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## **AGM – WEDNESDAY 24<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

Yes, it's on a Wednesday instead of the usual Thursday this year!!

Please mark this important date on your calendar NOW! Nomination forms enclosed for your use. Please return signed nominations to the Secretary, c/- HPB Lodge. Check the Noticeboard for nominations.

**Nominations will close at 7.30pm on 14<sup>th</sup> October.**

*Important  
DATE!*

### **Down the Rabbit Hole**

*Exploring our Inner Journey*

We are on an "Inner Quest", a journey into a future which is both glorious and beyond comprehension..... It is mentioned in all the religions and many of our myths. All the great teachers of humanity point the way, they show us the road that must be taken. However it is not always put in a way that is easy to comprehend.



Yet it is a simple way and one full of rewards. We will explore, in a very practical sense the first steps to be taken to put us firmly on the quest in a conscious way - explore the "life to be lived" by embracing this Inner Quest... for yourself and the world! Presented by John Vorstermans (National President).

**7.30pm, HPB Hall, August 30<sup>th</sup>**

### **Man, the Bridge Between Two Worlds**

A talk by Val White - The riddle of wholeness - the personal and trans-personal therapies arising from Jungian analysis psychology. If there is enough interest generated from this talk, a group of members can be formed to meet regularly to delve more deeply into this fascinating and potentially transformational aspect of Theosophy.



**7.30pm, HPB Hall, Sept 27th**

### **Historical Plaque**

New addition to our Library - NO, it isn't a book, but YES it is for reading! When Paul Robb visited HPB from Australia earlier this year and spoke at a member's meeting, he presented us with a brass plaque relating to the opening of the HPB Lodge in the early 1900s. This has now been cleaned and framed and hung in the library - make sure you check out this fascinating piece of our Lodge history!

### **Study Classes**

**Video Evening – 20<sup>th</sup> August.**

*What is Theosophy?*

This evening will be a time for you to ask any questions you have on the TS

**Module 5 – 27<sup>th</sup> August – 15<sup>th</sup> October.**

*Individual Topics*

This module is composed of individual topics. We look at the concept of wisdom – what is it and how does it vary from person to person? Mythology is discussed with the concept of myth as allegory and as teachings to the wise. Is there a spiritual body of humanity? We look at new developments in science which support human kinship and oneness. Some of the ways in which we can receive and give help are discussed and we also cover the hidden side of things and the links between objects that appear unconnected.

## Report on Member's Meeting: Islam

- as presented by a (relatively) new Islamic member of our Society

After a quiet start, this became a lively discussion including the difference between Islamic teachings of peace and extremist Islamic behaviour.....how Mohammad developed the Islamic people into a civilisation with high morals and respect for others - which unfortunately can still be undermined by extremists, as can everything these days! Interesting point to ponder: Has the human species progressed in the area of religious understanding in the last 100-odd years?!

**What are YOU doing in your life today to assist in the world's development in this important area???**



## Report on Musical Evening – 16<sup>th</sup> Aug

A wonderful evening of delicious food and convivial company, coupled with a thoroughly enjoyable musical experience. This was such a success that requests have poured in for more of the same, so we will be repeating the combination on a reasonably regular basis ...watch this space! If you missed out, you'll get another chance. If you were there, you can relax – there will be more such get-togethers to enjoy.

## Calling All Tradesmen and Handymen

**Are you retired? Wanting to earn a little extra cash? Do some voluntary work?**

Or, are you still working but can spare a few hours for work around our building?

We are desperately in need of:

**An electrician** – to assist with the installation of some new security lights.

**A drain layer** – to assist with a hole that has formed by the drainpipes in the lower carpark.

**\*\* A cabinet maker** – to help us with the making of secure cabinets for our valuable Reference Books..... Unfortunately some of our valuable reference books have gone missing over the years, so the Committee needs to build some lockable, glass-fronted cabinets for storage of these historical annals. To date, we've been given some extremely high quotes (\$800 per cupboard, with up to 6 cupboards needed!) so we are begging for a skilled member of our Lodge to come forward in this hour of need!!

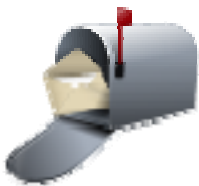


Alternatively, can you help with the costs of the work that has to be done?

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