Norsk Rotary Forum (NORFO)

Handicamp Norway 2016

Handicamp Norway is an activity camp for physically disabled youths, accompanied by able-bodied assistants, all ranging from 18 to 28 years of age.

The camp, lasting for 14 days, is free of charge for the participants and open for international participation.The camp-language is English. It is therefore required that the participants have sufficient command of English.

Handicamp Norway takes place at the site Haraldvangen, situated approximately 80 kilometres (50 miles) north of Oslo, the capital of Norway. Haraldvangen is a centre for physically disabled persons. Facilities for accommodation, service areas and types of equipment for the activities are suited for disabled persons. The site is located in the middle of the Norwegian nature, neighbouring a beautiful lake and paths through the forests.

Handicamp Norway has been arranged by Rotary Norway every second year since 1976 in close cooperation with Inner Wheel Norway and Rotaract Norway. Norwegian Rotary Forum is juridical and economical responsible for Handicamp. Handicamp Norway 2016 will be the 21st camp at Haraldvangen

The main goals for the camp are to:

- Integrate physically disabled and able-bodied youths through sports and social activities.
- Build up international friendship and understanding between the participants.
- Inform the participants about Norway and Norwegian culture.

In addition, the vision of the camp is that the participants shall experience the possibilities of stretching their physical abilities to the limits, which means to be able to handle physical obstructions that initially seem impossible to overcome.The activities of the camp reflect these ambitious goals.

The Handicamp 2016 will include several different sports activities and related culture activities.

Handicamp Norway, being a biennial event, and is to be announced by formal invitation through an E-mail to all District Governors in Rotary International, in November/December 2015.

You will find additional information about the campsite Haraldvangen on www.haraldvangen.no

Handicamp Norway 2016

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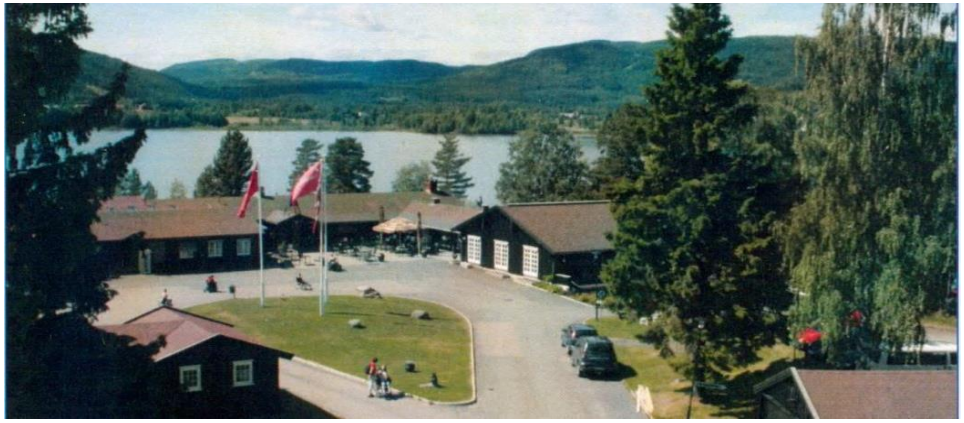
Norwegian Rotary Forum (NORFO)
has the pleasure of inviting physical disabled people to apply for participation at the 21st

Handicamp Norway

Sunday 24th July to 6th of August 2016.

The campsite "Haraldvangen"



Rotary Norway and the Norwegian Rotary Forum (NORFO) welcome everybody to experience two exciting activity weeks in Norway. During these two weeks focus will be on communication and interaction between people from different social cultures.The days will be filled with an active outdoor life.
More information about the camp and application procedures are to be listed on www.handicamp.rotary.no.

Participants

The camp is open to both physically disabled and able-bodied persons between 18 to 28 years of age.
The able-bodied persons shall act as assistants to the disabled persons, forming a two-person team.

Arrival/departure

The participants in the Handicamp 2016 shall arrive on Saturday 23rd of July and depart on Saturday 6th of August. The participants will be met by representatives from the Organizing Committee, either at the Oslo Airport Gardermoen, or at the railway station Gardermoen for further transportation to the camp site at Haraldvangen.

Activities

Some of the activities that the camp participants will experience are:

- boating
- sports
- arts and crafts
- fishing
- life of wilderness
- production of radio broadcasting and newspapers

Expenses

The stay at Haraldvangen, including all activities there, are free of charge for the participants and paid by NORFO. Pocket money, however, is not included. Travel expenses between the homes of the participants and Gardermoen Airport, Oslo, Norway, are to be paid by the participants themselves, by a sponsoring Rotary Club or other sponsors.

Visa, entrance to Norway

The participants are responsible for all necessary permissions for entering Norway. Please, read carefully the information provided on the www.handicamp.no web page.

Insurance

The participants must have a proper insurance. Special requirements are to be listed on www.handicamp.rotary.no. Documentation of proper insurance is to be sent to handicamp@rotary.no in advance.

Application

Closing date for submitting applications is 1st February 2016.
Candidates for participating in Handicamp Norway 2016 are requested to register their application to handicamp@rotary.no as soon as possible.