



### Association of Professional Astrologers Inc.

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### Vision Statement

The Association of Professional Astrologers Inc. is committed to the Development and Maintenance of Best Practice in the Astrological Field through the Promotion of Strong Educational Standards, Professional Competency, Ethical Understanding and Integrity.

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## President's Report **Patricia Shepherd**

On behalf of the APA a massive thank you to Barb and Brian for hosting the 2018 FAA Conference. When things go so well and run like clockwork we can sometimes forget the years of hard work that goes on behind the scenes. With a list of great national and international speakers there was something for everyone. Many of us experienced that 'coming home feeling of joy' when you can look across a crowded room and make eye contact with friends and colleagues that have not been seen since the last conference!

A thank you to all those members that were able to make the APA AGM and to those that sent their proxies. We were able to welcome in **new member Fay Reynolds** from VIC as well as **Associate Members Charyn McLean** and **Pauline Hepburn** both from QLD. The meeting was also attended by 4 observers from the QLD Supervision Group.

**Anne Button retired APA Vice President was awarded APA Fellow Membership** in recognition of her outstanding 11 year contribution to the APA. Anne has always been my right hand and I must admit to feeling a little 'lopped sided' upon her resignation.

Fortunately with **Jeanni Monks appointment as Vice President** and Anne remaining as a Committee Member with the continued intention of managing the Exam Scholarships. I am back on an even keel.

As you may remember Jeanni Monks and Christine Thomas were APA funded to trial an online **counselling course, Mental Health Academy**, as to its suitability for APA recommendation to prospective members looking to fulfill the 30 hour counselling requirement for full membership. Due to circumstances neither lady has been able to finish the course in time to give a full report at the 2018 AGM but will give a report in 2019. Jeanni, who has been able to complete more than half of the recommended 38 hours of units, highly recommends the course as suitable for those candidates seeking APA membership and for APA members seeking professional development. Therefore a motion was moved and passed that:

*10.4.1 That the successful completion of the 38 hours of training from the Mental Health Academy as outlined in the attached document, MHA Units for APA Membership, be accepted as fulfilling the counselling requirement for APA membership.*

# IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES



## APA EXAM Scholarship

**CLOSES 14 JUNE 18**

View the attached document  
or read page 3 for more  
details

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This is great news for us nationally as members and teachers are now able to give an example of an independent recognised training program. This is an accredited online counselling course with easy access and an option for students and prospective members. Please refer to the recognised **MHA Units** which support **APA Membership** that are attached to this newsletter.

Applications are now being sought for the **2018 APA Exam Scholarships**. This program was established to assist students towards obtaining professional qualifications via the FAA Exam System by paying exam fees on application by the student. Students of an APA member are invited to apply for a scholarship for the 2018 Calculation Exam held in August 2018, the Dynamic Exam held in September 2018 and the 2019 Interpretation Exam held in February. **Applications close June 14th 2018**. For more information please see attached.

At the 2018 FAA National Council AGM much discussion arose around the moving forward of the FAA Journal to an A4 coloured format and the exploring of the financial implications to produce it. The APA has pledged an amount of up to \$600 to help with the financial costs of producing one of the two proposed 'new look' journals to be sent out for the June and September editions. All FAA members will be requested to provide feedback regarding the new journal format. Along with the APA one edition of the Journal will be subsidised by member associations – FAASA, FAAWA, AANSW, VAA and the QFA. A motion was also moved and carried "that a percentage of the 2018 FAA Conference profit be set aside towards progressing the new Journal format. National Council has also approved some updates and changes within the FAA Exam System. Please see attached for further information.

Last but certainly not least, a belated **Letter of Appreciation** has been emailed to **Keely Worth our Website Administrator**, who maintains our national and international 'face'. Thank you Keely.

*Take care, Patricia*

## Thank You to Keely Worth of Worth Designing

*"We thank Keely Worth of Worth Designing for her help, her dedication, and her attention to detail in creating and maintaining our website.*

*While the APA committee builds the content, Kelly ensures that it presents a professional image to the public which promotes our strong educational standards and professional competence.*

*Keely continues to do a job above and beyond our expectation and we are deeply appreciative!*

*Thank you!"*



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Changes to the Calculation Exam...

## Important Update from the Exam Board

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](mailto: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).*

4. The Exam Board Director position has been renamed Exam Board Coordinator

5. Narelle Duncan appointed from Trainee Examiner to Examiner

Please direct any comments or questions on any of above points to: [exams@faainc.org.au](mailto:exams@faainc.org.au) 



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The Association of Professional Astrologers shows a huge commitment to the educating and supporting of students.

For a number of years now the APA has encouraged students to become proficient astrologers by granting the APA Exam Scholarship to four students providing financial support to those students wishing to undertake the FAA Examinations. Applications close around May/June each year.

The APA also provides a Student Conference Sponsorship which was presented and passed at the November AGM 2006 and introduced in 2008 for the Sydney conference. It is intended to provide an opportunity for a current student of an APA member to experience, (for the first time), an FAA Conference. This helps widen their astrological perspective and knowledge as well as encouraging their current and future participation in the wider astrological community. Applications close around August the year before a conference.

More information regarding these scholarships can be found on the A.P.A. website [www.apainc.org.au](http://www.apainc.org.au)



## APA Member Spotlight...

# Fay Reynolds

**Fay is a fully qualified Astrologer, having gained her Diploma in Applied Astrology with AstroSynthesis.**

Originally from Sydney, Fay moved to country Victoria in the 1980's and now resides in Melbourne's northern suburb of Fawkner.

Fay developed an abiding interest in Astrology in the mid 1970's observing and being fascinated by the differences in her first two sons a Leo and a Capricorn. This sparked Fay's ongoing interest in learning, exploring and working with people using Astrology.

In 1990 Fay completed her Certificate in Applied Astrology continuing on to obtain her Diploma in Applied Astrology with AstroSynthesis.

Fay has always enjoyed working with people. It is through working with people that Fay found her area of expertise, supporting, encouraging and assisting people to find their own path and answers to life's questions.

Complementing her astrological studies Fay has also worked in Community Health and Aged Services for almost 30 years.

Fay has a Graduate Diploma of Health Science from La Trobe University and has honed her counselling skills in all aspects of life such as grief, family conflict and in difficult times. Her work has included developing and implementing social support programs with isolated aged clients and innovating new care and support programs. 🌐

# APA EXAMINATION SCHOLARSHIP

## ASSISTING STUDENTS TOWARDS OBTAINING PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

**The APA Exam Scholarship is currently offering 4 Scholarships providing financial support to astrology students wishing to undertake the FAA Examinations - CLOSE 14 JUNE.**

Details of the scholarship along with instructions for applicants are available in the attached PDF document "A.P.A. Exam Scholarship Guidelines for Students".

This document can also be found on the A.P.A. website [www.apainc.org.au](http://www.apainc.org.au)

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APA Secretary





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on APA Ethics and Practice —

Guidelines for Supervisees/Supervisors

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## ARTICLES WANTED

### HAVE YOUR SAY...

If you have any articles, ideas, or other content for the  
APA Newsletter that highlights professional astrological  
practice then please...

Submit to:- **Narelle Duncan**  
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Deadlines: Autumn Edition: 10 March  
Winter Edition: 10 June  
Spring Edition: 10 September  
Summer Edition: 10 December

## INSURANCE Professional Indemnity

The APA does not hold Insurance Policy cover for any astrological practice activities of any member/s. All Members are responsible for their own insurance cover with respect to any astrological practice they undertake. The dedicated work of the APA Executive Committee has made it possible for astrological practitioners with APA membership to obtain professional indemnity and public liability insurance. Members of the committee have gone through an extensive process for the acceptance of the APA. Our success has been due to the APA's membership standards and the requirements of counselling training and supervision developed for practicing astrologers. All insurance enquiries are handled by the AJG Speciality Risks Team. For more information, please contact:

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- Location (town/city)
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- a brief description of services offered and areas of speciality
- Qualifications (if desired).

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