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from the President

Our WA branch of the FAA is small, but we are steadily increasing in activity and membership during a time of general easing-off, which has to be a good sign for astrology's future. The modern astrologers are contributing brilliant research and translations, and the traditionalists are rekindling the

profound old understandings of cycles and

usages. I personally see this trend as making our astrology deeper and more reliable than it was for perhaps the whole 20th century. [...giving due credit to some wonderful astrological pioneers of that era.]

Our most recent presentation was by Sam Bakewell, our accomplished Hellenistic astrologer, who spoke on the almutem and profections. Sam has a gift for making these topics accessible, and the large audience gave testimony to her well-deserved popularity. Sam uses Robert Zoller's formula for deriving the almutem, which she has found to be consistently true and workable in her charts.

For our May offering, we are presenting a Three Speaker event at a favourite old venue: The 7th Ave Bar and Restaurant in Midland. The topic is evolutionary and nodal astrology, and the presenters are Rick Boyd, Jeff Farrow and myself. The flyers you have received give all the details. This is a Sunday event that runs from 9:45 to 4 pm – with ample breaks, tea/coffee/biscuits provided, and the option for ordering hotel lunches which will be brought in to the function room.

Outside the hotel is a well-known Sunday morning market; we suggest that you come a bit early to have a wander through the stalls. The produce is excellent, and other items are also on sale. There is also time for a quick look during the first tea-break.

By the time you receive this I should be back from a week in country Victoria, where I have been learning about medical astrology from a true expert: Lee Lehman. At the time of writing I haven't gone yet – and am really looking forward to it, even though they are predicting 8 degree highs for part of the time. I promise to share some of Lee's wisdom with you.

Wishing you all the best,

Jeannette Lewis-Hill

FAAWA President

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Editor:

Carol Jenkins



Editorial . . .

Secrets and Lies.

Governments, banks, powerful religious institutions and our sporting icons are but the tip of the iceberg, there seems to be no end to the daily revelations of that which was once secret. Was it always this way or are we now simply being shaken awake from the Age of Pisces with it's 12th house values of blind faith, forgiveness, secrecy and reclusion; and being newly invited by the Age of Aquarius to follow it's 11th house values of, equality and altruism, moral standards and elevating our scientists once more as in the way of our Ancients.

I'm certain our Ancients would be pleased with our next event on Sunday 27th May which is titled "A Nod to the Nodes". All details for the day are following on Page 3 and 4 of this issue.

I need to stress the importance of making a prompt 9.45 am start. We are using an old and well-tried formula of having 3 separate speakers presenting on one related theme over the whole day. To make the most of the day you need to bring along a copy of your natal chart in Placidus and also a copy of your natal chart in Draconic. Directions for erecting the Draconic chart is on page 4 following.

Parking is advisable at the rear of the building where there is a large car park that can easily be accessed from Stafford Street. Every Sunday there is a street market in Helena street directly in front of the 7th Avenue Bar and Restaurant therefore the road is closed for the morning.

If you intend to pay for entry on the day please bring the correct cash amount as shown on page 3 following, as this makes Jenny a happy Treasurer.

I'll catch up with you there 😊

Warm regards,

Carol Jenkins

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Quote of the Month:

When a man rubs out a pencil mark, he should be careful to see that the line is quite obliterated. For if a secret is to be kept, no precautions are too great.

— Graham Greene, *The Ministry of Fear*



The 3 Speakers

A Nod to the Nodes

★ *Karmic Astrology*
Rick Boyd

★ *Evolutionary Astrology*
Jeff Farrow

★ *Revelations of the Draconic Chart*
Jeannette Lewis-Hill

Sunday, 27th May 2018

(A full day event from 9:45 pm PROMPT START to 4 pm Finish)

*Venue: 7th Avenue Bar and Restaurant, Midland
74 Helena St, Midland WA 6056*

There is a large Car Park at the Rear, accessed from Stafford Street.

Back to our old haunt, our usual comfortable room, tea or coffee provided

Very reasonably priced hot or cold lunch menu, Espresso coffee available.

\$70 concession (members only) **\$85 members** **\$95 non-members**

If you intend to pay on the day please bring correct cash.

Payment options

Preferred Payment is directly into FAAWA: Account no: 416267-2 BSB no: 306-084

Or

Forward cheque to: The Treasurer of the FAA WA Inc. 2/14 Angelo St,
South Perth 6151

Information About:

A Nod to the Nodes - A full day event with 3 speakers on Sunday, 27th April 2018
@ The 7th Avenue Bar and Restaurant, 74 Helena St, Midland



Evolutionary Astrology – Jeff Farrow

The nodes of the moon are the entry point for understanding our karmic inheritance and our soul contract for this lifetime. Evolutionary astrology utilises the sign and house of the nodes, the sign and house of the nodal rulers, and the aspects to the nodes and nodal rulers to weave a very unique story for each person. This storyline gives an understanding of the main issues that must be faced before we can evolve to higher level of consciousness and move into our true purpose for this life. **Use Placidus Chart**



Karmic Astrology –Rick Boyd

Following on from my presentation on karmic astrology and the roles of the phase of the moon and the nodes of the moon; in this presentation I will focus more on the roles of retrograde planets as indicators of unfinished business from the past life issues that this life is intended to resolve; and the karmic role of the Part of Fortune as the energy we may most easily and naturally access to pursue our goals in this incarnation. The interpretations of these factors in karmic astrology have a somewhat different emphasis to natal astrology and help us understand negative behaviour patterns holding us back in our past life failures, and how we may progress and graduate on our soul journey. **Use Placidus Chart**



Revelations of the Draconic Chart – Jeannette Lewis-Hill

The nodes are intensely personal and spiritual points in our charts. By using the nodal Draconic Zodiac we can derive otherwise hidden meanings that lurk within our nativities. In the draconic chart, the north node is designated to be at 0 degrees Aries, and the entire zodiac is reassigned to our charts on that basis. Creating draconic bi-wheels with our standard natal charts reveals deeper, hidden dimensions of ourselves, and employing draconic charts in synastry often tells the real truth about our relationships.

Use Draconic Chart.

How to Draw Your Draconic Chart and Biwheel Using Solar Fire ↗

Enter all your details as you normally would in the "new chart" form, with ONE EXCEPTION: in the "Zodiac" drop-down menu, enter "DRACONIC" instead of "Tropical." Your chart will look the same, but the signs and degrees have been reassigned, with the north node holding the 00.00 Aries position. Now make a bi-wheel with your 'normal' chart inside and the draconic chart outside.

Be Prepared for the Day ☺

May 2018: using Wild West Oz times

Information from Moontime Diary 2018

Tuesday 1	Sun square Nodes 2:17am
Sunday 6	Sun sextiles Neptune 9:56pm
Monday 7	Mercury square Pluto 4:52pm
Tuesday 9	Venus square Neptune 5:58am Last Quarter Moon 10:08pm
Wednesday 9	Sun opposite Jupiter 8:38am
Saturday 12	Sun trine Pluto 7:10am Mercury square Mars 9:30pm
Sunday 13	Mercury conjunct Uranus 6:50p Mercury enters Taurus 8:44pm
Tuesday 15	New Moon in Taurus 24°36' 7:47pm
Wednesday 16	Uranus enters Taurus 1:12am Mars enters Aquarius 1:10pm Mars square Uranus 3:03pm
Saturday 19	Mercury trine Saturn 0:48am Mercury square Nodes 1:13am Venus enters Cancer 9:15pm
Sunday 20	Venus sextiles Uranus 1:30am Mars sextiles Chiron 1:55pm
Monday 21	Venus square Chiron 4:23am Sun enters Gemini 10:21am
Tuesday 22	First Quarter Moon 11:49am
Wednesday 23	Sun sextiles Chiron 2:48am Mercury sextiles Neptune 10:13am Mercury opposite Jupiter 1:53pm
Thursday 24	Sun trine Mars 10:39am
Friday 25	Jupiter trine Neptune 5:52pm Mercury trine Pluto 9:37pm
Saturday 26	Venus opposite Saturn 2:39pm
Tuesday 29	Full Moon in Sagittarius 8°10' 10:19pm
Wednesday 30	Mercury enters Gemini 7:52am
Thursday 31	Mercury sextiles Chiron 5:21am

Coming Soon - on JULY 8th 2018

Face Reading with Cazee Carew

Unveiling the FaCE

A fascinating insight into the very ancient art of 'Face Reading'. This talk will touch on the multitude of information which radiates from a person's face.

You will see how a person's life story, character and health is visible for all to read.

You know this knowledge and will be delighted when we bring it to the surface.

So many faces, so many stories, so much conflict, so much misunderstanding.

Cazee will make clear the hidden meanings in a few of the phrases we use in everyday language e.g. "she's has a cheek" "stiff upper lip", letting your hair down, " bald men are sexy?"

She will show you how easy it is to unravel the clues and begin to understand the many faces before you.

And if time permits Cazee will add a little body language so you can interpret the gestures of people when in their company and how easy it is to get on the "right side of someone."

Join us for an intriguing afternoon of prediction

More details available in next months newsletter

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2018 APA Inc. F.A.A. Exam Scholarships **Scholarship applications are invited**

2018 Calculation Exam held on August 26 (24 hour home exam)
2018 Dynamic Exam commences on September 17
2019 Interpretation Exam commences on February 15

**Applications close on 15th June 2018 and all applicants
will be informed of the results by early July 2018.**

The APA Exam Scholarship provides financial support to astrology students wishing to undertake the FAA Examinations. Four scholarships are available on an annual basis with no more than one scholarship per year per student. Successful applicants may apply again for assistance with further exams, as long as they pass the exams they have sat.

To be eligible for this package the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current member of the FAA and an Australian resident.
- Be intending to sit all four of the FAA Examinations over the next few years. Preference will be given to students who have already [successfully] begun the FAA examination process.
- Be planning to become an APA member when they are qualified and be willing to undertake the supervision necessary to become an accredited professional astrologer.
- Be able to provide a written application sent by email to APA stating the reasons how / why the sponsorship would assist them. This may or may not be due to financial hardship.

More details of the scholarship along with instructions for applicants are available in the document, **A.P.A. Exam Scholarship Guidelines for Candidates**, which can be found on the A.P.A. website www.apainc.org.au

Please refer to the above detailed guidelines and email your application to the A.P.A. Secretary, Christine Rothwell at christinerothwell@outlook.com and cc the A.P.A. Student Scholarship Convenor, Anne Button at anne.button24@gmail.com

exams@faainc.org.au

An Important Update from the Exam Board

Changes to the Calculation Exam

The recent FAA National Council (17 January 2018) accepted proposed changes to Calculation Exam submitted by the Exam Board. These changes will come into effect from the 2018 Calculation Exam which has been set for 26 August 2018.

The changes are:

1. The Calculation Exam will now be a home based, open book exam.
2. The exam will be emailed to candidates
3. Candidates will have 24 hours to complete the exam.
4. Candidates have the choice of returning their exam papers by digital means or via Express Post. Express Post envelopes must be date stamped to indicate a Monday posting. Exam papers which are returned by digital means need to be emailed to exams@faainc.org.au
5. The exam itself has changed from three (3) sections to four (4) sections.

Section 1 consists of TWO questions on the calculation of natal chart angles, house cusps and planets. Both questions in this section must be completed. (30 Marks)

Section 2 consists of up to EIGHT questions on aspects and other appropriate information given in the natal chart. All questions must be answered. (20 Marks)

Section 3 contains TEN questions on the calculation of Transits, Progressions and Directions in the horoscope. All questions must be answered. (30 Marks)

Section 4 consists of TWENTY FIVE multiple choice questions. You must answer TWENTY of them. (20 Marks)

There were a number of other changes which are worth noting:

1. The exam application fee will be raised to \$220 per exam from 1 November 2018 (which effectively means the increased fee will commence with the 2019 Interpretations Exam) but the Concession exam fee will remain at \$150.
2. Candidates will receive a full breakdown of their marks in line with the marking guide pertinent to that exam – examiner comments on exam essays will no longer be available. Candidates are encouraged to consult with their teachers should they be seeking further feedback and/or guidance.
3. That the status of AAT (Accredited Astrology Teacher) be re-defined to read:
That the AAT accreditation be awarded to teachers who have had EIGHT (8) successful candidates complete any FAA Exam, with at least ONE (1) candidate successful in each of the four examinations. (This will give evidence of their ability to teach the full FAA syllabus).

Please direct any comments or questions on any of above points to:

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Membership Renewals due 1st April 2018

REMINDER



To date,
some members have not paid their dues



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