What Does a Geocache Look Like?

Why Geocache?

Physical Benefits- walking

Social Benefits- group activities, sense of accomplishment, communication skills

Educational Benefits- use of technology, learning geography, science, local trails and history, culture, environment

Mental Health- connect to nature, relieve stress, tap into your creativity

New to Geocaching?

Join us at Otter Springs Trails which is a county owned trail system located just outside of Crandon off Hwy 8 for a Nature day where we will have geocache group instruction.

July 10th from 4pm to 7 pm

Remember the decision to search for any geocache or to participate in any outdoor activity, and the responsibility for your own safety lies with you!

GEOCACHE CREED (found at geocache.com)

I will not endanger myself or others

I will observe all laws and rules of the area

I will respect property rights

I will not cause disruptions

I will minimize my impact on the environment

I will be considerate of others and respect the game.

Return Completed Logs to:

Forest County Health Department
200 East Madison Street
Courthouse, Crandon, WI
(715) 478-3371

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www.forestcountycan.org

Forest County Geocache Challenge 2018

Participants will explore Forest County's recreation sites while searching for 10 geocaches.

Tracking Log

Location	Geocache Coordinates/Code	Date Visited	Hidden Words
Wolf River Trail – Park at Crandon City Beach	45.55221, -88.89210		
Palmer Park Walking Trail, Crandon	45.568381, -88.910806		
Otter Springs #1	N45.57289, W-88.80898		
Otter Springs #2	45.57274, -88.81187		
Otter Springs #3	45.57645, -88.81380		
Ed's Lake 4H #1	45.28289, - 88.47486		
Ed's Lake 4H #2	45.28290, -88.46940		
Rat River Recreational Trail, Blackwell	45.51151, -88.59244		
Wabeno Boardwalk	45.44013, -88.65819		
Nicolet State Trail, Wabeno	45.44319, -88.66739		

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____Email: _____

Mystery Phrase (optional):

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How does it work?

Challenge tracking logs can be downloaded from www.forestcountycan.org
Or you can pick them up at your local Chamber of Commerce and Libraries.
----Go to Geocaching.com
----You will need to create a free account
----Type in your zipcode and search
----Enter the coordinates of the cache into your GPS devise or smart phone
----Use your GPS device to locate the cache
----Sign the logbook inside- there will be health tips and information and a hidden word. Please leave those items in the cache. There will also be some trinkets – if you have kids along, they are welcome to take one item. It is suggested that if you take something out, you replace it with something else.
----Put the cache back where you found it.
----Locate all of the geocaches (containers) and collect the hidden words and keep track.
----Unscramble the mystery phrase using your hidden words.

If you are unable to find the Geocache, try again! Phone and handheld GPS units sometimes have difficulty getting accurate coordinates based on thick tree cover (which Forest County has a great deal of) Take a deep breath, enjoy yourself and keep looking! (Check our website for hints and tips!)

Finish the challenge and turn in your log by August 31, 2018 to receive your prize bag.