



Metadata (Cataloguing) Unit Report - January 2026

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Islandora Migration Project - B-2, B-3, C-1, C-2

- Bowing Down Home has been launched. Metadata work included
 - Metadata cleanup and ingests for each item type separately (people, groups, tunes, audio, video, images, musical notation pdfs)
 - configuring MODS for OAI-PMH harvesting (and to have a MODS record available)
 - the DC Single Solr Search fields, which will allow Bowing Down Home content to be visible in the Island Archives single search index.
 - Setting up fields linking the various elements of the site together (audio links to the tune it contains, for example) and the site building to make use of those fields (list of audio snippets that contain a tune appears on the tune page, for example)
- "L'huey" project is underway
 - Working on metadata for items from PARO (there are at least two other sources of data, but those spreadsheets are not yet ready). The PARO Metadata is mostly clean but needed a few tweaks. One challenge is harmonizing external metadata with our own standards (e.g. for capitalization of names, document type vocabularies, etc) while maintaining the integrity of their work.

Evergreen Catalogue - A-1, C-2

- Standing tasks such as adding the Canadian Subject Headings; cataloging new books, Special Collections books, Donations, and other things that come our way; and refreshing the Pop-Up Pub
- Engineering standards catalogue records being revamped (Alysa).
 - Records for Engineering Standards are being brought up to date, added if they are missing, and removed if they are no longer part of our MADCAD subscription. (We are not adding MARC records for the thousands of ASTM standards that we have a subscription to through the ASTM platform.)
- Incorrect 040 fields were fixed (Robyn)
 - During the Table of Contents project, some wires got crossed and the wrong subfield was being added to the 040 field when the record did not already have an 040. Also sometimes duplicate 040 fields were created, causing validation errors. `040\$aCaPCU` was corrected to `040\$dCaPCU`
- Duplicate records (by 856 field) were investigated and removed if they were, in fact, duplicates (Robyn)
 - 170 sets of records shared the same "external URL of this resource" (the 856 40 field). These were investigated in case they were in fact duplicates (and not records for different

real versions of the same resource or otherwise shouldn't be merged) and the duplicate ebook records were removed. A number of these were from BC Campus' Open Textbooks.

- Errors from EDS loads (Alysa and Robyn)
 - Every week, a "dump" of all the relevant marc records from Evergreen is loaded into EDS (OneSearch). And every week, a report comes back about records that have errors in them. We're addressing missing dates (done) and bad characters (in progress).
- Bad accented characters (Alysa)
 - A spreadsheet of 306 records containing what was probably a badly imported accented character was completed. "Hidden" bibsources were ignored - they are a source of plenty of problematic records.
- Invalid ISBNs (Robyn)
 - When we load our holdings into Gobi, we get back a list of ISBNs that do not validate so are not real ISBNs. Robyn continues to work through this list.
- Catalogue PEIPOD documents in catalogue (Robyn)
 - The catalogue is the main access point for the PEIPOD ('PEI Periodicals Online Database') repository. We are ensuring that all items in the repository are represented in the catalogue.
- Ryrie-Campbell items in the catalogue (Rosie, Sarah L, Juanita)
 - As Sarah L prepares a File List for the Ryrie Campbell finding aid, it's coming to our attention that the Ryrie Campbell books are in the catalogue, but you have to know a lot in order to identify them among the other LMM books. A document was prepared outlining the issues and possible improvements we could make. No decisions have been made yet.

Digital Collections - C1, C2, C3

Rosie and Keltie discussed creating a "Metadata disclaimer" akin to what appears on the [Georgina Fane Pope collection sidebar](#) for the rest of IslandArchives and related sites. I think the next step might be to strike a committee.

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