MiFis in the Library

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Air University overview
The need for unrestricted access
MiFis
  – Cradlepoint
  – Jetpack
Patrons & Staff usage
Questions
Internet Access

- .mil
- DREN
- Outreach

- Personal accounts & daily passwords
- DREN & Outreach canceled November 2013
MiFi

- MiFi stands for "My Wi-Fi". MiFis are wireless routers that act as mobile Wi-Fi hotspots.
- MiFis provide internet access for up to ten devices. They work at a distance up to 30 ft.
MiFis

- $60 a month
  - 20 simultaneous users
- $38 a month
  - 10 simultaneous users
  - 15 hours of battery life
MiFi

• Patrons
  – BYOD (laptop, tablet, phone)
  – Access Internet without an account or CAC
    • Students
    • Dependents & retirees
    • Visitors
MiFi

- Staff
  - ILS patches
  - ILL software
  - Binder software
  - Unfiltered Internet
  - OPAC terminals
MiFi

• Pros
  – No accounts & passwords
  – Anybody can use them
  – No filters

• Cons
  – We have to pay the monthly bill
  – Reception & speed
Questions?