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Thousands flock to new Cove Civic Centre

Library lovers, businesses and community groups are flocking to the new Cove Civic Centre just weeks after it opened to the public.

Latest figures show the \$13.4 million library, community and enterprise centre welcomed more than 13,500 visitors in the first month following its official opening.

The modern library has proved a major drawcard with 24,849 items checked out, including 568 e-books, and 386 new member registrations.

The business training suite and meeting rooms have already received 55 bookings.

Mayor Kris Hanna said he was delighted with the way the community and businesses have embraced the state-of-the-art facility since it was officially opened on August 1.

"I am delighted that within a few short weeks Cove Civic Centre has become a vibrant hub for learning, community activities, and business growth," Mr Hanna said.

"By combining a wide range of facilities under one roof, the centre is proving to be a drawcard for the entire community.

"The centre is also hosting new services to grow local small businesses, including free weekly advisory sessions covering marketing, new product development and using social media."

Other activities include yoga, immunisation clinics, and counselling services.

A bumper school holiday program kicks off at Cove Civic Centre on Tuesday, September 29 and includes indoor laser skirmish, and arts and crafts.

More than 100 people attended the launch of the centre's business support services – Cove Enterprise Hub – and Hallett Cove Business Association on August 20.

The Cove Civic Centre contains a modern library with 35,000 books, e-books, CDs, and DVDs, nine meeting rooms and a hall which are available for hire, and an enterprise centre with 16 computers and high-speed wi-fi.

More information and booking details are available online at marion.sa.gov.au/cove-civic-centre

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