

ILS Report January 2023

Bibliovation 7.2 upgrade

LibLime has continued to add fixes to the SCLS sandbox, and SCLS staff have been testing those fixes. However, there are still outstanding bugs to resolve before we can upgrade production. For the most current information on fixes for high-priority bugs, see the Bibliovation Support Page: <https://www.scls.info/bibliovation-support>.

LINKcat Mobile App issues

The LINKcat Mobile app has been having problems with staying connected to Bibliovation and updating the patron data. Patrons can use the app, but they have to log out and log back in to the app to connect and update. SCLS staff have been communicating with Solus, the app's vendor, about these problems. Solus applied a fix before the holidays; unfortunately that did not resolve the problems. Solus has identified a potential cause of the problem and is working to implement a fix to the app. This is a priority and has been escalated with Solus. SCLS staff will continue to follow up with Solus about this issue.

Year-end and Annual Reports

The Annual Reports were completed and used to fill the DPI pre-fill document.

Rio and Marshfield bibliographic record cleanup

SCLS and Madison staff continue to go through unique MFD and RIO bib records, check for duplicates, and merge duplicates. SCLS staff have also started working with a practicum student (from UW-Madison iSchool) who will be working on OCLC copy cataloging for the unique RIO bib records (which are all non-OCLC records).

OverDrive API Integration

LibLime is working on resolving problems related to the setup of the OverDrive API integration in the sandbox (the API integration will allow patrons to check OverDrive title availability information from LINKcat). SCLS staff are working on updating older OverDrive bibliographic records so the records will have the correct coding necessary for the API Integration to work (newer OverDrive bibliographic records already have the correct coding).

Local Holds Pilot Project

The Local Holds Work Group meets on February 7 to share information, review data and work on a recommendation to the voting body. Vicki Teal Lovely and members of the Workgroup joined Cluster meetings to listen to concerns, answer questions and provide information about the future of the project. The first (virtual) Informational session was held on January 27 and was well attended. The next Informational session is February 21, and there will be two Data Overview sessions will be held February 17 and 23rd. The pilot project officially ends February 28, 2023, with a vote by either the ILS Committee or All Directors to decide the outcome of the continuation of this service option.

Reports

- The archiving process is complete for the reports in Bibliovation. Work is progressing with adding the timestamp translation code to the remaining reports. LibLime has made changes to the date fields that may eliminate the need to have some of the existing date fields converted to full timestamps.

- The process that fixed the misattribution of selfcheck data for two libraries caused the monthly Circulation by Date/Time reports to be blank. There had been a change to the format of the timestamps in the corrected files which caused the report script to not be able to read the timestamps. This has been corrected and the fixed reports are posted.
- Annual reports were completed and the ILS information supplied for the DPI pre-fill.

Selfchecks, sorters and RFID

- We are still working with LibLime to fix the last remaining selfcheck issues with 7.2. While one issue may have been fixed (further testing needed), unfortunately a previously fixed problem is now occurring again.
- ILS staff completed RFID tagging training for one of the remaining libraries. Still working on scheduling installation and training with the 2 remaining libraries that received RFID tagging equipment through the ARPA grant.
- It appears the fix for the hardware issue on some Envisionware selfchecks did not resolve the issue completely. While it is greatly improved, there are still some instances where the selfchecks freeze. This has been reported to Envisionware.
- We will hopefully have a report on how the testing to disable barcode scanning for items at RFID libraries went soon and, if successful, be able to offer this to interested libraries.

Subcommittee and Workgroup Meetings

- Circulation Services Subcommittee: January 10, 2023
- Collection Maintenance Subcommittee: January 11, 2023
- Discovery Interface Subcommittee: January 18, 2023
- Local Holds Workgroup: n/a

Other ILS Staff Meetings

- Meetings with LibLime: December 20, 27
- MPL Catalogers Meetings: January 10

Authority Control and Database Maintenance

January 2023 Authority Control/Batch Deletes

- 4,143 bibliographic records were newly cataloged and/or updated in the database between 12/22/2022 and 1/24/2023.
- 25,167 items and 3,110 bibliographic records (with only withdrawn items attached) were deleted in the monthly batch deletion of withdrawn items.
- 1,514 bibliographic records with no items attached (that were created before 10/1/22) were deleted from the database.