**Rotary District 1210**

**Rotary Youth Leadership Award Course**

**Participant Preliminary Information Sheet & Application Form**

**Course Dates:** Sunday (am) 12 August to Friday (am) 17 August 2018

**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 Ludlow 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 are over 16 and under 18 on Fri 17 Aug 2018.
* 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.

**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 and to obtain validation of your course certificate with the signature of the Club President.
* The 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.
* Also, after the course, you will be encouraged to raise some funds for a local or international charity. This will be a way of recognising the value of the opportunity you have experienced by supporting others.

**So - is this course right for you?**

* Will you be 16 or over and under 18 on 17 August 2018?
* 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.

**Robyn Davies**

RYLA 2018 Course Director

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**Sun 12 – Fri 17 Aug 2018**

**Preliminary Application Form**

Please print information

First name: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

Family name: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Date of Birth: …………………………………………….. Age at 17 Aug 2018: ….……………………………………

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School / College / Work Place: …………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Currently undertaking Duke of Edinburgh Award: Yes / No … If ‘Yes’ Bronze / Silver / Gold

Interests: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

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Please return to youthservices@ludlowrotaryclub.org.uk by April 30 2018. We will then arrange interviews to select our candidate. Earlier applications very welcome.