

SUPPOSED ONE CENT STAMP SHORTAGE 1986

This commercial cover with invalid use of Australian one cent stamp to make up 36 cents rate led to speculation that Cocos had run out of one cent stamps. Enquiry with SAE.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Indian Ocean 2 September 1986

To

Mr. Peter Austin
51 Edward Street,
Osborne Park
WA 6017

Cocos (Keeling) Islands
150th Anniversary of
Charles Darwin's visit 33c



Dr Haynes



No we don't use Australian stamps here & as such I have not postmarked the 1 cent stamp. COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS INDIAN OCEAN PHILATELIC BUREAU Have only postmarked our 2 valid stamps we do have a 1c stamp anyway.

With compliments

Sorry but cannot provide you with copies of correspondence to us. Hope this answers all your enquiries
cheers Nick

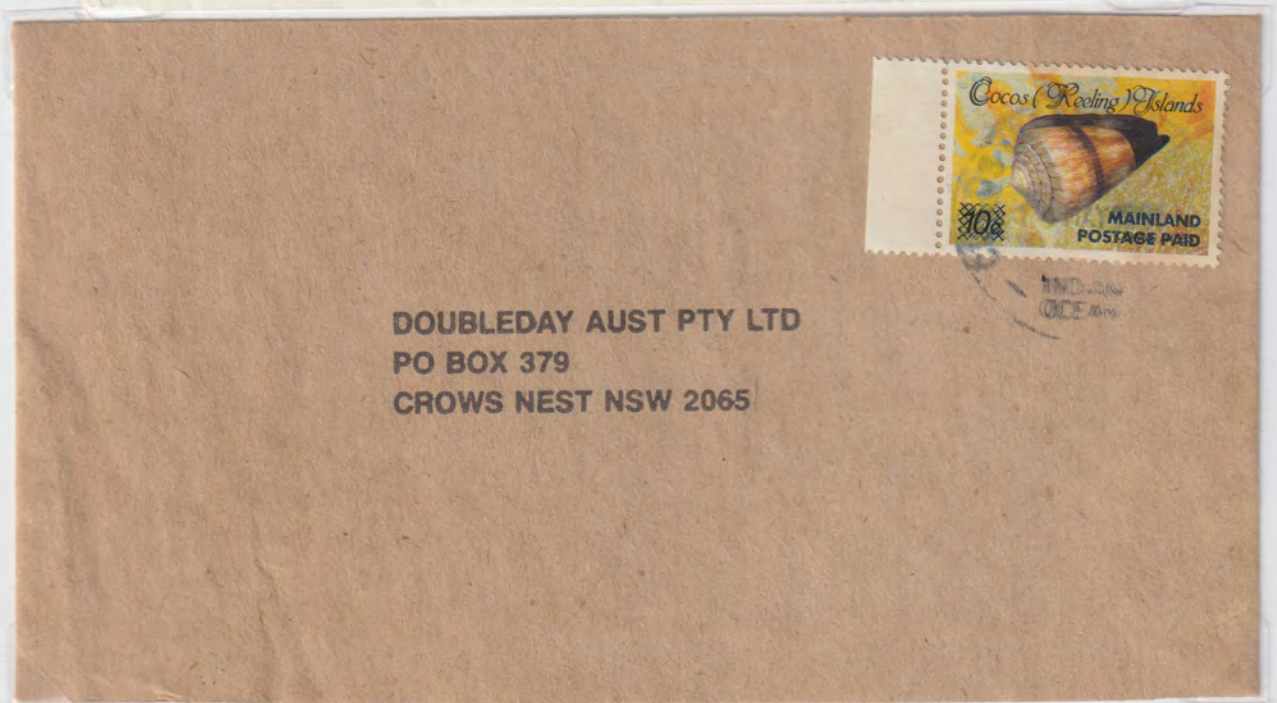


B. Haynes
11 Shenton Road
CLAREMONT
W.A. 6010

ST 01A ACTUAL STAMP SHORTAGE 0 5287
'POSTAGE PAID' SERIES 1990

On 18 December 1990 the 10 cent Shell (1986) overprinted stamp was the first to be issued, others followed in January 1991. 'Redundant' stamp denominations were overprinted as there were 'insufficient stocks of other denominations to make up the required postal charges.'

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Indian Ocean 5 February 1991



Cocos (Keeling) Islands Indian Ocean 14 May 1991

Overprint design by David Abel, letterpress printing State Printing Division, Subiaco, WA. The single cross hatching was deemed inadequate so by April 1991 a second print with double cross hatching was issued.

Australia is again responsible for issuing Cocos (Keeling) Islands stamps.

At various times in the philatelic history of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands, stamps have been issued from Australia, Singapore and the Islands' own Philatelic Bureau.

From 1 January 1994, responsibility for postal and philatelic services will pass back to Australia Post. Cocos (Keeling) Islands stamps issued after this date will then be valid for postage throughout Australia. Likewise, Australian stamps will be valid for use on the Islands.

Add some colour to your collection.

To commemorate the resumption of Cocos (Keeling) Islands issues, Australia Post proudly releases this colourful sheetlet of 20 stamps in four se-tenant strips.

The sheetlet features a map of South Keeling Islands, adorned with Reef Triggerfish, Green Turtles, Pyramid Butterflyfish and jukongs, the traditional sailing craft of the Cocos Malay people. Australia Post will keep the special identity of the Islands' stamps by retaining full consultation with the Islands' Stamp Advisory Committee.

A fascinating book for just \$4 when you open a Standing Order.

If you open an Australia Post Standing Order, you'll never miss out on any Cocos (Keeling) Islands stamp issue. What's more, the first 3,000 people to do so will have the opportunity to purchase *Cocos Malay Culture*, for just \$4.00. This superbly illustrated book offers a unique look at the life of the Cocos Malay on the tiny Australian Indian Ocean territory.

Secure your piece of paradise today.

You can order your Cocos (Keeling) Islands stamps sheetlet and related products today by completing and returning the order form overleaf. Alternatively, you can purchase the issue at your Post Office from 17 February 1994.

And don't forget, if you're one of the first 3,000 people to open a Standing Order, you'll have the opportunity to purchase the book, *Cocos Malay Culture*, at the special price. Simply complete the form overleaf and return with a cheque or postal order for \$40, or instruct us to bill your credit card directly.



Cocos Malay Culture is yours for just \$4.00 when you open a Standing Order.

**POSTAL RATES
FORTY FIVE CENTS**

From 2 January 1992

Cocos (Keeling) Islands 6799 Australia 13 May 1999

PLACING A
STAMP HERE
WILL SAVE THE
CHARITY 45 CENTS

REPLY PAID 261

ROYAL LIFE SAVING SOCIETY
P.O. BOX 917
WEST PERTH W.A. 6872



INDIAN OCEAN GROUP TRAINING
PO BOX 1008
COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS 6799

Australian Taxation Office
Employment Dec Forms.
GPO Box 9990
Perth W.A.



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Cocos (Keeling) Islands 6799 Australia 23 June 2003

From 13 January 2003

FIFTY CENTS

FIFTY FIVE CENTS

From 1 September 2008

Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 10 August 2009

Cheers to everyone
 from Home Island,
 Cocos Keeling.
 Photography &
 community life views
 going well, despite
 significant
 industrial problems
 (Found my self
 starting digs with
 Garden to from CI
 rather earlier than
 planned!) Much to
 tell, when in Perth.
 Hope the break was
 restorative, beyond!
 I've found 26 of a variety of
 sea birds! Helene to.



PLEASE
PLACE
STAMP
HERE

Australia 55c
 NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF AUSTRALIA
 WA 6799

384 BERWICK ST
 EAST VICTORIA PARK
 WA 6101



Cocos Lagoon
By Pam Jones

PNC 260CT12 ML 531 PRLD



(KEELING) ISLANDS
 23 OCT 2012
 WA 6799

COCOS
 (KEELING) ISLANDS
 23 OCT 2012
 WA 6

Tilby, Arthur
 PO Box 8066
 Hannans
 WESTERN AUSTRALIA

6433



W.A. STUDY GROUP
 P.O. BOX 423
 CLAREMONT 6910
 WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 23 October 2012

From 28 June 2010

SIXTY CENTS

SEVENTY CENTS

From 31 March 2014

Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 21 October 2014, Perth 24 October

PMC 24 OCT 14



Brown, Malcolm
 31 Sovereign Avenue
 Port Kennedy
 WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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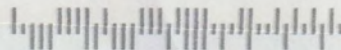
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 10 Jameson Street
 Swanbourne
 WESTERN AUSTRALIA

6010



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Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 18 April 2017

From 4 January 2016

ONE DOLLAR

ONE DOLLAR TEN CENTS

From 1 February 2020

Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 (West Island) 12 November 2021, Perth 16 November, received
17 November (5 days transit)



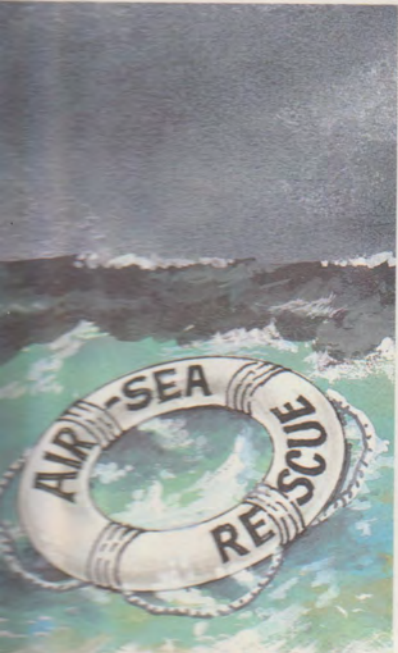
Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 (Home Island) 15 November 2021, Perth 25 November, received
26 November (transit 11 days)

POSTMARK 1995

From at least 1995 until around 2002 the postmark with Australia at bottom was in use.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands 6799 Australia 10 March 1995 (black)

Att: Seng Thiam Teh
Edith Cowan University
External Studies
P.O. Box 830
Claremont, W.A. 6010



COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS
INDIAN OCEAN
OFFICIAL FIRST DAY COVER



Edith Cowan University
External Studies
PO Box 830
Claremont WA



6010

POSTMARK 1996

Introduced in 1996 with Australia 6799 at bottom.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Australia 6799 22 August 1997 (blue)

IF UNDELIVERABLE RETURN TO
ADMINISTRATION
COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS
INDIAN OCEAN 6799



Edith Cowan University
External Studies
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CLAREMONT, WA 6010



Cocos (Keeling) Islands Australia 6799 11 April 1997 (black)

POSTMARK 1999

Introduced in 1999 with Aust 6799 at bottom.

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Aust 6799 3 July 2000



JOHN MAY
9/40 SANDFORD ST
ST LUCIA
QUEENSLAND
AUSTRALIA 4067



AUSTRALIA
POSTAGE PAID

Filter Supplies Pty Ltd.
PO Box 265.
Bentley
WA



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Cocos (Keeling) Islands 6799 Australia 27 October 2005

A variant of an earlier postmark with the date set lower in relation to the wording.

POSTMARK

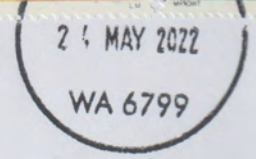
A variant of an earlier postmark with larger Australia 6799

Cocos (Keeling) Islands Australia 6799 25 August 2005

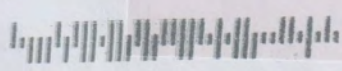


Filter Supplies
PO Box 265
Bentley
WA

6 9 8 2



Roy Manchester
9/14 Coneflower Corner
CHURCHLANDS WA 6018



Cocos (Keeling) Islands WA 6799 24 May 2022

In use from at least 2011 but variants may exist due to replacement or use at either post office.

READDRESSED MAIL

Christmas Island 16 August 1996 (probably reposting a bill to Cocos), readdress label ADDRESSEE LEFT COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS - ADDRESS UNKNOWN, mss Return to Sender, Cocos 12 September, readdress label struck out and BOC Gases address added, Christmas Island 13 November



CHRISTMAS ISLAND
Pty Ltd

Return to Sender →

BOC Gases
PERTH MC
WA 6817



~~ADDRESSEE LEFT COCOS (KEELING)
ISLANDS - ADDRESS UNKNOWN~~

AUSTRALIA POST SERVICES

Australia Post operates post offices on Home Island (8am – 3pm) and West Island (8am – 10.30am) and offers most postal services. The one cent local rate and air freight parcel service no longer exists. Express Post parcels are carried by air but ordinary parcels are carried by sea.

Cocos (Keeling) Island Aust 6799 17 May 1999

Express POST



Guaranteed Next Day Delivery*

For Letters and Documents only

- Max Weight 500g
- Max Thickness 20mm

CW1006855



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POSTAGE IS PREPAID ONLY WHEN
BARCODE STRIP IS INTACT

To: Company Name EXTERNAL STUDIES

For urgent
Attention of

Tel. ()

PO Box Number† or Street Address PO BOX 830

Suburb or Town CLAREMONT State WA

6 0 1 0

† PO Box Addresses ensure early morning delivery

* Over specified routes. Conditions apply - see over for details

Postcode

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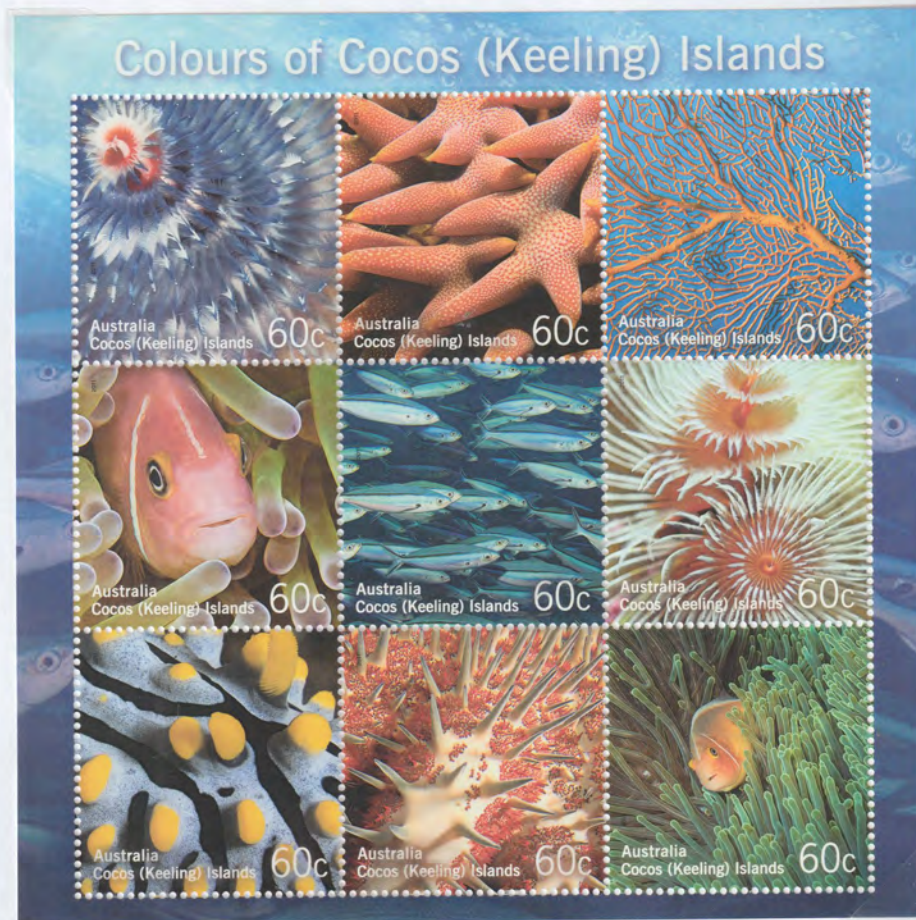
Virgin Airlines flies Tuesday Perth – Christmas Island – Cocos Islands – Perth and Friday Perth – Learmonth – Cocos Islands – Christmas Islands – Perth. In the Wet Season these flights are often delayed or cancelled due to cloud cover on Christmas Island.

Zentner Shipping has a '6 weekly' schedule from Fremantle – Cocos Island – Christmas Island – Singapore – Fremantle that can be disrupted due to berthing conditions at Cocos or Christmas Island.

ROUTES

AUSTRALIA POST PRODUCT 2011

Australia Post markets a range of Cocos (Keeling) Islands philatelic product but it is doubtful whether these embellished stamps and gift cards have been used for postage of mail from Cocos.



COMMERCIAL MAIL

Obtaining examples of commercial mail to Cocos at any time is very difficult, even an envelope containing a phone bill that had been discarded in the rubbish bin.

Melbourne 2 September 2021



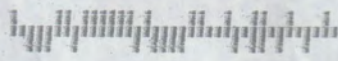
If undelivered please return to
LOCKED BAG 20163 MELBOURNE VIC 3001

DLC CFCP 453
02.09.21 20h 08

Supporting
connecting
POSTAGE
PAID
AUSTRALIA
PRIORITY

Sometime in September
2001

"Cooling off" in the Lagoon



PARKS AUSTRALIA
COCOS (KEELING) ISLANDS
INDIAN OCEAN 6799

Isn't it amazing what
a week on a tropical
island can do for you.
My, haven't we changed!!
All going according to plan,
are working hard, honest, extension
required. M+C

Photograph: J. G. Clunies-Ross

TO
DIRECTOR
NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF AUSTRALIA
PO BOX NO 1144
EAST VICTORIA PARK 6981

Keeling Cocos Islands Indian Ocean

PS FOUND THE BODY... oops - wrong island

Cocos (Keeling) Islands 6799 Australia 12 September 2001

Remarkably few picture postcards from tourists exist on the philatelic market.

HOME ISLAND PO 6799

A challenge of collecting Cocos (Keeling) Islands postal history is identifying the post office from which mail originated. These covers were posted from Home Island.

Local Rate

Australian letter rate was \$1.10 and this cover is franked 70 cents.

Cocos Island WA 6799 9 June 2021



09 JUN 2021
WA 6799

Dr Bruce Haynes
46 West Island Clinic
West Island 6799
Cocos (Keeling) Islands

BY AIR MAIL PAR AVION
AEROGRAMME



FASTEST ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT



POSTAGE PAID



Mr. John Haynes
17B 25 VICTORIA AVE
CLAREMONT
COUNTRY W.A. 6010

PMC 995-2
10:28
09/04/2021

Cocos Island WA 6799 31 March 2021 (NB not Keeling), Perth 9 April

This cover (and others posted at the same time) received on 12 April – transit time 13 days

Transit time