



RYPEN – ROTARY YOUTH PROGRAM OF ENRICHMENT
DISTRICT 9750

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Message from the Chairman

The RYPEN Committee welcomes your enthusiasm for RYPEN.

This pack has been provided for all Rotary Youth Directors and Rotarians interested in supporting and promoting RYPEN.

This pack will provide you with all the information you need to source candidates and provide information to them about the RYPEN weekend.

If you require any further information please contact us at the details below.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

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RECRUITMENT PROCESS

1. **Source appropriate candidates** – Candidates should have leadership potential, demonstrated qualities of sincerity, courage, persistence, application and dependability. Prospective applicants should be committed to developing their leadership qualities.
2. **Interview** – The experience of a formal interview is a valuable learning opportunity for the candidates. The aim of the interview is to enable you to meet the prospective candidate, outline the expectations of the weekend and provide a valuable interview experience to the RYPENian.

*Please do not underestimate the value of an interview experience.
For many students this will be their first interview.*

3. **Complete and submit application form** – The candidate needs to fill out the application form and lodge it with a Rotary Club.



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

Action	Date
Rotary Clubs contacted by RYPEN Committee members	January 2009
Term 1 School Begins	Tuesday 27 January 2009
Source and interview applicants	March/April 2009
Early Bird (\$250 per applicant) closes	11 April 2009
Term 1 School Holidays	10 April to 27 April 2009
Final date for Rotary Clubs to send application forms and cheques (\$300 per applicant)	24 April 2009
RSVP for RYPEN Showcase Dinner (Sat 2 May 2009)	27 April 2009
Rotarians to transport applicants to Deer Park Conference Centre (from 5pm)	Friday 1 May 2009
RYPEN Weekend	1-3 May 2009
RYPEN Dinner	Saturday 2 May 2009
Rotarians to transport applicants home applicant (pickup time 4pm)	Sunday 3 May 2009
RYPENians to visit sponsoring Rotary Club and give a presentation about their RYPEN experience	May/June 2009



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POTENTIAL INTERVIEW FORMAT

Interviewing potential candidates will give them the experience of presenting themselves, a life skill that can give confidence and practice. It is also an opportunity to meet your potential applicant and to assess if they fit the required criteria. As a Rotarian you can also inform them of the community service projects you are involved in and other opportunities Rotary International could offer them.

Suggested Questions:

1. What extra curricular activities do you enjoy participating in?
2. What are some of the problems you see young adults having to face in today's society?
3. Discuss one situation in which you have been in a leadership role? (eg. Captain of basketball team etc.)
4. Have you ever had to work within a group situation, what problems arose, and how did you deal with this?
5. Are you interested in contributing to your local community? If so how do you think you can achieve this?



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EXTRACT FOR PUBLICATIONS IN ROTARY NEWSLETTER

RYPEN is a Rotary sponsored leadership training program which aims to provide young Australians aged 14-16 years old with the opportunity to develop their leadership potential. This weekend provides young adults with the opportunity to build confidence, develop life skills and learn to work together to solve problems. This weekend sponsored by Rotary provides a unique opportunity to interact with other people their own age and to actively learn in a supportive environment.

See: www.rypen9750.org.au for all details!

**Now it's time to look for suitable applicants to send to
RYPEN 1-3 May 2009!**

EXTRACT FOR PUBLICATIONS IN LOCAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OPPORTUNITY!! OPPORTUNITY!!

Local Rotary Clubs are looking for 14-16 year olds with leadership potential to attend a weekend away 1-3 May 2009. If you're interested in developing your skills, meeting new people and working as a team to solve problems and challenges – APPLY BY CONTACTING YOUR LOCAL ROTARY CLUB NOW! (for your local club see list: www.rypen9750.org.au)

- All costs are covered by the sponsoring Rotary Club.



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INVITATION

RYPEN Showcase Dinner Flyer

Come along and support your future community leaders and be entertained by the RYPEN Showcase.

Saturday 2 May 2009

Where: Deer Park Royal National Park

Cost: \$30

RSVP by 27 April 2009

Your name: _____

Rotary Club: _____

How many will be attending: _____ x \$30 = \$_____

Please indicate the names of anyone else in your party:

Cheques payable to:

RYPEN District 9750

Please post together with this completed form to:

PO Box 265, St Peters NSW 2044