

SYNOPSIS : 15th World Scout Moot 2017

Purpose:

This exhibit shows the Post Office operations of the 15th World Scout Moot which ran from July 25 to 2 August, 2017 at various sites throughout Iceland, and the various postal items that were created by the organizers and participants of the Moot.

Challenge Factor:

Obtaining postal items from the Moot is very difficult. Since the Moot post office was actually run by the camp shop, there are no records of inbound or outbound mail. Comparatively at the moot in 2013 there were 32 pieces of inbound mail and 1639 pieces outbound. Unfortunately in today's world with the penetration of cellphones in this age group, mail is even more scarce. The exhibit shows 3 pieces of inbound mail which includes a registered inbound piece, and 3 pieces of Registered outbound mail and several other regular outbound pieces. The number of stamps printed specifically for the moot was limited to 25 USA Stamps.com stamps, and an initial 240 Iceland stamps of 8 designs of which most were used on the first day of 25 July (by Michael Feigenbaum). Another 1000 Iceland stamps were made by the shop. Mint examples of the Moot stamps are extremely scarce with most of the stamps used on mailings.

This exhibit can not be expanded to a two frame exhibit due to a lack of additional philatelic material.

Organization:

The material is organized beginning with the Post Office setup, the Stamps created, Incoming and Outgoing mail, Iceland material, USA material Swiss and Mexican postal related items.

Bibliography/References:

Icelandic Scouts website: <https://worldscoutmoot.is/>

World Scout website: <https://www.scout.org/15wsm>

Swiss website: <https://www.pfadfinder-briefmarken.ch/en/15th-world-scout-moot-2017-in-iceland-eng.html>