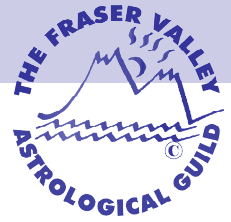


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Thursday October 10, 2013 6:00 PM Annual General Meeting

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Thursday October 10, 2013 7:30PM with Leah Bolton



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Thursday November 14, 2013 7:30PM with Donald Allen

With the revival of interest in landscape zodiacs and the recent discovery of a landscape zodiac in Victoria BC, Canada, new light is being shed on these natural phenomena. Through his knowledge of ancient mythologies, a unique fascination with maps and having been working with the reflection of the Heavens upon the Earth for many years now, Donald is at the leading edge of terrestrial astrological research. This lecture offers a very unique look at this branch of astrology.

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REBUILDING ASTROLOGY

By Robert Hand

In a previous entry I talked about my interest in rebuilding the links between traditional astrology and modern astrology. Why should we bother with this? The answer is simple. The various forms of astrology, Hellenistic, Hindu, Medieval and Modern, all have something important to contribute. However, the synthesis between the Middle Eastern and Western forms of astrology (Hellenistic, Medieval and Modern) will be easier for two reasons. First of all, they are all part of a single, and now once again continuous, tradition. Hindu astrology presents more of a challenge although it, too, must be part of the eventual synthesis. In this entry I am going to explain why we cannot simply abandon the astrology of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and not just revive some combination of methods made up out of the traditional forms of astrology.

In public lectures I have often stated that the goal is create an astrology as it would have been if the "near-death experience" had never happened. That is close to the truth but not quite accurate. The "near-death experience" did cause or allow something to happen that would not have happened without it. Astrologers began to try to reconnect astrology with the sacred. Here I refer only to the astrology of the Middle East and West. Hindu astrology has always had, and continues to have, a connection with the sacred, but it is with a spiritual tradition that is quite far removed from the traditions of the West. (For the purposes of keeping things simple, from here on when I refer to the "west" understand that I also refer to the Middle East. The two cultures are much closer to each other than either is to India.) Understand that I do not believe that there is any way in which Indian spiritual traditions (I include Buddhism in this) are not the equal or even superior of the Western. But the language, the cultural assumptions, the historical influences, etc. are very different and require much translation of a high level sophisticated nature to make them thoroughly accessible to the West. It would be better if we could reconnect western astrology with the sacred in terms of the sacred as it is understood in the West. And to the extent that the conceptual translation of Indian and other Eastern traditions is more advanced, bring those in as well.

Why did Western astrology lose its connection with the sacred? In both Europe and the Middle East religions came into existence, Christianity and Islam, which associated astrology with polytheism and therefore came to be hostile to astrology. With Islam astrology became somewhat acceptable

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if it was used only on a practical level and avoided issues that pertained to religion. In Europe astrology was initially rejected completely, at least officially. Then in Western Europe civilization collapsed to the point where astrology, at least at a high level of sophistication, could not be practiced due to the loss of the understanding of Greek and of the knowledge of Greek science, etc. When astrology came back into the Western world from the Arab world, it was uneasily accepted on roughly the same terms as in the Middle East. It was not supposed to say anything about the sacred. The association of astrology and the sacred did continue on an underground level in both cultures but it was associated with magic which ranged from white magic to black magic and everything between. Practically speaking astrology for the most part, in both cultures, was acceptable only if it did not impinge on the sacred and did not contradict free will. (More on free will in a later entry!)

Oddly enough, and fortunately for the issue that we are looking at, the same forces that nearly destroyed astrology in the eighteenth century, also severely weakened the power of Christianity in the West. In the Middle East a resurgence of fundamentalist Islam (still going on) brought its own form of "near death experience" to Islamic astrology. Then in the nineteenth century when astrology underwent its revival in England two distinct strains of astrology gradually emerged, a would-be scientific strain exemplified by A. J. Pearce among others, and spiritual-religious strain of whom Allan Leo is perhaps the best example.

The "scientific" group continued to try to do what had not succeeded in the seventeenth century, to make astrology acceptable to the new science. It did not work in the seventeenth century and it did not work in nineteenth. (My comments on this scientific approach to astrology do not mean that I oppose a scientific approach to astrology. What I support is a scientific approach to astrology as part of a two-pronged effort to understand what astrology really is, not one designed to make astrology "acceptable" to science as currently constituted. That, I believe, cannot happen for ideological and religious reasons more than scientific ones.)

The spiritual group of astrologers re-linked astrology to the sacred by way of Blavatskyite Theosophy. Theosophy put into language borrowed from Eastern religion a philosophy that is actually warmed-over late classical Neoplatonism. But it did reconnect astrology with ideas such as enlightenment, self-realization etc. Whatever its inadequacies may have been as a spiritual philosophy, it did pave the way for further evolution along these lines. The figure most powerfully associated with that evolution was the late Dane Rudhyar who brought into notice humanistic and transpersonal astrology, astrologies that emphasized the use of astrology as a tool for self-realization and actualization, as opposed to the purely practical and event-oriented astrology of the middle ages. All of this in turn led to flowering of psychological astrology as exemplified by Liz Greene and others.

This kind of astrology is not in favor with strict traditionalists. It is regarded as mushy, vague, and self-indulgent. These are not my views; these are views I have heard widely expressed among traditionalists. This criticism has some basis in the fact that the methods of twentieth century astrology have been technically primitive. Astrological symbolism became so imprecise that one could interpret anything in almost any way. This actually was not the fault of the spiritual-psychological stream of astrology. It was the fault of the "scientific" astrology of the later seventeenth through nineteenth centuries. They stripped astrology of methods and principles that they did not understand which made little sense to their "scientific" point of view. James Wilson, for example, in his Dictionary of Astrology dismissed rulerships completely. Rulerships and significators are at the core of Medieval Western and Hindu astrology. Without this concept, the power and expressiveness of astrology are crippled. They dismissed all dignities except, reluctantly, sign and exaltation. They left astrology with a very limited vocabulary which was all the spiritual, psychological and humanistic schools were left with. In order to fill the symbolic gaps left by these deletions, the later types of astrology had to expand the symbolism of what was left and in the process rendered the language of astrology less precise. However, despite all of this spiritual, humanistic and psychological forms of astrology (the three are by no means mutually exclusive) are the greatest innovation of modern astrology. The human and spirit-centered part of astrology, which clearly existed in the ancient world although one does not find it so much in the practical works, has been restored.

I do not wish to imply that the only great innovations of modern astrology fall in the areas mentioned in the previous paragraph. For openers,

modern astrology in many ways updated the cultural point of view to the modern world. Medieval astrology addressed the medieval world. Such a change had to be made and has been made. However, on this point I want to address a criticism of traditional often made by modernists, namely, since we are not medieval, how can medieval or ancient astrology be relevant to us? Speaking as a medieval historian, I want to say that if one reads Bonatti, for example, on the subject of lawsuits, it sounds disturbingly modern. Our culture is descended from the culture of the Middle Ages and we are more like them than most people realize.

Second, the addition of the modern planets Uranus, Neptune and Pluto was a major step forward. The huge number of minor orbiting bodies is a bit more problematical, but this is a practical issue. How do we deal with so many bodies and how do we properly arrange them into some kind of structure for analysis? Some other time on that one!

In addition we have the major schools of sensitive points which offer methods quite far removed from any traditional form of astrology (although not completely removed), Hamburg or Uranian School, and Cosmobiology of the Ebertins. While Uranian astrology I believe needs to be trimmed somewhat, the features of both these schools should become a permanent part of the new synthesis. The Sidereal School of Cyril Fagan and Garth Allen made major contributions to modern astrology as well, whatever one may think of the notion of a sidereal zodiac (another question for another time). Most especially they made us look at our historical development in ancient times. While followers of all three of these schools tend to look at astrology in an event-oriented fashion, there is nothing about any of them that is incompatible with a human and spirit-centered approach to astrology.

Finally, of course, there is the revival of horary and traditional astrology, but these are not really a contribution to modern astrology; these are the reason why we are having this discussion; and these are the reasons why we need to look at a synthesis. This synthesis is the proper task of the twenty-first century in astrology.

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The next six Nakshatras...

The subject of the Nakshatras is huge and volumes can be written on each of the 27 lunar signs. What is being presented here is nothing more than the smallest tidbit to whet the appetite. With that reminder the next six Nakshatras will be offered.

Anuradha 3°20 - 16°40 Scorpio is represented by the staff, a symbol of power and protection. Another symbol associate with this nakshatra is the lotus. The beautiful lotus grows muddy waters once again depicting victory. Saraswati the goddess of learning sits on a lotus holding a Vina, a stringed instrument. Hence, music and other forms of learning are often associated with this nakshatra. The ability to communicate between extremes of thought is also a major trait within this sign.

Jyeshta 16°40 - 30°00 Scorpio is represented by a talisman indicating divine protection or authority. The name translates to mean the eldest or most senior. Frequently people who have this as their birth nakshatra really are the oldest within their families or at least think they are the wisest and should be listened to. A strong well supported Jyestha provides prosperity, concern and protection for others. Poorly positioned the nakshatra will show abuse of power and authority.

Moola 0° Sagittarius to 13°20 Sagittarius is ruled by the symbol of a root. The root symbolizes the intense drive within this nakshatra to get to the bottom of any topic as well as being well established. It is part of their nature to eliminate anything that no longer supports them. Natives of this nakshatra are able to shoulder considerable responsibility and usually can attain considerable heights in material acquisition.

Purvashada 13°20 Sagittarius - 26°40 Sagittarius is symbolized by a fan which can mean many things: a cooling down or a firing up. This nakshatra is strongly related to the pure joy of living without great care for either the past or the future. More than not this nakshatra can be a show off once they have achieved their desired goals. This enthusiasm often leads to rejuvenation of previously lost goals.

Uttarashada 26°40 Sagittarius - 10° 00 Capricorn with the symbol being that of the elephant's tusk indicating natural leadership. Responsibility and the willingness to shoulder it are key factors here. The second factor associated with Uttarashada is their natural penetrating insight into what needs to be done. Fearlessness is another common trait here which shows in their willingness to enter new fields of endeavour and to do so with zest.

Shravana 10°00 Capricorn - 23°20 Capricorn symbolized by ear denoting the ability to hear between spoken words, likewise a trident is often seen as the symbol. The trident is used to show the connection this nakshatra has to the number three and the powerful connection that number has to all forms of communication. Learning to listen to other people is a valuable way for these people to learn themselves.

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by Phyllis Chubb

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The issues which feature the Nakshatras (27 of them) can be found in: the Summer issue of June 2012, The August issue of 2012, Autumn 2012, Winter 2013, Spring 2013

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HRH Prince George

By Phyllis Chubb

Each birth heralds the coming of another soul. Last month a soul destined to live in the royal circle of England arrived. Prince George Alexander Louis's birth was met with appropriate fanfare on July 22 at 16:24 in London, England.

Curiosity about the future of this child is natural. Astrologers the world over will have cast his chart and, depending on the tradition they follow, will have arrived at varying conclusions. What follows is a very brief glimpse of what the Vedic chart and specifically the nakshatras reveal about the Prince.

His Moon, representative of his mind, sits in the nakshatra of Uttarashada, the undefeated one ruled by the Sun, and sits in the sign of Capricorn ruled by Saturn. Uttarashada by itself indicates a gentle, humble and introspective type of person, one who does not give up his goals easily, if at all. From the 9th house of dharma the Sun strengthens his mind by making a full and supportive aspect on the Moon. Confirmation of this support is guaranteed by the interaction between the Moon and Sun which continues in the Navamsa, where the Moon sits in the 4th house and the Sun sits in the 10th house, in its own sign of Leo.

The Lagna, or ascendant's nakshatra Anuradha, denotes success and the ability to make friends and be a committed friend himself. He will be sensitive, intense, loyal, and likely rely heavily on his intuition. Health wise he may be delicate, however considerably greater analysis is required to confirm this possibility.

His Sun, which we've already seen is well positioned in the 9th house of the birth chart and the 10th house of the Navamsa, is indicating strong leadership capabilities. The nakshatra of the Sun is Pushya, often referred to as being the most auspicious of the nakshatras.

These three factors, the nakshatras of the Prince's Moon, Ascendant and Sun, confirm the general expectation that this child has considerable support in this life. Remember, this is just a mere surface examination and does not for a moment, suggest his life will be without considerable upheaval, challenges and emotional pain. Most importantly, this brief look promises this child has the strength he requires to face the multiple challenges that will arise in his life.

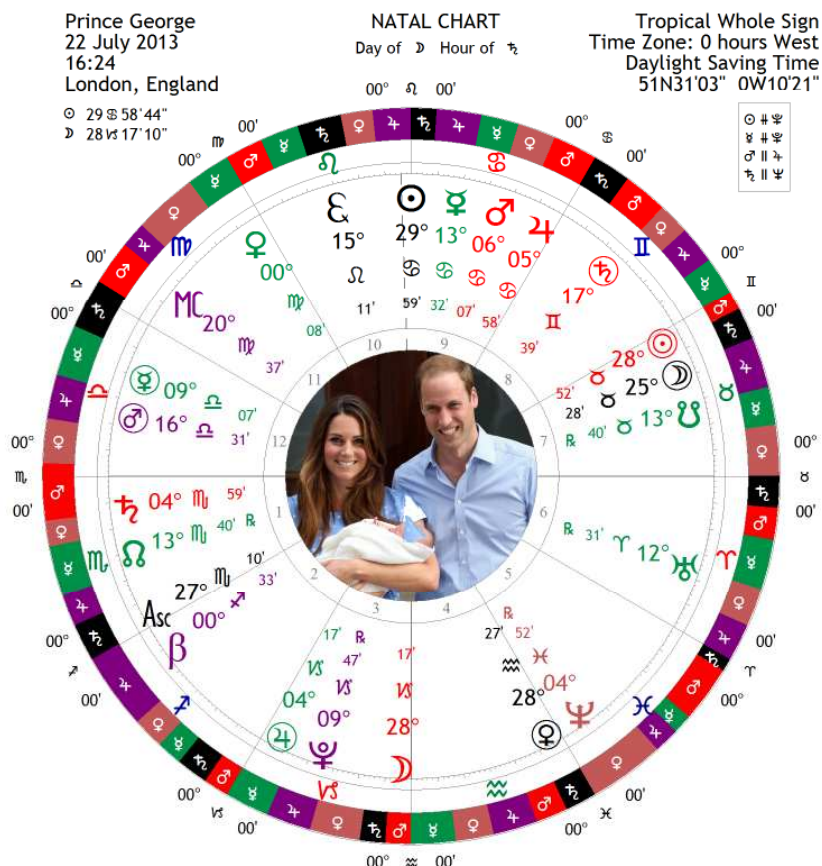
Royal Baby is born...

by Anne Massey



Anne Massey photo by Ritva Sillanmäki 2013

Why do we care? With all the disaster news in the media, the simple things hold allure and England a very traditional country still values its royalty. Millions watched the various media coverage, thousands hung around the Hospital and at the gates of the Palace. For one this is a boom for the travel industry. Amidst the frenzy, all the bad news around the globe and with countless astrologers worldwide sitting at their computers waiting for the announcement, the Duchess of York 'was delivered of a baby boy' at 16:24 BST.



The chart on this page uses whole-sign houses while identifying the ASC and MC. The symbols of the planets within circles are lots of the planets (Hermetic lots) and the colours identify the planets within bounds. The coordinates are for the hospital in the suburb of Paddington in London. Using Placidus houses for the event the signs of Cancer and Capricorn are intercepted in the second and eight houses. If we opt for Koch Houses Leo and Aquarius become intercepted within the third and ninth houses.

The coordinates for this chart are for the hospital, with our tools and access to data, we can get rather precise with the chart.

The exact degrees, minutes and seconds for the luminaries are also shown in the top left corner of the chart wheel.

As astrologers we are curious, and many want to see the fate of the royalty...will it last beyond the Queen? The eventuality of his ascension to the throne is decades away and chances are that the role of royalty in England keeps changing with the times. Interestingly in most broadcasts and specials about the royal baby astrology was discussed with appropriate words for the Sun sign. Most sources got it right—a Cancer Sun.

We as astrologers have learned that the atmosphere of the day we were born does play out in our lives. This baby will lead a very public life and the chart has to reflect this. We know the baby was born into turbulent times—or does it only seem that way from our myopic viewpoint—many a historical account uses the same words to describe what is going on. We have watched the news about wars and violence, the extreme weather related catastrophes and the unrest in many countries has resulted in massive casualties of life. The economy is not chugging along as we would like, countries would be bankrupt if it weren't for rescue packages.

Interestingly the baby was born post its due date and was physically large, the ruler of the Ascendant Mars is conjunct Jupiter, and that Mars is in the sign of its fall. This might explain both the weight of 8 lbs 6 oz.—that is almost four kilos—and the delayed arrival. Mars in its fall does suggest going against the norm and tradition. Clearly the baby wanted to be a Cancer Sun arriving with the final degree and minutes of the sign. There is something unique about those late degrees that come with a strong drive to accomplish and finish something and potentially the motivation to go with it. There is a sense of urgency, but also the final degree holds the memories of the entire sign. Cancer represents the family; could it mean the last of his lineage? Incidentally Mars is also out of bounds thus not accountable to the Sun, which is interesting when we note its prominence in the dispositor tree (see student corner) and its prominence in the aspect patterns. An out of bounds planet tends to act according to its natural nature feeling unaccountable; while being forced to rely on the resources provided by ruler.

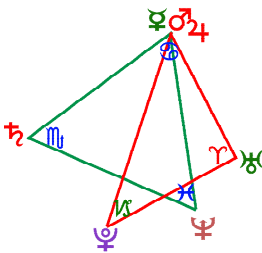
Venus in her Element

Venus rules the element of earth (triplicity) by day. In his chart Venus at 0°Virgo 08' is the element ruler of all of his planets and angles—something I don't recall seeing before. His Venus is separating from a conjunction with Regulus—the kingmaker by mere 7

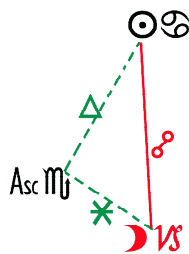
minutes. Venus is the most elevated planet in the chart and happens to rule his lot of fortune and lot of spirit, both in late degrees of Taurus hugging his descendent. Planets at zero degrees need to learn from example and experience how to be and become something that might be missing in their daily experience. An interesting contrast for the royal baby boy. Venus in Virgo is its fall, planets in their fall have to work extra hard in order to accomplish their designated task and lessons. In this chart how to meet the high expectations placed upon him by his birth into royalty. Venus in Virgo is less about getting personal needs and desires met, more about meeting those of others in order to serve. However, his Venus is extremely lucky!

Aspect Patterns

There is a cardinal T-square linked into the grandtrine in water, the electric charge within is Uranus in Aries. The three Cancer planets are involved in both patterns. A grandtrine pattern tends to represent both talent and ease—the energy within runs like the rapids with force and without letting obstacles hinder its flow. The explosion of energy through the cardinal T-square is potentially through the collective planet—Uranus—we might be looking at a reformer’s chart.



Add to this a preponderance of water and earth; a lack air and only that potentially volatile Uranus in fire...the luminaries connect to each other and the Ascendant but not really much anything else. This makes me ponder about the two distinct facets in his personality and approach to life that don’t really connect. What a potentially private person this boy will potentially grow up to be—sheltered from the public, which is naturally to be expected yet forced to share his life in the media. I applaud the parents for taking time away from the



hungry media, I hope it becomes a habit.

Elements

The element of water is most closely associated with emotions but also with protective instincts. This combined with Mars in a gang, could be someone who will become known for his strong opinions at least privately. Water element is private particularly when we consider that the Ascendant the natural outlet for our personality is in Scorpio. Water is conditional, interested in possibilities—wishful. Water is in addition to being sensitive, vulnerable, sentimental, empathetic, dependent, nurturing, protective, also holds deep memories— retaining most of what they witness in life. People with strong water have an innate ability to identify and understand someone else’s feelings and difficulties, compassionate, kind, and caring, but also escapist, stoic, and potentially stolid, chilly, unemotional, matter of fact, philosophical. Too much water can make us overtly emotional, gullible

and secretive...

The cardinal mode is emphasized at the expense of the other two modalities. Cardinal has to be with leadership, many a CEO of corporation hails from this sign. Family is the business or corporation—in this instance the firm.

I don’t see this child destined for an easy private life (stating the obvious) being destined to such a public role does not make for an easy upbringing, lots of traditions to uphold, strong family influence and ultimately a life of altruistic service (of course also forced service).

I am certain this chart will be analyzed over the years by numerous astrologers. We will only know about what is made public, and the biggest part of this chart is very private. We might ponder the role of the Ascendant versus the role of the Midheaven for a moment. The Ascendant represents our personal interactions, it is how we look and how we are perceived. We might all agree that a Scorpio rising person is guarded, private and typically enigmatic. It is how we relate one on one. The midheaven represents our public persona, in the prince’s chart that is Virgo, ruled by Mercury in Cancer in its own bounds (those of Mercury). The Mercury is in a Phasis condition—a Greek term to identify a planet as capable of rising or setting with the Sun. The condition exists when someone is born within seven days of a station for that planet Mercury stationed direct approx. three days prior to his birth at 13°22’. Mercury as a Morning Star is moving very slowly in his chart (only at 11 minutes per day). Mercury gains power when it is in Phasis, it becomes a significant planet. Mercury also gets points for being in its own bounds.

What are bounds?

Each sign is divided into five segments between the five planets (Sun and Moon don’t get ownership or control this way). You can see the approx. division around the chart wheel on page 5. The planets shown in green are in the bounds of Mercury. If we think of the sign as an estate owned by the ruling planet, then the bounds are the parts of the estate with a caretaker or decreed owner; the one that looks after that portion of the bigger property stocking it with his own tools, toys and possessions When we have access to our own tools we tend to be the most productive and feeling comfortable about the energy. Many of the authors from the Hellenistic era, consider a planet in its own bounds being akin to being its own sign—having autonomy and proper tools to carry on the tasks belonging to it. (NB. There are a few variants of the bounds—also known as terms—I use the Egyptian ones).

What a fascinating chart for further study.

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My Response to a Goofy Newspaper Article

By Stephanie Clement

The website given below made arguments about how the precession of the Zodiac causes this child to be a Cancer Sun where the journalist is mixing apples with oranges in his 'reasoning'. The commentary that follows by Stephanie is reprinted with her permission. Editor



An inconvenient astronomical truth: What "Sign" is the Royal Baby?:

<http://o.canada.com/2013/07/22/an-inconvenient-astronomical-truth-what-sign-is-the-royal-baby/>

The Inconvenient truth is that your reporter has no idea what he is talking about. He has made quite a hash of facts and pseudo facts in his article about the astrological sign of Baby Cambridge. It is clear that your organization does no fact-checking before publication, or you would have discovered what I mention below.

Here are a few facts:

1. According to the most reliable sources of astrological or astronomical information (I use the *New American Ephemeris 2007 - 2020*), the Sun entered the sign of Leo at 15:57 hours on July 22 (using Greenwich time). Baby Cambridge was born at 4:24 p.m., British Time, or 15:24 UTC. Thus he was born *before* the Sun entered Leo. I can only imagine where your reporter got the time of 4:00. I know of no source, and of course he does not state his sources. From the get-go, he has not done his homework.

2. Using the *Oxford English Dictionary*, we find this definition of the zodiac

"Astr. A belt of the celestial sphere extending about 8 or 9 degrees on each side of the ecliptic, within which the apparent motions of the sun, moon, and principal planets take place; it is divided into twelve equal parts called signs." Let there be no doubt that it is astronomers who are responsible for this definition of the zodiac, and not astrologers alone!

Two items of note arise from this definition: first, the signs of the zodiac are defined as being equal in size (degrees of longitude). A cursory glance at a star map reveals that the constellations are unequal in size. Secondly, the esteemed arbiter of the English language fails to relate the term Zodiac to the term constellation. Your reporter does not even know what the term zodiac means!

3. The constellations are defined by the OED as "A number of fixed stars grouped together within the outline of an imaginary figure traced on the face of the sky."

Constellations are arbitrary divisions of the heavens. Over time astronomers have changed their boundaries. As recently as the late 1800's astronomers were still defining constellations. Because constellations are composed of stars, and because stars are affected by precession, the constellations no longer align with the equinoctial points, and therefore they don't align with the zodiac.

4. The zodiac with its equal division into twelve signs is tied

to the Vernal Equinox (the time when the Sun moves from south to north declination). The equinoxes and solstices mark the beginning of each season. Western astrologers use this astronomical marking of the heavens as their foundation.

5. Hindu (Vedic) astrologers use a third division that is more closely associated with the constellations, yet divided into twelve equal divisions. There is no agreement among them about the exact date for the beginning of Aries. They use numbers of degrees called *ayanamsa* to define precession.

6. Now I arrive at the point of your reporter's article: the Sun sign of Baby Cambridge. Because of his lack of precision, your reporter did not realize that the baby arrived before the Sun entered the sign of Leo. In fact, the Sun's position was 29 degrees 59 minutes of Cancer. This fact renders your reporter's article meaningless.

Please be so kind as to forward these facts to your reporter for his edification. He needs to do his homework before he writes drivel. If you are so motivated, feel free to publish this editorial response to the article on your website as well.

Respectfully,

Stephanie Jean Clement

President, American Federation of Astrologers

A few comments on the Prince's chart by Stephanie:

Followers of the royal family will notice that Queen Elizabeth has her Sun at 0 degrees Taurus, while Prince Charles has the Moon at this degree, and the North Node at 4 degrees Taurus. These placements complete a Grand Sextile in Baby Cambridge's chart, suggesting that the lineage and the family guidance from both the queen and Prince Charles can be instrumental in helping him to manifest the very best that earth and water signs have to offer.

With only Uranus in a fire sign, this child can become noted for tremendous bursts of energy, quick mind, and a person dedicated to reforms of various kinds. His early training will benefit from parental support for his psychic and intuitive talents as well as his practical talents and sympathy for people of all economic and cultural groups.

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The Newest Royal Baby ...



by Rose Marcus

**Prince George Alexander Louis,
July 22, 2013 4:24 pm**

The newest royal to the House of Windsor has been born on the super full moon in Capricorn/Sun in Cancer, and Venus in Virgo in exact alignment with the royal star, Regulus. The parental correlations are readily seen. Prince William was born on a solar eclipse (new moon) in Cancer. Kate was born on a lunar eclipse (full moon) in Cancer/sun in Capricorn. Will's karmic axis (north node) and Kate's moon conjoin the baby's Mercury in the 8th house of legacy and inheritance. This Mercury is indicative of significant past life ancestral history that is intertwined with his both his parents. There are more pointers. Note the position of both Will and Kate's Ceres is conjunct the baby's karmic axis (north node). Queen Elizabeth and Prince George have an almost exact conjunction between their Ceres in Leo (royal/prominent family.) The Queen and the baby prince also share Saturn in the sign of Scorpio. Prince Charles south node is close to exact on Prince George's Saturn. Grandfather's Chiron conjuncts the baby's ascendant and his Pluto is conjunct the baby's Ceres.

As suggested above, this prince is a key player with a specific and prominent destiny to fulfill regarding the family. Regarding the family inheritances/pattern, Both Will and Kate have Saturn in square aspect to the baby's nodal axis, a significant configuration in evolutionary astrology called a "skipped step". A skipped step (or "at the bendings") indicates specific unfinished business from past lives brought forward for critical evolutionary development in this one. The baby's Uranus square William's karmic axis is a signature for succession upon his father's death. Regarding the family, this Saturn and Uranus synastry between parents and child are indicative of evolution at an active, critical turning point threshold. It is a signature for how Wills and Kate are modernizing the lifestyle of this royal family. Prince George's life is also shaped by issues do with his own unique identity, authority and relationship to authority; the intertwining of his personal and public life, his personal and social power, ambition, and purpose. These signatures also reference the social climate he has faced previously and now faces again. Additionally, both the Saturn and Uranus synastry positions can indicate uncertainty or question marks about the social status, validity, continuance, and survival of the traditional monarchy.

The soul path of Pluto retrograde in Capricorn in the 2nd house is indicative of one who is learning lessons in establishing inner authority, self reliance, self autonomy; of examining the nature of one's own judgments; of learning of the limitations and of learning to work within them to the maximum of one's abilities; to resource from within and to develop an internal system by which one eventually learns to establish one's own rules, net worth, and self worth independent of what is expected or projected onto the individual. The south node in Taurus and north node in Scorpio in the mutational/transitional 6th house indicates a reclaiming, reformatting, and metamorphosis of one's own core of power, of one's own existing and pre-existing limitations, of moving beyond circumstantial isolation, and transforming, deepening, and of re-examination of deeper values, of holding a deeper conversation with his own soul regarding higher purpose, sacrifice, and service, of unlocking of latent or dormant potentials that are now ready to be utilized. In other words, this nodal axis suggests he is continuing to work through a critical transitional stage of personal learning, analysis, healing, and public service.

What's in a name? George – of the earth (reference to his moon in Capricorn), Alexander—of the people (ruler for both moon and Pluto,

Saturn in the 11th) and Louis for Lord Mountbatten, mentor to Prince Charles, assassinated by the IRA - perhaps a reference to the chart contact between Prince Charles south node and Prince George's Saturn.

The Capricorn moon shows an innate sense of duty, responsibility, respect, and discipline, and certainly is in keeping with the family's sense of duty to the public (public is also a Cancer archetype). This morality is inherited from the Queen's life long example. Even as a young one, he'll display natural emotional maturity, integrity, and a good work ethic. As the first born son, he's also already fulfilled his destiny regarding a traditional gender role, even though parliament voted in favour of changing the laws of succession to allow for the possibility that Kate & Will's first child would be a girl. There will be traditions upheld, yet there will be change also. Saturn in Scorpio in the 11th suggests a new breed of royal - the role modelling that began with Diana and continues through both of his parents. This Saturn, along with Pluto in Capricorn, Mars in opposition to Pluto, Venus in Virgo in the 9th house, are indicative of the current and changing social, political, economic, world structure, and the changing status of the monarchy too. Even so, they still suggest someone with power and influence in the world. The Cancer sun along with Mercury, Mars, and Jupiter indicate a sensitive and caring one, shy too, much like his father. The Scorpio rising adds to his personal magnetism and depth of character; it makes him emotionally intense, guarded, passionate, intriguing, perceptive, and intuitively astute. He'll like be intensely private and guarded, as well as dedicated to public service. Overall, I think we'll see a child that quite readily reflects both his mother and his father's personalities.

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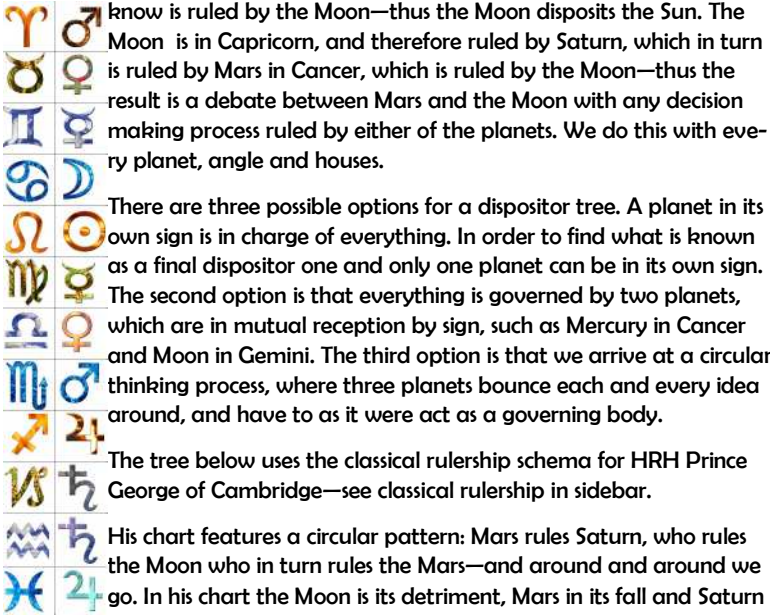
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With Love, Rose

Dispositor Tree

One of the tools we use in order to find out the thinking processes of a person is the dispositor tree. The term, dispositor, simply refers to a planet wanting to be in its own sign, because it owns the sign. Thus we are using the basic rulership in order to find one or more dispositor.

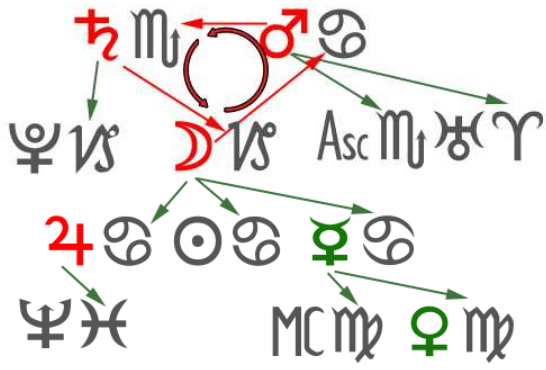
Let's look at how. As an example Prince George's Sun is in Cancer, a sign we know is ruled by the Moon—thus the Moon disposes the Sun. The Moon is in Capricorn, and therefore ruled by Saturn, which in turn is ruled by Mars in Cancer, which is ruled by the Moon—thus the result is a debate between Mars and the Moon with any decision making process ruled by either of the planets. We do this with every planet, angle and houses.



There are three possible options for a dispositor tree. A planet in its own sign is in charge of everything. In order to find what is known as a final dispositor one and only one planet can be in its own sign. The second option is that everything is governed by two planets, which are in mutual reception by sign, such as Mercury in Cancer and Moon in Gemini. The third option is that we arrive at a circular thinking process, where three planets bounce each and every idea around, and have to as it were act as a governing body.

The tree below uses the classical rulership schema for HRH Prince George of Cambridge—see classical rulership in sidebar.

His chart features a circular pattern: Mars rules Saturn, who rules the Moon who in turn rules the Mars—and around and around we go. In his chart the Moon is its detriment, Mars in its fall and Saturn has no essential dignity. As an advanced aside each planet in the trio is in the bounds of Mars—giving Mars that little bit of extra power. Note that Mars and Saturn are in a trine aspect, whereas the Moon is out of the loop in terms of aspects.



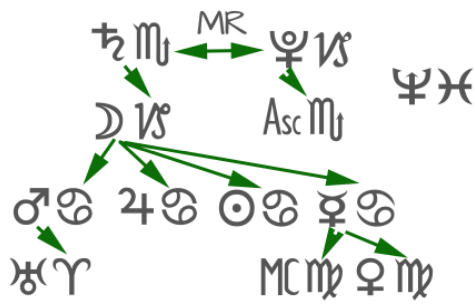
From what we know, we might consider how much influence the family has on how he will be allowed to behave. The Moon is hindered from behaving according to her nature—emotions are to be kept in check. Saturn in Scorpio might suggest a rigid, set of rules from which we cannot deviate. Yes the chart has an exalted Jupiter which is conjunct the Mars, but that Jupiter takes its cues from the Moon. The committee of three is in charge of everything in the chart, and in order to make a decision they have to decide what that ought to be. Saturn rules house three and four in whole-sign based chart, Mars is in charge of the first, the ASC and the sixth houses and the Moon governs the ninth house which has a all of the Cancer planets within it, including the Sun.

That gibbous (almost full) Moon at the end of Capricorn has the most connections, that is planets she commands including the Sun. If we consider the Moon to be the mother, then Kate has a strong influence—not necessarily

the best advice but traditions will be important. In the boy's eyes mother influences father strongly. By aspect the Moon is separating from a sextile to the ASC. The Sun makes a trine—a child of his parents, who can readily be both caring and reserved. A product of a very traditional family (-business); isn't it referred to as the Firm by the members of the Royal family.

Using the contemporary rulership schema we would end up with Saturn and Pluto in mutual reception making the decision with all matters other than those managed by Neptune in Pisces...

Knowing the innate strength of the planets that are in charge of how we form decisions is helpful when addressing whether they can deliver money, fame, relationships etc. but also helps us



understand how we debate the issues within us.

Which system of rulership to use?

It is typically a preference. While I primarily use classical, I do check the contemporary as well. One system may yield a final dispositor, which is intriguing. Mostly I find the classical works the best in practice. It gives power to the planets that relate to our personal lives and are within our control and sphere of understanding. The classical rulership schema also goes deeper with elemental rulers, bound rulers, etc. which yields further insights.

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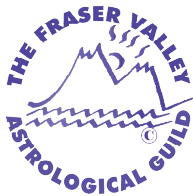
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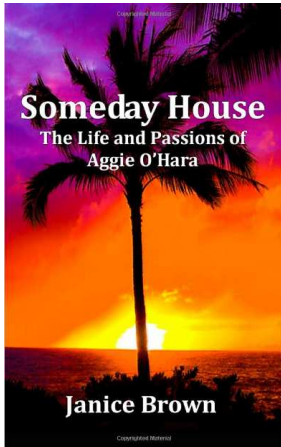
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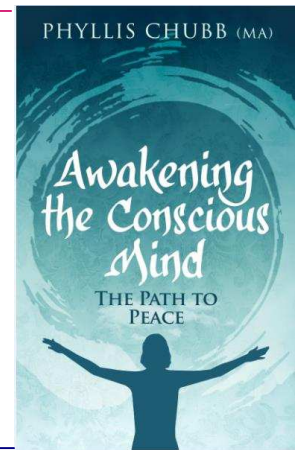


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