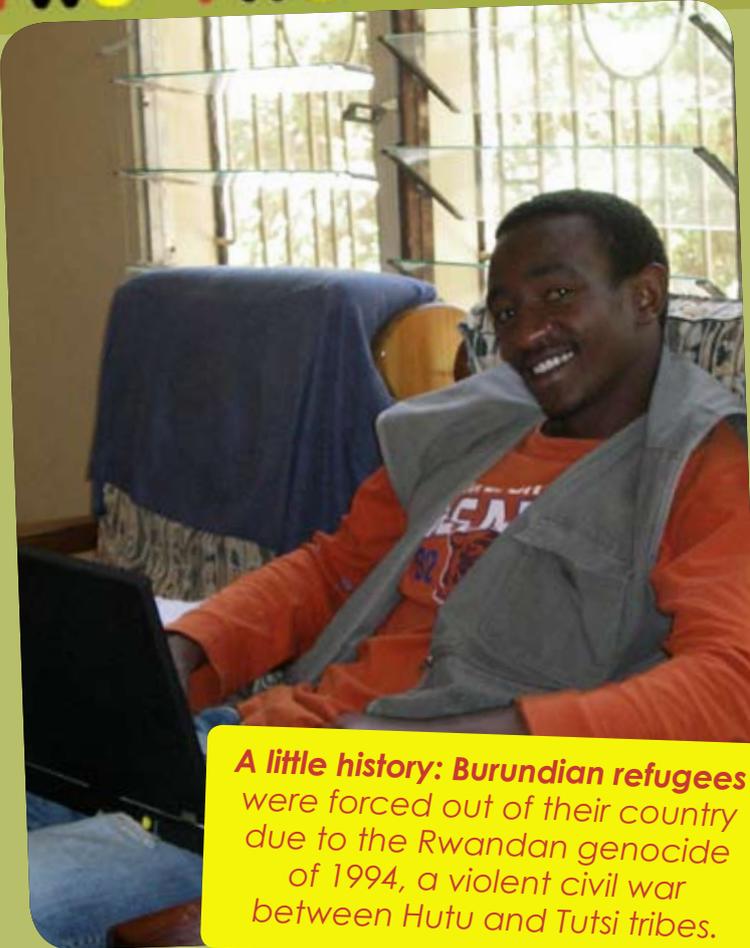


Gimme Shelter

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A little history: Burundian refugees were forced out of their country due to the Rwandan genocide of 1994, a violent civil war between Hutu and Tutsi tribes.

Meet our first Tanzanian volunteer!

Lucas Mayoba, 23, has a diploma in "refugee and humanitarian" studies and a certificate detailing two years spent **volunteering at Lukole Refugee Camp** in western Tanzania, from 2002 to 2004. While at Lukole, Lucas talked to Burundian refugees, communicating **ideas about health and hygiene**, and helping distribute food items, clothing and bedding. "I was working with people and communities at Lukole, and **I want to continue working with people that need help**. fws is building a centre for children and employing mamas who are widows or haven't a husband to help them pay for living. This centre is a **very good idea** for Tanzania. I'm Tanzanian so I'm happy to be involved."

Lucas has been helping Shona **translate** information flyers about **fws** and Kesho Leo, and inviting those interested to a **Kesho Leo information day in November**. Lucas will distribute the flyers to the residents of Sinon in the next fortnight. If things continue to work out, we plan to offer Lucas a **part-time permanent** paid role.



Ship to shore

We've finally landed a **shipping container** to safely store all our building tools and machines in – and are sleeping better as a result! It'll eventually be moved to the **slab new volunteers Eamonn and Brendon are pouring** with the help of Daz and the Tanzanian team. When Kesho is up and running, it will provide a **secure storage area** for tools and computers!



what's going on...

A not-so-trivial \$7,000

Dione Rebbечи, Liz Henderson and mates – take a seat and kick up your heels! We cannot thank you enough for your huge effort in creating such a **terrific success** with your **trivia night** last month. We take our sun-hats off to you and will let you know what we spend your money on. It's likely that it'll go towards **timber for the floor** of the early-learning and community centre...

Who is Michelle Morrison?

Michelle is a General Manager at **Select Appointments**, a nationwide recruiting company. And why is Michelle so awesome? Because she has instigated an **inter-office fundraising challenge** between her employees – each Select Appointments office is to compete to raise the most funds for **fws**. Let the games begin!

Two long-term Kesho vols for 2008

We have confirmed that **Nick Hurst** will be our money man (**bursar**) under the direction of the **fws** Vice President for the year of 2008, while his lovely lady (and qualified nurse) **Heather Groat** will be taking on the role of **Kesho nurse** for 2008. Two positions filled, a few **more still up for grabs**. Visit www.foodwatershelter.org.au/position-vacant.aspx

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Member profiles

Simone Coogan, 34, teacher/writer and ultra-tidy IT obsessive and **Julie Masterton**, 50, Network Administrator and ultra-clumsy IT obsessive. Not only are these Brisbane lasses some of our **first-ever donors** (they gave us \$500 when we were still all talk!), Sim and Jules have just renewed their memberships and are **forwarding funds from their upcoming combined birthday party** to us.

Q: Why party on behalf of **fws**?

A: Now that we have our funky little **fws** badges and bag, there's nothing else we need. So in the interests of **reducing our global footprint** and limiting the use of wrapping paper and sticky-tape, we thought we'd **keep the wheels of change moving** by requesting **donations** to our favourite organisation... **fws**. We figured it's also a **great way to spread the word** about **fws** – we put the web address on the invites so people can digest the information at their leisure.



Simone and Julie:
 "It's comforting to know that we can have a good time and still have time to be good."



Wapi volunteer accountant?

"Wapi" (pronounced wah-pi) is Kiswahili for "where"? So yes, we are still wondering where the thousands of applications to be our accountant are. We've had a few, but we'd like a few more. It's a great job... possibility to travel to Tanzania next year... For more info, email Rebecka.Delforce@foodwatershelter.org.au

Wapi volunteer carpenters?

Yes, we've already waved off our first volunteer carpenters and have begun teaching the locals the trade. However, we'd love to hear from any carpenters keen to work to Australian standards and show off their skills – we've a big construction going on and the whole thing is timber, so drop us an email if you'd like to help us chippie away at building this children's village. Email Shona.Arneil@foodwatershelter.org.au

contact us...

If you've quezzies, contact Gimme Shelter editor Anne O'Donoghue at: anne.odonoghue@foodwatershelter.org.au or on (02) 9879 3586. Meantime...

Fundraisers – join in or host your own

We still need **more dosh** to finish building. Help us get there by supporting a fundraiser, or holding a **barbie** and charging people \$10 to come, having a **trivia night** at the pub and donating funds to **fws**, or organising a **movie night** and charging people \$20 to come – **too easy** (and fun)!

Web watch

You've been helping us tick off our **wishlist** so well that we're going to **update** it and whack some new stuff on it. Why not! Visit www.foodwatershelter.org.au/wishlist.aspx. Also, **thanks for all the "wows"** about the new website. We love it too. If you have any **ideas, suggestions or IT difficulties**, please email Ben.Schwabe@foodwatershelter.org.au

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