

# Show 50.0 - Project-GC updates

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## SHOW NOTES



- **Intro tidbits**

- We are your hosts Emily and Tim
- So how's your month been?
  - Emily
    - Jasmer focus
  - Tim
    - [GCAPN57](#) - Camp MiGO 2025 Project!
    - MWGB Update - Hot Dog Meet-n-Greet
    - 22,000 Finds Reached! 1175 Challenges!
    - Woodstock Ambassador!
    - Daughter getting Married on Friday!

- **News items:**

- 2024 Albany Geocoin Challenge XI August 24 <https://coord.info/GCATX3B>
- Southern Oregon - FxBill creates many opportunities for looping your fizzy grid, and his recent creation is a FxBill geoart with many higher D/T ratings and nearby challenges you can qualify for after completing the geoart, see <https://coord.info/GCARQ8R>
- Cachefest Hawaii Cache Page is Live!!! [GCAVHMK](#)

- **Challenge Statistics update % Project-GC:**

- **Monthly Challenge Cache location update**
  - [42592](#) active challenge caches worldwide (by attribute [search](#)) up from [42120](#) +472 (as of 8/8)
  - USA has 16,984 active challenge caches, followed by Germany, Canada, Norway, France
  - No change in the Challenge Leader stats Worldwide or in the USA .
  - However!!! Texas 20 behind #1 California, Michigan 27 behind #3 Florida
  - Some shake-ups last 40 states.

- **TOPIC: Project-GC updates**

- <https://project-gc.com/Home/News>

- **Email notifications**

- Favorite Point Notifications - New

- Project-GC can create and send email reports showing you the changes in favorite points for geocaches that you own. These reports have shown added and removed favorite points per geocache, and by who. We have recently added so that a total for the geocaches is shown as well. This is a paid service (included in the paid membership).

- Edited logs

- Once per day Project-GC will look through the geocaches that you own and see if any of the logs has been edited. If the text has changed, it will send you an email informing you about the change. The email now includes buttons that links to Project-GC where one can see the actual difference between the different versions of the log text. This is a paid service (included in the paid membership).

- Log images notification

- All log types are monitored and Project-GC can send you notifications via email whenever someone uploads an image with one of their logs on a geocache that you own. This is a paid service (included in the paid membership).

- Sign up in your settings: <https://project-gc.com/User/Settings>

- **Signed challenges**

- According to [official guidelines](#) a challenge cache can be physically signed before the challenge itself is met. Later when the geocacher fulfills the requirements the challenge can also be logged online, but not before. For this reason Profile stats have included a a section that shows all challenges with notes (but no Found log) on them, together with the current known status from the challenge checkers. Since these aren't really statistics they will now be moved out of Profile stats and added as their own [page](#) instead. The whole Challenges tab in Profile stats is for paying members only, and so is the new page.

- **New pages**

- To complement the already existing [Geocaches per area](#) page we have added two new pages. [Geocache types per area](#) and [Geocache sizes per Area](#). They are available to paying members.

- **Profile Stat Updates**

- Profile stats itself is the go to place to find most of your personal statistics. A way to show the history of your geocaching, your achievements, and to give you future goals. It's thousands of numbers, all in one place. But also maps showing where you have traveled.
    - Changes as of April 2024:
      - D/T charts: Added a size selector.  
A type selector already existed in one of the D/T charts.
      - Calendars: Added type/size selectors.  
Click the Type: - or Size: - to toggle the rendered view.
      - The Milestones tab now has a First cache by region in home country module.
      - Various FTF numbers module was added to the FTF tab. Two of the items has been moved from the Find tab's Some numbers.
      - The FTF tab now has its own maps.  
A bit simpler than those for general finds though (not as many maps).

- The FTF tab now has its own calendar.  
This information was available as bold dates in the calendar under the Finds tab before. We have removed that function from the Finds calendar to improve readability.
- The FTF tab now has a FTFs by month module.
- The FTF tab now has a FTFs by weekday module.
- The Challenges logged module now links to the list of signed challenges, and tells you a summary.  
Example: Plus an additional 178 signed challenges, whereof 0 are now fulfilled.
- Some of the above mentioned changes are available to users with a paid subscription only.

## GAMETIME

### • **Wheel Of Challenges! - Project-GC multiple game night!**

- It's time for the Wheel of Challenges! Tonight we are playing multiple rounds to give away one-year Project-GC memberships.
- To enter, send an email with a subject containing "SPIN ME" followed by your geocaching username in brackets and the answer to the following questions. The first verified user *gets the wheel*. Your profile will be checked live on Project-GC, and if you qualify, you win!
- Here are your questions:
  - There are two new pages to complement an existing page: Geocaches, Geocaches by type and Geocaches by size per what (unit)? Answer: Area, Winner: **Dromaniax**
  - Name one type of Premium feature email notification. Answers: images, favorite point changes, edited logs, Winner: **CheekyBrit**
  - The Challenges logged module now links to what? Answer: list of signed challenges, No Winner
  - The FTF tab in your profile now has its own what? Answers: maps, calendar, by months module, and weekday module, Winner: **bloodycool**
  - Calendars added what type of selectors to modify your results? Answer: type/size selectors, No Winner

### • **#PGC live random draw contest for a Project-GC six-month membership**

- Winners: **Jo MacRae and Tony Golden**

### • **Monthly Challengers**

- Every month we give a congratulatory shoutout to listeners who email us proof of qualifying and **logging** a challenge cache since the last show. Anyone who sends an email to [challengetalkpodcast@gmail.com](mailto:challengetalkpodcast@gmail.com) with the GC code having a Found it log (including a photo if you'd like to share) for that month will be entered for the prize giveaway for a **Challenge Talk Pathtag**.
- Here are a few of the interesting challenges we heard about from our listeners:
  - **Kittykatch: [GCAT703](#) Geocache Sizes Challenge** - find 25 micro caches, 10 small caches, 5 regular caches and 1 large cache. "I found a challenge this month that finished the last square in my challenge fizzy grid!"
  - **JediTrashPanda: [GCAJ5XR](#) Count von Count's Webcam Challenge** - find and log 13 webcam caches "Not only did I make the find, I got the FTF on this cache too!"
  - **Thanks also to bloodycool, AcornMama, Flowers22, JustFindingOurWay, Dromaniax SeabeckTribe and J6Family for additional submissions.**
    - Lots of opportunities to win, but you can only win if you submit!

- Remember, to enter for next month, send in your email before next month's show.
- This month's winner is: **J6Family**

- **After-Show Contest**

- Hide a Challenge Cache starting today and submit proof by September 7, 2024
  - Send proof of published cache or proof of submitted cache with link to challenge checker to [challengetalkpodcast@gmail.com](mailto:challengetalkpodcast@gmail.com)
  - Winner selected by random draw will win a one-year Project-GC membership

## REMINDERS

- Next show is the SECOND TUESDAY OF September, the 10th
- Show notes will be posted shortly after the show airs in the video description and linked in the podcast description.
- Remember to say hello, in that special way, when you see Emliy or I at an event.
- THANKS FOR WATCHING AND LISTENING!
- Remember, it's not about the numbers, it's about the challenge!
- "Challenge accepted!"

## LINKS AND RESOURCES

### Helpful browser plugins:

- Project-GC browser helper: <https://project-gc.com/Home/UserScript>  
(Requires TamperMonkey or GreaseMonkey)
- GME Geocaching Map Enhancements: [https://openuserjs.org/scripts/JRI/Geocaching\\_Map\\_Enhancements](https://openuserjs.org/scripts/JRI/Geocaching_Map_Enhancements)
- GCIh (Little Helper) extension: <https://github.com/2Abendsegler/GCIh>

### [Challenge cache guidelines - Section 2.12](#)

### Challenge Cache Moratorium?!!

*A 1 year halt on all challenge cache publishing gave GCHQ time to rework the rules and guidelines for challenge caches. Post-moratorium challenge caches abide by different restrictions than pre-moratorium challenge caches, which have been 'grandfathered' as is.*

*Moratorium started: April, 2015*

*Moratorium ended: May 25, 2016*

**Past shows with introductory topics:**

- [2.0 - Statistics and you!](#)
- [3.0 - Challenging etiquette](#)
- [4.0 - Strategies for tracking progress](#)
- [8.0 - Challenge badges and souvenirs](#)
- [9.0 - Hiding Emily's first challenge cache](#)
- [14.0 - Challenge caching on the road](#)
- [15.0 - Ask a reviewer: CacheShadow](#)
- [19.0 - Lackey interview: Rock Chalk](#)
- [21.0 - Fully Themed Challenge Caches](#)
- [25.0 - Tools of Project-GC](#)
- [37.0 - Project-GC Questions](#)

**Challenge Trails Master Document:**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DOxpa4vnLbnJ0f7p0qsfgE07HocdpwJFiThEdGZF0Z4/edit?usp=sharing>