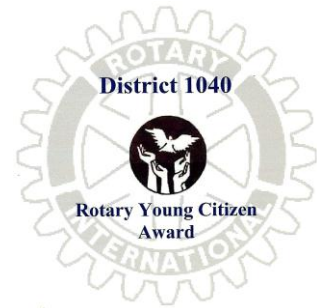




## Rotary International District 1040

### New Generations

(Youth Opportunities)  
Fifth Avenue of Service  
[www.yoprojects.org.uk](http://www.yoprojects.org.uk)



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## Young Citizen News Letter 01

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### Young Citizen

Young Citizen Awards (YCA's) give Rotary Clubs across the country the opportunity to recognise and celebrate the good citizenship demonstrated by young people in their community. **Individual clubs nominate a young person or group under the age of 25.**

### **Format**

Clubs select one or more nominees and download the application form from the RIBI or District 1040 website. There are guidelines to help the completion of the form on the websites and examples of past winners. The nomination form must be signed by parents or carers, although not strictly necessary for over 18 year olds. This gives permission for photos and information to be broadcast

### **Competition**

The closing date for the competition is the end of February 2012. There is no cost to the sponsoring club apart from time to select the nominee and complete the nomination form. Nomination forms are then scrutinised by a panel of RIBI judges and the shortlist is then judged along with a representative of BBC TV. All those nominated receive a certificate from RIBI, which the club can in turn present locally.

### **Prizes**

There are 5 cash prizes of £500 and a visit to BBC News at TV centre in London. Winning projects form the basis of a series of mini-reports for television. Winners will be featured at RIBI Annual conference.

### Young Citizen

Nominations have risen each year. This competition is now in its fourth year. Unfortunately our District has only nominated a few young people each year and there will be many more likely candidates in our district worthy of nomination. Your young person could be nominated by a school, youth group like scouts or guides, young carers association or through your club's personal contacts. Look around in your community for young people who are showing service above self. Please look and celebrate those youngsters who work hard for your clubs and their communities and I look forward to hearing from you about them.

Lesley Hastings

## **Only Two Weeks left to enter your communities Young Citizens into the - RIBI YOUNG CITIZEN AWARDS**

Your club really doesn't want to miss the opportunity to nominate young positive role-models from within your communities for the RIBI Young Citizen Awards 2012.

The achievements of young people are being celebrated with the Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI) Young Citizen Awards.

Young Citizen is a project conceived by RIBI in association with BBC News in 2007 to celebrate the positive citizenship and vital responsibilities assumed by many young people in these Great Britain and Ireland. The awards recognise young people under the age of 25.

Five awards of a trophy, a cash prize of £500 and a visit to BBC News at TV Centre in London will be made to five Rotary related projects involving young people working in their communities and/or helping overseas to improve the lot of others.

The awardees may be an individual or a group. Past nominations may also be submitted again this year.

To enter the Award, all entries have to be nominated by a Rotary club.

Nomination forms should be returned to the Secretariat but must be received before the deadline of 29th February 2012, clearly marked 'RIBI Young Citizen Awards'.

For more details go to

<http://www.ribi.org/committees/new-generations/competitions-for-young-people/ribi-young-citizen-awards>

Or contact Tony Jordan on the New Generations Committee by email: [tonyandtsm@aol.com](mailto:tonyandtsm@aol.com) or phone him on 01845 574084 or 07976 321942.



**Leeds Rotary Club Service Above Self Service Awards**