

Bolton Rotary launches Bolton200 game to celebrate bicentennial

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To celebrate Bolton's bicentennial, the Rotary Club of Bolton has launched the Bolton200 Discovery Game.

It's a family-focused game that's free for all to join and play.

It will challenge participants to find mystery locations and intriguing history within Bolton.

People can enter at any time during the game.

The Rotary Club of Bolton will announce 'high points' teams on social media but the game is ultimately for fun, physical outdoor activity and learning about the community's history.

The game is run through a mobile app called 'GooseChase,' where you will see the list of challenges and be able to upload your photos and videos. The game launched on March 1 and will run until June 3.

To get involved, participants must download the GooseChase app on your phone, look for the game name 'Bolton200' or use the code '8Z66MZ,' go to the 'missions' and see which of them you want to participate in, and finally, upload your photos and videos of your adventures and answers.

If you get stumped on a challenge, email admin@boltonrotary.ca for clarification, directions, or answers.

'Our goal is to help you find mystery locations and intriguing bits of history about your Bolton community,' said Karen Fast of Bolton Rotary. 'Points are just for fun and to challenge yourself or another team. There are no prizes, just the satisfaction of having fun, physical outdoor exercise and knowledge about your neighbourhood. We ask that you select one person as the team or family 'captain' and register the group on GooseChase app. We ask you to follow all Covid-19 protocols and safety precautions of many of the local parks and facilities. Have fun and stay safe.'

You can make a donation at any time at boltonrotary.ca.

All donations go to causes in the local community or to designated international projects.

Throughout the pandemic, Bolton Rotary has met virtually to stay involved in local activities.

To make a difference in the community, Bolton Rotary has distributed over 18,000 masks, contributed \$17,500 toward grocery gifts, \$2,000 to Caledon Meals on Wheel, volunteered at the TRCA holiday Forgetful Elf drive-thru, sponsored food for 260 Caledon Seniors Centre meals, sponsored 400 egg decorating kits for local children, run a Water First fundraiser for \$20,000 toward Indigenous Water Operator certification, distributed plants to first responders and essential workers in Bolton in appreciation for their ongoing efforts to keep the community safe.

To continue to make an impact, Bolton Rotary will also be running a Peace Park cleanup, working on Highway 50 planters, hosting summer barbecues, a golf tournament, a haunted hill run/walk, and other bicentennial projects including a park bandshell, and more.