

THE GREAT VJH GEOCACHE HUNT – Instruction Sheet

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Geocaching is a real-world adventure that's happening right now. It will take you to all kinds of places, both near and maybe a bit farther out of town. The goal is to locate a geocache hidden in the area by using GPS coordinates or written clues and signing the log strip tucked inside of it. For each cache you find, you are entered into a draw for a grand prize. Take a photo of yourself finding a cache, send it to us, and be entered into a draw for a weekly prize. The more caches you find, the more chances you have of winning. Now isn't that cool?

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Download or print this instruction sheet.
- Pick a cache you want to find. You don't have to do them in the order listed.
- Use GPS coordinates or clues to find the cache. Cache containers are small, round containers but may be easy or difficult to find.
- Each cache carries this label and a cache number:
- When you find a cache, do a happy dance (optional), and open container.
- Enter you last name, department, and date on the paper log strip inside.
- Replace log strip, close container, and hide it exactly back where you found it.
- Take a selfie when you find one. It's a good safety precaution to ensure your prize draw entry in case the cache is accidentally whisked away by an animal or gets destroyed. Plus you'll be entered into a draw for a weekly prize! Email photos to: administrative@vernonphysiciansociety.ca
- Go ahead and look for another cache.

Cache #	GPS Coordinates	Clue	Did you find it?
1	50.21792, -119.12624	Brewer Road by mailboxes find dirt road. Park and seek close by.	
2	50.1801896, -119.4405303 Updated to: 50.1802920, -119.4406150	Ellison Park. Seek the sign to Hattie. Look east and low Updated to: Look low at the east wall.	
3	50.1847543, -119.2491788	Cosens Bay Road. Hike, bike, or trail run, your choice. Emancipate the rocks. You've made it! Now look around. Note: remote location - GPS is recommended.	
4	50.23107, -119.11126	Southwest Lavington Park. Enjoy the shade.	
5	50.2260525, -119.2523465	Listen to the sounds of Coldstream Creek, as it runs through this Creekside park. It will soon terminate in Kalamalka Lake. Take your dog for an off-leash walk – but watch for the Riparian Restoration!	
6	50.2573585, -119.2709406	I'm not too far from where you work inside. I come out here to relax and rest and get some sun where the benches are.	
7	50.2632527, -119.2683275	Downtown. Referencing this activity the old-fashioned way.	

8	50.2338072, -119.3617723	Tennis, a wedding, or sailing? You can do it all here. A dirt trail to your racket sport. Don't get wept on. Look up.	
9	50.2031545, -119.2765689 Updated to: 50.2051116, -119.2770624	Kal Lake Park, on the un-named trail that that connects "Wild Earp" and the "Corral Trail" roughly 1/3 of the way along. A cleft in the rock. Updated to: An overhanging branch points to a rock cleft and a pine cone guard. <i>Note: GPS is recommended to locate this cache.</i>	
10	50.2112894, -119.2707437	Kal Lake Park. Hidden in the dark tower.	
11	50.24226, -118.97135	Salmon Trail, Lumby, where trolls live and close to where dogs run free.	
12	50.21925, -119.02965	Whitevale Road, Lavington. Dare you to get "board" by the babbling Duteau Creek.	
13	50.23360, -119.18337 Updated to: 50.23329, -119.18349	Vi Morphet Meadows Dog Park. Through a gate. Watch out for the 'logs'. Updated to: Stairway to another doggy heaven. RIGHT on!	
14	50.29619 N, 119.26650W	Vernon's tower to watch an eagle or another feathery friend. Dragon boats skim along in the distance. Under the first step up the tower you will find success.	
15	50.2823381, -119.2769927	Buy Canada's best-selling SUVs here. This car manufacturer shares its heritage with nigiri and sashimi and still manufactures several of its models exclusively in its country of origin. The ultimate outdoor display. A coniferous bush.	
16	50.2269689, -119.2488224	Middleton Mountain. Park at end of Braeburn Pl. 500m down the trail to where it curves 180 degrees past the Neumann Connector Trail. Look right (uphill) and behind the trees seek a brown treasure box.	
17	50.21421, -119.29363	Kal Lakeview Drive. Enjoy the view at the 2 nd pullout. A wild tree bears a different hanging fruit.	
18	50.187943, -119.334229	Continue to enjoy the view of Kal Lake but now take the "lofty rim" road to the first trail marker. Nearby and tucked under.	
19	50.244294, -119.263812	Sawicki Park is a great place to enjoy the trees, views, and playground!	
20	50.100430, -119.368320	Take a walk along the Oyama shoreline. Fido can come too. But before you pass the special park where Fido can run free, head toward the hill in search of a fence post before Fido decides to...explore it first.	

Contact us if a cache needs fixing or if you want to leave us a message:
administrative@vernonphysiciansociety.ca

The Hunt runs September 15 to October 14, 2022.

**Caches will be removed October 15 and entries on attached log strips collected.
Winners will be contacted through their IH email address.**

Tips for finding an official VJH GeoCache:

- All local laws and land management policies apply. This refers to both the placement of the geocache and the journey required to reach it. Geocaches will not be placed in a location that requires or encourages you to trespass or pass markers that prohibit access.
- Geocaches will not be buried, either partially or completely – please don't dig up the ground anywhere in your search.
- Geocaches will not be placed in a location that encourages the harming of plant or animal life.
- Geocaches will not be placed in restricted, prohibited, or otherwise inappropriate locations such as archaeological sites, historical sites, or cemeteries.

Using GPS devices:

You can use your car's GPS, your smart phone, or a GPS device such as Garmin.

- How to use GPS coordinates: www.wikihow.com/Enter-GPS-Coordinates-in-Google-Maps
- Google Maps App (Android or Iphone): <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/google-maps/id585027354>
- Apple Maps App (Iphone): <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/apple-maps/id915056765>

The Great VJH GeoCache Hunt is a family-friendly event. If you like, get your family involved (kids love looking for hidden treasure) or make it a solitary Zen experience - it doesn't matter. Just get out and start hunting -- there are prizes to be won!

The Great VJH GeoCache Hunt was created by The Vernon Jubilee Hospital Physician Society (VJHPS). Upon successfully locating a cache, you will be asked to write down your last name and IH department. At the end of each event, the VJHPS will use this information to enter participants into a draw for a prize. Additionally, if a participant locates all the caches, they will be entered into a draw for a grand prize. Winners will be contacted through their IH email address. Participation is voluntary. Caches are located in public spaces and there is a risk that they may be located by members of the public. Your last name alone with your department reduces any risk to you. However, if you have any concerns about the collection of your information, please contact administrative@vernonphysiciansociety.ca

Good luck and happy hunting!