

# Rotary Book Sale a success once again

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The Neepawa Rotary Club's annual used book sale has once again proven to be an effective fundraiser. The sale, which took place from Oct. 20 to 23, brought in about \$3,350 from the sale of donated gently used books.

Murray Newton, one of the Rotarians who organizes the annual sale, noted that the club was very happy with the turnout this year. "We had a pretty good sale," he stated. "And we have a lot of books left over for next year."

While they didn't have a book donation campaign this year, Newton noted that there were a lot of books from last year's collection because the 2020 event ended up being canceled. He added that they still accepted donations this year, even though they didn't have their book bins out and about in the community like previous years.

The total of over \$3,300



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The Neepawa Rotary Club's used book sale at the United-Anglican CEC brought in about \$3,350 this year.

is fairly comparable to the 2019 sale, which brought in just over \$3,500. "It's a little bit lower, but not a whole lot," said Newton. The money raised from the sale goes to help support Rotary's many projects within the community and the donations they give out

to local organizations.

He added that at the book sale this year, they were also collecting donations for Rotary International's Global Polio Eradication Initiative. They received about \$725 from book shoppers, which the Rotary Club will match. Newton added that there

are several international charities who also match donations to the initiative, so the \$725 will become a much bigger sum.

Rotary International has been working to eradicate Polio for over 35 years and has helped reduce the disease by 99.9 per cent

world-wide, with it being endemic in only Pakistan and Afghanistan currently.

Newton reiterated that the book sale was quite the success this year, saying that it's a great event for the community, especially those looking for a deal on some good books.