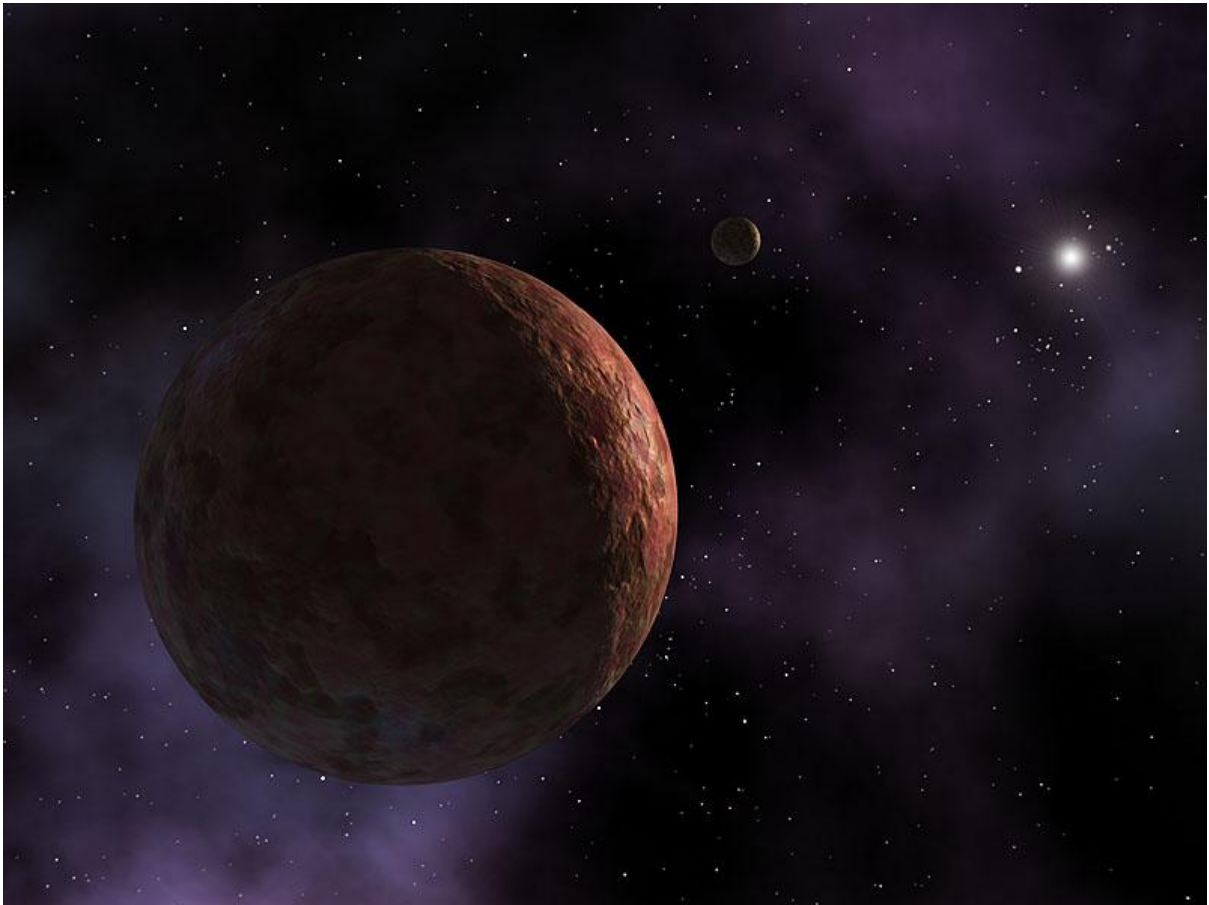


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Artist's impression of Sedna. Downloaded from NASA website,
http://www.nasa.gov/images/content/56740main_sedna-art.jpg March, 2013.

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Following are the notes on which the FAASA June 2013 talk was based.

Introduction

Why choose Sedna?

There are two considerations before we meet Sedna:

1. **Imagine that you are an astrologer in 1946.** You have just been through the Second World War, you have seen some initial photographs (although these are not widely published) of the devastation in Hiroshima and Nagasaki and you realise that things will never be the same again. As an astrologer you are aware that a new planet, Pluto, was discovered in 1930. You are wondering what this new planet means to the world.....
2. **Sedna in an Inuit Goddess.** Although there are universal archetypes, we tend to interpret them in light of our culture, and, in the Western European culture, we can bargain with our Gods and Goddesses. We make offerings, we raise temples and shrines to Them. But you cannot make deals with Sedna. She requires the correct attitude of respect to the Earth (as Gaia) and to all the animals (including other humans). Yes, the Shaman can travel to Sedna, can comb Her hair and talk to Her, but none of that matters if we do not change our ways and attitudes.....

Astrologically, Sedna is of particular interest because:

- Sedna was named very quickly
- It is the first time that an Inuit myth has been used.
 - The name Sedna was chosen by the discoverers as Sedna was the coldest and most remote body discovered to that time.
- Sedna's is unique in that Her orbit could not be explained by the theories of the formation of the solar system current at the time of Her discovery.

Mike Brown, one of the discoverers of Sedna, believes that there are 3 possible explanations for Sedna's position and orbit:

1. *There may have been an unknown, approximately earth-sized planet circling the sun at about twice the distance of Neptune.*
 - Sedna could have come too close to this planet and been flung out to a far corner of our solar system as a result of gravitational interactions.
 - As planets always return to where such an orbit commenced, Sedna's new orbit would be one that comes in as close as the initial planetary interaction but then travels far out to the edge of the solar system.
 - No earth-sized planet has been found, but it is a very large and distant area of the Solar System so such a planet could still be undiscovered.
2. *The second possibility is that a star may have passed extremely close to our solar system at some point during the lifetime of the Sun.*
 - "Extremely close" for a star means 20 times as far as the orbit of Neptune.
 - Sedna would previously have been a normal Kuiper Belt object with a looping orbit which would take Her out to the distant solar system and back to Neptune.
 - If Sedna passed too close to this interloping star, Sedna's orbit would change to one which no longer went back to Neptune.
 - Sedna's orbit would return to the place where Sedna had passed "close" to the star, but the star would have moved on by then.
 - Mathematical models suggest that the chances of this happening sometime during the past 4.5 billion years is around 1%.
 - These odds make this theory unlikely.

3. *The third possibility is that Sedna's orbit was altered by more distant interactions with several stars.*
- Considered the most likely explanation of the three.
 - Astronomers have long known that most stars are not born alone, but in a group of many stars packed together.
 - When the Sun was forming there would have been thousands to hundreds of thousands of stars in the same area of space that currently holds our Sun.
 - Stars were held together by the gravitational pull of the massive amounts of gas between the still-forming stars.
 - As the still-forming stars finally pull in enough of the gas to ignite the nuclear fusion that powers their cores, they quickly blow the remaining gas away.
 - This gas was holding everything together, so when it is lost the stars drift away into interstellar space.
 - Astronomers can see these processes taking place in space as other stars are being born.
 - Sedna's orbit may be the first suggestion that this is how our Sun was formed.

The astronomy of Sedna

- These are brief notes only, as the emphasis of this talk is the Astrology of Sedna.
- Sedna's orbital period is from 10,500 years (early estimates) to possibly >12,000 years (Mike Brown).
 - The beginning of the current interglacial age was approximately 10,500 years ago.
 - Suggests that Sedna may be associated with issues around major climate change.
- Sedna is currently (2013) taking approx 100 years to transit a sign.
 - At 23TAU43 on 1/6/2013 (Solar Fire).
 - Perihelion in Cancer is in 2076.
 - Takes approximately 42 years to travel through Gemini (calculated from the Solar Fire ephemeris generator).
 - Takes approximately 40 years to travel through Cancer (calculated from the Solar Fire ephemeris generator).
 - At aphelion (Capricorn), Sedna takes approximately 1600 years to travel through a sign and behaves more like a fixed star.
- Sedna appears red.
 - Karen Hamaker-Zondag suggests that red bodies tend to have myths that involve anger or aggression, eg Mars.
- Sedna was discovered by methodical survey of the distant Solar System, but there were some maverick elements in Her naming.
 - The formal naming of a newly discovered body is not allowed until the name has been approved by a Committee.
 - This allows time for consultation and public comment.
 - Sedna was all ready named in early announcements (should have been referred to by the number 2003VB12).
 - Astronomers should have been "punished", probably by not being allowed to name the newly discovered body, but that did not happen here:
 - No alternative names were suggested
 - Karen Hamaker-Zondag suggests this may represent an important eruption from the collective unconscious.

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- As a result of Sedna's discovery and naming, astronomers are now allowed to name "important objects" with only 7 days notice to the Astronomical Union (to ensure there is no conflict with other names).

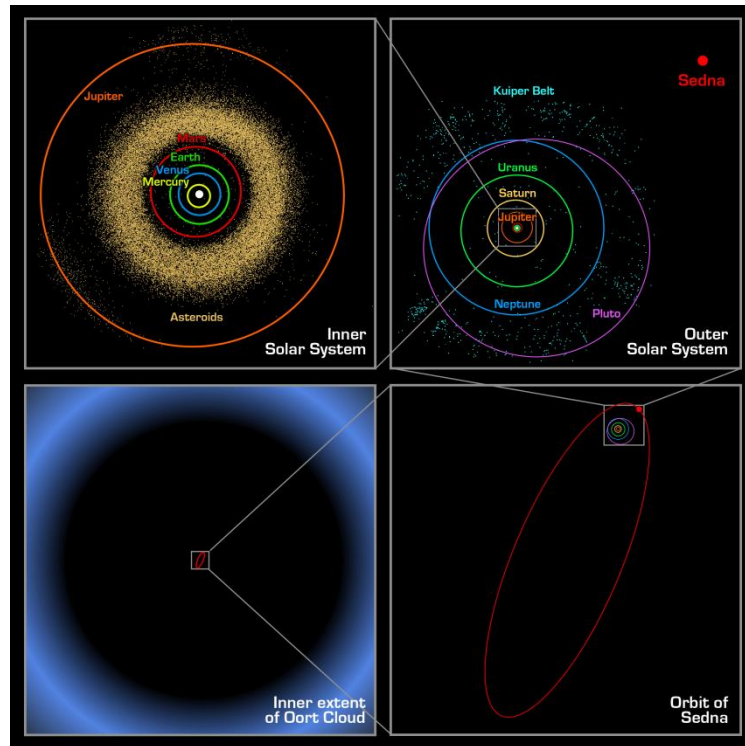


Diagram showing Sedna's position within the Solar System. Downloaded from:
http://science.nasa.gov/media/medialibrary/2004/03/15/16mar_sedna_resources/orbits_huge.jpg 31/5/2013.

- As more is learned about the astronomy of Sedna, there have been changes in how Sedna is described. Currently (April 2013):
 - Sedna is no longer considered part of the Oort cloud.
 - Her orbital period is now thought to be closer to 12,000 years.

The meaning of Sedna

- Sedna's myth is of an Inuit Goddess Who requires harmony between Man and Nature and can punish with ferocious seas and storms.
 - Since Her discovery in November 2003, we have seen:
 - Boxing Day earthquake and tsunami in the Indian Ocean (December 2004).
 - Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans (August 2005).
 - Hurricane Katrina (August 2005) was the deadliest and most destructive Atlantic hurricane of the 2005 Atlantic hurricane season.
 - It was one of the five deadliest hurricanes in US history (at least 1,833 people died in the hurricane and subsequent floods).
 - Tōhoku earthquake and tsunami (March 2011).
 - At Fukushima the tsunamis overtopped seawalls and destroyed the diesel backup power systems.
 - Ultimately resulted in three large explosions and radioactive leakage at the nuclear power plant.

- Hurricane Sandy hit New York (October 2012).
 - Hurricane Sandy was the deadliest and most destructive hurricane of the 2012 Atlantic hurricane season.
 - It became the largest Atlantic hurricane on record (as measured by diameter).
 - The severe and widespread damage caused by the storm, as well as its unusual merging with another major weather system, resulted in the hurricane being nicknamed "Superstorm Sandy".
- When a new Solar System body is discovered, clues to the astrological meaning can be found in:
 - The transits and progressions that the body makes may be associated with a certain events or issues.
 - People in whose charts the body is prominent may reflect the issues associated with that body.
 - The charts of countries that have experienced the effects suggested by the myth may be emphasised by transit or progression.
 - Look at the astronomy of the body and the chart of its discovery.
- Initial work suggests that Sedna is evolutionary in nature.
 - Only some people with a prominent Sedna will live Her myth.
 - Even for those people it is essential to avoid hubris and the attitude that you can overcome nature.
 - Not everyone with a prominent Sedna will be a champion of the environment.
 - Transits and progressions in personal charts are long lasting.
 - Rarely herald a specific event.
 - Suggest a time when there will be an increasing environmental awareness.
 - Possible that Sedna is becoming more significant the closer She comes to perigee.

Myth of Sedna

This is an Inuit myth that is told throughout the Arctic. The Inuits are storytellers with a strong oral tradition so every group tells a slightly different version of the myth. In brief the myth involves:

- Sedna is the daughter of a single father as a result of her Mother's death when She was a child.
- Sedna is very beautiful.
- Her father chose a husband for Her.
 - Sedna refused the man selected for Her and Her father felt humiliated by this.
- Her father then said that only a dog was suitable to be Her husband.
 - Sedna became pregnant to the dog.
 - She gives birth to a litter, some human and some dog.
- The hunter is again ashamed of his daughter and drowns the dog.
- Sedna sends Her children out into the world, fearing for their safety.
- Sedna is living alone on the ice and struggling to survive, when she meets a handsome man.
 - He offers her shelter and She follows him.
 - He turns out to be a bird man in human form.
 - He provides food and warmth for Her.
 - They have a child.
- Meanwhile Her father feels guilty and is looking for Sedna.
 - He tries to rescue Sedna.

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- The birdman tries to get Sedna back by attacking the kayak that Sedna and Her father are in.
- Her father fears for his life as the birdman attacks and he throws Sedna out of the kayak.
 - Sedna hangs on to the side of the boat, but her father cuts off Her fingers and eventually Her hands and arms.
 - Her fingers become the fish and Her arms become the sea mammals.
 - Sedna sinks to the bottom of the sea and is made the guardian for the Inuit people by the Moon and Air spirits.
- Sedna is re-united with Her dog husband at the bottom of sea.
- The hunter escapes but eventually seeks forgiveness and is re-united with Sedna at the bottom of the sea.
- When the sea mammals disappear or there are great storms:
 - The Shaman travels to Sedna at the bottom of the sea.
 - He finds out how they have transgressed.
 - He combs Her hair to make amends and as a mark of respect.

Karen Hamaker-Zondag considers that the key points of the myth are:

- Sedna's mother dies while Sedna is young.
 - Absence of mature feminine energy.
 - In the myth, it is the unbalanced male energy that kills feminine values.
- She is raised by her father.
 - He treats her as a possession and responds to her with pride or embarrassment.
 - Daughters may be rejected by their fathers if they do not follow his expectations of them.
- Sedna chooses to be true to Herself by resisting marriage to the man chosen by Her father.
 - Her father rejects Sedna (representing his own feminine nature).
 - Sedna shows positive yin qualities to survive; endurance, adaptation and patience.
 - There are some aspects of our lives that we must accept and survive without succumbing to depression or giving up.
- Sedna punishes people when they are untrue to each other or to nature.
 - Seeks balance between men and women and Man and Nature.
 - Can punish by:
 - Heavy weather and storms.
 - Floods.
 - Seething/fuming seas.
 - Withdrawal of sea animals – hunger and famine.
- Sedna also gives abundance and is merciful.
 - Forgives Her father when he finally seeks forgiveness by laying next to the sea.

Sedna and mutilation

Sedna may be prominent in the charts of those who self-mutilate or those who mutilate others.

- Karen Hamaker-Zondag's work.
- There is a generation who were born with Sedna opposite Pluto.
 - Girls (and occasionally boys) would self-mutilate as a way of mitigating the emotional pain that they felt.
 - Suggestive of a disbalance between masculine and feminine in society that these people internalised.
 - May be expressing society's issues around dealing with emotional pain.
- In one example a young woman was able to understand the issues involved when Sedna transited trine her natal Sun.
 - Found inspiration in the book "*The Woman in the Shaman's Body*" about shamanism.
 - Realised that Shamans have to live the pain first before they can help others.

Sedna in the chart

Natal house of Sedna

- The natal house that holds Sedna shows where you must express Sedna's ideals correctly.
- Karen Hamaker-Zondag did not describe all the houses, so I have included some suggestions for the other houses:

House	From Karen Hamaker-Zondag's work	My suggestions
1	The need to live one's beliefs, especially with respect to the environment. <i>Joan Baez.</i>	
2		Committing your resources to Sedna's ideals.
3	The use of books and the media to get the message out. <i>Paul Newman.</i>	
4		Care of the land is of utmost importance. <i>Princess Diana.</i>
5		Environmental awareness as a way to express yourself creatively. Taking pride in living an environmentally aware life. <i>Mikhail Gorbachev.</i>
6		Service or duty to save the environment.
7	A strong awareness of the interrelationship of all life on Earth. <i>Jacques Cousteau.</i> <i>Rachel Carson.</i>	
8	Breaking taboos and bringing hidden issues to light.	
9		Environmental issues seen as having spiritual importance. Possibly also work in the academic sphere on environmental issues.
10	The need to publicly express your beliefs. It is very important that you live your life according to your beliefs. <i>Prince Charles.</i>	
11	Working with organisations and groups. <i>Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands.</i>	
12	Expression of Sedna's ideals directly connected to sea or artwork.	
ASC or MC	There is a great need to get the message out to society. <i>Al Gore: Sedna conjunct MC.</i>	

Sedna transits and progressions

- Orb appears to be about 1°.
- Sedna can be almost stationery for several years.

Sedna transits - Mundane

- Jupiter may increase Sedna's effect.
- Sedna/Moon involved in flooding.
- Water houses appear emphasised when there are tsunamis.
 - 12th house and Neptune emphasised in particular.
- 4th house often involved when there is damage to the land.

Sedna transits – Natal

Sedna transits do not always relate to specific events, rather there was EVOLUTION towards Sedna's ideals.

- Can become destructive if there is a chance for evolution that is not taken.
- Sedna is extreme – someone who is changing society in line with Sedna's ideal (constructive expression) can also be destructive at times.

Sedna in the Decans

See figure 1 (page 36) of Barbara Schermer's article "Sedna: Goddess for our time" originally published in *The Mountain Astrologer*, April/May 2009, pages 32-76. Available to download from: <http://astrologyalive.squarespace.com/storage/astrologyalive/TMA409Sedna.pdf> .

This diagram (from Barbara Schermer's article) shows Sedna's position from February 1867 at 0°00' Aries to June 2023 at 0°00' Gemini. (Schermer states that she used a 5° applying, 3° separating orb and used the date of the last ingress into a new decan or sign for the illustration. The cusp of the Aries/Taurus ingress was given a 1° orb.

Sedna in Aries signifies:

- Inspiration
- Motivation
- Labelled "Catalysts" by Schermer

Sedna in Taurus signifies:

- Determination
- Problem-solving
- Labelled "Manifestors" by Schermer

Sedna also seems to work slightly differently from decan to decan:

Aries/Aries Decan:

- February 1867 – February 1909.
- John Muir, with a prominent natal Sedna, founded the environmental organization, the Sierra Club, on May 28, 1892, in San Francisco, California.
 - Sierra Club is a powerful voice for the global environmentalist community.
 - Motto of “Explore, enjoy and protect the planet”.
 - Sedna’s discoverer, astronomer Mike Brown, is a lifelong member of the Sierra Club.
- Aldo Leopold:
 - Ecologist and forester.
 - Called “the father of wildlife management in the United States”.
- Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas.
 - Influential in landmark environmental cases.
 - Author of “A Wildlife Bill of Rights”.

Aries/Leo Decan:

- February 1909 – March 1941.
- Many important environmental leaders with a prominent Sedna were born during this decan.
 - Rachel Carson.
 - Marine biologist.
 - Author of Silent Spring.
 - Originally published in 1962 as a series in The New Yorker magazine.
 - Exposed the hazards of the (then) ubiquitous insecticide DDT.
 - Backed with meticulous research, Carson described how DDT entered the food chain.
 - Because of Carson’s book, DDT was eventually banned.
 - Jacques Cousteau.
 - Lady Bird Johnson.
 - Championed the reintroduction of wildflowers, especially along highways.
 - Eugene Odum.
 - Defined the terms ecosystem and ecology.

Aries/Sagittarius Decan:

- March 1941 – February 1968.
- Anita Roddick.
- Al Gore.
 - Sedna is almost exactly conjunct his Aries Midheaven.
 - Has spoken tirelessly on behalf of the Earth’s endangerment by the advent of climate change.

The Cusp Generation:

- March 1965 – February 1968.
- More research needed but appear to be moving into a period of manifestation.
- Mike Brown born.
 - Part of the team that discovered Sedna.

Taurus/Taurus Decan:

- February 1968 – April 1989.
- First Earth Day (1970).
- Founding of both Greenpeace (1971) and Greenpeace International (1979).

Taurus/Virgo Decan:

- April 1989 – June 2010.
- "Environmental issues come of age in the 1990s".
 - Title of an article by Bill Kemp at <http://www.lib.niu.edu/1990/ii900413.html>
 - Suggests that American people are beginning to consider environmental issues when they vote.
- Exxon Valdez oil spill 24/3/1989.
- In January 1991, during the Gulf War, Iraqi forces committed two environmental crimes:
 - Caused a major oil spill 16 kilometres off the shore of Kuwait by dumping oil from several tankers and opening the valves of an offshore terminal.
 - Setting fire to 650 oil wells in Kuwait.

Taurus/Capricorn decan:

- June 2010 – June 2023.
- Will governments take a stand on climate change? Will big business continue to deny its impact?

Conclusions about the astrology of Sedna

- Sedna is being shown to us by people who live Her myth – destructive as well as constructive examples.
- Sedna is part of a slow unfolding change that can occur in a person, usually a growing awareness of nature.
 - Transits/progressions rarely trigger specific events.
 - There is usually a gradual move to a more environmental consciousness.
- Sedna is not concerned with justice for a specific person, She seeks justice for the collective.
 - Jupiter and Saturn represent personal/social justice – Sedna is justice for Gaia and the environment.
- Sedna lives in the outer reaches of the Solar System and represents collective unconscious issues.
 - Some people appear to be chosen by Sedna to carry her destruction or construction.
- Sedna can be extreme and unpredictable.
 - Sedna in mundane astrology is often strong in the charts of countries that suffer natural disasters.
- Honouring nature is also honouring endurance and strength.
 - Must accept your fate.
 - Sedna stayed true to Herself and endured.

Greenpeace – A Sedna organisation

Birth of Greenpeace

World changers, artists, and social misfits stumble upon history and make the best of it. Or they make a mess of it. In either case, they “touch the flesh of the matter,” as Greenpeace strategist Ben Metcalfe once dreamed. Or they discover the soul that has no name and enter the eternal battle between spirit and matter. They’re on spirit’s side but in matter’s grip. “Imagination is seizing power,” proclaimed the Paris students in 1968. “Our tears prove we are connected to the suffering of others,” said pacifist Joanna Macy. We shall not be moved. Blessed are the peacemakers. Let freedom ring.

World changers aren’t planners. The planners come later, with critics and social philosophers to mop up and win awards. Bureaucrats arrive to invent systems. World changers are the mothers weary of seeing their children abused and fathers who have had enough of petty tyrants. Rosa Parks, the seamstress who refused to sit in the back of the bus. Jesus. Buddha.

History declines to wait for the world changers and creators to sort things out, but rather rolls over them with the same inevitable nonchalance with which it buries empires.

From: Rex Weyler, Greenpeace. (Page 9)

Charts used

First Greenpeace Sailing.

15/9/1971

19:45 pm (Rating X: Time unknown)

Vancouver, Canada.

Phyllis Cormack (Greenpeace) officially “departed” at 4pm on 15th September 1971 so that news cameras could get footage for the evening news. In fact, they initially sailed to a refuelling site at Burrard Inlet. We know that at 6pm several of the crew were still in a bar and watching their “departure” on the 6 o’clock news. The Greenpeace website states that the boat “*left the harbour at dusk on 15 September 1971*” which would be about 7:20pm. One of the members on that first voyage, however, described the night as “pitch black” as they set sail for the sea.

(Source: Greenpeace website and Greenpeace by Rex Weyler.)

Sinking of the Rainbow Warrior

10/7/1985

(Rating: A, news report)

Auckland, New Zealand

Rainbow Warrior sank 11:49 pm.

First bomb exploded 11:38 pm.

Second bomb exploded 11:45 pm

The sinking of the *Rainbow Warrior*, codenamed *Opération Satanique*, was an operation by the “action” branch of the French foreign intelligence services, the *Direction Générale de la Sécurité Extérieure* (DGSE), carried out on 10 July 1985. It aimed to sink the flagship of the Greenpeace fleet, the *Rainbow Warrior*, in the port of Auckland, New Zealand, to prevent her from interfering in a nuclear test in Moruroa.

(Source: Wikipedia, downloaded 1/5/2013.)

Greenpeace Articles of Association

20/12/1996

10:00am (Rating X: Time unknown)

Amsterdam, Netherlands

Greenpeace International's main legal entity is "Stichting Greenpeace Council" (SGC). It is a Dutch Stichting, a foundation-type non-profit entity, based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands. The Articles of Association (bylaws) specify its purpose and provide the framework for Greenpeace's internal governance and decision-making process. The entity is registered with the Dutch Chamber of Commerce.

The articles of Association were registered in Amsterdam, The Netherlands on 20th December, 1996. Rex Weyler talks of the meeting being "in the morning".

(Source: Greenpeace website and Greenpeace Articles of Association

(<http://www.greenpeace.org/international/PageFiles/24182/001%20-%20Articles%20of%20Association.pdf>)

downloaded 1/5/2013.)

All charts were erected using Solar Fire Gold v.7.

Natal chart of Greenpeace

There is no clear birth time (or even founders), but the Greenpeace website states that the sailing of the *Phyllis Cormack* was "the beginning".

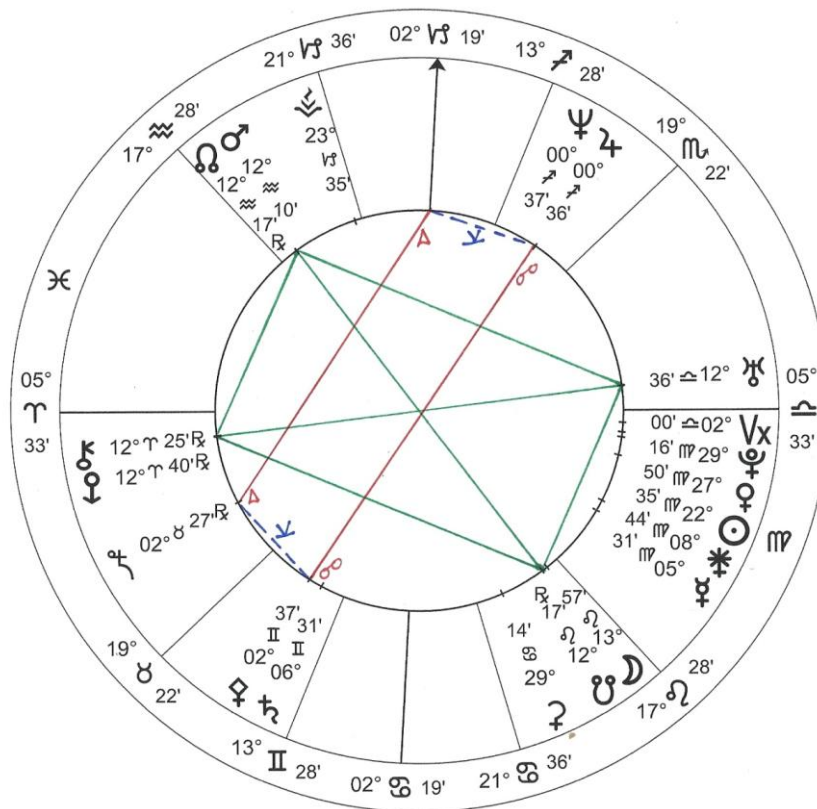
- In the late 60's and early 70's Vancouver was a gathering place for American radicals.
- The Sierra Club was well established, and was a collection point for those concerned about the environment.
 - Concerns about American nuclear tests at Amchitka were discussed at the Sierra Club.
 - The Don't Make a Wave Committee was formed as part of the Sierra Club to fight the Amchitka nuclear tests.
- The *Phyllis Cormack* was hired by the Don't Make a Wave Committee to sail to Amchitka to protest against the nuclear testing.
- After the Amchitka voyages, the Don't Make a Wave Committee disbanded and funds were transferred to "Greenpeace" as a separate organisation.
- When did the *Phyllis Cormack* sail?
 - *Phyllis Cormack* (Greenpeace) officially "departed" at 4pm on 15th September 1971 so that news cameras could get footage for the evening news.
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 - At 6pm several of the crew were still in a bar and watching their "departure" on the 6 o'clock news.
 - The Greenpeace website states that the boat "*left the harbour at dusk on 15 September 1971*" which would be about 7:20pm.
 - It was close to this time as they were worried that people refused a place would try to stow away.
 - One of the members on that first voyage, however, described the night as "pitch black" as they set sail for the sea, so 7:45pm has been chosen for the chart.

The following chart is clearly the chart of an organisation formed with a purpose:

- Jupiter/Neptune conjunction suggests idealism and willingness to take on more than is possible.
- Jupiter/Neptune is opposite Pallas/Saturn.
 - Saturn steadies the Jupiter/Neptune conjunction and allows the conjunction to achieve.
 - Pallas is the warrior Goddess born in full armour from the head of Zeus.
 - She is the warrior who plans.
- There is a mystic rectangle that describes action and the willingness (?need) to stir things up.

But why is this the chart of an ecological organisation? Why not dedicated to solving world poverty? This is where the presence of Sedna, tied into the Greenpeace charts described below, gives us information that is not apparent elsewhere in the chart.

The Greenpeace “Sailing” chart.

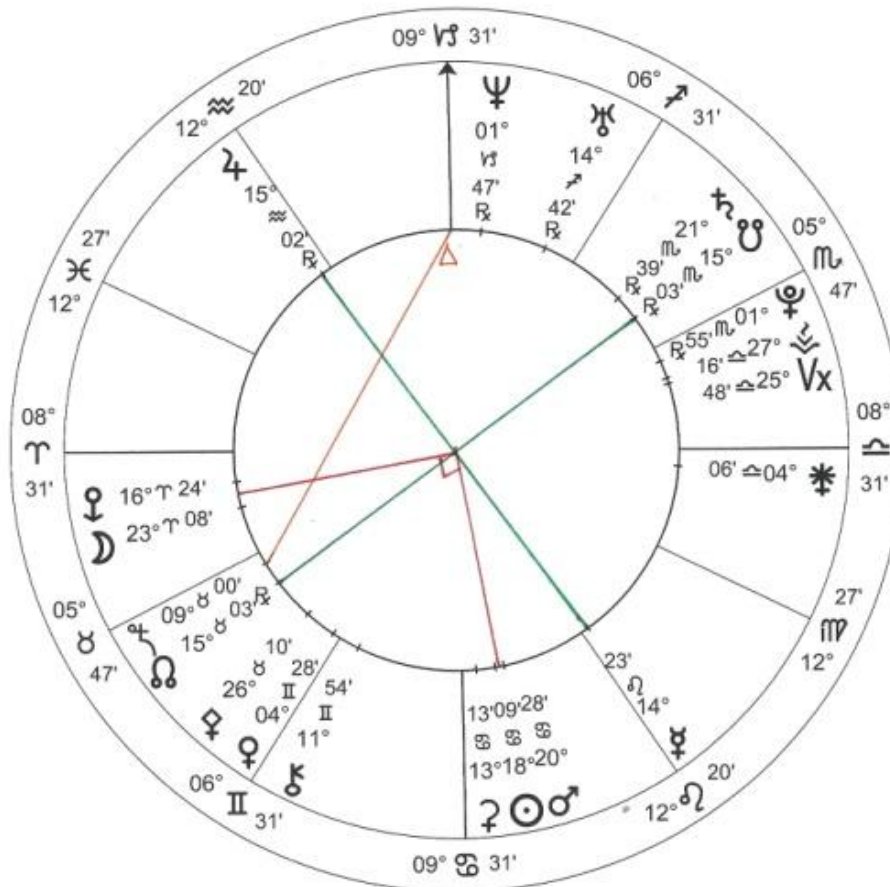


Even without an accurate birth time this is an interesting chart.

- Sedna is in the Taurus/Taurus decan which was a time for the birth of ecological organisations.
- Sedna is prominent in the first house.
 - Probably trine (orb uncertain) the MC.
 - Quincunx Neptune/Jupiter which oppose Pallas/Saturn.
- Chiron/Eris conjunction in the first house which is part of a mystic rectangle.
 - Mystic rectangle is made up of four planets linked by two oppositions, with trines and sextiles instead of the squares that would be seen in a grand cross.
 - A mystic rectangle will be either:

- fire/air: active, outgoing, masculine, yang
 - earth/water: passive, receptive, feminine, yin
- There is a high degree of synchronization between the four planets when the Mystic Rectangle is triggered:
 - Developing the balance between the planets is not automatic:
 - Individual/organisation must consciously react with awareness and mindful endeavours.
 - Placing too much attention onto any one of the four planets will throw the energies out of balance and set the well-intended efforts adrift.
 - Another danger for individuals/organisations with this pattern is to become too self-contained and over-powered by outside influences.
- For individuals/organisations who have integrated a mystic rectangle, it represents a core of strength and a solid foundation.
- Eris is the Goddess of strife and discord (and is conjunct Chiron in the first house).
 - Probably the best known story of Eris involves the start of the Trojan War.
 - Eris had a reputation for causing trouble.
 - She was not invited to the wedding feast of Peleus and Thetis, the king of Aegina and a sea-nymph.
 - Humiliated by the snub, Eris tossed a golden apple, inscribed 'To the Fairest', into the feast.
 - All the goddesses fought for it, but Hera, Athena, and Aphrodite would not give up.
 - They petitioned Zeus for a decision, but He refused and gave the task to Paris.
 - The Goddesses each appeared before Paris and tried to bribe him;
 - Hera offered political power.
 - Athena offered war victories.
 - Aphrodite offered him the most beautiful woman on Earth.
 - Paris gave Aphrodite the golden apple and took Helen of Troy as his reward.
 - Bob Hunter, one of the reporters who went on the first voyage, talked of "throwing mind bombs" to increase public awareness.

The Sinking of the Rainbow Warrior



Midpoint of Eris/Moon (1st house) square Midpoint of Sun/Mars (4th house):

- Ebertin describes the Sun/Mars midpoint as “energy, determination, the courage to fight, the desire to exercise power, ambition and the desire to lead but also hastiness, stubbornness, restlessness, **violence** and the tendency to quarrel.”
- Eris/Moon midpoint would suggest a combination of the need to stir things up as an emotional reaction. This is not a practical joker, but one whose very nature requires conflict.
- The Sun/Mars is in Greenpeace’s 4th house - its foundation which was rocked by the bombing of the Rainbow Warrior.

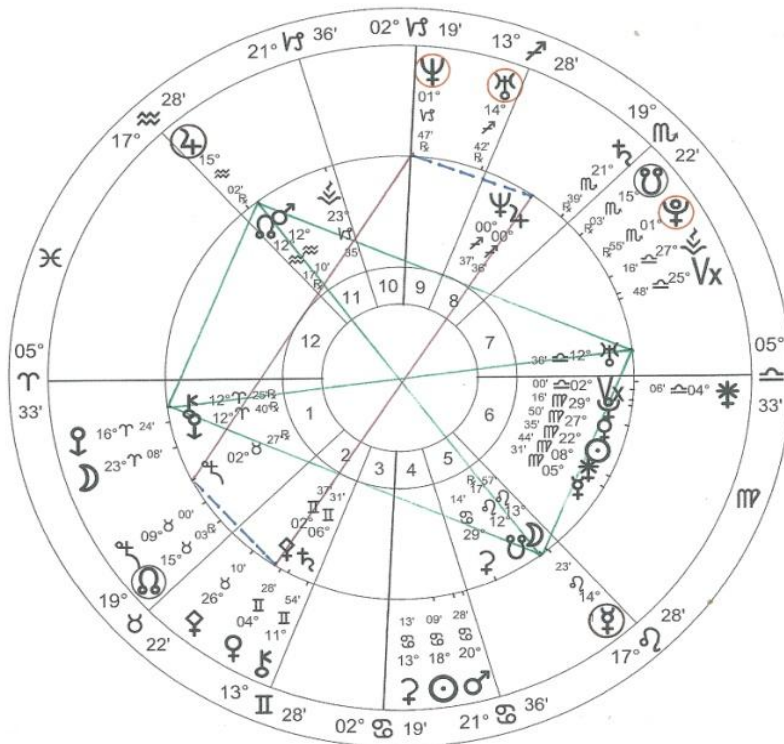
Sedna partile trine to MC

- A defining moment that tested Greenpeace’s commitment to Sedna’s ideals, which was never in doubt given the Eris/Moon-Sun/Mars square.

Fixed grand cross:

- Jupiter (11th house) opposite Mercury (5th house) squaring the nodal axis.
 - Jupiter (Sinking Chart) is conjunct the Mars/North Node of the Sailing Chart’s mystic rectangle.
 - Jupiter opposite Mercury in the Sinking Chart suggests:
 - Insatiable appetite for knowledge, but will not stick with something long enough to become really knowledgeable.
 - This apparent lack of focus on one specific objective reflects the increasing number of issues that Greenpeace was involved in.

- Jupiter partile square nodal axis
 - Tempting to see this as “fated”, given that Jupiter is in the degree of the Nodes.
- Overall this grand cross involves fixed attitudes – it just never occurs to the individual (or organisation) that there may be another way – but this may be why Greenpeace has such a strong identity in the mind of the public.
 - *“As this is the Grand Square of extremism, the energy it generates can draw out the most purposeful, dedicated expression as well as the most cruel.”* (Bil Tierney)



Transiting Jupiter (R_x) (Sinking Chart) CNJ Natal Mars/North Node (Sailing Chart)

Transiting Mercury (Sinking Chart) CNJ Natal Moon/South Node (Sailing Chart)

Transiting Uranus (R_x) (Sinking Chart)

- TRI Chiron/Eris (Sailing Chart)
- SXT Uranus (Sailing Chart)

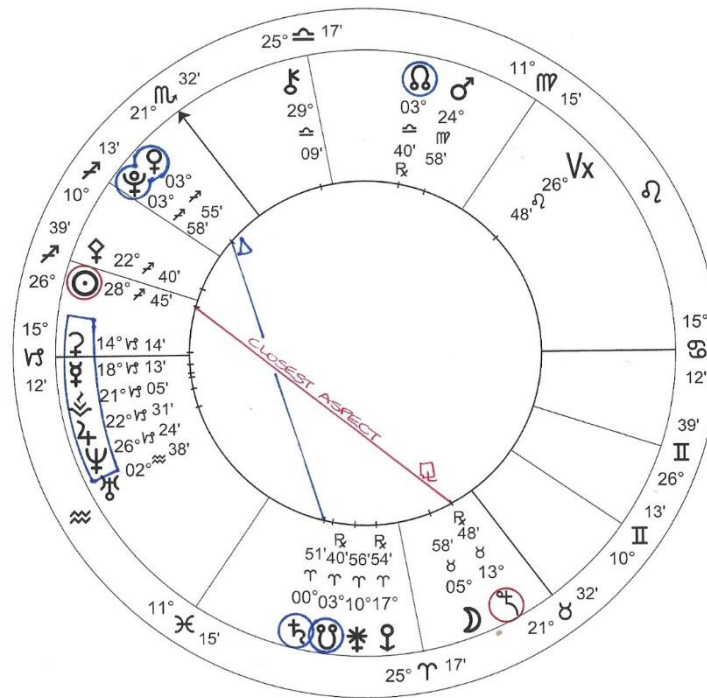
Transiting Neptune (R_x) (Sinking Chart)

- CNJ MC (Sailing Chart)
- TRI Sedna (Sailing Chart)

Transiting Pluto (R_x) (Sinking Chart) OPP Sedna (Sailing Chart)

Taking these transits as a group:

- Many of the transiting planets are retrograde:
 - Possibly suggesting that the seeds of this attack were sown earlier.
- The three outer planets are all involved – very powerful collective forces were involved.



Capricorn stellium.

- The stellium in the original Sailing Chart was in Virgo, the sign of service.
 - Greenpeace is now a business which has evolved into a multinational corporation (Capricorn stellium).

Jupiter/Neptune conjunction now in Capricorn.

- Initially in Sagittarius when it was all adventure
 - Now there is a need for maturity and organisation (Capricorn).
 - Now in the first house, so we now see Greenpeace as the multinational organisation.
- Jupiter/Neptune conjunction:
 - Occurs approximately every thirteen years
 - Tendencies towards excess, idealism, creativity and naivety.
 - Jupiter's impulse to expansion (in Sagittarius in first chart) probably resulted in Greenpeace achieving beyond their actual capabilities or resources.
 - Jupiter/Neptune conjunction in the 8th House of the Sailing Chart.
 - Greenpeace was deeply in debt in those first years and the organisers were living in poverty.
 - With the Stichting chart Greenpeace is required to be more business-like in their financial dealings.

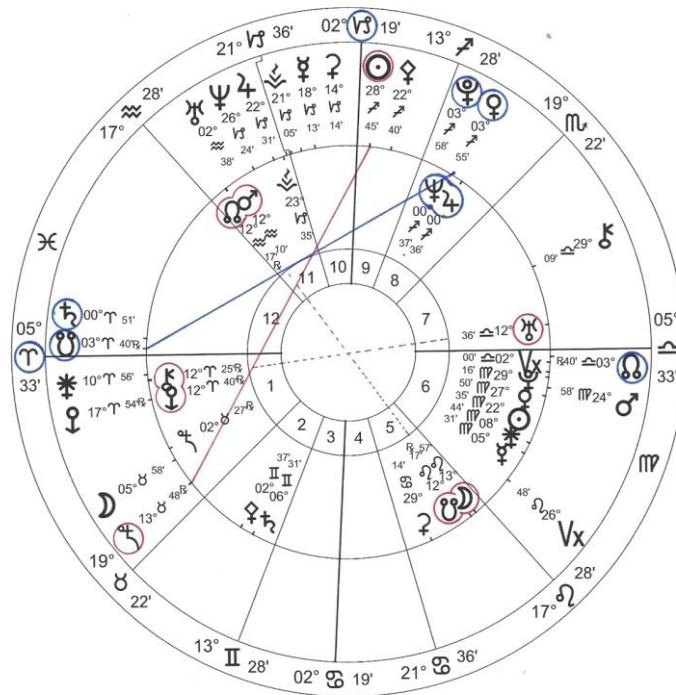
Sedna SSQ Sun is closest aspect.

- Sedna is sesquiquadrate Sun (3' orb).
- Bil Tierney – sesquiquadrate is:
 - Considered a minor aspect of agitation but with tones more forceful and discordant than the semi-square.
 - Wilfulness is a problem.
 - *"Dealing with the consequences of a lack of composure and self-restraint in interpersonal situations."* (Bil Tierney)

- Need to apply more self-control and emotional poise as it is an area where one tends to react irrationally or act immoderately at the expense of others.
- Tends towards extremism in behaviour, leading towards inconsistencies in expression.
- Tend to react to minor conflicts in an overly forceful manner, which tends to throw situations off-balance.

Venus/Pluto (Stichting Chart) TRN Saturn/South Node (Sailing Chart)

- Obviously important as it:
 - Trines Saturn/South Node of the Stichting Chart.
 - Conjunct Jupiter/Neptune and opposes Pallas/Saturn of the Sailing Chart.
- Venus/Pluto conjunction suggests that Greenpeace is now:
 - Capable of intense commitment.
 - Attract others because they are fascinated by the “*dramatic sense*” and “*fearless involvement in deep and sometimes dangerous alliances*”. (Bil Tierney)
 - Unable to accept social injustice, amazed at the indifference of others and feel that you must do something about it.
 - Feel that no sacrifice is too great.
 - Comfortable pressuring others into supporting your goals.



Sedna (Stichting chart) SQU Mars/North Node – Moon/South Node (Sailing chart).

- Ties into the initial mystic rectangle.

Venus/Pluto (Stichting):

- Conjunct Jupiter/Neptune (8th house Sailing chart)
- Opposite Saturn/Pallas (2nd house Sailing chart)
- One of criticisms levelled at Greenpeace is the amount of money that they take in compared to the amount of money spent on actions, rather than lobbying.
 - Their collectors also get a cut of donations that they recruit.

- None of this is unique to Greenpeace, but the 2nd/8th house axis is showing an area that is highlighted.
 - Money has always been an issue and is currently one of the main criticisms of Greenpeace.

Both the Sailing and Stichting charts have an Earth stellium that stabilises the Fire/Air.

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