

**Kendal  
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**Author Talk  
Frank Grant**



**Thursday  
8 November 2018  
2.30pm**

Join us to hear Frank Grant who will be giving an illustrated talk about his biography of the Climbing Polymath, Walter Parry Haskett Smith.

Born into a wealthy family in 1859, Walter Parry Haskett Smith climbed, walked, cycled and canoed in over 30 countries. His many adventures included a tussle with King Ferdinand I of Serbia, and the loss of the Trowswell family estate, but he is perhaps best known as the Father of Rock Climbing with his famous ascent of Napes Needle in 1886, solo, and without the use of th ropes, spikes, and ladders used by other climbers of the time.

Tickets **£3** to include refreshments, available from  
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