

LibOnline Release Notes

Release 4.2

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Introduction

These Release Notes provide an outline of the new features added to Active LibOnline Version 4.2. You should place these notes inside your System Administrator's Manual or other LibOnline manual as a reminder.

If your agency is upgrading to LibOnline Version 4.2 from an earlier version, we suggest you read through all the Release Notes that have been published since the version of LibOnline Version you are upgrading from to familiarize yourself with the additions and changes in the software.

Key to symbols:

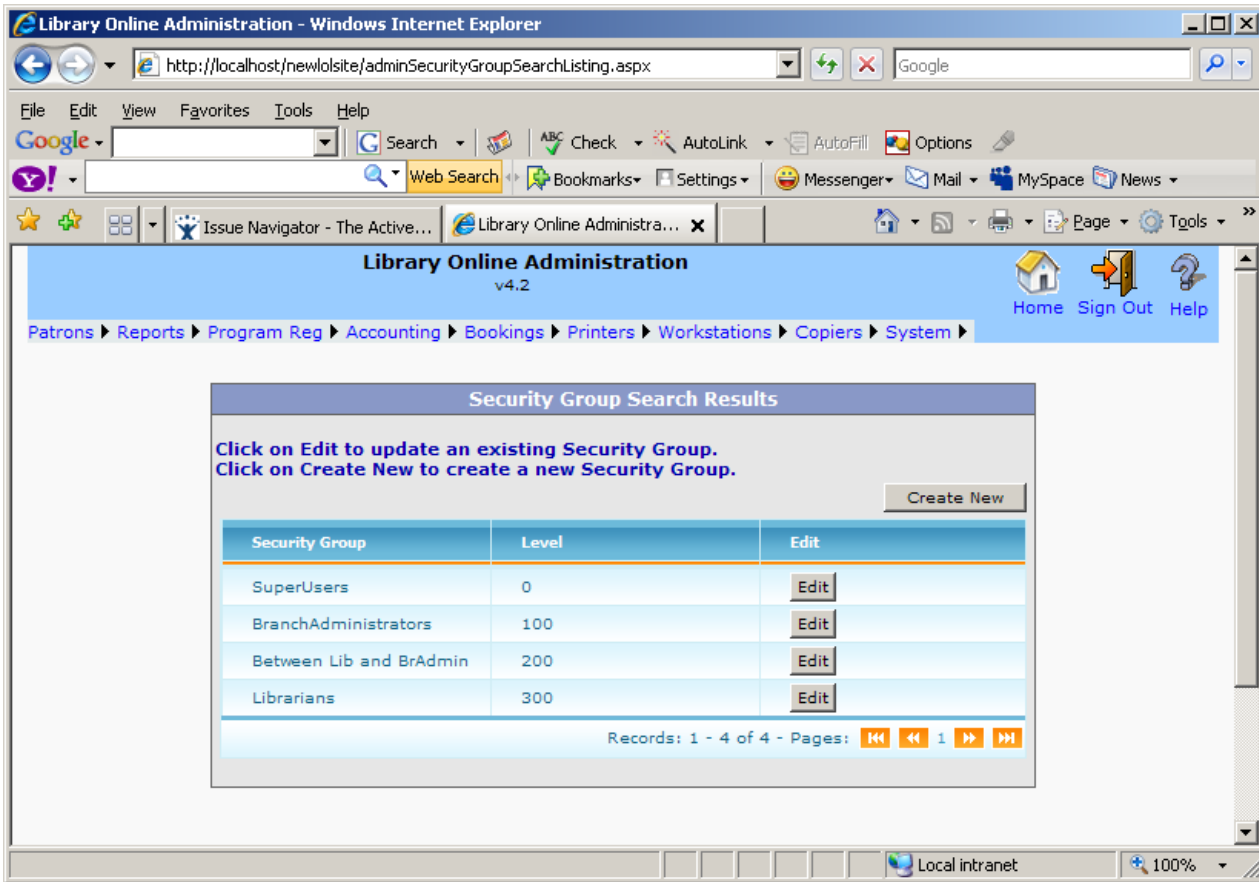
- ☑ - tested and appears to work correctly. Could be used by SCLS libraries
- ✘ - not currently used by SCLS libraries
- ✘ - not currently used by SCLS libraries (but may be used in the future)
- ✘ - feature is not functioning in an ideal way
- ⌚ - used by SCLS staff to administer Library Online

Administration

⌚ Allow Administrators to define as many security groups as required.

Currently Libonline defines three security groups “*Superusers*”, “*Branch Administrators*” and “*Librarians*”. Sometimes this is may not be enough and in previous versions there was no way around this. Version 4.2 allows you to define as many security groups as required by your environment.

SCLS Notes: For now, SCLS will work with the three pre-defined security groups. If your library sees a need for additional security groups, please let Kerri know! If features that were available before the upgrade to 4.2 are unavailable now, please let Kerri know (there is a lot of behind-the-scenes setup required to make things like they were before the upgrade, so it's possible settings may be missed).



⚙ Settings to show or hide action buttons for many of the admin pages.

Many of the action buttons in the admin pages can now be configured to show or hide based on the login user. One such page is the Branch Definition page. This is useful especially if you want the user to view some of the booking restrictions for a branch but disallow any changes to those settings.

SCLS Notes: This has, for the most part, been configured to behave exactly as it had in 3.9. If there are certain functions you would like the “librarian” user to have access to (perhaps in a view-only capacity), please let Kerri know!

The only change that was implemented was to disallow Branch Administrator users (ex. sunadm) access to editing existing applications. This was done because many libraries use existing applications and so an edit to an application has the potential to affect many libraries, not just the library making the changes.

☑ The Order of the Workstation Types drop down lists in the admin site can be sorted based on a ranking value.

The workstation type definition page has a ranking value to order workstation types that will appear in the admin site drop down lists.

SCLS Notes: This setting is found in:

- System -> Branch Administration
- Edit
- In the Device Types section, select the Workstation Type from the drop-down

- The “Admin Site Ranking” setting determines a workstation type’s place in the drop-down list on the admin site.

Low numbers position the workstation type higher in the list. High numbers position the workstation type lower in the list.

If all workstation types have the same number ranking (ex. default ranking is 0 for all), they will be sorted alphabetically.

PC Reservation / Time Management

✗ Booking Time Limit for Temporary Patrons can now be extended

The amount of available time for temporary users can now be extended like a regular patron.

SCLS Notes: We are not currently doing time extensions. Once all Library Online PCs are on the SCLS network, time extensions will be possible.

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Library Online - Windows Internet Explorer" displaying the "Library Online Administration v4.2" interface. The navigation menu includes: Patrons, Reports, Program Reg, Accounting, Bookings, Printers, Workstations, Copiers, System. The main content area is titled "Patron Time Extension Information" and contains the following form fields:

- Patron: test(T10117909381)
- Extend Patron's Time for: 4/27/2010
- Extend Patron's Time by another 10 minutes
- Extend Patron's Time by another 10 booking(s)
- Branch: Burnaby Office

For these Workstation Types:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Workstation Type	Minutes Extended For Date	Bookings Extended For Date
<input type="checkbox"/>	1hr aInternet	10	10
<input type="checkbox"/>	1hr Games	10	10

Buttons: Save Changes, Done

☑ The LibOnline Public site now supports the four major browsers.

The public site now supports IE, FireFox, Opera and Google Chrome browsers.

SCLS Notes: Testing was done by SCLS using both IE and Firefox. If you are using other browsers and encounter problems, please let Kerri know.

☑ The display of the Time Slot Manager now groups workstations together based on the workstation type.

Workstations are now grouped together by workstation types.

SCLS Notes: Soooo slick! Nice addition.

Library Online Administration
v4.2

Home Sign Out Help

Patrons ▶ Reports ▶ Program Reg ▶ Accounting ▶ Bookings ▶ Printers ▶ Workstations ▶ Copiers ▶ System ▶

Time Slots Manager

Please click on a time slot to view its detail.

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Workstation Name	Time Slot(s)
1hr Internet	
Bookittestpos	10:22AM - 12:00AM
My Clone # 1	10:22AM - 12:00AM
sadfsafa	10:22AM - 12:00AM
TEST88	10:22AM - 12:00AM
2hr's Games	
ActiveNetwork2	10:22AM - 12:00AM
ActiveNetwork3	10:22AM - 12:00AM
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X You can now associate more than one patron to a special workstation booking.

You can now associate more than one patron to a special workstation booking. One reason why you might want to do this is if you want a different filtering option based on the card number that is logged on the special workstation booking.

SCLS Notes: This does not currently apply to SCLS. We are not using the filtering option in Library Online and we are currently only using a single user (badger4545) for special workstation bookings.

In Library Online, additional Special Workstation Booking users:

- All begin with S and have a random number for a Card Number
- Cannot be assigned to a specific library
- Cannot be deleted

Because of these limitations, SCLS has not implemented additional Special Workstation Booking users. If libraries see a good use for this, please let Kerri know.

Select	Card Number	PIN	Name	Internet Access
<input type="checkbox"/>	master00001000	1212	master master	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S090902	0740	William Mai	Filtered
<input type="checkbox"/>	S090921	0277	Test Test	
<input type="checkbox"/>	S090922	0405	Test2 Test2	
<input type="checkbox"/>	S091071	0474	William Masljfsa	
<input type="checkbox"/>	S091391	0115	Terry Smith	
<input type="checkbox"/>	S091601	0690	tesfs lastjask	
<input type="checkbox"/>	S092641	3832	sadfasf sfas	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	S092651	4034	ate sfas	UnFiltered

Select

X The public site can now be configured to use Google Map on the select your library page.

You can now use a Google map to show your branch locations.

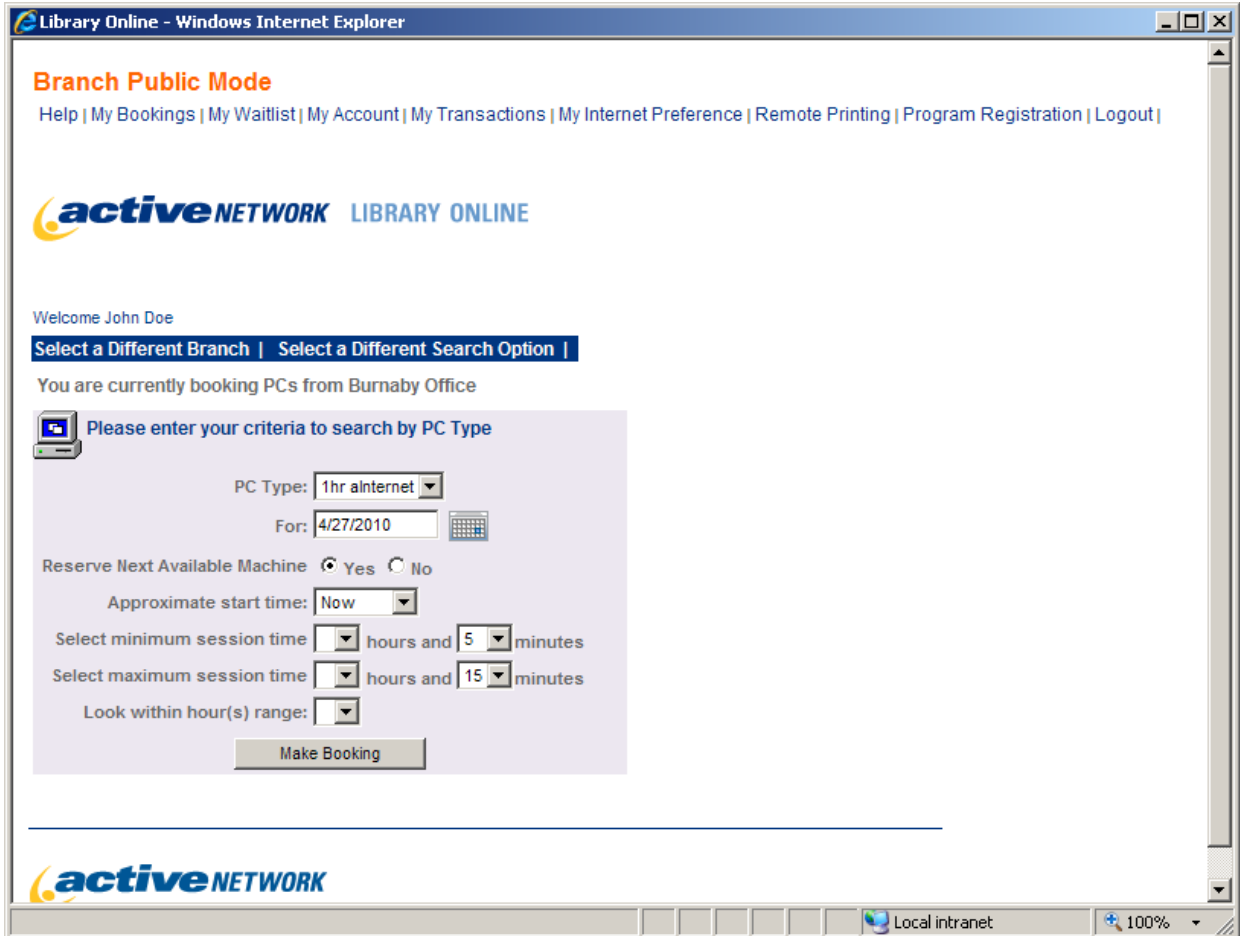
SCLS Notes: For now, SCLS will continue to use our custom map which clearly shows all participating SCLS libraries on the same map.

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Library Online - Mozilla Firefox" with the address bar displaying "http://localhost/public/branchSel.aspx". The page content includes a navigation menu with links like "Help", "My Bookings", and "My Waitlist". Below the "activeNETWORK LIBRARY ONLINE" logo, a welcome message "Welcome John Doe" is shown. A blue banner prompts the user to "Please select the branch that you wish to reserve your PC from". A dropdown menu is set to "Burnaby Office" with a "Go" button. Below this, a section titled "Select a branch from the map below" features a Google Map of Burnaby, BC, with several library locations marked by green icons. The map shows major roads like Highway 7A, Highway 1A, and Highway 99A, and landmarks such as Burnaby Lake and Deer Lake Park. The browser's status bar at the bottom shows "Done".

☑ The PC reservation reserve next available option on the public site now allows patrons to choose a minimum and/or a maximum session length.

If a patron knows how much time he/she requires then the system can create a partial session instead of creating a full session based on the slot length of the workstation type.

SCLS Notes: Appears to work as described. Allows bookings of partial sessions (ex. 20 min instead of 1hr on a 1hr workstation). If nothing is entered for minimum or maximum, the patron will get the default session length (ex. 1hr on a 1hr workstation).



☑ The PC reservation show search result sorted by PC Name has an option to display all available PC instead of one at a time.

The search result by pc name has an option to show the slots for all available PCs instead of one at a time.

SCLS Notes: This is a setting in our system configuration settings (“Grid” vs “Non-grid”). SCLS has set the system setting to display all available PCs (“Grid”) instead of one at a time. Appears to work as described. An improvement from 3.9, methinks!

Library Online - Windows Internet Explorer

Help | My Bookings | My Waitlist | My Account | My Transactions | My Internet Preference | Remote Printing | Program Registration | Logout |

activeNETWORK LIBRARY ONLINE

Welcome John Doe

Select a Different Branch | Select a Different Search Option | Back to Search Results

You are currently booking PCs from Burnaby Office

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Available Not Available

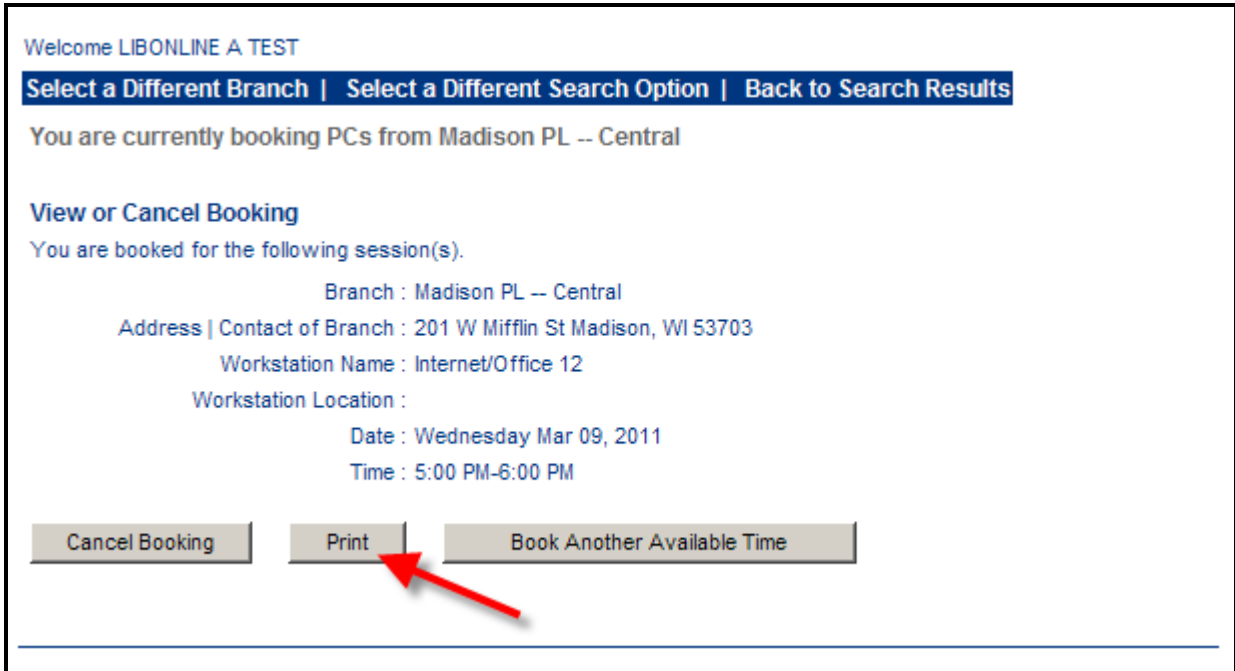
Workstations	Time Slots																							
ActiveNetwork3	12:00 AM - 2:00 AM	2:00 AM - 4:00 AM	4:00 AM - 6:00 AM	6:00 AM - 8:00 AM	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	10:00 PM - 12:00 AM												
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PM_WK2	12:00 AM - 2:00 AM	2:00 AM - 4:00 AM	4:00 AM - 6:00 AM	6:00 AM - 8:00 AM	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	10:00 PM - 12:00 AM												

Local intranet 100%

☑ Added a setting to control whether to show the “Print Receipt” button on the booking confirmation page.

The setting can be found under **AppTools > Settings > Bookings > PCBookingInternetSettings > ShowPrintButtonOnBookingConfirmationPage**

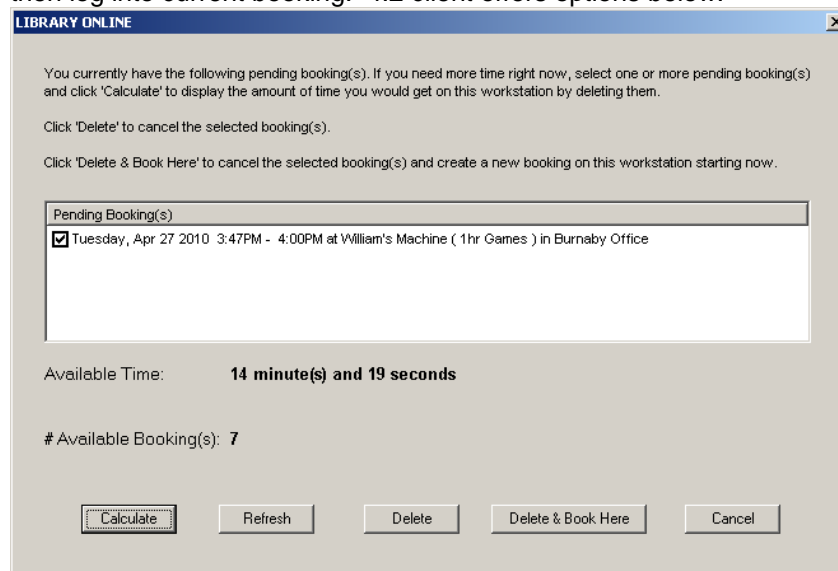
SCLS Notes: SCLS has enabled this setting by default.



☑ Enhanced the Timeout Client to allow patrons to swap bookings.

This will allow patrons who show up early to start their session right away by swapping their later session with a session created at that time.

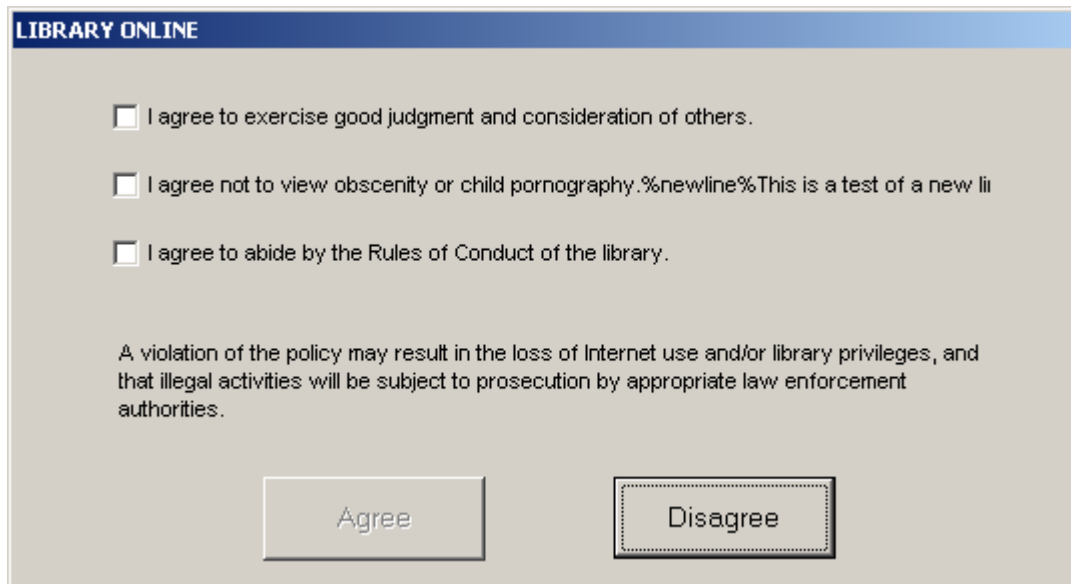
SCLS Notes: Appears to work as described. 3.9 client still requires that they delete other booking, then log into current booking. 4.2 client offers options below:



✗ Enhanced the Timeout Client to enforce patrons to acknowledge predefined Internet Access conditions before allowing patron to use the workstation.

You can set different conditions for different Internet access type. The patron must acknowledge all conditions before he/she can proceed to use the workstation.

SCLS Notes: This is an “Internet Access Type” setting. SCLS libraries do not currently use different types of internet access. If acknowledgement of predefined conditions is desired, we could look at implementing this feature.



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "LIBRARY ONLINE". It contains three unchecked checkboxes with the following text:

- I agree to exercise good judgment and consideration of others.
- I agree not to view obscenity or child pornography.%newline%This is a test of a new li
- I agree to abide by the Rules of Conduct of the library.

Below the checkboxes, there is a paragraph of text: "A violation of the policy may result in the loss of Internet use and/or library privileges, and that illegal activities will be subject to prosecution by appropriate law enforcement authorities."

At the bottom of the dialog box, there are two buttons: "Agree" and "Disagree".

Print Management

Special workstation booking users can release print jobs.

There is a setting to control whether special workstation booking users can release print jobs. The setting can be found under **AppTools > Settings > PrintManagement > PMAdminSettings > AllowSPUserToReleasePJ**.

SCLS Notes: This setting applies only to SCLS libraries using the Print Management module. In the past, Special Workstation Booking users were not able to print at Print Management libraries. SCLS has enabled this new setting. This means that at Print Management libraries (MOO, MTH, SUN, VER), a Special Workstation Booking user should now be able to print for free.

Reports

Equipment Utilization Summary Report

The equipment utilization report has been enhanced to show the percentage of bookings made by each patron categories.

SCLS Notes: Appears to work as described.

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Equipment Utilization Summary

For All Applicable Branches From Apr 27, 2007 to Apr 27, 2010 with All Workstation Types

Workstation Type	# Of Bookings	# Of Sessions	(% By Reg)	(% By OneTime)	(% By Temp)	(% By SP)	(% By Guest)
Burnaby Office							
1hr Games	27	27	3.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals for Burnaby Office	27	27	3.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grand Totals	27	27	3.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

☑ Average Booking Usage By Branch Report

The average booking usage by branch report allows multiple branches to be included in the report instead of just one or all. This feature change will affect Madison PL and branches.

SCLS Notes: Appears to work as described.

Multi-select capabilities are also available for these reports:

- Average Booking Duration Report
- Booking Source Statistics

Other reports still have the option to select a single branch or to select “all available branches”. The reports with multi-select reports can select one, some, or all branches.

