

Newsletter

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President's Report



As the calendar year 2011 draws towards a close, I would like to, on behalf of AANSW committee and members', thank all those who contributed to another successful year. Special thanks must go to the AANSW guest speakers, who throughout the year have shared their wisdom with us freely. It has not all gone to plan this year with several last minute changes to AANSW guest speaker list, but everyone, together, has helped to encourage a constructive, functional and valuable outcome.

The world year reduced to a numerologically expressed 4 has been a real challenge as expected. The theme of this is articulated through the square, and astrologically speaking this has also been evident, with the cardinal planetary configuration of Pluto, Saturn and Uranus. This cardinal theme has been a battle between the old and entrenched ways and those who are seeking reform to what could be considered of no useful service. This energy has as such set in motion, altered, changed, remoulded and transformed, and in some cases annihilates altogether the old ways. This has not been an easy operation as the square does suggest no-pain, no-gain. And as sometimes realised we don't always get what we had hoped for, compromise is not trouble-free.

The AANSW November meeting featured a panel conversation on **Relationships**; In Our quest for Astrological knowledge we form a Connection with **something. What is it!** The panellist included special guest Damian Rocks, with Chris Turner, AANSW Vice President Dr Neil Hair, AANSW Sectary Kate Holden and AANSW President Gregory Clare moderating. The discussion, which also included some interesting comments from the members, was an insightful and informative dialogue. On behalf of AANSW members I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts.

Our last meeting for the year is on Saturday December 10th, and will commence at 1:00pm with our end of the year Christmas celebration, which includes food and drinks. Followed by our special international guest speaker Kelly Surtees, Kelly's topic is aptly named Jupiter Cycles, King of the Heavens: King of the Chart? As the largest planet, Jupiter's influence in the chart deserves more than a cursory 'lucky, opportunistic' approach.

This talk explores the myth, history, magic and meaning of Jupiter, both in the natal chart and via dynamic influence. Come along to find out how to better understand your connection to this regal planet, and discover when it's most likely to affect you (through transits & progressions).

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So with all that said we look forward to 2012, and our first engagement for the year is a must attend event, **"An Astrological Symposium; Weaving the Fabric of Time 2012 and Beyond" the 19th FAA International Conference.**

AANSW members look forward to catching up in Melbourne with all those who share in our likeminded quest, Astrological enlightenment. Liz and Kirilly will be there as winners of our members competition for places at the conference.

AANSW has some wonderful speakers coming in 2012; the first meeting in February sees the return of popular AANSW vice President Dr Neil Hair, and his yearly forecast.

So please come along to our warm and friendly venue and share in an afternoon of astrological interchange with like-minded people. The venue is Drummoyne Community Centre, 10 Cometrowe Street, Drummoyne and doors open at 1:15pm on the 2nd Saturday of the month (except Jan).

Gregory Clare

President
AANSW

AANSW Speakers Booked & Confirmed

December 10th	Kelly Surtees - Jupiter Cycles
February 11th	Neil Hair – 2012
March 10th	Kira Sutherland
April 14th	Jessica Adams: Asteroid Astrology
May 12th	Anne Robertson: Resurrection of Ageless Wisdom

AANSW SYDNEY

Meetings - Where: **Drummoyne Community Centre** 10 Cometrowe Street, Drummoyne

When: **2nd Saturday of the month (except January) 1:15pm-4:30pm**

Correspondence: **PO Box 253, Guildford NSW 2161**

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**Calendar of Events
2011**

DECEMBER

Friday 9th
SARS Meeting
73rd Birthday + Christmas
PAAAARTY
The Clarendon Hotel
1st Floor 156 Devonshire ST
Surry Hills

Saturday 10th
AANSW Meeting
Kelly Surtees
Jupiter – King of the Heavens:
King of the Chart?
+
Christmas Party

2012

JANUARY

Friday 20th to Sunday
22nd
2012 FAA Conference
WEAVING THE FABRIC OF TIME

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 1st
SARS Meeting

Saturday 11th
AANSW Meeting
Neil Hair
The End of the World has Already
Happened

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MARCH

Wednesday 7th
SARS Meeting

Saturday 10th
AANSW Meeting
Kira Sutherland

Saturday 24th
Somewhere in the Gong
International Astrology Day Fete

Saturday 10th December
Christmas Party!!



This year we will be changing the format slightly – for the usual meeting fee we will be having lunch and a chat when we arrive - food and drinks from 1pm.

The lecture will commence at 2.00pm on 10th Dec 2011

Speaker: Kelly Surtees



Kelly is visiting Sydney in December – her 2012 Astrology public lecture in Crows Nest on Monday the 12th is now sold out but we are lucky enough to have Kelly other public lecture on **Jupiter**.

Jupiter - King of the Heavens: King of the Chart?

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Learn how to work out if your Jupiter is switched on, and what you can do to help activate Jupiter's energy in your life.

It will be great to have Kelly at our last meeting of 2011, Kelly teaches in both astrology and creative writing in Australia and Canada. The annual Wellbeing Astrology magazine that Kelly co-edits is in store now.

We are all looking forward to the visit. At the conclusion of the lecture we will have some coffee, cakes, sweets and other nibbles.

Christmas Reading and Listening?

Do not forget to send through you holiday listening and reading requests to

CD's – Christina - crstina1@bigpond.net.au

Book's – Kate – kt.k8.holden@gmail.com

Cd' list in on the website – send through so that Chris can have them ready for you to collect. \$4 each or 4 for \$10

November Discussion - What do we Connect to?

Greg opened the discussion with an exert from Rob Hand presentation from the Breaking Down the Borders Conference held in 2010, which challenges the listener to investigate what astrology means to them and what is the responsibility you hold as a practising astrologer. This discussion was a extension in some ways from the Presentation that we were give by Yasmin Boland earlier this year.

I would like to thank Damian Rocks, Neil Hair, Chris Turner and Gary Curci who lead the 2nd half forum, for sharing their experiences as astrologers, their experience with astology, and to all the members for their supportive energy and to those that shared their experiences as well. The discussion proved to be refreshingly open, and it was wonderful to be able to share with those present a subject that is dear to us all.

Damian Rocks - Astrologer



Damian Rocks is a professional astrologer with many years experience. He is one of only a handful of people to be awarded a Masters of Arts degree from Bath Spa University, England, specializing in the study of Cultural Astronomy and Astrology, and holds a Diploma of Parapsychology, as well as a Diploma of Fine Arts. As such, his approach is unique, educated and informed. He has trained with some of the world's foremost astrological experts, and brings a wealth of realistic experience to his practice. Damian believes in assisting each individual to make the most of their full potential, and can help you to explore what it is that really motivates you, where you are going to, and why.

A typical astrological experience involves exploring how you, as an individual, can make the most of your full potential. Damian can help you to understand how astrology can assist you to harness and use life's constant cycles, as well as make the most of those strengths, opportunities and challenges that are uniquely your own.

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WellBeing Astrology

The Annual WellBeing Astrology magazine is once again available at all good news agencies and on-line.

Kelly Surtees our guest speaker this month is editor of this publication, and has once again put together a beautiful publication – I love the illustrations that are included every year.

As well as **Kelly's** sun-sign predictions for the upcoming year, there are many familiar faces to AANSW meeting attendees.

Damian Rocks, who was a panelist last meeting contributes an article looking at the year ahead for Oprah Winfrey, Maria Shriver and Prince William.

Molly Talbot contributes an article about the Cycles of Life and Evolution that outlines the major cycles we experience from the great Benefic – Jupiter, the great Malefic – Saturn and the outers through the decades of our life.

Clementine whose presentation last year was on lunar nodes explores Mayan astrology – this mode of astrology is different from that which we focus on, Clementine investigates what we can learn from our Day Sign.

Kira Sutherland, who will be presenting to the AANSW meeting March, writes on Fertility and Astrology, using the shape of the moon at your time of birth to aid increase fertility and creativity in later life.

Michele Finey who made the trip from Melbourne to Sydney to discuss Mars and Venus in the chart, explores the planet Neptune, its myth, the sign of Pisces and what its impact may be on 2012.

There are many more articles to enjoy in the publication, a moon wall calendar – so keep an eye out for it next shopping trip. kate

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Are you Ready? 2012 – Exam Timetable

Interpretation – 4 weeks at home – Feb March 2012

Advanced – 4 weeks at home – May June 2012

Calculations – Supervised – Date in Augustish

Dynamic – 4 weeks at home – Octoberish

For more information www.faainc.org.au – see exams menu

Web Wired Wisely

The Website Review



It's holiday time! The time of year when all our normal activities including your monthly or weekly astrology gatherings finish up for a couple of months. If you are an astrology tragic and will really miss not only all the astrology talk, but also the social interaction with like minded people, then this is a good time to look at joining an on line astrology group.

Apart from the usual astrology forums to be found on many sites, there are literally thousands of actual groups to be found, and there are a few things to watch out for.

The best place to start is at Yahoo groups - <http://groups.yahoo.com/search?query=astrology> - where there are 3000 groups listed on this site alone. There is a dedicated astrology group for every branch of astrology and for every possible interest, from Uranian astrology to astrology and health or relationship, politics, spirituality, you name it, you will find it.

Be wary of a group that is listed as public or that has a huge membership or that isn't moderated. These are the groups where you will find the crackpots and the unpleasant arguments. However you also have to be careful of groups that are too small or too heavily moderated, as those groups are usually their as an ego boost for the list owner.

Fortunately all these groups are free to subscribe to, so you can try any that interest you for a week or two, and if you don't like it, it is very easy to unsubscribe from them. You always have a choice as to whether you receive emails, or a digest where you get all the emails for the day in one email per day, or no email so that you can go on line and participate that way.

To see if you like being part of an on line group, you are welcome to join a group that I have been involved with for nearly 20 years now called Conjunction. You won't find it in the Yahoo group list as it draws its membership from recommendations only. It's also a little different from the other astrology groups listed as social interaction is encouraged as well as astrological discussion on any topic. If you would like to try it out over the holidays just send a blank email to conjunction-subscribe@yahogroups.com If you need any help, or more information, just contact me.

In the meantime, thank you for reading my little column over the last 12 months, I have had great fun doing it. Have a wonderful Christmas, and I'll see you all in the New Year.

HORARY ASTROLOGY WORKSHOP

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND
CHRISTINA STARGAZER
WILL BE RUNNING
ANOTHER HORARY WORKSHOP
TO BE HELD OVER 4 SESSIONS

COMMENCING SUNDAY 5TH FEB 2012
THEN CONTINUING THE
FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTHS
4TH MARCH, 1ST APRIL & 6TH MAY

PLACES ARE LIMITED TO
6 PARTICIPANTS ONLY

ANY QUESTIONS ????

GOOD !!!

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT

CHRISTINA

ON

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SOUTH COAST ASTROLOGER'S GROUP
Dates for 2012

January 28 – Finger Crossed (Something special)

February 25,

**March 24 (International Astrology Day)
Astrology Day Festivities now being planned**

**April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, August 25, September 22,
October 27, November 24**

No December Meeting - End of the Mayan Calendar !!!

Venue: TBA
Address: Somewhere in Wollongong
Time: TBA
When: 28th January 2012
January Topic: It's a big SURPRISE!
Bring Yourself & Your Chart as always
Cost: TBA

**We are as busy as Santa's Elves preparing for 2012.
Watch this space for details as they come to hand.**

**In the meantime have a very Merry Christmas and happy New
Year whatever you do.**

**Then next year, unlike the like the three Wise Guys,
follow your own Star !!!**

Any questions - contact

Chris on 0410 565 954

Or

Gary on 0416 173 824

Email: crstina1@bigpond.net.au

**This Group enjoys the full support of AANSW Committee
ALL WELCOME**

Are you a December Membership?

AANSW has a lot of members with December renewals are you one!

Mark in your diary to make your payment – it is a busy time of the year and you do not want to drop of the list and miss an Journal. Also do not forget to renew if you are going to the conference.

Please send payments at you earliest convenience – to download the form go to <http://www.astrologynsw.com.au/membership.html>

Benefits of membership include – the 4 FAA Journals published each year, reduced entry free to monthly meetings, AANSW newsletters emailed or mailed and access to the fantastic CD and book library.

Please remember that your membership fees need to be up to date by the 25th of the month before the **FAA Journal** is due (Feb, May, Aug, Nov) so that you don't miss out on an FAA Journal!

Thanks

Anita

Anita Ings - AANSW Treasurer

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The 19th
FAA International Conference
Weaving the Fabric of Time
2012 and Beyond

Where will you be in 2012?

STILL HELP NEEDED WITH BIRTH DATA

I need birth data and other details of as many people as possible, especially children, who have been diagnosed as being on the autism spectrum.

If you can help me with birth data, I would appreciate it if you could either take the survey on <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/autismspectrumsurvey>, or pass the link on to anyone you may know who has the autism spectrum in the family. This includes Asperger's syndrome, PDD-NOS, Rett's Disorder, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder and Autism Disorder. You and/or they will be completely anonymous, and all information will be treated as totally confidential. I don't need any other information than what is asked on the survey. The survey, although detailed, should take 10 to 15 minutes only to complete.

I also need the birth data of "normal" children for a control group. I.e., anyone under 20 years of age who has not been diagnosed on the spectrum (and preferably also not with ADD or ADHD) and is not related to anyone in their immediate family who has been diagnosed on the autism spectrum. There is no survey for these as I only need the birth data and gender. So this data can be sent directly to me. Again no names will be used – everyone becomes a number, so complete anonymity and confidentiality.

If you are able to send me any of these birth details, or do the survey, or pass the link on, it would be really helpful. The hardest part of any research project is getting enough birth data – I need lots of it!!!

If you would like to ask me anything more about this research project, please feel free to email me at turnerchris@iprimus.com.au

Thank you for your help. It is greatly appreciated.

Chris

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/autismspectrumsurvey>

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Membership Renewal Form 2012

Full membership: One year = \$60.00 Joint Membership One year = \$90.00

Concession: One year = \$42.50 (Please provide proof eg Centrelink card)

Enquiries or direct credit details: Anita Ings, AANSW Treasurer jonita11@bigond.net.au

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To **The Astrology Association of NSW Inc**
And post to **PO Box 253 GUILDFORD NSW 2161**

Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

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Telephone: _____ Alternate: _____

Email Address: _____
(Please print clearly & use correct upper /lower case)

Date of birth (optional): _____ Time: _____ Place: _____

I have a general interest in astrology

I am an astrology student

I have a FAA Basic Certificate

I have passed the following FAA Examinations (Please tick)
Calculation Interpretation
Dynamic Advanced

I have a FAA Diploma (previously the FAA Practitioner's Certificate)

I have a FAA Advanced Diploma (previously the FAA Diploma)

I have other Astrological qualifications which are: _____

Credit Card payment of membership fees MasterCard OR Visa (circle)

Card: ____ / ____ / ____ / ____ / Expiry date: __ / __

Amount to be charged: ____ (fees above)

I have read and agree to abide by the Federation of Australian Astrologers (FAA) Code of Ethics and the Constitution of AANSW Inc

Signed: Date.....

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