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Hamilton Lodge of the Theosophical Society

September 2008

Greetings, members and friends,
The Special General Meeting has passed by successfully, as have several most interesting August presentations. We welcome in September Warwick Keys, our new National President, with an urgent and important message. Let us hope this is the beginning of a journey from a wicked Winter to a blooming Spring.

Centennial Celebration Day

Annie Besant granted us our Charter on 1 December 1908, and we are celebrating our centennial on Sunday 30 November with a series of lectures and panel discussions through the day. Details and invitations are still to come, but please keep our special day free.

Teaser

A woman swims at a constant rate upstream from a river bridge. She passes a cork when she has swum 1 km and continues upstream for another 15 minutes, then returns to the bridge simultaneously with the cork. How fast is the river's current?

September Programme

Sunday 7 September (members meeting)

Title: **Fire in the Spirit - the Way Ahead**

Presented by: **Warwick Keys**

This presentation and discussion is about the possible future of the Theosophical Society in New Zealand. First, a challenge to members and fellow travellers in which we will look at group dynamics, group consciousness, the 'Fire in The Spirit' and the future of TS as an occult group in line with these dynamics. Second, we will discuss the urgent need to rearrange our assets and structures in line with good practice if we are to survive as a physical entity. All members are urged to attend these meetings to meet the new National President and what could lie ahead for TS in New Zealand.

Sunday 14 September

Title: **Belief and the Power of Mind**

Presented by: **Mardi O'Shea**

Do our beliefs create our reality? How powerful is that reality? How can two minds respond so differently to a single idea or event?

Sunday 21 September

Title: **The Human and its Relationship to the Third, Fourth and Fifth Densities**

Presented by: **Bill Williamson**

The subject will cover the human from the descent to matter and the passage of return through the three main realms of matter, mystical and spiritual, and the relation to the seven theosophical

levels.

Sunday 28 September (start 7.45 p.m.)

Title: **Language with Purpose**

Presented by: **Theresa Grainger**

An event in life is just an event until we attach meaning to it. Our language plays a critical role in how we perceive our experiences and as a result has the ability to both create and recreate our reality. Theresa will be sharing language techniques to both discover our life's purpose and then keep us on track. This will be a fun, experiential and interactive evening

My Luminous Refuge

(penned by Mihana Rose Rodin after a recent talk).

I am in the garden of love; this gracious place showed me who I am,
Living sounds sparkled in light and colour and glowed in every form and name.

In growth as in my surrender, angels of divine love walk with me;
My soul received in joy and delight - guidance and vision what I could be.

Silver stardust on deep green meadows, lavender blue, iridescent rose and gold.
In tall trees birds play in the fragrant air; their grace is most wonderful to behold.

Crystal clear waters purify and heal, rainbow bridges link heart and mind;
On every path in my sacred garden, peace love and beauty I find.

With kind regards from your Committee: Brian, Carmel, Charles, Peter, Tim, Una and Vicki.

**The Lodge normally meets on Sundays
at 7.30 p.m. A light supper is provided.**

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Teaser Solution: 2 km/h.

Relative to the cork her return journey took 2x15 minutes as the cork travelled 1 km.