



3rd Hayling Scout Group
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Hayling Scouts Christmas Post

Dear Parents,
Planning for our Christmas Card Postal Service is now under way. Stamps and Post Boxes will soon be delivered to all the locations listed below. The price of a stamp is 30p. Our Explorer Scouts are all geared up to do the sorting on Saturday 18th December for the rest of us to deliver the following day.

We need your help for the delivery so please book the dates now

We need people to help deliver cards on our 54 post rounds on Hayling. Each round will take a maximum of 2 hours and many rounds will take less depending on the number of cards to be delivered. We have again decided on a single delivery from Sunday 19th December. Details of how you can help are on the reverse of this letter.

The money is used to provide more activities for our young members

The money raised this year will be used to support activities for our 180 youth members next year

Our commitment is to deliver all correctly-addressed cards by Christmas

In the 36 years of this service, we have managed to meet our commitment to deliver every correctly-addressed card by Christmas. This is the main reason why the people of Hayling buy about 5,000 stamps each year.

There are other benefits of the service; for example, it raises our profile, which means that we were able to secure sponsorship for facilities such as our building work or for equipment, ensuring that the Leaders continue to have what they need to offer exciting Scouting to the young people of Hayling.

So please book the date in your diary now and, if you want to cover a specific area, book your roads now. Help us to maintain our commitment and credibility, whilst helping us to raise the money that will be used to benefit your children in Scouting

Please do not assume everyone else will do this; book your roads now
Thank You





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What do I need to do?

For information to those of you who are new since last year, we divide Hayling Island into 54 separate groups of roads, and the cards within those groups are sorted into roads ready for delivery. This means that in most cases you will be able to cover the area on foot if you so wish. The number of cards per group varies, but the largest and longest routes can normally be covered in less than 2 hours.

When do I collect my cards?

Cards, already sorted into groups and roads, can be collected from the HQ between 9:00am and 11:30am on Sunday 19th December. Although ideally these should be delivered on the Sunday, this is not essential if you are already committed that day. All I ask is that the cards are delivered by Thursday 23rd December. The earlier they can be delivered, the better it looks for us and the easier it is to resolve any address anomalies that we come across.

Why not pre-book your roads?

Once again you can pre-book roads, either online (preferred) at our website www.haylingscouts.org.uk and selecting the "Xmas Post" under "Upcoming Events". Alternatively, you can call me on 07867 686396. However, it is always good to have some people available on the day who can cover any unallocated roads.

How can I buy stamps?

We have some stamps on sale (and a post box) in the HQ, so contact your Leader or alternatively use any of the following shops that have again offered to sell stamps and install a post box for us.

Alan Rae Butchers (Mengham)
Bentley Walker (Elm Grove)
Hayling Hardware (Elm Grove)
Cards 4 Occasions (Mengham)
Sandy Point Convenience Store (Creek Road)

Country Pets (Rails Lane, Eastoke Corner)
Red Cross Centre (Elm Grove - Stamps Only)
Identity Hair Salon (West Town)
Stoke Fruit Farm Shop (Stoke)

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah by email (sarah@haylingscouts.org.uk or call me on 07917 440831)

Sarah

Please help us by signing up for a delivery round now