



July 31 - August 9, 1937

August 1 - 11, 1995

Philately has told the story of Netherlands scouting from the earliest scout camp to the 5th and the 18th World Jamboree for which Scouting Nederland was host. As a prominent youth organization Scouting Nederland has 85,000 boy and girl members with 15,000 adult leaders.

PADVINDERS KAM

July 29, 1913 - The first Boy Scout encampment (July 24-31) with international participation, met near the port city of Ijmuiden near Amsterdam. Card Addressed to a school friend in Amsterdam. No message but a picture postcard of the port. Wooden stamp: Padfinders Kamp: Boy Scout Camp.



The National Boy Scout encampment held in August 1932 is the first evidence of scouting activity recognized by an official cancellation in the Netherlands specifically advertising the event. More than 3000 scouts attended and were greeted and asked by B-P on August 7, to host the 1937 World Jamboree.



The 5th World Jamboree was held at Bloemendaal-Vogelenzang (Flower area, Bird song) near Haarlem, in the western part of the Netherlands, just south of Amsterdam, from 31 July to 9 August 1937. These stamps were issued to help publicize the event. More than 29,000 scouts from 54 countries attended.



Issued on April 1, 1937 and valid for postage through 31 December 1937 - more than 14 million stamps of the first two denominations, and almost 4 million of the 12-1/2c were sold. Stamps were meant to publicize the world jamboree.

Private cover prepared by S. J. Sluis shows obsolete motto of "Waakt" - Be Alert; Netherlands scouting adopted "Weest Paraat" - Be Prepared, several years before the Jamboree.

Commercial usage of the Jamboree stamps was encouraged and helped promote the Jamboree, at home and abroad. Large amounts of stamps were bought by many firms who in turn perforated the stamps (perfin) with company initials.



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Further commercial usage of Jamboree stamps.



Jamboree stamps as used in May 1937 on a cover postmarked Amsterdam (the Netherlands) and addressed to a Mrs. Lewis in Brooklyn, New York (city). This cover, dated 1 May, 1937, was carried across the Atlantic ocean by the famous Hindenburg hydrogen filled airship LZ 129, which crashed upon landing at Lakehurst, New Jersey, on 7 May, 1937.

The U.S. post office salvaged mail and delivered what was left of a letter in sealed wrappers. According to post office records, this letter was signed for and was delivered to the addressee.



A special Jamboree post office, based on the experience gained at the 1933 World Jamboree, Goldolo, Hungary, was established and put into service on July 19th and closed August 14th, 1937. Jamboree stickers, four special cancellations (nos 1, 2, 3, and 4), and the three special stamps made up the philatelic items at this Jamboree.



Scouting Nederland is. Skiga hier Dondeldard S. Tues, des antwood man most. Waln at up mee. Va Tain King? The hoorde mornick var mades. Fin is out in V.T. wit Brene BRIEFKAART que als wells terelis Zutfly kan pecide. It bester de here direch kased an minstefeld. The AAN Reins beh Mer. A.C. Supers . Canters Alex Greeling 19 's Gravitator clost Caster du % fzender #3...Mail from the Jamboree..."Dear Grandmother...yesterday the Jamboree closed...foreign contingents are sightseeing... MXXXV

#4...Specially prepared at the stamp stand 14 with the official label advertising "Please visit the Jamboree" - "U komt" campaign.



Mr. ERIH WISSING.

Jamboree-Trop Nr. 15.

Danish Contingent

Subcamp Nr._

Jamboree



Contingent mail into the Jamboree sub-camp 9 (there were nine such camps each accommodating about 2500 scouts and leaders.)



During the course of the Jamboree 573,000 pieces of mail were sent and 320,000 were received thru this Post Office building erected for the event.





Sear Friend:-Weel, here's a hurried greeting from the Fifth world Jamboree in Vogelergoing, Holland. We are having a magmificent time. The Dutch are proving themselves worderfue hosts, and its a real thrill to meet Broiher scouts from all over the world. Bood Luck and GOOD HIKING. "Green-Bar-Bill", (William Hillcourt, BSA) has sent mail from every Jamboree he attended. His friendly message is available to scouts from the USA delegation at the 5th World Jamboree to send home.









Netherlands East Indies (present day Indonesia), at the time of the 5th World Jamboree a possession of the Netherlands, sent a large delegation to the Vogelenzang Jamboree with funds raised from the semi-postals shown here. While not depicted on the stamps the 12-1/2c stamp cost 15c and the 7-1/2c stamp was sold for 10c from 1 May - 9 June, 1937, valid for postage at face value until 31 December 1938.





Trial color proofs in brown, blue, red, grey and orange were discarded and the selected issues were (rose)carmine and sepia (brown).

Some 340,000 of the 7-1/2c stamp were sold and 504,934 of the 12-1/2c stamp.



Hand cancel and roller cancel representation of the two stamps issued by the Netherlands Indies to promote the Jamboree, raise funds to send a contingent to the Jamboree and allow the stamps to be sold for a year after without the surcharge.





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"Koop Jamboree Zegels" or "Buy Jamboree Stamps" slogan - to promote Jamboree stamp use. A surcharge was collected to help finance attendance by scouts from there.





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During a few days in 1945, at the end of the World War II, Netherlands' scouts organized courier service in the southern part of the country as the German occupiers were driven out by US and Canadian forces. This letter was carried from Rotterdam to Breda where it received stamps and was sent to England via regular post.





THE INTERNATIONAL FIRST DAY COVER SERVICE

A semi-postal issued to raise funds for social welfare and cultural activities including scouting. A May 2, 1949 first day valid for postage through June 25, 1949.



Scouting Nederland is the modern name for the combined boy and girl organization host to the 18th World Jamboree in 1995.

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Note to the Bearer

The only purpose of this Letter of Introductio identify yourself to fellow Scouts in countries special privileges, including any entitlement your trip, you may wish to collect signature

Remarque au porteur

Cette lettre de recommandation sert à ét compagnons scouts des pays qu'il visite vilèges particuliers ni à l'hébergement haiterez peut-être récolter des signat

Nota al Portador

El único objetivo de esta Carta e dad de identificarse a los herr visite. No confiere ningun pripitalidad. (Como un recuerd matasellos Scouts en esta pi



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18th World Jamboree Flevoland

1-11 August, 1995

22,840 scouts from over 100 countries

Netherlands stamp showing a Belgian scout - First Day June 6, 1995

Labels and official Jamboree Cachet Rubber stamp

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