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In Lord Emsworth and Others, readers are treated to a selection of familiar characters and places, in new and unfamiliar circumstances. Fans and initiates will be highly entertained.

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Valerie Kyriosity says

Some stories (like the first one) were five stars. Others were three (too much golf). So I'll average it out to four. Reader good.

Stephen Osborne says

Leading off with the classic tale "The Crime Wave at Blandings", the book then offers tales from Mr. Mulliner, golf tales from the Oldest Member, and 3 Ukridge stories. The best is the Blandings Castle story, which is hilarious.

Erica says

Any book that begins by pompous people at an English being popped in the posterior by a mysteriously-ubiquitous airgun deserves a place on my permanent rotation of reading material.

Nandakishore Varma says

I only remember the title story, "Crime Wave at Blandings", where an air-gun confiscated from an errant kid inspires the sportsman in everyone - including Lord Emsworth.

Lady Shockley says

This book of short stories is mostly made up of shorts about the "Others," though the Emsworth tale is one of my favorite Blandings stories. Several of the other stories are golf-heavy, and my eye skimmed right over those. There are also several Uxbridge stories in the last half of the book which involve Pushy Aunts, animals, and jewels, and these were delightful, classic Wodehouse. Jolly good!

Alex Sarll says

After another painful attempt at the BBC's current *Blandings*, what a balm to finish off the last few stories in this collection of the real Wodehouse. The title story is the only Blandings here, with Ukridge and the Oldest Member dominating (and, unusually, no sign whatsoever of Jeeves). Now, given my golfing knowledge extends exactly as far as crazy golf in Markeaton Park, the Oldest Member stories are far from my favourites - and yet, they retain that core Wodehouse-ness which at once soothes and delights. Even in the frankly bizarre 'There's Always Golf', wherein a writer who seems never to have had a sexual feeling in his life just

about pulls off the tale of an S&M golfing romance.

Janette says

This is my favorite short story ever written. It is not only hysterically funny, but it is also beautifully crafted. More is said about human nature in this innocuous little story than in many of the ponderous tomes of our time. Enjoy!

Sandi says

Collection of short stories including the extremely funny "The Crime Wave at Blandings". I also enjoyed the three golf stories and the three featuring Ukridge and found even the Mulliner and the Drones stories to be well worth reading.

Faith Justice says

Typical Wodehouse: funny, ironic, and spot on social satire. A fun read, but too many golf stories for my taste.

aPriL does feral sometimes says

Pure fun. Who knew the upperish classes of England could be laugh out loud foolish. Wait, I forgot how the Royal family actually behaves. This is still better.

Jeremy says

Wodehouse is now going to be a vacation go-to author. Clever stories, masterful use of language, pleasant plot twists, wonderfully colorful characters.

Jason Koivu says

I doubt I've ever seen more mileage gotten out of an air rifle!

P.G. Wodehouse is a master at squeezing the most out of a very little bit. The reader of even a handful of his stories gets a sense of *deja vu*, but since those stories are always light, airy and full of fun, that's not such a bad thing.

In this collection of stories, based around a few of Wodehouse's recurring characters, it's the title story that

struck a hilarious blow to my funny bone. Lord Emsworth is a hopelessly doddering old duffer with the tiniest bit of spark left in him, just enough left to make you love the old fellow.

A chunky section in the middle of the book is filled with a slew of Wodehouse golf-based one-offs, which are fine. I prefer his Blandings Castle work or the Jeeves and Wooster material, but the golf stuff has its moments, especially if you like the game. The remainder of the book is rounded out with tales of Ukridge, his overly confident ne'er-do-well character who never notices that he never does well. I wasn't a huge Ukridge fan, but these few stories revolving around his costly shenanigans actually improved my opinion of him.

All in all, *Lord Emsworth and Others* bounced between 3 and 4 stars, a respectable rating. Though, I would not suggest the uninitiated embark upon Wodehouse with this collection.

Sayedha Rebeka says

This one is one of my favorite short stories of all times. It is not only funny, but it is also awesomely written.

Jeff Crompton says

I turned to this book, one of my favorites by Wodehouse, when I needed a break from some more serious reading. There are nine stories in this collection: a Blandings Castle story, three golf stories told by The Oldest Member, a Drones Club story, and three concerning that resourceful scoundrel Ukridge. They're all excellent, but the honors have to go to "The Crime Wave at Blandings," the longest story here, and one of the best things Wodehouse ever wrote. The Efficient Baxter has returned to torment Lord Emsworth, but before the action is over, he has been shot with an air rifle a total of four times - by Lord Emsworth (twice), Lady Constance, and even by Beach, the butler. It couldn't have happened to a nicer guy. Highly recommended for Wodehouse fans, and it would probably be a good introduction for those not familiar with his world.

Anita says

Lord Emsworth may be the funniest of P.G. Wodehouse's characters -- all of them a ridiculous send-up the the British aristocracy. P.G. has been called the best writer in the English language. He is certainly the funniest.
