

# Rotary Youth Leadership Award Course Participant Preliminary Information Sheet & Application Form

Course Dates: Tuesday (am) 18 August to Sunday (am) 23 August 2020

**Course Venue:** Kibblestone International Scout Camp, Oulton, Nr Stone, Staffordshire.

# Would you like to apply for a place on this challenging course?

Course Overview: The course will be a mix of:

- Physical and Mental Challenges: These will allow you, in teams, to experience leadership, communication and problem solving. These challenges will be based on outdoor activities led by experienced and qualified professional instructors.
- Mentoring: Each team will have a mentor. They will help you during the course.
   Mentors are drawn from amongst business and professional people who may be members of Rotary.
- The course is not simply an outdoor activity week. No outdoor activity skills such as canoeing or rock climbing will be taught.
- The cost of the course (£475) will be met by your sponsoring Rotary Club.

**Duke of Edinburgh's Award:** Rotary is an Approved Activity Provider for the DofE Award. The course meets the requirements of the Residential Section of the Gold Award.

Course Objectives: By the end of the course you will have:

- developed leadership experience and skills
- gained confidence through achievement
- learnt the importance of competition, health, fitness, character and tolerance as building blocks to the quality of life
- understood Rotary's commitment to the development and respect for young people

# **Course Aims:**

- to challenge you by putting you under pressure in an enjoyable way
- to encourage and foster your leadership skills through teamwork and communication

# **Candidate Qualifications**

- The course is open to young people who will be 16 or 17 for the full duration of the course.
- You need to demonstrate you have leadership potential; the ability to mix with others; an open and enquiring mind; and basic self-discipline.

• The course is based on outdoor activities. A basic level of fitness is necessary.

#### **Candidate Selection:**

- After application you will be interviewed for a place on the course by members of your sponsoring Rotary Club.
- If selected you will be sent more information before the course. You will also be transported to and from the course by members of your sponsoring Rotary Club.

# **Pre-Course Challenge**

• You are encouraged to raise some funds in advance of the course. During the course the participants, as a group, will be asked to decide to which charity(ies) the funds raised should be given. This will be a way of recognising the value of the opportunity you have experienced by supporting others. Your sponsoring Rotary Club may be able to help you raise these funds.

#### **Post Course**

- Following the course, you will be invited to attend your sponsoring Rotary Club to give a presentation on your perspective of the course.
- A certificate of participation in the RYLA course can be placed within your personal portfolio. Past participants have found the certificate a source of interest and discussion during work and further education interviews.

# So - is this course right for you?

- Will you be 16 or 17 for the full duration of the course.
- Are you a potential leader and would you like to acquire further leadership skills?
- Can you commit yourself to the course dates?
- Are you willing to meet and mix with new people who potentially could become lifelong friends?
- Are you a team player or would you like to become one?
- Are you reasonably fit?
- Are you willing to rough it and help with chores?
- Can you cope with getting wet and dirty?
- Are your creature comforts less important to you than a "life changing" experience?

# Still up for the challenge?

If so, complete the attached form and send it to the Rotary Club contact listed on the form.

Good luck.

# **James Price**

Course Director, RYLA 2020 Rotary Club of The Wrekin



# Rotary District 1210 Rotary Youth Leadership Award Course Tuesday 18 August – Sunday 23 August 2020 Preliminary Application Form

Please print information

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First name:
Family name:
Date of Birth: Age at Sun 23 Aug 2020:
Address:
Tel No: Mobile:
Email Address:
(please make any hyphens and underscores very clear)
School / College / Work Place:
Member of Club / Organisation:
Currently undertaking Duke of Edinburgh Award: Yes / No If 'Yes' Bronze / Silver / Gold
Interests:
Reason for wishing to attend course:
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Please return to (Rotary Club contact):