



UPPER HUNTER SHIRE YOUNG ENDEAVOUR SCHEME

January 2025

NOMINATION INFORMATION

A VOYAGE ON THE YOUNG ENDEAVOUR

A voyage on the tall ship Young Endeavour is a voyage of a lifetime. The successful nominees will spend eleven days with 23 other young Australians, learning not only how to sail the ship, but how to work together as a team. They will get to see spectacular parts of Australia many others never see.

Your nominee/s don't need to be sailors, most have never sailed before. They need to be an Australian citizen or permanent resident, live within the Upper Hunter Shire area and aged 16 to 23 on the sailing date, be able to swim 50 metres and be in good health.

On board, the crew learn to sail a 44 metre tall ship on the open sea. They will be involved in all aspects of sailing from climbing the mast, setting the sails, navigating, keeping watch, taking the

helm and helping in the galley. They will be trained by a professional Navy crew who are there to ensure the highest standards of safety and care.

A Young Endeavour voyage is not a leisurely cruise. It is challenging and exhilarating. The young people will meet and live with people from across Australia, from all walks of life, some of who may become their closest friends.

By submitting a nomination for the Young Endeavour, you have the chance to provide someone with a unique, challenging and inspirational experience which will increase their self-awareness, develop their teamwork and leadership skills and create a strong sense of community responsibility.



Message from the Mayor

The Upper Hunter Shire Council and its sponsors are proud to offer positions for the Young Endeavour Youth Development Program to youth aged 16-23 years.

The Young Endeavour is an exciting opportunity for the youth of the Upper Hunter to sail a tall ship off the East Coast of Australia. Participants commit to an exhilarating 11-day journey, learning not only how to sail a square-rigged tall ship, but how to lead, support others, and work together as a team. It is a challenging yet rewarding opportunity, that previous graduates of the program describe as 'life changing'.

The program enhances confidence, leadership, and teamwork skills. In a supportive environment, participants will have their boundaries thoroughly tested, creating memories that last a lifetime. Be prepared to face your fears, push yourself out of your comfort zone and discover how you rise to challenges.

If you are ready for an adventure like no other, apply today.

Maurice Collison
Mayor, Upper Hunter Shire



ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for consideration in this scheme, the nominee:

1. Must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident and a resident of the Shire. That is, their normal postal address is within the boundaries of the Upper Hunter Shire.
2. Must be between 16 and 23 years old on the day of departure of the voyage (January 2025).
3. Must be available to sail on selected voyage dates (January 2025) at the time of nomination.
4. Must be willing to take part and abide by the terms and conditions of the scheme and accept the Voyage Principles.
5. Must be able to swim at least 50 metres and be in good health. If selected the nominee must complete a health assessment at their expense, which will include their doctor's approval to undertake the voyage. Certain medical conditions, including some controlled by medication, may preclude nominees from participating in the voyage, for example:
 - Diabetes Mellitus
 - Epilepsy
 - Depression and Mental Illness treated by medication
 - Severe Asthma
 - Communicable Diseases such as Chicken Pox, Glandular Fever, German Measles
 - Broken or sprained limbs
 - Pregnancy (due to increased possibility of seasickness and complications, ie ectopic pregnancy)

If you have any questions please contact the Voyage Co-ordinator on 1800 020 444 before applying.

6. Must be able to show proof of two (2) COVID-19 vaccinations on date of departure of the voyage.
7. Can only be nominated once in the same year.

It remains the responsibility of the organisers to ensure their nominations are received by Council by close of business on Friday, 25 October 2024.

Candidates who do not meet eligibility requirements or who have previously sailed on the Young Endeavour voyage may not be nominated.

SELECTION

Selection for the scheme requires:

1. As per the sponsorship commitment, Gold Sponsors are eligible to nominate two (2) young people (one male and one female). Silver Sponsors are eligible to nominate one (1) young person.
2. All other eligible organisations based within the Shire of the Upper Hunter can nominate two (2) young people (one male and one female) for a nomination fee as below.
3. All nomination forms must include a current photograph of the nominee.
4. All male and female nominees will go into a ballot draw for the voyage to be conducted at the Celebration Dinner on Wednesday 13 November 2024.
5. The nominee(s) drawn from the ballot will be offered a voyage (to be announced October 2024 - indicative timeframe January 2025).
6. On reaching the target number of community berths, standby draws will be conducted in the event that the first drawn young person suffers a misadventure or is unable to take part in the voyage for another reason. The standby young person/s must match the gender of the first drawn and meet the conditions of a health assessment and accept the Voyage Principles.

Return Nomination form and photo to:

Upper Hunter Shire Council

PO Box 208, Scone NSW 2337

Scone Administration Centre 135 Liverpool Street, Scone NSW 2337

Merriwa Office 34 - 40 Vennacher Street, Merriwa NSW 2329

Murrurundi Office 47 Mayne Street, Murrurundi NSW 2338

Email: council@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au

Nominees and parents are invited to attend an information afternoon tea at 4.00pm on Thursday, 8 December 2022 at the Council Chambers, Scone Administration Centre, 135 Liverpool Street, Scone to receive information packs relating to the Young Endeavour voyage and dinner.

Do it, don't even think twice! It is one of the best programs that is offered for young people, you will get so much out of it.

- Lachlan Phelps



The feeling you get when you challenge yourself to do something outside that box just can't be bettered by anything. Plus after it all you get to call yourself a Tall Ship Sailor.

- Daniel Hogan



All those amazing stories you hear, well they're all true. The experience is amazing, that's all you need to know.

- Cassandra Wright



Young Endeavour Ambassadors

1999/00	Luke Tilse	2012/13	Tyler Austin Zoey Clifton Troy Higham Matt O'Donnell Emily Rayner Annabel Rodgers
2000/01	Cassandra Heart Michael Rooth		
2001/02	Angela Hodge Jamie Bradshaw		
2002/03	Belinda Dunn Chris Leedham	2013/14	Sean Edens Justin Gillis Montana Kisi Brock Lloyd Brianna McLoughlin Cassandra Wright
2003/04	Courtney Batterham Daniel Clark		
2004/05	Megan Robinson Andrew Webster Zachary Whale Tobie Hynes	2014/15	Anthony Beer Crystal Crowfoot Sophie Jenkins Daniel Hogan Nikki Hollingsworth Lachlan Phelps
2005/06	Hannah England Rosanne Sutherland Nathan Adams Gavyn Wicks	2015/16	Campbell Jones Joshua Quinn Rachael Tillemans Emily Towler Elodi Turri Lachlan White
2006/07	Jessica Cossens Nicholas Coffey Henry Wicks Siobhan Edwards		
2007/08	Caitlyn David Lucy Johnsen Liam England Chris Hill	2016/17	Elizabeth Croaker Bri Denley Conor Edwards Ethan Hansia Paige Haydon Jake Speck
2008/09	Amelia Brayley Cameron Zofrea Debbie Belfield Liam Harding	2017/18	Toby Barry Bridget Crowe James Hagley Tori McNaught Emma Reynolds Callum Telfer Phoebe Weatherly
2009/10	Monique Bradley Tom Guihot Jodie Inder Corey Thompson		
2010/11	James Cook Joel Gilbert Courtney Hansen Kristen Hunt Nicholas McLoughlin Cassandra Sutton	2018/19	Lara Dawson Patrick Gilbey Georgia Hinde Emily Saunders Patrick Tillemans Hannah White
2011/12	Aidan Beiboer Michael Gilbey Nicholas Hall Hannah Hunt Amy Rahn Zoi Russell		



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