

GCPC EPISODE 761- Main Caching Apps Discussion

SB: Welcome everyone! It's Wednesday, it's 8:30 which means that it is once again time for the Geocaching podcast. My name is Scott Berks, we have our co-host shortyknits in the next room (Hello) and please welcome to my virtual left, my other co-host: Chaz427

CC: Howdy All! Let's talk caching Apps!

SB: Tonight's Episode **761** recorded live on **March 29, 2023** is **Main Caching Apps Discussion** The phone lines are open so give us a call at 808-468-7924, that's 808 GOT SWAG and for international callers, you can call us for free via the web at callinstudio.com/show/gcpc

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Go caching with Geooh GO, the geocaching app for Android that includes a wherigo player, trackable scanner, companion watch app, and county finds database. If you are an advanced geocacher, Geooh GO helps with powerful features like nearby cache notifications, optimized routes, offline mode, bulk TB logging and much more. Learn more by visiting us at geooh-go.com.

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SHOW NOTES:

NEWS:

- First “challenge” has been announced
 - <https://www.geocaching.com/blog/2023/03/find-out-the-first-challenge-of-wheel-of-challenges/>
 - We took the wheel for its first spin and the challenge it landed on is Seeking Smileys. This challenge is all about seeing how many caches and Adventure Lab® Locations you can find in a month. From **April 3–30** you have the chance to earn three new souvenirs for easy, medium, or hard levels of the challenge:
 - Easy: Find and log 5 caches to earn the first souvenir.
Medium: Find and log 10 caches to earn the second souvenir.
Hard: Find and log 100 caches to earn the third souvenir.
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EMAIL:

- L&N Railroad
- You left out the best thing about the My Moon Earthcache in Key West. There is also a 2001 cache (a virtual) at the southernmost point marker. I was there last week.
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- There is an Earthcache in Key West that’s ever farther south, on a pier. It’s Rocking in the Florida Keys GC7ZDJP. I didn’t try this one because I was traveling with non-cachers, and when I saw in the description this one required visiting four different points I knew I would be pushing the limits of patience to get this.
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- One other bonus with Key West is that they have a webcam cache, Cache your breath here! GC936D.
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- I also have one other tip for Key West visitors, not Geocaching related. The Southern Keys is one of three places in the states where you can see the Southern Cross, a constellation prominent in skies south of the equator. It’s not visible in the U.S. locations year-round (and I had to get up around 3 am to see it on the date I visited). The only other locations in the 50 states are around Brownsville, Texas and in Hawaii. (It is also visible from Puerto Rico, U.S Virgin Islands, Guantanamo Bay, Guam, etc.)

SB:

- JR and JuJu
- I use the Geooh Go App. I started using it for the stable wherigo player and stayed for everything else. I have used C:Geo, But was worried Goundspeak might block. them not having an API. There is a learning curve to using Geooh Go. I highly recommend you join the user group on Facebook, you do not have to post just follow and search the group.
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- Cachly App
- Geocaching App
- Adventure Lab app
- QR Reader app
- Metaverse
- AllTrails
- Waymarkly
- Whereigo
- Altimeter
- iGCT geocaching toolkit app
- Compass

SK:

- Apps in my "Caching" folder
 - Cachly
 - Geocaching App
 - Adventure Lab
 - TBScan
 - Scan TB code to discover, (retrieve, write note, grab, etc Pro feature)
 - Discover multiple TBs at once
 - Can use log templates (Pro feature)
 - Scan trackables from your photo library! (Pro feature)
 - Cachetur.no
 - Trip assistant app helps you keep track of your cachetur.no trip plan while out geocaching. You can easily update the ETA calculation to match your actual progress
 - Puzzle Sidekick

- Tools and reference for puzzle solving
- iGCT
 - Waypoint calculations
 - Text calculations and hint decryption
- GCTools
 - Converters, decrypters, flashlight
- Munzee (LOL)
- Wherigo
- GCWizard
 - Tools for simple cryptography, geographic and scientific calculations and hundreds of sets of various symbols (plus more)
- Waymarkly
 - Search for and log waymarks
- Altimeter
- Apps in my “Navigation” folder
 - Waze
 - Relive
 - Track your activity with any tracker and create a video of your route. Can add pictures and music
 - AllTrails
 - Over 400,000 trails around the world organized by location, interest, skill level and more
 - Get in depth trail info, including reviews, conditions, GPS driving directions
 - Save favorite trails
 - Subscription level gets you offline maps and much more
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 - TrailLink
 - One of the initiatives of Rails to Trails Conservancy (railstotrails.org)
 - Since 1986, RTC has worked to bring the power of trails to more communities across the country, serving as the national voice for the rail-trail movement.
 - OUR MISSION: At Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, we are building a nation connected by trails. We reimagine public spaces to create safe ways for everyone to walk, bike and be active outdoors.
 - OUR VISION: Trails connect everyone, everywhere.

- With more than 1 million grassroots supporters, 24,000+ miles of rail-trails on the ground nationwide and more than 8,000 miles of rail-trails ready to be built, our focus is on linking these corridors—creating trail networks that connect people and places, bringing transformative benefits to communities all across the country.
 - Full length trail descriptions, reviews, photos, and detailed trail maps
 - Maps show trailheads, restrooms, shelters, parking
 - Subscription allows you to download offline trail maps
- GPSTracks
 - one of the best GPS apps to track and record your outdoor activities
 - Record a track, add waypoints, map controls
 - Built in altimeter, compass
 - Shows distance traveled, time and pace
- WhereAmIAt?
 - Shows your current coordinates, approximate address, altitude, and COUNTY!
- WeatherOnTheWay
 - Forecast that follows your trip, pick the route with the best weather up to 7 days in the future
- Bonus Mentions
 - TURO - rent private vehicles, like VRBO for cars
 - Outdoorsy - rent private RVs, like VRBO for RVs
 - Cachemoji - just for fun
 - Geocaching stickers! Show your love for geocaching when you use imessages to send your friends stickers with official geocaching logos and designs. Stickers include geocache icons, found it/dnf smileys, signal, CITO, geotours, cache type icons, and so many more!

CC:

- Geo-oh Go
- C:Geo
- Cachetur - Best way to plan, track and stay on track while geocaching.
- GPS Averaging App - Click the start set it down, and let it get some coords to average.
- Compass

- GPS Status - Coords, Altitude, Speed, Sats, Compass Calibration
- Flashlight
- WhereYouGo / Geo-oh Go has integrated WIG player
- GCC - Geocache Calculator - Tons of Calculators, Translators, and other tools for solving puzzles, awesome for when you're in the field and need to solve something
- GC Wizard - Geocache Wizard - Another one like GCC - if GCC doesn't have it, this one might (and vice versa)
- GDAK - It's a mini tool similar to GSAK for parsing gpx files. Convenient when trying to filter on multiple areas to find caches that meet specific criteria.
- Benchmap - Tool for locating benchmarks.
- Geocache Placer - Great for hiding caches, especially series caches and making sure you're not overlapping.
- ANT+ Plugin Sampler (Read / Write - CHIRPs)
- TB Scan
- Gas Buddy
- Adventure Lab

NEXT WEEK'S SHOW:

- April Cacher Coffee
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