

**2018 RYPEN CHALLENGE**  
**16 – 18 November 2018**  
**Borambola Sport & Recreation Centre**  
**via Wagga Wagga**



## INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

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**RYPEN**, or the **ROTARY YOUTH PROGRAM OF ENRICHMENT** is a challenging weekend designed for year 9 students who show a positive and caring attitude in everyday life. The principal aim is to communicate a series of ideas, discuss social issues and run a series of challenging team-building activities that will assist the participants in developing relationships and life skills.

At RYPEN you will make new friends, develop skills you didn't know you had and above all you will have a great time.

For more information and to view photos and videos from previous RYPEN camps visit the [Rotary District 9700 website](http://www.rotary9700.org.au) (go to <http://www.rotary9700.org.au> then select Youth - RYPEN)

### Who runs RYPEN

RYPEN is run by members of the Rotary Club of Wollundry Wagga Wagga. The camp is run largely by the **RYPEN Youth Leadership Team**, a hand-picked group of ex-RYPEN students, who are also responsible for guiding and mentoring the RYPEN students.

### Youth Leadership Team (YLT)

Twelve amazing students that have attended RYPEN in the past have been selected as the Youth Leadership Team. After an intensive training weekend, they are very keen to meet the RYPEN students and spend the weekend with them at the camp. The YLT is open to any student that has previously attended RYPEN.

### Where is RYPEN

RYPEN is held at [Borambola Sport & Recreation Camp](http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/borambola/) (<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/borambola/>) which is located 25kms east of Wagga Wagga on the Sturt Highway.

### Camp Dates

Starts: 5pm Friday 16 November 2018  
Ends: 1pm Sunday 18 November 2018

### How much does RYPEN Cost

Your local Rotary Club is responsible for the selection of **RYPEN** participants in their area and will discuss arrangements for the payment of the \$330 nomination fee. The Rotary Club may provide partial or full sponsorship. **All applications must be supported by a Rotary Club.**

### Transport To/From RYPEN

Buses have been arranged for travel from Griffith-Wagga and Bathurst-Wagga (and towns in between) at no cost to RYPEN participants. Your sponsoring Rotary Club has the details. If you are unable to use the bus service you must make your own travel arrangements.

### What Happens at RYPEN

At RYPEN you will meet new people and make new friends. You will hear from inspirational speakers covering a range of interesting topics and participate in a host of fun and exciting outdoor and team building activities. You will also learn a lot about yourself and how you can have a positive impact on others. And you will get to meet and chat with all the international Rotary Exchange students that are in Australia in the Wagga Wagga-Griffith-Bathurst area. Check out the RYPEN program in the information package.

**What do I need to bring to RYPEN**

- Sleeping bag and a pillow
- Towel and toiletries
- Swimmers
- Casual clothes
- Sensible shoes (ensure that you have sports shoes)
- Writing material
- Junk food (if you cannot last one weekend)
- Sunscreen cream/lotion
- Insect repellent
- Your sense of adventure and a healthy sense of humor

**Will I be in the same group as my friends?**

You will be assigned to accommodation and activity groups designed to give you the best opportunity to meet new people and develop new friendships and new skills. You probably won't be in a group with your old friends but you are going to make lots of new friends!

**Mobile Phones**

Mobile phones are to be handed in to the camp supervisor upon registration. They will be held in security and returned to you at the conclusion of the camp.

**RYPEN Camp Rules**

Strict Rules are enforced at RYPEN to ensure the safety and well-being of each participant. Breaking camp rules may result in the parent/guardian being asked to remove their child from camp.

1. Students must behave appropriately at all times including obeying camp rules, respecting the wishes of the organizers and the rights of fellow students.
2. Smoking and alcohol use by students are not permitted
3. Mobile phones are not permitted. Phones brought to the camp will be securely stored by the camp supervisor.
4. Participants can expect to be in accommodation groups and activity groups separated from friends.
5. Accommodation groups and activity groups will not be altered to group friends together.
6. The camp curfew is 12.00 midnight. Students are not to leave their dormitories after this time. If there is any medical reason to break this curfew, please indicate this on the application form.

**To apply for RYPEN:**

- 1. Complete the Application Form and return to your sponsoring Rotary Club**
- 2. Submit the online Medical Consent Form for Borambola**
- 3. Speak to your Rotary Club about the \$330 sponsorship fee**
- 4. Complete these steps by Friday 19 October.**

**Need help or more information?**

Contact your sponsoring Rotary Club or you can contact RYPEN Coordinator Darren Wallace on:  
Mobile phone: 0409 120 108 Email: darren@pcresources.com.au

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**APPLICATION FORM**

<b>Applicant Information</b>										<b>PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY</b>	
First name:					Last name:						
Gender:					Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy):						
Current address:							Home phone:				
Suburb:							State:		Postcode:		
Your email:								Your mobile:			
Parent/guardian name:							Parent/guardian email:				
Your school:										Year:	
Sports/hobbies/interests:											
T-Shirt size (please circle)		Male	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	Other:		
		Female	8	10	12	14	16	18	Other:		
<b>Sponsoring Rotary Club Information</b>											
Club name:											
Contact name:						Position:					
Phone:						Email:					
Transport (see bus schedule)		RYPEN Griffith bus: Specify pickup/drop off TOWN						I will travel to/from RYPEN by private car <input type="checkbox"/>			
		RYPEN Bathurst bus: Specify pickup/drop off TOWN						Other (specify)			
<b>Emergency contact</b>											
Name of person to contact in case of emergency:											
Relationship:											
Phone business hours:						Phone after hours/mobile:					
<b>Parent/Guardian acceptance</b>											
<p>This RYPEN Camp is conducted and supervised by Rotarians and their partners who live-in with participants. All carry a current Working with Children Check, under the Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012. Strict Rules will be enforced to ensure the safety and well-being of each participant. Students that behave contrary to camp rules may be required to be removed from the camp by their parent/guardian.</p> <p>Please sign below to give your approval for your child to attend this RYPEN Camp at Borambola Sport &amp; Recreation Centre.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I give the RYPEN Committee permission to arrange Ambulance transport and medical attention for my son/daughter/ward if it is considered necessary. I expect to be notified as soon as practicable.</li> <li>2. I grant permission to use my child's image in print, video, and digital media. I agree that these images may be used by Rotary for a variety of purposes and that these images may be used without further notifying me.</li> </ol>											
Signature of Parent/Guardian:										Date:	
<b>Student acceptance</b>											
Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read, understand and agree to abide by the RYPEN camp rules and that whilst at the camp you will behave in the spirit of friendship and teamwork.											
Signature of Applicant:										Date:	
<b>Return this form to your sponsoring Rotary Club by Friday 19 October</b>											

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## ONLINE MEDICAL CONSENT FORM - INSTRUCTIONS

The Department of Sport and Recreation require a medical and consent form from all RYPEN participants.

This year the form must be completed online by clicking [here](#) or by typing the below address into an internet browser on your computer:

<https://sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/facilities/communityprograms/medicalandconsentform>

The information required includes: medical conditions, food related allergies, special diets, medication and emergency contact details. The online form is easy to complete and is sent directly to the Centre so staff can prepare for your visit.

You will need the following details to complete the online form:

Booking Number: **534346**  
Start Date: **16/11/2018**  
Venue: **Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre and Southern Regional Office**  
Organisation: **RYPEN**

Below is an image of how to complete the first page of the form with the above information.

### Participant dietary, medical and consent form - with meals

#### Booking details

The Organisation or person coordinating arrangements for the group should provide you with the relevant Booking Number, Start Date and Venue information. Please do not proceed without the correct information.

Participant type \* ?      Booking number \* ?      Booking start date \* ?

Participant - Child (under 18) ▼      534346      16/11/2018

Venue \* ?

Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre and Southern Regional Office ▼

Name of organisation and/or organiser \* ?

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**Click below to complete the online Medical Consent form**

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**You cannot attend RYPEN unless you have completed the online medical consent form**