



3rd Hayling Scout Group

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Hayling Christmas Post

Dear Parents,

Planning for our Christmas postal service is now under way and Stamps and Post Boxes will soon be delivered to all the locations listed below. The price of a stamp is unchanged at 20p. Our Explorer Scouts are all geared up to do the sorting for the rest of us to deliver the following day. (See Web Page for dates).

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. 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. Details of how you can help are further down this document.

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

The money raised this year will be used to support our Group event(s) next year.

Our commitment is to deliver all correctly addressed cards by Xmas

In the 32 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 8000 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 next year.

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 9:00 and 11:30am on the delivery day. Although ideally these should be delivered on the Sunday, this is not necessary if you are already committed. All I ask is that the cards are delivered by 24th December. The earlier they can be delivered the better it looks for us and the easier it is to resolve any 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.haylingcouts.org.uk and selecting either the “stamp” or “letter box”, by completing the form within the Scout HQ reception area or by calling me on 9246 2786. However, it is always good to have some people available on the day who are happy to cover any unallocated roads.

How can I buy stamps?

We have some stamps on sale within the HQ, so contact your Leader or alternatively use any of the following shops that have again offered to sell the stamps for us.

Rae Butchers (Mengham)

Bentley Walkers (Elm Grove)

Hayling Hardware (Elm Grove)

Cards 4 Occasions (Mengham)

Sandy Point Convenience Store (Creek Road)

Country Pets (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 call me on 9246 2786

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Please help us by signing up for a delivery round now