Once again, on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December, the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Rotary dinner is coming around. I encourage as many as possible to come along, and please remember to invite guests and prospective members. This is an opportunity to meet and chat with the RYLA candidates (tomorrow's leaders and Rotarians) get feedback on RYLA and just have a fun night with a great group of young adults. There will be Rotarians from many other clubs present, and it is always a fun and light-hearted evening. It is also a great way to show any potential members one of the best examples of Rotary at Work.

The venue is Oasis Camp, <u>66-72 Monbulk Rd, Mount Evelyn, VIC 3796</u>, and the evening commences at 6:00 for 6:30 pm. To book, please use the Camberwell Rotary website link: <u>http://camberwellrotary.org.au/</u>

After booking, you will get a prompt requesting any dietary requirements, please remember to use this if you need to. The cost of dinner is \$35.00. They will also accept cash (please try to have exactly \$35.00) or credit cards at the door (MasterCard & Visa only please).

Please remember that the RYLA dinner is a non-alcohol event.

This year we are not the host club, so there is no work for us to do.

The drive up to Mount Evelyn in rush hour traffic can be a bit of a challenge, and for that reason last year I organised a lunchtime bbq, and an afternoon of fun & fellowship up in the hills, with a 10-minute drive to the camp in time for dinner. I am happy to do the same thing again, so please email me at: <a href="mailto:psullivan@wtpartnership.com.au">psullivan@wtpartnership.com.au</a> if you would like to be part of a fun afternoon. BYO everything. The drive home later in the evening without traffic is easy.

If your intention is only to attend the dinner, there is no need to email me, but please remember you still need to book on the Camberwell Rotary website.

If you think you know a young person 18-25 (must have turned 18 by 3rd December 2017) who would like to attend RYLA, please refer them to the D9800 RYLA website for information and to register on-line: http://www.ryla9800.org.au/

I will make further announcements at Rotary meetings as the time approaches. Many thanks,

Paul Sullivan on behalf of the Youth Service Committee.

## What is RYLA?

For new members who may not be aware, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) is a week-long residential program for young people aged 18 to 25, which focuses on personal growth, leadership development and community. In Rotary District 9800, RYLA aims to:

- Help participants gain a better understanding of their own strengths, passions and values
- Develop the leadership skills of young people through experiential workshops, involving teamwork, communication, motivation and introspection
- Foster an appreciation of the diverse abilities and unique qualities of those around them