Pisces March 2016

Planetary movements this month

- Mercury leaves Aquarius/into Pisces 5th March
- Mars leaves Scorpio/into Sagittarius 6th March
- Venus leaves Pisces/into Aries 6th April
- Total solar eclipse in Pisces 9th March
- Venus leaves Aquarius/into Pisces 12th March
- Mercury leaves Pisces/into Aries 22nd March
- Lunar eclipse in Libra 24th March
- Saturn turns retrograde 25th March

Good Days are	e days wher	the planets	s concerned are	supporting 6	each other.

*	Moon conjunct Mars	1st March
*	Sun conjunct Ceres	3rd/4th March
*	Moon conjunct Venus	7th March
*	Moon conjunct Mercury	8th March
*	Sun conjunct Moon (New Moon)	9th March
*	Moon conjunct Neptune	9th March
*	Sun conjunct Chiron	10th/12th March
*	Mercury conjunct Neptune	11th March
*	Moon conjunct Uranus	11th March
*	Jupiter/Pluto trine	11th/19th March
*	Sun/Chiron/South Node conjunct	11th/12th March
*	Moon conjunct Ceres	15th March
*	Mercury conjunct Ceres	16th March
*	Mercury/Chiron/South Node conjunct	18th March
*	Venus conjunct Neptune	21st March
*	Moon conjunct Jupiter	22nd March
*	Sun conjunct Mercury	23rd/25th March
*	Moon conjunct North Node	23rd March
*	Mercury trine Mars	25th March
*	Sun trine Mars	25th/27th March
*	Chiron conjunct Ceres	27th March
*	Moon conjunct Mars	29th March
*	Venus conjunct South Node	30th March
*	Mercury trine Saturn	30th March
*	Venus conjunct Chiron	30th/31st March
*	Mercury conjunct Uranus	31st March/1st April
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These correspond to where the planets are in your chart at the time (see below) and it's on these days that their effect on you will be more positive. These also make up some of the 'power dates' below. What is noticeable is the amount of harmony between the stars this month.

'KUOYT' Days – Not 'bad days', because there are no such things, but they're what I call 'Kuoyt' Days (which I pronounce Coyote – like the wild dogs) – these are days that **K**eep **U On Your Toes**'.

*	Moon conjunct Saturn	2nd March
*	Moon conjunct Pluto	5th March
*	Sun opposition Jupiter	8th/9th March
*	Moon conjunct Chiron	9th March
*	Moon conjunct South Node	9th March
*	Chiron conjunct South Node	11th/27th March
*	Chiron opposition North Node	11th/27th March
*	Ceres opposition Jupiter	12th/15th March
*	Mercury opposition Jupiter	15th/16th March
*	Moon opposition Saturn	15th March
*	Moon opposition Pluto	17th March
*	Mercury opposition North Node	18th March
*	Jupiter square Saturn	19th/27th March
*	Moon opposition Sun (Full Moon)	24th March
*	Venus opposition Jupiter	25th/26th March
*	Moon conjunct Saturn	30th March
*	Venus opposition North Node	30th March

It's on these 'Kuoyt' days that the planets concerned aren't playing hardball with each other and rather than supporting each other, as they are on the good days, they've got their own agenda, which may be running contrary and in conflict with each other. This creates tension and pressure, but these aren't 'bad days'. Often we need pressure or the right amount of stress in order to raise our game or fight that little bit harder. If we didn't have these Kuoyt days, we would fall into a state of complacency, so they keep us on our toes. Despite the fact that they might bring some pressure and tension, these are conditions that also bring opportunities.

11th House Friendships, Teamwork and Hopes and Wishes

Power Dates: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 31st March

11th House rules:

Here it is all about friendship, teamwork, networking, inventiveness, camaraderie, togetherness, being part of a group, team or society, neighbourhoods, communities, clubs, organisations or affiliations. The *Eleventh House* is about strength in numbers, playing your part in society, being a friend, a team player, showing kindness and generosity to others. Ruled by Uranus, the *Eleventh House* is all about realising that no man (or woman) is an island. It's about being part of society, feeling connected, a need to belong. It is about humanity and Aquarian principles, which sees the world as a global village.

So what's happening here this month?

Sometimes it is a real dilemma for me to decide what order these chapters should go, because top of the Report should denote importance and relevance, but what do you do in a month when EVERYTHING is important? The reason why I have put your sector of friendship, teamwork and networking and your relationship sector (below) up here at the top is not because they may necessarily be the most obvious themes in play this month, but their partnership is an underlying and core theme to the month itself.

While the Sun always moves through your sector of friendship, teamwork and networking in the closing days and early weeks of each year and left on the 20th January, Venus and Mercury stayed on in order to tie up loose ends, Mercury until the 14th February and Venus until the 17th February. This brought you to a point where your annual update was over and you'd been given enough support to connect and bring your friendships and personal and professional networking matters in general up to speed and onto the right track.

Normally moving through in just 15 days, Mercury returned on the 10th December 2015 and while he left for a week in early January he was back a week later and stayed on until the 14th February, giving you nearly two months to work with the planet of communication to ensure the communication lines are open.

Venus, the last to arrive was also the last to leave, with her transit through your friendship sector from the 24th January to the 17th February a chance to take a different approach to this, because for her this is a social and serendipitous part of your chart and it's all about triggering the laws of attraction and synchronicity, those that put you in the right place at the right time. Unlike other areas of your chart, where there is no ongoing planetary activity this would have been the point where you were on your own, but here that's not the case. That's because Pluto, planet of change and revolution is a long term resident here and has been keeping the wheels turning day after day, week after week, month after month and year after year since 2008 and he will continue to until he leaves in 2024.

By the time we move into March Venus has been gone for just 13 days, so you're still in the transition phase from the short term job of getting everything moving and into a phase that is more about the journey itself.

Due to turn retrograde next month Pluto is taking his time and if this had been any other year he would have quietly blended into the background, content to keep the wheels turning and things running authentically, but without drawing too much attention to himself.

However, this isn't just any year and instead of blending into the background Pluto becomes one half of an extraordinary partnership that is set to revolutionise your whole concept of friendship and relationship building and put a positive spin on the month itself. Pluto's game and your friendships became a lot easier when lucky Jupiter returned to your relationship sector last August, with the largest and smallest planets in the solar system working together, helping each other out.

While Jupiter visits your relationship sector once every 12 years, having last moved through in 2003/2004, four years before Pluto's first visit to your sector of friendship, teamwork and networking in our lifetime, when they came together in a positive trine aspect last October, it was for the first time here in our lifetime. Since then the much faster Jupiter has moved on, but in January turned retrograde and this month will retrograde so far back that he'll team back up with Pluto again, with an exact alliance from the **11th March** to the **19th March**, peaking on the **17th March**, a month to the day since Venus' departure.

For Pluto, spending his first full month back on his own here in your sector of friendship, teamwork and networking and transitioning from an active three months back into a phase that is more about the journey, the patronage and support of the largest and most powerful planet in the solar system will bring a boost in confidence, along with some tangible support when it comes to friendship and relationship building.

It's this partnership between Jupiter and Pluto, the planets of luck, change and revolution that will influence every aspect of your life, with friendship and relationship building across the field, from your professional life, at home, within your personal relationship, family, friends – you name it, wherever friendship and relationship building is important, you've got two very special allies.

The Moon will make two visits to your sector of friendship, teamwork and networking this month, with a chance to map the progress made from one visit to the next. Returning from the **3rd March** to the **6th March**, for the first time since Venus and Mercury left and then again on the **31st March**, they will be seeing out the month here. In both instances the support will be there for friendship and relationship building, with the Moon adding an extra touch. When the Moon visits this social and serendipitous part of your chart you gain an intuitive sense of timing and an intuitive read on people and situations. At the same time, with the laws of synchronicity in effect, through listening to your hunches you're also more likely to find yourself in the right place at the right time, setting the scene for some serendipitous moments or encounters.

7th House *Relationships, Opposition – Half Way Point in a Cycle*

Power Dates: 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 25th, 26th and 30th March

7th House rules:

On one hand this is the area of your chart that rules relationships, unions, partnerships and marriage. The *Seventh House* has two specific roles. On one hand this is your relationship sector, so the focus is on your relationships. The bar is raised, more will be required from you and there is likely to be some pressure. Secondly this puts any planet in your opposing Sign and puts you at the halfway point of a current planetary cycle, bringing personal as well as relationship checks and balances. Ruled by Venus, your personal relationships benefit most when there is planetary activity here.

So what's happening here this month?

For Pluto's buddy Jupiter, here in your relationship sector, while the support will have a big impact, both in boosting your confidence on the social front, the story is a little more complex and at times a bit more stressful, with personal and/or relationship tension coming to a head in waves.

Back when Jupiter first returned to your relationship sector last August this opened the door to a three month period where not only Jupiter, but a parade of planets moving with him moved into opposition with the planets in your sign, bringing personal and/or relationship tensions to a head and bringing the first signs that your personal and relationship needs were now in competition with each other. However, there came a point where Jupiter moved out of range, the faster planets moved on and tensions between your personal and relationship needs eased back. Then in November, aware that balance would remain an important issue, for the first time in 17 years the North Node returned here to your relationship sector and the South Node to your sign and always in opposition and always working to balance each other out, this put forces in place to keep the peace and ensure that neither your personal or relationship needs got too big for their boots.

This worked, for while you had two planets in your sign but only one in your relationship sector, because Jupiter is so large this balanced things out. That changes this month and it changed because the Sun, the only cosmic body larger than Jupiter, returned to Pisces on the 19th February and over the course of the month, with Venus and Mercury returning there as well, there will be some serious opposition and a lot more personal and/or relationship pressure and tension, as forces on both fronts battle to push their own agenda, exposing any balance issues.

This began very soon after the Sun's return to your sign last month to begin your birthday month and new solar year, with a Full Moon here in your relationship sector putting the Sun and you on notice. While there won't be constant personal and/or relationship pressure and tension all month, it will come in waves and with those waves having an orb of influence several days either side, it might feel like its constant.

It began last month with a Full Moon on the 23rd February, but continues this month with the Sun's opposition with Jupiter on the 8th/9th March, with Ceres' opposition with Jupiter on the 12th/15th March, Mercury's opposition on the 15th/16th March and Venus' opposition on the 25th/26th March. These are the very planets that last year were on Jupiter's side, putting pressure on the planets in your sign, but six months on and they're now putting the pressure back the other way.

For an eight day period, from the **12th March** to the **20th March**, there will be seven forces in play in your sign and it's during that time that you've got two back to back oppositions, so

this is when any personal and/or relationship tension is likely to be at its peak. Yet this is where Jupiter's alliance with Pluto turns this into a real opportunity, especially something real and authentic to develop, for their alliance runs from the **11th March** to the **19th March**, bringing a boost in confidence and support for friendship and relationship building just when you need it most.

Even before support from Pluto and friendship and social forces locks in Jupiter already has the North Node to rely on, keeping the elements of luck and fate in play. No matter what, Jupiter is the planet of luck and expansion and in retrograde motion he's holding the doors open to the past and second chances, with the right mix of support and pressure creating the potential for a breakthrough and to address old issues once and for all.

The timing of the Moon's monthly visit to your relationship sector is crucial, for moving through from the **21st March** to the **23rd March** this will come after Jupiter's alliance with Pluto and after all but one opposition has played out. As your emotional responses kick in and the Moon fuels any strong emotional and intuitive responses, this will give you a better understanding of all the water that has passed under the bridge since last month's Full Moon and with that a better understanding of what you want from your relationships and what they need from you.

1st House Conjunction, beginning of a New Cycle – Directly in your Sign

Power Dates: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 15th, 16th, 18th, 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 30th and 31st March

1st House rules:

This puts you at the start of a new cycle, a time for new beginnings, initiating new journeys, having an eye on the future and for starting over, with a chance for a fresh start and new opportunities. Here you have a fresh slate, with a planetary cycle coming full circle, bringing a chance to branch out, start over and embrace a new chapter. With a planet in your Sign there is also some pressure, with a need to move on. Ruled by Mars, when the *First House* is active it is always a time of action and for new beginnings.

So what's happening here this month?

On the other side of the sky to Jupiter in your relationship sector is an incredible line up of forces here in your sign, bringing you to one of the most empowered starts to a new solar year in a long time, but a year that you have also been building towards for some time, with the real you being awoken. Before I start writing these reports each month I jot down the main points, which I am then able to expand on. In every section there are a few lines of notes, mainly dates and other bullet point information that I need. Here in Pisces I have almost two pages of bullet points and just looking at it does my head in, wondering where on earth to start.

With Neptune and Chiron, the planets of dreams and healing in your sign for several years now and spending so long, Chiron from 2011 to 2019 and Neptune from 2012 to 2026, they are the constant forces in play here, month after month, year after year. So regardless of what

else happens, your sign and therefore your personal needs and journey will always make it into these reports, even if it's just to say that it's business as usual.

The other constant is that the Sun will always spend the first 3 weeks of March here in your sign, your birthday month and start of a new solar year. With continuous planetary activity in Pisces 12 months of every year and in a month when the solar spotlight will always fall onv ther\ start of your new solar year, turning the lights on, making things transparent and bringing a chance for a fresh start or a do over, this is the base line.

While Venus and Mercury will travel through your sign around the same time as the Sun, by this time last year Venus had already been and gone, as had Mars who moved through as well. However, this year Venus and Mercury are not only travelling much closer, they're both behind schedule, with neither here yet by the time you move into March. In addition you have the South Node here for the first time as the Sun moves through in 17 years, while Ceres' return on the 29th January puts the dwarf planet and goddess of the solar system here for the first time since 2012.

By the time Mercury returns on the **5th March** and Venus on the **12th March** there will be no fewer than seven cosmic influences in play here – the Sun, Mercury, Venus, Ceres, Neptune, Chiron and the South Node, until the Sun leaves on the **20th March** and Mercury on the **22nd March** with the rest of the solar system scattered around other areas of your chart. Apart from your relationship sector, where Jupiter has the North Node for company and your career sector, where Saturn will be joined by Mars on the **6th March**, there are no other areas of your chart that even has two planets in play, let alone seven.

Literally the weight of the solar system is here in your sign to support the launch of your new solar year and the taking back of your own personal power, with an eight day period, from Venus' return on the **12th March** to the Sun's departure on the **20th March** the most concentrated point. Neptune and Chiron are used to having Jupiter on the other side of the sky and the constant balancing act that the lunar nodes require, but when Mercury and Venus return this month, as was the case for the Sun and Ceres when they returned, it's to find Jupiter in opposition for the first time in 12 years.

Neptune is in your sign from 2012 to 2026 and in his early months Ceres, dwarf planet and goddess of the solar system returned to help lay down the foundations of what would be a 14 year mission to completely redefine your dreams and aspirations. Once Ceres left this became more a gradual and slow evolution. Yet Neptune and Ceres have reconnected just as Jupiter is putting all your intentions to the test. Yes, with so many oppositions this month there is going to be personal and/or relationship pressure and tension, but with this is a chance to really challenge your excuses, push through barriers and in general ensure that not only are you on your most authentic path possible, but your relationships are as well.

March is always the month when the solar spotlight is on the launch of your new solar year and the setting of new intentions, but you've never been put to the test in the way you are this year. Yes, Jupiter moves through your relationship sector once every 12 years and when the Sun, Mercury and Venus move through your sign, which they do at this time of year, they'll move into opposition, never before and never again in your lifetime will Neptune, planet of dreams and fantasies be here and having spent four years defining dreams and giving you a chance to finally take your power back, you're being put to the test.

Jupiter and Neptune won't move into opposition, for they did that last September and Jupiter won't retrograde that far back, but the planets that will move through your sign and align with Neptune will, Mercury on the **11th March** and Venus on the **21st March**. So when they move into opposition and personal and/or relationship tensions and pressure come to a head, they'll be freshly motivated and ready to fight back.

In the early days of the month, before Venus and Mercury return, the Sun will have the support of Mars, in his final days in an adventurous part of your chart. This is going to give you the confidence needed to appreciate that it's all about the journey.

The other planet to consider here is Chiron, planet of healing. We all have regrets, yet despite the fact that they serve no practical purpose, we hang them around our necks like dead albatrosses and drag them around, somehow feeling that we're doing penance for the bad choices and decisions we made in our life or that if we hold onto the wrongs that have been done to us, that somehow the people who did those wrongs would sense that and feel regret. Chiron, a centaur and one of those mythical beasts that is half man and half horse (from Greek mythology and the Narnia books fame), was the teacher and mentor for all the Greek gods. During the nearly 8 years that he'll spend in your sign he'll work tirelessly to turn those scars into the learning experiences that they are.

So here we have a month where not just in the launch of this new solar year, but across all aspects of your life, where your dreams are being awoken, there is a chance for healing, getting to the heart of your needs and priorities and by the way, you're also going through the update a new solar year will always require as well and the universe has chosen this moment to challenge you.

So yes, there may be some challenges and pressure, with personal and/or relationship tension waking you up to the things that need your attention, to what you've been dragging around your neck, to your dreams, your sense of purpose and everything else that the gods deem important, yet this is also a month for an enormous breakthrough. Have you ever had one of those times when it seems like you're having the worst day ever, only to find that it ends out to be the best day ever – well, this is one of those months.

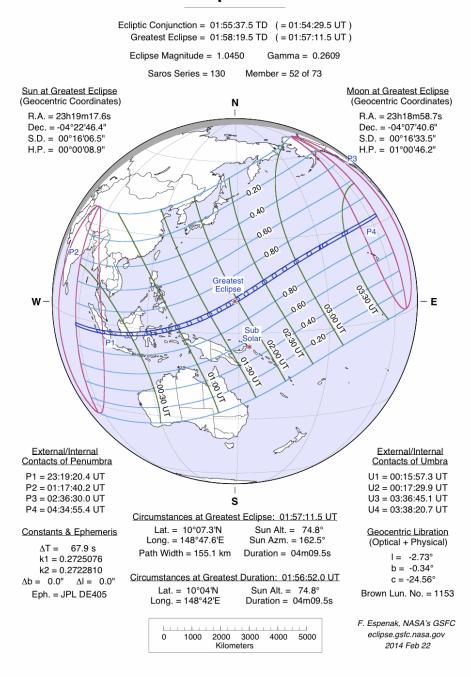
While the eight day period when the Sun, Mercury and Venus will all be here at the same time, from the 12th March to the 20th March, are some of the most crucial days, it actually begins three days earlier. The Moon's return to your sign from the 8th March to the 10th March was always going to be important, not just because this will be a chance to tap into your instincts, gain an intuitive read on the powerful forces at work and through your emotional, intuitive and imaginative responses find your inner voice, but the New Moon this was always going to create. Yet in a month when nothing about this birthday month is the norm, it makes sense that the New Moon on the 9th March is anything but the norm as well. With the South Node here, the point where the Earth's orbit around the Sun is intersected by the Moon's orbit around the Earth, this New Moon will literally fall into the shadow that the Earth and Moon create, turning this into a game changing total solar eclipse. A New Moon is a time of new beginnings, a solar eclipse a time of major new beginnings, but as a total solar eclipse this is a game changer.

Depending on how far away a New or Full Moon is to the lunar nodes determines whether it is a partial or total eclipse and because it falls almost right on top, the Moon will move right in front of the Sun and block it out. To witness a total solar eclipse is awe inspiring and also

incredibly rare, because of the narrow band that it influences, but we are all impacted and just as this was already a major month for waking up to your own personal needs and dreams, this also turns this into a time for fateful and major new beginnings.

In case you are interested, below is a map of where this eclipse will be visible. That narrow blue strip in the middle, a strip just 155 kilometres wide, is where the eclipse will be seen as a total eclipse, which if I know my geography is in the Indonesia, Malaysia, Sumatra and the Borneo region, visible as a partial eclipse in the top half of Australia, over Japan, Korea and South East Asia.

Total Solar Eclipse of 2016 Mar 09



12th House Waiting, Preparation, Subconscious Mind – End of a cycle

Power Dates: 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 12th March

12th House rules:

The last of the 12 Houses is all about endings, internal focus, the subconscious mind, daydreaming and introspection. For a planet to be in your *Twelfth House* they are at the end

of a cycle that begins in the *First House*, with the focus on bringing one cycle to an end, before a new cycle can begin, closing old doors in order for new doors to eventually open. Ruled by Neptune, planet of dreams and fantasy, this is the realms of the subconscious and your intuition. Where Mercury and the *Third House* rule the intellectual mind, here the focus is on the intuitive, subconscious and spiritual mind and your dreams, intuition and imagination. Here you are moving through a watershed period, as the past begins to make way for the future.

So what's happening here this month?

Before Venus and Mercury reach your sign they have some tying up of loose ends here in your sector of subconscious thinking, imagination and review and with both gone by the **12th March** this is more important than you might realise.

With no major planetary activity in your sector of subconscious thinking, imagination and review it is only usually when the Sun, Mercury and Venus move through that you have a chance to slow down, go within and find the time to hear yourself think. When the Sun moved through he spent a month winding down your old solar year and as Venus and Mercury will always move alongside, just ahead or slightly behind, it's not unusual to find that while the wind down of your old solar year is officially over and especially in name, that in practice it continues, for a few more weeks anyway.

In 2015 this took until mid March to wrap up and this year it's doing the same, with Mercury not leaving and returning to your sign until the **5th March** and Venus not until the 12th March. When the Sun returned in late January it was to find Ceres in her final days and having spent much of 2015 bringing home the pleasures of time out reflecting, in meditation and simply finding time to hear yourself think, you'd already grown fond of the opportunity this brings.

However, Ceres is gone and won't be back for another four years and once Mercury leaves on the **5th March** and Venus on the **12th March**, permission to spend time navel gazing is about to come to an end.

This makes the early part of the month especially important for finding time to hear yourself think, with Mercury looking back in a smart, strategic and logical way to close any remaining doors, while Venus is focused more on taking your heart down a nostalgic trip down love's memory lane. Once Mercury leaves Venus will have just seven days to let you wallow in a sense of romantic nostalgia.

It is a case of good timing then that the Moon should move through during that special week. Moving through from the **6th March** to the **8th March** the Moon will return a day after Mercury's departure. This is the Moon's last visit where the doors are still open to the past, allowing you to take one last look back over your shoulder, looking back through your heart and your emotional, intuitive and imaginative responses.

By the time that Venus leaves and returns to Pisces on the **12th March** the doors to the past will close and you'll be ready to fully embrace this new solar year and the journey ahead.

2nd House

Income, Earnings and Self Value

Power Dates: 6th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 20th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 30th and 31st March

2nd House rules:

The ancients called this the 'House of earned income and self value' and rules your income, earnings, your sense of self value, entitlement, believing in yourself, standing up for your rights, a sense of expectation, entitlement and indulgence. Ruled by Venus, the *Second House* is all about what you value and how you set your priorities, not only on the income front but across all the currencies in your life. This is an abundant area of your chart where there is often a gain in income or material resources. Ruled by Venus, the guiding principles here are desire, higher expectations and the laws of attraction.

So what's happening here this month?

Last month I spoke about Uranus being one very happy planet and that was the case, but this month it gets even better for the planet of surprise, synchronicity and the unexpected and your income situation, matters and options. In your income sector since 2011 and not due to leave until March 2019 Uranus is lording it over things, as the only planet that has a year round influence and therefore the planet that you need to be in tune with, in order for your income situation and matters and your expectations across all the currencies in your life to evolve naturally and authentically.

In essence Uranus should be the easiest of planets to follow, for unlike Saturn who asks that you take responsibility, stay committed and learn for yourself how to do things, here it's all about trusting in the laws of synchronicity and staying in the now. Uranus works through the laws of synchronicity, those random coincidences and serendipitous moments and/or encounters that put you in the right place at the right time, but only if you're not over thinking or over managing things. This is about trusting that if you listen to your gut, let things play out naturally and pay attention to those Eureka moments that come from out of nowhere, that you'll be ready for when fate crosses your path.

However Uranus is often the hardest planet to follow for it requires that you live in the now, rather than planning ten steps ahead or playing the woulda, shoulda, coulda game. If you have trouble staying in the now, then the one book that I believe should be required reading is *Eckhart Tolle's "The Power of Now"* or any of his other books. If reading isn't your thing, do what I do when I'm over thinking things, which is watch one of his many clips on YouTube. Another challenge to working with Uranus is that he doesn't always bring what we want him to bring and while he's a planet of surprise and unexpected developments, these can sometimes be unwelcome surprises, but always the truth we need to hear, at the time when we need to hear it.

In direct motion since Boxing Day Uranus has been slowly gaining momentum, but his real break came when Mars left your financial sector on the 4th January, wrapping up a period of continuous cosmic activity that stretched back to November 2013. For the first time in over two years, the constant financial pressure and tension you've been under was gone and while the Moon's monthly visits brought a reminder, that's all that it was.

At the same time, with support from Saturn in your career sector this gave Uranus and your income situation, matters and options the kind of support they haven't had before, at the same time that the pressure from the past pulled back. While a lunar eclipse in your financial sector on the **24th March** could see a flare up of any financial tension, this is nothing more than the reminder that you will always get at around this time every year, this time preaching what you already know all too well.

Things get progressively better for Uranus and your income situation and matters but also your confidence and belief in yourself in general as the month progresses, starting with Mars' return to your career sector on the **6th March.** This puts Mars at a very friendly aspect to Uranus and while this opens the door to some game changing months on the career front, it will also have a positive spin off here on the income front as well.

However, more concrete support kicks in when the Sun returns here to your income sector on the **20th March** and just two days later Mercury returns on the **22nd March**. For the first time since the Sun left last April there is another planet to work with Uranus and for the first time since the South Node left in November the planet of surprise, synchronicity and the unexpected is no longer on his own. Here for so long and flying solo Uranus has largely operated in the background, acting more as those road signs you'll see on a road trip, telling you which road or route to take. If Uranus has been those road markers and they have been pointing to where you need to be, then the Sun and Mercury's return marks your arrival at the destination.

The Sun will always throw the solar spotlight on your income situation, matters and options at this time every year, opening the door to new opportunities, turning the lights on and taking you through your annual review and update. While the Sun will spend the next month here, with Mercury staying for just 15 days, it's important to work with him from the moment he arrives, getting your head in the game and working with his smart head for money to make smart choices, decisions and plans.

With Venus not returning until the 6th April your heart will once again have the final say and as Uranus will always have the laws of synchronicity in effect and she works through the laws of attraction, next month you'll have both in effect. From the Sun's return on the **20th March** it's all about having your eyes open, your head out of the sand and establish an authentic starting point, while Mercury brings the smart head for money needed to get your head in the game, ideas on the table and the communication lines open.

While the Sun and Mercury return to your income sector each year, they too will benefit from the fact that for the first time in three years there are no planets in opposition, but also from the support they'll receive from Mars and Saturn in your career sector as well. Even though Mercury will return after the Sun, moving at twice the speed he'll be the first to align on the **31st March**, bringing his smart head for money together with Uranus' serendipitous influence to create the potential for unexpected developments, Eureka moments and a situation where ideas or situations happen at lightning speed, that you're able to respond to.

Right through to Venus' eventual departure at the end of next month you'll experience some of the best and most important conditions on the income front all year and it just happens to come just as Mars' return to your career sector is having game changing influences on the career front as well. The final 10 days of the month will be pivotal for both income and career matters, with forces on both fronts working together. It's during that time that the lunar

eclipse in your financial sector will hit, moving into opposition with both the Sun and Mercury on the **24th March** (to form the eclipsing Full Moon) and with Uranus on the **25th March.** However, this is when support from Mars in your career sector peaks, creating a chance to turn any financial tension and pressure this might create into motivation and an opportunity for a breakthrough.

However, long before the Sun and Mercury return the Moon will move through, with a visit from the **10th March** to the **12th March** one last chance to let a nose for money focus just on the big picture. By the time the Moon comes full circle next month it will be as a New Moon, a time for taking action, with this visit more a chance to line up for what's coming.

8th House Finances, Passion, Transformation and Change

Power Dates: 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th March

8th House rules:

The ancients called this the 'House of Other People's Money' and today rules money, passion, change and transformation. While the *Second House* rules your income the *Eighth House* rules your financial situation as a whole, including debts, loans, funding and even inheritances. Ruled by Pluto the *Eighth House* also rules our deep drives and urges and also the concept of change, coming from a cycle of death and rebirth, which is the cycle of life.

So what's happening here this month?

On the other side of the sky to what will, by that time be an active and evolving situation on the income front, is this month's lunar eclipse on the **24th March**. While the North Node left your financial sector in November, this Full Moon falls close enough to the North Node, now over the fence in your relationship sector, to create a partial lunar eclipse. Though not as potent than had this been a total lunar eclipse or had the North Node still been here, even as the first Full Moon since the lunar nodes shifted this was going to be important.

Since November 2013 you've had either planets or the North Node here in your financial sector without a break and while the North Node left last November, with Mars here until the 4th January this flowed over into the early days of 2016, then left you and your financial situation and money matters on your own for the first time in over two years.

Since then the Moon's monthly visits are all you've had to keep your financial situation and money matters on track, but also tap into the financial passions and warrior spirit you moved into the year with, reminding you of what you're fighting for and working towards.

I see this eclipsing Full Moon as having three important roles or layers of influence, each equally important.

On the first and most basic layer is the fact that this is the Full Moon that will always fall at some point during the Sun's month long visit to your income sector each year and as such this is a clash between income and financial forces, with any financial tension or pressure this creates a wakeup call to any balance between money coming in and money going out, as well as the push that both income and financial matters need.

By the way, this is also the Full Moon that will always determine when Easter falls. It's not a coincidence that this Full Moon falls on the Thursday of Easter weekend, for Easter weekend only falls then because of this Full Moon. If you're not sure why the dates for Easters' long weekend change each year, this Full Moon is your answer.

The second layer is that in order to become a lunar eclipse, even a partial eclipse, the Moon has to be in communication with the North Node, even though it left your financial sector last November. A lunar eclipse will always bring the element of fate into play, not because it's a lunar eclipse but because of its link to the lunar nodes, which are all about fate. As a Full Moon will always bring things to a head, turning and/or tipping point, when you add the element of fate then you can expect some major implications, carrying a lot more clout than an ordinary Full Moon. The North Node had spent over 18 months drawing you towards future goals and your destiny and if it got you to the line, this lunar eclipse has the power to push you over the line.

Now the third layer is what makes me see this lunar eclipse more as a stepping stone, for this is not just the first Full Moon since the North Node left and all planetary activity came to an end, but also the last before lucky Jupiter returns to kick off your biggest, most auspicious and luckiest year for financial growth and expansion in over a decade. On one hand the money gods will be working to exploit what has already been invested, while on the other they'll be using this lunar eclipse to positon you and line you up with what lies ahead.

Either way, whether it's any immediate implications this has on the financial or income fronts or what this lines you up for, this is anything but the ordinary Full Moon that falls here at around this time every year. The Moon will take from the **23rd March** to the **26th March** to move through, so it's not just during the lunar eclipse on the **24th March** that you need to have your finger on the pulse and ear to the ground, trusting what your financial instincts are telling you and getting to the heart of any messages behind your emotional, intuitive and imaginative responses or anything that might push your buttons.

9th House *Travel, Exploration, Learning, Study and Freedom*

Power Dates: 1st, 6th, 26th, 27th and 28th March

9th House rules:

This is the most adventurous area of your chart, ruling travel, learning, knowledge, discovery, curiosity, adventure and higher learning. The *Ninth House* also rules publishing, philosophy, richer experiences, the search for meaning and truth and all things global, international or foreign. Ruled by Jupiter, this is a larger than life part of your chart, where life becomes richer and the journey becomes more important than the destination. A low tolerance to boredom and routine brings a hunger to explore fresh trails and go in search of new adventures or meaning.

So what's happening here this month?

Now I've mentioned the influence that Mars will have in other areas of your chart this month, both here in his final days in your sector of learning, travel, adventure and discovery and below, when he returns to your career sector.

Mars, planet of passion and the warrior planet of the cosmos returned to your sector of learning, travel, adventure and discovery for what should have been a six week visit aimed at fuelling a passion for adventure and a hunger for life's richer experiences. Having returned just five days after Venus left, he returned to find your annual review over, your heart engaged and a clear sense of what you want. This gave the warrior planet of the cosmos a mandate and something to work with from the get go.

However, six weeks came and went in mid February and moving into the month Mars is still here, albeit in his final days? The only reason that Mars is still here is because he's slowing down ahead of a retrograde turn next month, which is set to have big implications here on the adventurous front but also across every aspect of your life, as a hunger for knowledge and living life outside your comfort zone has wide ranging implications.

While Mars, in his final days in your sector of learning, travel, adventure and discovery, will continue to fire up a passion for adventure and a hunger for life's richer experiences until the moment he leaves, there should be little if any urgency or at least not to the degree that you usually experience when you know that he won't be back for another two years. However you don't have to wait until 2018 to see Mars again, for that retrograde turn next month means that he'll return for a double dip visit from the 28th May to the 3rd August. Having already spent over two months here, more than his normal six weeks, he'll return for another two months, half that time in retrograde motion.

Knowing he's coming back Mars won't be focused on tying up loose ends or bringing things home and instead will be focused on achieving as much traction as possible, gaining as much momentum but also opening your mind to as much as possible. When Mars leaves on the **6th March** he'll have given a sense of what's possible enough traction so that they're able to continue on their own, with the wheels turning and life continuing to unfold in a richer way, simply because Mars has passed this way. Knowing that Mars will return in May means you have time to let things play out, with much of the intensity he brought easing back after he's gone, while holding onto his quest for richer life experiences.

The Moon will visit your sector of learning, travel, adventure and discovery twice this month, both visits equally important. Already here as you move into the new month, this will ensure your emotional, intuitive and imaginative responses are engaged and there is a sense of wanderlust, curiosity and adventure fuelled during Mars' final days. The Moon will leave on the **1st March**, aligning with Mars in its final hours, creating a potent cocktail of emotion, passion and curiosity that can't be ignored.

By the time the Moon returns from the **26th March** to the **28th March** Mars will have left almost three weeks earlier and as your emotional, intuitive and imaginative responses and a sense of wanderlust, curiosity and adventure once more kick in, this will be a chance to check your progress on your own, as well as a chance to tap back into the enthusiasm and determination you began the month with.

Career and Professional goals and ambitions, success

Power Dates: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 14th, 15th, 19th, 23rd, 25th, 26th, 27th and 30th March

10th House rules:

Here the focus is on your career and your professional and personal drives and ambitions, the concept of striving for success, the ability to remain focused and to see something through. The ancients called this the 'House of Fame and Public Recognition'; with all the focus, discipline and behind the scenes determination that goes into achieving success through setting a goal and seeing it through. Ruled by Saturn, the *Tenth House* is all about the dedication it takes to succeed, setting goals and remaining committed, disciplined and determined.

So what's happening here this month?

Apart from the Moon's monthly visits Mars' entire time in your sector of learning, travel, adventure and discovery (above), was spent on his own, yet from his return to your career sector on the **6th March** he won't spend a single moment on his own, teaming up with one of the most powerful planets in the solar system.

Mars returns to your career sector every 22 months on average, spending six weeks fuelling your professional passions, fighting and competitive spirit, as well as picking up the pace considerably. Yet apart from fuelling your passions and fighting spirit nothing about Mars' return or time here can be considered the 'norm', both because of what he brings and because of what he encounters.

Like the Sun, Mercury and Venus, when they returned to your career sector late last year, Mars will return to find Saturn, hard taskmaster of the cosmos here for the first time in 28 years and it's clear that this powerful planet already has his hands on the wheels. You couldn't get two more different forces. Saturn is slow, pedantic, prefers to measure twice and cut once and when given a choice prefers to do things the hard way, for that's where you learn and grow the most. However, Saturn also brings with him an enormous amount of fortitude, determination and a never give up attitude. Mars, on the other hand, is full of hot headed enthusiasm, can't see the point of measuring twice and cutting once when you can just jump in and if it doesn't work just move on to the next thing. Mars is great at getting things started but lacks stickability, so you often end of trying lots of things but sticking to nothing. Saturn, on the other hand, is great at staying the course, but lacks the daring and imagination to start new ventures, working instead with what is already there.

This is like taking the engine out of a Ferrari and putting it inside a bulldozer, then letting it drive your career and professional game forward. Mars will encourage you to throw yourself into things, but instead of giving up when the going gets tough something from within will kick in, giving you that sense of resolve to keep going and the power to move mountains if you have to.

It's been three decades since you last had Mars and Saturn in your career sector at the same time and even if this was a normal six week visit, this would still be game changing. However, as I said, nothing about Mars' visit is the norm and that includes the amount of time he'll spend here.

By the time Mars eventually leaves on the 28th May he will have already spent nearly three months here and here for 11 weeks and six days, he'll spend just a day shy of twice the normal six weeks he spends here every other year. However, instead of leaving by moving on, Mars' retrograde turn next month means that he'll retrograde back out, eventually returning here to your career sector for a double dip visit on the 3rd August. When Mars does return it won't be to take up from where he left off, but will start over from scratch again, this time not leaving until the 27th September.

Despite the fact that Mars will turn retrograde on the 18th April and will spend nearly six weeks in retrograde motion here, he'll still be in direct motion when Saturn turns retrograde here on the **26th March**, ensuring that while Saturn does a U turn and begins retracing his steps, that career and professional matters are still moving forward. This will give Mars a chance to take the wheel as Saturn shifts his focus to the rear view mirror, opening the door to an important review phase and a chance to retrace your steps, ensuring no stone has been left unturned. From the 18th April Mars will be in retrograde motion as well but until then, between them they'll keep one eye on the road ahead and the other on the road behind.

With support from the Sun, Uranus and Mercury in your income sector and not one but two Full Moons in your career sector in the middle months of 2016, just when Saturn's retrograde turn should be putting your professional year into hibernation and into review phase, instead things are coming back to life.

While having Mars and Saturn together in your career sector will take some adjusting to, as will adjusting to having Mars in direct and Saturn in retrograde motion, just as well the Moon will be on hand to help out. The Moon will move through from the **1st March** to the **3rd March**, ensuring that before Mars even gets here your professional instincts are sharp, you have your finger on the pulse and ear to the ground, along with an intuitive read on what at this stage will still be a more big picture focus.

By the time the Moon returns from the **28th March** to the **31st March** Mars will have been here for just over three weeks and Saturn will have been in retrograde motion for four days, giving you a chance to get a read on the very different dynamics that will be in play by this point.

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