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From the President

Thank you to those who came to the AGM, and to Miriam Laister for an excellent talk with really clear visuals. My report is too long to reproduce here, so if anyone would like a copy please email me at president@faasa.com.au and I will send you a copy.

As I begin my 8th year as President, I would like to pay tribute to our excellent committee – Vice-President and tech man Kris Svendsen, financial guardian Judy Best, efficient and ever-helpful secretary Anna Kadow, articulate newsletter editor Adrienne Barkla and afternoon-tea supremo Anne Hamilton. I am also delighted to welcome Darren Koch who

has volunteered to join us.

Thanks also to all our speakers – Alice Portman, Anne Collins, Steph Johnson, Adrienne Barkla, Vivien Lowe, Mari Garcia, Jill Amery, Elaine Kane, Anne Fryer, Miriam Laister, and to our workshop presenters Mari Garcia and Kerry Galea. We are so lucky to have access to such amazingly insightful astrologers.

Finally, thank you to you, the members, who have come along enthusiastically and enjoyed some great talks and some good company. You are the reason we are here.

May love and laughter light your days, **Cate**



2018 FAA SA Program

November 10, 2 pm - Sedna - Alan Clay (NZ)

November 18, 10 am - **Workshop:** Progressions in Relationships - Paul Westran (WA)

December 1, 2 pm - Christmas Party

And, **Our Special Event - A One Day Conference: *Astrofest - A Feast of Australian Astrology***
Sunday January 27, 10 - 4 pm, 2019

Featuring 5 interstate speakers:

Veronica Chlap: *Rise of Trolling: the Antisocial Behaviour of the Internet*

Brian Clark: *Mercury: Travels, Transitions and Timing*

Dr Neil Hair: *A Tale of Two Cities: Mundane Astrology and Australia's Saturn Return Prime Ministers*

Jeannie Monks: *Dancing with the Grim Reaper: Death, Loss and Beyond*

Christina Stargazer: *Pre-natal Eclipses: Your Life Lessons*

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November's Sagittarian edition of the Southern Star will feature the upcoming January *Astrofest* One Day Conference and there will be a special Conference edition out in December.

So keep an eye out for all the Conference news!



FAASA next meeting: Saturday Nov 10 2 pm



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The Soul's Path of Destiny

ALAN CLAY

Discover the evolutionary spiritual power of Sedna, the new esoteric outer limit of our solar system. Learn of the profound implications, both for society and for each of us individually, as she approaches her closest point to Earth. In this presentation, Alan Clay shares the research from his recently published book on Sedna. Alan draws the connection between Sedna and the centaur, Pholus, because they both have a 'space weathering' process that turns the surface of each red, so they both have to do with growth and illumination. And he links it with Ceres, because they both likely have internal oceans, so they both speak of a nurturing process. And with Saturn, because their daily rate of spin is the same, so they have the same day to day practical perspective and both speak of limits. Alan enjoys interactive discussion and will be happy to give feedback on particular placements or aspects as questions arise. ... If possible, bring your natal chart with Sedna.



Alan Clay is a New Zealand astrologer, and an award winning film director and novelist. For over 30 years he has conducted a deep research into people through his extensive work as a clown teacher. For the past two years he has been researching a book on Sedna, which includes a comprehensive aspect analysis using all the new dwarf planets. Titled 'Sedna Consciousness, the Soul's Path of Destiny', his book was launched this year at UAC in Chicago. Alan is also lecturing on Sedna this October at the State of The Art Astrology Conference in New York State. Contact Alan: alan@artmedia.net.nz

Next meeting Saturday November 10, 2 pm

TS Rooms behind New Dimensions Bookshop, 310 South Terrace Adelaide

Members \$10, Concession members \$8, Non-members \$14

Afternoon Tea provided



FAASA Workshop: Sunday Nov 18, 10 am –4 pm



*Paul
Westran*

When Charts Collide

*Who you love, why you
love, when you love*

Paul Westran (born in Totley, Sheffield, UK on 8th November 1966 at 00:20hrs) is the author of When Stars Collide (2006), A 22nd Century Science (2018) and numerous articles (don't miss the one in the September Journal!) An astrologer since 1985, he lives with his wife and son in Kalamunda, WA and has been involved with IT and astrology for 10 years. In this workshop, Paul explores his personally researched technique of Progressed Synastry—how the Secondary Progressed charts of two people align when they meet to form a relationship.

Progressions are the unfolding of the natal chart, the movie that takes the chart through a person's life. As it's happening 'behind the scenes', it is something that has often been overlooked. In his research, Paul has demonstrated that not only do Progressions play a role in relationships, but that these phenomena can be graphed. This gives rise to questions such as consciousness v nature, and whether astrology can be empirically proven. Don't miss the fascinating workshop!

Sunday 18th November, 10 am—4 pm, TS Rooms behind New Dimensions Bookshop, 310 South Terrace Adelaide.

Earlybird by 10th November: Members \$60, Concession members \$50, Non-members \$80

After 10th November: Members \$70, Concession members \$60, Non-members \$90

Book by email to treasurer@faasa.com.au, pay by EFT or by cash at October or November meeting. EFT: ANZ, BSB 015 367 Account Number: 499070824



Sedna Consciousness: The Soul's Path of Destiny

Alan Clay (NZ)

When a new solar system body is discovered, clues to the astrological meaning can be found by looking at a range of factors, but primarily it comes from studying the planet in a large number of charts to find common themes. Here is an overview of my research into the outermost planet in our solar system, Sedna. The full story, with all my research, is in my new book *Sedna Consciousness*. Along the way we'll discover the evolutionary power of the 'candidate dwarf planet' and learn of the profound implications for society in the coming years as Sedna approaches her closest point to Earth later this century in the 2070s.

Orbital Characteristics

Sedna has a huge egg-shaped orbit of 11,406 Earth years and lies out past all the other planets, even at its closest point. Many astrologers believe that each new planet discovered represents a new aspect, or level of consciousness that humanity starts to embrace from that moment and, if this is true, Sedna represents the weird new outer limit of our consciousness, which is going to stretch our concepts of reality and pull us to look at ourselves as part of the very big picture.

With Sedna I draw the connection with the centaur, Pholus.¹ As both have a 'space weathering' process that turns the surface of each red, in my mind this connects them with growth and illumination. I also draw the connection with Ceres, because they both likely have internal oceans, so they both speak of a nurturing process. Saturn is another connection because their daily rate of spin is the same. Thus they have the same day to day practical perspective and both speak of limits. Sedna is of course the esoteric new

outer limit of the solar system.

The Big Picture - Past Cycles

Another way to deduce the meaning of a newly discovered planet is to look at previous cycles and the correlation with mundane events here on Earth, so with Sedna approaching her closest point to Earth (perihelion) later this century, let's look back to the most recent occurrence.

Neolithic Revolution

The last close pass of Sedna correlates with the end of the last Ice Age on Earth and the beginning of agriculture. Called the 'Neolithic Revolution', it involved the wide-scale transition of many human cultures from a lifestyle of hunting and gathering to one of agriculture and settlement, making possible an increasingly larger population.

During the following Sedna year it would transform the small mobile groups of hunter-gatherers that had hitherto dominated human pre-history into sedentary, non-nomadic societies based in built-up villages and towns. These societies radically modified their natural environment by means of specialised food-crop cultivation, with irrigation and deforestation, which allowed extensive surplus food production. These developments provided the basis for densely populated settlements, specialisation and division of labour, for trading economies, the development of non-portable art and architecture, centralised administrations and political structures, hierarchical ideologies and depersonalised systems of knowledge like writing.

So the whole of our known human history came in the last Sedna year since the Neolithic revolution and in fact all recorded human history has occurred in the last 6 Sedna months... Think about that. It's about 433,000 Sedna years since the Earth was created, roughly 20 Sedna years since people who are recognisably human have walked the Earth and the whole of recorded human history comes in the last 6 months.

Sedna in the Signs

By mid Sedna year, when she was in Libra and approaching the full moon phase of her

orbital cycle, almost as far from Earth as possible, the first fully developed manifestation of the Neolithic revolution could be seen in the Middle Eastern Sumerian cities where it first emerged. The emergence of these cities also heralded the beginning of the Bronze Age.

The movement of Sedna into Scorpio, the sign of sex and death, around 3000 BC, signalled the rise of the Egyptian civilisation, with the building of the pyramids and a religion which was a cult of the dead. During the Sagittarius sojourn, the sign of law and education, the Greek Miracle brought forth the early sciences, the arts and the concept of democracy.

Jump forward to modern times and for a hundred years prior to 1965 the transit of Sedna through Aries, the sign of will, force and war, saw the world wars of first half of 20th Century and the growing threat of atomic war. With the ingress into Taurus the emphasis turned to money and property, to greed and questions of value. To 'making love, not war', to environmentalism and global warming, which have become driving economic factors.

Sedna in Gemini - 2024 to 2068

We're currently in what we're calling a digital revolution, that's been the Sedna in Taurus phase and with the entry of Sedna into Gemini in 2024 it is likely that this will morph more into a consciousness revolution. That's a bold and, dare I say it, hopeful claim and anything I write about Sedna in Gemini at this stage is pure speculation, but because it is Gemini we do know that it's going to have to do with the mind, with intellectual debate, opinions, and communication.

One of the discovery events I link Sedna with is the development of neural networks in 2003, the basis of Artificial Intelligence. Ray Kurzweil is a scientist, inventor and futurist, who made a series of predictions in the 1990's. All his predictions to date have been realised, so here are some for this period.

"By the 2030s, virtual reality will begin to feel 100% real. We will be able to upload our mind/consciousness by the end of the decade. By the 2040s, non-biological intelligence will be a billion times more capable than biological intelligence. Nanotech foglets will be able to make food out of thin air and create any object in physical world at a whim. By 2045, we will multiply our intelligence a billion-fold by linking wirelessly from our neocortex to a synthetic neocortex in the cloud." 2.

So we can see that Sedna in Gemini is going to be all about the rise of Artificial Intelligence

which is going to inevitably promote a consciousness revolution and a consciousness revolution is a spiritual revolution.

Sedna Myth Interpretation

Another way we derive meaning for newly discovered planets is to look at the myth behind the name of the planet. Sedna was named after the Intuit goddess of the sea and, interestingly, the Intuits did not believe in divinity. To them the gods were alive and part of this world, not 'dead and in heaven' as we tend to think.

There are a variety of legends, each give different rationales for Sedna's transcendence, but in each version, her father, or 'the people', take her to sea in a boat and throw her overboard. In each she clings to her old life and her fingers are chopped off before she lets go. In each version she sinks to the bottom of the sea, to become the sea goddess, worshiped by hunters who depend on her goodwill to supply food.

Victimisation or Transcendence

Many of the traditional astrological interpretations of the myth focus on the unconscious actions which led Sedna to her transcendence and her father's role in this process, emphasising the victimisation and sacrificial interpretations of the planet. However, interpretations which focus on Sedna's attempts to stay in the boat of reality and call her a victim, forget that she transcended to godhood through the process. Transcendence is not victimization; it only feels that way if we are desperately hanging on to the old reality.

Astrological Meaning

One of the case studies in the book is Edgar Cayce, the father of modern wholistic medicine and we got a hint from him that Sedna combines heredity, evolutionary change and spiritual development into a unitary worldview. That is why I call it 'the Soul's Path of Destiny', because, if we accept the idea of past lives, our soul's path of destiny over those lifetimes would combine aspects of heredity and evolutionary change with the spiritual growth of the soul. From the myth we get the idea that it relates to various unconscious experiences which come from our heredity that will push us to a painful crisis of transcendence, where we are forced to let go of our old spiritual framework and transcend

to a new consciousness.

Legendary humanistic astrologer Dane Rudhyar posited that there were three different levels on which each planet could operate depending on the evolution of our consciousness.

The vast majority of us are at the beginners' level and we will manifest the energy of Sedna from a position of being buried in the dysfunctional swamp of density. Largely unconscious of the all-encompassing spiritual energy of the planet, at the unconscious level we'll likely only notice it when it jolts into our reality to correct some imbalance in our lives by bringing illness or victimisation, like the judder strip on the road, to steer us back onto the true path of our soul's destiny.

At the intermediate level, we tire of density and the grief it creates, and we start a spiritual journey to get out of the swamp. This is the key to working with Sedna, she wants to get us on a spiritual path, or for us to recognise the spiritual path that we're on. Then she hits us with transcendent crises, experiences which force us to let go and rise above them, resulting in a huge growth to a new level of consciousness. There is no choice with these crises and the more we try and solve them the more we will get hurt.

At this juncture in human evolution, few people use their planets at the spiritual level, but such people are wonderful to be around. The well-known pattern with the other planets is that the spiritual level is vastly different from the two previous levels and this is also true for Sedna. Here the struggle of the beginner's level is gone, as are the transcendental crises of the intermediate level. At this level everything Saturnian is meaningless and yet everything Sednian has its place.

1. Centaurs are objects in between the asteroid and trans-Neptunian populations of the solar system –that is, beyond Jupiter's and within Neptune's orbit – which behave with characteristics of both asteroids and comets.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/5145_Pholid

2. From a Jan 26th, 2015 article on singularityhub.com by Peter Diamandis.

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Official Notice: Proposed Changes to FAASA Constitution

Cate Whelan (FAASA President)

We need to make some changes to the constitution to bring it in line with 2018 banking practices – the original document was written in 1997. To do this we need to give members 6 months' notice before either an AGM or a Special General Meeting. Because we want to change the financial year we need to do this before the AGM, so we will call a special general meeting around 6 months from now. It will make things much simpler for the Treasurer to have the FAASA financial year (currently September-August) lining up with the Subscription year (Jan-Dec). The auditor advises there is no problem with this. We also need to make some adjustments in order to set up electronic banking. The current constitution and the proposed changes are below.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENT

16. Banking and Finance

- (a) The Treasurer of the Association shall, on behalf of the Association, receive all moneys paid to the Association and forthwith after the receipt thereof issue official receipts therefore.
- (b) The committee shall cause to be opened with such bank or other financial institution as the committee selects a banking account in the name of the Association into which all moneys received shall be paid by the Treasurer as soon as possible after receipt thereof.
- (c) Except with the authority of the committee, no payment of a sum exceeding \$50 shall be made from the funds of the Association otherwise than by cheque drawn on the Association's bank account but the committee may provide the Treasurer with a sum to meet urgent expenditure, subject to the observance of such conditions in relation to the use and expenditure thereof as the committee may impose.
- (d) No cheques shall be drawn on the Association's bank account except for the payment of expenditure that has been authorised by the committee and is supported by appropriate accounts or receipts.

(e) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes, and other negotiable instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or, in his/her absence, by such other member or members of the committee as the committee may nominate for that purpose, and shall be countersigned by one other committee member.

(f) Any person who incurs a debt without the prior full approval of the committee will be personally liable for the repayment of that debt.

34. Financial Year

The financial year of the Association is the period beginning on 1 September in each year and ending on the 31 August of the following year.

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(d) All cheques shall be signed by the Treasurer or, in his/her absence, by such other member or members of the committee as the committee may nominate for that purpose, and shall be countersigned by one other committee member. **All electronic payments shall be authorised by two of the three signatories registered at the bank, one of which is the Treasurer.**

(e) Any person who incurs a debt without the prior full approval of the committee will be personally liable for the repayment of that debt.

34. Financial Year

The financial year of the Association is the period beginning on 1 **January** in each year and ending on the 31 **December of each year.**



Attention All FAASA Members

FAA Journal Survey - Two Questions to be Answered

Dear FAA member,

Please answer both questions below and post to Cate Whelan, 196 Esplanade Aldinga Beach 5173, or phone her on 8557 7417 to record your preferences.

You have recently received the September FAA Journal in both print and online (if possible) in the redesigned A4 colour format.

The FAA is now seeking your feedback as to whether you would like to see the redesigned A4 coloured format continue or whether you would prefer to revert back to the original smaller version. Please answer both questions below as the members' decision will be final and permanent.

1. Please indicate your preferred option for the FAA Journal format

() I would like to continue with the new coloured A4 Journal

() I would like to revert to the previous smaller A5 Journal

If the redesigned A4 Journal is approved by the majority of members, you will be asked to choose between receiving the FAA Journal in print and posted to you or emailed to you as a PDF.

If you choose the print version there will be a small surcharge to cover extra costs.

2. If the new coloured A4 Journal is approved by a majority of members

() I choose to receive it by post. I understand I will pay a surcharge of Concession members \$15 per year (\$3.75 per issue) OR Full and Joint Members \$20 per year (\$5 per issue).

() I choose to receive it by email (no extra charge)

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(per calendar year)

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Concession* – \$60

Joint Full – \$115

Joint Concession* – \$85

Newsletter Only – \$40

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