

Scouting in Denmark until 1957

The Scout and Guide movement in Denmark consists of about ten different associations. Most of them are members of two large federations, but there are also some independent organisations. Affiliated to Danish Scouting and Guiding are the organisations in Greenland, on the Faroe Islands and in Southern Schleswig.

Scouting in Denmark started in 1909. Danish Scouts were among the charter members of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), Danish Guides among the founding members of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS).



“Danish Boy Scout”.

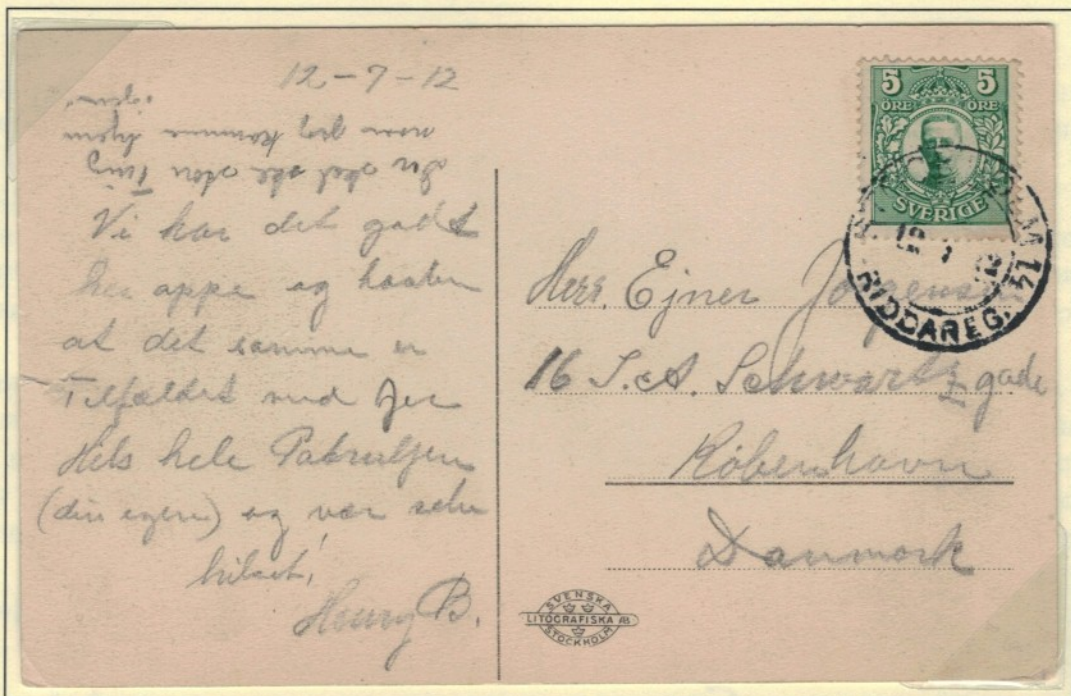
Drawing by Hungarian artist Lojas Martón, 1927,
drawn at Beatelund during the Swedish national jamboree.

The 1912 Olympic Games took place in Stockholm, Sweden. King Gustav V invited 1500 Boy Scouts from five countries to pitch their tents next to the Olympic Stadium and offer help in the Olympic Games. This was the first national camp of Sweden's Scout Association. It is estimated that 1200 to 1500 Scouts participated, coming from Denmark, Norway, Germany, England and France, as well as Sweden. The Scouts were responsible for the sales of all Programs at the Stadion. Furthermore, the Scouts were available for service for the officials of the games at all locations where competitions took place. Approximately 600 Scouts served at Stadion each day.

On the Marathon day, Scouts were posted along the entire 42 km route, signaling orders between the officials.



Official Olympic Games postcard #201 (unused): "McArthur running into the Stadium". Kennedy Kane "Ken" McArthur (U.K.) is most noted as a track and field athlete and winner of the marathon at the 1912 Olympic Games. Numerous Boy Scouts are on duty along the route.



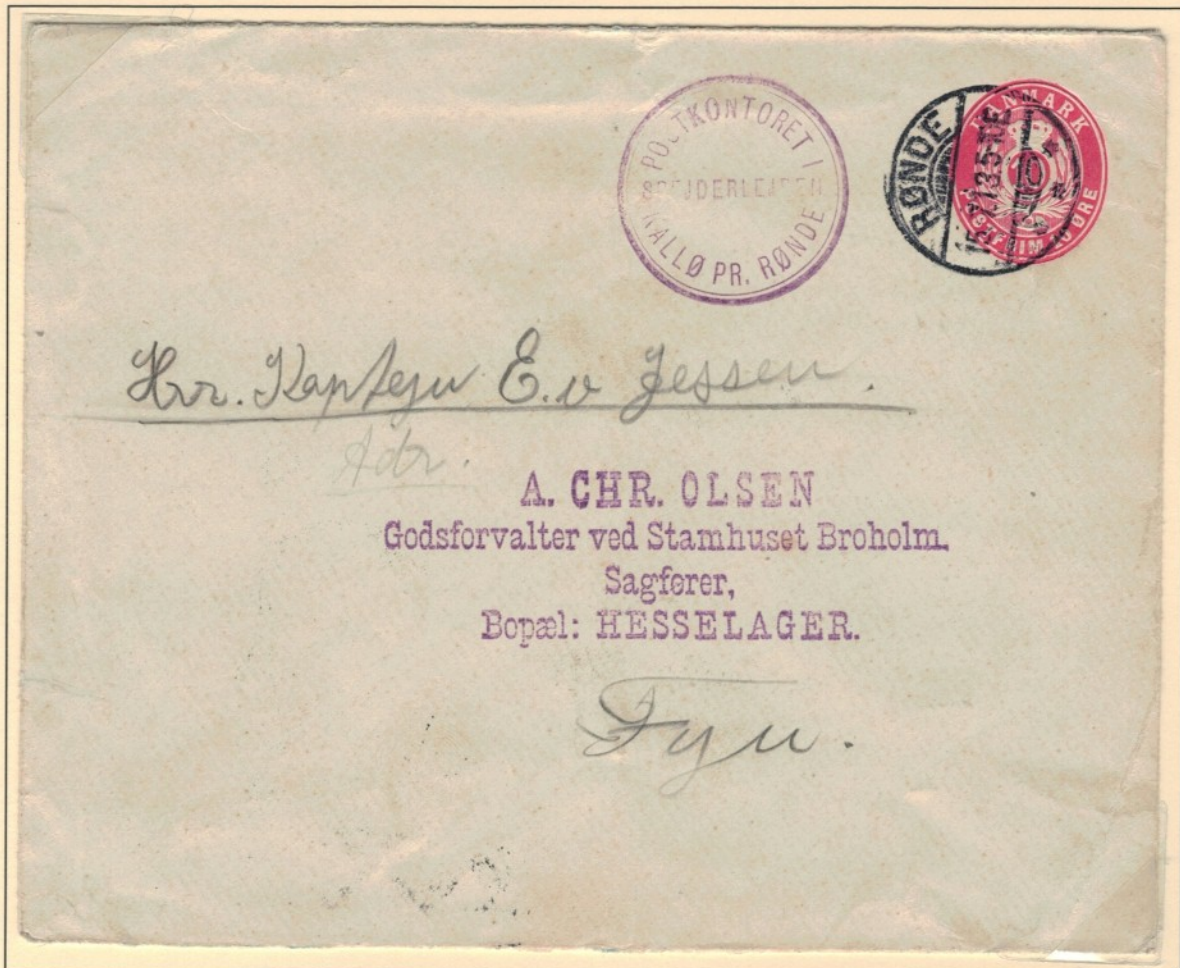
Special camp viewcard sent to Copenhagen, Denmark, written by one of the Danish Boy Scouts who attended the Olympic Boy Scout Camp. "Greetings to the entire Patrol..."

Det Danske Spejderkorps - DDS (The Danish Boy Scouts Association) was founded 1909. The first large camp hosted by Det Danske Spejderkorps took place 1913 on the peninsula Kalø near Rønne on the east coast of Jutland. 600 Boy Scouts from all over Denmark participated, even guests from the YMCA Boy Scouts and from the Sea Scouts. The international aspect was covered by a troop of 24 boys from a mining area in northeastern England, and 10-12 Boy Scouts from Sweden.



Incoming mail: 1913, the first DDS national Scout camp. Postcard sent from Vordingborg to the Kallø Scout camp, where the rural cancel is applied and the card is redirected first to Nyborg and then to Copenhagen.

The first official Scout postmark of the World, used by the rural postman at Kallø "POSTKONTORET I SPEJDERLEJREN KALLØ PR. RØNDE" (The post office in the Scout camp at Kallø near Rønne).



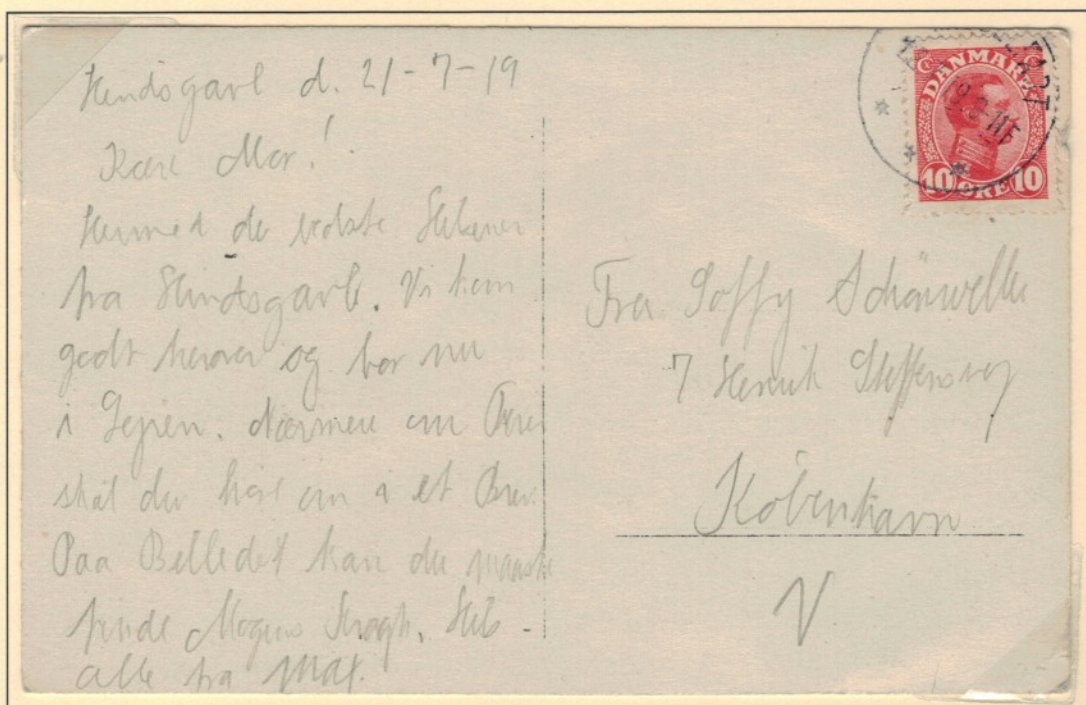
Outgoing mail: 1913, the first DDS national Scout camp. Postal envelope sent from the Kallø Scout camp. Rural cancel and postmarked "RØNDE 13.7.13". Sent to Hesselager on the Funen island.

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with local camps in the years between.



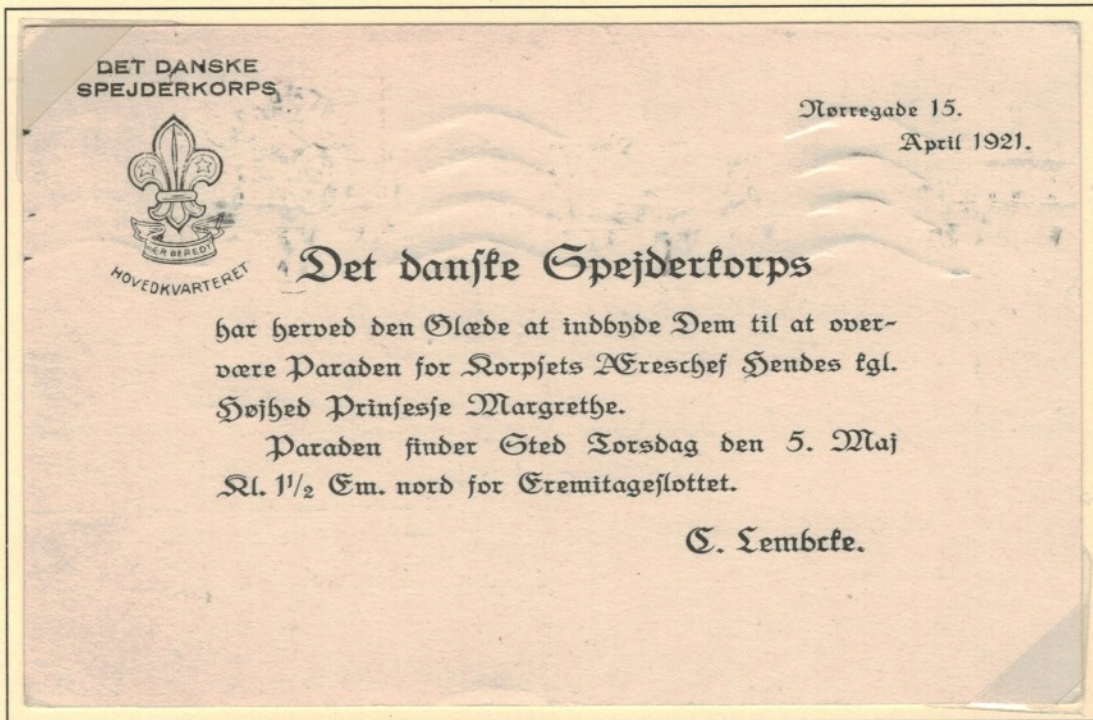
1917 – local Scout camp at Langtvad Færgetro near the bottom of the Isefjord, Zealand.
Frederiksværk viewcard written by a father to his son at the
Langtvad Scout camp, postmarked "HUNDESTED 12 7 17".

1919 – the second national camp for the Danish Scout Association.
1,600 'yellow' Scouts camped at Hindsgavl near Middelfart on the western tip of the Funen island.



Camp viewcard (Boy Scouts digging trenches) written by Boy Scout in camp and sent to Copenhagen.
Postmarked "MIDDELFART 22 7 19". The camp post office did not have a special postmark.

The Boy Scouts Association held a parade on May 5, 1921 for H.R.H. Princess Margrethe who was their honorary Chief Scout.



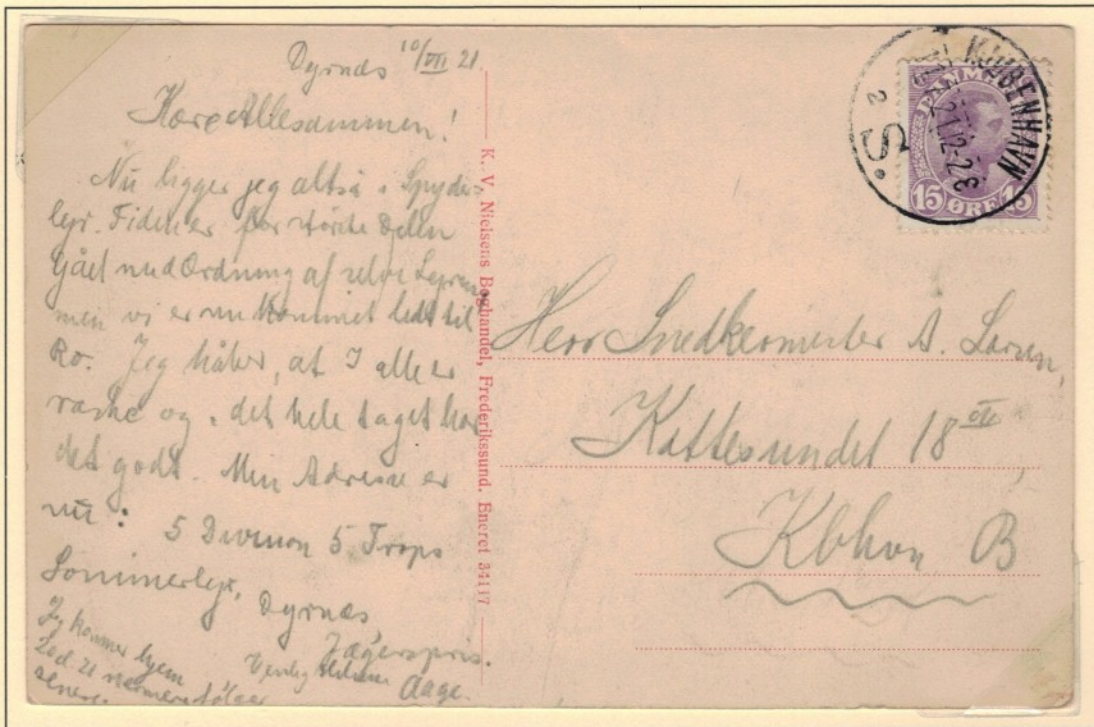
Official postal card with private additional printing on reverse, with an invitation to attend the Boy Scouts Association's parade for honorary Chief Scout H.R.H. Princess Margrethe.
Dated Nørregade 15 (Copenhagen), April 1921.
Signed C. Lembcke (Chief Scout).



(facsimile of front, reduced)

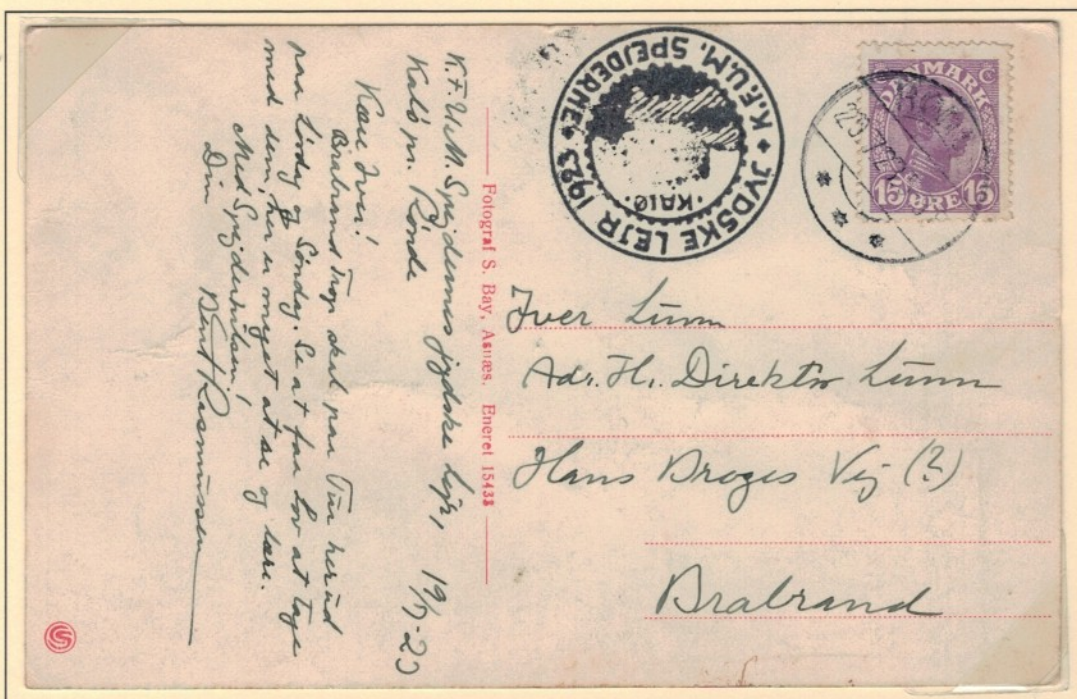
Official postal card 5 öre King Christian X with additional 2 öre stamp imprint and the 2 öre is overprinted to 3 öre. Postmarked "KØBENHAVN 29.4.21".

The Danish Scout Association held national jamborees in 1919 and 1923, with local camps in the years between. 5th Division 5th Troop held their 1921 camp at Dyrnæs near Jægerspris.



Dyrnæs Pensionat viewcard written by a camp participant and sent to Copenhagen. Mail was brought to Copenhagen; postmark “KØBENHAVN S 11.7.21”. From the written message in Danish: "I am currently in Scout camp... My address is 5 Division 5 Troop Summer camp, Dyrnæs, Jægerspris..."

The YMCA Boy Scouts of Denmark was founded in 1910. They held their district camp for Jutland on the island of Kalø in July, 1923.



Postcard to Brabrand, postmarked “RØNDE 23.7.23”. Cachet “JYDSKE LEJR 1923 K.F.U.M. SPEJDERNE KALØ”.

St. Jørgen is the Danish name for St. George. The place name Sct. Jørgensbjerg translates to St. George's Mountain; however if you have been to Denmark then you know that the mountains aren't exactly huge. The rural post office Sct Jørgensbjerg was located near Roskilde and was in operation from 1905. The name was spelled Skt. Jørgensbjærg 1935-1948, and in 1972 the post office was renamed Roskilde 13.



Postcard dated 1922 with star postmark "ST. JØRGENSBJERG", sent to Roskilde.



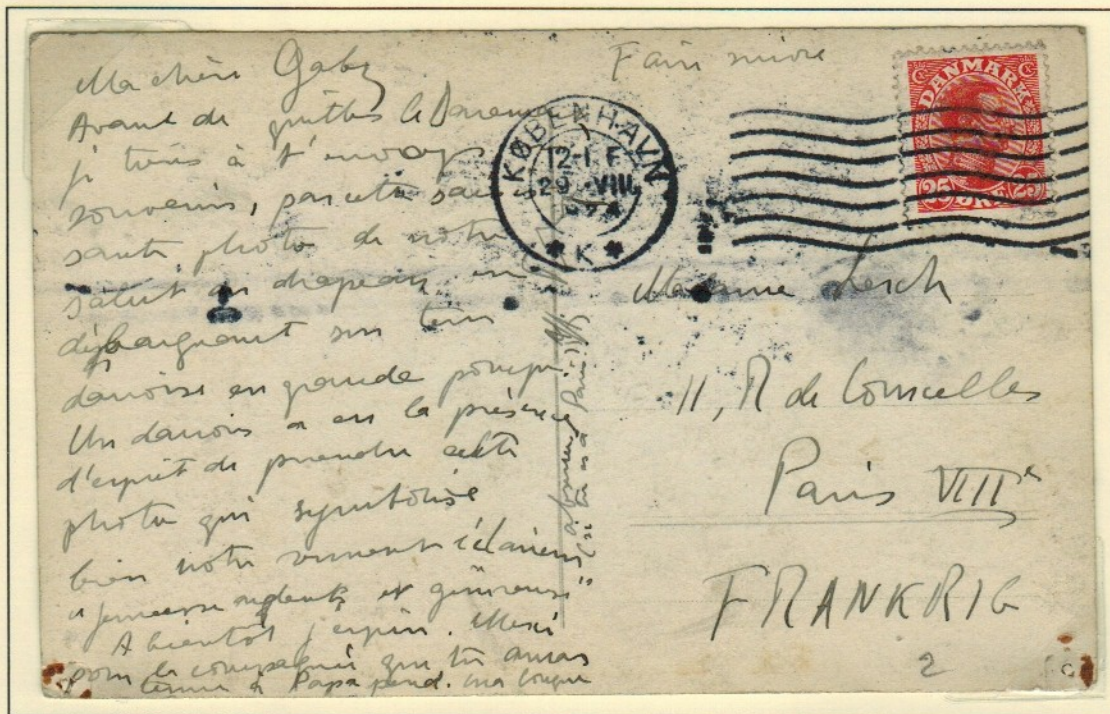
Registered letter with removed star postmark "SKT. JØRGENSBJERG". Roskilde registration label.



The Second World Jamboree camp itself lasted from 10 to 17 August. On Sunday 17 August, after a week at the Ermelunden camp, the Boy Scouts moved to Copenhagen itself where they stayed at private homes. On August 21 a big party took place at Tivoli for all the Boy Scouts and guest families for the closing ceremony of the Jamboree.

Left: Jamboree label.

Below: French Scout postcard written by Jamboree participant and sent from "KOBENHAVN 29 VIII 1924" to Paris, France.



Postcard to Gjentofte, Denmark, sent by "De Kinesiske Spejdere" (The Chinese Boy Scouts), dated S.S. "Porthos", Jibouti, Africa and postmarked on board "MARSEILLE A YOKOHAMA No 10 21 9 24". Without doubt sent by Scouts on their way home from the Jamboree. Postage due markings.



This was, looking at the number of participants (5000 scouts from 34 countries), the smallest of all World Scout Jamborees held until now. One of the reasons was the Imperial Jamboree, which was held a week before in London.

New at this Jamboree was home hospitality. After the Jamboree scouts stayed with a host-family for a week.

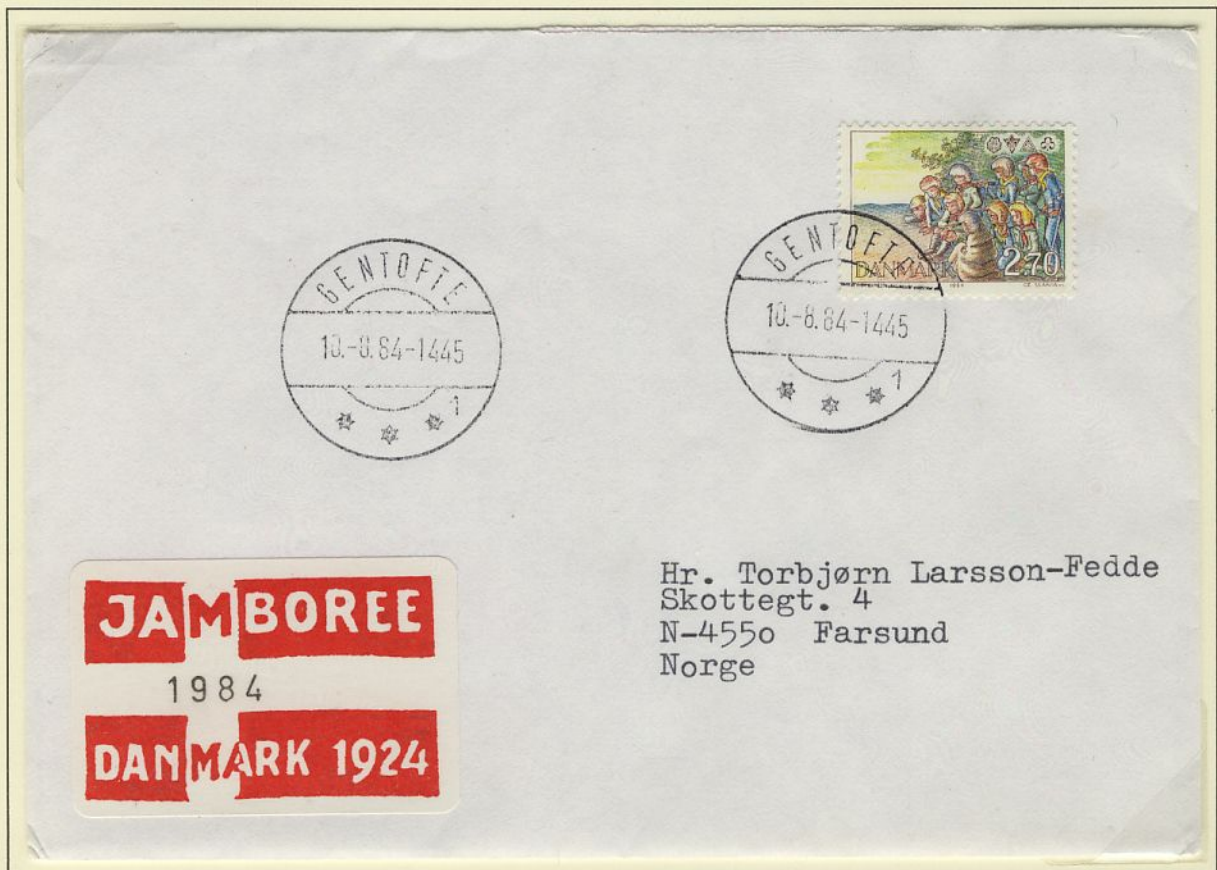
Problems during this Jamboree were the enormous amount of visitors and a flood. 5,000 wet Scouts were housed by the locals. In the Stadium of Copenhagen various games, invented by Baden Powell, were organised.

This Jamboree showed that Scouting isn't just a game, but it is a crucial contribution to the forming of world citizens.

One of the largest units of the World Jamboree label.



Photo of the Jamboree post office.



Cover postmarked GENTOFTE 10.-8.84, 60 years after the opening of the Jamboree. The label depicts the Jamboree badge.

6.2 World Scout Jamboree



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13/7 Opbevares kun 8 DAGE
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The engraver, Hammerschmidt's efft., produced this meter slogan proof print. Imprinted "Proof. Will be kept for 8 days only, and will thereafter be invoiced at price for layout."

5,000 Boy Scouts participated in the second World Scout Jamboree at Ermelunden near Copenhagen, Denmark in 1924.



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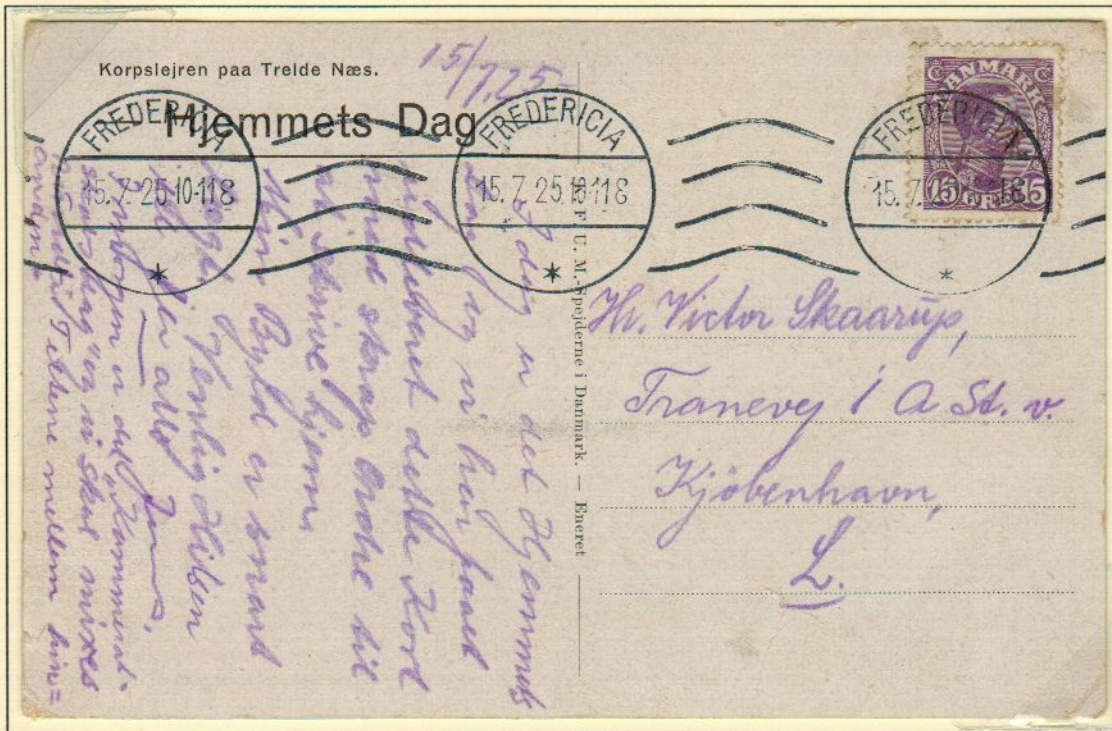
The Jamboree badge was the Danish flag, with inscription "JAMBOREE DANMARK 1924", and a sequential number. Each participant was given his own uniquely numbered badge.



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The YMCA Boy Scouts of Denmark was founded in 1910. They held their third national camp at Trelde Nes in 1925 with 2,200 participants.



Camp viewcard to Copenhagen, postmarked "FREDERICIA 15.7.25".
 From the written message: "These cards were handed out, with strict orders to write home."
 The camp post office did not have its own postmark, and mail was handled at the nearby Fredericia post office.

The Danish Boy Scouts Association held their 4th national camp at Granshoved in 1928 with 1,200 participants.



Postal card to Hellerup, postmarked "HOPTRUP -9.7.28".
 Cachet "Det Danske Spejderkorps København Division 1ste Østerbro trop".
 Hoptrup is close to the camp site and the card is sent by a Boy Scout three days prior to camp.
 From the written message: "Tell Mom to send lots of chocolate to me in camp".

In 1927, the Swedish Scout Association marked their 15th anniversary with a jubilee camp at Beatelund near Stockholm. Nearly 4,000 Boy Scouts from 15 countries attended the association's fourth national camp. Baden-Powell visited the camp and stated in a radio broadcast that it was the best Scout camp that he had seen.

The Danish contingent was 800 "yellow" scouts from Danish Boy Scouts Association (DDS), and the 5th Division of the YMCA Boy Scouts, plus 12 Danish Cub Scout leaders. The Danes had their own postmaster who collected and delivered mail. A special red three-line semi-official cachet was applied to outgoing mail from the Danish contingent.



Scout postcard written by Danish Scout in camp and sent to Fredericia. Postmarked (S-001) "SCOUTLÄGRET STOCKHOLM 15. 7. 27", and the Danish cachet with the DDS Scout Badge and the text "Det danske Spejderkorps / Jubilæumslejren / Stockholm - 1927" (The Danish Boy Scouts Association / Jubilee Camp / Stockholm - 1927).

"Væbneren" was the magazine of The Danish YMCA Scouts, issued in Aarhus from 1913 onwards.

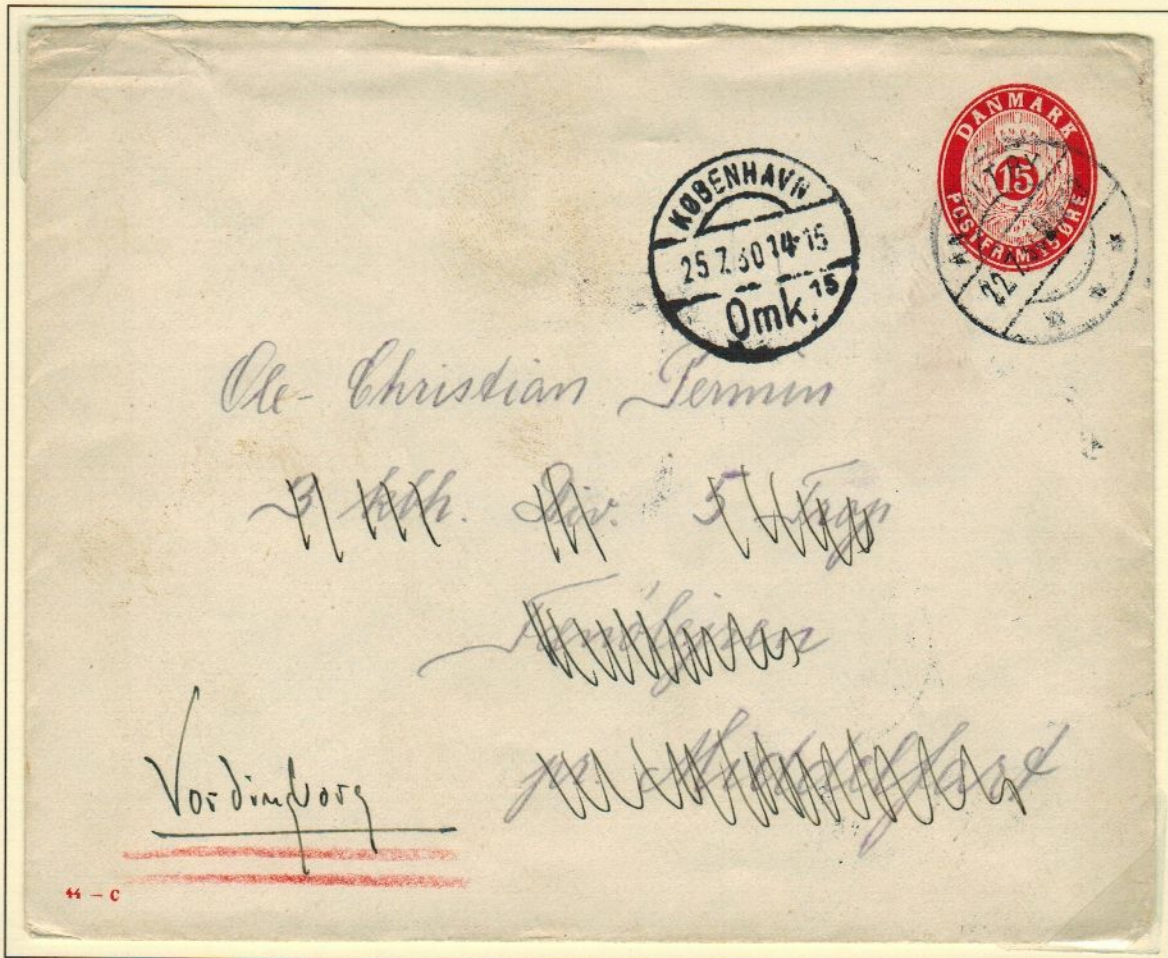
Postal card from "AARHUS 10 IX 1932", and cachet "Væbnerens Expedition, Søndergade 9, - Aarhus" (The Væbneren Office, Aarhus).



The YMCA Boy Scouts of Denmark held their national camp on the island Fænø 12-21 July, 1930. 2,265 Boy Scouts attended the camp. Denmark's first regular Scout postmark was used 13-20 July.



Up-rated postal card to Germany with postmark (DK-001) "MIDDELFART FÆNØ KFUM-SPEJDERNE 17 7 30". 6,632 ordinary mail items were sent from the camp post office, and none registered.



Letter from "ANHOLT BY 22 7 30" to the Fænø camp. The camp closed on 21 July. Redirected to Vordingborg and transit postmark "KØBENHAVN Omk. 25 7. 30". 5,742 ordinary mail items were received, 564 parcels and 66 registered letters.

The fourth World Scout Jamboree took place in Hungary in 1933. It was attended by 25,792 Scouts, representing 46 different nations and additional territories. They encamped around the Royal Palace in the Royal Forest of Gödöllő, about 11 miles from the capital of Budapest.



Registered letter from the Jamboree sent to Hornum, Denmark. Postmarked “GÖDÖLLŐ IV JAMBOREE 'd' 933 JUL 16”. Early use of the postmark; the jamboree was open 1-16 August, but the postmarks were used at least from 10 July to 25 August. There were 13 postmarks at the Jamboree post office, with code letters ‘a’ through ‘m’.



Registered letter from the Jamboree sent to Thorshavn, Faroe Islands. Postmarked, “GÖDÖLLŐ IV JAMBOREE 'm' 933 AUG -9”. Arrival postmark “THORSHAVN 22 8 33” on reverse.

The YMCA Boy Scouts of Denmark held their 1935 national camp at Hjortekær near Klampenborg. 3,100 Boy Scouts attended the camp. The special postmark (DK-002) was used 6-15 July.



Postcard sent to Copenhagen with postmark (DK-002)

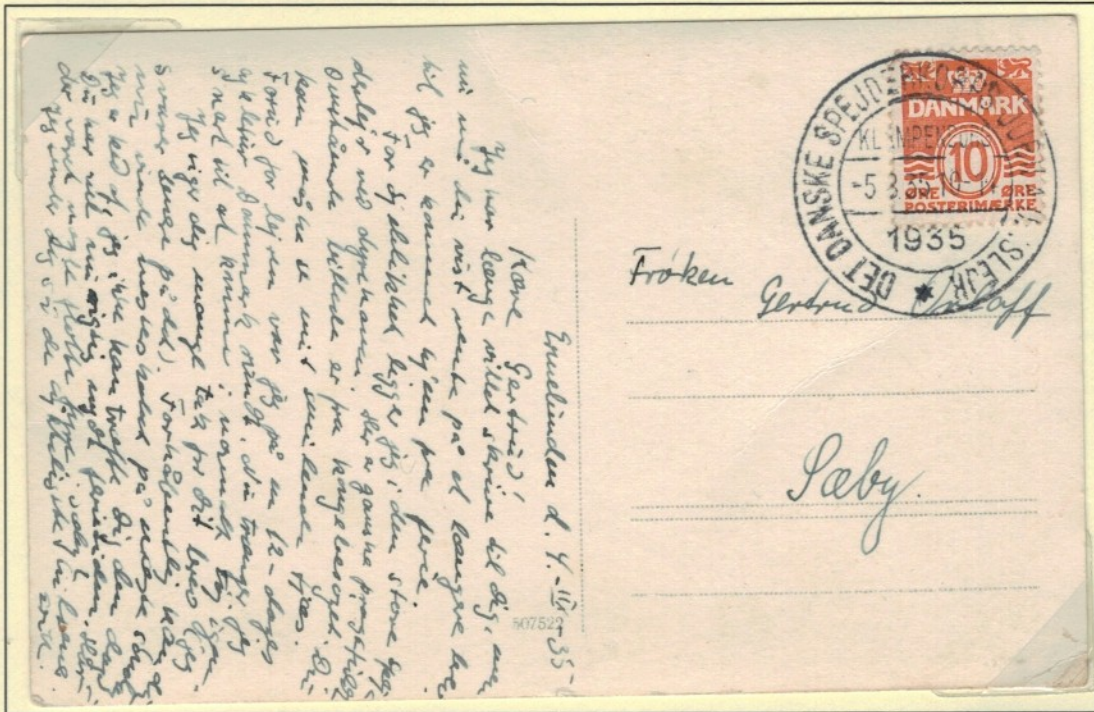
“K.F.U.M. SPEJDERNE JUBILÆUMSLEJR HJORTEKÆR KLAMPENBORG 15 7 35”.

9,168 ordinary mail items were sent from the camp post office, 19 parcels, 2 registered letters and 4 money orders.

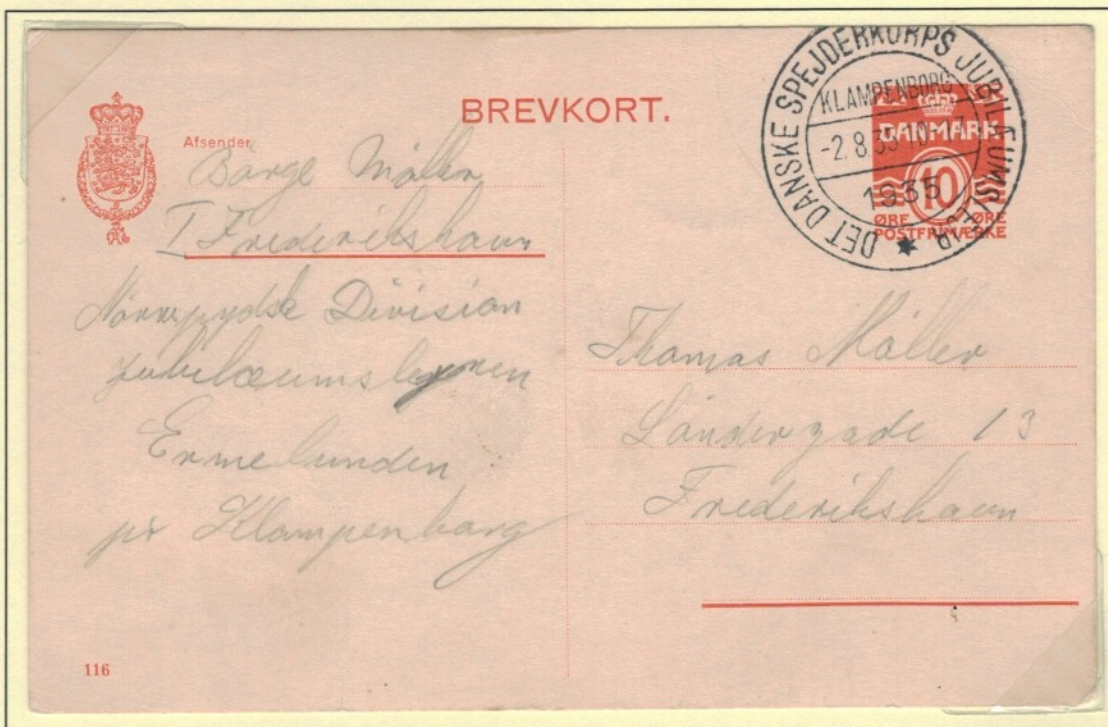


Front of Sunday letter from “NØRRE-SNEDE 13 7 35” to the Hjortekær YMCA Scout camp. Note the specially pre-printed address label. The camp closed on 15 July, manuscript “afreist” (departed), “Retur” (return) “Nr Snede”, and postmarked with the camp postmark 15 7 35. 6,043 ordinary mail items were received, 381 parcels, 60 registered letters and 69 money orders.

The Danish Scout association held their 1935 national camp at Ermelunden near Klampenborg. 3,000 Boy Scouts attended the camp, which marked the 25th anniversary of the association. The special postmark (DK-003) was used from 22 July to 5 August, and 7,638 ordinary mail items were sent from the camp post office.



Camp viewcard (H.M. the King visits the camp) sent to Sæby. Postmarked (DK-003) "DET DANSKE SPEJDERKORPS JUBILÆUMSLEJR KLAMPENBORG -5 8 35".

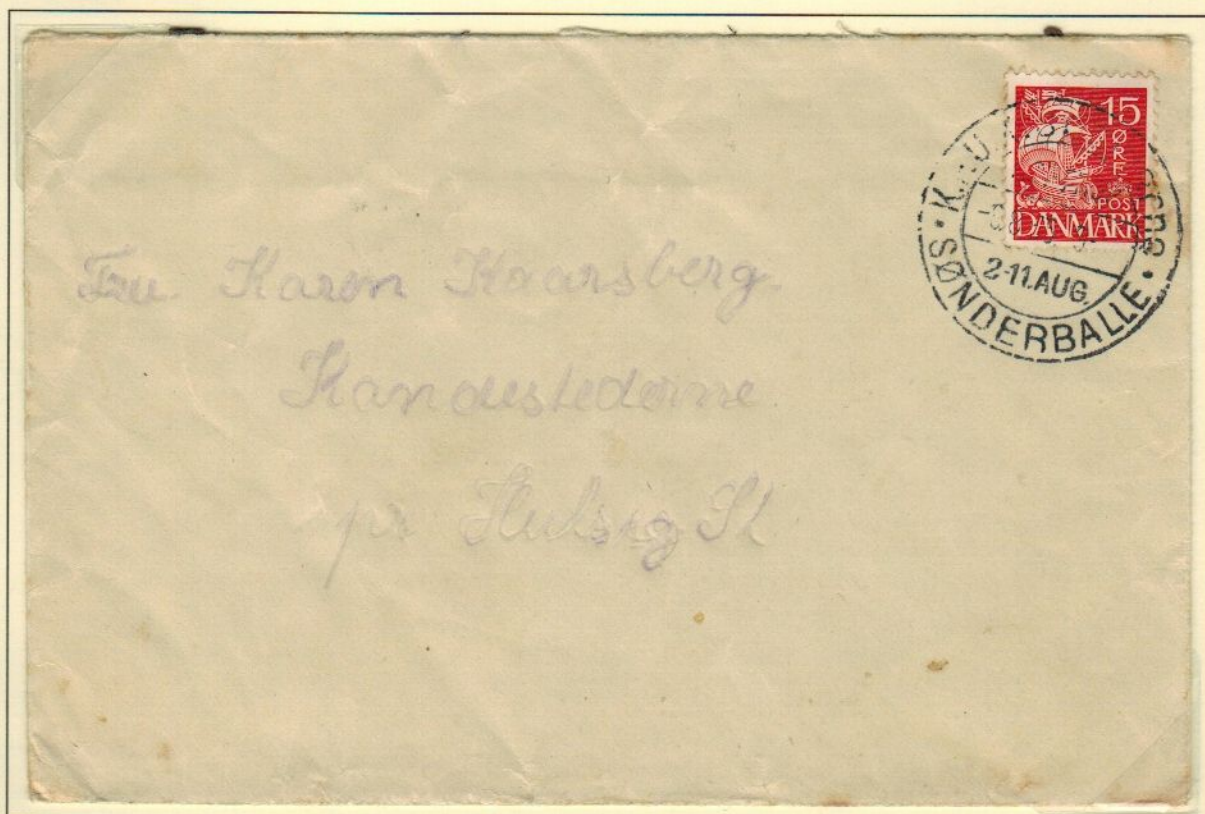


10 öre postal card sent to Frederikshavn with postmark (DK-003) "DET DANSKE SPEJDERKORPS JUBILÆUMSLEJR KLAMPENBORG -2 8 35".

The Danish YWCA Girl Guides held their 1935 national camp at Sønderballe. 1,300 Girl Guides attended the camp. The special postmark (DK-004) was used 2-11 August.

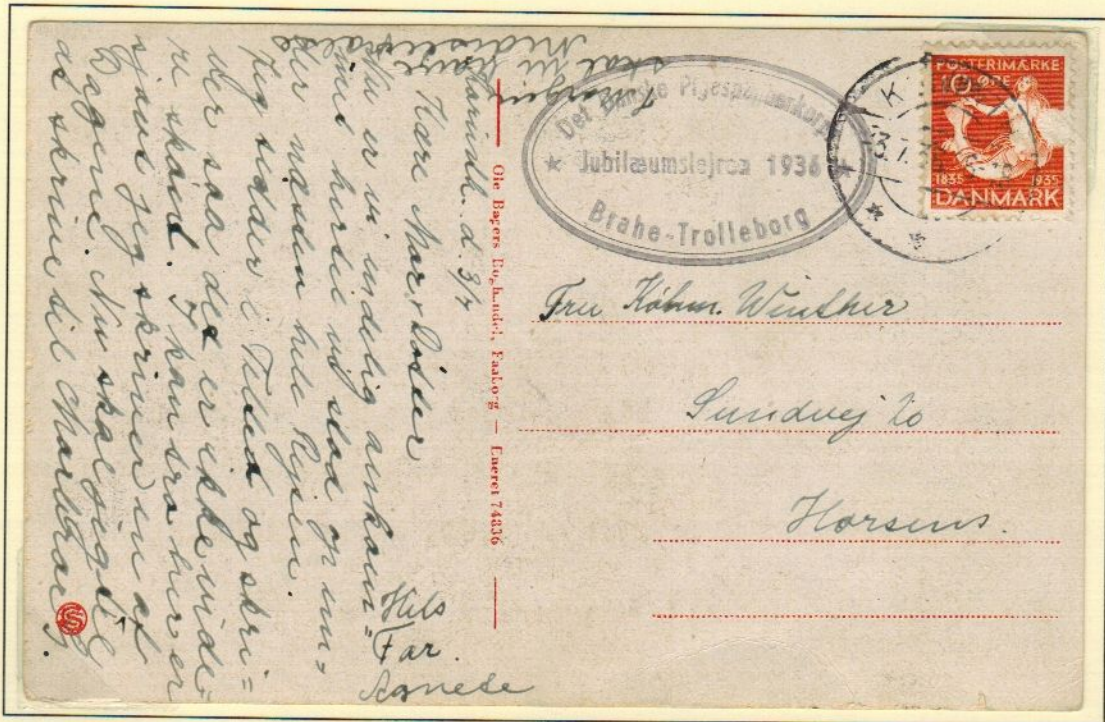


7 öre postal card sent to Copenhagen with postmark (DK-004) "K.F.U.K. Spejderne SØNDERBALLE -5 8 35". Correct postage rate for domestic cards was 10 öre. Postage due marking "6" in blue crayon, and 6 öre postage due stamps cancelled "KØBENHAVN -6 8 35". 6,592 ordinary mail items were sent from the camp post office, 8 parcels, 4 money orders, 4 cash-on-delivery and none registered letters.



Cover sent to Kandestederne pr Hulsig Station postmarked (DK-004) "K.F.U.K. Spejderne SØNDERBALLE -5 8 35".

The Danish Girl Guide Association marked their 25th anniversary and held their 1936 national camp at Brahe-Trolleborg castle near Korinth 3-13 August. An oval semi-official cachet was used on mail from the camp, in black colour on the first day only, then blue colour for the rest of the camp duration.



Brahetrolleborg viewcard written by Girl Guide in camp and sent to Horsens, postmarked "KORINTH -3.7.36" and with **black oval cachet** "Det Danske Pigespejderkorps Jubilæumsleiren 1936 Brahe-Trolleborg".



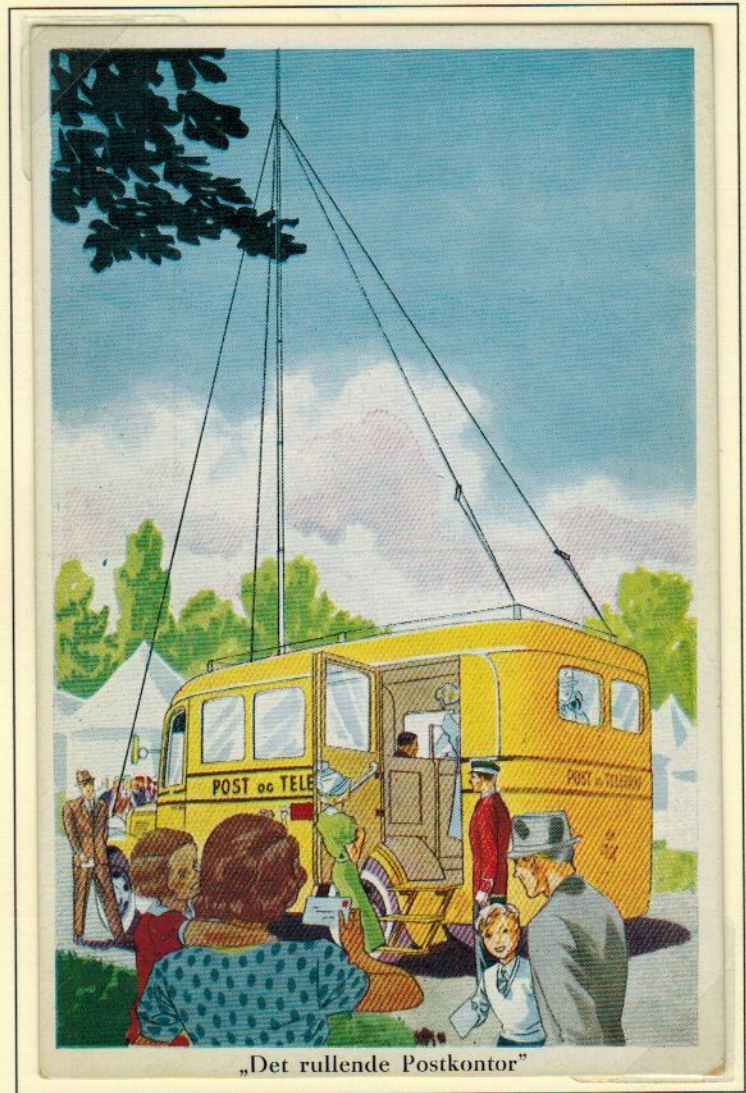
Cover to Copenhagen, postmarked "KORINTH 6.7.36" and with **blue oval cachet** "Det Danske Pigespejderkorps Jubilæumsleiren 1936 Brahe-Trolleborg".

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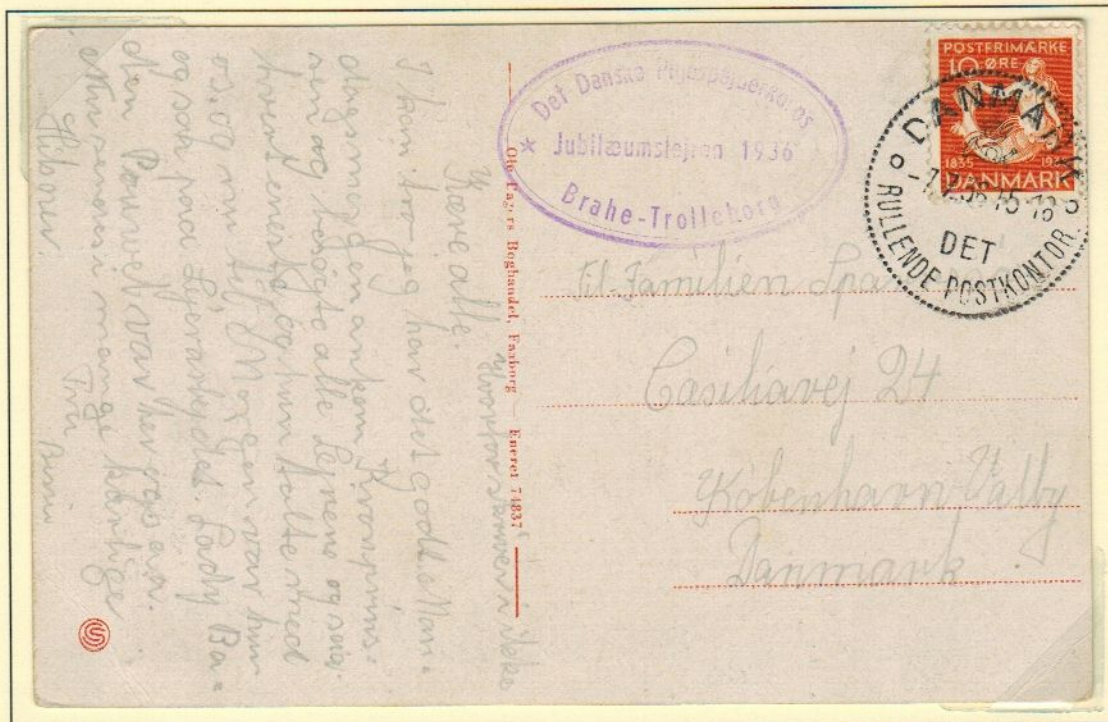
Lady Baden-Powell and Crown Princess Ingrid visited the camp.

An oval semi-official cachet was used on mail from the camp; black on the opening day and violet thereafter.

Mail from the camp was postmarked Korinth, except 7 July: "Det rullende Postkontor" (The Rolling Post Office, a post office in a bus) visited and served the camp only one day, on 7 July.



„Det rullende Postkontor”



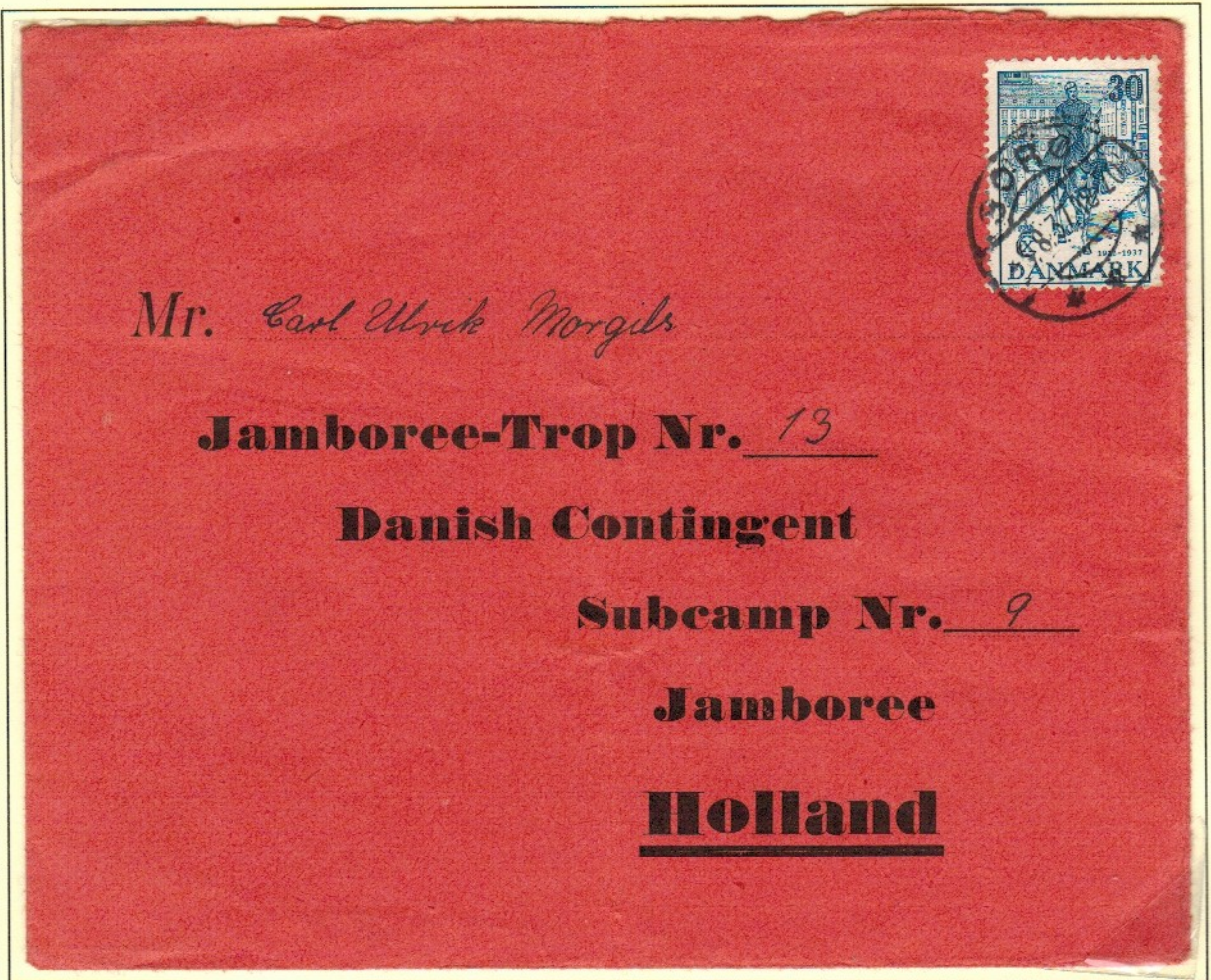
Brahetrolleborg viewcard to Copenhagen, postmarked "DANMARK DET RULLENDE POSTKONTOR -7.7.36" and violet oval cachet "Det Danske Pigespejderkorps Jubilæumsleiren 1936 Brahe-Trolleborg".

The message tells about the visits of the Crown Princess and Lady Baden-Powell.

The Danish Scout Association pre-printed special covers for several Jamborees.

The covers were distributed to the parents of the participating Scouts to make sure they knew the address of their boys while in camp when they wanted to write to them.

Cover postmarked "SORØ -5.8.37" and sent to a Danish participant in the 1937 World Scout Jamboree.

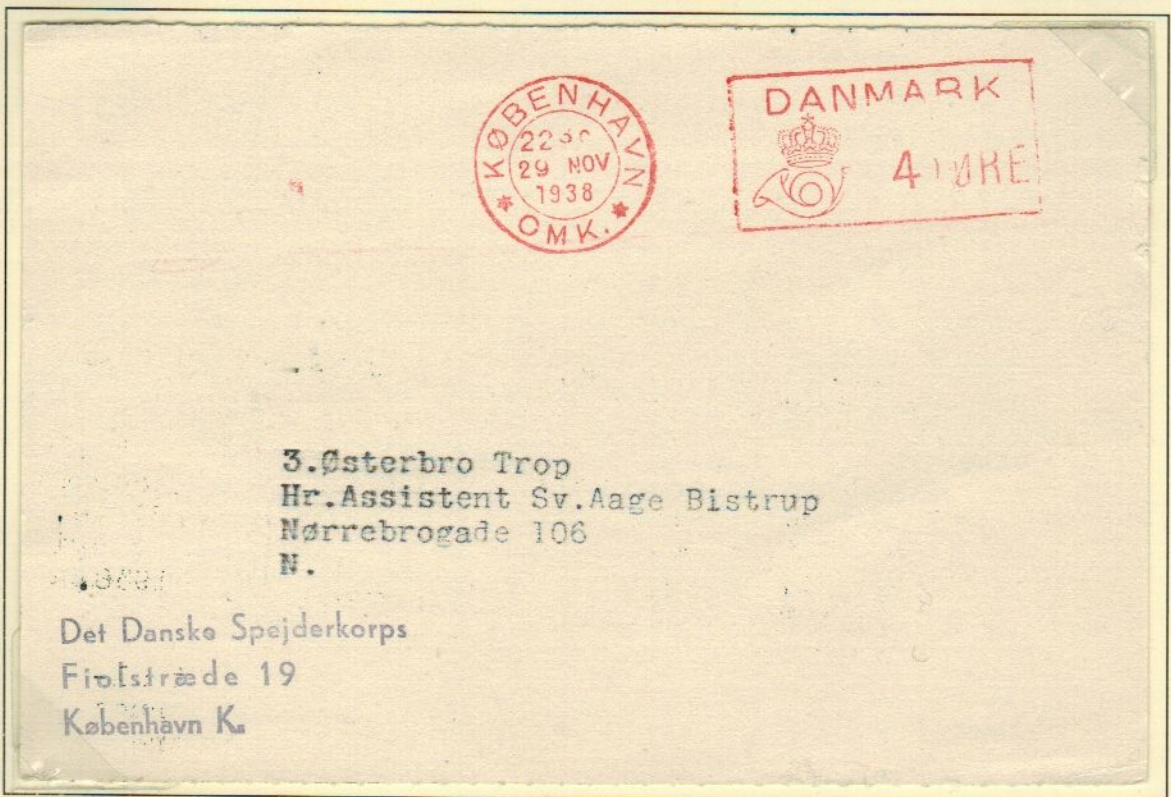


Cover from the 1937 World Scout Jamboree to Fanø, Denmark. Postmark no. 3.

St. George is depicted in the coat-of-arms of Holstebro municipality. Holstebro stamp club held a stamp exhibition 8-9 Oct 1938, and on this occasion two exhibition blocks were issued, each with a 4 öre or 5 öre postage stamp. The blocks were produced from officially issued postal stationery wrappers which were overprinted and perforated. The overprint includes an old seal with St. George and the dragon. Cover to Skive with the 4 öre and 5 öre blocks, postmarked "HOLSTEBRO -8.10.38".



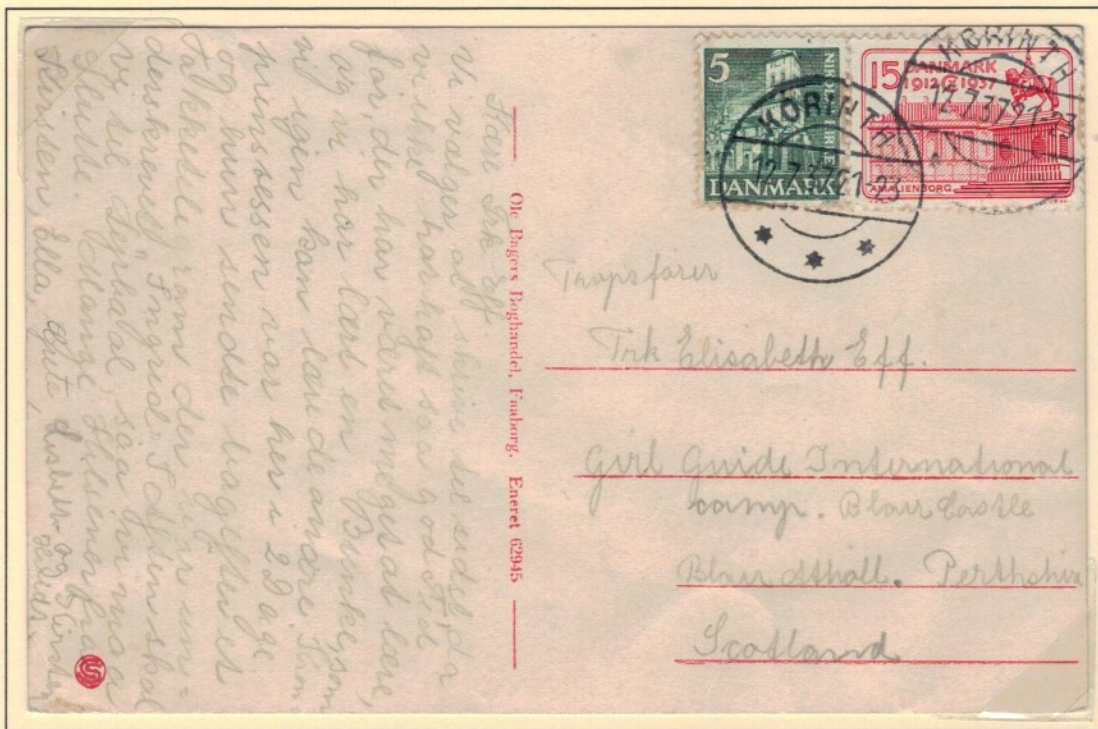
*Martin Petersen
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 Skive*



The Danish Boy Scout Association's headquarter was located at Fiolstræde 19 in Copenhagen.

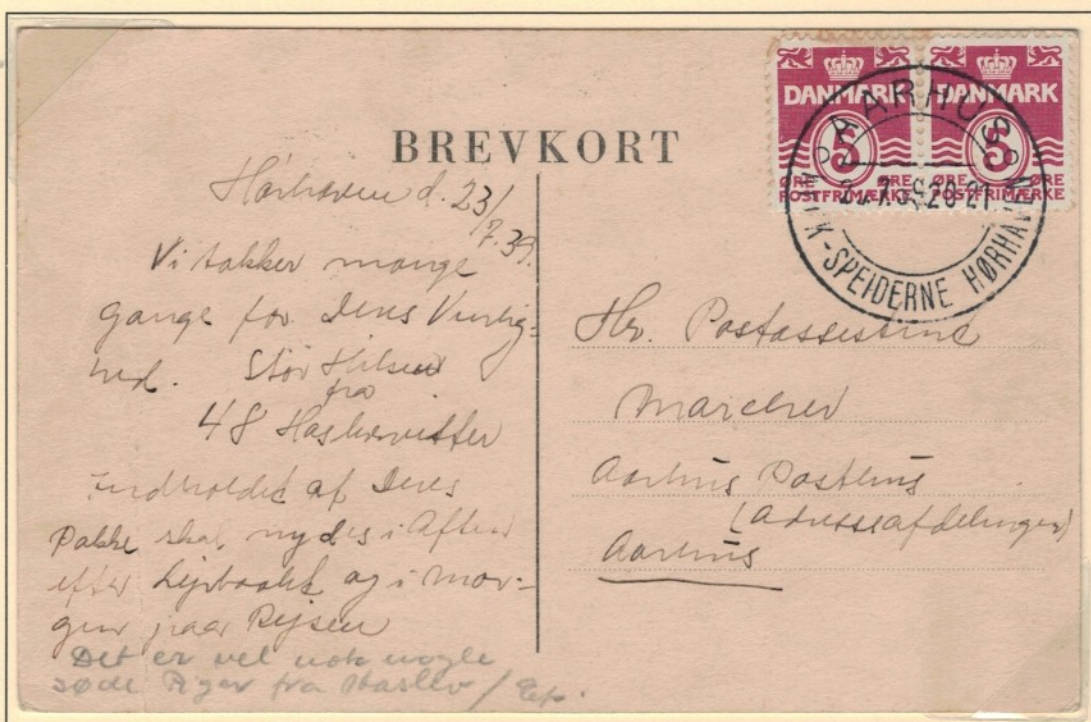
Printed matter from the Danish Boy Scout Association, sent locally in Copenhagen. 4 öre postage paid by 29 Nov 1938 meter slogan applied at the post office.

In 1937, the Danish Girl Guides Association (DDP) held a training camp for patrol leaders at Brahetrolleborg near Korinth. There were 240 participants. H.R.H. the Crown Princess Ingrid of Denmark visited the camp for two days. During the same period, an international Girl Guide camp took place at Blair Castle, Blair Atholl, Perthshire, Scotland. 340 participants from 19 countries attended. Lady B-P and Miss Agnes B-P visited the camp.



Brahetrolleborg viewcard written by four Danish Guides in the patrol leader training camp, postmarked “KORINTH 12. 7. 37” and sent to their troop leader at the International Girl Guide Camp in Scotland.

The Danish YWCA Girl Guides held their 1939 national camp at Hørhaven near Aarhus. 2,800 Girl Guides attended the camp. The special postmark (DK-005) was used 14-24 July.



YWCA Girl Guide postcard, written by Girl Guide in camp and sent to Aarhus, postmarked (DK-005) “AARHUS KFUK-SPEJDERNE HØRHAVEN 23.7.39”.

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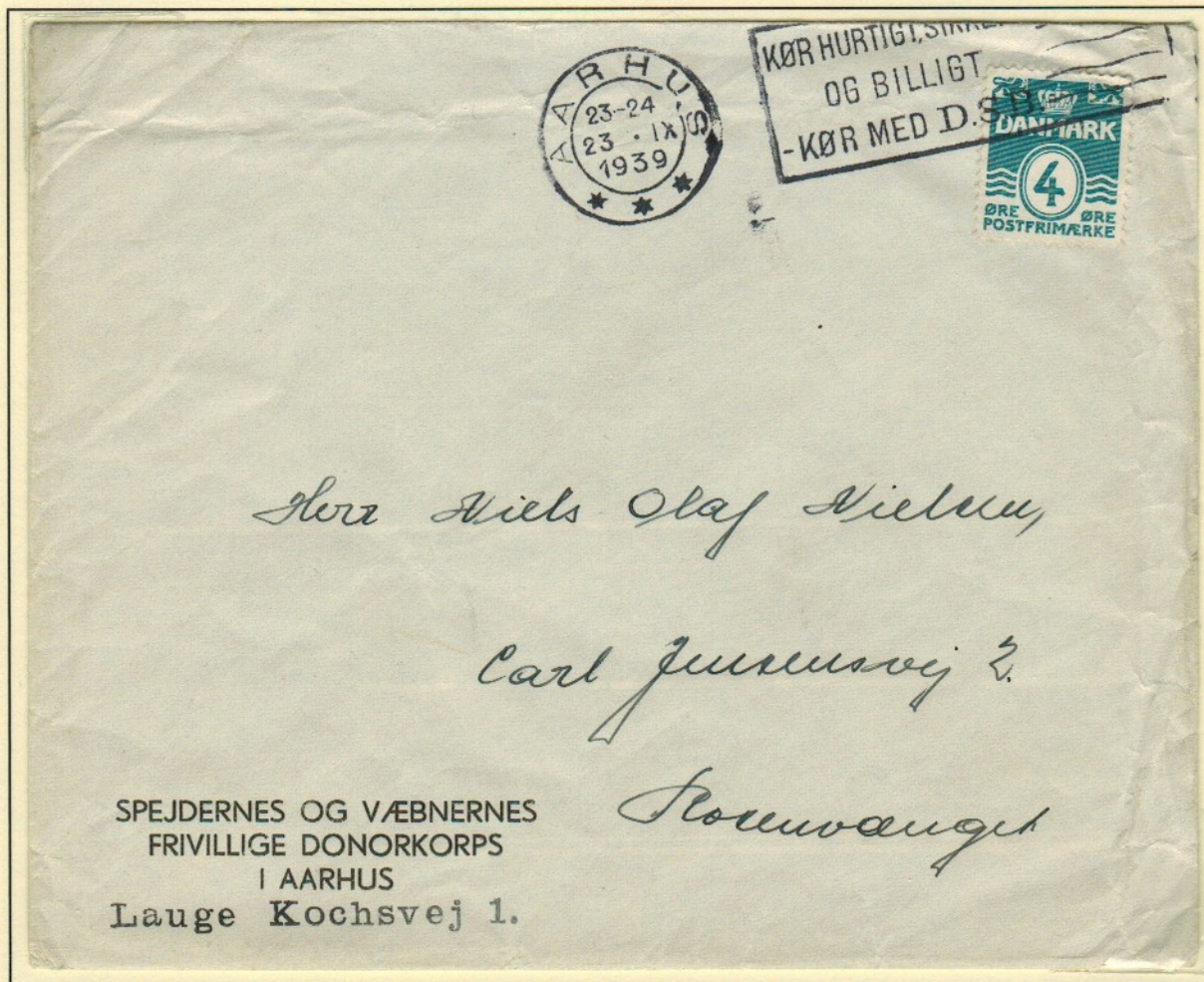


Registered cover to Haslev, postmarked (DK-005) "AARHUS KFUK-SPEJDERNE HØRHAVEN 14.7.39". Regular Aarhus registration label, with manuscript H for Hørhaven. **Three registered mail items are recorded.**



Cover sent to Stauning pr Skjern, postmarked (DK-005) "AARHUS KFUK-SPEJDERNE HØRHAVEN 20.7.39".

The story of the Blood Donors in Denmark starts 1932 with the founding of the voluntary blood donor corps with members from the Danish Boy Scouts Association and the Voluntary Boy and Girl Association.



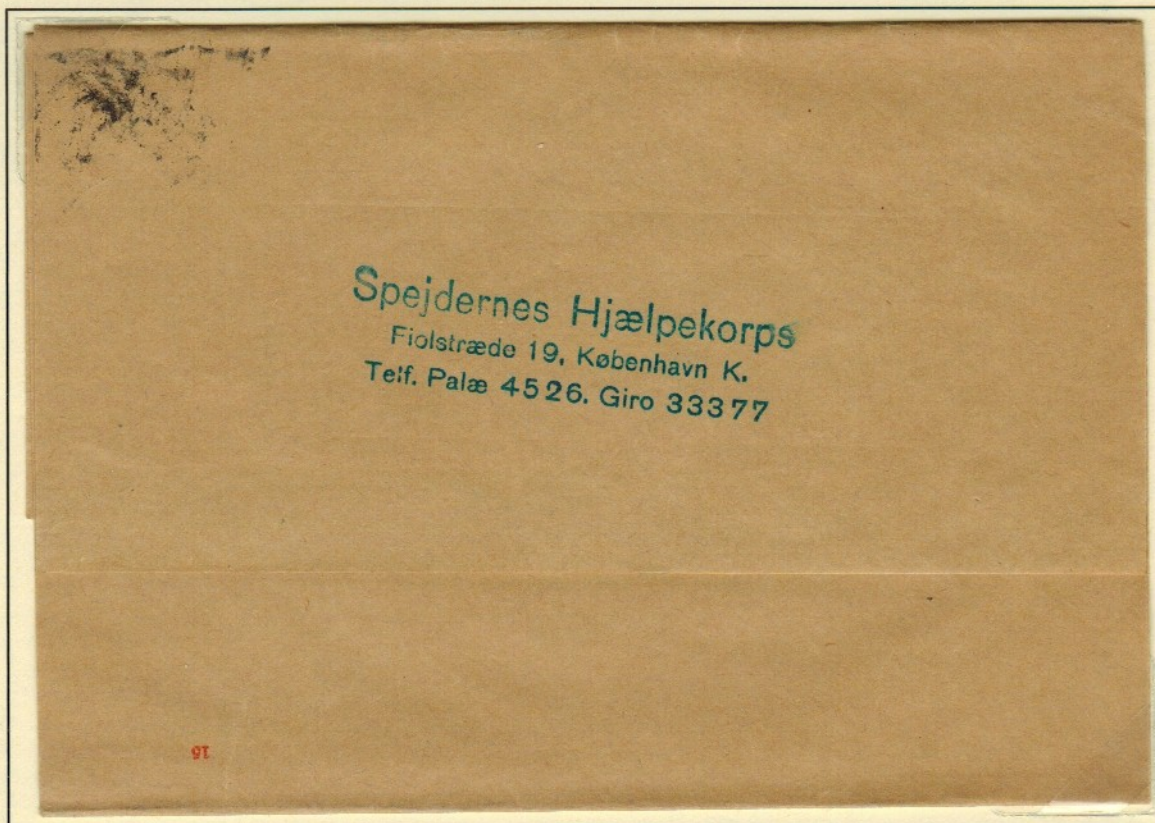
Domestic cover from Aarhus, sender is the Scouts' and Voluntary Boys' Blood Donor Corps.



Copy (reduced)

The Boy Scout's Preparedness Corps was a special corps that was established in 1939, at the outbreak of the Second World War, when the Ministry of Social Affairs requested assistance from the Boy Scouts.

6 öre postal stationery wrapper from Copenhagen 1944 to Toftlund (on Jutland); sender is the Copenhagen Boy Scouts' Preparedness Corps



Stamp money

Stamp money were used in Denmark from 1941 and is a form of alternative payment. They arose because the smaller denomination coins disappeared out of circulation due to high metal prices, and the banks found it difficult to get coins from the National Bank. Stamp money usually consist of a postage stamp wrapped in cellophane with a piece of cardboard on which some form of advertising is printed on the reverse.



Hoping to attract and enlist new Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, stamp money were produced for the YMCA Scouts in Denmark. The stamp money were manufactured by the company Danatex in Copenhagen. They are printed in typography on cardboard of various colours, printed in sheets and cut to size.

All the recorded Scout related stamp money are with 1 øre denomination.

Produced before 15 September 1941, green print.

KFUM-Spejderne i Danmark, Københavns 11. Division, Østerbro. Hans Egedes Gruppe, Graabjørnerne. (YMCA Scouts in Denmark, Copenhagen 11 division, Østerbro. Hans Egede's Group, the Grey Bears.)

- A Graaulvene 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Ulveunge! (Cub Scout with wolf cap slanted to left)
- B Graaulvene 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Ulveunge! (Cub Scout with wolf cap slanted to right)



A - white
15.561



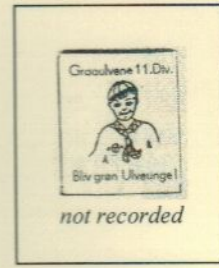
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A - orange
15.563



A - light blue
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B - white
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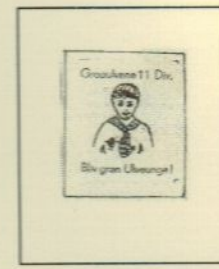
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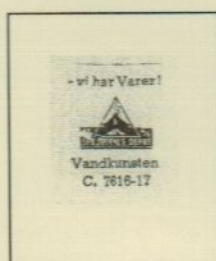
B - light blue
15.569



B - red
15.570

Produced between 13 May and 15 September 1941, green print.

KFUM SPEJDERNES DEPOT A/S / Vandkunsten / C. 7616-17 (YMCA Scout shop logo)



light blue
15.585



yellow
15.586



pale yellow
15.587



grey
15.588

Produced before 20 November 1941, green print.

KFUM-Spejderne i Danmark, Københavns 11. Division, Østerbro. Hans Egedes Gruppe, Graabjørnerne. (YMCA Scouts in Denmark, Copenhagen 11 division, Østerbro. Hans Egede's Group, the Grey Bears).

All the stamp money from Graabjørnerne 11 Div, Graaulvene 11 Div and Massey-Harris were distributed by whole-saler Erik Sjøqvist, Friluft-Magasinet, Skindergade 27, Copenhagen K. Friluft-Magasinet was the Scout shop owned by the Danish Boy Scout Association, but they also sold Scout equipment to the YMCA Scouts. It is understood that the Graabjørnerne YMCA stamp money were financed by Massey-Harris on condition that the M-H stamp money were distributed together with the scout stamp money. It seems, however, that they forgot to distribute the M-H stamp money.

- C Graabjørnerne 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Spejder! (Camp fire)
- D Graabjørnerne 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Spejder! (Scout banner)
- E Graabjørnerne 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Spejder! (Camp site)
- F Graabjørnerne 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Spejder! (Boy Scout)
- G MASSEY-HARRIS Landbrugsmaskiner (agricultural machine)



C - light blue
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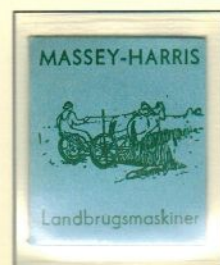
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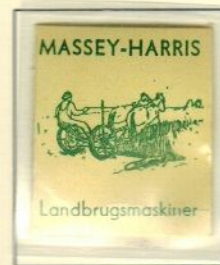
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G - yellow
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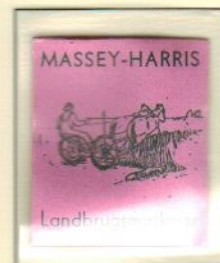
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15.734



G - pink
15.738



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15.723



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15.727



E - brown
15.731



F - brown
15.735



G - brown
15.739

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Udendørs Udstyr A/S and K.F.U.M. Spejdernes Depot A/S (YMCA Scout shop)

- A Udendørs Udstyr A/S / Kr: 4.50 / VANDKUNSTEN / C. 7616 (caps)
- B Udendørs Udstyr A/S / Kr: 4.50 / VANDKUNSTEN / C. 7616 (knitted gloves)
- C Udendørs Udstyr A/S / Kr: 4.50 / VANDKUNSTEN / C. 7616 (ski boots)
- D SKI-/ UDSTYR / C. 7616 / VANDKUNSTEN (skier)
- E -EVENTYRET OM B-P- / E TH BJØRN / DERES BOGHANDLER HAR DEN / 2'OPLAG KR 3.50



A - creme
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A - pale yellow
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A - pink
15.632



A - red
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A - brown
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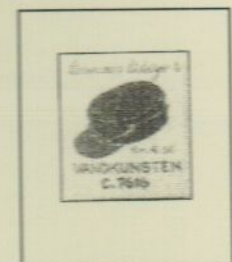
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15.635



A - orange
15.636



A - gold
15.637



A - light blue,
black print 15.638



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B - yellow
15.641



B - pink
15.642



B - red
15.643



B - brown
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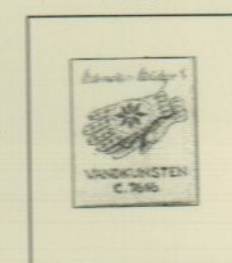
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15.645



B - orange
15.646



B - gold
15.647



B - light blue,
black print, 15.648



C - creme
15.649



C - pale yellow
15.650



C - yellow
15.651



C - pink
15.652



C - red
15.653

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C - brown
15.654



C - light blue
15.655



C - orange
15.656



C - gold
15.657



C - light blue,
black print, 15.658



D - creme
15.659



D - pale yellow
15.660



D - yellow
15.661



D - pink
15.662



D - red
15.663



D - brown
15.664



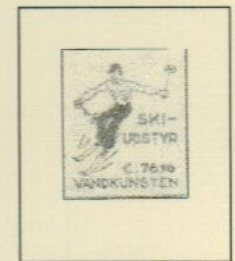
D - light blue
15.665



D - orange
15.666



D - gold
15.667



D - light blue,
black print, 15.668



E - creme
15.669



E - pale yellow
15.670



E - yellow
15.671



E - pink
15.672



E - red
15.673



E - brown
15.674



E - light blue
15.675



E - orange
15.676



E - gold
15.677



E - light blue,
black print, 15.678

Produced before 15 September 1941, green print.

Udendørs Udstyr A/S and K.F.U.M. Spejdersnes Depot A/S (YMCA Scout shop)

- vi har Varer! / KFUM SPEJDERNES DEPOT A/S / Vandkunsten C.7616 (YMCA Scout shop logo)



yellow
15.703



pale yellow
15.704



light blue
15.705



light orange
15.706

Produced before 20 November 1941, green print.

KFUM-Spejderne i Danmark, Københavns 11. Division, Østerbro.

(YMCA Scouts in Denmark, Copenhagen 11 division, Østerbro.)

En rigtig dreng / er grøn Ulveunge! (Cub Scout)

Graaulvene 11. Div. / Bliv grøn Ulveunge! (Wolf head)



gold
15.884



gold
15.885

Produced c. 1941, green print

Udendørs Udstyr A/S and K.F.U.M. Spejdersnes Depot A/S (YMCA Scout shop)



green on yellow
15.129



green on white
15.130

In World War II, Denmark was occupied by Germany 1940-1945. Sweden kept neutral. Mail between the two countries were censored by the Germans.



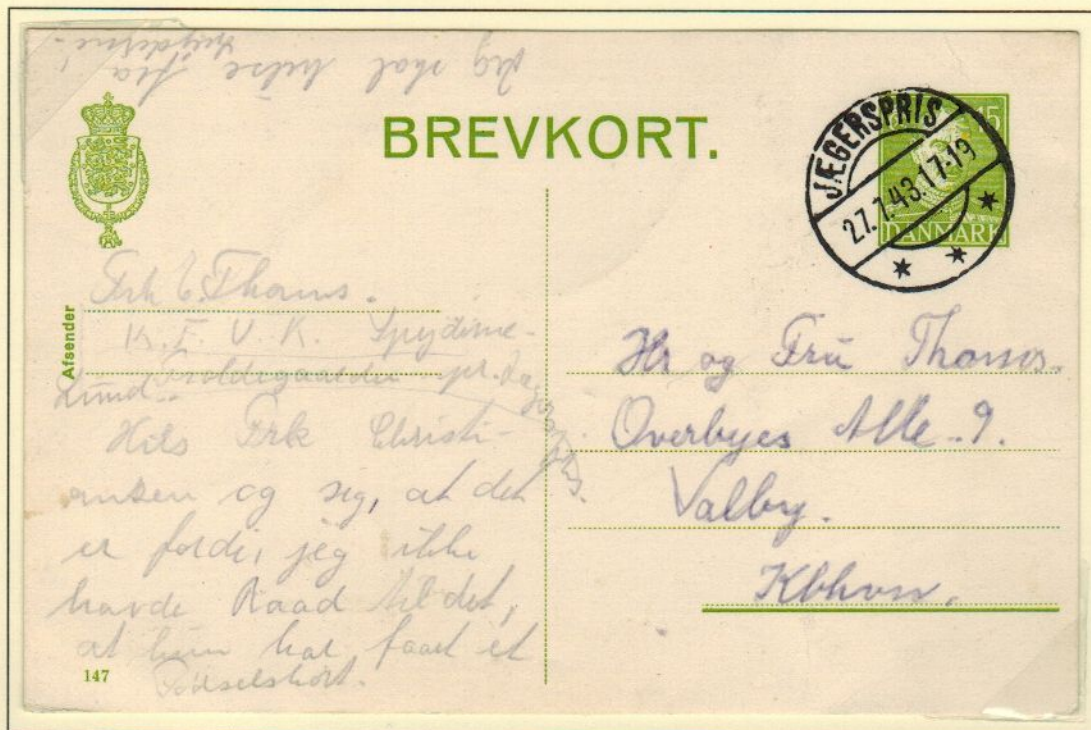
Cover from the Danish Boy Scouts Association in Copenhagen to Stockholm, Sweden. Redirected to Jönköping. Postmarked "LYNGBY 15. 1. 43".



Copy of reverse.

The cover was slit open on reverse by the censors and the contents checked. Re-sealing strip and red cachet from Post- og Telegrafvæsenet i Danmark.

The Danish YWCA Girl Guides held a national camp for senior girl guides in July 1943. The camp was located at Jomsborg near Jægerspris, a camp area owned by FDF, a non-scout Christian organizations for children and youth in Denmark. The camp post office did not use a special postmark or cachet.



Postal card written by a Girl Guide and sent from a YWCA Girl Guide camp at Troldegaard, Jægerspris. Troldegaard is located approx. 1 km from Jomsborg, and it is likely to be the same camp. Postmarked "JÆGERSPRIS 27. 7. 43" and sent to Valby near Copenhagen.



Letter sent to the Senior Girl Guide national camp at Jomsborg, Jægerspris. Two-line cachet "Kassebrev København Omkarteringskontor" and postmark "KØBENHAVN OMK 23 JUL 1943". Apparently not found at the camp, forwarded to Copenhagen F KØBENHAVN F 26. 7. 43", and returned to Asserbo, Liseleje.

Cykle- og Ringfabriken Jyden A/S, manufacturers of bicycles and tyres, were located in Aalestrup. Their meter slogan shows a Boy Scout riding on a bicycle with an outline map of Denmark in the background, and the text “Jyden CYKLER OG GUMMI kendes og sælges overalt i Landet” (Jyden bicycles and tyres, known and sold all over the country). The meter slogan is recorded 1935-1947.

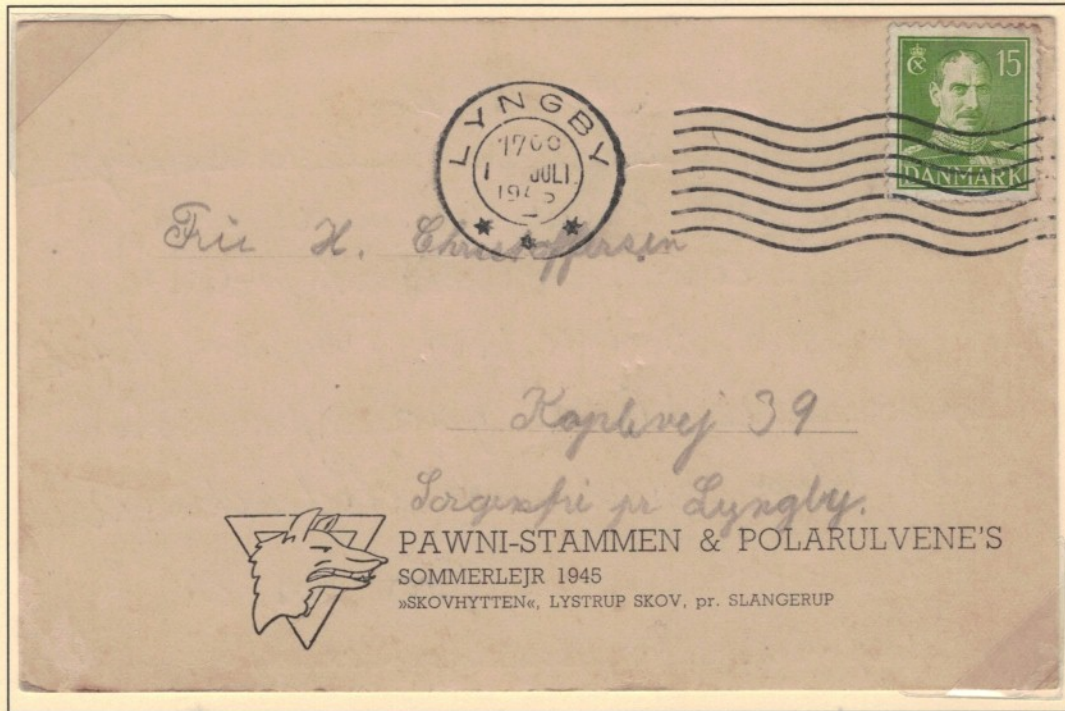


Meter slogan from Cykle- og Ringfabriken Jyden A/S, Aalestrup 21 6 43.

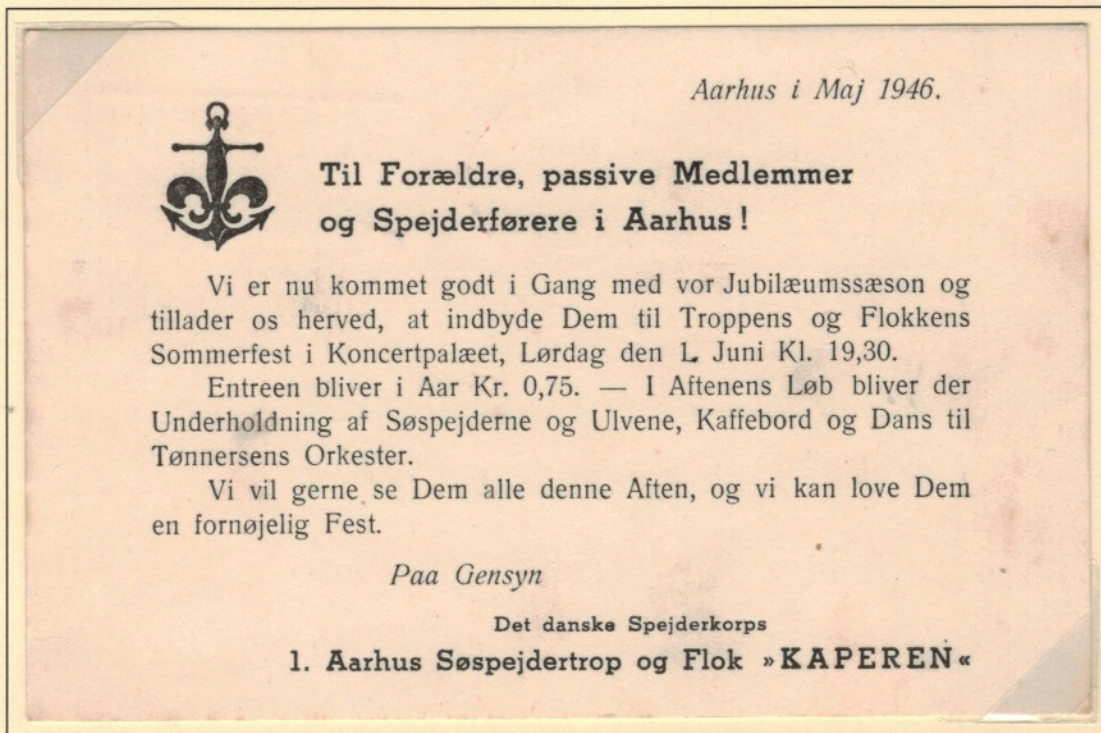
The Danish Girl Guides Association issued a magazine “Førerblad” for their leaders.

Poststyrelsen i Danmark		Administration des Postes de Danemark			
Nedennævnte anmeldte Eksp. af Bladet <i>Les abonnements ci-après recueillis directement par l'éditeur du journal</i>		Det Danske Pigespejderkorps' <i>Førerblad</i>			
for Kvartal — Maaned(er)* <i>pour le trimestre — le — les mois d</i>		<i>Sept</i> 1946			
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1	<i>Anna Christensen</i>	<i>Frl</i>	<i>Jennestad (Norge)</i>	<i>1</i>	
Udgiverpostkontoret: <i>Le bureau du lieu de publication:</i>					
*) Angivelser, der ikke benyttes, udstreges <i>Biffer les indications inutiles</i>					

Official postal matter (Services des postes), “Denunciation of announced newspaper subscriptions”, sent from “ODENSE -7 1. 47” to Jennestad, Norway, with the information that the magazine “Det danske Pigespejderkorps’ Førerblad” will not be delivered from 1 January 1947 onwards.



Special camp postcard from the 1945 summer camp of the Pawni wolf pack and the Polar wolves. Postmarked "LYNGBY 1 JULI 1945" and sent locally. The written message is about heavy rain (as usual for Scout camps!).



Invitation to summer party, postcard from "AARHUS 28 MAJ 1946" sent to parents, passive members and Scout leaders in Aarhus. The postage was paid by a red meter (used by the Post Office).



The Danish Girl Guide Association held their 1946 national camp at Brahe-Trolleborg castle near Korinth 9-16 July with 3400 participants, twice as many as the 1936 national camp which also was held here. The camp post office did not use a special postmark or cachet.



Expres (special delivery) cover sent from "HELLERUP 18.7.46" to a Girl Guide in the DDP national camp at Korinth. The two-line cachet "Kassebrev 18/7 1948 Kl. / Hellerup Postkontor" indicates that the letter was mailed / put into a mailbox and not delivered at the post office.

The camp closed two days before the letter was sent; therefore the letter was returned to Hellerup, annotation "Retur" (Return). The letter was not sent Expres (special delivery) when returned, and the Expres label was crossed over and attempted removed by the Korinth post office.

7,000 Girl Guides participated in the 1947 Danish YWCA Girl Guides national camp at Hindsgavl near Middelfart. The special postmark (DK-006) was used 23 July - 1 August.

Letter sent to
Vejle, postmarked
"MIDDEL FART
KFUK-SPEJDERNE
HINDSGAVL 23. 7. 47".



Letter written by a Girl Guide in camp and sent to her mother – **unfranked**.
Postmark "MIDDEL FART KFUK-SPEJDERNE HINDSGAVL 25. 7. 47".
The postage rate was 20 öre for domestic letters, and postage due marking "40" in blue crayon is twice the missing amount. 40 öre due was paid by the receiver, "BJERRINGBRO 26. 7. 47".
Boy Scouts and Girl Guides seem to never have enough money in camp!

The 6th World Scout Jamboree took place in France 1947, aptly named the Jamboree of Peace. 12,152 participants from 42 countries attended, including 178 Scouts of the Danish Boy Scouts Association.



Above: Specially printed envelope from Hillerød to a Danish Scout in subcamp 10 of the 1947 World Scout Jamboree, France.



Below: Cover from the 1947 World Scout Jamboree to Fanø, Denmark, re-directed to Viborg. Machine cancel from the Jamboree post office.

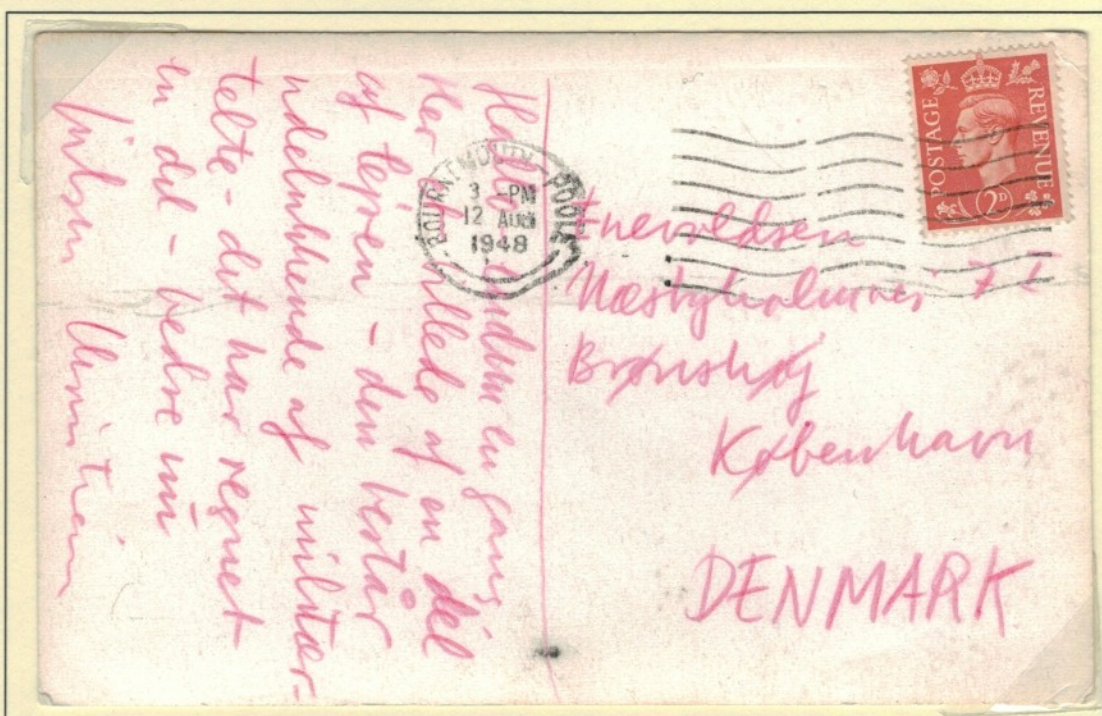
With its 12,000 participants the 1948 camp of the Norwegian Boy Scout Association was the largest Scout camp in Norway prior to Nordjamb 1975. The camp was named "Speiderbyen" (The Scout City).

Mandal viewcard written by one of the Danish Scouts and sent to Thisted, DK. Hand cancellation from the camp post office (N-012) "SPEIDERBYEN - MANDAL -6-7-48".



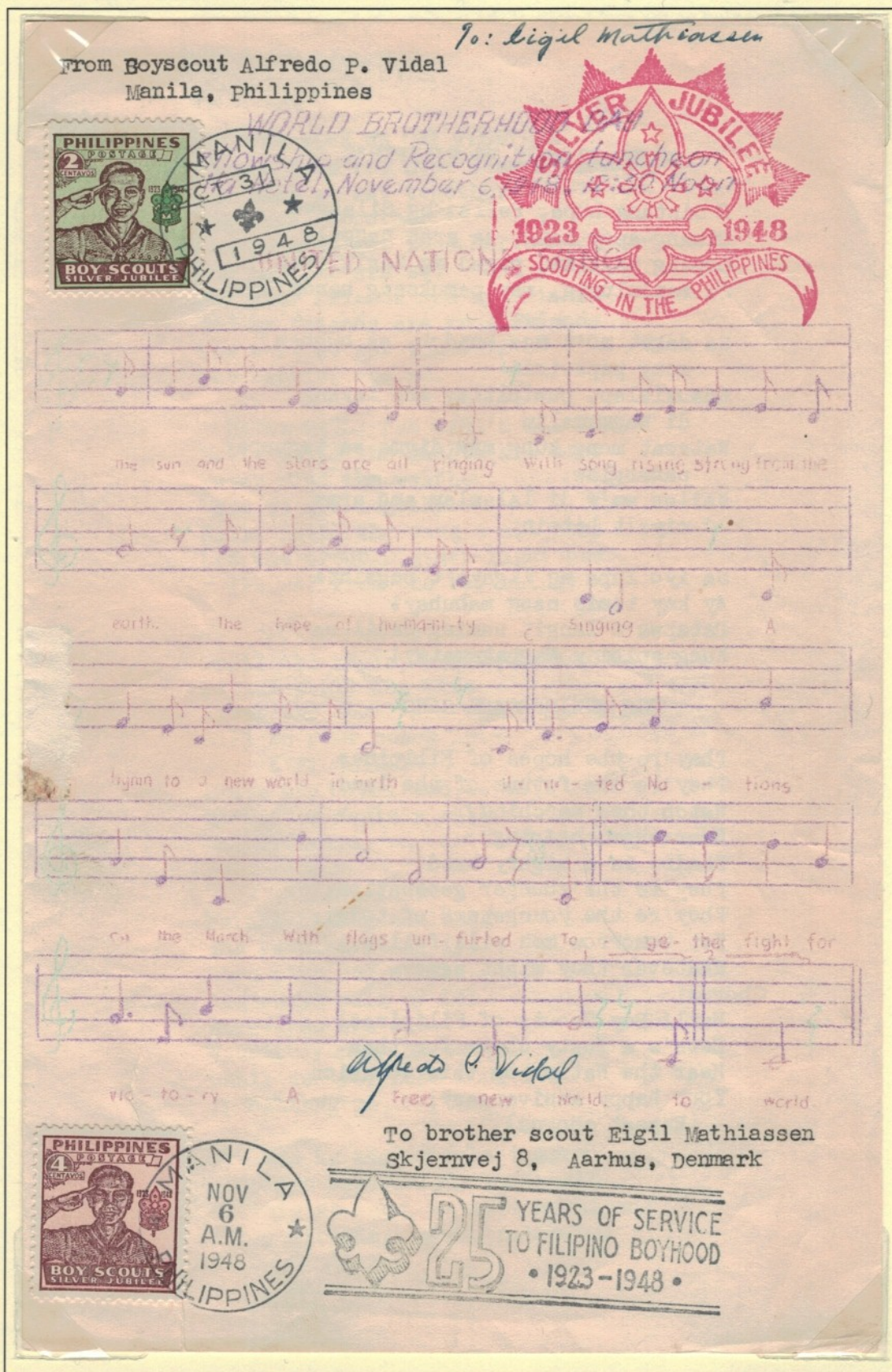
The 1907 Brownsea Island camp was a boys camping event on Brownsea Island in Poole Harbour, Dorset, U.K., organised by Lieutenant-General Baden-Powell to test his ideas for the book Scouting for Boys. 21 boys from different social backgrounds participated 1-8 August, 1907 in activities around camping, observation, woodcraft, chivalry, lifesaving and patriotism. Recognised as the world's first Scout camp, the event is regarded as the real origin of the worldwide Scout movement.

To this day, several camping sites in the beautiful countryside bordering Poole Harbour, Dorset are available to rent by Scouts, Guides, and other organised groups. A group of Danish Scouts camped here in 1948.



Camp viewcard written by a Danish Scout and sent to Copenhagen. Postmarked "BOURNEMOUTH - POOLE 12 AUG 1948".

The Silver Jubilee of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines was marked with two postage stamps on 31 October 1948. First Day covers were serviced in Manila and in 15 other cities, using a red Silver Jubilee handstamp. At the Manila main post office, a machine cancel with slogan "25 Years of Service to Filipino Boyhood 1923-1948" was used 31 October - 5 November, 1948.



World Brotherhood Day was marked by a luncheon in Manila on 6 November, 1948. Song booklet from Manila, the Philippines to Aarhus, Denmark.



7,000 Boy Scouts participated in the 1950 Danish YMCA Boy Scouts national camp at Fredericia. The special postmark (DK-007) was used 10-19 July. 13,707 regular mail items were sent from the camp post office.

Cover sent to Copenhagen, with postmark (DK-007) "FREDERICIA KORPSLEJR KFUM-SPEJDERNE 10.7.50".

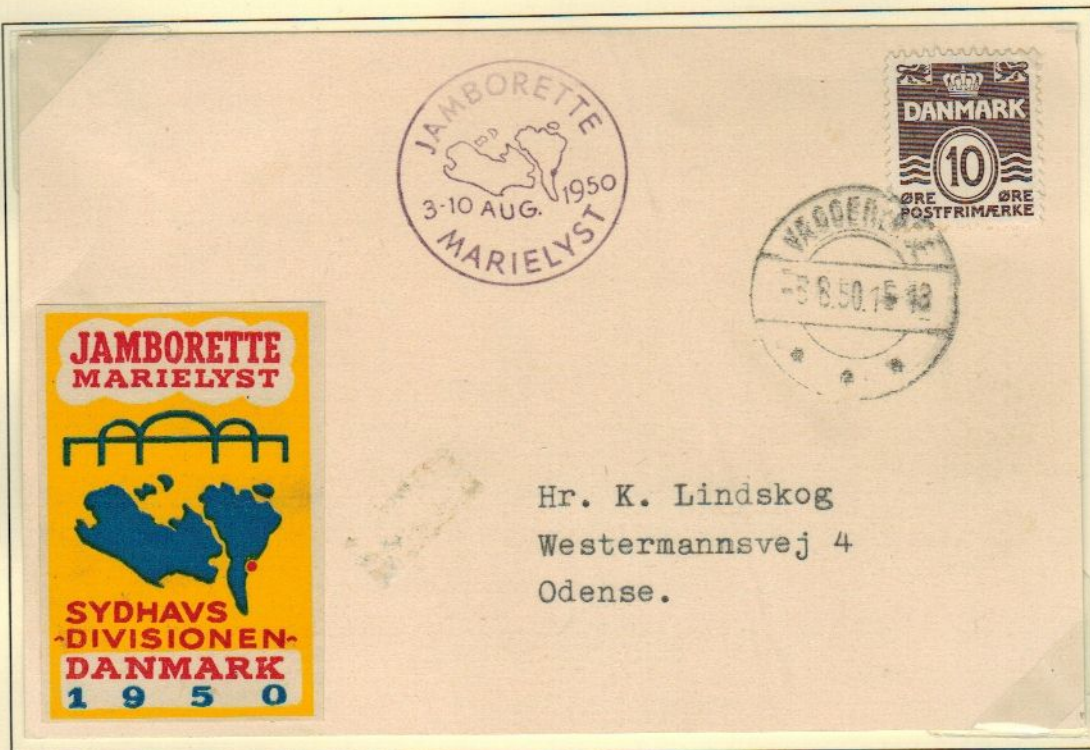


The Vesterhav Division of Danish Boy Scouts Association held an International Scout Jamborette on the island Fanø in 1950. A jamborette is a small jamboree. 400 Boy Scouts from 7 countries attended the camp. The special postmark (DK-008) shows Blåvand Fyr, Denmark's westernmost lighthouse, and was used 4-11 August.

Specially printed camp cover sent to Esbjerg, postmarked (DK-008) "NORDBY FANØ INT. SCOUT JAMBORETTE -5. 8. 50".



Sydhavs Divisionen of the Danish Boy Scouts Association held their 1950 national camp at Marielyst on Falster. The division comprises the islands Lolland and Falster. The camp was from 3 to 10 August, 1950. The camp post office did not have an official postmark, but a handstamp was applied on outgoing mail before the mail was brought to the nearby Væggerløse post office.



Left: Postcard to Odense, postmarked "VÆGGERLØSE -3 8 50" and handstamp "JAMBORETTE 3-10 AUG. 1950 MARIELYST", also camp label.

Below: Cover to Copenhagen, postmarked "VÆGGERLØSE -4 8 50" and handstamp "JAMBORETTE 3-10 AUG. 1950 MARIELYST".



The Danish Girl Guides Association held their 1951 national camp at Rohden near Daugaard. 5,000 Girl guides participated. The special postmark (DK-009) was used 3-13 July.

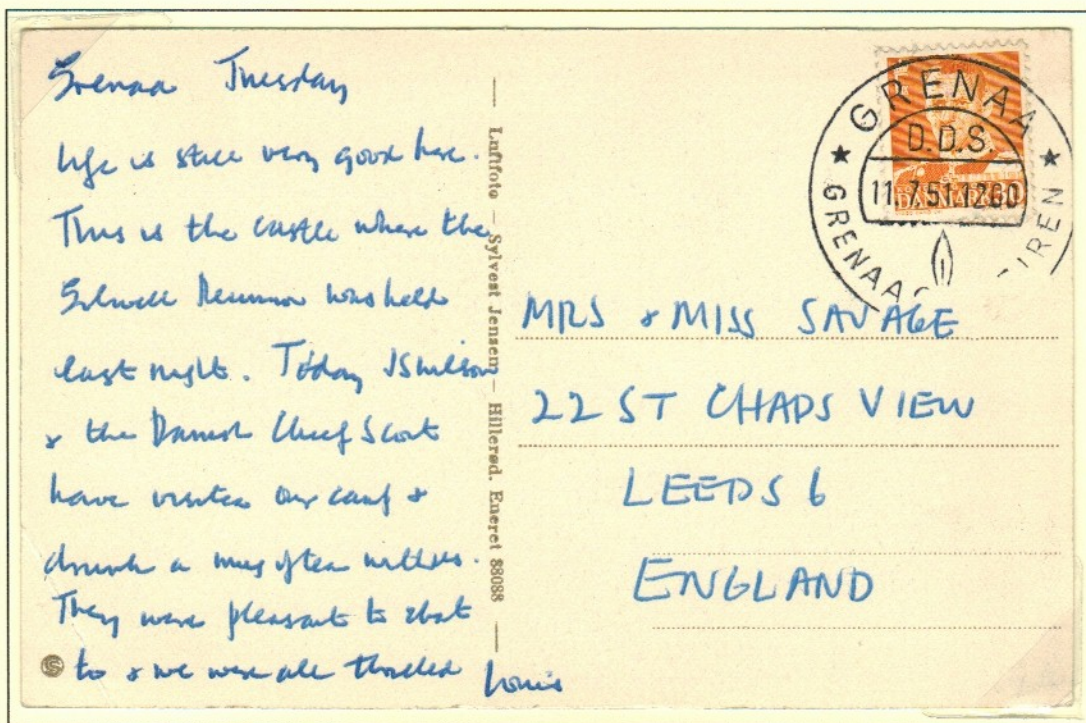


Postcard to Copenhagen, "ROHDEN PR. DAUGAARD PIGESPEJDER LEJREN -9. 7. 51".



Specially printed camp cover to Aalborg, "ROHDEN PR. DAUGAARD PIGESPEJDER LEJREN -3. 7. 51".

Danish Boy Scouts Association held their 1951 national camp near Grenaa. 8,000 Boy Scouts participated. The special postmark (DK-010) was used 4-12 July.



Postcard to England, postmarked "GRENAA D.D.S. GRENAA LEJREN 11. 7. 51".



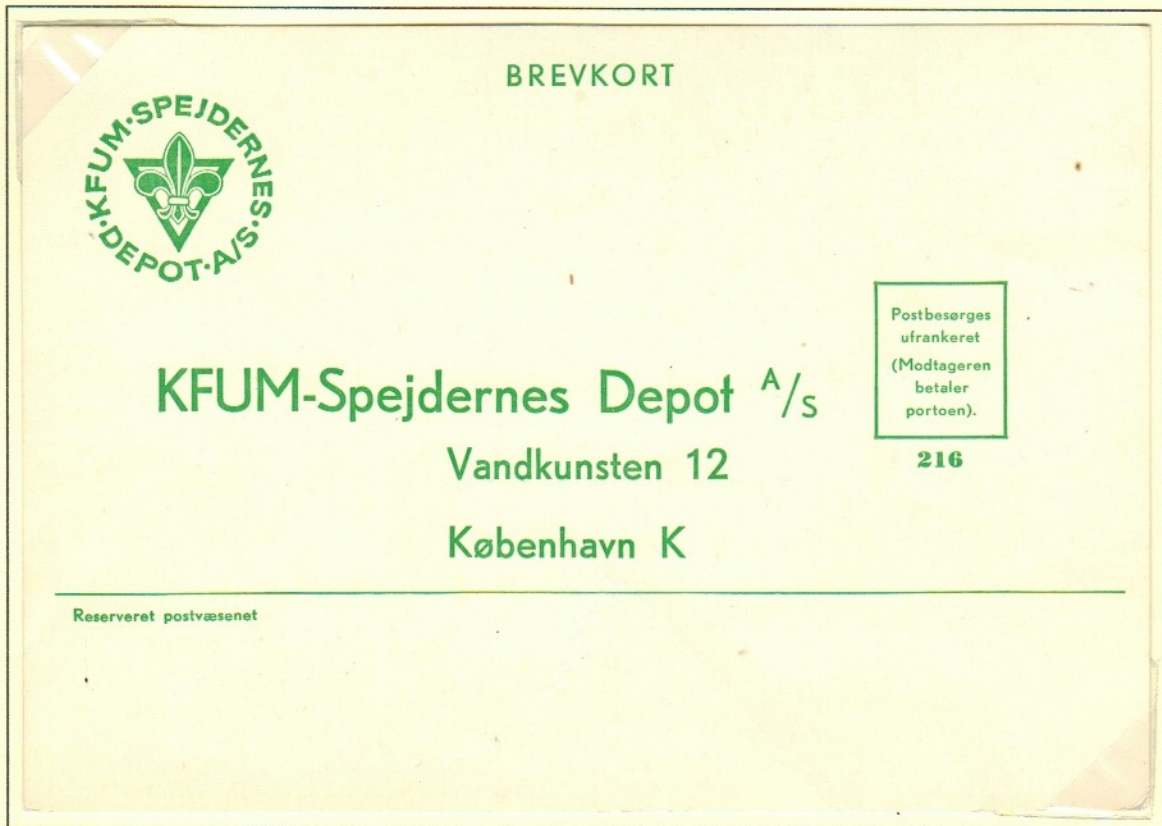
Cover with camp label, sent to Copenhagen, postmarked "GRENAA D.D.S. GRENAA LEJREN -7. 7. 51".

The 7th World Scout Jamboree took place at Bad Ischl, Austria in 1951. 12,884 participants from 73 countries attended, including 4 troops from Danish Boy Scouts Association.



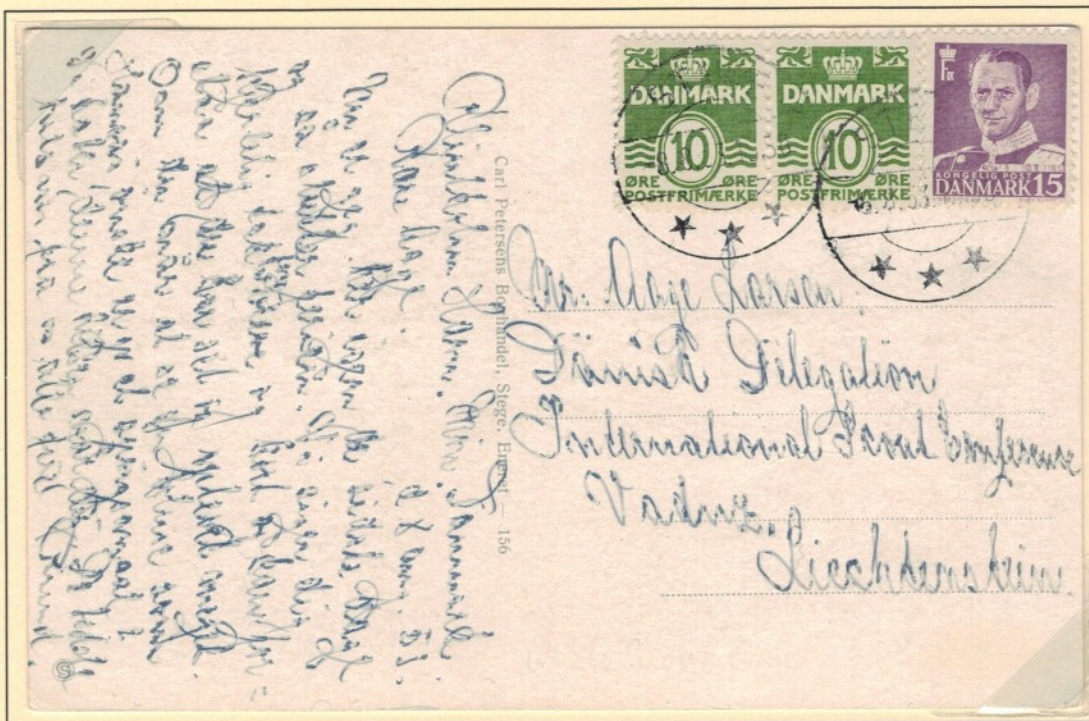
Salzkammergut viewcard sent from the 1951 World Scout Jamboree to Aabyhøj, Denmark.

Business Reply Mail is a domestic service that allows a mailer to receive First-Class Mail in reply from customers and to pay postage only for the pieces returned to the mailer from the original distribution of business reply mail pieces.



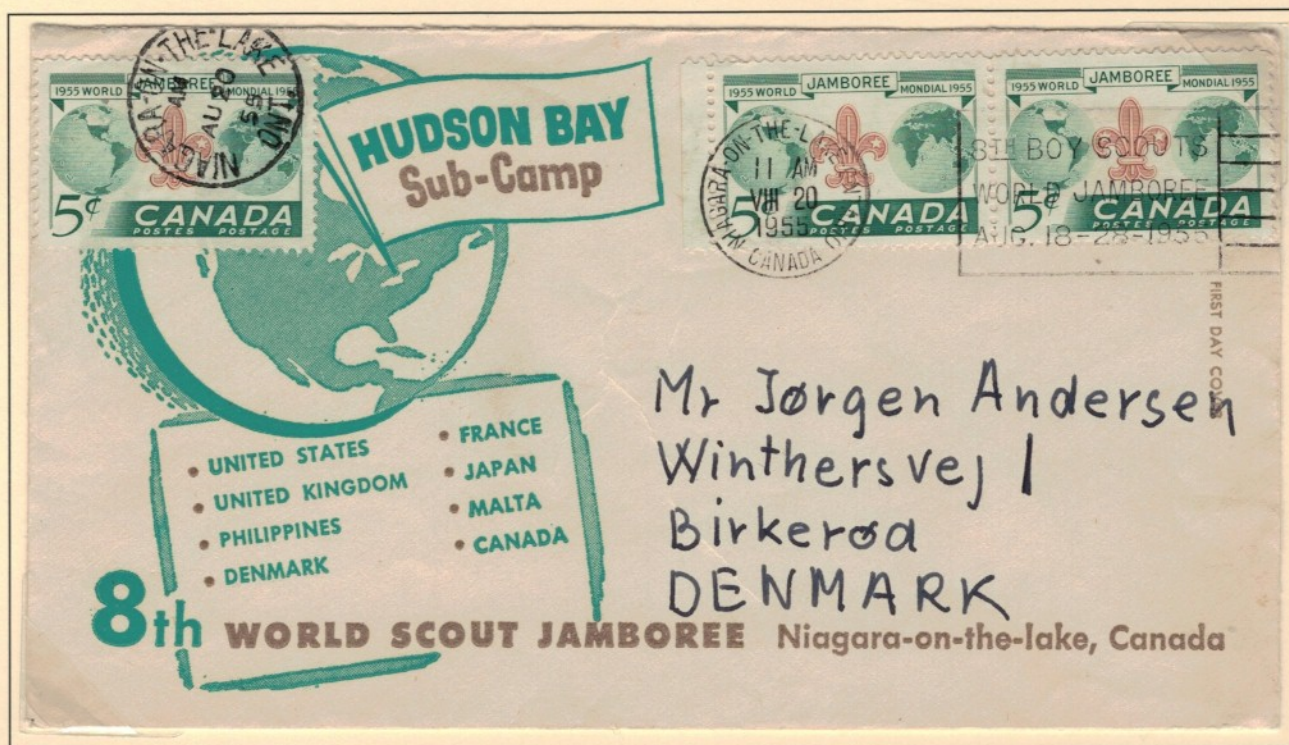
Danish Business Reply Mail, probably from the 1950's. License No. 216. KFUM-Spejdernes Depot A/S, København (YMCA Boy Scout Shop, Copenhagen). The reverse of the postcard shows a form for ordering equipment from the shop.

The World Scout Conference (WSC) is the governing body of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and meets every three years. The World Scout Conference is the general assembly of Scouting and is composed of six delegates from each of the member Scout associations.



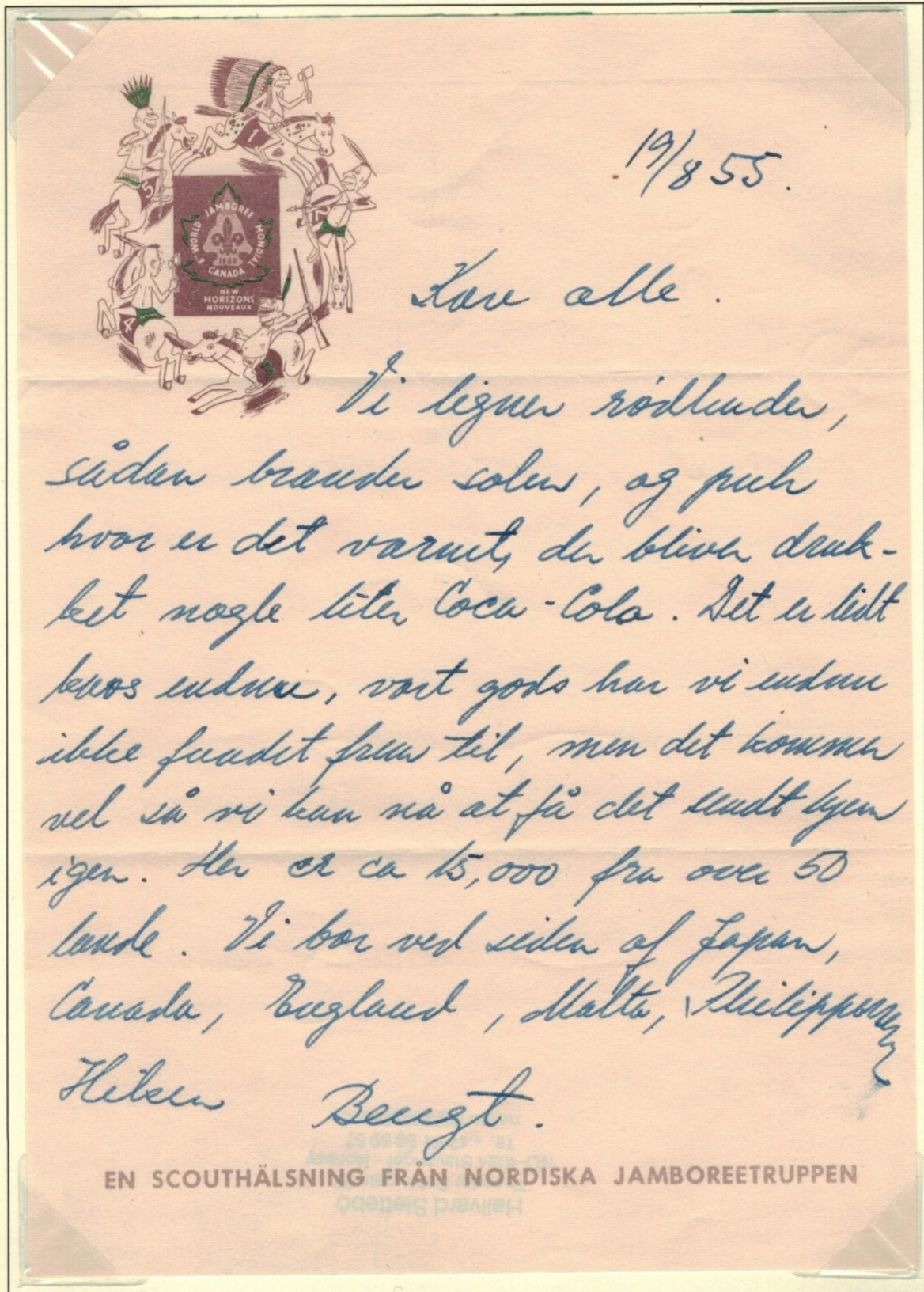
Viewcard of Klintholm Beach, Møn, postmarked "STEGE -8.8.53" and sent to a member of the Danish delegation to the 14th International Scout Conference which was held in Liechtenstein.

The 8th World Scout Jamboree was held 1955 and was hosted by Canada at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario. More than 11,000 Scouts from 71 countries and colonies attended this gathering.



Special camp cover to Denmark postmarked with hand cancel and machine cancel "NIAGARA-ON-THE-FALLS 8TH BOY SCOUTS WORLD JAMBOREE VIII 20 1955".

The 8th World Scout Jamboree was held in 1955 and was hosted by Canada at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario. More than 11,000 Scouts from 71 countries and colonies attended this gathering.



Contents of the special camp cover to Denmark on the previous page.
Special notepaper "A Scout greeting from the Nordic Jamboree Troop".

The sender describes warm weather and drinking lots of Coca Cola, chaos with transportation of luggage and gamp gear, and a camp with some 15,000 Scouts (exaggerated...) from many countries.

33 die as B.O.A.C.'s plane from Sydney for U.K. crashes in Singapore. British airline B.O.A.C. operated a route between Australia and U.K. using Lockheed 749 Constellation aircraft. On 13 March 1954 during landing at Singapore, the "Belfast" coming from Sydney, Darwin and Djakarta crashed on the landing strip of Kallang airport and caught fire. 32 passengers and one crew member were killed. A large part of the mail was recovered and a cachet was applied.

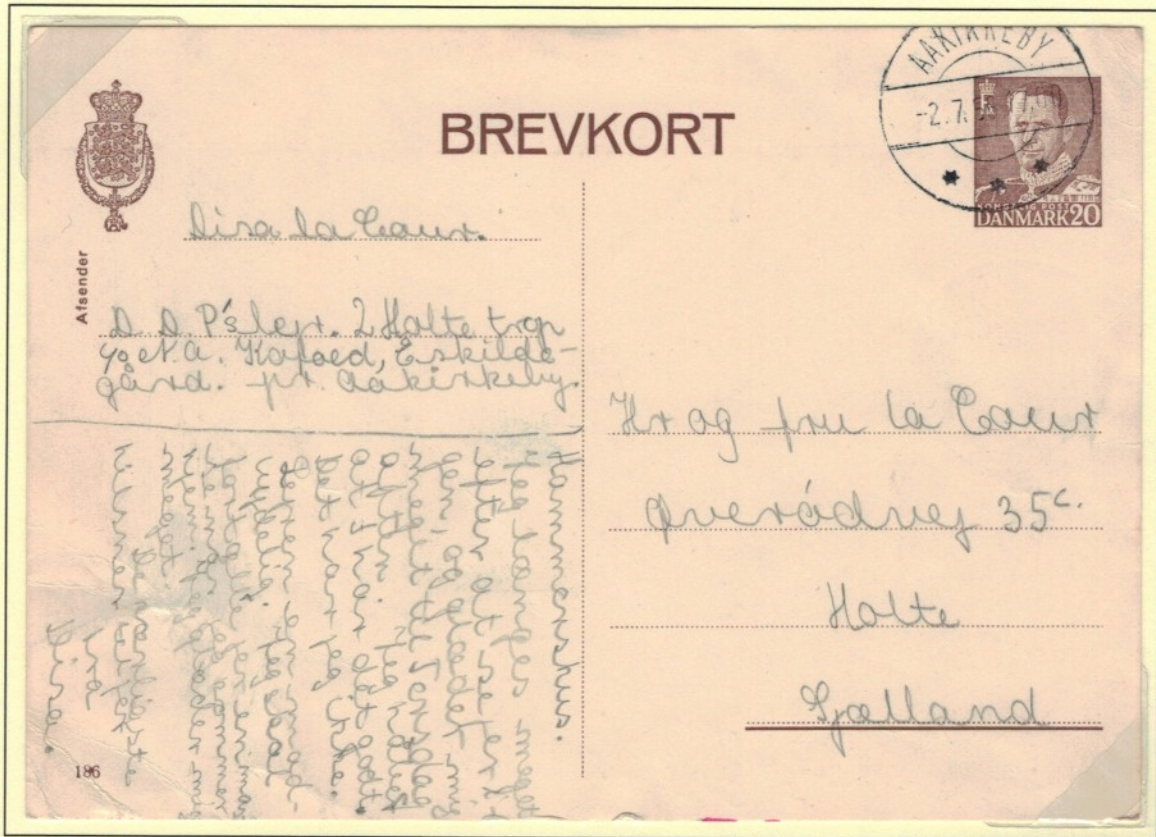


Cover from New Zealand addressed to Denmark and postmarked "HASTINGS -9 MR 54".
 Franked with 1½ d 1953 Girl Guide Health stamp plus other stamps.

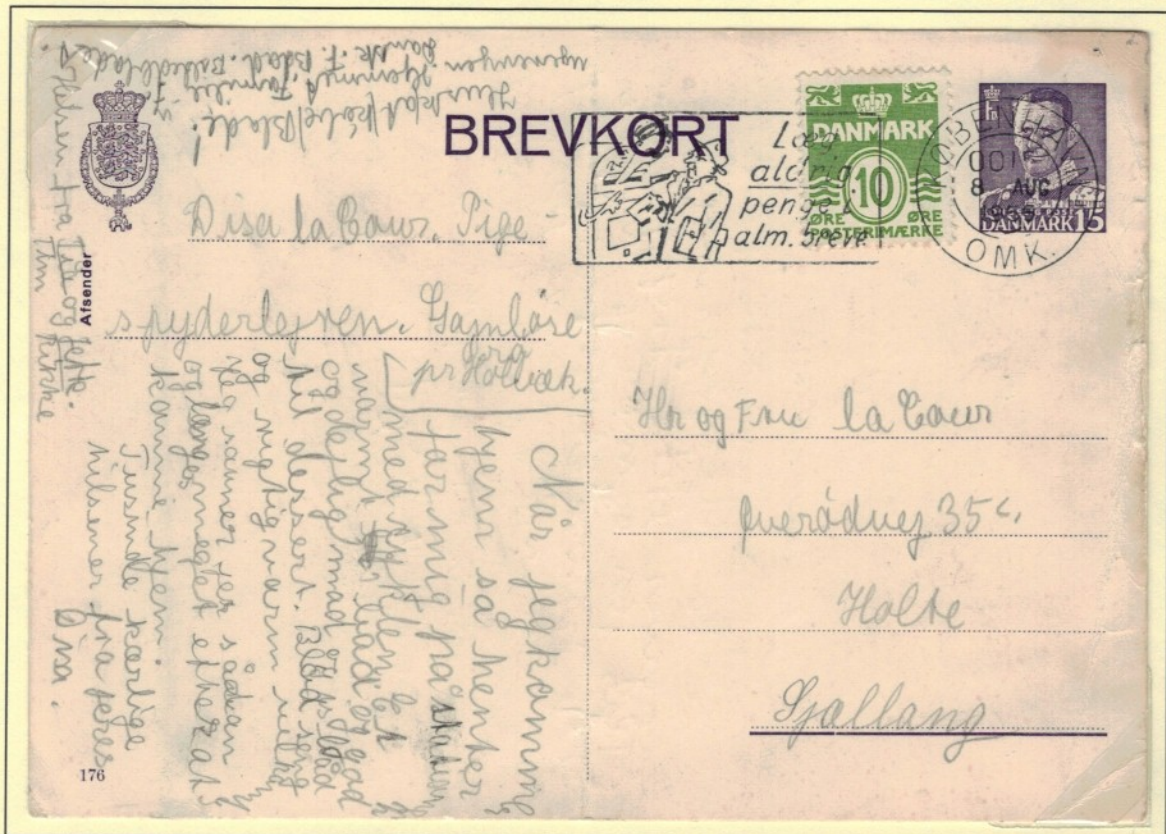
Damaged in the crash and boxed explanatory cachet in red:

**SALVAGED MAIL
 AIRCRAFT CRASH
 SINGAPORE 13.3.1954**

The Danish Girl Guide Association held division camps in years without a national camp. In 1954 a camp was held at Eskildgaard near Aakirkeby on the Bornholm island in the Baltic Sea. In 1955, a camp took place at Gamløse near Holbæk.



Postal card, written by Girl Guide in camp and sent to Holte, Sjælland. Mail was brought to the nearby post office, postmark "AAKIRKEBY -2.7.54".



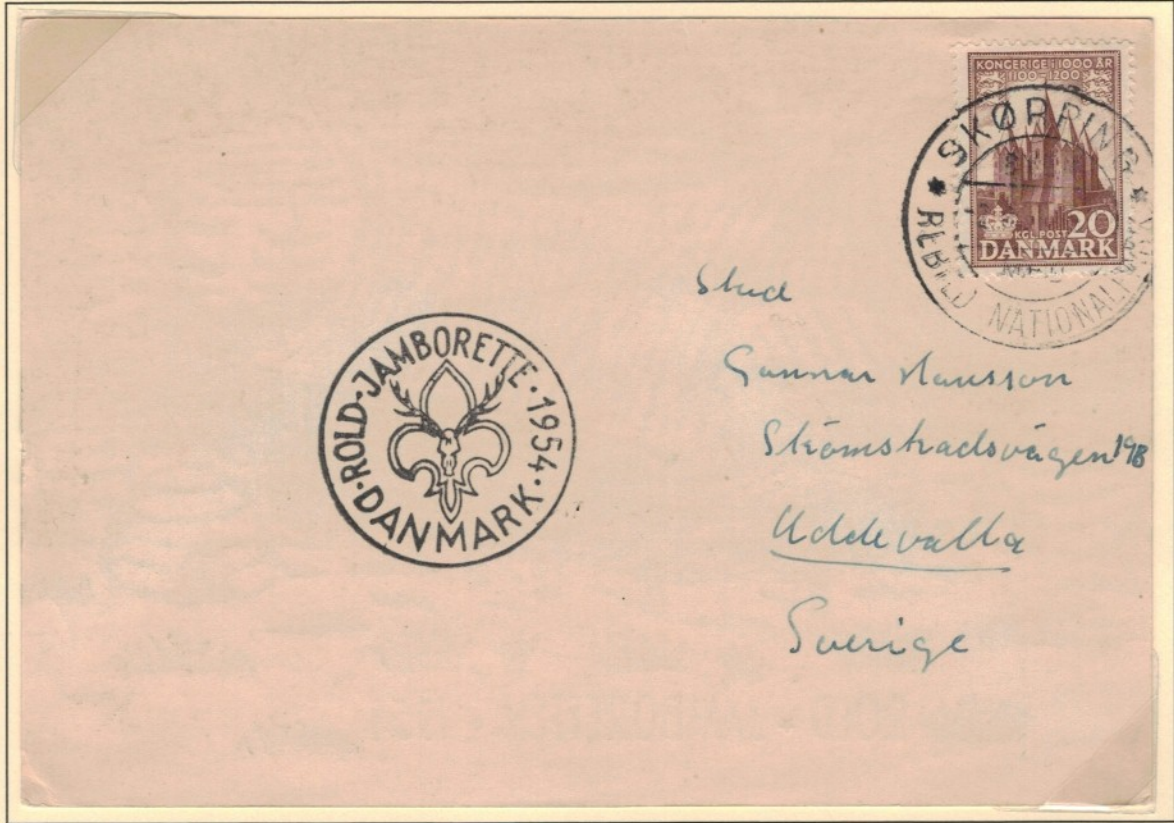
Uprated postal card, written by Girl Guide in camp and sent to Holte, Sjælland. Mail was brought to Copenhagen, postmark "KØBENHAVN 8 AUG 1955".

Participating in a jamboree is a great experience for the relatively few scouts who are lucky enough to attend. Jamborees are only held every four years, are quite expensive to participate in, and the number of participants is limited for each country. Fewer than 0.5% of the scouts get to enjoy a world jamboree with brother scouts from a wide range of foreign countries.

The Northern Jutland Division under Jens Hvass tried a new and affordable way to promote international get-together between scouts. Starting in 1947, they held some small jamborees in Rold Skov and gave them the name **Jamborettes**.

Several divisions have subsequently held many jamborettes, mostly by the Danish Scout Corps or by the YMCA scouts.

The jamborette should not be a Danish camp with guests from abroad, but a true international camp. "The Jamborette is an intimate Jamboree of a manageable format and with a fairly equal number of guests and hosts. In it you can really get together as one big scout family" – quote from Jens Hvass, the man behind the first jamborette, Chief of the Nørrejske Division.



Camp card to Uddevalla, Sweden, postmarked "SKØRRING -2 8 54", and semi-official handstamp "ROLD JAMBORETTE 1954 DANMARK".

Above: 1954 – the 3rd Rold Jamborette, organized by Nørrejske Division of DDS from July 30 to August 6, 1954.

700 participants with foreign Scouts from eight nations.

Right: 1958 – the 4th Rold Jamborette, nick-named the Stone Age Jamborette and organized by Nørrejske Division, DDS. There were 700 participants including Scouts from Greenland, U.S.A., Sweden, Norway, the Netherlands, Austria, Scotland and Southern Schleswig.

The two Jamborettes did not have their own postmarks, and semi-official handstamps were used.



Printed matter to Stockholm, Sweden, postmarked "ÅLBORG 8 AUG 1958", semi-official handstamp "JAMBORETTE ROLD 1958".

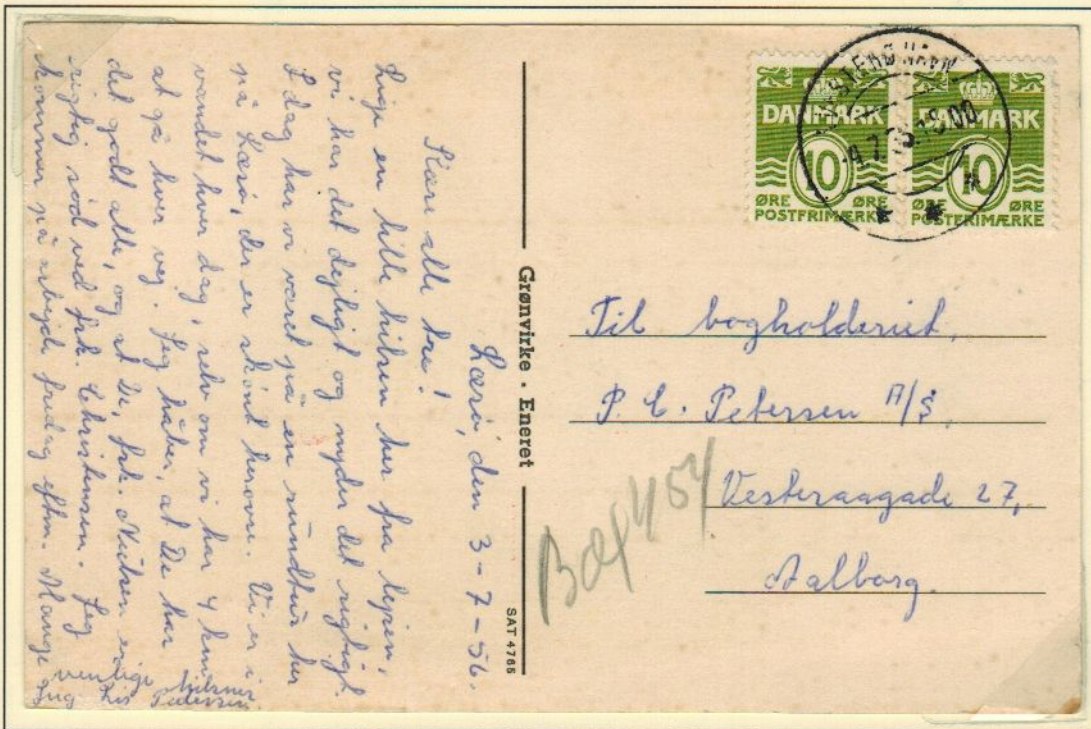
Danish YMCA Boy Scouts held their 1955 national camp at Galløkken near Rønne on the Bornholm island in the Baltic Sea. 7,500 Scouts participated. The special postmark (DK-012) was used 10-21 July, and shows an outline map of Bornholm with the camp location indicated by an arrow.



Special camp postcard, written by Scout in camp and sent to Mariager, Jutland. Postmarked (D-012) "RØNNE KFUM-SPEJDERNES KORPSLEJR 15.7.55".



Registered letter to Sweden, postmarked (D-012) "RØNNE KFUM-SPEJDERNES KORPSLEJR 11.7.55" and regular Rønne registration label. The only recorded registered letter with this postmark.



1956, YWCA camp at Læsø. The camp post office did not have its own postmark. Girl Guide postcard written by Girl Guide leader in camp and sent to Aalborg. Postmarked "VESTERØ HAVN -4. 7. 56".



In 1956, members of the Danish boy scout and girl guide associations collected used postage stamps which would be sent to the International Scout Bureau. The stamps were then sold and the proceeds used to allow girls and boys in lesser well-off countries to enjoy scouting. Cover from the Danish Boy Scouts Association, with cachet "REMEMBER the Association's stamp collecting campaign". Postmarked "KØBENHAVN 11 12 56" and sent to Aabenraa.

Danish YWCA Girl Guides held their 1957 national camp at Ssanderumgaard near Odense. 10,000 Girl Guides participated, including guests from 11 countries in addition to Denmark. The camp was called “Eventyrlejren” (The Fairy Tale camp) because of its location near Odense which is H.C. Andersen’s birthplace. The special postmark (DK-013) was used 17-26 July, and shows a crowned swan, being from H.C. Andersen’s fairy tale “The Wild Swans”.

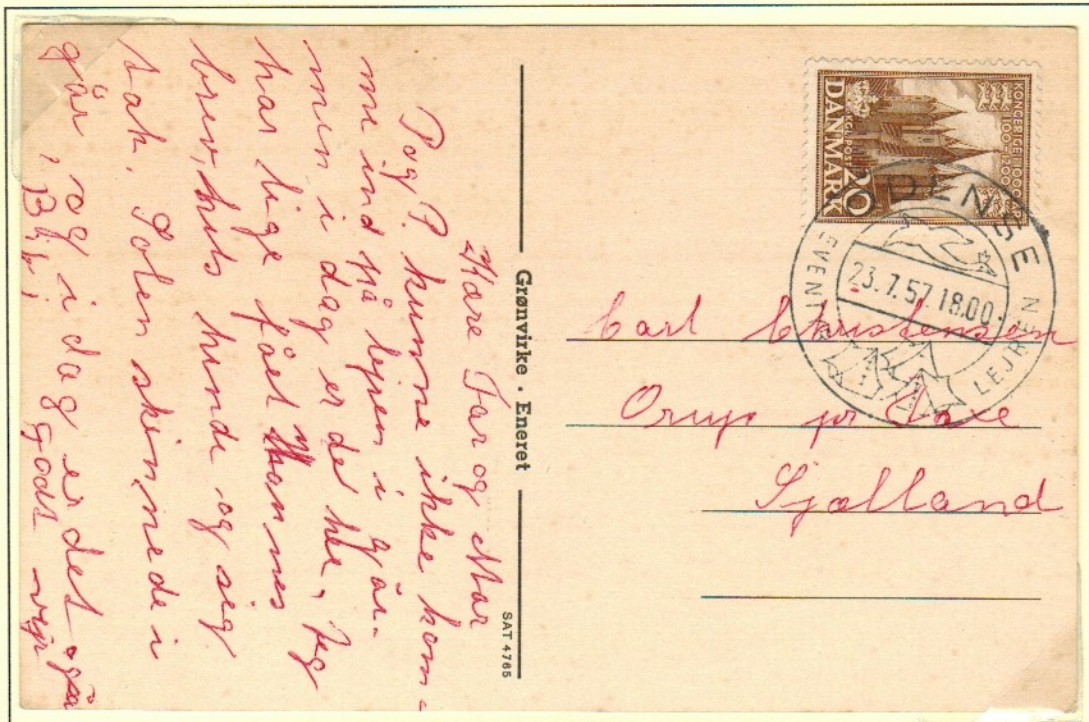


Registered letter sent to Sweden, postmarked (D-013) “ODENSE EVENTYR LEJREN 17. 7. 57” and regular **Odense 1** registration label. **Two registered letters are recorded with this postmark and this label.**



Registered letter sent to Sweden, postmarked (D-013) “ODENSE EVENTYR LEJREN 25. 7. 57” and regular **Odense A** registration label. **The only recorded registered letter with this postmark and this label.**
Two

Danish YWCA Girl Guides held their 1957 national camp at Sanderumgaard near Odense. The special postmark (DK-013) was used 17-26 July, and shows a crowned swan, being from H.C. Andersen's fairy tale "The Wild Swans".



Postcard postmarked "ODENSE EVENTYRLEJREN 23.7.57" and sent to Orup pr Faxe. Written by a Guide in camp to her parents: "...The sun was shining yesterday, and also today the weather is good...".



The Danish Boy Scout Association's headquarter moved around 1954 to Frydendalsvej 32 in Copenhagen.

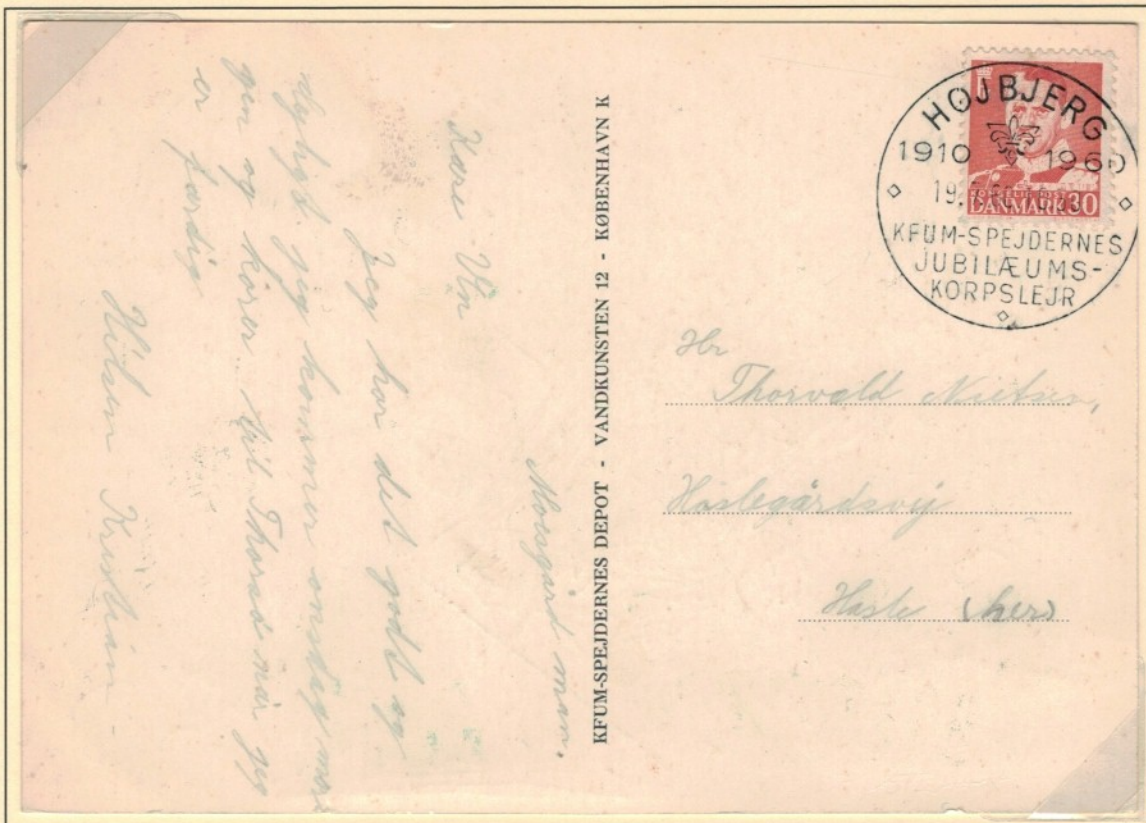
Printed matter from the Danish Boy Scout Association, sent to Aarhus. 12 øre postage paid by 21 Aug 1957 meter slogan applied at the post office.

The Danish Boy Scouts Association held their 1959 national camp at Ahl Hage near Ebeltoft in Eastern Jutland where some 9,000 Boy Scouts participated. The camp marked the Golden Jubilee for the Association. This was their first nation-wide camp since 1951, and the camp had a special postmark (DK-014) which was used 1-8 August.



From one scout camp to another: Postcard from (DK-014) “EBELTOFT JUBILÆUMSLEJREN 5.7.59” to poste restante at the “ALMÖLÄGRET” (S-033) Scout camp in Sweden, where it arrived two days later.

The Danish YMCA Scouts held their 1960 national camp at Mosegård Strand near Højbjerg on the outskirts of Århus. The camp marked their Golden Jubilee, and the camp had a special postmark (DK-015) which was used 12-20 July.



YMCA Scout postcard from camp participant to Hasle (near Århus). Postmarked (DK-015) “HØJBJERG 1910 1960 KFUM-SPEJDERNES JUBILÆUMS-KORPSLEJR 19.7.60”.

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Covers to Sweden, postmark (DK-015) "HØJBJERG 1910 1960 KFUM-SPEJDERNES JUBILÆUMS-KORPSLEJR 20.7.60".
Blank registration label with two different violet handstamp ÅRHUS.





København, september 1960.

Bundesministerium
f.d. Post- u. Fernmeldewesen

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I anledning af Hendes Majestæt Dronningens 25 års spejderjubilæum fremstilles der til udsendelse den 25. oktober 1960 et særligt frimærke i værdien 30 øre i rød farve og med overpris 10 øre til fordel for »Spejdernes fond til fordel for nødlidende, syge og vanskeligt stillede børn«.

Tegningen til frimærket er udført af tegneren Viggo Bang og gravuren af den finske gravør Birger Ekholm.

Frimærket er i 2 gange almindelig frimærkestørrelse og i ark à 50 stykker.

Udseendet er som vist på omstående forstørrede afbildning.

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In 1960, Queen Ingrid of Denmark celebrated her 25th anniversary as a Girl Guide, and she is depicted in her Girl Guide uniform on the postage stamp.

Presentation folder (above) with enlarged photo of the stamp (right), mailed on first day of issue 25 October 1960 from the Danish postal authorities in Copenhagen to their colleagues in Bonn, Germany.

The stamp was a semi-postal issue with 10 öre surtax for The Girl Guides' Fund for the benefit of distressed, sick and troubled children.



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The official FDC postmark (DK-016) was used in Copenhagen only: “KØBENHAVN V 25. OKT 1960 FRIMÆRKETS UDGIVELSESDAG”.

Registered FDCs with the official postmark have registration labels from **København Postv. opl. kt.**

