

11 January 2021

My apologies for not having details on our guest speaker(s) for this Monday night. We will have two speakers Carey Westwood, a Queenslander, now living in Kenya, and Wanjirua Waitthaka. They are co founders of Manasprings three years ago, a not for profit, empowering grassroots women community leaders who directly care for the poor and vulnerable in Kenya.

We were privileged this week to hear from Hanaa and Miyasar Ali, the brother and sister Centenary Heights High School students who we sponsored to attend the Rotary Youth Transition Seminar. They are refugees from Iraq and have been in Australia for 2.5 years. They came to Australia with their parents and six siblings. They were very thankful for the opportunity we gave them and lovely young people. We hope to follow their journey in Australia and maybe hear about their life in Iraq and their journey to Australia. It is a reminder of how blessed we are to live in Australia.

President David advised:

1. The Toowoomba Rotary Clubs are arranging an Australia Day function with a \$20,000 grant from the National Australia Day Council. It will be a multi-cultural event and we will be looking for volunteers mainly on the day itself for set up, COVID-19 crowd control and other duties and clean up. The event will be in the TRC grounds.
2. The RFDS project is progressing well and he had photos of our men at work. An opening is planned with a date to be decided.

Please let me if you will **not** be attending the meeting on Monday night and if you will bringing a guest by midday 15 January. If you or your guests have **special dietary requirements** please let me know.

Please note the **job roster** and also the list of future speakers below. There have been some changes from the last email.

A reminder that you should be signing into B&W electronically or on the sheets at the entry to the building and that the meal fee is \$29.00.

Below are the duty rosters for the next few weeks.

'5 minutes with...' tell us something about yourself or something interesting you have done – it is a clean sheet for you to work with

Rosters	18 January 2021	25 January 2021	1 February 2021
Guest Speake(s):	Carey Westwood/ Wanjirua	Garth Hamilton	Damian Bell
Chair:	Mark Norman	David Snow	Roger Stark
5 minutes with...	Shane Doyle	Wendy Byron	Greg James
Attendance	Guy Adamson	Ray Taylor	Tim Davis
Raffle:	Shane Doyle	Sonya Lynch	Andrew Mladen
Charity Box:	Elizabeth Gillam	Greg James	Sonya Lynch
Set up:	B&W	B&W	B&W
Sergeant:	Wendy Byron	Wendy Byron	Wendy Byron
Venue:	Karl Langer room	Karl Langer room	Karl Langer room

It is preferred that you pay by card or EFT for the meeting cost of \$29.00 but bring some cash for the raffle and Sergeant's session. If you wish to pay by EFT in advance, please transfer to the General Account and put in your surname:

BSB: 638-070 Account Number: 9567305

Details of upcoming meetings and Guest Speakers:

25 January 2021	Garth Hamilton - Member for Groom
1 February 2021	Damian Bell - CEO Wagner Corporation
8 February 2021	Bruce McConnell - TSBE
15 February 2021	Mary Anne Evans - Principal The Glennie School
22 February 2021	TBC
1 March 2021	TBC – Black Dog Institute
8 March 2021	Steve Etwell - Toowoomba Chronicle
15 March 2021	Kim Tubb - Lifeline

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