

Annual Report 2023

Friends of the Lion's Head Library



2023 was financially a successful year for Friends of the Lion's Head Library. Generous donations from community members and a profitable used book sale helped to contribute to the already growing funds accumulated thus far.

It was decided by BCPL that they will not request money for programming or other items from Friends while the new build project is underway. Instead our fundraising revenues will be used to assist the purchase of contemporary, commercial grade movable furniture and fixtures. Friends's annual Used Booksale, held Saturday, August 12, 2023 raised \$6,524.62 compared to 2022's total of \$6,288.60 Pop Up used book cases were placed at the Lion's Head Marina, Stokes Bay Community Centre and Pike Bay Community Centre. Jackson's Cove community held a bottle drive which raised \$525.40 and Pike Pay community donated \$59.00.

In December more than 80 books were distributed to children from Lion's Head and area at the Rotary Hall, after the annual Santa Clause Parade. For the first time, Friends took part in the parade. Volunteers Sue and Barry Robinson carried a Friends of the Library banner (sourced by Kathryn Hauck, thank you Kathryn) in front of the bookmobile.

Several of the members of Friends Executive collectively donated \$900.00 to the Bookmobile.

FLHL currently has approximately 20 registered members and is growing.

With this being our fifth year of operation, Friends of the Lion's Head library is very pleased with our resilience and our progress on a number of fronts – successful fundraising, continued growth of volunteers and membership, and the promotion of a new local library as a vital element of a new Arena and Community Centre.

Friends of the Lion's Head Library is indebted to its volunteers and members for all their hard work and time spent to ensure our ongoing success.

Executive Committee Members for the past year have been:

Chair:	Donna Hambleton
Treasurer:	Lynn Allen
Secretary:	Emmy Arnold
Members at Large:	Isla Carmichael, Suzanne Dyke, Elaine Powney,

Donna Hambleton, Chair
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