

Cape Flats / South Africa



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COMMITTED TO RAISING FUNDS AND HOPE FOR SOCIETY'S MARGINALISED IN CAPE TOWN, WORKING ALONGSIDE TOWNSHIP SOCCER ACADEMY, GCU.

**Winter 2016/17**

**NEWS**



**MORE THAN  
100,000  
MEALS  
PROVIDED  
IN 2016**

# A bout of madness?

ADAM COLE, we salute your bravery.

This full-time friend of Goal50 stepped into the boxing ring for three rounds and raised in excess of £1,600 for the charity.

And as we fully expected, he put on a sparkling display, winning his contest on the judges' points decision.

Living proof that when it comes to tough ways to help Goal50, Adam knows the ropes.



**£1,600**

# Our latest visit

Robert M Pirsig once said, 'It's the sides of the mountain that sustain life, not the top. To put it another way, climbing a mountain is a journey, not a destination. All the growth, discovery and adventure happens along the way.'

Over the last few years we have been on an adventure as we have discovered the specific needs of the people in the Cape Flats. Along the journey I have grown to love Table Mountain. This iconic land mass is something to behold but nestled in its shadow are the township settlements. The people in these communities struggle - really struggle with everyday needs. They have momentous challenges. Mario, Michelle and their teams in these areas are doing a fantastic job and provide hope. Hope for today and hope for tomorrow. Goal50 has been privileged to help in a little way. Thank you for your support in keeping their hope alive. We are all on a journey and God helps us to climb the mountain. As we climb, others are helped along the way.

Best wishes  
**Nigel**

**SPEAK UP FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES;  
ENSURE JUSTICE FOR THOSE BEING CRUSHED. PROVERBS 31: 6**

**Nigel Pascoe**  
Goal50 Chairman

# Mario's pilgrimage

Home is where the heart is. And Home Park is where Nigel Pascoe likes to be. It's the Old Trafford of Devon, the focus of Plymouth Argyle FC fans every other Saturday afternoon. And as this article comes together, the "Pilgrims" as they are nicknamed, are top of the pile in League 2.

As if that wasn't enough for the founder of Goal50 to get excited, the big October home game against Portsmouth - a naval derby - had a very special flavour. It marked the visit of Mario van Niekerk, the man who heads up the charity work based in the township of Heideveld in the Cape Flats of South Africa.

Mario was on something of a pilgrimage in Europe and having spent a few days at a conference in Germany, he met Nigel for a weekend at the football club. Goal50 is developing strong links with Plymouth



“Nigel & Mario are doing a great job and we want to help wherever we can.”

Kevin Hodges **Plymouth Argyle FC Academy Manager**



Argyle and the shared values make it a good relationship. The lads spent time with Academy manager Kevin Hodges and the Argyle Community Trust manager Mark Lovell. And on match day, they had the opportunity to share something about the charity with more than 200 corporate guests over lunch.

Mario has a strong desire to promote education through his charity programmes in South Africa and comes from the same school of thinking of the football club where Scholarship and Foundation Degree programmes are offered.

Argyle has one of the best 'community' setups in the UK and uses the influence of football to improve lives through projects based on health, education, disability and social inclusion. Compared to the UK and Channel Islands, the social problems that beset Mario's South African township communities are multiplied over and over again. But there are many similar issues to deal with and it is hugely beneficial that

Goal50 and Argyle work together. The township academy will shortly receive several Argyle football kits.

"We are delighted to work with Goal50 in their ventures in South Africa" enthused Kevin Hodges, "Nigel and Mario are doing a great job and we want to help wherever we can."

Colleague, Mark Lovell added, "Community involvement is so important. Much can be achieved through the power of football."

Mario's pilgrimage was a huge encouragement and he returns to Cape Town with renewed energy and a bucketload of footballing ideas to boot.



*from left to right*  
Mark Lovell,  
Mario van Niekerk,  
Kevin Hodges,  
Nigel Pascoe



# SATURDAY TEAPOT FUNDS 10,600 MEALS



Once a month for the last three years, New Life Church has hosted Saturday Teapot. And whilst people tuck into the best homemade cake in Guernsey (in our calorie-loving opinion), Goal50s feeding programmes get a significant boost and hungry mouths get fed.

Since 2013, £3,500 has been raised which has resulted in an amazing 10,600 meals being provided. For many township families it's the one cooked meal they'll have in the course of a week. Plenty to think about over a cup of tea or coffee, so please pop in.



*Saturday  
Teapot*





## Closer to home

Andrew Thompson has a very real interest in charitable activity as Chair of State Street's Channel Islands CSP Committee. The company has headline sponsored the Guernsey Community Foundation Awards. Winner of the 'Overseas Charity of the Year' in 2015 was Goal50 and the seed of an idea came to Andrew as he listened to Nigel Pascoe's acceptance speech. The company's CSP (Community Support Programme) goals were closely aligned to that of the charity.

And whilst Andrew made a generous cash grant donation from the Channel Islands office, it occurred to him that the State Street office in Cape Town could help in a very practical way in the townships.

### Andrew Thompson

Assistant Vice President, State Street Global Services

Remarkably, the Goal50 team were on a regular field trip to the townships just two weeks later and met with Johann Lotter, Chair of the South Africa CSP Committee in his Cape Town office.

This meeting became a stepping stone to many hours of voluntary work by a very willing and able team. The first project was the restoring and decorating of a school LIBRARY. More recently, under the guidance of the professionals Urban Harvest, the team created the most amazing FOOD GARDEN at Welcome Primary School.

So a story that started in Guernsey has travelled all the way to Cape Town. See the team in action in the images below.



# A HUGE THANK YOU TO STATE STREET IN GUERNSEY AND IN CAPE TOWN

# SNAPSHOT

Cape Flats visit  
Winter 2016/7



Soccer Academy. German footballer, Jonas Wilhelmi, helps with coaching.



Safe House, Heideveld. Work begins. A home for six children. (Oct16)



Subuteo. The very latest activity to be introduced by Goal50



Soccer Academy. Goal50 sponsored a soccer festival in Heideveld.



Safe House, Heideveld. The brick second storey is completed. (Nov16)



Heideveld Food Programme. The men's queue outside the feed station.



Pilgrim Cup tournament in Nyanga, the murder capital of the Western Cape.



Safe House, Heideveld. The roof timbers in place. (Dec16)



Heideveld Food Programme. Nigel offers words of encouragement.



Pilgrim Cup sponsored by Goal50. Football. Friends. Fun. Sun.



Industrious township people. Art and craft using recycled lollipop sticks.



Leaving this place of need, there's reason to be excited as lives change.

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