



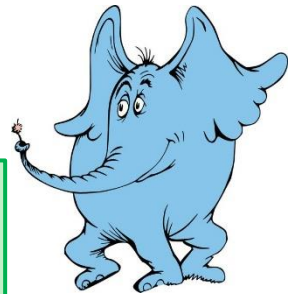
Greenhill
COMMUNITY LIBRARY

From the team that brought you our **Harry Potter** and **Wizard of Oz** days:

- Dressing up competition
- Indoor and outdoor games
- Bouncy castle
- Refreshments
- Themed displays
- Puzzle book



We need a team of volunteers to help out on the day and set up beforehand. If you can assist, come along to our event planning meetings on 8th or 9th May



Newsletter

Summer 2024

August 3rd is
Seuss Day
10am - 3pm



Quilt Raffle

We'll be raffling this fabulous, hand-made "Dr Seuss"-themed quilt. Tickets £1 each. Winner will be drawn on 3 August. Five runner-up prizes of amazing Dr Seuss wreaths.



Our contact details:

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Online booking:

We are open: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 10am –5pm
Thursday and Saturday: 10am –12.30pm

Our Library at Lowedges



Did you know that we have two free breakfasts every week at Lowedges library? Everyone is welcome to come along at 9am on Mondays and Wednesdays for tea, coffee, toast, cereal and fruit for no charge.

Please note our revised opening hours – we are now open Monday 9-12:30 and 1:30-4:30 and Wednesday 9:30-12:30.



Lowedges library is supported by grants from the National Lottery "Reaching Communities" Fund

Earthworks!

24 March: Volunteers plant three multi-stemmed hazels, with surrounding flower beds, on the library lawn. New planting was also established on the Greenhill roundabout. Funded from the Greenhill Economic Recovery Fund and designed by Fran Halsall, in cooperation with Greener Greenhill.



8 and 9 June

Your map gets you into all the gardens. Just £5 from the front desk, from the library lawn on the day, or from participating gardens. Note: Not all gardens are open both days.

It's not too late to register as an open garden and if you live within a 15-minute walk of the library we'd love to hear from you. Horticultural magnificence is not a requirement. Send an email to gardens@greenhill-library.org

Spotlight on “Knit & Natter”



Our knit and natter group meets from 10.00 – 12.00 on the first and third Wednesday of the month. It's being going since 2018 (with a break for Covid) and attracts around 15 regulars. They describe the group as “a lifeline”, “a chance to escape the house” and “an opportunity to meet like-minded people”. Newcomers (even complete beginners) are welcome. Just turn up, or email lynnimunro@googlemail.com

Linda and Sylvia (above) show off a recently completed quilt made from six-inch crocheted square. In addition to 50 donated to “Baby Basics”, they've made quilts for the Sally Army and even dog blankets for the RSPCA. Janet, on the other hand (a relative newcomer to the group) was knitting herself a dishcloth. A lot of the wool gets donated, supplemented by occasional pleas on Facebook.



Book Review: “Unbroken” by Laura Hillenbrand

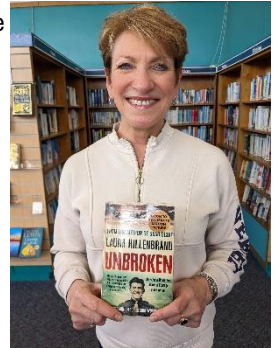
My expectations were pretty high for Unbroken, as I loved the author's previous book Seabiscuit, and it didn't disappoint. Also based on a true story, Laura's extensive footnotes evidence the thorough research taken from War Veterans' diaries, letters, and interviews during and after WW2.

The story begins with a promising Olympian runner, Louis Zamperini. He came from poor beginnings, initially learning to run fast escaping the police on numerous occasions as a petty criminal! During the Berlin Games he was even noticed by Hitler who complimented him personally. Then the war broke out. Zamperini enlisted.

The story takes a dramatic turn when Zamperini and his Bomber Plane crew crash into the Pacific. Only 3 crew survived clinging to an inflatable life raft. Their battle to survive against nature, the open ocean with no land in sight, and the scorching elements, lasts for over 7 weeks.... all whilst surviving on any food they could catch and their only water from fleeting but welcome storms.

Zamperini's resilience is next tested by his own fellow mankind - the Japanese that capture him. The brutality that follows highlights that Zamperini's notoriety as an athlete made him a valuable propaganda tool, so was kept alive. But only to then be tortured and assaulted relentlessly by the Japanese guards.

Laura's writing about Zamperini's courage and resourcefulness is nothing short of astounding and deeply moving. Sadly a true story though. You will be stunned and emotionally blown away by this book.



Reviewed by
Julie Redfearn

Friday 3 May: The Miracle Club



There's just one dream for the women of Ballygar to taste freedom: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. With a little benevolent interference from their local priest, a group of close friends get their ticket of a lifetime. Starring Maggie Smith, Kathy Bates and Laura Linney

Friday 7 June: One Life



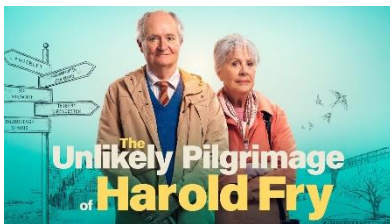
The true story of Sir Nicholas 'Nicky' Winton, a young London broker who, in the months leading up to World War II, rescued over 600 children from Nazi-occupied Czechoslovakia. Superb performances from Anthony Hopkins, Jonny Quinn and Helena Bonham Carter.

Friday 5 July: Paint your Wagon



In the California Wilderness in May 1853, a crusty old miner, Ben Rumson, is conducting a makeshift funeral for a friend. Meanwhile, his 16-year-old daughter Jennifer discovers gold dust. Ben claims the land, and prospectors start flocking. Songs include "They call the Wind Maria", "I Talk to the Trees" and "I was born under a Wandering Star"

Friday 9 August: The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry



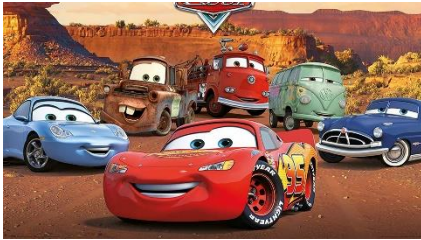
Harold Fry decides to walk six hundred miles from Kingsbridge to Berwick-upon-Tweed because, he believes, as long as he walks, old friend Queenie Hennessey will live. From the book by Rachel Joyce. Starring Jim Broadbent and Penelope Wilton.

For our evening cinema events, doors open/refreshments at 7pm, film starts at 7.30. Audience sizes are limited; to guarantee a place please book ahead at greenhill.bookwhen.com Film showings are free; you may make a donation (suggested £5) on the night.

Children's Cinema

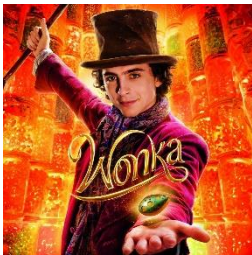
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Saturday 4 May: Cars



In this superb Pixar animation, an ambitious young racing car called Lightning McQueen makes friends with an improbable community of cars in the small town of Radiator Springs. This film is worth watching for the tractor tipping scene alone!

Saturday 1 June: Wonka



The young Willy Wonka is the mastermind behind some of the most delicious and innovative chocolate creations the world has ever seen. But before shaking up the chocolate industry and making a name for himself as a confectionery genius, the ambitious young creator had to defy all odds. Starring Timothée Chalamet as Wonka and (improbably) Hugh Grant as the Oompah Loompah.

Saturday 6 July: Elemental



In a city where fire, water, land, and air residents live together, a fiery young woman and a go-with-the-flow guy discover something elemental: how much they actually have in common. The story follows fire element Ember Lumen (Lewis) and water element Wade Ripple (Athie), who spend time together in the city while trying to save a convenience store owned by Ember's father.

Saturday 3 August: Horton Hears a Who (note 6.00pm start)



Horton (an elephant) finds a clover on which sits a tiny speck that turns out to contain the entire city of Who-ville. In his efforts to bring stability to this tiny world he must overcome the scepticism of his fellow jungle creatures. The film captures the wonderful quirkiness of the Dr Seuss original and is the perfect end to our amazing Dr Seuss themed day.

Our Saturday cinema events open their doors at 2pm for refreshments (sweets, ice creams, drinks). Film starts at 2.30. Films showings are free; you may make a donation when you visit. These events provide an easy-going cinema experience ideal for younger viewers.

Regular Events

Our "**Knit and Natter**" group meets in the library from 10.00 to 12.00 on the first and third Wednesday each month. Just turn up!

Book club meets on the third Wednesday of the month from 7pm to 8pm. If interested, please email kirsty.atkin1@gmail.com

Craft Club meets after school on Fridays. Simple crafts to make and take home for children aged 5-8.

Coffee morning is every Thursday from 10.00 – 11.30. Tea, coffee, biscuits and sometimes cake. A very popular session – you're sure of a warm welcome!

Story time Stories and fun for pre-schoolers on Thursdays from 10.15 to 11.00

Spring Village Market

As a community-run library, we rely on fundraising to keep the library open, and three times a year our Village Markets make a huge contribution to this.

A team led by Jackie, Jennie, Keith and Rob plan for and manage up to 40 stalls which reflect a wide range of goods from craft chocolates to original prints. They can receive up to 80 requests for an individual market and, where possible, local makers and growers are supported. Many stalls return regularly by popular demand.



Local farmer Stephen Thompson of Moss Valley Meats is always a hit (and has responded more than once in a winter-crisis by clearing the hard standing of snow) alongside Drone Valley Brewers who offer three-packs of their local- brewed beer. The array of the craft stalls inside and out is testament to the creativity in our area and in April we also welcomed first-time local producers Crude Honey from Woodseats and Cheese & Friends from Silver Hill.



Our volunteer team work hard to provide tea, coffee, biscuits and a sit down for customers and run a tombola for further fund raising — all of which enable us to support the smooth running of our Community Library. Feedback is always positive from stall holders and customers alike who value the community atmosphere alongside the range of goods. Thank you to all the stallholders, volunteers and customers who help to make the markets such a success. We look forward to the next one in September

Evening Talks

Friday 17 May. “Welcome aboard Ethel and Pearl”



Ian Hunter talks about the work of the **Ethel Trust**, whose two specially adapted, fully accessible canal barges, Ethel and Pearl, provide day trips and residential experiences for people of all abilities and needs.

Friday 21 June.

“Chatsworth Gardens and Landscaping”

Steve Porter (head of landscaping at Chatsworth) talks about the history, recent planting and future plans for these iconic gardens.



Friday 19 July. “Charity Night” with Pat Bashton and Jackie Butcher

Go behind the scenes to learn about the work of two important charities. Pat will talk about her fundraising activities for The MacMillan Foundation and the Grace Food Bank and Jackie will discuss the operation of the Grace Food Bank.

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Friday 16 August. “Digging Deeper for all”

Caroline Dewar, chair of the Friends of Graves Park, presents the results of their recent project to uncover the medieval farming, fish ponds and charcoal hearths, rich ancient woodland and working woodland landscape we now call **Graves Park**.



Our evening talks begin at 7.30, with doors open and refreshments at 7.00. Tickets (usually £5) can be booked online at greenhill.bookwhen.com or purchased at the library, and generally go on sale about a month before.

New Books and Book News



Nostalgia ain't what it used to be

If you're nostalgic for old Sheffield you'll love "My Kind of Town" from Heron Publications. Sadly the final issue came out in October 2023, but we have a large collection of back issues that you can borrow.

In the first 3 months of 2024 we've added 369 books to our Yellow Sticker catalogue, including six 1000-piece jigsaws, a thirteen book collection of Lemony Snicket's "A Series of Unfortunate Events", lots of Peter Rabbit and Paddington Bear books and tons of adult fiction and crime. As a reminder, you can search our Yellow Sticker catalog online at greenhill.salcirc.org



Wednesday 10 July at 7.30

Poetry in Translation, with Louise Dore

Discover, share and discuss poems within a welcoming and informal group. This month we will be reading poems not originally written in English. Doors open from 7pm. For more information, email poetry@greenhill-library.org



Our thanks to the 9 supporters who have raised £135 through easyfundraising since we registered with them. Imagine what 90 supporters could do! If you shop online, it's really easy and there's zero cost to you. To find out how it works and start supporting the library, browse to easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/greenhill-community-library/

Situations Vacant – Minutes Secretary

We're looking for someone to take written minutes of our board meetings, held once a month. Attention to detail and knowledge of basic word processing would be helpful. This is *not* a trustee-level post. If you're interested, email secretary@greenhill-library.org



Situations Vacant – Housekeeper

We're in need of someone to join the housekeeping team to work Mondays and/or Fridays 8.30am—10.00am. If interested, leave your details at the library or email operations@greenhill-library.org