

# RCPE sends two learners to RYLA



One of the goals in Rotary is to help young people develop their leadership abilities and self-confidence to the fullest. To accomplish that goal, Rotary clubs prepare thousands of young leaders through Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) programs each year. RYLA events are organized by Rotarians who are business and professional achievers.

Young men and women spend a week in a challenging program of discussions, inspirational addresses, leadership training and social activities designed to enhance personal development, leadership skills and good citizenship.

Leadership concepts conveyed during the program are reinforced and practiced in many ways, including group challenges, individual participation and activities on the Ropes Course, which focuses on effective communication, trust, confidence and cooperation.

The Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program is coordinated by Rotary Clubs around the globe. Each year, thousands of young people aged between 13–30 are sponsored by Rotary Clubs to attend the event run by the club's district committee.

The Rotary Club of Pretoria East was one of several District 9400 Rotary clubs that sent their candidates on the greatest RYLA camp of all time at the Magoebaskloof RYLA Base Camp! The weekend was a mix of classroom-based lessons, exercise, dancing, outside obstacles and all-round experiential learning!

Thanks to Rotarian Jan Visagie, the Rotary Club of Pretoria East was able to take part for the second year running by nominating two learners from the Hoërskool Wilgers. Heinrich Schilling and Attie Senekal participated in the Warriors programme for four days in September.

Warriors is passionate about equipping youngsters with the skills and life experiences they need to succeed at university, in a career, the workplace and in life.

President Robin Jones and Jan Visagie welcomed Heinrich Schilling and Attie Senekal on their visit to the club. The two learners attended a club meeting, together with their parents, to tell members about their experiences and the lessons learnt at the 2018 RYLA Camp



This event once again proved that Rotary knows how to produce future leaders! RYLA participants can be any age, but most events focus on secondary school students, university students, or young professionals. RYLA events typically include presentations, activities, and workshops that cover a variety of topics, including leadership fundamentals and ethics, communication skills, problem solving and conflict management as well as community and global citizenship.

