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## Chairperson's Report

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable and relaxing break for the Christmas / New Year period. The main talking point has been the tragic bushfires raging all across Australia, destroying millions of acres of bushland including homes and buildings, and the terrible loss of life of people, birds and wildlife. May our

prayers, meditations and thoughts go out to all those who have suffered.

Regarding the astrology, we have a big year planned with six events and four Meetup groups which are a new concept we are experimenting with this year. Stefanie Schroeder and Lynette Malone, who we welcome to the committee this year, will be organising the Meetups. We hope to get your support with the meetups and the first one will be on 23<sup>rd</sup> February. The topic will be the Sun and the Moon in your birth chart.

We have not established all the speakers for the events this year, but Margie Crocker had a windfall in recruiting Stephanie Johnson, the "Solar Fire" person for the first event on 15<sup>th</sup> March. Stephanie will talk on *AstroCartoGraphy*. And for the October 11<sup>th</sup> event, Lynette Malone will be doing a workshop on Family Dynamics, which sounds very interesting. We have other irons in the fire, with the possibilities of gaining the services of Mari Garcia, Robyn Lee, Cate Whelan and Kimberly from Queensland.

All in all, it promises to be a feast, so hope you all can come along to as many events as possible to support our precious group.

Best wishes,

**Jeff Farrow** FAAWA Chair 2020

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This month . . .
FEBRUARY/MARCH
WILD WEST OZ TIMES

COMING EVENTS –

Meetup

23<sup>rd</sup> February

2-4 pm at

South Perth

Learning Centre

STEPHANIE
JOHNSTON
15<sup>th</sup> March
AstroCartoGraphy

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# FAAWA MEETUP

## EXPLORE YOUR SUN AND MOON SIGN



For our first meetup, we are going to look at the Sun and the Moon,

The Sun and the Moon are the two main factors in your natal chart that reveal your personality. They represent the two sides of life and show the way in which we attempt to harmonise our various needs. SUN

- · Expression of our unique individuality
- · Discover who we are, separate from our place within family and culture
- · Find our inner nature and true purpose

#### MOON

- e Our emotional nature
- a How we react instinctively
- . Tapping into our intuition
- . The need to belong, to find our family and tribe

When: Sunday, February 23, 2020

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Where: South Perth Learning Centre

(Lower level Civic Centre, entrance from South Terroce, South Perth)

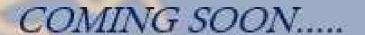
Cost: \$5

Coffee and Tea provided



Check out our Meetup page here:

https://www.meetup.com/Federation-of-Australian-Astrologers-WA-FAA-WA-Meetup/events/267848657/



# Astro Carto Graphy

with

# Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Time: 2-4pm

Venue: South Perth Learning Centre

Astrologer Stephanie Johnson will join us via skype at the South Perth.

Learning Centre to talk on a unique method called AstroCartoGraphy.

This is a means of casting your birth chart in various places around the world and seeing what each place has in store for you.

The idea is that different places bring out special traits in each of us. So, we can ask ourselves where is the ideal place for love, career, family or adventure?

\$20 Concession \$25 Members

\$30 Non-Member



# Stephanie Johnson

### Director of Esoteric Technologies

A founding member, Stephanie has helped create, design, develop and author Solar Fire, Astro Gold and their complementary products. She is the author of many of the Solar Writer astrology reports.

As well as being one of the creators of the Astro Gold app and Stars Webservice, Stephanie also runs her own **Seeing with Stars** Astrology consultation business.

Stephanie holds a Federation of Australian Astrologers' Practitioner's Certificate and Diploma. She is a practitioner of Medieval Astrology and the Ancient Wisdom Teachings. She has lectured at national conferences and her articles have appeared in Australian and UK publications. She is editor of the Australian Data Collection. Before commencing her professional astrology career, Stephanie was a Journalist for 15 years in Australia, England and the USA.



# FAAWA now has a Meetup Page!

Check it out here:

https://www.meetup.com/Federation-of-Australian-Astrologers-WA-FAA-WA-Meetup/events/267848657/

Or search Federation of Australian Astrologers WA meetup on www.meetup.com

#### February 2020 Wild West Oz times

**Information from Moontime Diary 2020** 

**Sunday 2** First Quarter Moon 9:41am

Venus sextiles Pluto 3:06pm

Monday 3 Mercury enters Pisces 7:37pm

**Tuesday 4** Venus sextiles Saturn 6:01am

Saturday 8 Venus enters Aries 4:02am

**Sunday 9** Full Moon Leo 20°00′ 3:33pm

Monday 10 Venus conjunct Chiron 4:05pm

Sunday 16 Last Quarter Moon 6:17am

Mars enters Capricorn 7:32pm

**Tuesday 18** Mercury goes Retrograde until 11<sup>th</sup> March

Wednesday 19 Sun enters Pisces 12:56pm

Friday 21 Mars trine Uranus 5:09pm

Mars square Chiron 9:16pm

Saturday 22 Sun sextiles Uranus 10:12pm

Sunday 23 New Moon in Pisces 4°25' 11:31pm

Monday 24 Venus square Jupiter 0:58am

**Tuesday 25** Sun sextiles Mars 10:05am

Wednesday 26 Sun conjuncts Mercury 9:44am

Saturday 29 Venus square Pluto 6:08am

Mercury sextiles Uranus 11:12am



FAAWA Website has been updated!

Check it out here - www.faawa.org

#### March 2020 Wild West Oz times

**Information from Moontime Diary 2020** 

**Tuesday 3** First Quarter Moon 3:57am

Wednesday 4 Venus square Saturn 0:44am

Retrograde Mercury re-enters Aquarius 7:07pm

**Thursday 5** Mercury sextiles Venus 5:24am

Venus enters Taurus 11:07am

Sunday 8 Sun conjunct Neptune 8:22pm

Monday 9 Venus conjunct Uranus 3:37am

**Tuesday 10** Full Super Moon in Virgo 19°37' 1:47am

Wednesday 11 Sun sextiles Jupiter 8:26pm

Mercury goes Direct

Saturday 14 Mars sextile Neptune 6:31pm

**Sunday 15** Sun sextiles Pluto 0:46am

Monday 16 Mercury enters Pisces 3:42pm

Last Quarter Moon 5:34pm

**Tuesday 19** St Patrick's Day

Friday 20 Sun sextiles Saturn 7:49am

Autumn Equinox - Sun enters Aries 11:49am

Mars conjunct Jupiter 7:34pm

Sunday 22 Saturn enters Aquarius 11:58am

Mercury sextiles Uranus 9:18pm

Monday 23 Venus sextiles Neptune 11:07am

Mars conjunct Pluto 1:20pm

Tuesday 24 New Moon in Aries 4°12' 5:28pm

Wednesday 25 Sun conjuncts Chiron 9:27pm

Saturday 28 Venus sextiles Jupiter 12:23pm

Sunday 29 Venus trine Pluto 10:57am

**Tuesday 31** Mars enters Aquarius 3:43am



# **FAA Conference, Melbourne**By Rick Boyd

What a wonderful experience. My first ever conference, and as we found out, possibly my last unless someone steps up to take on the heavy load of organising the next one.

Melbourne is my second home, and staying with daughter No.2 in Carlton meant a short 20 minute walk to International House, Melbourne University in Parkville on Thursday morning 16 January.

After a short opening and welcome to country by co-convenors Brian Clark and Glennys Lawton, it was in at the deep end with a whole day workshop with US presenter Wade Caves on Traditional Natal Astrology for Today.

Traditional astrology is always an interesting study and Wade's explanations of astronomical and historical reasons for many thing we take for granted as 'that's the way it is' were most illuminating. It's a little worrying that someone so young commands such an incredible store of knowledge and displays such deep understanding — but then he has probably been there numerous times in previous lives.

Friday started the conference proper and we had the unenviable task of choosing from the marvellous, tempting array of three or four sessions available for each period: two before lunch and two after. I was in good hands from the start with two wonderfully knowledgeable and polished international presenters in Dorian Greenbaum (US) and Frank Clifford (UK). Dorian's learned approach to why she wrongly predicted a win for Hilary Clinton in the US election was a warning against the astrologer looking for the expected answer, while Frank's urbane and always amusing discussion on chart rulers was equally fascinating. I was looking at my Saturn in a new light very quickly.

Lunch from the International House canteen was much appreciated, and a chance to catch up with fellow WA colleagues Margie Crocker, Jenny Coad, Zane Stein and Lynette Malone, Joanne Clifton, Stef Schroeder and Gerda Van Dongen.

There were just too many sessions to do justice to over the following two days, but I had information pouring in on Black Moon Lilith, Solar Fire software, the Jupiter Saturn conjunction, the origins of Horary Astrology, the Lunar Nodes, astrological magic, Doryphory from the marvellous Mari Garcia, and much more. Not to mention the used book store and various trade displays with many tempting astrological goodies.

Sunday afternoon arrived all too soon, with the horrible realisation I wouldn't be back in the morning for more fascinating information, but not before the WA contingent gathered for a photo. I could have happily continued for a week of such glorious learning, but all good

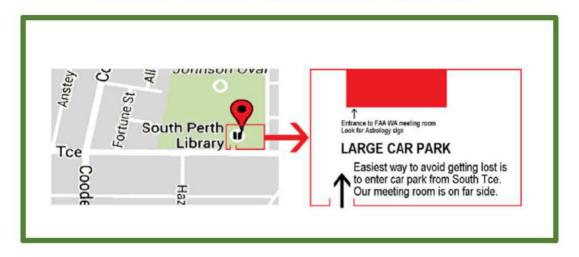
things must come to an end, and I had a few more days in Melbourne with wife Amanda to enjoy.

Thanks to Brian and Glennys for a wonderful experience, a huge task to organise but such a rewarding opportunity and well worth every inch of the trip (including the hour and a half wait to land at Melbourne airport in a thunderstorm). Special mention also to the Zodiac Appeal run by Brian and Glennys for the wildlife so badly hurt in the bushfires ravaging the sunburnt country.

Now, who can we get to organise the next one?



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#### THE ZODIAC APPEAL

#### astrologers in support of our circle of animals



We have re-launched The Zodiac Appeal; astrologers supporting our cherished wildlife rescued from the devastation of their habitats during the 2019 - 2020 bushfire emergency.

We are supporting Bushfire Wildlife Rescue Support, a registered national animal charity facilitating emergency response for animals and wildlife caught up in the fires. Their efforts are part of the largest animal support project in Australian history.

The Zodiac Appeal has already raised \$6,870 at our 2020 FAA International Conference and you can add your donation to the Zodiac Appeal at:

Account Name: Bushfire Wildlife Rescue Support

BSB: 063523 Account #: 10633718

Once you have donated, please email Glennys at <u>glennyslawton@bigpond.com</u> so we can add your name to our Zodiac Appeal register. Thank you.

The Zodiac Appeal reminds us that as astrologers we honour and support the sensitivity and sacredness of the animal world, symbolised by our celestial zodiac, the circle of animals: an eternal metaphor of our inner instinctual life.

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