

Re: Hubble Telescope – Sell it

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richard miller wrote:

> "Tim Haughton" <timhaughton@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
> news:1114517805.565203.290070@xx

[smip]

>> ESA has always had the better policy with regards to
manned/unmanned

>> space flight.

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> Rubbish,

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> One day we will have to leave this planet. Like it or vote green.

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Not definitely true. If we stop destroying this one it might serve us indefinitely. Population control will of course become a factor, but many countries are seeing decline in population.

> Its only too expensive cos the contractors charge 100 euros plus per hour. I

> know, I have been one.

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I'm fairly certain the main reason for the high cost of inhabiting another planetoid is something other than market contractor rates.

> Just as we sailed across the pond, we will have to venture further, without

> sending out seagulls with notes or messages in a bottle.

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Well, the folk who originally sailed across the pond started slaughtering and subjugating the indigenous populace on their arrival, and later came to be known as what we Brits call Yanks. And we all know how that turned out. ;¬)

> So its the moon, damn sight better than The Isle of Wight or any similar

> terrestrial island

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I went to the Isle of Wight as a child. As far as I can remember, I could breath and the gravitational acceleration on the Isle of Wight is around 9.8m/s/s IIRC, so I didn't develop osteoporosis. All in all, I think it compares favourably to the moon as a holiday destination.

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- > 'Better policy' is also a subjective viewpoint.
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- > Do you want mankind to stay on this planet forever?

I like it here.

Regards,

Tim Haughton

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- *Follow-Ups:*

- ◆ *Re: Hubble Telescope – Sell it*
◇ *From: richard miller*

- *References:*

- ◆ *Hubble Telescope – Sell it*
◇ *From: Alex Teber*
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