

Gibsons & District Public Library Mid-Year Report 2008



Computers and networks were a priority this year as the Coast's two public libraries disconnected from the SCRD's network in March. IT restructuring improved network speed, reliability, and functionality. As public library networks are very specialised in their requirements, design, security issues, and accessibility requirements the move became mandatory for both the SCRD and the Gibsons & Sechelt public libraries. The new web address of the Library is <http://gibsons.bclibrary.ca>.

Donating \$3,650 to the library the Gibsons & District Public Library Foundation was high in our good books this year. The donation permitted the library to purchase replacement cushions in the children's section, additional audiobooks and a new disc resurfacer to keep the library's DVDs, CDs and games in good playing condition.



Roger Swickis, Library Board Chair and Michelle Southam, Chief Librarian accept a donation from Foundation Chair Lynda Coote.

Off to a rip-roaring start the Summer Reading Club blasted through July and August this year with a whopping 140 children registered. Every Thursday afternoon about 70 children between the ages of 5 and 13 found fun and entertainment within the walls and green spaces of the library.



Renovations were completed in the spring after a three day closure. The children now have their own area away from the front counter and the computers and the pre-readers are now separated from the older children's collection. The large print was relocated to shelving that is more accessible and has more shelf space as were the audio book collections. Both the science fiction/fantasy and the young adult collections were given more space on the shelves to accommodate growth.



GIBSONS & DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY
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470 South Fletcher Rd
Gibsons, BC V0N 1V0
<http://gibsons.bclibrary.ca>

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday	10:00—5:00*
Wednesday	10:00—8:30
Thursday	10:00—8:30
Friday	10:00—5:00
Saturday	10:00—5:00*
Sunday	12:00 —4:00**

*changing to 6:00pm Sept. 9th 2008

**October through to March

GIBSONS LIBRARY CARDS ARE FREE TO:

Residents of Gibsons, Elphinstone, West Howe Sound & Roberts Creek and residents of communities that are part of the InterLINK system (Lower Mainland, Bowen, Squamish, Whistler.)

To apply, just bring identification with your current address. Children may get their own library card under their parent or legal guardian's card. The legal guardian is considered the card holder and must sign the card.

Youth cards are available for 14& 15 year olds, Guardians are not required to sign for these cards.

Report lost or stolen cards immediately. Until your card is reported missing, you are responsible for items borrowed on it. Cards need to be presented to borrow materials.

On the website find these and other online databases and products...



ACCESS TO OTHER LIBRARIES:

InterLINK

Gibsons is a partner of the InterLINK network of libraries. This means that with identification you can register your Gibsons Library Card and borrow materials from any of the other 17 member libraries (lower mainland, Whistler & Bowen), and return the items to Gibsons.

Province wide book selection

GDPL has access to the collections of 60 libraries in BC. We can request books for you that are not within our collection. Most loans are free of charge and arrive within two weeks of your request. These books must be returned to the Gibsons Public Library. Gibsons & Sechelt share the same library database therefore only one library card is needed to borrow and reserve items from either of the Sunshine Coast's two public libraries!