rawdon Community Library**

- ✦ Come and enjoy croissants, French pastries, coffee and juice on a 'pay as you eat' basis.
- ✦ Any profit will be shared between Rawdon Community Library and Médecins Sans Frontières.





### Rooms available for Hire . . .

- Local History Room
- Bennett Room
- Library Social Area

Each of the three rooms is available for private hire at the rate of £10 per hour.

Minimum hire at times when the community library is open: 1 hour.

Minimum hire when library is closed: 2 hours.

Additional time is calculated in 30 minute blocks.

### Contact us

- 0113 3910440
- or enquire at the library



Registered charity no 1155294

### News from our Interest Groups

#### The Big French Breakfast!

Love croissants? Fed up of hearing about Brexit? Come and relax at the Big French Breakfast and cafe, back by popular request after last year's success!

**Saturday 10th March** will see the return of the pain au chocolate, croissants and other delicacies plus coffee and even tea.

**10am-1pm**

#### Gardening Group

In January, Janice Summers gave a talk about automatic watering systems which was really interesting and useful. The group then reviewed the gardening books held in the non-fiction section of the library and made suggestions for improving the book stock.

In March there will be a coach trip to the celebrated Rhubarb Triangle in Wakefield to visit a farm where the rhubarb will be at its most active!

Other Garden Group spring meetings:

**March 12th:** Seed Swap

**April 9th:** RHS Harlow Carr's Nurseryman Andrew Willocks will give a talk.

**May 15th:** A visit to Arium, the new Leeds City Council garden centre and plant production facility for Leeds city parks, including a tour round the £4 million glasshouses which are not usually open to the public.



## Railway Group

There will be a talk/lecture each month up to April on the 3rd Monday of the month at 2pm. The meeting on February 19th heard a fascinating talk about railways, engines, equipment and the working life in the Dales quarrying systems from the 19th century and early 20th century. This was a follow-up talk and slide show with new research by Stewart Liles developed from an earlier talk. Monthly railway related trips out are scheduled from May to September.

Dates for your diary:

### March 19th at 2.00pm:

Peter Martin will present an illustrated talk about Railway Memories of the 50s and 60s. All welcome.

### April 16th at 2.00pm:

Paul Haywood will present an illustrated talk about his recent journey 'From Skipton to Beijing' including rail travel of course.

Rawdon Community Library  
Reg Charity No: 115294  
 presents  
 its first ever

**FASHION SHOW**  
 by  
 Complete Clothing Company

**"Fashion amongst the Fiction"**

Huge savings on High Street Labels

TOPSHOP WALLIS M&S DEBENHAMS MONSOON  
 DOROTHY PERKINS NEXT

Fashion Handbags and Accessories

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Tickets £5 (including Refreshments)

Available in the Library or at the door.

**Fashion Amongst The Fiction** on Wednesday April 11th at 7pm will see the library hosting its first fashion show!

Participants from the library and local community will be modelling a range of up-beat fashion clothing and accessories followed by an opportunity to try on and buy at heavily discounted prices.

Coffee and cakes will be on sale in the children's area after the event.

**A Big Thank-You!** Local councillor Brian Cleasby has given a MICE Money grant for folding doors for the Local History Room. This support is very welcome.

## Talks and Presentations at the library



On Tuesday February 21st The Library Theatre Company visited Rawdon Community Library to put on 'Bed Among The Lentils' one of Alan Bennett's famous monologues from the 'Talking Heads' series.

The play and the acting was riveting - a mix of humour and poignancy enjoyed by the entire audience.

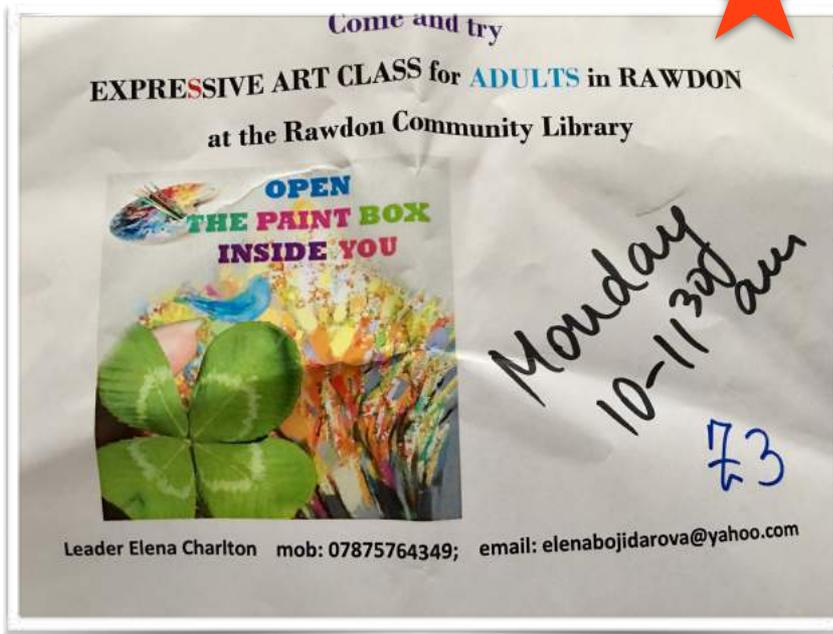
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**Thursday March 8th at 7.30pm**  
 'What's Gospel about the Gospels'  
 Reverend Dr Mark Radcliffe  
 NHS Psychiatrist/Psychotherapist

**Thursday March 22nd at 7.30pm**  
 Yorkshire Air Ambulance  
 Insights into the extraordinary work of this charity

**Wednesday April 11th at 7pm**  
 Fashion Show and Clothing Sale: Top Shop, M&S, Dorothy Perkins, Monsoon, Next, Debenhams and others.

**Thursday April 19th at 7.30pm**  
 'From Dark Satanic Mills to Diabetes'  
 Dr Kersten Hall



An Expressive Art Class for Adults has started at the library.

Mondays 10-11.30 am.  
 Cost £3

For further information please contact the group leader:

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 07875764349

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## Newspapers in the Library!

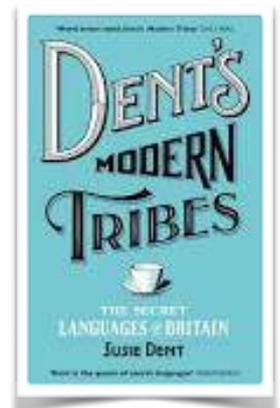
- ✦ We are now receiving newspapers in the Library. The Yorkshire Post and the 'i' paper come on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday and The Wharfedale Observer comes weekly.
- ✦ We are keeping the daily papers for 1 month and The Wharfedale Observer will be kept permanently. A wonderful collection of past Wharfedale Observer newspapers is held for reference in the Local History Collection.

### From 1910

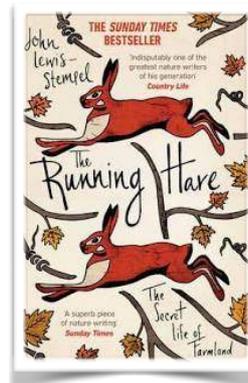
“At a meeting of Yeadon District Council, Councillor Hardisty said that some time ago he had called the attention of the council to the inconvenience which many inhabitants were put to owing to the scarcity of water; and a letter, he believed, was written to the Waterworks Company at that time. The scarcity, however, was still going on. A week ago that day, on one street, there were four houses without water and they were all put to a great inconvenience. The husband could not even get water to wash himself with. Councillor Hardisty said that, as the local authority, the council ought to see that the people of Yeadon were supplied with water.”

**Book Review: Dent's Modern Tribes: The Secret Languages of Britain** takes us on a tour of the languages used by different groups in modern Britain. Every sport, profession and region draws on a lexicon of different words and usages. The author Susie Dent writes these up with a light and humorous touch. It prompts us to think about how we each use our own words and language in our various social groups. Great for dipping into.

Did you know that the ploughman's lunch was invented by the Cheese Bureau in the 50s!

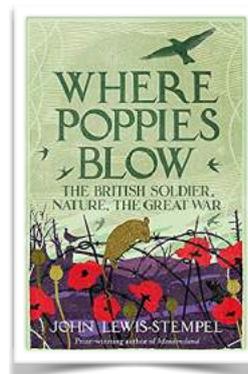


**Book Review: The Running Hare** is a true story written by a farmer, John Lewis-Stempel, about his management of one field over the course of a year. Not perhaps the most promising topic but fascinating as he closely observes the increase in flowers and return of wildlife including hares as he changes the methods of cultivation away from intensive farming and use of chemicals. A lovely piece of nature observation and writing which engages the reader in the project.



### Recommended

John Lewis-Stempel turns his attention here to the relationship between soldiers and nature on the Western Front during the First World War.



### Request for DVDS!

Any unwanted DVDs you or your friends and relations might have would be gratefully received, the more the better! There are lots of people who prefer to watch a DVD rather than download from the internet.

Please leave them at the library counter for the attention of Trish Pinder. You are welcome to browse the DVD section in the library!

Thank-you.

Rawdon Community Library is a charity which depends entirely on volunteers, donations and grants.

Every penny raised is spent to provide library services, community events, interest groups and keeping the building warm and safe.

Thank-you for your support.