

**SUMMER CAMP IN PIETARSAARI, FINLAND 2023**

**District 1385**

- NAME:** Sea, Sail and Nature Summer Camp 21.12.2022
- WHERE:** Pietarsaari area (500 km north from Helsinki, western coast of Finland)
- WHEN:** Jul 16<sup>th</sup> – Jul 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023.  
 Family Period Jul 16<sup>th</sup> - Jul 21<sup>rd</sup>  
 Camp Period Jul 21<sup>rd</sup> - Jul 29<sup>th</sup>
- ARRIVAL:** Vaasa Airport, Jul 16<sup>th</sup> via Helsinki  
**DEPARTURE:** Vaasa Airport, Jul 29<sup>th</sup> via Helsinki.  
 Finnair (<http://www.finnair.fi>).
- PARTICIPANTS:** 20 participants, interested in nature and sea. **Swimming skills required.**  
**AGE:** 15 - 18 years
- PROGRAMME:** The participants will first spend one week together with the host families to get an idea of the Finnish way of life. After the Family Period, the participants spend their Camp Period in the camp site Merilä in Pietarsaari. During the camp week we all stay together mostly in Pietarsaari area. The camp site Merilä is located by the sea in Pörkenäs, about 13 km from the centre of Pietarsaari. We will learn to know about the nature in the area, seaside, and other interesting specialities of the area. The camp period is supervised by local Rotarians.
- EQUIPMENT:** Your personal medication and suitable clothing for outdoor activities and hiking. The daytime temperature is typically between 15 – 25 °C. Water temperature is around 20 °C. Take your swimming suit and towel with you.
- CAMP FEE:** 250 euros  
**OTHER COSTS:** Participants pay their own costs to and from Vaasa Airport and shall have their own pocket money. Organizing Rotarians will meet the student in the arrival airport and will take care of all ground transportations in Finland.
- INSURANCE:** Participants must have a valid insurance policy in case of sickness and injury. We urge the student to purchase the insurance from [CISI Bolduc](#) which is approved by Rotary. Select “Plan B” from the offered options.
- APPLICATIONS:** The applicant must use the official Rotary Youth Exchange – Short-Term Exchange Program (STEP) Application form when applying to the camp. Student must include an official COVID Vaccination Certificate in her/his Application Form.