

Geocaching



The geocache group take a break from treasure hunting on Dartmoor to pose for a photo.

Hi-tech treasure hunt

On the weekend of 20th February, more than 100 adults and children attended courses on geocaching run by High Moorland Community Action. Geocaching is a treasure hunting game played throughout the world by individuals and families equipped with GPS devices. The basic idea is to locate hidden containers, called geocaches. The four-hour workshop was a tightly organized event, which was appreciated by learners. Kimberley said 'this event was extremely well organised so thanks to everyone that had a hand in it.' Participants spent the first half hour being shown how to use the geocaching website and solving puzzles in the hall. They then watched a presentation about geocaching from an expert before breaking for lunch, after which they ventured out on to the moor to use their new skills to find six nearby geocaches.

First-class event

Tutors Pat and Mary Matthews received a lot of praise from learners. Ian Shilston called the course 'a first-class event in which everybody learnt something.' Donna Timmis 'said: Thanks for organising the event. Finn and Rosie [her children] loved all the extra activities (especially ping pong), and I really enjoyed learning more about paperless caching, and all the extra bits of software you can use.'