

21/08/92. Mark Johnston picked up a syringe from the beach at Cambo, and pricked his thumb with it. Mark was brought to Mrs. Budd on our return to have the finger washed with disinfectant.

21/8/92 Mrs. Fannie informed me that Mark Johnston had been "pricked" by a dirty needle on the beach. I disinfected the finger and advised Mrs. Fannie to inform Needleworker re any procedures.
Mary Budd

24.8.92 Sirena made an appointment for Mark to see the Dr. at 5.35pm. I took him & Dr. Marston treated the case very seriously. He said Mark would have to be treated as if the needle had belonged to a drug addict. He thought by the description the needle could have belonged to a diabetic, but he couldn't be too careful. He ~~then~~ phoned Cameron Hospital, then Victoria to ask for advice. We were then sent with a letter

to Casualty department at Victoria Hospital. The Dr. at the vic simply wrote a letter & referred Mark to the Occupational Treatment Centre of the hospital where he has to go tomorrow for a blood test. Dr. Marston had said Mark would need to be treated for hepatitis, although the Dr. at the vic said he would need a tetanus jab! Who do you believe? JGH

25/8/92 I took Mark J. to Victoria Hospital where he received a tetanus injection for hepatitis. This has to be followed by 3 further injections at our G.P. 1st appointment has been made for Friday morning. The Doc. at the Victoria also queried the possibility of H.I.V. & advised a check with our local G.P.