

**ASPERGER SYNDROME PARTNER INFORMATION
AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED
ASPIA**

*Mutual acknowledgement and understanding
of the Asperger marriage experience.*

October 2008 – NEWSLETTER

Our next regular support group meeting is
this coming Saturday October 4

Psychologist Eleanor Gittins will be speaking on
“The Physiological Processing of Asperger’s Syndrome”

Eleanor is speaking on this topic at our request because she has presented some very interesting and helpful material on this in previous years. This will be a great educational session!

Usual venue – College of Nursing, Burwood
14 Railway Parade, Burwood, 2nd floor, 2-5pm
\$5.00 non-members; \$2.00 members

Members, please remember to return your library books.

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ASPIA Lunch Club meets prior to ASPIA meeting
TOMOYA RESTAURANT, 119 Burwood Road Burwood
above the Avondale Hotel (opposite Hungry Jack’s)
From 12 noon – 2.00pm. Great food and friendship

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Other news and items ...

ASPIA has been invited to be the hosts for a two-day workshop in Sydney with

DR TONY ATTWOOD & DR ISABELLE HENAU

on **13 & 14 March 2009** Topics will be youth and couples.

Please put this in your diary now. A flyer will be developed over the next month or so.

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TAFE at Crows Nest is running another **“Social & Occupational Skills for Youth” course** during 4th Term
This course is ideal for students with Asperger’s Syndrome who need help to develop skills for employment,
improve social & work communication and explore work & study options.

Contact Simon: simon.piggott@tafensw.edu.au or Phone (02) 9448 4431

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Support for Carers (Parents, partners, family members, etc)

Relationships Australia Wollongong is running a Seminar on 16 Oct
and group sessions during Nov for Carers Phone (02) 4221 2000

ASPECT’S **“Someone to Turn to” Programme** is holding a “Caring for Carers” Day on
Wednesday 29 October. Phone Pauline 8977 8335 or Angela 8977 8348

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There are **weekend camps** being organised by **Camp Autism** for
families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders.

They sound like a wonderful idea. Visit website: www.campautism.org

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Our Thought for the Month ...

Partners not only experience grief for the partner they didn’t get,
they experience grief for the partner they can’t be.

(Jeroen Decates, talking on “Hope & Despair” ASPIA meeting November 6 2004)

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