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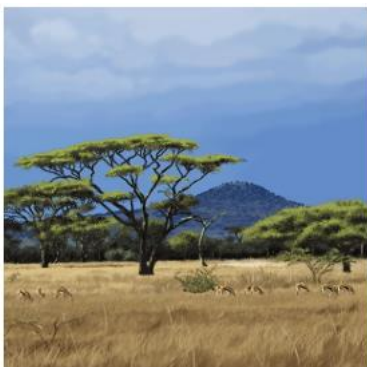
### **The Sleepover**

On Saturday I went to Pat's house for a sleepover with Luca and Ander. We went to see the blackcurrants and the gooseberries in Pat's garden. We picked some of them and we ate them. Then we had tea which was a burger and the roll was focaccia bread. Then we watched the school Christmas play 2023 and I thought it was funny. Then Heidi came for a bit and we all played together. Mum came to pick up Heidi later and then we brushed our teeth and went to bed. The next morning I went home about 10 AM. I had a lot of fun.

*Harris (10)*

### **Animals of the Savannah**

Savannahs are hot grassy plains. Buffaloes have curved horns. Cheetahs run very fast. African elephants are very big and noisy. Giraffes are long. Lions are powerful. Ostriches are the biggest birds just now. Rhinoceroses are strong. Vultures are birds of prey. Zebras are stripy.



*By Heidi (6)*

(Heidi used a sentence set on Clicker to write this)

### **Exciting Weekend**

On Saturday, I had a sleep over at Nannan and Daddad's house. Ander and Harris came too. Ander and I went at 4 o'clock then Harris came at 5 o'clock. We played outside for 1 hour until tea. We had burgers, carrots and tomatoes and it was yummy. We went to bed at eleven o'clock.

In the morning we all got up at eight in the morning (oooofff that was early now I think about it!) I do not know how we woke up so early (so now you know what I think about it). Right... back to the Fair Isle Times... yes so we went to the polytunnel and we picked tomatoes, green beans and a couple of cucumbers, then we went home. But wait there's more! In the afternoon we picked plums at Ian's house.

We went to Hoini on Monday after school. It was the best caa we have ever had and that same day, I caught a little rabbit. Amazingly (not), it escaped 12 hours later!

*Luca (9)*

### **Sleepover**

At the weekend I went to a sleepover at Lower Stoneybrek.

I had fun with Harris and my brother Luca. We watched our show from Christmas. It was very funny. We stayed up late.

*By Ander (6)*

## The Fair Isle Times occasional interview.

This week we are learning a little more about one of our newer residents, Konrad, who came to Fair Isle work at the Bird Observatory site and decided to stay.

As you will see, Konrad is a funny guy!

**Name:** Konrad Michal Kaluzinski

**Age:** 44



**How long has Fair Isle been your home?** 7 months

**Who do you live with?** House plants and occasional insects at the moment

**What is your earliest memory?** Battle of Gaugamela, October 331 BC, we gained Babylon and half of Persia

**When you were young, what did you want to be when you grew up and why?** Leader of the rebellion against the machines to save the world or possibly entire galaxy, obviously.

**What do you do for a living?** I do carpentry and joinery on the new Bird Observatory and about to start my sentence on the local Galley (*editor – Konrad is stepping up to become deckhand on our ferry, Good Shepherd*)

**If you didn't live in Fair Isle, what would you like to do for a living?** Work in the Post Office on South Georgia

**Do you have a personal hero?** No

**What is your philosophy in life?** Light side of the force

**If you had a free, 'fantasy' 24 hours with no travel restrictions – where would you go and what would you do?** I would go back to Gaugamela and beat the Persians; nothing would feel better than gaining half of Persia and Babylon again

**What is the most enjoyable thing you do?** Side quests

**What is the hardest thing you do?** Opening and closing interdimensional portals

**What concerns you for the future?** Skynet

**Where do you see yourself in 10 years' time?** Leading the rebellion on Iapetus against the Saturnian overlords

**What has occupied your time this week?** Time travel

**What was the best thing to happen to you this week?** I broke my smartphone and lost internet connection for days.

**What is the best thing about living in Fair Isle?** Abundance of interdimensional portals and air quality



**Thanks to Pat at Lower Stoneybrek for capturing these rare *mammatus* clouds over the isle on Wednesday, I thought I'd add a bit from the Met Office explaining just what these unusual clouds are...**

Mammatus clouds are some of the most unusual and distinctive clouds formations with a series of bulges or pouches emerging from the base of a cloud. The shape of mammatus formations can vary widely; from the classic protruding shape, to a more elongated tube hanging from the cloud above.

Mammatus clouds are usually formed in association with large cumulonimbus clouds. Typically, turbulence within the cumulonimbus cloud will cause mammatus to form, especially on the underside of the projecting anvil as it rapidly descends to lower levels. These clouds generally form in the most unstable cumulonimbus, meaning that there is also a chance of hail, heavy rain and lightning in the vicinity, and if the air is cold enough during winter they can produce snow.

## **ISLE NOTICES**

**Fair Isle Committee quarterly meeting - 11<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm.** The next island meeting is due on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7.30 in the Committee Room. If you have any items for the agenda, please send to David Parnaby today.

**Chapel** – All welcome to join in fellowship at the Chapel this Sunday from 11am. John will be leading the service.

**Fair Isle Harvest festival** - We haven't set a date for the Fair Isle harvest festival yet but it will be coming up in the next month or so, so I thought I'd add a note now to get all you lovely creative folk on the case to make some beautiful things to raffle or sell at the event in the Hall. Art, knitwear, sculpture, woodwork, food, drink – whatever you fancy! We are very lucky to have some very talented creative folk here in the isle and always lovely to have some unique Fair Isle wares – so get busy!! Thanks, Eileen

**Editor's comment** - Seems to me that Konrad and Maavi know something about Fair Isle that we don't. Portals? Wormholes? Is this the SIC's new transport plan? Answers on a postcard please!



# Fair Isle Community Summer Pop-in



**JOIN  
US**

Craft activities for all  
Magazines and puzzles

Numeracy games

Digital support

Shetland Library resources

Cost of Living support

Ana Arnett, SIC Community Work  
Yvonne Reynolds, SIC Adult Learning  
Peter Jamieson, CAB Session Supervisor

## Fair Isle Hall

Wednesday 4th September

10:30am - 3:00pm

Join us for a cuppa, lite bites  
and find out how Adult  
Learning and CAB could  
support you.

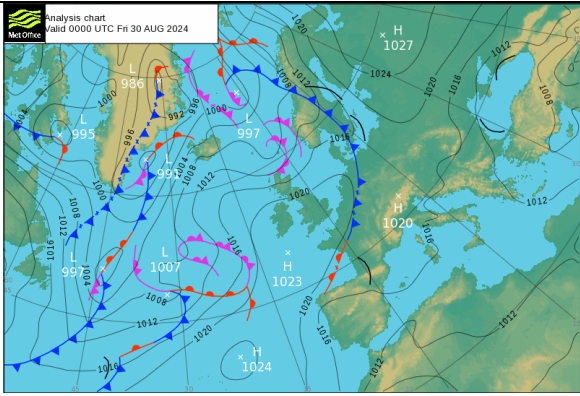


**Shetland Library**  
Shetland Islands Council

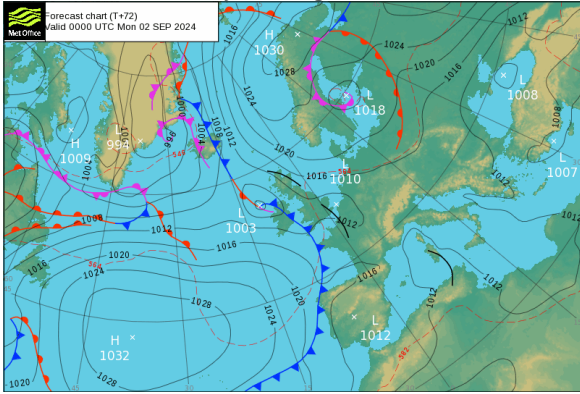
If you would like support to attend, or would like more information please contact:  
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**citizens  
advice  
bureau**

# FAIR ISLE WEATHER FORECAST



Analysis Chart 0000 UTC  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024



Forecast Chart 0000 UTC  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

## GENERAL SITUATION

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2024

High pressure building over the British Isles will extend to cover Shetland bringing settled weather for the weekend. As the centre of the high drifts northeast a southerly airflow will back south-easterly, freshening by Monday as a small frontal wave approaches Ireland. Becoming a slow-moving depression west of Scotland its frontal system, blocked by high pressure over Scandinavia, weakens as it makes slow progress towards Shetland in a fresh southeast airflow. Through next week, though gradually filling, the depression is expected to remain a slow-moving feature to the west of or over the UK bringing a variable cyclonic airflow across the Northern Isles.

## OUTLOOK FOR THE WEEKEND

Temperatures 13° or 14° during the day, around 10° overnight.

**FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup>:** A few early showers then dry and sunny. F4-5 NW winds backing W F3-4. Dry overnight with clear spells, light SW winds. **Sea State:** Mostly moderate with a 2 metre W wind swell. Slight east of Shetland at SW 1 metre.

**SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup>:** A dry sunny day with F3 SW winds backing F4 SSE, perhaps bringing some patchy low cloud later. Dry with clear spells overnight. F4-5 SSE winds. **Sea State:** Mostly slight with a 1 metre W wind swell.

**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup>:** Dry and bright with sunny periods by day

clear spells overnight. F5 SSE winds. **Sea State:** Mostly slight with a 1 metre S wind swell.

## FORECAST FOR NEXT WEEK

Temperatures 13° or 14° during the day, around 9° overnight.

**MONDAY 2<sup>nd</sup>:** A dry day with some sunny spells and fresh SE winds. Cloudier later with patchy rain in the evening and overnight. Fresh SE winds. **Sea State:** Mostly moderate with a 2 metre SE wind swell.

**TUESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Rather cloudy with early patchy rain then drier and brighter with mostly moderate W or WNW winds. **Sea State:** Moderate to rough with a 2 to 3 metre SE wind swell.

**WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> – SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup>:** Rather cloudy though mostly dry on Wednesday and Thursday with moderate NW to N winds falling light. Freshening ESE winds bringing mist and low cloud on Friday and probably through the weekend. **Sea State Wednesday:** Mostly moderate with a 2 metre SE wind swell.

Dave Wheeler

