

GREENWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Librarian's Annual Report 2013

MEMBERSHIP: We currently have 671 registered library members; 349 members have been active in the past three years i.e. have borrowed an item from the library in that time.

POPULATION SERVED: 978

<u>CIRCULATION:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
Adult	6368	7366	
Juvenile	1581	1212	
Total	7949	8578	
Total corrected for I.L.L.s	6958	7570	9% increase

<u>INTERLIBRARY LOANS:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
Items borrowed	327	420	28% increase
Items loaned to other libraries	987	1008	2% increase

<u>INTERNET USAGE:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
Total Internet visits	1224	1340	9% increase

<u>BC ONE CARD:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
New BC OneCard members registered	7	11	57% increase
Items borrowed from our library	113	118	4% increase
Items returned by us to other libraries	73	52	28% decrease

<u>ONLINE SERVICES:</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
Zinio (magazines)	148	141	5% decrease
Overdrive (ebooks, audiobooks)	72	126	75% increase
OneClick (ebooks, audiobooks)	N/A	7	

PROGRAMMING & HIGHLIGHTS OF 2013:

Preschool Storytime: We ran two sessions in the summer and fall, for a total of 17 programs featuring stories, songs, fingerplays, action rhymes and crafts for 3-5 year-old children. One parent & child were so pleased with the program that they made a \$100 donation towards Storytime, which we have used to purchase new books.

Reading Link Challenge: For the fourth year, we partnered with the Midway Library, the Fraser Valley Regional Library, the Kootenay Library Federation (KLF), and the Greenwood and West Boundary Elementary Schools to present this program. The grade 4/5 students from both schools read six books, and then competed for prizes and a trophy, based on their knowledge of the books. In the 2013/14 season we are expanding the program to include Big White Elementary, as well as the Grade 6/7 classes from GES and WBES who miss the program so much they wanted to have an “alumni” program of their own.

Summer Reading Club: Thao Atkinson successfully ran two programs weekly for kids ages 6-11 for seven weeks on the theme, “Up, Up, and Away”. The kids enjoyed games, treasure hunts, crafts, and various reading activities, and received prizes and medals for their reading achievements over the summer. Thao assisted the librarian with preschool Storytime as well.

Community Learning Place: Deborah Baker of the Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy (CBAL) was on hand twice a month from February through May for sessions on computer training and other literacy needs. Vivien Browne has recently taken over as West Boundary Literacy Coordinator and has started free computer lessons for the public.

Zinio/Overdrive workshops: We held a couple of evening workshops in the spring on how to use our Zinio for Libraries online magazine database, and the Overdrive downloadable ebooks & audiobooks program. The KLF is planning more hands-on training for staff on how to use various devices (E-readers, iPods, iPads, etc.) in 2014.

Author Visits: In May, local author Al Donnelly held a book sale and signing of his book, *Greenwood, BC: Heritage Comes Alive*, in the library, and generously donated all the proceeds to the library. In September we had a visit from author Dave Perrin, who discussed his several books on veterinary medicine in the Creston area, and also his book, *Keep Sweet*, co-authored with Debbie Palmer, a former resident of the FLDS community of Bountiful. Twelve people attended his most informative talk and discussion.

IT Assessment: Through the Kootenay Library Federation, we obtained a free assessment of our computers, printers, and network in July, and are working on the improvements suggested in the report.

Summary: Thank-you to the assistant librarian, volunteers, and members of the library board for all the work you do to keep library service going and growing in Greenwood. Also, thank you to our patrons who support the library with their patronage, donations (both books and monetary), and positive comments. I’m looking forward to working with everyone again this year.

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