

## Library Annual Report

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The library continues to run smoothly with Friends of the Library volunteers, in rotation, opening the library Saturdays from 10-1 and Sundays from 1-4. Laurel March prepares the schedule every two months. At this time there are ten volunteers. Georgina Maule has been opening the library each Monday from 10-1 since last fall. During that time, she has been compiling statistics.

The average weekly count for fiction/non-fiction was 168, DVDs was 65. The borrowing numbers for Picture books has increased greatly. There have been a number of families with young children moving to the island. It is great to see the parents encouraging reading.

The Book and Bake Sale was successful again this year. Don Sinclair was busy preparing lunch, so Liz Forseth kindly took on the task, with baking. Once again, the community was very generous with their culinary skills. More volunteers made the book sale happen. Over thirty people helped with this annual event. With many happy customers, the Library budget was increased by \$1416.75.

The number of requests for materials to be purchased has increased. I also receive donations to the collection. When I catalogue an item now, I am putting a note on the pocket saying, recommended, requested or donation.

The library catalogue is now on the public computer. I will be updating it regularly as I add and cull material. The instructions for looking for an author or title are on the desk.

The library space is enjoyed by a number of groups. AA, knitting, ukulele, and bridge. In May and June, the primary students come with Simone for story time and drawing on Monday afternoon. I continue to enjoy my time, as Andy Lamb calls me, as the biblio-technician.

As always, thank you to this community for your continued support and encouragement.  
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