# Langford Colwood Scavenger Hunt

## Go By Bike Week



#### About this



May 31 - June 6 2021

#### Welcome Scavenger Hunters!

Planning on logging those kms during Go By Bike Week but not sure where to go? We've got you covered!

Without our usual Celebration Stations to visit, Capital Bike has restarted our popular Neighbourhood Rides program with a few special rides released during Go By Bike Week 2021. To complete this Scavenger Hunt, solve the clues below, taking pictures at your favourite locations, then share them on social media with the hashtag "#GoByBikeWeek2021" to be entered to win prizes. Otherwise, you can send in photo submissions to james@biketowork.ca.

#### Log This Ride!

Log rides at www.GoByBikeBC.ca! It's easy! You can even link your Strava account to make tracking kms even easier.

#### How the rides work:

For each Discovery Ride and Scavenger Hunt we provide both an information sheet including clues and points of interest, as well as a custom Google Map to help make finding the route easier. Find this ride's google map here:

http://ow.ly/o71I50EV3qB

### This Ride Sponsored By:



Please follow the COVID-19 Provincial Health Officer guidelines and protocols, as well as any local municipal guidelines in your community, while participating in Go By Bike activities.

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#### Clues

- Mill Hill is home to an inland shell midden site from the Songhees, Esquimalt, and WSÁNEĆ Peoples, dating back 3,000 years ago. From the top of this hill, what is the farthest land formation you can identify in the distance?
- Established in 1993, Millstream Miniature Llamas was the first farm in Canada to focus on breeding miniature llamas. Millstream enters the Llama Farm through a rock tunnel and includes a 20ft waterfall. In 2003, the local Goldstream Hatchery helped build a new fish ladder near this waterfall and named it the "Llama Falls."
- Nestled in the centre of Royal Roads University, Hatley Castle was built with trimmed sandstone from Valdez and Saturna Island. The Conservatory, located in the heart of the castle, is a lavish room that was once filled with flowers, white orchids imported from India, and a large banana tree.
- "Bringing messages of self-determination and self-reliance" The Blue Heron is situated on the seashore below Hatley Castle, across from the Esquimalt Lagoon. The Lekwungen name for Blue Heron is Sneq'wa and house is e'lun. Translated, Sneq'wa e'lun means "a home away from home" for indigenous students, faculty, and staff studying and working at Royal Roads University. It's a steep ride down the hill to view this Blue Heron House. Make sure to check your brakes ahead of time!
- Built by the British in 1860, Fisgard Lighthouse was the first lighthouse on Canada's west coast. This lighthouse influenced the development of the towns of Esquimalt and Victoria following the influx of marine traffic to the area from the Fraser River Gold Rush in 1858. Every year, thousands of local and international visitors come to see the lighthouse and listen to Parks Canada's National Historic Site interpreters tell the stories of the lighthouse and its past keepers.

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- Scattered along the beach at Esquimalt Lagoon are a series of driftwood bird sculptures created by Paul Lewis, a local artist in Victoria. Over the years, thousands of people have come to the Lagoon to admire and photograph these 16 delightful and creative, wood sculptures. Find your favourite sculpture along this shoreline.
- Located south of Langford Lake, off of the Galloping Goose Regional Trail, Glen Lake is a haven for swimmers and paddlers in the summer. To improve the water quality, the City of Langford installed an aeration system. As a result of these improved water conditions, fishing has also become a popular activity on this lake. Some of the fish species that can be caught here include rainbow trout, cutthroat trout, and small-mouth bass. Watch the surface of the lake from the beach or dock, can you spot any small fish jumping out of the water?
- The Ed Nixon Trail is approximately 2kms in length and lies along the southern half of Langford Lake. This trail is shaded by a Douglas-fir forest, tall Arbutus trees, and lined with scenic sections of boardwalk. While walking along this lakeside trail, you may notice a variety of different wildlife species. In fact, Langford Lake is home to a rare Western painted turtle population. Take a walk or ride along this trail to see what wildlife you can spot!

Congratulations! You have completed the Langford/Colwood Scavenger Hunt. Remember to post a photo from your ride using #GoByBikeWeek2021 on social media, or send a photo to james@biketowork.ca to be entered to win prizes for this Neighbourhood Ride.