

# rotary youth leadership award



Youth Leadership weekend courses



# Rotary

**Vision:** To provide an opportunity for **any** young adult to explore and kick start their potential for the future. Our young adults, our future.

**Mission:** To provide a mechanism for all clubs within the Wessex region (Rotary District 1110 ) to invest in the young adults of the future

# RYLA

## What is RYLA

Each year, thousands of young people take part in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program worldwide.

Young people are chosen for their leadership potential to attend an all-expenses-paid camp to discuss leadership skills and to learn those skills through practice. Rotary clubs and districts select participants and facilitate the event's curriculum.

RYLA aims to:

- Provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders;
- Encourage leadership of youth by youth;
- Encourage youth to make a difference in their communities through volunteer work and social responsibility; and
- Demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth.

## **Objectives of the courses**

### **RYLA**

**Aim:** To introduce young people to the concepts of a team, its workings and how effective communication and planning can influence successes or failures.

**Objectives:** By the end of this weekend, the young adults will be able to:

- Understand his/her values that he/she brings to the team
- Demonstrate effective communication skills through a variety of practical exercises
- Have learnt the real need for planning and how this can impact on the outcomes achieved

**Target audience:** Any young adult between the ages of 16 – 17 who can demonstrate a genuine commitment to the aims and objectives of the course and an intention to fully participate in the experience.

**Pre-course Prep:** To attend and interview for the course and to meet with their sponsoring club to conduct research prior to RYLA



## What to expect

Each year all participating clubs in the district select ambassadors to represent them at a 3 day all expenses paid retreat designed by Rotarians to teach and promote leadership skills necessary to make change through services to humanity locally and worldwide. The event offers courses not often found in the regular curriculum teenagers are offered. These courses include diversity training, public speaking, team building, leadership fundamentals, goal setting, leading a meeting, character & ethics, facilitation, fellowship and creating good habits. The retreat offers a mix of indoor and outdoor activities.



All of the students sleep 2 nights in gender specific rooms with Rotary chaperones that have been through safety training, background checks and Leadership skills training. All of the instructors have specific curriculum that has been used, analyzed and changed over the years under the auspices of an ever improving program. We are graded by the students and volunteers every year and take to heart any opportunity for creating a better program for the students. The students get to enjoy a low rope, raft building, games, music and much more.

## **RYLA Re-visited**

**Aim:** To revisit the skills and lessons from RYLA and to enhance self understanding and effectiveness both as a team member and as a stand alone individual through a range of practical and theoretical exercises.

**Objectives:** By the end of this weekend, individuals will:

- Have an understanding of appropriate delegation and team working and better demonstrate, through practical exercises, the dynamics of effective team work
- Start to understand the differences and values of leaders, managers and team members within any situation
- Be given the opportunity to explore their strengths and development areas in a supported but unique environment





# RYLA

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