# **Scavenger Hunt Challenge!**

**Rational:** Reconnect with the Outdoors in this unprecedented time of slowing down, by capturing images of the following items listed down below. All items should be photographed, where possible, showing evidence of the actual finder/s of the item in a selfie style pic. Happy hunting with your cameras!

**Note:** In many cases, you will need to conduct some research on some of these items, prior to heading outdoors, as some can be more challenging to identify this time of year!

Warning: <u>Tell an adult where you are headed in your pursuit</u> of this challenge and ideally have a member of your family or <u>guardian accompany you!</u>

### Choose your level of Challenge! Pick from A-E or Work your way up:

- A) Find at least 20/30 items + find 1 item from the Extra Challenging Zone! (k-12)
- B) Find at least 25/30 items + find 2 items from the Extra Challenging Zone! (5-12)
- C) Find the 25/30 + 2 items from EC Zone and Document the Ultimate Challenge Item! (5-12)
- D) Finish the entire list, so as to become the "Master Scavenger Hunter", which will require a deeper connect with Nature! (5-12)

#### **Scavenger Hunt Items 1-30:**

1) an oak tree leaf naturally still on the tree 16) a discarded bird feather

2) a beech tree leaf naturally still on the tree 17) old man's beard (lichen)

3) a 'witches broom' growth on a coniferous tree 18) a white tree's cone

4) a stick shaped like a "7" 19) an Eastern White Cedar tree

5) goose tracks or droppings 20) a white birch with peeling bark

6) rabbit tracks or droppings 21) a grey (wire) birch tree

7) deer or moose tracks or droppings 22) a yellow birch tree

8) a jack pine 23) a trembling aspen, aka polar tree

9) a black capped chickadee or nut hatch 24) an alder bush

10) a bird nest form last year 25) a robin red breast or a cow bird

11) a live spider 26) a maple tree (branches are paired)

12) a red squirrel or grey squirrel 27) an oak tree (offset branches)

13) a duck (black, mallard or other)

28) tamarack tree (whose needles actually fall off)

14) a blue jay 29) a black spruce tree

15) a grey jay (Voted: Canada's bird!) 30) a fir tree (Merry Christmas!)

## **Extra Challenge Zone:**

a) a juniper tree (tiny needles)

b) a witches broom (that still has some live green needles on the broom portion)

c) a tree with some kind of metal embedded within the trunk, i.e. old barbed wire fencing

d) an ash tree (not to be confused with an ash tray)

e) a deer or moose antler dropped off earlier this winter (naturally)

#### **Ultimate Challenge Items:**

a) Find a flying squirrel or an owl, seldom seen as they are nocturnal, but very common to New Brunswick. You will likely need to locate either of these after dark! Best of luck!