



NPGS Niagara Peninsula Geological Society Field Trip Info Sheet  
Hungry Hollow Quarry, near Arkona, Ontario

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### How to get there:

- NPGS website link is: <http://www.ccfms.ca/clubs/NPGS/trips.htm>
- please click on the pink button for pre-registration forms, info, maps, etc.

### Starting and leaving times from Niagara:

- Best leaving (St Catharines) time is 7:30 am; and so, arrival time at Hungry Hollow is between 10 & 10:30 am, barring bad traffic. Google Maps indicates a travel time of 2 ½ hours.
- In past years, leaving times from Hungry Hollow have ranged between 2 & 4:30 pm.
  - If you'd like to be there earlier than 10 am or later than the announced leaving time, please inform the Niagara Trip Leader.
- Permission will not be given if:
  - Brampton Brick is doing active quarry work (general rule);
  - Conditions are unsafe (such as, major rainstorm, flooding conditions, etc);
  - Rockhounding can be dangerous; hence, being safe is more important than anything else.

### Transportation:

- Best to car pool - most cars accommodate 4 people - vans accommodate 6 people.
- If car pooling, please be aware that you will be contributing to gas.
- There are pit stops at the 1/2 way mark from/to Niagara - for coffee, food, and bathroom stops.

### Permission to collect

We cannot emphasize too greatly how important this is. Hungry Hollow Quarry is PRIVATE PROPERTY. No-one has the right to go on this property without permission. Permission is very easy to get - via our Brampton Brick liaison, Bob O'Donnell (who also is President of the London club). It is directly due to Bob that we can get permission to collect and that this site is still open to collectors. Hungry Hollow is a popular collecting site! Please help ensure that these site remains open.

The Hungry Hollow Quarry Owners (Brampton Brick) requires that all Hungry Hollow Quarry field trips be approved **in advance**. Approval is based upon:

- A) All participants - whether tentative or firm - are required to sign the CCFMS Liability Waiver a minimum of 10 days **in advance** of the field trip date.
  - *(If tentative because of schedules, please sign anyway. Better to be signed up than not at all if your schedule works out at the last minute. We no longer have the luxury of last minute confirmations for the Hungry Hollow Quarry site.)*
- B) A copy the In Advance Liability Waiver with signatures will be emailed to the Hungry Hollow Quarry Liaison person for approval by Brampton Brick.
- C) Permission (or not) will then be emailed back to us.
- D) If permission is not given by Brampton Brick, we will not be allowed on the Hungry Hollow Quarry site.
- E) Once permission is granted, all prospective participants will be emailed + there will be a Facebook post to indicate the same.
- F) All participants are required to read (or be familiar with):  
CCFMS Code of Ethics for Rockhounds <http://ccfms.ca/Field-Trips.php>  
and CCFMS Safety Rules <http://ccfms.ca/CCFMS-Safety-Rules.php>.



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**Safety & Participation on all NPGS Field Trips - No Negotiation Rules**

- 1) **Liability Insurance** - You are required to sign-in and sign-out on all NPGS field trips - CCFMS Liability Insurance requirements. (Nevermind that it's common sense as well as ensures that you're covered by your own liability insurance.)
  - Because Hungry Hollow Quarry is split by the Ausable River, Trip Leaders may not be on the same side as you are. You are required to ensure that you make yourself known when you arrive and when you leave.
  - In both cases, you are required to sign in or sign out.
  - The Sign-In/Sign-Out (SISO) sheet will be on my windshield.
  - Because the April field trip is often co-hosted with the London club, Bob O'Donnell will do sign-in/sign-out for London.
  - Please ensure - 'coz of insurance reasons - that you do the signing in & out. Thanks.
  
- 2) **Safety Talk** - On all NPGS field trips, the field trip leader will give a short talk about safety, collecting boundaries, special rules/restrictions, and/or any hazards to avoid.
  
- 3) **Buddy System** - All participants on all NPGS field trips are considered to be "field trip leaders" and a "buddy" to everyone else. In this way, we all look out for each other and can be fast-acting if something happens.
  - a) Since we implemented this rule, we've not only looked out for each other - but spied out and shared great specimen finds - as well as better ensured our safety.
  - b) Niagara also has walkie talkies - this aids us in ensuring that we stay in contact when spread out during a field trip.
    - Any Trip Leader with another club wanting a walkie talkie will be given one for the field trip.
  
- 4) **Parking** - Please park "tight" - this helps provide more parking spaces. Hungry Hollow trips are very popular.
  - Please do not park in front of the gates on Hungry Hollow & Fossil Roads.
    - Reserved for the trip leaders. Why? Easier to find their cars + the sign-in, sign-out sheets.
      - This is particularly important on Fossil Rd - it's a skinny road and turning around is very tight.
      - At the gate on Fossil Rd, there is some extra space to turn your vehicle.
      - Of course, please don't park at the gate!!
  - For the South Pit-Hungry Hollow Rd, please park on the right-hand side of the road, facing the gate.
    - Please do not park on the left-hand side. The "log cabin" is private property and the owners have, sometimes, been upset with us in the past.
  - For the North Pit-Fossil Rd, please park on the left-hand side.
    - With the turn-around space up at the gate, you should then be able to drive out (vs backing out), Thanks.
  
- 5) There are no **washroom** facilities @ Hungry Hollow - the bushes are the answer - however, please don't forget toilet paper and a plastic bag. **Thou shalt remove thy waste, please and thank you.**