



## WHAT IS INTERACT ?

**INTERACT is a great club for 12-18 and is ideal for schools, colleges and youth groups.** The **Rotary GBI Interact Directory** is produced annually from information provided by district interact officers. It contains details of the many Interact clubs across the country, making it easier for Rotarians to link with clubs and embark on exciting projects.

**INTERACT** is a Rotary sponsored service club for young people aged 14 to 18 years of age. The intention is to give young people an opportunity to participate in meaningful service projects in a fun way. As they do this they develop their initiative and leadership skills, whilst at the same time making new friends.

Worldwide there are over 200.000 young people in more than 8,700 **INTERACT** clubs in 110 countries. There is potential for an **INTERACT** Club at every Senior school in this District. Youngsters in our communities deserve the opportunity to be part of this great organisation, thereby developing into the next generation of good citizens. Hopefully from Interact they will move into **ROTARACT** Clubs and later from there into **ROTARY**

There is a wealth of information available from the Club Project Organiser about Interact for schools, by way of leaflets, information sheets and DVDs.



**ROTARY & INTERACT**  
**APPROVED DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD APPROVED ACTIVITY PROVIDER !**

**Rotary GBI** is now able to provide even more opportunities for young people, thanks to becoming an **Approved Activity Provider (AAP)** for **The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE)**.

**INTERACT**, the junior branch of **Rotary**, now offers volunteering opportunities, which will count towards achieving the **Volunteering section of the Bronze, Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award**, which is given to young people for completing a range of “self-improvement” activities.

The new relationship means **Interactors** can carry on with their excellent social impact work in local communities whilst also completing their Volunteering section for their DofE.

**President of Rotary GBI Peter Davey comments**, *“The youngsters within Rotary are so dedicated to making a difference and their work is worthy of recognition beyond Interact. I am thrilled that The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award has licensed Interact as an AAP and I am very much looking forward to working with this inspiring charity and helping out young people to be the best they can be.”*

**Lizzie Usher, Programme and Quality Manager from The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award**, commented: *“At the DofE our aim is to inspire, guide and support young people in their self-development and recognise their achievements. By licensing Approved Activity Providers we are giving young people the opportunity to gain a wide range of experiences while achieving their Award.”*

**Rotary and “Interact”** has long history of supporting young people to do good in their community, which is exactly the sort of work we encourage. We hope that young people will reap the benefits of our latest partnership with Rotary and will enjoy volunteering for their community.”

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Please [click here to learn more and get access to a range of documents](#), or you can [download the interact pack here](#) (including handbook, poster, consent form, Interact Presidential Citation, Duke of Edinburgh guidance notes and certificates) and to contact your **DISTRICT INTERACT CO-ORDINATOR** visit the District Youth Services team page at <http://district.rotary1220.org/service-committees/district-projects/youth-services>

