

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Community Services Committee  
**FROM:** District Librarian  
**REFERENCE:** L407  
**DATE:** 1 December 2005  
**SUBJECT:** District Librarian's Report

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## ISSUES TO BORROWERS (includes renewals)

	October 2004	October 2005
District Library	28373	26801
Motueka	13779	13923
Murchison	758	560
Takaka	8335	7588
Webpage	335	741
<b>Total</b>	<b>51580</b>	<b>49613</b>

## DOOR COUNTS

	October 2004	October 2005
District Library	13668	13291
Motueka	7144	7161
Takaka	5050	5262

## RESERVATIONS

	October 2004	October 2005
District Library	722	889
Motueka	306	413
Murchison	44	37
Takaka	307	360
<b>Total</b>	<b>1379</b>	<b>1699</b>

## INFORMATION SERVICE

Requests for assistance in finding information:

	October 2004	October 2005
District Library	662	606
Motueka	287	258
Murchison	75	81
Takaka	304	170
<b>Total</b>	<b>1328</b>	<b>1115</b>

## CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Story time sessions for pre-schoolers were held in Motueka and for older children in Motueka and Richmond.

The District Library hosted "Reading Right from the Start" with Pauline Allen for the Nelson Reading Association. This was attended by a wide range of people, mainly librarians and teachers.

## ACTIVITIES

Friends of the Tasman District Libraries hosted three meetings at which speakers were authors Ken Ring, Tracey Richardson and Jim Hopkins. All the meetings were well attended with audiences in excess of 60 people.

The District Library hosted a meeting of the Nelson-Tasman-Marlborough Librarians' Group at which Joy Stephens spoke about our focus group project.

Debbie Bowden and Louise Gribbon promoted the Libraries at the Super Expo.

## STAFF

The Libraries District Management Team met to discuss strategies for addressing the issues identified by the focus groups.

Staff members from throughout the District who are involved in the physical processing of books completed a training programme to bring procedures into line with one standard for the whole District.

Some staff attended first aid refresher courses.

Angela Holland and Helen Taylor completed part two of a training course in MARC cataloguing presented under the auspices of LIANZA.

Brian Paterson and Debbie Bowden attended a meeting held to explain and build support for the Department of Labour's settlement strategy for immigrants and refugees. Brian Paterson and Lucy Brunwin attended a meeting of the Committee of the Friends of the Tasman District Libraries to inform the Friends about the Odyssey Reading Programme and discuss the possibility of sponsorship of this programme by the Friends in the future.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE**

Brian Paterson and Jay Robinson met with Lloyd Kennedy and Jim Frater to discuss the brief for the new Takaka Library building and the way forward with the planning process.

Brian Paterson  
District Librarian

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