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Nominate someone for an adventure

Challenge Wales | Wales' Tall Ship has 13 fully funded places across two of its Tall Ships legs this summer in Finland and is encouraging young people aged 16 – 25 years to apply for a place as soon as possible.

The charity already operates a bursary scheme to subsidise Welsh residents to take part in all its innovative adventure activities however, extra funding is enabling Challenge Wales to offer 13 fully funded places, to those living in a CF postcode area, across two of its Tall Ships legs this summer in Finland which will cover 100% of the voyage costs. In addition a small travel bursary is also included to help with travel to and from the ports.

Successful applicants will be racing Challenge Wales against over 100 vessels, from no fewer than 23 countries, from the international tall ships fleet and representing Wales and the UK at this spectacular event. Around 4,000 young people from all over the world will be taking part in the Tall Ships Races series this year and no sailing experience is required.

Vicky Williams, Trustee says; “We’re looking for young people who are wanting an adventure and are up for a challenge. The young people take an active part in running the boat, so it’s not just sailing but also cooking, cleaning and working in watches! We have lots of fun onboard too and there is a host of shore-side inter-crew activities organised as well. Young people can contact us themselves to apply but we are also encouraging teachers, colleagues, group leaders, parents and friends to nominate others, aged 16 – 25, for this opportunity who might benefit. Perhaps someone has been working hard for exams or at work and needs a break, maybe someone has had a tough few months, it might be someone who hasn’t been able to have a holiday for a few years or someone who would enjoy an adventure, challenge and experiencing new cultures”.

To get an application form and for further details email reservations@challengewales.org or call 029 20 704 657. The deadline for applying is 8th June 2017 and applicants must be available to travel from 15th – 22nd July or 22nd – 31st July 2017.

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Photo Caption: Challenge Wales with some of the Tall Ships fleet in London. Picture credit: Sail Training International.



Challenge Wales

Challenge Wales is a 72-foot round-the-world yacht that sailed twice around the world and is now based in Penarth, as Wales' largest sail training vessel and Wales' Tall Ship. Sail training activities onboard Challenge Wales help young people aged 12 - 25 years develop social and personal skills, to improve their employment prospects, in a challenging and positive environment. Those onboard get involved in all aspects of sailing the boat, from helming and navigating, hoisting the sails to preparing meals and no sailing experience is required to take part.

As part of the Tall Ships Races and delivery, Challenge Wales is visiting no fewer than 8 countries this summer and is departing Cardiff for the first leg on 8th June 2017 and returning 25th August.

For more information visit www.challengewales.org or email Vicky@challengewales.org

Tall Ships Races

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