

MODEL UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY (MUNA)

The Rotary Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) encourages young people to learn about other countries and to develop an understanding of the workings of the United Nations. Participants develop debating skills, gain self-confidence in public speaking and leadership skills. An added bonus is that in many cases, long term friendships are also made.

MUNA works the same way as the UN General Assembly, right down to the Rules and Processes. Teams of 2 students from year 10 or 11 take on the role of delegates representing a UN Member State. Delegates are given topics drawn from previous UN resolutions, such as Education, Environment, Health, Human Rights, promotion of Peace and Security Poverty, Nuclear Proliferation and Terrorism.

Delegates must research the topics and be able to express the views of the country they are representing. They are encouraged to wear an appropriate national costume and have fun. The objective is to encourage young people to learn respect and tolerance for people of all cultures, races, religions and nationalities.



MUNA challenges our youth to respect cultural diversity and difference of race and religion while retaining their own individualism and the best of their national customs and traditions. It is all about building bridges of goodwill for world peace and understanding in the minds of our young people through encouragement and facilitation of dialogue and open communication.



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Additional Sources:

Rotary International - www.rotary.org
Rotary District 9815- www.rotary9815.org.au

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YOUTH MATTERS

Youth Development Programs

- * **Rotary Junior Community Awards (RJCA)**
- * **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)**
- * **Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)**
- * **National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)**



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THE COMMUNITY**

ROTARY YOUTH PROGRAMS

ROTARY JUNIOR COMMUNITY AWARDS (RJCA)

The Rotary Junior Community Award started in Bairnsdale in the early 2000s after a trial period in four local schools to determine major goals.

It was introduced to involve young people in a direct positive way to benefit themselves and the local community.

The Rotary Club of Moe has been conducting the program with local schools since... **with over 200??? students involved** by 2023 (#Check these details for correctness with Robin.)

The RJCA is a non-competitive award for Year 6 students and fosters satisfaction gained from volunteering.

The students, with the assistance of parents and teachers, work through a list of activities which are designed to increase knowledge and community values in the areas of:

- ◆ Community Service
- ◆ Physical Recreation
- ◆ Social Experience
- ◆ Skill Development
- ◆ Environmental Awareness



As sponsoring Rotary Club, the Rotary Club of Moe promotes the project, helps provide direction and support and evaluates the student diaries prior to a celebration ceremony.

It is here that the project reaches its conclusion as students are congratulated and presented with a certificate of achievement.

The success of the program can easily be gauged by noting the variety of activities undertaken, and the confidence, effort, diligence and enthusiasm displayed by the students.

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS (RYLA)

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an immersive 3 day residential program for young people aged 18-27 where they can develop their skills as a leader while having fun and making connections.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Through connections with leaders in the community and other young people, participants can:

- ◆ Build communications and problem-solving skills
- ◆ Discover strategies for becoming a dynamic leader in their school or community.
- ◆ Learn from community leaders, inspirational speakers and peer mentors
- ◆ Unlock their potential to turn motivation into action
- ◆ Have fun and form lasting friendships

Graduates of RYLA program have reported that the course was a fantastic opportunity to develop their skills and meet an enthusiastic group of like minded people.

HOW DO YOUNG PEOPLE PARTICIPATE?

Participants are selected and sponsored by local Rotary Clubs and there is no cost to the participant or their family. RYLA is life changing experience so take the challenge and apply today.



ROTARY SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM

The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Year 12 program is designed to give students a broader understanding of the diverse study and career options available in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) and to encourage them to continue their studies in these fields.

At the NYSF Year 12 Program, participants will

- ◆ Visit science and technology related laboratories and facilities
- ◆ Go on site tours
- ◆ Listen to lectures
- ◆ Take part in workshops
- ◆ Go to social events
- ◆ Participate in group activities that improve communication and presentation skills

Participants also take part in sessions on entrepreneurship, critical thinking, how to work together effectively and more.

The focus is not solely on academic achievements but on developing well-rounded individuals who have the skills and confidence to determine their futures.

Rotary Clubs around Australia play a key role in supporting the NYSF by conducting selections for the NYSF Year 12 Program and providing support to participants to meet the associated costs of attending the program