



Rotary Clubs in
NSW, QLD,
SA, TAS & WA

RYDA Program Testimonials



Young drivers and their passengers continue to be over-represented in road crash statistics. In 2008, road users aged 17 to 25 years made up over a quarter of all road deaths although they constitute less than 15% of the population*. Road crash statistics indicate that a 17 year old driver with a P1 licence is four times more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than a driver aged 26 or older.

The RYDA Program seeks to address the attitude and behaviour of young drivers and passengers and help them become better people on the roads. To date, over 120,000 students have attended the RYDA Program. The following are testimonials from Students and Teachers who have attended the RYDA Program in locations around Australia.



*New National Road Death Statistics, May 2009

Teachers

“During our debrief back at school, students openly discussed many of the matters of the day that had touched, surprised or shocked them and it was apparent that this programme had had a significant impact upon their beliefs and habits” ~ **Sydney’s North Shore, NSW**

“Excellent, relevant, up to date and a very good reality check” ~ **Western Sydney, NSW**

“A valuable day. A great resource for students and schools” ~ **Barossa Valley, SA**

“Staff & students were very appreciative and thought it very worthwhile. The day was fun, yet confronting” ~ **Illawarra, NSW**

“Very appropriate for the age of students. The presenters were enthusiastic and knowledgeable. Very worthwhile and enjoyable” ~ **Launceston, Tas**

“An excellent program - well planned and executed” ~ **Mount Cotton, Qld**

“An effectively structured day with the combination of confronting and engaging lectures and demonstrations consistently maintaining the students’ attention” ~ **Western Sydney, NSW**

An excellent program which should be compulsory for all learner drivers ~ **Bathurst, NSW**

Students

“Excellent programme, especially the crash survivor stories. Very interesting, informative and enjoyable” ~ **Hobart, Tas**

“Absolutely wonderful, I’ve really gotten a lot out of it” ~ **Young, NSW**

“After today it has made car accidents real, I didn’t think all those things could actually happen” ~ **Western Sydney, NSW**

“As an L-plater I learnt that you have to be more responsive to what’s happening around you, and also to the importance of not being distracted while you’re driving” ~ **Bathurst, NSW**

“This is an excellent program that really opened my eyes to hazards etc” ~ **Mount Cotton, Qld**

“I always thought, like everyone else, that it could never happen to me. The crash survivor session sent shivers down my spine and made it so clear that one mistake and it could happen to you” ~ **Dubbo, NSW**

“The presentations were well planned. It’s a great way to show young people the effects of driving on individuals” ~ **Sydney’s North Shore**

“I’ll be very careful after seeing how quickly it can all happen” ~ **Western Sydney, NSW**

“I learnt that accidents can happen to anyone and anyone can be hurt in a crash” ~ **Bathurst, NSW**