

Treasure-seeking adventure coming to Cass Bridge, SNC-style

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THE NATION – It's a high-tech treasure hunting game played throughout the world by adventure seekers equipped with GPS devices, and South Nation Conservation has gotten on board this Saturday, April 24.

With "geocach-

ing," the basic idea is to find containers hidden outdoors and share experiences online about the contents and the locations they were found.

"SNC is developing a geocaching program that complements the thousands of geocaches already present in

Eastern Ontario," said Tim Jackson, who is leading the project.

Beginning at 8 a.m. with a breakfast of pancakes, real maple syrup, bacon, sausages and more – all for \$6 – a geocaching event, SNC-style, is planned for Saturday, April 24 at Cass Bridge Con-

servation Area off Highway 31 south of Winchester. People of all ages are invited.

It's a Cash In/Trash Out (CITO) event with the goal of finding recently placed geocaches while picking up garbage along the way, Jackson explained. Dubbed SN-

CITO, the event is being organized by Geocachers of Eastern Ontario with assistance of a \$500 grant provided by SNC.

Formation of clean-up teams and assignment of sites in surrounding villages will

take place at 9 a.m. With participants carpooling, team geocaching and trash collection will happen until 1 p.m., followed by rendezvous back at Cass Bridge for awarding of prizes, photos and closing

comments.

"We're expecting at least 100 geocachers to turn out for this event," Jackson said. "It's a clear sign of how popular the activity has become and it's a great way to accom-

plish something useful while having fun."

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