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Chairperson's Report

Hello Members,

We had our first committee meeting together in person on August 18th, after doing them through email during the COVID crisis period. It was great to catch up with a few people and discuss the FAWWA business matters in a face to face manner.

For our upcoming events, there will be a change in date for Mari Garcia's Zoom session on "Love and Marriage".

It was going to be on 18th October, but will now be either at the end of October or the beginning of November and will be at the South Perth Learning Centre. We will let you know as soon as dates are finalised.

For the event on 13th September we have Kim Akinta booked in for a Zoom session on "Rectification", which is a very popular topic with our members. We will be conducting this event totally online, without using the South Perth Learning Centre. Links to Zoom will be sent to members who have paid for this event.

We have all been through some sort of crisis and change of patterns this year, which has been mirrored by the Saturn/Pluto conjunction in Capricorn and to a latter extent Jupiter moving through Capricorn. Hopefully with Jupiter and Saturn moving into conjunction in Aquarius on the 20th December this year, we will get some relief from the COVID situation. We will have a transiting square between Saturn and Uranus all of next year, which I personally think may strike a good balance between new, original, and better ways of living on planet Earth (Uranus) and responsible, structured actions (Saturn).

So, I hope you can support one or two of our remaining events, and possibly the AGM, which will be advertised soon.

Best wishes,

Jeff Farrow

FAAWA Chair 2020

◆ Guest Editor:
Jenny Coad

FAAWA Event

Rectification

Presented by Kim Akinta

Sunday 13th September 2020



2pm – 4pm

Online via ZOOM Meeting

Rectification of The Birth Time

“I don’t know what time I was born, what do I do? How do I find out my Ascendant?”

This is one of the most asked questions when practicing Astrology.

In this talk Kim takes you through how to rectify the Birth time. The big questions are answered as we go through the technique and method of rectifying the all-important Birth Time.

We will look at the type of events in people’s lifespan which we are looking for, the impact of Rectification on the client, the technique of processing the events and the method of establishing the Ascendant & MC.

We will finish with a real-life example of Rectification in action with the gracious permission of the chart holder.

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Please **register** by sending an email to Treasurer Jenny Coad jencoad@iinet.net.au and paying the appropriate fee to our bank account.

We will send you a **Zoom link** to the meeting prior to the day.



Kim Akinta

Kim Akinta Dip. Astro. FAA (1990) is a Modern Humanistic Astrologer who trained with Bernadette Brady in South Australia from 1987-1990. The first government funded Australian Astrologer (NEIS/SEVS:1992), Kim served on the FAASA Committee in the 90's, in various roles and has been the Social Media Chair on The AFAN Steering Committee 2018|19.

Kim has an extensive background over two decades in three States working in Community Services across the Youth and Disability Sectors. After graduating in Graphic Design in 2007 Kim returned to Professional Astrological Practice in 2016.

Kim founded and administrates the 24k Facebook Group: Astrology Explorers, her Public Page: Kim Akinta Astrologer has 5.7k Followers. Kim creates Astro Info Graphics as she combines her Astrological expertise and Graphic Design skills to educate thousands of enthusiasts daily.

Kim lives on Brisbane's Northside with her two teen children, dividing her time between Astrology, Creative pursuits and parenting.

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Presenting to FAWA Sunday 13th September 2-4pm via online ZOOM Meeting

VIRGO: An Integrative Perspective as told through the Labour of Hercules

Lovingly told by Lynette Malone

When using Astrology as an integral part of the ancient wisdom path, it is customary to meditate on the Full Moon when the streams of energy that flow through from the cosmos to the zodiac signs, the planets and our earth are of their greatest intensity. At this point we pause to soak up the positive and spiritual message of Virgo in the hope of doing our bit to bring further light into the world.

The Sacredness of Matter

Gemini and Virgo are closely related but Gemini presents the pairs of opposites—soul and body—as two separate entities whereas in Virgo, they are blended and of great and supreme importance to each other; the mother protects the germ of the Christ life; matter guards, cherishes and nurtures the hidden soul. (Esoteric Astrology. Alice Bailey .V3).

Relating this, as always to our present world crisis, I think of the virtues of waiting and gestating. The world is indeed doing just this. Even in blessed West Australia we cannot escape the general mood of the times. We are gestating a vaccine, we hope. Purifying ourselves in order to survive. But also, in deeper, psychological, and spiritual ways. There is talk on the airwaves of the positive possibilities for a new world, a more soul-filled world, a more tender and loving world. Will it happen? Maybe only in pockets, or in suburbs near us but not in other less lucky countries. These questions we cannot answer right now. But we do know that all we can do is our bit. Stay grounded, positive, be patient and allow your more soulful, loving, and wise self to slowly grow over time.

PERSONALITY TRAITS

And the Word said: Let matter reign

The Virgo personality can present itself as quiet and unassuming. But behind the meek exterior is often a razor-sharp mind that is picking over every detail that it considers important. Learning to discern what really matters is a Virgo issue. Initially it may be the pursuit of material gains. But as the light of the Soul within gestates and grows in the fertile grounds of existence, the Virgoan gains different priorities and puts their immense ability to serve into a higher cause. Analysis is supported by intuitive wisdom.

Significance of the sign and its polar opposite

As stated by Dane Rudhyar in Gifts of the Spirit the lesson for Virgo is to have “a clear realisation that no truth is complete or even real which does not include its opposite, and all that occurs in between”. .. that it is a sign of synthesis, Rudhyar states that transfiguration is required rather than transformation.

The 3 virtues demanded are

- a) Tolerance - real tolerance goes far deeper than such an attitude of ‘live and let live’ which is often not without a touch of smugness and self-centred indifference to everything but one’s own truth....it means etymologically ‘to bear’ the burden of the necessity for change and growth

- b) Compassion
- c) Charity

One grows by becoming ever more inclusive.

CRISIS LEADING TO TRANSFORMATION

Hercules Task : THE GIRDLE OF HYPOLITE

LABOUR VI SEIZING THE GIRDLE OF HYPOLITE

The time had come for Hercules to take the 6th great test. The word went out, not to Hercules, but to Hippolyte, the great warrior queen of the Amazonians. This was a society of warrior women who worshipped the Moon and made offerings to Mars. Back from their annual visit to the land of men, the women waited at the temple for word from their queen. Hippolyte stood on the steps, arrayed in her girdle given to her by Venus, queen of love. *This girdle was a symbol, a symbol of unity achieved through struggle, conflict, strife, a symbol of motherhood and of the sacred Child to whom all human life is truly turned.*

She had been instructed to gift the girdle to Hercules. But as it was a democratic society, the Queen sought the opinion of her constituents. Should they hand the girdle over or fight for it, as they so often had before? The vote was unanimous to gift it to him. As Hippolyte stood thus before her beloved peoples, Hercules appeared and, without questions or greetings, he slayed the mighty queen and wrenched the girdle from her. The Queen had been standing with her hands held out, offering him the gift of her girdle, the symbol of unity and love, of sacrifice and faith. Yet he did not notice and grasping it, he slaughtered her. At this point his teacher spoke:

My son, why slay that which is needed, close and dear? Why kill the one you love, the giver of gifts, custodian of the possible? Why kill the mother of the sacred Child? Again, we mark a failure. Again, you have not understood. Redeem this moment, ever again you seek my face.

Silence fell and Hercules, gathering the girdle to his breast, despondently headed for home. leaving the women in deep sorrow, bereft of leadership and love.

Soon he came upon the shore of the great sea again. Close to the rocky shore he saw a monster of the deep, holding between his jaws poor Hesione. Her shrieks and sighs rose to high heaven. Lost in regret Hercules trod his path without awareness. Hearing her cries he promptly rushed, but rushed too late. She disappeared within the cavernous throat of the sea serpent. But losing sight of himself, this son of man, who was a son of god, swam fearlessly across the waves to the sea monster and dived into its mouth. Down the red tunnel of its throat he flew until he came to the maiden, Hesione, deep in its belly Hercules hewed and hacked his way out of the monster with Hesione in his arms. *And so, he rescued her, balancing thus his previous deed of death. For such is life: an act of death, a deed of life, and thus the sons of men, who are the sons of God, learn wisdom, balance, and the way to walk with God.*

His teacher spoke:

Labour the sixth is over. You slaughtered that which cherished you and all unknown and all unrecognized gave unto you the needed love and power. You rescued that which needed you, and thus again the two are one. Ponder anew upon the ways of life, reflecting on the ways of death. Go rest my son. (115)

(my note: these words of the teacher are not instantly easily understood. It is better to simply sit with them and allow them to slosh around over time rather than feeling one should give an instant interpretation)

SPIRITUAL SOUL DIRECTION

I am the mother and the child. I, God, I, matter am.

In this mantra, the divine Trinity of Spirit - Soul - Intelligence, is represented. It reminds us that every life and every form in the universe, is part of the Whole - 'Spirit is matter at its finest, and matter is Spirit at its densest.' There is a tendency to denigrate matter and view it as 'low' or 'unworthy'. This mantra reminds us that the form is sacred and provides the vessel through which Divinity is expressed. Virgo is the womb of matter which nurtures and then gives birth to the beauty of the Soul - the Christ child. (Leoni Hodgson)

The sign Virgo is one of the most significant in the zodiac for its symbology concerns the whole goal of the evolutionary process, which is to shield, nurture and finally reveal the hidden spiritual reality. (EA .V3).



FAAWA presentation

Love and Marriage

Date TBA

2-4pm

**via Zoom and at the
SPLC**

MARI GARCIA is a consulting astrologer, writer and educator. She runs a consulting practice and is co-principal of **ASTRO MUNDI** and has lectured at the FAA bi-annual conferences, at UAC in the USA and the on-line International Breaking Down the Borders Conferences.

Mari's published work includes **Scala Coeli: A Ladder to Heaven, An Ancient Art in the Modern World: Australis 97 Congress papers, The Book of Notable Births, and the Traditional Astrology Glossary of Terms.**

She writes regularly for local, national and international and publications. Her interests include mundane and political astrology, mythology and traditional astrology.

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FAAWA Event

Love & Marriage

Presented by Mari Garcia

Date TBA (late Oct or Nov)

2pm - 4pm

Online via ZOOM Meeting

and at the South Perth Learning Centre *



Though marriage has ancient roots, until recently love had very little to do with it. Marriage originally was not about the relationship between two people but a way of getting in-laws, of making alliances and expanding the family wealth and influence. Love, on the other hand became the basis for unions only about 100 years ago. Today, everyone yearns for what we have been assured is a must: love and its attendant glory. For some, love is easy while others struggle to find it, let alone pursue significant relationships. Who marries? Who do they marry? What is the partner like? This Workshop explores the astrological indicators of love and marriage in a natal chart.

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Or Pay cash or cheque only on the day if attending at the SPLC (no credit card facilities)

* Due to Social distancing the SPLC will only allow 15 persons per room. If you would like to attend the session in person please book by emailing jencoad@iinet.net.au to reserve your place.

If you are happy to tune in online, please register by sending an email to jencoad@iinet.net.au and we will send you a link to the meeting prior to the day.



**Recording
available**

AstroCartoGraphy

with

Stephanie Johnson

Contact Jenny Coad jencoad@iinet.net.au if you would like a copy of the recording of Stephanie's talk on 19th July.

The recording is free for those who already paid for the live session, however is now available to all members for the same price, see below.

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FAA Upcoming Exams

2020 Calculation Exam

APPLICATIONS CLOSE
Thursday 6th August 2020

EXAM DATES
10am on 16th August – 4pm on 17th August

2020 Dynamic Exam

APPLICATIONS CLOSE
Tuesday 8th September 2020

EXAM DATES
18th September – 23rd October 2020

For more information check out <https://www.facebook.com/FAAExamBoard/>

Or contact - Pauline Hepburn - FAA Exam Board Coordinator via the website

September 2020 Wild West Oz times

Information from Moontime Diary 2020

Tuesday 1	Mercury trine Pluto 6:41pm
Wednesday 2	Full Moon in Pisces 10°12' 1:21pm Venus opposite Saturn 8:17pm Sun trine Uranus 10:08pm
Thursday 3	Mercury trine Saturn 3:22pm
Friday 4	Venus square Mars 5:12pm
Saturday 5	Mercury sextiles Venus 4:31am
Sunday 6	Mercury enters Libra 3:46am Venus enters Leo 3:21pm
Thursday 10	Sun trine Jupiter 00:03am Last Quarter Moon 5:25pm Mars goes Retrograde till 15 Nov
Friday 11	Mercury opposite Chiron 6:23am
Saturday 12	Sun opposite Neptune 4:25am
Sunday 13	Venus trine Chiron 7:24pm
Monday 14	Jupiter goes Direct
Tuesday 15	Sun trine Pluto 7:09am Venus square Uranus 11:29pm
Thursday 17	New Moon in Virgo 25°00' 9pm Mercury square Jupiter 6:34pm
Friday 18	Sun trine Saturn 5:36am
Monday 21	Mercury square Pluto 1:21pm
Tuesday 22	Sun enters Libra 9:30pm Spring Equinox
Wednesday 23	Mercury square Saturn 6:37pm
Thursday 24	First Quarter Moon 9:54am Mercury opposite Mars 6:52pm
Sunday 27	Mercury enters Scorpio 3:40pm
Tuesday 29	Venus trine Mars 9:01am
Wednesday 30	Sun opposite Chiron 4:43am Mars squares Saturn 5:49am Saturn goes Direct



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ANNUAL AGM

When:	Sunday 22 November 2020
Time:	12pm AGM followed by lunch
Venue:	The Secret Garden Café Angelo Street South Perth
Theme:	Uranian - use your imagination to dress-up

There will be a quiz and prizes for best dressed..... more details to follow next month

We welcome feedback and encourage members to be involved at a committee level. If you have any ideas for 2021 or are interested in any position on the committee please contact us.

Nomination and proxy forms are attached to this newsletter.

We are looking to fill the position of Minutes Secretary as Barbie, who has held the position for 9 years will be stepping down at the AGM. Role details are below. If you are interested please let us know.

FAAWA Minutes Secretary Duties

- To attend all committee meetings with a copy of the agenda & writing tools.
- To ensure that communications are efficient & timely.
- To record attendees & apologies for non-attendance.
- To record starting time & finishing time.
- To read & review the previous minutes & make any necessary amendments or corrections before the President's endorsement.
- To take rough notes at the meeting that accurately reflect the decisions & discussion that took place during the meeting.
- It should be clear what decisions have been made & who will perform which tasks.
- To be able to judge how much detail to include & distinguish between necessary information & superfluous.
- To record date, time & location of the next meeting.
- To type up notes formally & clearly & make them available to committee members as soon as possible after the meeting. Always proof read before sending out.
- To file the minutes appropriately for future reference or legal requirements.
- To accept AGM committee nominations for the following year by the legally required time before the AGM. To make a rough plan for the coming year at the first meeting after the AGM, with committee meeting dates & event planning.

AANSW PRESENTS

Gregory Clare

Fate vs Free Will

Saturday 12th September 2020



1:30pm EST (11:30am WST)

Online via Go-To-Meeting

Over the past two millennia humans have wrestled with the term “free will”.

Philosophical figures, such as Plato, Aristotle, Kant and Chakrabarti have written-free will inevitably involves disputes between metaphysics and ethics.

Today as members of the FAA we are bound to a code of ethics.

How did astrologers of antiquity deal with this impasse? And where and how do we begin to investigate this topic? What and where in the chart can we find answer to this question?

One Hellenistic astrologer left us a clue on this very subject. Zodiacal Releasing from Spirit and Fortune. The word releasing signifies some sort letting go, liberation, freedom, but what does this mean?



IAA.

Gregory Clare as a commercial fisherman for 28 years steered the boat at night with the aid of the stars. These many years of familiarity with the night sky set the scene for what was to become his passion, Astronomy and Astrology.

Gregory is on the Administrative Board of International Academy of Astrology (IAA).

Gregory is currently teaching NAT-5 Astronomy & Other Bodies at the

Members: \$7.00 Concession: \$5.00

Please email **Kate** at news@astrologynsw.com.au to confirm your registrations, please advise of your payment confirmation.

Bank Details: Astrology Association NSW - BSB: 032 340, Acct: 146918, Ref: Online Meet - Name

The 13th Annual Astrology Student Conference
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Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th September 2020

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