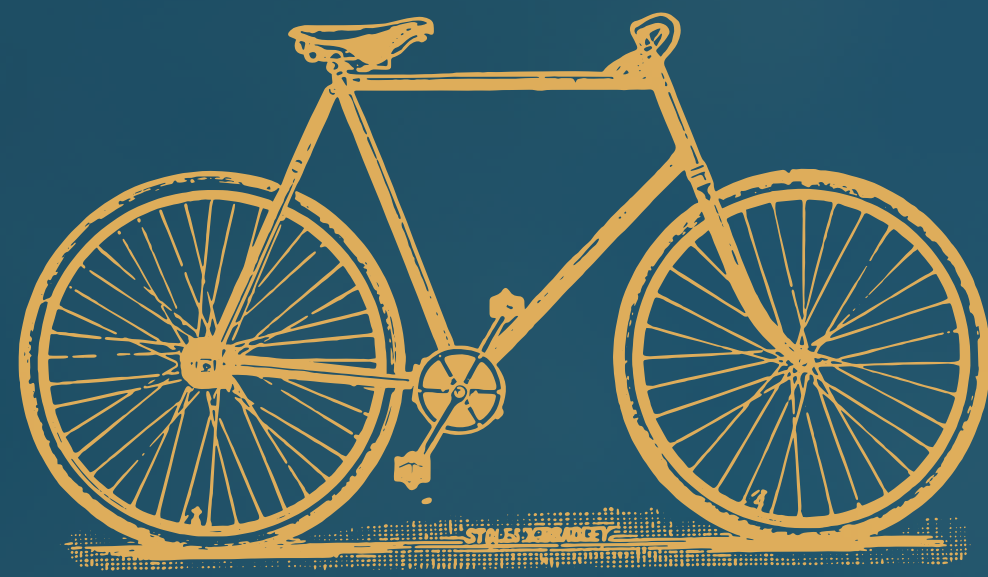


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About this

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Welcome All Scavenger Hunters!

Have you read every book in the house? Watched all the episodes of your favourite TV shows? Looked at your bicycle and wished you could go on an adventure? Well, we've got a fun-filled neighbourhood scavenger hunt just for you!

The Greater Victoria Cycling Coalition and Bike to Work Society are offering a series of Scavenger Hunts, Discovery Rides, and Go-The-Distance Rides for neighbourhoods across the Greater Victoria region. These activity series will be happening from May to August 2020. Every two weeks, two new scavenger hunt challenges will be released for two new neighbourhoods. The Royal Oak/Cordova Bay Scavenger Hunt will be released on the week of May 4th. Story entries will be due two weeks later on May 18th at midnight. These neighbourhood challenges are designed for all-ages and aim to bring some competitive fun and exploration into your life!

How to play the game:

Explore these clues, and submit a photo, story, or video to us about your experience or something you discovered on this Scavenger Hunt challenge.

Submissions can be sent to us by filling out the short activity form on the GVCC website under 'themed rides' or via Facebook and Instagram by tagging us at @biketoworkvic or #yyjbike! With every submission, you will be entered into a draw for a chance to win a gift card for take-out food from a local restaurant or bike shop near you. Prizes for this Royal Oak./Cordova Bay challenge will be mailed to draw winners on May 18th.

Why ride right now?

Studies have shown that cycling helps to reduce stress, boost the immune system, and stay physically active. Cycling is also an excellent way to get to know your neighbourhood during this time while practicing social-distancing.



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Clues

1. Located on West Saanich Road, the Royal Oak Neighbourhood House educated children in the South Saanich area for over 60 years. From the sign on the front of this building, what year does it say this school opened? (Clue 1)
2. Located at 4516 West Saanich Road, this two-story wood-frame vernacular Edwardian era building has been home to what Institute since 1930? Ride closer... the answer is written above the front door! (Clue 2)
3. Located along Chatterton Way is one of the last remaining natural areas of its kind that exist on Southern Vancouver Island. Find a sign for this park, what kind of natural wetland does it say this park is? (Clue 3)
4. Cottonwood trees are plentiful around Elk and Beaver Lake, located along Patricia Bay Highway. Beavers often chew on softwood trees, such as cottonwoods, to sharpen their continuously growing teeth. Can you find a cottonwood tree along the Beaver Lake waterfront with evidence of beaver teeth marks? (Clue 4)
5. Located at 4371 Interurban Road, is Camosun College's PISE Centre. Read the sign at the front of this building, what Pacific institute is taught here? (Clue 5)
6. Sea Ridge Drive is situated between Haliburton Road and Lochside Drive. Sea Ridge Drive has some of the most stunning ocean vistas of anywhere in Royal Oak. How many islands (Gulf and San Juan) can spot from Sea Ridge Drive? (Clue 6)
7. Cordova Bay has a long sandy beach that is only visible during a few very low tides throughout the year. Depending on the day of the year and time of day, the tide height can change dramatically. Go down to Cordova Bay beach, approximately how many metres is the water line was from the top of the shore? (Clue 7)

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8. Located on Blenkinsop Lake, this popular lakeside bridge was once a trestle for the Victoria-Sidney Railway. What is the name of the statue on this bridge? (Clue 8)
9. Galey Farms has been home to a giant Egyptian sphinx since 2004 and has recently adopted an equally enormous gnome. This gnome is set to be displayed on the farm this fall. Ride to Galey Farm: what other exotic structures can you see here? (Clue 9)
10. Red Barn Market has seven locations in the Capital Regional District. Ride over to the West Saanich Road market location: read the big white banner with red text on the south side of the old red barn. What does it say? (Clue 10)
11. The Panama Flats are located off of Roy Road, and provide excellent resting and nesting grounds for a plethora of water fowl and shorebirds throughout the year. Ride over to these flats, what kinds of birds do you see here? (Clue 11)
12. At the corner of Munn Road and Prospect Lake Road, Echo Ridge Stables is home to many exquisite equestrian horses. Ride over to these stables, how many horses can you see out in the field or stables? (Clue 12)
13. The Gardens at Horticulture Centre of the Pacific teaches courses for landscape professionals and hobby gardeners. From the trail at the end of Viaduct Avenue West, what plant species can you spot growing in these gardens? (Clue 13)

Reminder: These activities are taking place on the unceded territories of the Lekwungen and WSÁNEĆ Nations.

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