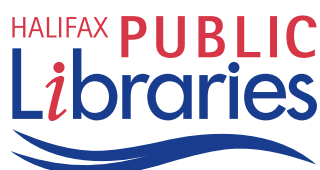


# Sheet Harbour PUBLIC LIBRARY

*“All of you are so kind, you help us find good books to read and information for projects. At the library there are a lot of awesome books to read and programs to go to. I went to Leading Readers and I really liked my reading buddy and she can read well and so will I some day. I am really happy there is a library in Sheet Harbour.”*  
- Patron Comment



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## FACTS & FIGURES 2008-09

- ▶ 26,102 visitors borrowed 37,913 items.
- ▶ This 2,964 sq. ft. library opened in the community in 1981 and has been in its present location since 1992.
- ▶ 1,017 people attended 97 programs offered at Sheet Harbour Public Library.
- ▶ 3,835 patrons used Sheet Harbour Public Library's computers and wireless Internet services.
- ▶ Sheet Harbour Public Library serves 3,141 residents of HRM. (2006 Census figure)

### Who has a Library card?

27.70% of the population served by the Sheet Harbour Public Library have a library card.



## HIGHLIGHTS

- ▶ Sheet Harbour Public Library was one of two branches to pilot the Leading Readers program (2006-07). Leading Readers pairs elementary school students with high-school student volunteers. The pair reads together, plays educational games, and explores books through fun activities. Sheet Harbour Public Library staff developed expertise in implementing this program and in 2008, helped train other branch staff in best practices. Currently, six branches are running this program.
- ▶ Sheet Harbour Public Library's building has much natural light and large windows. It was recently refurbished with new carpet, modern furniture and comfortable chairs. The branch shares its complex with Job Search Services, HRM Recreation and Access Nova Scotia.
- ▶ With its access to high-speed Internet, Sheet Harbour Public Library is still one of the few public Internet access sites in the area. This is one reason the library enjoys good seasonal use by tourists from the U.S., Europe and Asia.



*“Thank-you so much for your assistance and for the hours of pleasure your library provides for our family.”  
- Patron Comment*



## WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

- ▶ Ten teens who have worked with the Sheet Harbour Public Library’s Leading Readers program since they helped to develop it for the region more than five years ago graduated high school and will pass the program to new group of younger teens.
- ▶ To build on connections with other community groups and agencies in the area, the Library will be partnering to share knowledge and resources, and to see how we can better serve both the agencies and their individual clients. Group visits to the Library by seniors from local seniors centres and related activities are also being considered.

## SERVICE AREA

**Sheet Harbour Public Library serves portions of the following HRM District:**

- ▶ **District 1** – Eastern Shore - Musquodoboit Valley  
(also served by the Musquodoboit Harbour Library, the Mobile Library and Books by Mail Service)

## HOURS & LOCATION

- ▶ Tuesday: 10 am – 4 pm
- ▶ Wednesday – Thursday: 3 pm – 8 pm
- ▶ Friday - Saturday: 10 am – 1 pm

**22756 #7 Highway (Blue Water Business Centre)**

- ▶ General Inquiries 885-2391
- ▶ Denise Somers, Branch Manager 889-4076

