

Sarah with a homeless dog at Wood Green Animal Shelter



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Easter is coming! Have you booked for our great trip yet?

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**POSTELLERS DIARY**

- Tues 9<sup>th</sup> March **LEADERS MEETING** at YHA St Paul's at 7.00pm- finish 9.00 pm. Older Postellers welcome. 36 Carter Lane, EC4V5AD.
- Tues 30<sup>th</sup> March **Postellers Newsletter Working Party** at Diane's 7.30pm. Help is needed to get the newsletter ready for posting. Could any Barnet Postellers spare a hour to help?

**Posteller Points: 30**

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup>  
April/Mon  
5<sup>th</sup> April



**POSTELLERS EASTER SPECIAL- TO THE NORTH NORFOLK COAST.**

It's a great area to go to - plenty of sea and sand, a boat trip to Blakeney point to see the seals, stay at Wells-Youth hostel, go on a steam train to Sheringham, visit the pier at Cromer, bird watching if you choose and walk on vast sandy beaches and cliffs- **AND THE GREAT EGG HUNT!**

**BOOK NOW TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE ON IT!**

**COST**

About £84.00 . This includes 3 overnight stays, return-travel from London, all meals, all activities and visits.

**TO BOOK**

£25.00 makes sure of a place but it helps the Postellers bank account if you can send all the money straight away.



Send the following to Postellers, c/o Carrie Martin, 20 Cornwallis Avenue, Bristol. BS8 4PP.

(New Booking Secretary)

- 1) A Postellers booking letter (filled in!) Mark it' Easter
- 2) A stamped addressed envelope.
- 3) A cheque/postal order payable to Posteller YHA

Group for one of the following amounts:

<b><u>UNDER 18</u></b>	<b><u>18+</u></b>
£84.00	£93.00

(Leaders Overnight £49.50)



Simon cutting his Birthday cake.(Great age of 14)

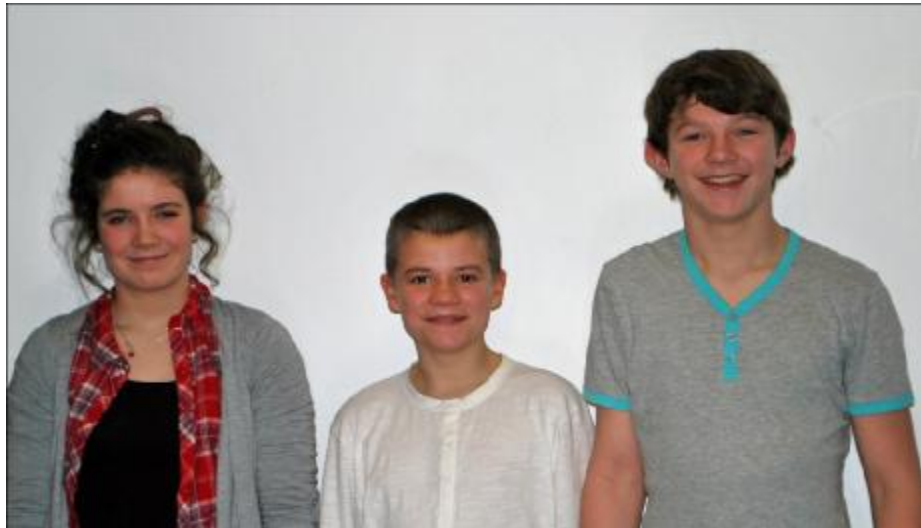


... POSTELLERS JOIN IN THE MANAGEMENT TEAM MEETING

The Postellers Management team met at YHA St.Paul's on 30<sup>th</sup> January. 3 Postellers came along to help plan the programme for 2010. As well as some great ideas to make the Posteller programme even better, they decided they would work on ways to run the Posteller Council so that young people are more involved. Thanks go to Molly Ward, Simon Tibley and Lloyd Taylor for taking part.

They had lots of ideas so **WATCH THIS SPACE**

A leaflet comes with this newsletter inviting YOU to join the council. Please join if you can . Leaflet designed by Lloyd.



**80 YEARS OF YHA**

YHA is 80 years old this year- have you noticed the special logo on the front of this newsletter? A book about the YHA's 80 years will be published in April- more details next month. It's worth remembering that Postellers have been around for over half the time the YHA's been in existence.

WHERE HAVE SOME POSTELLERS GONE?

Every year in March, we write to those Postellers whom we have not heard from for a long time. We ask them to let us know if they want to still be members if you are one of those people, look out for the special note with this newsletter and please let us know what you want to do.

**A trip to the pantomime by Stephen Mason**

It was the middle of January, the snow had just melted and we were off to the pantomime in Cambridge on my 2nd Posteller trip. I was really excited.

On the first day we went to see Dick Whittington and His Cat. It was a modernised panto, it was funny and we all enjoyed it. The funniest bit was when they were on the stage underneath the boat in the kitchen and the whole stage was rocking! After the Panto we went back Cambridge Youth Hostel where we had made our dinner.

The next day we had a hostel breakfast and then set off to Wood Green Animal shelter. We saw some cute cats, dogs and a very fat rabbit who had obviously eaten too many carrots. We had lunch and Simon's birthday cake - happy birthday Simon! I'm looking forward to my next trip and meeting all my new friends again.

Thank you Stephen for the great write-up  
Photos of the pantomime weekend on the next page

... Hot choc in a Cambridge cafe



Postellers on the Banks at Cambridge. Kings College Chapel behind



MEETING PLACE AND TIME

High Barnet Tube Station in the Car Park  
at 9.00 am on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

TIME BACK

About 5.00pm  
at High Barnet.

POSTELLERS POINTS:30

Please note: Postellers Easter trips usually start on the evening of the Thursday before Easter, but as some schools don't break up until the Thursday afternoon and also with all the traffic at the start of the holiday we will be making an early start on Friday morning to see if this works out better for everyone.

It makes it a bit cheaper too.

**ONLY FOUR PLACES LEFT-HURRY!**

Tues 27<sup>th</sup>

April Newsletter Working Party

ADVANCE NOTICE

Postellers great activity weekend to the peak District coming up in May- Make a note of the date now-

May 28<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> May

FULL BOOKING DETAILS NEXT MONTH

Sorry there was a mistake on the list of dates-please note the date above-the bank holiday weekend.



WEDDING BELLS



Postellers has just heard that Emily McCarthy that she got engaged on New Year's Day and is getting married in the summer. Congratulations to you and your fiance Emily from the Postellers. Emily joined the Postellers when she was nine. She has been a Posteller leader since she was eighteen. Her father Malcolm, photo-copied the newsletter for a long time until last year.