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Sandhills Library Depot

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Thanks to a joint effort by the Western Cape Provincial Library Service, Breede Valley Municipality and the owners of Sandhills Farm Trust, the Sandhills community experienced their first taste of a library resource centre when the Sandhills Library Depot was officially opened on 5 October 2010.

The guests were addressed by representatives of the different stakeholders and the newly-appointed librarian, Mary-Ann Olifant. The guests were also entertained with poems and songs by learners from the local primary school.

Instead of having to visit the De Doorns Public Library, which is 12 kilometres away, the residents now have access to a library facility on their doorstep. Here they can spend time making use of the books available for either educational and/or recreational purposes. The library depot will certainly contribute positively in improving literacy in the Sandhills community.

The library currently boasts a membership of 64 adults and 83 children. Almost 1 000 books were issued for the months of November and December 2010.

