

# Beaumaris Books

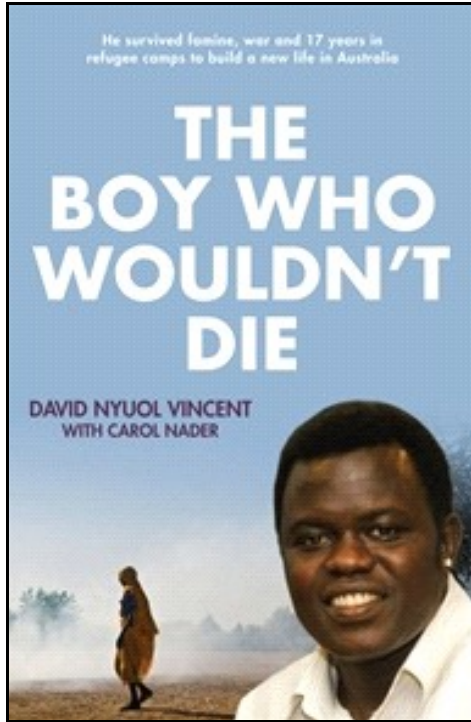
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Proudly presents an evening with

## DAVID NYUOL VINCENT

To coincide with the release of his inspirational memoir

## THE BOY WHO WOULDN'T DIE



**When:** Thursday 26th July, 7.30pm

**Where:** MALT CAFE

23-25 South Concourse, Beaumaris

**Cost:** \$30.00 includes admission & finger food. Beverages at bar prices.

**Book Deal:** Buy a copy of 'The Boy Who Wouldn't Die' (RRP \$29.99) at the time of ticket purchase to get the book & ticket for \$40.00

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*Only one specially priced book per ticket*

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**Bookings Essential**

**The Boy Who Wouldn't Die** Published to coincide with the first anniversary of Southern Sudanese independence, this is the inspiring true story of a Sudanese child who survived famine, war and 17 years in refugee camps to build a new life in Australia.

At only eight years of age, David Nyuol Vincent walked from the war-ravaged South Sudan across the Sahara into Ethiopia. But in no way did that terrifying journey mark the end of his troubles.

In a trauma that lasted almost two decades, David survived his training as a child-soldier for the Sudan People's Liberation Army, bomb raids, starvation, land mines and cholera. In one of the most terrifying chapters, he was almost beaten to death by the Kenyan police for attempting to escape the refugee camp, but was saved by the chief who recognised David as one of the top soccer players of the Kakuma camp. Although, it offers an uplifting message of human resilience and courage, *The Boy Who Wouldn't Die* does not sugar-coat the sad reality of Sudan's recent past. Images such as these have never left his mind:

*I could see bodies strewn across the sand. There were so many. From a distance, I could pretend they were resting ... They must have gone on the same journey as us – they had defied guns, wild animals and starvation. But they couldn't defeat the desert.*

Now living in Melbourne and a graduate of Political Science from Melbourne University, David wants to share his story as one of the Lost Boys of the Sudan who finally made it to safety.

### David Nyuol Vincent

Since rebuilding his life here in Australia, David Nyuol Vincent has become an advocate for refugees and the Sudanese community. He is a Victorian Human Rights Youth Ambassador and a People of Australia Ambassador. Last year *The Age* named him one of Victoria's 100 Most Influential People. David has also helped set up the Western Tigers, an all-Sudanese refugee football team in the Brimbank soccer league. He is a true humanitarian and is committed to achieving peace for his people in Sudan

### Carol Nader

Carol Nader is an award-winning journalist who worked for *The Age* for fifteen years. She is a former health editor and social policy editor and has written extensively on child protection and family law, race and ethnic affairs.