

Club 18610 - District 9940 - Chartered 1960

President: Warren Poehler

24th August 2020

Dear Parent/Caregiver

Your son/daughter has been nominated by your local Rotary Club to attend the **Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment (RYPEN)**. This exciting weekend takes place annually and is an opportunity for your teenager to develop their confidence and leadership skills.

Details are below. Please read them carefully and complete the consent form. Your child needs to complete Section 2 of the Nomination/Registration Form. The forms can then be returned to your nominating Rotary Club. Please do this promptly. Registrations close on Friday 5th March 2021.

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RYPEN is a program for 15-17 year old young people of both genders who possess qualities of decency, sincerity, persistence and application which deserves further development. It is organised in Rotary District 9940 by the Rotary Club of Inglewood and held at the Vertical Horizon Adventure Centre, $10 \, \text{km}$ east of Inglewood in Taranaki. Vertical Horizon is a privately owned facility. It is fully compliant and highly regarded by all the schools, corporates and government agencies that use it.

Program Aims: The program is planned to challenge all participants in situations that develop: **Confidence, Leadership and Teamwork** in a unique rural setting.

The principle aim is to communicate a series of ideas and problems, challenges and social experiences with a view to challenging participants and fostering resilience. Problem-solving in a group context is one of the key strategies used.

Please do not nominate young people who have already experienced other outdoor pursuit experiences. Your members may know of suitable candidates. If not, please speak to your local secondary school; no doubt they will be happy to suggest potential participants.

Numbers: RYPEN 2020 will be for a maximum of 50 participants. The preferred number of nominations per Rotary Club is two.

Gender: The weekend's activities work best when there is a balance of gender and we will seek the help of Rotary Clubs with this.

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RYPEN will be held on the weekend of Friday 26th - Sunday 28th March 2021

COST The cost for Camp Fees and Program Expenses of \$245.00 per student is paid by the nominating Rotary Club. The Rotary Club of Inglewood will transport students from Rotary House (13 Moa Street, Inglewood) to Vertical Horizon Camp and return. Nominating Rotary Clubs and families of the nominated student/s need to confer regarding transport to and from Inglewood. Intercity coaches stop right outside Rotary House as part of their normal route. **REGISTRATION** Nomination Forms: MUST be returned no later than Friday 5th March 2021 to the Inglewood Rotary Club., so please ensure the sponsoring Rotary Club contact person has your form back in time for it to be processed and forwarded by the 6th March. Completed forms must include the email address of a contact from the nominating club AS WELL AS the nominee's. No late entries will be accepted. If your child is unable to attend for any reason please advise us as soon as possible. PLEASE print your email address clearly, as this is an important line of communication. **TRANSPORT** The Inglewood Rotary Club will ensure all participants are transported between Inglewood and the camp. Note that on: Friday - the northbound Intercity bus arrives at 4.59pm from Wellington and Palmerston North Sunday – this service is COVID19 dependent and it may be a charter bus is used. Friday - private transport can deliver students to Rotary House from 4.00pm Sunday - private transport can collect students from Rotary House from 1.00pm. These times are a guide only. Please check. CONTACT Any questions you have can be directed to your local Rotary Club or to the RYPEN Committee: rypen9940@gmail.com (2) The RYPEN Convener for 2019 is: The Secretary (Mel Cook) rypen9940@gmail.com mobile phone 0274 426943

We look forward to meeting your teenager in May.

Kind regards

Mel Cook RYPEN Convener