



Satoshi and Go Vacation Adventure in Arceus Kingdom

Chapter II - Rocket Meeting.

The blue sports car dashes through the road of Route 6-38-R, this special route was developed in cooperation between Kanto and Galar which made it possible for vehicles to cross a lot of major points of Kanto and Johto very easily and fast, this new road cut travel time between Kanto and Johto that would take days to a matter of hours.

Satoshi, Go, Koharu and Sota are sitting on the back seat of the sports car, Pikachu and Scorbunny are sitting in their laps, everyone can feel the warmth wind touching their faces, it is a gentle wind. Yoshino is on the right front seat admiring the landscape and lost in her thoughts thinking about illustrations while Professor Sakuragi is driving the car on the left seat, he decided to wear a scarf that made him look the main protagonist of a movie that Satoshi and Go like about a racing driver and his special car.

Everyone is speechless by how beautiful the scenery is, at first Satoshi thought that they should have went by foot because it would be nice to capture some Pokémon, Go thought that the car was a bit too fast for him, Koharu thought that it was a bit too crowded in the backseat and Sota, well, he didn't have any complains because he loves car travels, but he is sleeping because he isn't used to wake up so early in the morning.

All those little complaints disappeared as they got absorbed by the beautiful

landscape, the other types of vehicles that are in the road and even some Pokemon like Butterfrees, Hoothoots, Ratatas, and Sentrets that pop-up from the outskirts of the road.

It's winter in the Kanto and Johto region but snow hasn't fallen despite the big blizzard storm near Pallet Town and Viridian City, a flock of Pidgeys cruises the sky that is bluer than usual and the temperature is a bit chillier than most days but still a warmth weather good enough that you don't need to wear a coat, a perfect weather for a Christmas vacation with a summer vibe.

The new route 6-38-R not only provided a new convenient way for people to travel between Kanto and Johto but also provided a new possibility for Pokémon immigration from both regions, this is considered another big success because Kanto and Johto Pokémon have perfect match in terms of ecological benefit for both regions, almost all Kanto Pokémon are known to be active during daylight but not much at nighttime while Johto offer a bit of more balance between daylight and nighttime so immigration was beneficial for both regions.

Yoshino is looking at the landscape picturing on her mind an illustration with Koharu and Sota playing with Yamper, their Electric Type dog Pokémon who guards their house, on the green fields, Yoshino and Sakuragi decided to leave Yamper with Kikuna and Renji because it is absolutely terrified of car drives.

The picture would show Koharu and Sota as they are in the car, Koharu is sporting her ponytail maroon hair, dressed in a white dress with a beautiful centered big yellow ribbon, blue and white boots while Sota hair is brown and he is dressed in a white t-shirt with a Pokéball illustration stamp, plain yellow shorts, yellow socks and a red sneaker.

Koharu is the same age of Satoshi and Sota, she is way more into school than both boys and doesn't seem to care too much about Pokémon while Sota is younger than her and is way more into Pokémon but he can't be a Pokemon Trainer yet because he is too young for that. Koharu is the more level-headed of them and is trying to discover her passion in life that's why she sometimes acts more shy or introspect but this also gives her the chance to see the big picture of the world trying a lot of different hobbies.

- This is really beautiful mom. Says Koharu in an almost whispering way mesmerized by the landscape, she broke the awe-inspired silence of the gang.

- Oh, sorry dear, I got lost in my imagination, are you guys okay behind? Asks Yoshino, thinking it was strange to not hear the voice of the kids and their Pokémon.

Pikachu cries - *Pika Pika!* Showing how fun it's the car drive for him while Scorbunny replies by raising his fists also showing he is enjoying the car drive - *Scor Bun Scor Bun!*

- I never rode in such a fast car on a road like this before, this is awesome! Says an enthusiastic Go - I even read some information about the road on my phone - Adds a proud Go interested in the technology behind the road and also amazed by the

experience.

- I'm really happy! Says Satoshi followed by Pikachu and Scorbunny cheers of happiness pretty much resuming everyone's experience.

- Go, have you started your vacation homework? Asks Koharu, Go replies firmly and proud - Yes! I already did my homework, and you Satoshi? Adds Go laughing already knowing the answer.

- Hmm, well, I left my school material at home! You know, it's good to relax a bit on vacation guys. Says Satoshi throwing his arms behind his head trying to relax, everyone laughs at that funny exchange.

- If you need help with your homework, I can help you! Says Go who always helps Satoshi with his homework because he is very good at school, Satoshi is also good too, but he needs a bit of help when it comes to the subjects of math and chemistry.

- Thanks Go! I want you to help me, as usual. Says Satoshi gladly accepting his friend's usual help, they fist bump.

They have been on the car ride for at least two hours and are starting to get a bit bored, hungry and thirsty but everyone was a bit too absorbed in the scenery and feeling a bit lazy to open the picnic basket, Pikachu and Scorbunny are really enjoying the sense of speed that the car gives them, they move from left and the right side of the backseat enjoying the company of their trainers and the scenery.

Satoshi receives a message on his phone from Go, he tries to ask why Go sent him a message if he is by his side but Go makes a Sheeshh sound with his finger close to his mouth, Satoshi understands and checks his phone.

Go asks Satoshi what present he asked for Christmas, Satoshi replies by message that he asked for a bunch of stuff but also a Nintendo Switch, a very popular video game console, and not for his surprise, Go asked too for a Switch, Go couldn't stop talking about the Switch for months, in the end, Satoshi also asked for a Switch so he could play together with Go who is really good at video games.

The tradition on Christmas is that you can't open presents until the morning of the Christmas Day, the 25th of December, and it wasn't guaranteed that their parents or Santa Claus would give them the present they asked, still, both boys hoped to find beneath their Christmas Tree the presents they desired.

- Are you guys hungry or want to make a stop? Asks Professor Sakuragi because he really needed a sip of a delicious cup of coffee right now like all adults.

- Yes! I'm a bit hungry. Says Satoshi - Yes! I would like to use the bathroom. Says a polite Go.

- Dear, I think we're almost there, right? Asks Yoshino almost sure that they are almost at the vacation spot according to what they had researched before the trip.

- I think so! According to my Rotom Phone GPS, we're almost there, in thirty minutes we will arrive! Says a triumphant Professor Sakuragi - There is a nice picnic spot before the place that we're going so we can stay there to eat a bit and use the bathroom. Adds Professor Sakuragi.

- Hooray! Satoshi, Go, Koharu, Pikachu and Scorbunny cheer in a loud burst of happiness waking up Sota, Sakuragi and Yoshino laughing at how their little boy almost lost all their car travel together.

Faraway from where the gang is, a mysterious balloon in format of a Meowth head with a big red letter R looms over Ecruteak City, an old-fashioned city located in the northern part of Johto, the balloon is invisible to human and almost all Pokémon eyes thanks to a technological device developed by the notorious evil Pokémon organization Team Rocket, it has been only been visible by a few minutes during the morning when the man aboard the balloon unplugged the device to recharge his phone briefly before he was scolded by the dumb decision and turned the device on again.

Aboard the Balloon three figures are gloomy sitting on the floor, a dark pink long haired woman in her twenties wearing a white top with a big red letter R stamp in the middle, white skirt, black legging and black shoes, a man with light blue hair, a white t-shirt with a big red letter R stamp in the middle, white trousers and black shoes, in the middle of the two figures, there is a Pokémon, a Meowth.

-Kojiro, I can't believe Big Boss ordered us to work on Christmas! Shouts in despair at the dark pink long haired woman.

- I know, this is so humiliating Musashi. Sighs Kojiro, the blue haired man.

- He says we need to put extra time because for the entire year we haven't done any successful work. Adds, for no surprise of Musashi or Kojiro, the Meowth Pokémon, who by some special reason, is able to talk in human language with a cat accent.

- At least we got promoted! Says an over triumphant Musashi laughing, Kojiro hearing Musashi enthusiasm also got his spirit railed up and cheers followed by Meowth cheers too.

- Do you remember how was last week's reunion? I thought we were going to be fired! I would have to go back to the streets. Says an almost crying Meowth remembering the reunion and the future that awaited him if he things didn't work out as they did.

A week ago, in the secret hideout of Team Rocket at an unknown location in the Galar region, Musashi, Kojiro and Meowth were summoned by Sakaki, the mysterious leader of the worldwide crime organization Team Rocket who uses Pokémon and their power to do all types of crimes and evil deeds.

Usually when Sakaki summons the famous trio of incompetent villains is because he is in a dire situation, where the job is too risky for anyone smart enough to accept or that he is in the mood to humiliate his oldest and most worthless employees.

- Oh! Kojiro, Musashi and Meowth! Said Sakaki happily removing his sunglasses, the tall man was wearing a summer attire and taking a sunbath in a perfect technological recreation of a beach in his office, there was sand on the floor, ocean waves, a fake infinite background on the walls emulating the beach scenery. It was only obvious that it was his office because of the black and white furniture in the room and that he had by his side his loyal Pokémon companions, a very big and evil looking Persian and Houndoom.

You couldn't notice that everything was virtual due to how advanced is Team Rocket technology, they not only employ Pokémon in their scheme but also the most cutting-edge technology providing their members powerful mechas, hacking software and even personalized gadgets for their missions.

Kojiro, Musashi and Meowth all kneeled down to Sakaki and said firm in unison - Sakaki, Big Boss, how may I help you and Team Rocket today? For a moment, you could even mistake the trio of doofus as serious villains.

- Well! Said Sakaki taking a sip of water from his crystal glass cup.

- I have some special Christmas assignment for the three of you, you know how hard it is hard to work with anyone here at Christmas? They say it is a trendy thing for organizations all over the world to let employees have a Christmas vacation, even the villainous ones. Said Sakaki venting off about how ridiculous is the situation but he had to accept it because the Human Resources at Team Rocket said this would make for better profits, and in the end, profits are what truly matter for him, he needed to get on with the times.

The villainous trio were still kneeling but Kojiro took the courage to start the conversation - Sakaki, Big Boss, I thought we're going to have a Christmas Vacation, me, Musashi and Meowth were going to spend the holidays in Alola...Before he even concluded his phrase Sasaki interrupted it.

- How was the Dynamax operation in Galar? Asked Sakaki in a dead serious voice, the happy atmosphere of the entire room changed for an ominous one.

- We couldn't catch any Dynamax Pokémon and we almost got arrested. Sighed Musashi facing the sand in shame.

- How was the Fossil Pokémon stealing operation in Oreburgh? Asked Sakaki blandly.

- Well...Said Kojiro building courage to continue his sentence - We managed to steal some rocks that we thought were Fossil Pokémon but they weren't. Sighed Kojiro concluding again, that they have failed more than one time.

- How was the Pokemon Candy operation, if you call that an operation and more than you doofus were starving, to steal the chocolate box from those little Pokémon Picnic Trainers? Asked Sakaki, this time his voice was even more ominous than before.

- We got beaten by them in a Pokémon battle. Said Meowth trembling in fear while Sakaki's Persian and Houndoom grimes laughing internally at the situation.

Sakaki then got up from his beach chair without even looking at the trio, he took his smartphone from his suit pocket and turned off the beach simulation, turning his office room again in the well know serious black, white and red office room.

- Most importantly. Said Sakaki sitting down on his massive black chair facing them from his table.

- What about operation Hate Network? Shouted Sakaki putting his hand over the table, he wasn't even pretending to scare them, he was really mad about how the operation went down because Musashi, Kojiro and Meowth made a lot of mistakes that in the end spoiled everything.

In unison the trio of villains stopped kneeling and jumped all fired up shouting - Those brats! They are the ones who keep stopping our plans!

- Oh, are you telling me that Team Rocket is being defeated by a pair of brats, or dare I say, competent Pokémon Trainers? Asked Sakaki with his fists still on the table.

- Big Boss, they have a very special Pikachu and Scorbunny who are beyond anything that we have in our arsenal, not only our mechas are easily defeated by them but they also can defeat any Pokémon we throw at them from the Rocket Gatchat! Said Musashi angry over their failures.

Sasaki got up from his chair and pointed to a white wall with his smartphone and pressed some buttons on the smartphone. The white wall turned into an interactive screen showing a lot of information about operation Hate Network.

- Operation Hate Network was one of our biggest operations, not only it was a very brand new approach for our schemes, it was very lucrative not only in money making but also for recruiting new members for Team Rocket. Said Sasaki pointing the smartphone to the screen changing the pictures showing some graphics proving what he said.

- We built an entire website where users would be taught on how to be the worst that they could be: How to be selfish, how to join Team Rocket, how to break the rules and it was popular with everyone from all backgrounds and ages. Sasaki explained in a mixed proud and sad sentiment about the operation that was destroyed.

A next set of images full of information was shown on the screen and Sasaki continued to present the information about the operation - We all know what fueled that website: Fake information and social manipulation by social media bots by our top scientists. Concluded Sasaki.

- Hate Network, or more know by it's public name and logo, PokéRealTruth, was a

Social Media hidden on the Internet but easily enough for people to find when they looked for darkness and the three of you led some goody-two shoes to the website, they started to break our false information and indoctrination with facts, good examples, politeness, by being friendly, telling how create connections with Pokémon and...Sasaki paused for a minute as if he was going to thrown up and then continued - teaching how to make friends. He concluded terrified by what he said, almost gasping for air he took a huge sip of water from his crystal glass cup.

Musashi, Kojiro and Meowth knew it was their fault but they were surprised how the new brat, the one with the Scorbunny, was so good with computers that he managed to bypass their system even if they banned him from the website a thousand times, and the old brat, the one with the Pikachu, who is very intuitive, made a lot of points that made the user base of the site go against them in the end.

Satoshi and Go are the two goody-two shoes who broke the website and denounced it to the police, they got help from Professor Sakuragi, Yoshino and the local Junsar Officer of Vermilion, Musashi, Kojiro and Meowth divulged the website for boys because they wished to corrupt them for them to join Team Rocket ranks.

- In the end, the users of the website went against us and the site was taken down, even worse, it's now impossible to make a new hate network because of new Internet rules, they even traced my connection with that enterprise and I lost a lot of money, business credibility and had lot of legal problems. You know, when I lose money, Team Rocket loses money too. Sasaki finished the explanation, he felt better after venting and going all out on the three doofus.

Sasaki took another sip of water from his crystal glass and said - You know, I had even to work with someone who I really can't stand to create Operation Hate Network, he even wanted the website to teach people how to hate Pokémon, but that was a step too far, even for me. Concluding Sasaki taking his time to drink a big gulp of water from his crystal glass, for a moment, Musashi, Kojiro and Meowth had the impression that Big Boss was not only afraid but disgusted of that person he had to work with.

The presentation ended, without even needing to ask, the trio of villains were already in knees kissing, literally, Sasaki executive shoes imploring him to give them a new chance, crying that they would prove that they were worth working for Team Rocket. Sasaki wasn't moved at all, but he really needed three doofus for his next big job.

-You're all pardoned! Shouted Sasaki enthusiastically in an overly theatrical way and then continued - Now, I'm going to explain all the details for our next big operation. Said Sasaki a bit embarrassed and nauseated that their loser mouths were kissing his shoes.

The trio of villains got up and saluted Sasaki - Thanks Sasaki, our lovely Big Boss! They said in unison.

- I want to congratulate you all because you are now managers of my new business venture! Shouted Sasaki.

The trio looked shocked and then cheered hysterically celebrating their sudden promotion.