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## WE ENGAGE, EQUIP, EMPOWER AND REWARD YOUNG AUSTRALIANS.

Dear Duke of Edinburgh's Award Holder

2012 is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in Australia. As part of the celebrations the National Award Authority will be launching a new National Alumni in March 2012. The vision is to create a platform of connected Awardees that will build and maintain the Duke of Edinburgh's Award in Australia.

To celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary the South Australian State Award Office (Office for Youth) is coordinating an Adventurous Journey opportunity for participants to hike along one of the world's greatest and longest walking trails in Australia – the Heysen Trail.

We are seeking expressions of interest from Licenced Operators, Independent participants and Award Holders that would like to participate in this celebration by hiking a section of the Heysen Trail between 1 May and 30 November 2012 (the trail's approved walking season).

The aim is for each group to walk a different section of the Heysen Trail so that by the end of November 2012, South Australian Award participants and holders will have collectively walked the entire 1200kms of the trail.

The State Award Office will coordinate an Award Holders bushwalk which will be an opportunity for previous participants to celebrate their achievements and discuss future Alumni activities. It will include pre trip planning and training. Details are included overleaf. Equipment is available from the State Award Office equipment shed at subsidised rates.

To recognise participant's efforts in completing the Heysen Trail the State Award Office will host a Closing Event. This event will also provide an opportunity to more broadly celebrate the 50th anniversary. More details about this event will be available mid 2012.



If you would like to be involved in the Dukes 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - Heysen Trail Journey please complete the enclosed Expression of Interest form and return it by Tuesday 28 February 2012 to:

Attention: Mike McMillan  
Dukes 50th Anniversary - Heysen Trail Journey  
Duke of Edinburgh's Award  
GPO Box 464  
Adelaide SA 5001

Should you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact Mike McMillan on 0427 271 925 or Dinah Bond at the State Award Office on telephone 8204 8486 or email [dinah.bond@sa.gov.au](mailto:dinah.bond@sa.gov.au). Your booking will be confirmed in March 2012 subject to availability.

I encourage you to be involved in this unique event.

Yours sincerely



**Tiffany Downing**  
**DIRECTOR**  
**OFFICE FOR YOUTH**

3 February 2012

# DUKES 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY - HEYSEN TRAIL JOURNEY

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM – AWARD HOLDERS

**Due: Tuesday 28 February 2012**

Mike McMillan

Dukes 50th Anniversary - Heysen Trail Journey

Duke of Edinburgh's Awards

GPO Box 464

Adelaide SA 5001

### Contact details

Name:

Age:

Contact details:

Address:

Telephone:

Mobile:

Email:

Award levels gained: Bronze / Silver / Gold

Level of bushwalking experience None / Minimal / Moderate / Advanced

### Adventurous Journey (Heysen Trail walk)

#### Bushwalking Expedition

Date: 26 - 27 May 2012

Location: North Adelaide Hills / Mid North

Pre-trip planning night: Monday 23 April 2012 Time: 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Location: 2 Norton Summit Road Magill

Have you participated in an overnight Bushwalk before? Yes / No

Is any camping or outdoor equipment required? Yes / No

If yes please specify equipment type and number (refer to equipment booking sheet available at: [http://www.dukeofed.com.au/ignitionSuite/uploads/docs/Equipment%20Hire%20Brochure\(1\).pdf](http://www.dukeofed.com.au/ignitionSuite/uploads/docs/Equipment%20Hire%20Brochure(1).pdf) :

Permission signature (if under 18 years of age) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_