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## from the President,

It's now the Year of the Rooster – as of January 27<sup>th</sup>. That is my husband's sign – a curious mix with his Taurus sun, but there you are!

We are still fine-tuning the speakers and events scheduled for the year, but it promises to be as active as last year with a few new ideas thrown in. First up is myself with a talk on medical astrology on Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>. This is such a fascinating field and it

shows us how literal astrology can be when it expresses bodily or psychologically. My approach is fairly traditional, although I am totally in favour of using the outer planets too. Do come! The details are later in this issue.

Margie Crocker and I were at the January National Council meeting in Brisbane, after which I met up with our Queensland presenter-friend Terry MacKinnell. If you recall, on his first visit to WA he outlined his findings on the astrological ages. He devised a method that is entirely his, but totally in keeping with astrological tradition. Terry has followed Trump's path and other world affairs lately and found that his method and predictions are spot on. This system of his is intriguing, and Terry is a meticulous researcher. Members are sure to enjoy his talk when he returns early this year.

The eclipse season is upon us again. The solar eclipse at 8° Pisces occurs on the 26<sup>th</sup> Feb [Medical Astrology talk day] just before 11 pm.

Eclipses are harbingers of change, and from my perspective it looks like many people are undergoing huge changes and tests. Last year was quite extraordinary for such a large number of people. Did others notice that too? It must be true ... change in the macrocosm of world politics has also been awesome. The small is reflected in the great.

With those musings, I will wish everyone a very happy 2017 and Year of the Rooster. Enjoy the last month of summer!

*Jeannette Lewis - Hill*

*FAAWA President. FAA NC liaison rep*

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Editor:

Carol Jenkins



## Editorial:

Welcome back to astrology with the FAWA and your new look newsletter in 2017. We are well into lining up events and speakers for your interest and enjoyment in 2017 with our good friend Terry McKinnell promising us another talk in early April. Margie and Jeannette are recently back from Brisbane where they represented us at the National Council of the FAA and a report on the proceedings of the meeting from Jeannette can be found in this issue.

Both Margie and Jeannette are resuming their beginners and horary club respectively for 2017 and details for both can also be found in this issue.

Work has continued steadily in the background over the Christmas break and there have been a few updates to our webpage. You will now find the latest version of our Library Catalogue on the Home Page. The Catalogue download is easily found and clearly marked and our thanks go to our Webmistress Lauren Dowd for expediting this work.

As you know, the Library is now sited at Margie's home and the details for borrowing and reading on site are also following. This year Margie is also offering "Library Chat" days utilising the library books to their full potential. Watch this space for more details later in the year.

The Planet Watch column is all about the solar and lunar eclipses in February this year. I'm personally a little excited about this as my sun is extremely near the eclipse point and as we all know an eclipse on the sun portends a realignment of somekind in your life. According to Ed Tamplin recent leaders of our country have been in turn elevated and fallen from that great height on eclipses. Oh it doesn't bear thinking about when it concerns you personally, which way will my realignment go? Mind you the good thing about it is that the fixed star SKAT is also in the mix meaning, according to the books, "you will gain the love of respectable women" and again I thought oh such a pity about all the other women I know!

This month the focus is on our first event of the year with Jeannette Lewis-Hill talking on "Medical Astrology – Practices and Principles". I know Jeannette has a pile of wonderful working examples for us to work through together, some of them being very personal as they progress the journey of her husband through his recent heart attack and subsequent quadruple by-pass surgery. What I say is "beware the woman who finds time to pop over to the computer to erect and print out an astrology chart when you're having a heart attack and waiting for the ambulance", but that's just me of course!

Mercury Messenger Editor  
Carol Jenkins



on passing the

Congratulations !  
ZOE SHUTTLEWORTH  
DYNAMIC EXAM

... NEXT EVENT ...

Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017

2-4 pm South Perth Learning Centre

# Medical Astrology - Practice Cases & Principles

Speaker Jeannette Lewis-Hill

25 members, \$20 concession, \$30 non members

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## 2017 Year of the Fire Rooster

Known in modern Chinese as the "Spring Festival", is an important Chinese festival celebrated at the turn of the traditional lunisolar Chinese calendar. Celebrations traditionally run from the evening preceding the first day, to the Lantern Festival on the 15th day of the first calendar month. The first day of the New Year falls on the new moon between 21 January and 20 February.

In 2017, the first day of the Chinese New Year is on Saturday, 28 January, initiating another year of the rooster.



- Feb.8,1921-Jan.27,1922
- Jan.26,1933-Feb.13,1934
- Feb.13,1945-Feb.1,1946
- Jan.31,1957-Feb.17,1958
- Feb.17,1969-Feb.5,1970
- Feb.5,1981-Jan.24,1982
- Jan.23,1993-Feb.9,1994
- Feb.9,2005-Jan.28,2006
- Jan.28,2017-Feb.15,2018
- Feb.13,2029-Feb.2,2030
- Mar.1,2041-Jan.21,2042
- Feb.19,2053-Feb.7,2054

Lucky Signs for People Born in Rooster Year:

Lucky Numbers: 5, 7, 8

Lucky Colours: gold, brown, brownish yellow, yellow

Lucky Flowers: gladiola, impatiens, cockscomb

Lucky Directions: west, southwest, northeast



Coming on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2017...

Terry McKinnell

With the latest Information on world affairs/predictions using his system of the astrological ages and especially ...

Lunar Phases and what Donald Trump has taught him this year???

## ...NOTICES ...



Roderick Kidston : A life cut short on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Barbara Thorp from Victoria writes ...

*"With a very heavy and sad heart, I share with you some very heartbreaking news. On January 25 2017 our beloved colleague and friend Roderick Kidston died.*

*Roderick was deeply loved and respected and recently had just released his book The Magic of the Stars which included so much of his life work. To me Roderick was a true and dear friend, but I know we all will miss him terribly".*

Many of our members here in WA know his work and hold him in very high esteem. His was a life cut short so very soon after the publication of his book "The Magic of the Stars" based on a favoured topic of his, the fixed stars.

Our thoughts go out to Roderick's family and friends at this time.

### Astrology classes



These are run in Bayswater for beginners and also for those wanting more knowledge. Classes are held weekly on Wednesday evening and fortnightly on Saturday afternoon. Workshops will be held every 6-8 weeks with a variation of knowledge needed for each one.

Students who are interested in gaining qualifications and have completed one exam can apply for a national exam scholarship.

Contact Margie Crocker [9272 7861](tel:92727861) for details or email [margie@constellationsastrology.com.au](mailto:margie@constellationsastrology.com.au)

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## Horary Astrology Study Group

The horary group will be starting up again in March, and I have plenty of charts to start out on. As always, your own questions and charts have priority.

There is a change of day necessary this year: we will meet on Thursdays. We will do the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month, so the very first meeting will be held on

**Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7.00 PM**  
**Marjorie Ave Studio, 53 Marjorie Ave, Riverton**

Please text me if you are coming: **045 909 6959**.

Thanks, Jeannette Lewis-Hill.

All are Welcome.

For a ★ star ★ studded year consider one of these

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Australian Professional Astrologers (APA)

The annual general meeting was held in Brisbane in January. This national association aims to promote astrology in a professional capacity. Students can be supported with grants to assist with the cost of exams; 5 were given to students in 2016

This association has counselling experience as an entry requirement and is currently investigating online programs to access this. Supervision for Astrologers is valued and WA is investigating training in the state.

Liaison officer,

**Margie Crocker**

## FAAWA library

### **The FAAWA Library Catalogue can be found on the Home Page of our website [www.faawa.org](http://www.faawa.org)**

The library has moved and is now housed at 3 Elizabeth Street, Bayswater. Members are now welcome to come and read on the premises or borrow the books. The library is at the house of our Vice President, Margie Crocker. Margie is lecturing at TAFE during the week Monday to Thursday.

Friday afternoon is the easiest time to borrow or read but late afternoon or weekends are available through a phone call

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Chat sessions using the library items are planned for the year with a given topic for discussion.



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## Report: The National Council of the FAA: Some New Ideas

The summer holidays are the time when the National Council holds its AGM. Margie Crocker and I went to Brisbane for the January 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, spending a good 5 hours discussing ways to improve life for the nation's astrologers.

In addition to the usual operational and organisational matters, other topics of general interest came up.

Of interest to WA specifically is that we put a case to the Council that we need assistance in providing our members with more content from interstate and overseas. We are small but our group is increasing in vigour and our talks have been well attended. Tentative offers were made of opening up some eastern states sessions to us; these would be via a skype-type of program. It depends on technology, but this is constantly improving. Ways of sharing international speakers between all states were put forward. Fingers crossed that our distant world is about to open up a bit more.

Also of much interest is the proposal to have our national quarterly journal converted to A4 format. We are about to show a mock-up copy to our local committee. When my sample came in the post after Christmas I was astonished at the impact it made. I was initially dismissive of the notion of doubling the journal size, but seeing is believing. Member feedback is welcome on this. Yes, it will cost more. We are looking at ways of absorbing this as much as possible. We have had a new journal editor this year, Judy Best, and she has done an incredible job. This is her idea.

We also discussed alternative types of conferences, because the big ones now held are such an enormous effort and seem to bring in a limited demographic. Even here in WA we could consider offering a 'mini-conference' in the form of a specialist workshop-cum-panel on a specific area of astrology, for example. Regional offerings could be part of a network that encompasses both small and large gatherings – with fewer of the latter. Again, member feedback is very much appreciated.

We have also fine-tuned our Code of Ethics; it will appear when passed and includes attention to copyright amongst other things.

*Prepared by Jeannette Lewis-Hill, 2017 President of FAWA, for National Council Meeting, Brisbane 14/01/17*

. . . PLANET WATCH . . .



Lunar Eclipse Feb 11 2017 12:33 am 22° Leo 28'

Solar Eclipse Feb 26 2017 2:58 pm 8° Pisces 12'

The Solar eclipse in February 2017 is at 08°12' Pisces it will most strongly affect Pisces decan 1, but also those born in early Pisces decan 2. It is dominated by the spiritual planet Neptune to bring hope of a brighter future.

Fixed star Skat at 09°06' aligns with this solar eclipse also giving good fortune and lasting happiness. It also provides safety in a deluge? This is a star for good leaders in any adventurous field of activity, physical, economic or social. The name Skat means The Wish. This is a solar eclipse for making wishes come true. However, the promised good fortune will only endure if you have earned it.

With the Sun and the Moon, this star is especially good for relationships. You can make new and influential friends, get help and valuable gifts from friends, and gain the love of respectable women. The enhanced emotional sensitivity from Skat can make you psychic, but together with the associated criticism and persecution.

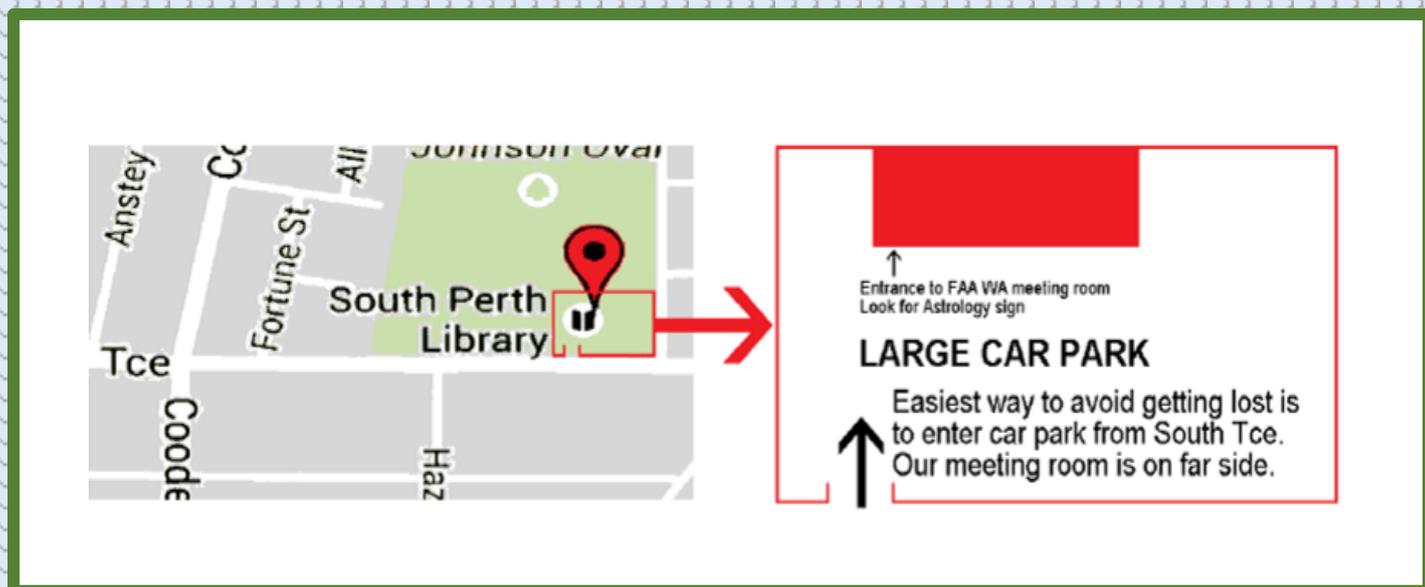
Bernadette Brady's book "The Eagle and the Lark" gives us the meaning of this Solar Eclipse".

*This Eclipse is part of the Saros Series 19 South*

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