



TOWNSHIP OF GEORGIAN BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

C/O Box 220, Honey Harbour, ON P0E 1E0

CEO Report

November 2020

Library Branch Stats

Circulation September

Honey Harbour was 260 (down 0% from September 2020) (down 67% from October 2019)

Computers 0

Wireless Users 88

MacTier was 527 (down 37% from September 2020) (up 41% from October 2019)

Computers 22

Wireless Users 90

Port Severn was 219 (down 1% from September 2020) (up 38% from October 2019)

Overdrive was 449 (down 7% from September 2020) (up 11% from October 2019)

RB Digital Magazines – Stats are not available at this time

Summary of Library Operations

The branches have seen a decrease in foot traffic during October. MacTier has had, on average, about 10 patrons in per day. Port Severn has seen about 3 patrons per day on average. There are still many who are utilizing our curb side service.

The ipads are completely ready to borrow now. Mandy catalogued each one and downloaded the apps that patrons will need. Each have the serial number engraved into them and all staff have received a list of the serial numbers and SIM card information to keep on hand. Currently, all materials borrowed from the library are returned using our drop box. The tablets will be returned to us in the same manner so they are protective cases covering the ipads plus they are in padded tablet bags to prevent damage when they are dropped into the book return.

I have scheduled a staff meeting for later this month. We will be meeting through Zoom. Staff that do not have sufficient internet at home will be using one of the ipads for our meeting. This makes meeting much easier because the staff will not have to travel to attend.

Scheduling is now complete for 2021. Next month I will be able to apply for a summer student grant through Canada Summer Jobs. Our application was successful last year and we were able to hire a student for MacTier for eight weeks. I applied for a second grant through Young Canada Works. That was successful as well but unfortunately, we were not able to utilize the funds. I will be applying for grant again for 2021.

The Muskoka libraries are collaborating to host an author read on November 24th. This is a virtual event with Emma Donoghue and her novel, 'The Pull of the Stars'. Registration is free and people are able to order an autographed copy of her book when they register with any of our branches. We are hoping to have many people sign up.

I have been researching and compiling information for other virtual programs that our library will be able to put onto the website once it is complete. I am also working on projects that children can take home and work on independently.

Patrons have been requesting more movies to borrow but since Covid-19 started, new movies have not been released. I have purchased a few new TV series movies for each branch. I consulted with the staff to find out what TV series patrons have asked for. The three branches will share the new collections.

The new TV series include:

- The Good Doctor
- Killing Eve
- SEAL Team
- Orange is the New Black
- Kim's Convenience
- Vikings
- The Crown
- Schitt's Creek
- Yellowstone

We catalogue series as individual discs so that it helps to increase our stats. Hopefully new movies start to come out soon.