



**B'NAI B'RITH  
YAD B'YAD LODGE  
NEWSLETTER  
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**March Summary**

Bridge	Thursday 14
Ramble	Sunday 17
Main Meeting	Tuesday 19
Book Club	Thursday 21
Short Walk	Monday 25
Arts & Literature	Tuesday 26
Rummikub	Thursday 28

**Book Club at 8:00 pm**

**Thursday 21 March**  
 **The Long Song**  
by Andrea Levy

**Bridge – Thursday at 8:00 pm**

<b>14 March</b>		<b>11 April</b>
<b>9 May</b>		<b>13 June</b>

**Rummikub - Thursday at 8:00 pm**

<b>28 March</b>		<b>Tue 16 April</b>
<b>30 May</b>		<b>27 June</b>

**Short Walks**

	Monday 25 March
	Tuesday 7 May
	Thursday 27 June

**Main Meetings at 8:15 pm**

**Tuesday 19 March**  
**Shoplifting**  
*and how to do it*  
Brian Wass



 **Wednesday 3 April**  
**A Dentist in the Jungle**  
Geoffrey Bard

**Wednesday 8 May**  
**Memories from before and during the Holocaust**  
Lesley Urbach & Fred Weil

**Arts & Literature at 8:00 pm**

**Tuesday 26 March**  
**Letters - Famous and Personal**



**Music at 8:15 pm**

**Tuesday 25 June**  
**Jewish-American Entertainers**  
**No. 6 - Neil Sedaka**  
Presented by David Cohen



**Outings**

**Sunday 30 June**  
**Oxford & Cogges Farm**  
£30 includes coach, tour, entrance & cream tea



**Rambles – Midweek**

 **Wednesday 24 April**  
**Wednesday 1 May**

**Rambles – Sunday**

<b>17 March</b>		<b>14 April</b>
<b>26 May</b>		<b>16 June</b>

**Dates for your Diary**

**Sunday 7 to Wednesday 10 April**  
**Walking Break**  
Bradford-on-Avon



 **Sunday 2 June**  
**BBUK AGM**, Ort House

 **Wednesday 19 June at 8:00 pm**  
**Yad B'Yad AGM**

 **Sunday 7 July**  
**Interlodge Supper Quiz**   
Hendon United Synagogue

 **Sunday 4 August**  
**Treasure Trail**

**Wednesday 18 September**  
**BBUK Chicago Bridge Lunch**  
Grim's Dyke Golf Club, £19.50





# The Flipside

## Yad B'Yad

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A  FROM YOUR EDITOR:

*Apologies for such a short issue, but February is the shortest month and I am off on holiday on 25<sup>th</sup>, so rushing to get this to you! Any missing items will appear in the April edition.*



*From the President & her council  
to those members  
who are not in the best of health at present*



**INTRODUCING BRIAN WASS FOR OUR NEXT SPEAKER MEETING : TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**



Brian will be giving a talk entitled  
“Shoplifting and how to do it.”

Brian was a Chief Superintendent in the Metropolitan police and then worked as a Security Manager at Fenwicks Ltd (now retired).



## SUPPER QUIZ : SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY



### *A WELL PITCHED QUIZ IN OUR NEW QUIZ VENUE*

Once again, several members of the Council gathered at our new quiz venue, Northwood and Pinner Liberal Synagogue, an hour or so before the start time of this year's quiz supper, to lay the tables with plates, cutlery, food and drink in readiness for the arrival of our members and friends, all anticipating a fun evening.

The raffle table didn't take long to set up as the vouchers were in envelopes and the other prizes were in pre numbered bags. Several business kindly donated prizes. This year we had vouchers from Aviv Restaurant Edgware, Denise Phillips cookery course, Fresh Fry Barnet and the Hair and Face Place in Pinner. We had vouchers from several Hatch End businesses: Morrisons, Dona Theresa, Sea Pebbles and B and K. Thank you to those lodge members who got vouchers and donated prizes. The raffle was very successful and we raised £440.

Maureen Daniels welcomed everyone and explained our fund raising aims and we all then enjoyed a delicious meal, supplied by Kelmans.

When people arrived the marathon round was waiting on the tables which kept everyone occupied. We had to work out the names of shops from the clues provided. Ironically one of the clues was 'a patient flower' the answer being Waitrose. It wasn't until afterwards I realised I had a Waitrose bag with me at the table which I had used to bring raffle books to the hall in. However, we had worked out the answer so no cheating took place! One of the quiz questions later on involved deciding which of a list of



Quality Street chocolates was incorrect - it didn't occur to me that I had a Quality Street container with pictures of the chocolates with me which was used to collect raffle money, and if we had looked at that the answer would be evident - but again, we didn't, and our table was definitely not guilty of cheating!

All too soon the quiz came to an end, at which point the raffle was drawn, and there was a constant stream of excited people coming to collect their prizes. After that the winning table was announced, congratulated and presented with their prizes.

So, another successful Yad B'Yad quiz supper with good food, well-pitched quiz questions thanks to the quiz team, and positive reaction to our new quiz venue.



TABLE 2 : THE WINNERS!

*Report by Liz Koten*



**MIDWEEK RAMBLE : WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**  
**PERIVALE NINE EXPLORE BRENT**

**From our West London Correspondent**

*Nine members of Yad B'Yad follow River Brent for 7 miles lunching at The Fox and returning via Brentford or Boston Manor stations.*



Ably led by Robert and Gill Bernard, nine members met at Perivale Station for a brisk 7 mile ramble following the river Brent through West London. Part of the route was also part of the Capital Ring.

The Brent is one of London's longest rivers over 16 miles long. Starting at the junction of Dollis Brook and Mutton Brook in Hendon it joins the Thames at Brentford.

The Perivale Nine joined the Brent as it winds its way round Ealing Golf course and meanders its way past Perivale Park Golf course, Brent Valley Golf course and round Brent Lodge Park, which boasts a maze planted with 2000 bushes to celebrate the Millennium. Thence the Nine followed the Brent under the railway at the 900 foot long Brunel designed, Wharncliffe Viaduct near Hanwell before it joins from the West the main line of the Grand Union Canal at the foot of a flight of locks.

At this point The Fox was the focus of attention as a hearty lunch was enjoyed by all.

From here, the Brent is canalised and navigable — the river and canal pass through some locks before joining the River Thames at Brentford. The Nine followed the canal for another couple of miles before splitting up at Boston Manor Park where opinion differed as to the best station for the return homewards.

Once again London demonstrated its ability to provide green spaces, flowing water and endless interesting industrial architecture

to those who seek it.



**Robert Bernard**



WEEKEND RAMBLE : SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

## TEN ARE TRANSPORTED ACROSS THE THAMES

From our East London Correspondent

### *Trains & Boats & Planes & Cable Cars*

Ten ramblers met at North Greenwich underground station for an 8-mile ramble led by Vivienne & David Gould. As the countryside is so muddy at this time of the year, ramblers were grateful that the whole route, along the Thames and around the Royal Albert and Royal Victoria docks, was level and on solid paths. Our anticlockwise route was partly along the Capital Ring, although in the opposite direction. The weather was kind, with the sun shining all day out of a near cloudless blue sky.



After weaving through the crowds by the O2 Arena and the Emirates Airline Cable Car, we followed the Thames Path, passing many very new blocks of offices and flats, some still under construction. We stopped briefly at the Thames Barrier visitor centre, where some remembered that it took nearly two hours to feed a much larger Yad B'Yad group a few years earlier.



At Woolwich we took the ferry northwards across the river, where it is believed there has been a ferry since it was mentioned in William the Conqueror's Doomsday Book. It has been free since 1889. As the brand new roll-on roll-off vessel *Vera Lynn* had been temporarily out of service with teething problems a few days earlier, we were prepared if necessary to use the neighbouring foot tunnel as a Plan B.

As the weather forecast had been so good, we had made a last minute cancellation of our pub lunch, and instead had a picnic on wooden benches overlooking the river. It was warm enough to sit without coats. If TFL's proposed new Gallion's Reach bridge goes ahead, our spacious picnic site will disappear under concrete and steel.

We walked through the University of East London, facing London City Airport on the Albert Dock. Then we had to make a large detour through pleasant parkland, because the dockside path is blocked by a huge Chinese-owned construction site, on land that has been derelict for decades.

After passing the vast Excel exhibition building, we stopped for tea, again outside without coats. We had planned to take the cable car over the Thames back to our starting point ; however, the queue was so long that we took the nearby DLR instead.



*David Gould*



FILM : SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

## A VERY SUCCESSFUL SCREENING OF "WHOSE LAND?"



*Report by Jeremy Havardi*

B'nai B'rith's Bureau of International Affairs and Pinner synagogue's *Synema* jointly organised a showing of Hugh Kitson's acclaimed documentary *Whose Land?* The 90 minute film, the first in a trilogy, examines the legal rights of the Jewish people to the land of Israel, featuring interviews with prominent legal and historical experts. Pinner synagogue was packed with over 160 people in attendance and some posed questions to the producers after the film. If people were unable to attend, they can still purchase the film at [www.whoseland.co.uk](http://www.whoseland.co.uk).



MAIN MEETING : TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

## A HISTORY OF MONEY

Richard Selby gave the lodge an illustrated talk which was highly amusing and informative. He covered a 2000 year history of the development of our monetary system which he also subtitled "The Chronology of Monetarism" or "The Route of all Evil."

He started by describing how early civilisations used barter and the development of trade evolved in the use of currencies such as Shells, Camels and then Gold to create a store of value. The requirements of a currency are Reputation/Consistency/Reliability and Strength. The Vikings used a system of 12 pence to 1 shilling and 20 shillings to 1 pound of silver. This system later transformed itself to shilling, pence and the modern British currency the Pound Sterling.



Richard then described how our modern clearing banks developed from the London coffee houses of the late 17th century. He showed us an image of the first cheque dated the 16th February 1659 and how the use of milling marks on coins developed to prevent clipping and forgeries. Coming right up to date he reminded us when the white £5 note went out of circulation in 1957 and the development of charge cards and credit cards which are ubiquitous today.



Looking to the future we can look forward to a cashless world of electronic payments supported by biometric authentication.

In his vote of thanks David Gould thanked Richard for an interesting and amusing talk on a subject that affects all of us on a daily basis.

*Greg Wand*

