



District 1285 Summer Camp 2018
Saturday 14th July – Saturday 28th July

Information for Campers

The Rotary Youth Exchange summer camp is an opportunity for young people, generally aged 16 – 17, to meet equivalents from other countries and exchange ideas and cultural values. It is found to be an excellent opportunity for developing international friendships and goodwill, which is one of Rotary's primary objectives. **The camp lasts two weeks from 14th July to 28th July 2018**

We ask you to arrange to travel so that you arrive on Saturday 14th July 2018 at Manchester / Liverpool airports or in some cases the railway station or bus station. You can arrive at any time that suits your journey, and your host family will come to meet you.

If you have any problems with these travel dates and need to arrive (or depart) earlier or later, please contact John Shepley as soon as possible, so that we can make arrangements for you.

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It is important that you have a mobile phone with you and tell the host family the number so that you can get in touch in case of travel problems. DO NOT use all the battery, so that you can still make calls when you arrive!

Once your place on the Camp has been confirmed we will organise your host families for this visit. As soon as the details are finalised I will send you all the necessary information about your hosts including e-mail address and phone number etc. You can then make contact. You need to let your family know time and place of your arrival in England so they can be there to meet you. You should also tell them all the details regarding your journey home.

For the first four nights, you will stay at the home of your host family. You will have your own private room. During these first four days, you may choose to visit things in the Manchester area and other places in the North-west of England of interest to you. Your hosts generally like having days out, and you can go in small groups with the other campers who want to do the same things as you. Before arriving in England please tell your hosts some things about yourself and also any things that you like. This will help them plan some trips for you.

On the first Sunday after you arrive your hosts will take you out to the opening Sunday lunch when you will have your first opportunity of meeting all the other campers.

From Wednesday the 18th July to the end of the Camp the group stay together on a camp site at Petty Pool, Cheshire, and travel each day to activities organised by local Rotary Clubs. For the middle weekend of the camp, you will be going by boat to the Isle of Man, where you stay in a hostel with lots of outdoor activities by the sea.

The last Friday of the camp is a special occasion. All the campers and their host families meet up at Petty Pool for a farewell evening. We really hope that you will not have to leave early as the last night on Friday is very special.

On Saturday 28th July you will be taken back to the airport for your journey home.

Please note you should bring casual clothes such as jeans, t-shirts, shorts; together with strong footwear for walking/hiking and swimwear etc for sporting activities. It might also be useful to pack a light raincoat in case it rains and also a jumper or fleece in case it gets cool. Also if you play a musical instrument then you are invited to bring it with you (up to size of a guitar). Also CD's etc.

You should also be aware that smoking and alcohol are not allowed during the Summer Camp.

Contact details on behalf of the Summer Camp Committee

Chairman

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Provisional programme of activities during the Camp **Saturday 14th July – 28th July 2018**

Hosts families collect from airport on Saturday 14th July and home host until Wed 18th July

Sunday Lunch on Sun 15th July

Official opening of Camp and Barbeque at Petty Pool on Wed evening 18th July

Trip to Isle of Man am Fri 20thJuly – Sun 22nd July

Mon 23rd July – Thurs 26th July

Various activities organised by local Rotary Clubs / Inner Wheel

Fri. 27th July

Shopping, Chester and time at Petty Pool Followed by closing meal.

We are expecting 14 campers in total from seven different countries.

We are sure you will all have a great time and make really good friends together.

Regards

Mr Gunvant Kumpavat (GK)

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