

LIST OF BOOKS

This is a list of books read by the 'rp book group', a reading group formed by members of the Royal Philosophical Society of Glasgow in the year 2009. Group members take it in turn each month to nominate three books from which the whole group selects by vote the one to be read. Group meetings, originally held in the Mitchell Library, have been by video call since Covid.

Group members:

Barry Kergon, retired businessman
Barbara McAndrew, retired school head (primary)
Loudon McAndrew, retired accountant
Hugh Millar, retired school head (secondary)
Kristin Morrison, retired professor of English literature
Mairi Anderson Wyatt, retired museum curator and bookseller
Robert Wyatt, artist and retired Art School Lecturer

02/02/2009	'Voyage of the Beagle', Charles Darwin
23/02/2009	More discussion of above
23/03/2009	More discussion of above
03/06/2009	'The Audacity of Hope', Barack Obama
01/07/2009	More discussion of above
29/07/2009	'The Rights of Man', Thomas Paine
02/09/2009	More discussion of above
07/10/2009	'The Spirit Level', Richard Wilkinson, Kate Picket
08/02/2010	'The Compassionate Mind', Paul Gilbert
12/04/2010	'The Vanishing Face of Gaia' James Lovelock
10/05/2010	'Heroes and Hero Worship', Thomas Carlyle
14/06/2010	'Greenmantle', John Buchan
12/07/2010	'Prefaces (Major Barbara, Mrs Warren's Profession, Man and Superman)', GB Shaw
09/08/2010	'Room of One's Own', Virginia Woolf
13/09/2010	'The Double Helix', James Watson
11/10/2010	'The Corrections', Jonathan Franzen
10/11/2010	'The Ragged Trousered Philanthropists', Robert Tressell
13/12/2010	More discussion of above
10/01/2011	'Selected Writings of William Hazlitt'
14/02/2011	More discussion of above
14/03/2011	'The Master and Margaritta', Mikhail Bulgakov
11/04/2011	More discussion of above
09/05/2011	'Memoirs of a Radical Lawyer', Michael Mansfield
13/06/2011	More discussion of above
11/08/2011	'Prosperity Without Growth', Tim Jackson
08/08/2011	'The Secret Sharer', Joseph Conrad
12/09/2011	'Old Goriot', Honoré de Balzac
10/10/2011	More discussion of above
14/11/2011	'The Music of Chance' Paul Auster
12/12/2011	'A Moveable Feast', Ernest Hemingway
09/01/2012	'Measuring the World', Daniel Kehlmann
13/02/2012	'Frankenstein', Mary Shelley
12/03/2012	'A Choice of Kipling's Verse', TS Eliot
23/04/2012	'Little Dorrit', Charles Dickens
14/05/2012	More discussion of above
11/06/2012	'The Meaning of it All', Richard P Feynman
09/07/2012	'Fahrenheit 451', Ray Bradbury
13/08/2012	'Daisy Miller', Henry James
10/09/2012	'The Warden', Anthony Trollope
08/10/2012	'Shooting an Elephant - Politics and the English Language', George Orwell

12/11/2012	'A Time of Gifts', Patrick Leigh Fermor
14/01/2013	'Sunset Song', Lewis Grassie Gibbon
11/02/2013	'Regeneration', Pat Barker
11/03/2013	'Hare with Amber Eyes', Edward de Waal
10/04/2013	'One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich', Aleksander Solzhenitsyn
03/06/2013	'The Book of Job', The Bible
15/07/2013	'Great Speeches of the Twentieth Century', Churchill et al.
12/08/2013	'Knowledge of Angels', Gill Paton Walsh
09/09/2013	'Silas Marner', George Eliot
14/10/2013	'The Book Thief', Markus Zusak
18/11/2013	'The Autobiography of Alice B Toklas', Gertrude Stein
09/12/2013	'Sum - Tales from the Afterlife', David Eagleman
13/01/2014	'The Sense of an Ending', Julian Barnes
10/02/2014	'Stoner', John Williams
10/03/2014	'The Prince', Niccolo Machiavelli
14/04/2014	Kristin's Birthday - Selected Poems
12/05/2014	'Off Shore', Penelope Fitzgerald
09/06/14	'God Is Not Great', Christopher Hitchens
14/07/14	'The Plot Against America', Philip Roth
11/08/14	'Disgrace', JM Coetzee
08/09/14	'The Temple of the Golden Pavilion', Yukio Mishima
10/11/14	'Homage to Catalonia', George Orwell
8/12/14	'Goodbye to All That', Robert Graves
12/1/15	'Lucky Jim', Kingsley Amis
9/2/15	'Decline and Fall', Evelyn Waugh
9/3/15	'Darkness at Noon', Arthur Koestler
13/4/15	'Star of the Sea', Joseph O'Connor
11/5/15	'The Flaneur', Edmund White
8/6/15	'You Can't Read This Book', Nick Cohen
13/7/15	'Staying On', Paul Scott
10/8/15	'Where the Dead Men Go', Liam McIlvanney
7/9/15	'Dr Copernicus', Joan Banville
12/10/15	'The Slaves of Solitude', Patrick Hamilton
19/11/15	'Out Stealing Horses', Per Petterson
14/12/15	'Elmer Gantry', Sinclair Lewis
11/1/16	'Suspended Sentences', Patrick Modiano
8/2/16	'The Invention of Nature', Andrea Wulf
14/3/16	'Betrayal', Caryl Phillips
11/4/16	'Mrs Dalloway', Virginia Woolf
9/5/16	'The Swerve', Stephen Greenblatt
13/6/16	'Far Tortuga', Peter Matthiessen
11/7/16	'Half of a Yellow Sun', Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
8/8/16	'Hotel du Lac', Anita Brookner
10/10/16	'An Enemy of the People', Henrik Ibsen
14/11/16	'Stars and Bars', William Boyd
9/1/17	'The Drunkard's Walk', Leonard Mlodinow
17/2/17	'The End of the Affair', Graham Greene
13/3/17	'Love and Summer', Richard Trevor
10/4/17	'The Secret Agent', Joseph Conrad
8/5/17	'Invisible', Paul Auster
10/7/17	'Travels into Bokhara', Alexander Burnes
14/8/17	'Letters of Note', various authors
11/9/17	'Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin'
9/10/17	'Wheels of Chance', HG Wells
13/11/17	'Ripley Underground', Patricia Highsmith
8/1/18	'Eight Months in Ghazzah Street', Hilary Mantel
12/3/18	'Rendezvous with Rama', Arthur C Clark
9/4/18	'Madame Bovary', Gustave Flaubert
14/5/18	'On Tyranny', Timothy Snyder
17/6/18	'Leonardo', Walter Isaacson
9/7/18	'Fires', Raymond Carver
13/8/18	'Collected Poems', Philip Larkin
16/9/18	'Fools of Fortune', William Trevor

8/10/18	Bloodlands – Timothy Snyder	
12/11/18	Babylon Berlin – Volker Kutscher	
17/12/18	Right Ho, Jeeves – PG Wodehouse	
14/1/19	21 Lessons for the 21 st Century – Yuval Noah Harari	
11/2/2019	Fathers and Sons – Ivan Turgenev	
11/3/2019, 15/4/2019	The Goldfinch – Donna Tartt	
20/5/2019	10 th Anniversary Lunch	
10/6/2019	East West Street – Philippe Sands	
8/7/2019	Roughing It – Mark Twain	
12/8/2019	The Coddling of the American Mind – Jonathan Haidt	
9/9/2019	Men without Women – Haruki Murakami	
14/10/2019	Feral – George Monbiot	
11/11/2019	The Razor's Edge – W Somerset Maugham	
9/12/2019	Devil's Bargain – Joshua Green	
20/1/2020	What Am I Doing Here?	Bruce Chatwin
9/3/2020	The Road to Wigan Pier	George Orwell
13/4/2020	Nineteen Eighty Four	George Orwell
11/5/2020	A Confederacy of Dunces	John Kennedy Toole
8/6/2020	Buddha Da	Anne Donovan
13/7/2020	Me Talk Pretty One Day	David Sedaris
10/8/2020	Metropolis	Philip Kerr
15/09/20	The Beekeeper of Aleppo	Christy Lefteri
12/10/20	Imperium	Robert Harris
09/11/20	Einstein	Walter Isaacson
14/12/20	The Return of the Native	Robert Hardy
11/01/21	Therese Raquin	Emile Zola
08/02/21	The Madness of Crowds	Douglas Murray
08/03/21	The Colour of Murder	Julian Symons
12/04/21	The Wall	John Lanchester
10/05/21	Women and Power	Mary Beard
14/6/21	A Journal of the Plague Year	Daniel Defoe
12/7/21	The Midnight Library	Matt Haig
9/8/21	As I Walked Out One Summer Morning	Laurie Lee
13/9/21	Killers of the Flower Moon	David Grann
11/10/21	Larry's Party	Carol Shields
8/11/21	The Man Who Would Be King	Rudyard Kipling
13/12/21	Burmese Days	George Orwell
10/1/22	The Anarchy	William Dalrymple
14/2/22	H is for Hawk	Helen MacDonald
14/3/22	Notes from a Small Island	Bill Bryson
11/4/22	A Burnt Out Case	Graham Greene
9/5/22	The Story of a Nobody	Anton Chekhov
13/6/22	The Lady from Zagreb	Philip Kerr
11/7/22	Brideshead Revisited	Evelyn Waugh
8/8/22, 12/09/22	Crime and Punishment	Fyodor Dostoevsky
17/10/22	His Bloody Project	Graham McRae
14/11/22	Sweet Caress	William Boyd
12/12/22	Hombre	Elmore Leonard
9/1/23	Persuasion	Jane Austen
13/2/23	Annihilation	Jeff Van der Meer
13/3/23	One Law For The Rest Of Us	Peter Murphy
10/4/23	The Third Policeman	Flan O'Brien
15/5/23	The Colour	Rose Tremain

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