

## Society republishes Walmsley books

TWO books by an author who wrote about his adventures in Robin Hood's Bay have been republished by the society that was formed to celebrate his writing.

Although Leo Walmsley died more than 40 years ago, his novels, which focus on life among the fishing communities, are still well read across the world.

Walmsley's first novel, *Three Fevers*, was made into the very first film by movie-mogul J Arthur Rank in 1935. The book was republished by the Walmsley Society in 2005.

The new books, *Foreigners* and *Angler's Moon*, are the latest titles to be added to the society's portfolio and even include special editions in large print.

Graham Higson, of the Walmsley Society, said: "The



books are still very readable and lots of people are searching for them on the internet. They appeal especially to people who live in the area, have been to Robin Hood's Bay on holiday or have had the stories read to them as a child."

*Foreigners*, set at the turn of the 20th century, is the

story of a boy's struggle to become accepted in the tight-knit fishing village where even his parents are constantly reminded they don't belong. Set against a backdrop of rugged coastline, the Robin Hood's Bay of Walmsley's boyhood has changed little which adds to

the book's appeal.

*Angler's Moon* was Walmsley's last book, originally published in 1965, and covers recollections from his childhood in Robin Hood's Bay through to his later years living in Fowey in Cornwall, where his home was an ex-Army hut alongside a secluded creek. These are the previously untold stories from his semi-autobiographical novels.

Mr Higson said: "When you read his books he's such a good communicator – you're there in the story with him. It's so good to see these books back in print."

Both titles feature new cover designs and the standard editions each retail at £6.99. Further details are available from [www.walmsleysoc.org](http://www.walmsleysoc.org)

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