

Schapelle Corby: The Fight For Freedom

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Introduction

So here's our Schapelle. Ms Corby. Who thinks she's innocent? Who thinks she's guilty? Who doesn't want to commit? [Most don't want to commit!] Thank you for your honesty. And it's really interesting because the thrust of what I want to talk about tonight is, **'Why has Schapelle been thrust into the public arena on such a grand scale when there are, and you'll see very shortly, a 155 other Australians sitting in prisons?'** This represented an astrological puzzle that I wanted to explore. For what it's worth, I think she is guilty, guilty of stupidity. I think she is innocent of this particular crime however I don't believe she is just an innocent party to the broader issue of mules trafficking drugs and the criminal element however I cannot determine the extent.

I obtained the following from a 'good source', so the reality is that we don't know whether it's true or not, but it's a little piece of information that is worth considering. Allegations suggest that she was a mule already just not on the last trip. The second to last trip, when she went up to Bali acting as a mule she decided to pocket some of the proceeds. She came back to Australia and then returned to Bali, presumably on the proceeds. It is alleged that the 4.1 kilograms of marijuana is payback and a very public lesson to other mules who think they can try the same thing. If ever proven it presents a very interesting hypothesis indeed.

Key dates, to date.

Although many of you may be aware of the goings on with Schapelle for those of you who are not aware, let's review some key dates.

1. October 8 2004 Arrested in Denpasar Airport with 4.1kg Marijuana in boogie bag
2. January 28 2005 Trial begin
3. Jan 28 Prosecutors tell court Corby say drugs were hers.
4. Feb 4 Corby denies claims
5. Feb 25 Ron Bakir offers to help and subsequently become Corby's 'white knight'.
6. April 21 2005 Prosecutors ask for life sentence, not death.
7. May 27 2005 Corby found guilty and sentenced to 20 years
 - a. On May 29 2005 on 5AA I said it would get worse before it gets better.
8. June 14 2005 New Legal Team (Hotman Hutapea) files appeal with 4hrs to spare.
 - a. What was really intriguing was that they only filed the appeal with four hours to spare on the deadline. So you know my perception of the legal team, apart from the fact that they appear to be fairly inept, is that they are really going for the publicity and sympathy vote and not perhaps practicing law the way one would expect. Generally if you are involved in legal practice, you actually don't do that in these sorts of circumstances
 - b. In separate proceedings the prosecution appeals to the Bali High Court, demanding life. So you've have the prosecution filing a counter appeal and you've got the defence team filing an appeal, hopefully to obtain an acquittal. It is complex, very messy and operating under an adversarial legal system.
9. June 24 2005 Sack legal team. Announces Dr Walter Tonetto as strategist. Within 24hrs Rehires legal team
 - a. He was in all over the papers for about 24 hours and then disappeared into oblivion. I haven't heard anything about that man since. Searching the internet resulted in nothing; I couldn't find anything on him, which I thought was really interesting. Because if he's a businessman operating out of Indonesia one would have thought that he would have had a public profile via the web. So he came and went.
 - b. Ron Bakir cuts all ties with Corby after it was alleged he asked for a contribution of \$500,000 to compensate some of his expenses.
10. New Trial Date 20 July 2005
 - a. Are you aware that there are two, possibly three legal avenues that she can go down? There's the high court of Bali, then there's like the equivalent of the Supreme Court. I think in the high court you've got 150 days to be heard. Supreme Court I think is 170 days, or else she can appeal even higher than that to the government for clemency. I'm not aware that there's actually a time factor involved in that one. But from an astrological point of view we've got some chunks of time that potentially we could have a bit of a look at. One conundrum is that if she appeals for clemency one needs to have to admit to the deed and she's not doing that at this point. This isn't astrology; this is legal strategy, because she leaves herself wide open for the prosecution to win their case for life. It doesn't look good.

I am going to say that astrologers are fabulous at looking at why events happen yet it appears to me that we're not always confident to make predictions, at least publicly. I have no doubt this occurs for a very good reason, namely the public ridicule and denigration of astrologers and astrological practice if we don't get it right! I find this quite unremarkable because even in, say, psychological circles 75%-85% reliability and validity measure is statistically enough for an instrument to be workable. Unfortunately astrologers fall into the category that if it doesn't work 100% of the time we must all be charlatans! Piffle! However I believe we can learn by being bold and venturing to prediction and learning from the outcomes: good or bad!

To that end my prediction on 5AA, **two days after the announcement of her 20 year sentence, on the 29th May, I said it's going to get worse before it gets better.** So far I have been correct and that's what I'd like to talk to you about tonight, why did I say that?

Tonight we will explore what makes an unknown beauty therapist get thrust so powerfully into the public arena. You'll see a bit of a theme coming through the horoscopes. As I have already mentioned, there are 155 Australians sitting in jails now. I don't know their names. Do you? I know about the Bali nine, but I don't know their names. Do you? Nor do I know what they look like. Do you? I know someone had drugs strapped to their leg but not much more. They have not had anywhere near the level of publicity as Corby, nor have the remaining detainees. My question remains, **'What is going on in Schapelle's horoscope to thrust her into the global public arena?'**

Methodology:

The methodology that I use which is probably not dissimilar to what a lot of you use: natal, solar arcs, tertiaries, progressed moon and I like eclipses as well. Of course the natal chart provides the context and the more experienced astrologers will know that that's a given, because it represents our predisposition, and potential in terms of the way we interact with and experience our environment. Next, look at the major constructs and or themes and look for echoes.

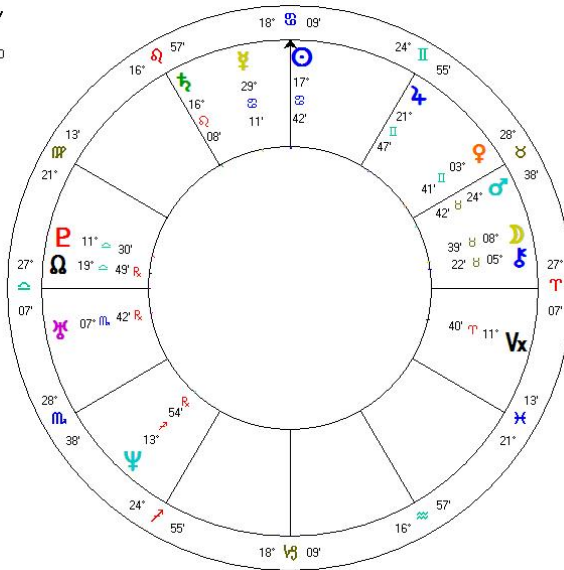
The Natal Horoscope provides insight to Corby's predisposition and we will look at key aspects that suggest how she is hard wired. Then using Solar Arcs (SA) we will obtain insight into the major developmental patterns affecting her at the time of her arrest and trial and even attempt to anticipate the future. The use of Tertiaries (T) provides us with fine tuning as does the progressed ☽ and transits (Tr)

Using this methodology allows you to identify the major workings for any individual, in this case Schapelle. Because when we construct a horoscope there's a lot of information in it and we need to take the appropriate meaning from it by deciding what's relevant, what's not and where do we start from. Different schools will have different methodologies, and that's perfectly fine. My experience is that most of them work, and we all get to the same end result, we just go about getting there a little bit differently.

Corby's Natal Horoscope:

Looking at Corby's chart, she has 8 planets, ♃ & ♆ node all above the horizon, or as it is said she has a southern emphasis, which Tyl (2004, pg 6) suggests is a predisposition for being pushed around, controlled, victimised by experiences in the world. Think about what is happening to her right now! I know there maybe a question mark with astrologers about this interpretation however try it and see. If you're dealing with clients just ask a research question. That's how I frame it. This is how you find out if it works. In her case it does!

Schapelle Corby
Natal Chart (20)
10 Jul 1977
11:55 am AEST -10:00
Brisbane, Australia
27°S28' 153°E02'
Geocentric
Tropical
Koch
Mean Node



The most obvious configurations are the ☉♁MC, ♃♂♃♃♃ and ♁♁♁ and ♁♁♁. Now, it's normally wider than I would allow but in this case ♁♂♆ seems to be working.

You'll notice that my orbs are generally tight, and if you want to know what is really operating for an individual, the tighter the orb the more likely that is going to work. Sometimes I see astrologers allowing really wide orbs and one of the challenges then is determining, what's really working? I've actually cut mine down and then I give myself permission to expand them if I think they're relevant. You've actually got ☉=♆, ♁=♆, ♀ rules the ASC. ♀ is in II in the eighth. ♀ also rules the ♃. The ☉ is ruled by the ♃. The ♃ is ruled by ♀. There's a very strong

relationship between ♀ and the ♃. You know this, so you've got to start pulling that altogether and wonder what's going on her psycho dynamically. With respect to ♁♁♁ my experience suggests that it's a pretty damn major aspect and not a minor one as thought of so many years ago!

How do we learn about Schapelle's ♃♁♁? We look to her mother and have you seen her on TV, God forbid! This mother is just unbelievable. You'd really want to drown her, she is intense, full of uncontrolled rage and appears completely irrational, and her conduct has not done this kid any favours. So it does speak of the mother, ♃♃ can harbour anger and rage the mother's anger and rage is certainly coming out. I also would put it to you that, Schapelle is not the nice, sweet, beautiful lady that everybody is making her out to be. Frankly, I fail to see that. She is somebody who has very strong opinions of herself, her ego is very powerful, and she has powerful drives. I suspect that even if mother told her what to do under 'normal' circumstances she would not listen. She is fiercely independent (♃♂♃) and a law unto herself.

With the ♃, ♆=☉ thing happening here in the twelfth house, I think that she can be a fairly devious sort of character. Remember the twelfth house tells us about, secrets, self undoing, imprisonment and institutions. It's that aspect of ourselves we don't like people to see. As previously stated there are some really strong drives present and I'm not necessarily sure that she's all that functional, so to speak. I had her sitting in front of me I would want to explore this aspect of her nature and determine how powerfully that dynamic worked.

The ♃♂♃, supports and echoes the ♃♁. So there's a reinforcement that emotionally, I think there is a dark side to Schapelle and she is just beginning to have the wounding experienced from her mother manifest and tested. With respect to ♃, Reinhart (1989 pg 193) states the mother may have been emotionally inadequate...perhaps we feel rejected...we may have assumed the role of mother before we received enough mothering ourselves.

It's really interesting how you remember things but I do seem to recall Bonnie Mathers (my first astrology teacher) talking about the ♆ and the ♃ in the twelfth and coming up with the phrase, if you do anything wrong you're likely to get caught. That is proving to be quite interesting in this case.

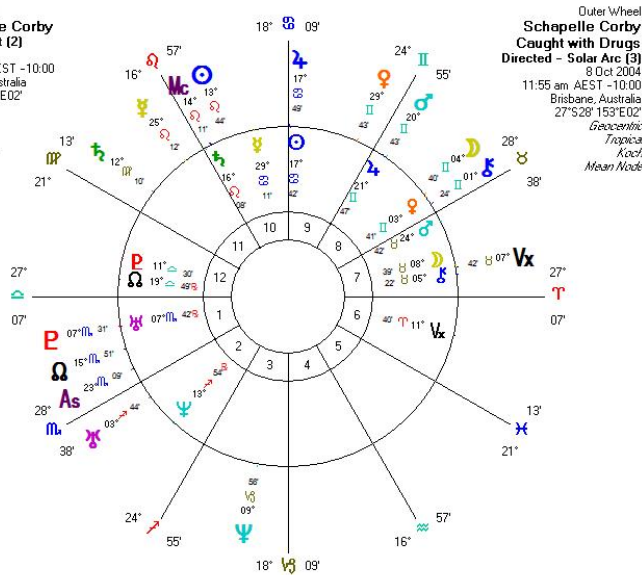
Then we have ♃♁♃ : that's going to make someone quite rebellious, independent wanting to do their own thing. Putting this together we had a person who's driven emotionally, not necessarily totally functional in a constructive sense with the ♃♁♃, making this a really interesting, complex mix to unravel in terms the internal workings of the individual. Her family reflects the tension of that mix. Look at Mum, look at Mercedes, look at the brother who remains silent, and look at the father. Her father had been 'busted' for drugs. I put it to you that instability and the criminal element was not totally new to her. Is that a fair comment? [Audience agreement].

So, we've have a person who, if they can take advantage of a situation they would. That's how I think she's hard wired. I'm actually going to come back to the ♃ in a little while because I think it's very powerful. And as I bring in the eclipses, which maybe a research project for some, you'll see some interesting connections. When using eclipses, we usually talk about the effects of ♃&♁ but you've almost got to wonder whether the ♃ is being triggered here as well.

The Horoscope for Corby's Arrest:

Here is the horoscope of the arrest. Now let me explain what I've got up here. Natal horoscope is in the middle circle. The second circle is her solar arc (SA) for the arrest. When using SA's, keep data aligned to the birth place. Really good thing about this is that you don't have to worry about what time something happened in another place! You just extrapolate it from that person's birth date or birth time.

Now what do we see? Well by solar arc you've got **SA ♃♁♃ MC**, I suggest that if she knew about it she thought she might get away with it. Or alternatively when they discovered the package she thought she would get away with it. And even if she didn't know the drugs were there, what's really inconsistent in the evidentiary trail is that her first words and reactions were not to open that part of boogie board. Even though she signed a Statutory Declaration to the contrary after the fact, anyone can write one, so for me that doesn't hold up too strongly.



We have, her progressed **P ♃** has just passed her natal **♃**, so it's a lunar return. But look at this, **SA ♃♁♃♁♃** Now that's got to be fairly major stuff in anybodies life. You know if it isn't we should all pack up and not worry about being astrologers! This is very heavy stuff must result in something going on! Tyl talks about ♃♁♃ being experienced as reorganising the deck chairs on the Titanic! You know, there's that sort of feeling with her particular set of circumstances. In addition, we have **SA ♃♁♃♁♃♁♃** and remember ♃ rules her **ASC**, and rules her **♃** and **SA ♃** actually hit what we call the **Aries Point (AP)**. Tyl (2004 pg, 312) suggest that the AP in the natal horoscope is the potential for public projection for the person in terms of the planet, point or midpoint configured with it. Further, he says that this particular point by SA is worthy of further study

and review. Anecdotally, I'm getting quite a strong impression that Noel's hunches about when a planet hits the **AP** by **SA** actually activates and can become very powerful. So while it maybe research, it forms part of the basis of why I think she has come before the public in such a big way.

As it happens, the ninth house rules overseas and legal matters. She's stuck overseas, 9th house and ♃, you know, is law as well, and that's in the ninth house. What else do we have here? **SA ♃♁♃♁♃♁♃ = 13 ♀** in the 8th house, and you probably wouldn't see that immediately. So that's the horoscope for the day that she was arrested. So it's a big thing that's happening in her life: the ♃, the ruler of the ascendant hits the **AP** and she is on the world stage! There are other aspects as well however I suggest they are just echoes of the major activity.

So there is the Natal, **SA**, and then here are the tertiary directions. The tertiary's for the day. So your **SA** is your big bang and your tertiary's are going to fine tune. We also include the **PD** and I just wanted to see, what were the tertiary's doing and if they echoed what was going on or didn't they? I would have expected them to.

We have, **T** up here which has hit that **SA**. You've still got your **♀** there. You've got **♃ = ♀/♁** at 12 degrees and you've got your **SA Vx** has hit **♃ ♃**. I don't know a whole lot about the vertex but it feels like, if you're into that whole destiny link you can actually see that there is a lot of destiny, karmic stuff happening here. I was pretty pleased because her horoscope seemed to work. I was looking for the power and the potency and I need to emphasise that point because I think we could look at lots of different things and quite justifiably see them in the horoscope but what launched her upon the world? I find it amazingly wonderful that when **♀** hits **29 II**, the AP, bang, she's out on the world stage in a big, big way! If you take the destined quality of the **Vx** and **♀**, triggering the Natal **♃ ♃**, we have tremendous problems emerging. There's another midpoint that I was looking at. Her **♃ / P 16 ♁ 38 = ♃ 16 ♁ 08**. This point will be activated by **♃** in August, September 2005 and January 2006.

It's not going to go well for her. In fact I would be quite comfortable to say that I think she may get life or at a minimum her sentence is upheld. I'm wrong, I'm wrong. If I'm wrong we learn something. You know, that's kind of where I'm going at this point in time. Comments have been made about the potential for her to commit suicide but I don't do death!

The Effect of the Eclipses:

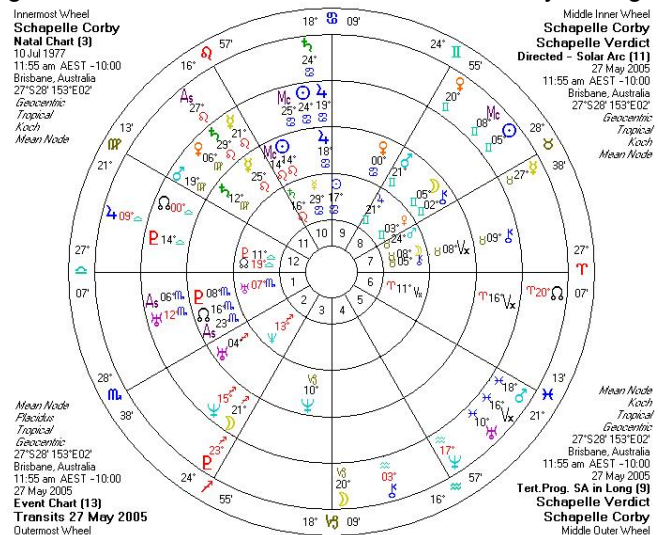
Now I'd just like to introduce my thinking about the eclipses if I may. On the 19/04/04 the **♃** was at 29°50'. Yes, 29°50' triggering **T ♁ ♁**, which rules her **N ♀**. So there's that **♀** thing happening again, **♀** hits the AP and brings her before the public. So there are some reinforcing echoes going on.

Now, about the eclipse timing on that because this was October 8th and the eclipse, for those of you that are astrologers using eclipses, was back in April. Look, I don't know how you use eclipses but the way that I use them is that, particularly solar eclipses, I seem to find that they reach a critical mass about four to six months after the eclipse point. Although they have a Maverick type and not every one will respond to the effects of an eclipse in Schapelle's horoscope they seem to work by magnifying the unfolding events. Isn't it interesting that six months later you see some more action! So would I think it causes it? No, not on its own. Do I think it reinforces what we're saying; well I think it does.

The Horoscope of the Verdict:

Here we have the verdict. Now that was a happy day. Did anyone actually watch that on TV? You couldn't help it because it was on every channel. I didn't see a down trodden, desperate, broken individual. Just take yourself back and picture the courtroom scene. She was there, they announced the verdict and mother and Mercedes go nuts and what does she do? She's very strong in her core. She turns around and she's, no! In a very controlled manner she says no and takes charge. This is where I see that **♀ ♃, ♀ ♁ ♁** combination demonstrating her inner strength, resolve, and reinforcing a very strong, strong core. In addition, this is the quality that will give her the resilience she will need to get through the conditions ahead. Now look, here we have the **T ♁ 24 ♁ ♃ Tr ♃**. Now bear in mind, this is a fine tuning process to see what is being triggered. What else did I see there? **T ♃ = SA ♀ ♁**, **SA ♀ ♁ N ♃**. Oh, look **T ♁ is at 0°00' ♁ ♁ II**, which is the AP. So once again if you don't look at what the **AP** is doing you might want to just go and have a look at some charts and see.

It would also be that too, yep. **T ♃ = SA, Vx = N ♃ = SA ♀**, and its manifesting in the first seventh house polarity. And the **♃** is triggering the twelfth and sixth. Was it Joy Asher who wrote (FAA Newsletter) that article, or was it you? It was Joy.



It was really good because she stated that every time the eclipse triggers she gets to visit her twelfth house. You know, I thought that was a really good phrase because that's really what's happening. Her 12th and 6th houses are being activated by this series of eclipses. On 9th April 2005, we had the ☾♁♁. Yeah, it triggered. And it's like it's a rolling effect through between the two house, and it ongoing.

With respect to eclipses, I use the Metonic cycles. The Metonic cycle is best described by Lineman (1984, pg 5) who states that many solar eclipses observe a Metonic return: that is they reappear in the same zodiacal position within a degree or two every nineteen years. Not all solar eclipses follow a Metonic return: some occur at shorter intervals: others do not reappear for many years; a few do not reoccur (return) with in the individuals lifetime, appearing only once in a particular position during a life cycle. The eclipses are playing a role as well they seem to be emphasising the tragedy that is this case. And then in the 3rd October 2005 we have another eclipse at **10 ♋19♁♁**, then 29th March 2006 **♁Vx♁♁**.

I think that the key points to consider are the **SA ♁** to the **AP**. ♁ is very strong in her horoscope. In addition you get the effects of the eclipses, the way that they're bouncing and acting as triggers. The SA and the T all add to reinforce her circumstances. I've put the **P ♁ 15 ♁ 26** up there but I haven't done a lot with it and I'm sure that it's going to be triggering off.

There's talk about her serving her sentence out in Australia, I think there was a perception with the Australian public that that could happen almost straight away. The reality is that discussions about prisoner exchange programs between the Australian and Indonesian governments take quite a lot of time. It's not unreasonable to think that for the next couple of years I think she's going to be locked up in Indonesia.

Although, I feel sorry about the fainting spells, I think they're a mask. With **N ♁♁ MC** she could play to the public. Of course, in the moment she would be scared but she's getting so much publicity, do you really think they're going to do anything wrong to her? They'll be very mindful about how they look after her and it does strike me as being rather amazing that people seem to be able to come and go from the jail at will.

Also I thought she was looking pretty healthy. She does certainly have a magnetic kind of personality and she is able to invoke the Australian's public sympathy almost at will. **♁♁ = MC**, I think she can probably turn the tears on and off at will and anything around the mid heaven is probably going to have a fairly good grip on how to manipulate the public. Wouldn't you agree? So you know, she's playing to her audience and she's captured the Australian audience who seem to be reacting quite paternalistically.

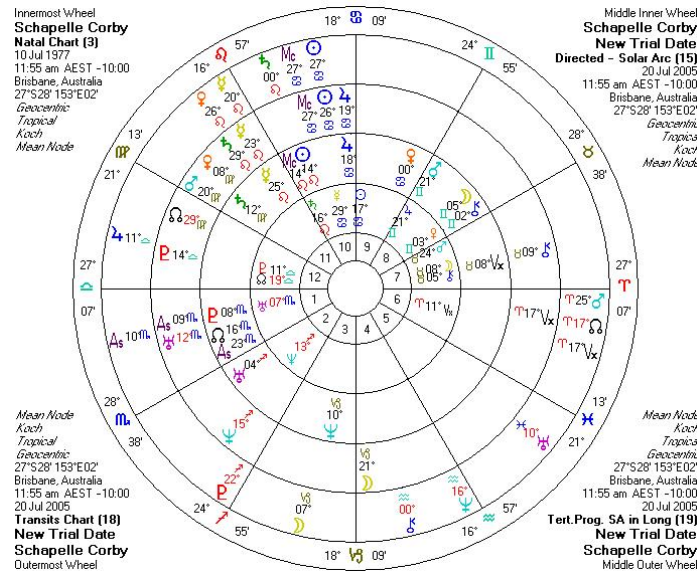
The problem is with the Western culture, specifically in this instance, Australia, is that we expect that the rest of the world thinks like us. They don't and are not obliged to. There are some harsh realities that Corby is going to have to face and to that extent she and her family are staggeringly naïve. Further, I don't know where she's getting her coaching from, because I think one would have to question the advice that she's getting because it's not entirely sound. You know, if you're a traveller, you're not going to be in somebody's face in another country because you don't have any or very limited legal rights and you don't know the system. As Australians we can't go to a country assuming that we have rights.

But Corby is playing it really well. You know, maybe I'm just a bit of a harsh critic but you know, for what it is, I think she's playing it. Of course, getting locked up is going to be, I would imagine, a really scary and sobering experience, for anybody. She may not ever have felt fear like it and that will unnerve her but I it will also give her the determination to kind of keep going. I would think that for the time that she's been in jail she's really started to actually kick in some of those ♁ qualities. The stamina, tenacity, I'm going to get through this no matter what quality.

Right now I expect she's making money or at least there have been allegations of her making money out of her circumstances. I don't know how that works in that jurisdiction, because my understanding in the Australian jurisdiction is that if you convicted and you make money they can take it off of you. But I don't know about Indonesia, it's a different world altogether and that a bit beyond our scope this evening.

The New Trial Date:

Here's the new trial date and I thought I'd open it up for a bit of discussion actually. Having said that, I've already given you my view and I wouldn't be surprised if she actually finishes up with life or at the very least the sentence stands. What do you think? If we have a look, what is interesting, you're going to have the October eclipse will trigger off the N♃, which is why I think she's going to stay imprisoned. What else have we got? Oh the ♀ is still there, the ♁ is still there, you've still got all this happening. Where's her progress moon? Her progress moon goes to 17♌ and if you have a look at Tr♃≈.



So I think if we go back to the purpose of what tonight was about, what's thrust her into the public arena? I've made that point several times. I think the ♀ hitting the SA by SA had something to do with it. I think the eclipses have had intensified the experience. I'm not looking for the minutia because I don't think the minutia in this case would do her circumstances justice.

What else do you have? You've got ♀ at 22♌18. It's actually past this because ♃I don't think goes back to 21 does it. I think it's passed it

now but you know, ♃ has been hitting this off as well. For those people that are into the whole karmic thing, you'd have to be pretty naïve not to think that this wasn't a karmic event. And the fact that you've got ♃♁ in the twelfth house, of self undoing, imprisonment, institutions and karma, you've really a strong suggestion that she's really paying penance for something that she did previously. Or perhaps she's getting credits for the next life!

It seems that Corby has faded from the public eye for the moment yet there will be more to come as this is complex and for Corby there's no easy way out. She has made poor decisions, alienated many and must trust a shady, movie star like lawyer, who at the very least appears to have no idea how to work with the Australian Government. I just don't like it!

If you have not used Solar Arcs before or if you have not used them in a long time, go away, give them a go, and consider their value and in particular look at any planet or point that arcs to the AP. The purpose of tonight was to explore the question as to 'Why has Schapelle been thrust into the public arena on such a grand scale' I believe the arcing ♃ to the AP is the reason. These days I only use solar arcs by the way, so I couldn't speak of any practical work I've done with progressions, expect the P♃, or returns as I found that solar arcs give me a level of precision that is spot on!

Post Script: The appeal to the Bali High Court amounted to nothing: ♃ was ♀ at the time (August 3 2005) and what do we say about ♃, start anything and it's likely to amount to nought! But there will be more, I'm sure

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