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00:00:05,929 --> 00:00:13,699  
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:09,089 --> 00:00:13,699  
from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:23,510 --> 00:00:30,689  
yes it's the skeptics are an episode

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00:00:25,890 --> 00:00:33,179  
number 177 for the tenth of March 2012

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00:00:30,689 --> 00:00:37,079  
Richard Saunders here with you coming to

6  
00:00:33,179 --> 00:00:40,079  
you from Manchester in England where QED

7  
00:00:37,079 --> 00:00:41,609  
question explore discover is just about

8  
00:00:40,079 --> 00:00:43,679  
to kick off in fact it sort of has

9  
00:00:41,609 --> 00:00:46,409  
kicked off already and I'm lucky enough

10  
00:00:43,679 --> 00:00:48,179  
I've found a little private area away

11  
00:00:46,409 --> 00:00:50,398  
from the bar where there's hundreds of

12  
00:00:48,179 --> 00:00:53,219  
skeptics milling around and I've grabbed

13  
00:00:50,399 --> 00:00:54,629  
a couple of Irish skeptics I'm going to

14  
00:00:53,219 --> 00:00:56,070  
kick off the shows a little bit unusual

15  
00:00:54,628 --> 00:00:59,039  
this week I'm going to kick off the show

16  
00:00:56,070 --> 00:01:01,289  
straight away with an interview with two

17  
00:00:59,039 --> 00:01:03,600  
of my new best friends and I'll get you

18  
00:01:01,289 --> 00:01:06,269  
to introduce yourself hello hi I'm Finn

19  
00:01:03,600 --> 00:01:07,859  
I'm an IRA skeptic I co-host of the

20  
00:01:06,269 --> 00:01:12,298  
skipper cones which is the Irish

21  
00:01:07,859 --> 00:01:15,478  
skeptical podcast and I'm Steve or six 6

22  
00:01:12,299 --> 00:01:16,890  
steve and i was lucky enough to be one

23  
00:01:15,478 --> 00:01:19,709  
of the people involved in the birth of

24  
00:01:16,890 --> 00:01:22,560  
irish modern skepticism as in dublin

25  
00:01:19,709 --> 00:01:24,059  
skeptics in the pub this is exactly the

26  
00:01:22,560 --> 00:01:27,750  
sort of people I was hoping to meet in

27  
00:01:24,060 --> 00:01:29,579  
in my travels and I'll be hopefully

28  
00:01:27,750 --> 00:01:32,340  
meetings other people from around the

29

00:01:29,578 --> 00:01:33,779  
British Isles and knows where to talk

30  
00:01:32,340 --> 00:01:35,430  
about this sort of thing but I really

31  
00:01:33,780 --> 00:01:37,290  
love and as my listeners know the

32  
00:01:35,430 --> 00:01:39,570  
concept of skeptics in the pub and

33  
00:01:37,290 --> 00:01:42,950  
social skeptics getting together to have

34  
00:01:39,569 --> 00:01:45,359  
a drink have a dinner and not even

35  
00:01:42,950 --> 00:01:47,430  
necessarily talking about skeptical

36  
00:01:45,359 --> 00:01:50,459  
matters but if you want to talk about

37  
00:01:47,430 --> 00:01:52,590  
skeptical matters that's exactly the

38  
00:01:50,459 --> 00:01:54,359  
place to go to well that's a really

39  
00:01:52,590 --> 00:01:55,740  
important point for us because most of

40  
00:01:54,359 --> 00:01:58,739  
the other skeptics in the pub that you

41  
00:01:55,739 --> 00:02:00,658  
find will do once a month shush a beige

42  
00:01:58,739 --> 00:02:03,239  
and they'll have somebody in to talk an

43  
00:02:00,659 --> 00:02:05,159

expert to give a bit of chat what we set

44

00:02:03,239 --> 00:02:07,649

up Dublin skeptics in the pub was just a

45

00:02:05,159 --> 00:02:09,479

social gathering I think we were running

46

00:02:07,649 --> 00:02:12,120

nearly a year was it before we had our

47

00:02:09,479 --> 00:02:13,709

first speaker and

48

00:02:12,120 --> 00:02:16,530

it was mainly just to have like-minded

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00:02:13,709 --> 00:02:18,930

people to share ideas and be able to

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00:02:16,530 --> 00:02:21,239

speak freely and Ireland being a tiny

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00:02:18,930 --> 00:02:23,219

nation of only six million people to

52

00:02:21,239 --> 00:02:26,370

find rational people is quite a bit of a

53

00:02:23,219 --> 00:02:28,560

dig it was nice to have folks that you

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00:02:26,370 --> 00:02:31,829

could just sit down have a drink and a

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00:02:28,560 --> 00:02:35,039

chat with you oh I agree absolutely and

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00:02:31,829 --> 00:02:37,110

again it's getting back to the to a lot

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00:02:35,039 --> 00:02:38,908

of people come along in Sydney you know

58  
00:02:37,110 --> 00:02:41,489  
I speak from personal experience so

59  
00:02:38,908 --> 00:02:43,500  
what's this all about I wasn't that look

60  
00:02:41,489 --> 00:02:45,780  
they're nervous you know all these

61  
00:02:43,500 --> 00:02:48,269  
skeptics but after a couple of drinks

62  
00:02:45,780 --> 00:02:50,969  
and the dinner and a fun chat they come

63  
00:02:48,269 --> 00:02:52,980  
back I find yes no I think that's the

64  
00:02:50,969 --> 00:02:54,568  
thing in in Dublin we have an inner

65  
00:02:52,979 --> 00:02:56,908  
lovely little pub called the Lord Edward

66  
00:02:54,568 --> 00:03:02,339  
which is a proper old man's pub and I'm

67  
00:02:56,908 --> 00:03:04,858  
probably oh man it's 4pm yeah yeah it's

68  
00:03:02,340 --> 00:03:07,019  
just it's like this the deck or hasn't

69  
00:03:04,859 --> 00:03:08,640  
been changed since the 70s the seats are

70  
00:03:07,019 --> 00:03:10,709  
all kind of comfy but kind of award

71  
00:03:08,639 --> 00:03:12,869  
seventies yeah actually I think with the

72  
00:03:10,709 --> 00:03:14,969  
Lord Edward yes the 1870s there's an old

73  
00:03:12,870 --> 00:03:17,609  
bar man and if you come in he knows you

74  
00:03:14,969 --> 00:03:19,590  
like he knows he'll come you know soon

75  
00:03:17,609 --> 00:03:22,109  
as you walk in the door your pint is on

76  
00:03:19,590 --> 00:03:24,180  
the pole oh I like that yeah and there's

77  
00:03:22,109 --> 00:03:26,159  
a fire and they do proper old-fashioned

78  
00:03:24,180 --> 00:03:27,689  
foodie you know you get asked you if you

79  
00:03:26,159 --> 00:03:29,430  
want you know like it's really good and

80  
00:03:27,689 --> 00:03:33,479  
then they ask you a really bad lasagna I

81  
00:03:29,430 --> 00:03:35,370  
love the place of terrible oh but I want

82  
00:03:33,479 --> 00:03:37,138  
to go it sounds great breathe and the

83  
00:03:35,370 --> 00:03:39,209  
bread and butter pudding is divine but

84  
00:03:37,139 --> 00:03:41,250  
I'm so that and it started off I think

85  
00:03:39,209 --> 00:03:43,590  
we took over maybe to two or three small

86

00:03:41,250 --> 00:03:45,299  
tables and then the last one we were out

87  
00:03:43,590 --> 00:03:47,669  
in in there though I think we takin over

88  
00:03:45,299 --> 00:03:48,719  
pretty much the entire room so you kind

89  
00:03:47,669 --> 00:03:50,219  
of have to get in there we getting there

90  
00:03:48,719 --> 00:03:52,409  
around six o'clock in the evening and

91  
00:03:50,219 --> 00:03:54,989  
nobody's in there so before we can

92  
00:03:52,409 --> 00:03:56,609  
spread around Isis yeah it's gross oh

93  
00:03:54,989 --> 00:03:58,409  
it's good and we all drink so they don't

94  
00:03:56,609 --> 00:04:00,959  
the pub don't mind is taking over

95  
00:03:58,409 --> 00:04:02,939  
because you know we spend the money so

96  
00:04:00,959 --> 00:04:04,799  
they're they're my only bad feeling

97  
00:04:02,939 --> 00:04:06,659  
about that the reason we chose the Lord

98  
00:04:04,799 --> 00:04:09,269  
Edward was because back in the 80s and

99  
00:04:06,659 --> 00:04:10,859  
90s when there was an Irish science

100  
00:04:09,269 --> 00:04:12,930

fiction Association they used to meet

101

00:04:10,859 --> 00:04:15,150

there and it was just a cozy poked a bit

102

00:04:12,930 --> 00:04:17,819

right but it's got a very narrow

103

00:04:15,150 --> 00:04:20,218

stairwell so my only bad feeling about

104

00:04:17,819 --> 00:04:22,288

it is it's not quite as accessible for

105

00:04:20,218 --> 00:04:24,569

wheelchair users not sorry if we get

106

00:04:22,288 --> 00:04:25,259

people along with mobility needs like

107

00:04:24,569 --> 00:04:26,790

that

108

00:04:25,259 --> 00:04:27,959

it is a little bit embarrassing for them

109

00:04:26,790 --> 00:04:31,170

because we have to carry them up the

110

00:04:27,959 --> 00:04:33,389

stairs but apart from that it's right

111

00:04:31,170 --> 00:04:34,920

opposite christchurch cathedral one of

112

00:04:33,389 --> 00:04:38,789

the most beautiful buildings in Dublin

113

00:04:34,920 --> 00:04:41,550

and you look at it through lead paned

114

00:04:38,790 --> 00:04:45,210

windows and this just gives you an

115  
00:04:41,550 --> 00:04:48,840  
ambiance of were comfy yeah all together

116  
00:04:45,209 --> 00:04:50,430  
very comfortable place it is a very it's

117  
00:04:48,839 --> 00:04:52,019  
very end yes it's one of those cases

118  
00:04:50,430 --> 00:04:54,030  
where skeptics in the pub really does

119  
00:04:52,019 --> 00:04:55,769  
depend on the pub that you're in you

120  
00:04:54,029 --> 00:04:58,649  
couldn't get the same ambience being in

121  
00:04:55,769 --> 00:05:01,680  
a different book that's this well I'm

122  
00:04:58,649 --> 00:05:04,169  
carried away as you as you talk about it

123  
00:05:01,680 --> 00:05:05,850  
I can sort of visualize it and you'll

124  
00:05:04,170 --> 00:05:07,530  
drink guinness or is that just an i

125  
00:05:05,850 --> 00:05:09,840  
don't drink it no you don't oh dear oh

126  
00:05:07,529 --> 00:05:11,639  
dear no no Guinness is too heavy it's a

127  
00:05:09,839 --> 00:05:14,099  
very heavy drink and I don't drink a

128  
00:05:11,639 --> 00:05:16,800  
huge amount anyway but I wine is my my

129  
00:05:14,100 --> 00:05:19,370  
poison but they're very good they look

130  
00:05:16,800 --> 00:05:21,540  
after as well but the other thing is I'm

131  
00:05:19,370 --> 00:05:23,280  
this probably won't mean much to most

132  
00:05:21,540 --> 00:05:26,490  
your listeners except for the Irish food

133  
00:05:23,279 --> 00:05:28,469  
English ones and but you can't smoke in

134  
00:05:26,490 --> 00:05:31,019  
pubs in early nowadays you can't smoke

135  
00:05:28,470 --> 00:05:33,000  
in pubs in Australia right yeah but what

136  
00:05:31,019 --> 00:05:35,969  
we do have is directly across the road

137  
00:05:33,000 --> 00:05:38,339  
from the pub there's an art gallery with

138  
00:05:35,970 --> 00:05:41,820  
big glass windows so when you go out for

139  
00:05:38,339 --> 00:05:46,829  
a cigarette haha there's some eye candy

140  
00:05:41,819 --> 00:05:48,360  
to be had but as I say what really

141  
00:05:46,829 --> 00:05:51,300  
brought us together was the socializing

142  
00:05:48,360 --> 00:05:52,710  
asperger and I was very surprised when

143

00:05:51,300 --> 00:05:54,629  
we first heard it off that it wasn't

144  
00:05:52,709 --> 00:05:58,109  
just lawyers folk coming one we were

145  
00:05:54,629 --> 00:06:01,319  
getting expat Kiwis Ozzy's Canadians not

146  
00:05:58,110 --> 00:06:04,199  
coming a lot of Germania no fear yeah

147  
00:06:01,319 --> 00:06:06,659  
there's a huge xpac community in Dublin

148  
00:06:04,199 --> 00:06:08,250  
because we had net immigration for about

149  
00:06:06,660 --> 00:06:12,030  
10 years and now unfortunately net

150  
00:06:08,250 --> 00:06:15,120  
immigration but we did our population on

151  
00:06:12,029 --> 00:06:16,829  
top by 500,000 in the last 10 years from

152  
00:06:15,120 --> 00:06:19,920  
immigrants mostly coming from Eastern

153  
00:06:16,829 --> 00:06:22,289  
Europe so like there is a huge amount of

154  
00:06:19,920 --> 00:06:23,879  
people who come to our them from Russia

155  
00:06:22,290 --> 00:06:26,100  
there's some you know there's there's a

156  
00:06:23,879 --> 00:06:28,290  
lot of foreign people in our and a

157  
00:06:26,100 --> 00:06:29,400

skeptical if it's really good and the

158

00:06:28,290 --> 00:06:31,500

one thing a lot of people don't know

159

00:06:29,399 --> 00:06:33,719

about Ireland is am if you're like

160

00:06:31,500 --> 00:06:36,209

myself I don't live in dublin I live

161

00:06:33,720 --> 00:06:37,920

down the very middle of Ireland in Port

162

00:06:36,209 --> 00:06:40,500

lace which is

163

00:06:37,920 --> 00:06:44,790

and the county of leash is landlocked

164

00:06:40,500 --> 00:06:48,629

and we are far away from most rational

165

00:06:44,790 --> 00:06:52,410

thoughts there's still a wall in my town

166

00:06:48,629 --> 00:06:54,689

with a 20 foot long ad for a spin

167

00:06:52,410 --> 00:07:01,590

ologist or spine ologist I knowledge yes

168

00:06:54,689 --> 00:07:03,300

I think if you spin on you see all of

169

00:07:01,589 --> 00:07:06,750

these things you know people advertising

170

00:07:03,300 --> 00:07:09,420

all the hokum and the acupuncture ear

171

00:07:06,750 --> 00:07:12,060

candling and water now I can't go into

172  
00:07:09,420 --> 00:07:14,129  
any of the pubs in my village and talk

173  
00:07:12,060 --> 00:07:15,959  
to people about this because it's a

174  
00:07:14,129 --> 00:07:17,370  
small community and they're going to

175  
00:07:15,959 --> 00:07:21,709  
look at you as the freakin and you get

176  
00:07:17,370 --> 00:07:24,509  
ostracized but to have a big gathering

177  
00:07:21,709 --> 00:07:26,519  
only an error away on the bus is a

178  
00:07:24,509 --> 00:07:29,629  
really important thing it gives you that

179  
00:07:26,519 --> 00:07:31,829  
release once a month well I guess I

180  
00:07:29,629 --> 00:07:34,740  
guess it wouldn't take long to get

181  
00:07:31,829 --> 00:07:36,449  
anywhere in Ireland really no no it's

182  
00:07:34,740 --> 00:07:38,759  
really predict leasing is the upgrade of

183  
00:07:36,449 --> 00:07:42,300  
the motorway network very recently with

184  
00:07:38,759 --> 00:07:44,339  
thanks to the EU and their money corfe

185  
00:07:42,300 --> 00:07:46,980  
to dublin is a four hour drive yeah but

186  
00:07:44,339 --> 00:07:50,609  
it used to be saying desire land use the

187  
00:07:46,980 --> 00:07:52,980  
euro yes we use your right okay yes I

188  
00:07:50,610 --> 00:07:54,960  
refuse to call the viera by the way my

189  
00:07:52,980 --> 00:07:56,370  
little personal bugbear they can stay at

190  
00:07:54,959 --> 00:07:58,560  
our currency but they can't still the

191  
00:07:56,370 --> 00:08:00,360  
language if i'm going to read james

192  
00:07:58,560 --> 00:08:01,949  
joyce and he's talking about pounds and

193  
00:08:00,360 --> 00:08:04,800  
pence i still want to be thinking about

194  
00:08:01,949 --> 00:08:06,360  
it so they might call it the euro maybe

195  
00:08:04,800 --> 00:08:08,460  
but i'm not going to call you my trick

196  
00:08:06,360 --> 00:08:11,520  
in the road and stop oh yeah what your

197  
00:08:08,459 --> 00:08:15,169  
toys yet okay right yeah like mike rowe

198  
00:08:11,519 --> 00:08:18,539  
weaving metric in australia since 1973 I

199  
00:08:15,170 --> 00:08:20,129  
think in Canada's metric and I know it's

200

00:08:18,540 --> 00:08:22,890  
strange for our American listeners

201  
00:08:20,129 --> 00:08:24,569  
because when I go to visit my friends

202  
00:08:22,889 --> 00:08:28,139  
and family in America and conferences

203  
00:08:24,569 --> 00:08:29,430  
it's back to Imperial I over i find very

204  
00:08:28,139 --> 00:08:32,850  
strange is when you're driving across

205  
00:08:29,430 --> 00:08:35,190  
the border into Belfast and lay up north

206  
00:08:32,850 --> 00:08:37,170  
you're going at like 120 kilometers an

207  
00:08:35,190 --> 00:08:39,060  
hour and then it's a hundred miles an

208  
00:08:37,169 --> 00:08:40,769  
hour or another hundred like it's a

209  
00:08:39,059 --> 00:08:42,599  
hundred kilometers an hour which is 60

210  
00:08:40,769 --> 00:08:44,639  
miles an hour but when they change down

211  
00:08:42,600 --> 00:08:45,930  
to 60 you find yourself going at 60

212  
00:08:44,639 --> 00:08:48,330  
kilometers an hour because your brain is

213  
00:08:45,929 --> 00:08:50,939  
not good a kilometers you're like oh why

214  
00:08:48,330 --> 00:08:54,509

is it so slow this road is really good

215

00:08:50,940 --> 00:08:57,540

understand why but it's really context

216

00:08:54,509 --> 00:08:59,909

again is it you know i mean if i am

217

00:08:57,539 --> 00:09:01,860

driving i'll be thinking in kilometers

218

00:08:59,909 --> 00:09:03,539

yeah and if i'm looking at distance in

219

00:09:01,860 --> 00:09:05,789

the hubby thinking kilometer yeah but if

220

00:09:03,539 --> 00:09:08,069

i'm working on a carpentry project i'll

221

00:09:05,789 --> 00:09:10,230

still be thinking feet and inches yeah

222

00:09:08,070 --> 00:09:13,740

it's in Australia to of people

223

00:09:10,230 --> 00:09:17,670

especially of my generation I can't

224

00:09:13,740 --> 00:09:20,009

really think in pounds and stone for

225

00:09:17,669 --> 00:09:23,189

weight i think in kilos what's point 6 h

226

00:09:20,009 --> 00:09:26,340

meters there does that mean anything to

227

00:09:23,190 --> 00:09:28,890

get a little hey Tory but if a day or a

228

00:09:26,340 --> 00:09:32,310

hundred and well this is it you see if I

229  
00:09:28,889 --> 00:09:34,500  
is if asked I'll Sam 641 exactly i say

230  
00:09:32,309 --> 00:09:36,929  
right yeah no idea and i know and i

231  
00:09:34,500 --> 00:09:38,429  
think that's roughly and my listeners

232  
00:09:36,929 --> 00:09:41,069  
will probably render their calculators

233  
00:09:38,429 --> 00:09:43,829  
about 186 or something in that in that

234  
00:09:41,070 --> 00:09:48,000  
general area but no I'm 6 foot 1 i'm not

235  
00:09:43,830 --> 00:09:50,759  
being doing metric it stranger 72 Kyra's

236  
00:09:48,000 --> 00:09:53,549  
throw that I understand you well what am

237  
00:09:50,759 --> 00:09:56,700  
I in pans and stones well actually I

238  
00:09:53,549 --> 00:10:00,329  
know stones more you know I'm around 10

239  
00:09:56,700 --> 00:10:03,390  
to 11 stone or whatever you know but the

240  
00:10:00,330 --> 00:10:05,460  
Americans talk in I am 148 pounds and

241  
00:10:03,389 --> 00:10:08,009  
you're going hey Dave that 10 stone well

242  
00:10:05,460 --> 00:10:11,250  
I wouldn't ask you pin I really wouldn't

243

00:10:08,009 --> 00:10:15,289

tell you she's allies young lady

244

00:10:11,250 --> 00:10:20,039

lymphoma this area is right I am I am

245

00:10:15,289 --> 00:10:23,159

curvaceous you know I'm not gonna wait

246

00:10:20,039 --> 00:10:26,279

in that that's going out then what why

247

00:10:23,159 --> 00:10:28,829

well but let's get back to sort of brass

248

00:10:26,279 --> 00:10:34,319

tacks and so I don't think about your

249

00:10:28,830 --> 00:10:38,490

curvaceous yeah I both gone red

250

00:10:34,320 --> 00:10:41,089

listeners I swear cheers Cheers like

251

00:10:38,490 --> 00:10:45,080

dear folks use your interviewer is

252

00:10:41,089 --> 00:10:48,630

sweating and blushing let's talk about

253

00:10:45,080 --> 00:10:51,420

why you here and not because you bought

254

00:10:48,629 --> 00:10:55,439

a ticket came to QED why are you a

255

00:10:51,419 --> 00:10:57,389

skeptic and I've largely in rebellion to

256

00:10:55,440 --> 00:10:58,800

my father I know that sounds terrible

257

00:10:57,389 --> 00:11:01,110  
for when you're a teenager and you're

258  
00:10:58,799 --> 00:11:04,469  
defining yourself you tend to define

259  
00:11:01,110 --> 00:11:05,039  
yourself against other things and me and

260  
00:11:04,470 --> 00:11:07,139  
my father

261  
00:11:05,039 --> 00:11:09,689  
are incredibly similar we have pretty

262  
00:11:07,139 --> 00:11:12,089  
much identical personalities which means

263  
00:11:09,690 --> 00:11:13,920  
that if he says black I'm bound to say

264  
00:11:12,089 --> 00:11:17,130  
white if you mean because he's wrong

265  
00:11:13,919 --> 00:11:21,448  
obviously obviously right so my dad is a

266  
00:11:17,129 --> 00:11:23,870  
little bit into his whoo and he means

267  
00:11:21,448 --> 00:11:27,240  
well it's you know it's it he genuinely

268  
00:11:23,870 --> 00:11:29,220  
genuinely believes us witches and he

269  
00:11:27,240 --> 00:11:32,430  
acknowledges that I don't if you know me

270  
00:11:29,220 --> 00:11:34,230  
but and I think when I was forming my

271  
00:11:32,429 --> 00:11:38,099

opinions of things because he believed

272

00:11:34,230 --> 00:11:40,440

in you know magic charla his name who

273

00:11:38,100 --> 00:11:42,810

used to do them the meat he used to

274

00:11:40,440 --> 00:11:46,560

coach the Meath football team I will

275

00:11:42,809 --> 00:11:49,649

know he was big into it like homeopathy

276

00:11:46,559 --> 00:11:51,838

okay you know understand and and so my

277

00:11:49,649 --> 00:11:53,129

dad would be like would have brought me

278

00:11:51,839 --> 00:11:55,199

to him and I was saying you know like I

279

00:11:53,129 --> 00:11:58,588

was you know so as a result of that I

280

00:11:55,198 --> 00:12:00,568

was angry homeopathy Doug not for any

281

00:11:58,589 --> 00:12:02,100

logical reason it was just because my

282

00:12:00,568 --> 00:12:04,799

dad was intuitive therefore I couldn't

283

00:12:02,100 --> 00:12:06,990

be here about your pure rebellion and

284

00:12:04,799 --> 00:12:09,059

then and then I like I used to be very

285

00:12:06,990 --> 00:12:11,698

Catholic I used to read at Mass I used

286

00:12:09,059 --> 00:12:13,588

to do I was I peered and I appeared in

287

00:12:11,698 --> 00:12:16,528

the Easter ceremonies on TV if he knows

288

00:12:13,589 --> 00:12:19,199

when I was very I really am I really was

289

00:12:16,528 --> 00:12:20,639

pretty in not pretty Catholic in a kind

290

00:12:19,198 --> 00:12:22,620

of like believing everything in the

291

00:12:20,639 --> 00:12:25,019

Bible because most Catholics so this is

292

00:12:22,620 --> 00:12:27,000

your your how you brought up here we get

293

00:12:25,019 --> 00:12:28,769

in you know I quite I actually I learned

294

00:12:27,000 --> 00:12:30,480

a lot from reading at Mass you learn to

295

00:12:28,769 --> 00:12:32,220

speak in front of 2,000 people that

296

00:12:30,480 --> 00:12:34,500

blink you know like it's public speaking

297

00:12:32,220 --> 00:12:37,199

or younger like reading a mass is a

298

00:12:34,500 --> 00:12:38,818

really good thing you go but I'm I just

299

00:12:37,198 --> 00:12:41,039

you know then I found I went oh and

300  
00:12:38,818 --> 00:12:43,409  
pagan and then you know and then I were

301  
00:12:41,039 --> 00:12:46,860  
you know and I went baby steps the whole

302  
00:12:43,409 --> 00:12:48,509  
way along into skepticism and I did like

303  
00:12:46,860 --> 00:12:50,129  
I think the first time I stopped

304  
00:12:48,509 --> 00:12:51,360  
believing in ghosts was when I said to

305  
00:12:50,129 --> 00:12:53,009  
one of my friends believed in ghosts I

306  
00:12:51,360 --> 00:12:55,350  
was like going well something might be

307  
00:12:53,009 --> 00:12:58,169  
going on but I don't think it's ghosts

308  
00:12:55,350 --> 00:12:59,699  
and I think in maybe 20 years time signs

309  
00:12:58,169 --> 00:13:03,778  
my telus obviously science has already

310  
00:12:59,698 --> 00:13:06,000  
told us there's no ghosts but yet an

311  
00:13:03,778 --> 00:13:08,250  
unexplained phenomena yeah instead of

312  
00:13:06,000 --> 00:13:10,350  
having a pre-prepared answer and saying

313  
00:13:08,250 --> 00:13:13,110  
oh it's alien so yeah oh it's a ghost

314

00:13:10,350 --> 00:13:15,930  
you suddenly start saying well it's

315  
00:13:13,110 --> 00:13:18,000  
something strange but we don't know well

316  
00:13:15,929 --> 00:13:18,359  
this is it this is it i think skepticism

317  
00:13:18,000 --> 00:13:19,769  
is

318  
00:13:18,360 --> 00:13:21,269  
wonderful in that respect because it

319  
00:13:19,769 --> 00:13:24,419  
gives you the right to say with

320  
00:13:21,269 --> 00:13:27,539  
authority I don't know which is which is

321  
00:13:24,419 --> 00:13:29,729  
a wonderfully wonderful per day

322  
00:13:27,539 --> 00:13:32,490  
expression of the scientific method yeah

323  
00:13:29,730 --> 00:13:34,639  
I don't know I don't let's do a bit more

324  
00:13:32,490 --> 00:13:37,680  
which is when you said that sciences

325  
00:13:34,639 --> 00:13:40,559  
there's no ghosts well not exactly but

326  
00:13:37,679 --> 00:13:42,028  
we said there's just nothing that's been

327  
00:13:40,559 --> 00:13:44,069  
weeks you put ghosts in the same

328  
00:13:42,028 --> 00:13:48,778

categories unicorns and leprechauns and

329

00:13:44,070 --> 00:13:51,390

all that's epic ones exist I'm sorry On

330

00:13:48,778 --> 00:13:52,919

Dublin there is a Dublin Museum of

331

00:13:51,389 --> 00:13:54,419

leprechaun the Leprechaun museum is

332

00:13:52,919 --> 00:13:56,099

wonderful if you're ever visiting

333

00:13:54,419 --> 00:13:58,769

ireland should go with actually very

334

00:13:56,100 --> 00:14:00,149

very good museum and they go into the

335

00:13:58,769 --> 00:14:01,828

history of irish mythology it's

336

00:14:00,149 --> 00:14:04,289

brilliant it's actually very well done

337

00:14:01,828 --> 00:14:07,528

sounds very much it's fantastic we went

338

00:14:04,289 --> 00:14:09,059

once as a kind of a research trip with

339

00:14:07,528 --> 00:14:11,730

children as our excuse like we brought

340

00:14:09,059 --> 00:14:14,369

you an excuse but they have like they've

341

00:14:11,730 --> 00:14:16,230

got old memorabilia from like old

342

00:14:14,370 --> 00:14:18,089

cartoons i think there's a super mine

343  
00:14:16,230 --> 00:14:21,360  
cart at comic book with separable oh

344  
00:14:18,089 --> 00:14:24,990  
like something and it's fascinating is

345  
00:14:21,360 --> 00:14:27,180  
well there is the dare i say the disney

346  
00:14:24,990 --> 00:14:28,709  
the Hollywood leprechaun Imahara be on

347  
00:14:27,179 --> 00:14:31,349  
toonami okay which we're going to be

348  
00:14:28,708 --> 00:14:33,629  
watching next foods tiny little this yay

349  
00:14:31,350 --> 00:14:35,159  
high with the big green hat yeah and all

350  
00:14:33,629 --> 00:14:37,439  
that sort of stuff I don't know terms

351  
00:14:35,159 --> 00:14:39,899  
lucky jumps I don't know how that

352  
00:14:37,440 --> 00:14:42,300  
correlates to the mythology the real

353  
00:14:39,899 --> 00:14:44,278  
mother very very far away I mean in a

354  
00:14:42,299 --> 00:14:46,588  
melodic gold and all that but see that's

355  
00:14:44,278 --> 00:14:48,600  
the thing ARLA there's a lovely country

356  
00:14:46,589 --> 00:14:50,550  
because of its wealth of mythology I

357  
00:14:48,600 --> 00:14:52,500  
mean my own path into skepticism

358  
00:14:50,549 --> 00:14:56,219  
basically came through following the

359  
00:14:52,500 --> 00:14:58,019  
mythology I was brought up i was born in

360  
00:14:56,220 --> 00:15:03,360  
ireland but brought up in south africa

361  
00:14:58,019 --> 00:15:05,039  
and as a kind of what they come between

362  
00:15:03,360 --> 00:15:07,980  
ease now but you know from eight nine

363  
00:15:05,039 --> 00:15:11,069  
ten eleven years old oh that I basically

364  
00:15:07,980 --> 00:15:15,060  
lived in the mythology section of my

365  
00:15:11,070 --> 00:15:20,430  
South African library and I read the

366  
00:15:15,059 --> 00:15:22,469  
Greeks i read the hindu mythology the

367  
00:15:20,429 --> 00:15:24,919  
relevance all of that and then

368  
00:15:22,470 --> 00:15:27,480  
eventually give up fighting against your

369  
00:15:24,919 --> 00:15:29,259  
natural tendencies new read the irish

370  
00:15:27,480 --> 00:15:31,810  
mythology and there are some

371

00:15:29,259 --> 00:15:33,700  
wonderful beautiful stories there and I

372  
00:15:31,809 --> 00:15:35,139  
love the stories and I wish that they

373  
00:15:33,700 --> 00:15:36,220  
could be true but I knew somewhere in

374  
00:15:35,139 --> 00:15:38,500  
the back of my head they weren't quite

375  
00:15:36,220 --> 00:15:41,529  
then when we moved back to Ireland I got

376  
00:15:38,500 --> 00:15:42,970  
to meet my great uncle Brian and i'll

377  
00:15:41,529 --> 00:15:44,799  
actually say i don't believe in the

378  
00:15:42,970 --> 00:15:47,050  
words because i'm an atheist but God

379  
00:15:44,799 --> 00:15:49,299  
rest him yeah you know I know what you

380  
00:15:47,049 --> 00:15:51,219  
mean yeah I know what you mean there's a

381  
00:15:49,299 --> 00:15:53,829  
man who if anyone deserves good rest he

382  
00:15:51,220 --> 00:15:56,980  
deserves this chap worked his whole life

383  
00:15:53,830 --> 00:15:59,920  
as a corporation Street worker he dug

384  
00:15:56,980 --> 00:16:02,620  
holes in the road for Dublin Corporation

385  
00:15:59,919 --> 00:16:04,389

and yet when we went to visit him we'd

386

00:16:02,620 --> 00:16:06,820

visit him maybe once a fortnight he was

387

00:16:04,389 --> 00:16:10,449

the brother of my great-grandfather the

388

00:16:06,820 --> 00:16:12,700

only man of that generates or alive so

389

00:16:10,450 --> 00:16:14,170

we'd visit him once a week and the one

390

00:16:12,700 --> 00:16:17,370

thing we would do is go out to his back

391

00:16:14,169 --> 00:16:19,899

and help him with his weeding of his

392

00:16:17,370 --> 00:16:22,269

carrots potatoes and so on and he grew

393

00:16:19,899 --> 00:16:24,009

himself the other thing that we do is

394

00:16:22,269 --> 00:16:26,079

we'd sit down afterwards and have a cup

395

00:16:24,009 --> 00:16:27,879

of tea and him and I would talk about

396

00:16:26,080 --> 00:16:30,850

what came eight on new scientists that

397

00:16:27,879 --> 00:16:33,939

week because at 94 years old the man

398

00:16:30,850 --> 00:16:36,700

still had a lust for knowledge no one of

399

00:16:33,940 --> 00:16:38,050

all of his life he wanted to know what

400  
00:16:36,700 --> 00:16:39,190  
are we going to do and how is the world

401  
00:16:38,049 --> 00:16:41,709  
going to change him here who can I

402  
00:16:39,190 --> 00:16:43,390  
understand that a bit better and he was

403  
00:16:41,710 --> 00:16:45,090  
the man who made me question all the

404  
00:16:43,389 --> 00:16:47,379  
beliefs that I had beforehand and

405  
00:16:45,090 --> 00:16:50,830  
obviously as a teenager I went through

406  
00:16:47,379 --> 00:16:52,120  
the dance with paganism that you do you

407  
00:16:50,830 --> 00:16:53,920  
know it wouldn't it be wonderful if

408  
00:16:52,120 --> 00:16:55,870  
wicker was true and all that sort of

409  
00:16:53,919 --> 00:16:58,059  
thing oh it's coming to every well no

410  
00:16:55,870 --> 00:17:00,490  
we're not paganism with everybody but

411  
00:16:58,059 --> 00:17:03,339  
yeah what's right you all out in

412  
00:17:00,490 --> 00:17:06,039  
agelessness him for me especially am I

413  
00:17:03,340 --> 00:17:07,660  
went along to a lot of silly conventions

414  
00:17:06,039 --> 00:17:10,029  
and stuff and I was taught how to read

415  
00:17:07,660 --> 00:17:11,680  
tarot cards and I thought I could

416  
00:17:10,029 --> 00:17:15,490  
actually read her occurrence for a while

417  
00:17:11,680 --> 00:17:17,259  
you know until I read a bit of Carl

418  
00:17:15,490 --> 00:17:19,480  
Fagin I didn't realize that I was cold

419  
00:17:17,259 --> 00:17:21,660  
reading people you know good heavens

420  
00:17:19,480 --> 00:17:26,440  
there's that name coming up once again

421  
00:17:21,660 --> 00:17:28,269  
yes Safari yeah it's amazing yeah but

422  
00:17:26,440 --> 00:17:30,490  
once I did understand that I was cold

423  
00:17:28,269 --> 00:17:32,109  
reading people for a couple of times I

424  
00:17:30,490 --> 00:17:33,910  
tried today just to check if that was

425  
00:17:32,109 --> 00:17:35,949  
true and you know to try and do it

426  
00:17:33,910 --> 00:17:38,200  
properly and then I said no I'm doing

427  
00:17:35,950 --> 00:17:39,430  
this no more although friends of mine

428

00:17:38,200 --> 00:17:41,980  
are trying to convince me that I should

429  
00:17:39,430 --> 00:17:42,370  
set up a market so where we give you the

430  
00:17:41,980 --> 00:17:44,769  
terror

431  
00:17:42,369 --> 00:17:46,000  
reading and then we explain what we

432  
00:17:44,769 --> 00:17:48,400  
actually did and they'll actually

433  
00:17:46,000 --> 00:17:51,130  
figuration well I I've had direct

434  
00:17:48,400 --> 00:17:52,780  
experience who listen I haven't been the

435  
00:17:51,130 --> 00:17:54,780  
one doing the reading but a very dear

436  
00:17:52,779 --> 00:17:58,960  
friend of mine in Kelly in Australia has

437  
00:17:54,779 --> 00:18:01,690  
but here's the twist before she starts

438  
00:17:58,960 --> 00:18:03,819  
she says to the people i'm going to do a

439  
00:18:01,690 --> 00:18:05,799  
cold reading this is not psychic I'm not

440  
00:18:03,819 --> 00:18:07,808  
psychic is this all a trick elem i'm

441  
00:18:05,799 --> 00:18:10,119  
here to show you how it works and it's

442  
00:18:07,808 --> 00:18:13,839

mentalism in the way that Derren Brown

443

00:18:10,119 --> 00:18:16,359

does mentalism yeah it's an or a good

444

00:18:13,839 --> 00:18:22,269

good friend of mine I know Ian Roland

445

00:18:16,359 --> 00:18:24,069

some British metalist but she had as in

446

00:18:22,269 --> 00:18:25,450

if she still doing it now I'm not

447

00:18:24,069 --> 00:18:29,169

terribly sure but when she did it she

448

00:18:25,450 --> 00:18:30,640

had people saying afterwards when can I

449

00:18:29,170 --> 00:18:33,610

have a private reading and i'll pay you

450

00:18:30,640 --> 00:18:37,270

yeah even though she called the mother

451

00:18:33,609 --> 00:18:40,269

front yeah that's how powerful a good

452

00:18:37,269 --> 00:18:42,819

cold we do recall oh there is one in

453

00:18:40,269 --> 00:18:45,460

dublin he's a guy called EP christian

454

00:18:42,819 --> 00:18:47,439

and he genuinely believes he's psychic

455

00:18:45,460 --> 00:18:50,230

if he knows he genuinely he's not

456

00:18:47,440 --> 00:18:52,660

bullshitting it yeah he's not scandalous

457  
00:18:50,230 --> 00:18:54,429  
girls let's cover most most people I

458  
00:18:52,660 --> 00:18:56,440  
meet who call themselves psychics are

459  
00:18:54,429 --> 00:18:58,269  
honest yeah if I can put it that way I

460  
00:18:56,440 --> 00:19:00,100  
really believe in their own he learnt it

461  
00:18:58,269 --> 00:19:02,410  
from his grandmother if you are tall and

462  
00:19:00,099 --> 00:19:06,039  
she used to so I think it's just but he

463  
00:19:02,410 --> 00:19:07,870  
is amazing like he is genuinely one of

464  
00:19:06,039 --> 00:19:09,849  
the best I'm like shopping they're

465  
00:19:07,869 --> 00:19:11,829  
really complain so he because i remember

466  
00:19:09,849 --> 00:19:13,000  
when i went along I thought our his the

467  
00:19:11,829 --> 00:19:15,609  
you know there was a break between the

468  
00:19:13,000 --> 00:19:16,829  
last person and me and are now is when

469  
00:19:15,609 --> 00:19:18,909  
he's going to ask me all the questions

470  
00:19:16,829 --> 00:19:21,939  
yeah this is where he's gonna ask me all

471  
00:19:18,910 --> 00:19:23,650  
the questions so he can psychically pick

472  
00:19:21,940 --> 00:19:25,179  
up on things and he didn't he spent the

473  
00:19:23,650 --> 00:19:26,470  
entire time talking about himself and

474  
00:19:25,179 --> 00:19:27,880  
how his grandmother had died the

475  
00:19:26,470 --> 00:19:29,049  
previous year and he didn't her to the

476  
00:19:27,880 --> 00:19:30,970  
house and he wasn't sure what he was

477  
00:19:29,049 --> 00:19:33,428  
going to do with it so there was no

478  
00:19:30,970 --> 00:19:35,200  
questions nothing I I still have no idea

479  
00:19:33,429 --> 00:19:37,420  
how he picked up in the stuff to be

480  
00:19:35,200 --> 00:19:39,610  
picked up her because he was brilliant

481  
00:19:37,420 --> 00:19:41,230  
like he had things like I know I

482  
00:19:39,609 --> 00:19:42,549  
probably there was still confirmation

483  
00:19:41,230 --> 00:19:44,079  
bias in my own head if you know even

484  
00:19:42,549 --> 00:19:46,389  
though I was aware of what was going on

485

00:19:44,079 --> 00:19:50,169  
but he still it was pretty such a good

486  
00:19:46,390 --> 00:19:51,580  
example yeah it is yeah yeah I just want

487  
00:19:50,170 --> 00:19:54,070  
to bring it back quickly to the history

488  
00:19:51,579 --> 00:19:56,158  
of what's happened in Ireland if

489  
00:19:54,069 --> 00:20:00,249  
skeptics please

490  
00:19:56,159 --> 00:20:02,409  
because there was an hour skeptics there

491  
00:20:00,249 --> 00:20:04,569  
is a garden there still is scattered

492  
00:20:02,409 --> 00:20:06,850  
Accardo movement and I think they're

493  
00:20:04,569 --> 00:20:10,269  
very closely looked to the Irish

494  
00:20:06,849 --> 00:20:12,480  
humanist movement and that and but then

495  
00:20:10,269 --> 00:20:15,730  
a couple of years ago atheist Armand

496  
00:20:12,480 --> 00:20:17,319  
stirrups getting very vocal when we were

497  
00:20:15,730 --> 00:20:18,940  
getting some referendums coming in and

498  
00:20:17,319 --> 00:20:21,878  
they wanted to start pushing for a

499  
00:20:18,940 --> 00:20:23,558

secular stage oh and i have to say

500

00:20:21,878 --> 00:20:26,378

Michael Nagant and older people with him

501

00:20:23,558 --> 00:20:32,499

up done lots of religion really good

502

00:20:26,378 --> 00:20:34,378

work but what the skeptic are what we

503

00:20:32,499 --> 00:20:37,600

refer to as the grown-up skeptics yeah

504

00:20:34,378 --> 00:20:40,148

they would get talkers oh yeah they were

505

00:20:37,599 --> 00:20:42,579

good people over and that you would go

506

00:20:40,148 --> 00:20:44,618

and in Mike hotels and it would be very

507

00:20:42,579 --> 00:20:46,148

proper oh you would have to pay a good

508

00:20:44,618 --> 00:20:48,699

bit of money and it would probably be

509

00:20:46,148 --> 00:20:52,229

once every two or three months it would

510

00:20:48,700 --> 00:20:55,028

happen and that's what got us riled up

511

00:20:52,230 --> 00:20:57,368

not riled up but then we want to attack

512

00:20:55,028 --> 00:20:59,579

them or anything but hey let's do things

513

00:20:57,368 --> 00:21:03,339

ourselves so this is why we set up

514  
00:20:59,579 --> 00:21:06,278  
dublin skeptics in the pub and they

515  
00:21:03,339 --> 00:21:09,668  
basically came out of the goth

516  
00:21:06,278 --> 00:21:11,138  
subculture to be honest am is that why

517  
00:21:09,669 --> 00:21:12,759  
you're both wearing black t-shirts I

518  
00:21:11,138 --> 00:21:14,498  
wonder day well no I'm wearing a black

519  
00:21:12,759 --> 00:21:17,259  
t-shirt because it's got the Leonardo

520  
00:21:14,499 --> 00:21:19,210  
bicycle Leonato it's beautiful Leonardo

521  
00:21:17,259 --> 00:21:22,360  
looks like they are they drew voice it

522  
00:21:19,210 --> 00:21:24,548  
does it's wrong I know it's well thank

523  
00:21:22,359 --> 00:21:27,099  
you because I've got mine is a portal

524  
00:21:24,548 --> 00:21:28,868  
and t-shirt it's gone doctor doctor who

525  
00:21:27,099 --> 00:21:32,769  
and Alice in Wonderland and Bill and Ted

526  
00:21:28,868 --> 00:21:34,538  
and the girl from portal I'm wearing a

527  
00:21:32,769 --> 00:21:36,460  
white james randi polo sure they've got

528  
00:21:34,538 --> 00:21:40,569  
yeah but you've got the flying t-shirt

529  
00:21:36,460 --> 00:21:42,249  
metal bands i think tomorrow i'll be

530  
00:21:40,569 --> 00:21:45,099  
wearing my official skipper collins

531  
00:21:42,249 --> 00:21:50,079  
t-shirt okay so after that delve into

532  
00:21:45,099 --> 00:21:52,269  
couturier and what was important to us

533  
00:21:50,079 --> 00:21:54,460  
was as i said earlier on to have that

534  
00:21:52,269 --> 00:21:56,230  
social gathering you rather than coming

535  
00:21:54,460 --> 00:21:58,149  
along to a formal thing absolutely to

536  
00:21:56,230 --> 00:22:00,759  
have this social government now since

537  
00:21:58,148 --> 00:22:04,178  
then we have set up other stuff but what

538  
00:22:00,759 --> 00:22:07,389  
actually kicked it off was that a DJ

539  
00:22:04,179 --> 00:22:07,820  
buddy of mine had a girlfriend you had a

540  
00:22:07,388 --> 00:22:09,859  
good

541  
00:22:07,819 --> 00:22:11,839  
and when we find ourselves in the same

542

00:22:09,859 --> 00:22:15,740  
goth club we always talked about the

543  
00:22:11,839 --> 00:22:17,149  
same skeptic things I me remember why

544  
00:22:15,740 --> 00:22:21,140  
don't we have somewhere that we can go

545  
00:22:17,150 --> 00:22:24,290  
along and do this was Rebecca that that

546  
00:22:21,140 --> 00:22:26,990  
would be Rebecca DJ Beck spot yeah she

547  
00:22:24,289 --> 00:22:29,480  
is absolutely amazing and if only she

548  
00:22:26,990 --> 00:22:33,109  
her flight was earlier she'd be here to

549  
00:22:29,480 --> 00:22:35,269  
sit and chat to you as well but the two

550  
00:22:33,109 --> 00:22:37,519  
of us sort of yet okay we'll kick it

551  
00:22:35,269 --> 00:22:40,430  
together we got the facebook page gone

552  
00:22:37,519 --> 00:22:42,379  
we got the Twitter going and then once

553  
00:22:40,430 --> 00:22:44,960  
we'd had a couple of monthly meetings we

554  
00:22:42,380 --> 00:22:50,180  
said we'll everybody else is doing a

555  
00:22:44,960 --> 00:22:51,620  
podcast why shouldn't we and it's gone

556  
00:22:50,180 --> 00:22:53,060

through its ups and downs and if you

557

00:22:51,619 --> 00:22:55,489

want to know the full history of it go

558

00:22:53,059 --> 00:22:58,609

to skipper cons that IE and listened

559

00:22:55,490 --> 00:23:04,130

from episode 1 through 2 episode 15 18

560

00:22:58,609 --> 00:23:07,909

18 18 yeah skip raccoons dot ie so like

561

00:23:04,130 --> 00:23:09,920

you would spell leprechaun oh that was I

562

00:23:07,910 --> 00:23:11,570

do I think that was that was a dog with

563

00:23:09,920 --> 00:23:13,400

Greg stone that was yeah skeptics in the

564

00:23:11,569 --> 00:23:14,869

pub joke that we were drunk one night

565

00:23:13,400 --> 00:23:19,880

and that was where the name came from

566

00:23:14,869 --> 00:23:21,379

I'm a new am a co-host with skipper cons

567

00:23:19,880 --> 00:23:24,830

I came in for one of the earlier

568

00:23:21,380 --> 00:23:26,540

episodes and then last year there was a

569

00:23:24,829 --> 00:23:29,480

week sort of change the format and it's

570

00:23:26,539 --> 00:23:32,420

me and Rebecca doing it now so graces as

571  
00:23:29,480 --> 00:23:34,339  
far as I know it's the only skeptical

572  
00:23:32,420 --> 00:23:37,519  
podcast and I would love to be treated

573  
00:23:34,339 --> 00:23:39,199  
treated or proven wrong so any of you

574  
00:23:37,519 --> 00:23:42,019  
listeners out there who know that I'm

575  
00:23:39,200 --> 00:23:45,340  
wrong email me at six 6 steve @

576  
00:23:42,019 --> 00:23:49,009  
gmail.com prove me wrong but I think

577  
00:23:45,339 --> 00:23:52,220  
apart from the Texas group who have an

578  
00:23:49,009 --> 00:23:56,599  
all-female atheist group but I think you

579  
00:23:52,220 --> 00:23:58,160  
are the only all-female skeptical just

580  
00:23:56,599 --> 00:24:00,889  
go although we do have steve is our

581  
00:23:58,160 --> 00:24:02,420  
roving Uncle Matt reporter as you called

582  
00:24:00,890 --> 00:24:04,820  
himself earlier on tonight traveling

583  
00:24:02,420 --> 00:24:07,759  
Michael traveling Matt you need to know

584  
00:24:04,819 --> 00:24:10,159  
the Fraggles story yeah well then this

585  
00:24:07,759 --> 00:24:11,900  
this is so encouraging because it just

586  
00:24:10,160 --> 00:24:14,960  
says to me there are people all around

587  
00:24:11,900 --> 00:24:17,680  
the world you know from Europe just

588  
00:24:14,960 --> 00:24:20,829  
probably South Africa and

589  
00:24:17,680 --> 00:24:23,710  
and South Africa does have a very good

590  
00:24:20,829 --> 00:24:25,829  
podcast going out of there and how's it

591  
00:24:23,710 --> 00:24:31,240  
to all our South African listeners yeah

592  
00:24:25,829 --> 00:24:34,149  
nekkid Brett ah but it just doesn't it

593  
00:24:31,240 --> 00:24:36,400  
brings home to me that this is people

594  
00:24:34,150 --> 00:24:39,190  
all around the world to saying well why

595  
00:24:36,400 --> 00:24:40,960  
can't we do that and doing it and doing

596  
00:24:39,190 --> 00:24:42,690  
it I do think that it's likely a

597  
00:24:40,960 --> 00:24:45,700  
backlash against there's a lot of

598  
00:24:42,690 --> 00:24:47,049  
anti-science around at the moment if you

599

00:24:45,700 --> 00:24:48,640  
know I mean you've got your anti-vaxxers

600  
00:24:47,049 --> 00:24:51,220  
coming up all over the place which is

601  
00:24:48,640 --> 00:24:53,440  
the lead to a huge amount of about

602  
00:24:51,220 --> 00:24:55,210  
breaks of measles and German measles and

603  
00:24:53,440 --> 00:24:58,720  
whooping-cough whooping cough is is

604  
00:24:55,210 --> 00:25:00,759  
really coming back in the in local

605  
00:24:58,720 --> 00:25:02,019  
newspaper just just the other day just

606  
00:25:00,759 --> 00:25:03,700  
yesterday and I'm going to be talking

607  
00:25:02,019 --> 00:25:06,759  
about it this weekend there's a whole

608  
00:25:03,700 --> 00:25:09,039  
story about in the metro yeah really

609  
00:25:06,759 --> 00:25:10,960  
local news the free newspaper parents

610  
00:25:09,039 --> 00:25:13,149  
please vaccinate is basically the story

611  
00:25:10,960 --> 00:25:14,950  
there was a huge scare because of andrew

612  
00:25:13,150 --> 00:25:17,110  
wakefield yeah but there's that and then

613  
00:25:14,950 --> 00:25:21,430

there's the anti climate climate science

614

00:25:17,109 --> 00:25:22,959

crowd and who are like I mean they were

615

00:25:21,430 --> 00:25:24,820

and I know why people don't want to

616

00:25:22,960 --> 00:25:26,289

believe that the climate is changing and

617

00:25:24,819 --> 00:25:27,490

you don't want to believe that you you

618

00:25:26,289 --> 00:25:29,079

you know what you're doing is destroying

619

00:25:27,490 --> 00:25:33,430

the world and that you may end up living

620

00:25:29,079 --> 00:25:34,839

on a tiny piece of land with no no good

621

00:25:33,430 --> 00:25:35,860

soil or anything like that people don't

622

00:25:34,839 --> 00:25:37,689

want to believe they're good neighbors

623

00:25:35,859 --> 00:25:38,740

room no good neighbors already but they

624

00:25:37,690 --> 00:25:40,210

don't want to believe that the world is

625

00:25:38,740 --> 00:25:41,319

going to change that drastically so it's

626

00:25:40,210 --> 00:25:43,750

easier to stick your head in the sand

627

00:25:41,319 --> 00:25:45,069

but unfortunately when you stick your

628  
00:25:43,750 --> 00:25:49,180  
head in the sand you're not doing

629  
00:25:45,069 --> 00:25:52,779  
anything to ya know it's the ultimate

630  
00:25:49,180 --> 00:25:54,610  
irony that we're labeled skeptics and

631  
00:25:52,779 --> 00:25:57,879  
people think oh your climate change

632  
00:25:54,609 --> 00:25:59,649  
sceptics yours or as I I'm not so much

633  
00:25:57,880 --> 00:26:02,230  
now but I have in the past been called a

634  
00:25:59,650 --> 00:26:04,420  
moon landing skeptic no I'm not that's

635  
00:26:02,230 --> 00:26:05,980  
what is get picky fool you know yeah but

636  
00:26:04,420 --> 00:26:07,450  
the worst thing is that as soon as

637  
00:26:05,980 --> 00:26:10,329  
people hear the word skeptic they think

638  
00:26:07,450 --> 00:26:13,870  
cynic mmm there's this link it's the old

639  
00:26:10,329 --> 00:26:17,919  
in there a skeptic means a cynic when

640  
00:26:13,869 --> 00:26:20,169  
actually as we all know listen hello

641  
00:26:17,920 --> 00:26:22,240  
some delegates as the Contras hello but

642  
00:26:20,170 --> 00:26:24,370  
they're obviously from armed with come

643  
00:26:22,240 --> 00:26:26,680  
and join us go and join us we're

644  
00:26:24,369 --> 00:26:28,949  
recording a podcast so beware what you

645  
00:26:26,680 --> 00:26:28,950  
say

646  
00:26:29,170 --> 00:26:35,529  
Oh going here the stairs and you can

647  
00:26:33,309 --> 00:26:37,649  
work thank you all right we'll see you

648  
00:26:35,529 --> 00:26:41,379  
at they will see you at the conference

649  
00:26:37,650 --> 00:26:44,080  
seeing the talk in the morning guys was

650  
00:26:41,380 --> 00:26:46,570  
nothing saved those are some of the best

651  
00:26:44,079 --> 00:26:49,329  
looking skeptics of Fame's lady is a

652  
00:26:46,569 --> 00:26:52,149  
dark purple hair and the gentleman had a

653  
00:26:49,329 --> 00:26:54,549  
leather jacket that i would kill cows

654  
00:26:52,150 --> 00:26:56,560  
how they came up here I don't know but

655  
00:26:54,549 --> 00:26:59,559  
they just appeared out of the lift or

656

00:26:56,559 --> 00:27:02,589  
the elevator there you go and that might

657  
00:26:59,559 --> 00:27:04,529  
be an opportunity segue to to wrap up

658  
00:27:02,589 --> 00:27:07,659  
our little discussion at the moment it's

659  
00:27:04,529 --> 00:27:11,710  
but I get back to the core point and why

660  
00:27:07,660 --> 00:27:14,110  
was very keen to chat to you was to keep

661  
00:27:11,710 --> 00:27:15,850  
encouraging my listeners from around the

662  
00:27:14,109 --> 00:27:19,719  
world no matter where you are if there

663  
00:27:15,849 --> 00:27:22,299  
is no skeptics in the pub then you be

664  
00:27:19,720 --> 00:27:24,910  
the one to make one because your

665  
00:27:22,299 --> 00:27:28,210  
experience speaks volumes it's it's only

666  
00:27:24,910 --> 00:27:33,340  
good isn't it it's really really easy to

667  
00:27:28,210 --> 00:27:35,380  
do I am the most ineffectual fekr there

668  
00:27:33,339 --> 00:27:40,539  
is going I'm not going to lie he really

669  
00:27:35,380 --> 00:27:44,320  
is um but all you have to do is find one

670  
00:27:40,539 --> 00:27:48,099

or two people who agree with you and is

671

00:27:44,319 --> 00:27:51,129

overrated not go on you will then know

672

00:27:48,099 --> 00:27:53,379

that big are a bigger well you see I

673

00:27:51,130 --> 00:27:56,320

mean you're gonna find my dear we have

674

00:27:53,380 --> 00:27:59,380

come up with some of the best fans ever

675

00:27:56,319 --> 00:28:01,389

go on give them the best one if you want

676

00:27:59,380 --> 00:28:04,540

to be sure you've got to be you got to

677

00:28:01,390 --> 00:28:06,790

be sure to be sure I really think if i

678

00:28:04,539 --> 00:28:08,220

do say that i say like i'm going to do

679

00:28:06,789 --> 00:28:11,740

this twice just to be sure to be sure

680

00:28:08,220 --> 00:28:13,720

yes sir cream at the desk early i went

681

00:28:11,740 --> 00:28:19,660

up and patted my back is it is it

682

00:28:13,720 --> 00:28:24,250

yourself when LM honestly i don't care

683

00:28:19,660 --> 00:28:26,230

if you're 16 or 65 I don't care whether

684

00:28:24,250 --> 00:28:27,910

you live in the middle of a city or in

685  
00:28:26,230 --> 00:28:29,680  
the middle of the wilderness there are

686  
00:28:27,910 --> 00:28:31,420  
people who think the same around you

687  
00:28:29,680 --> 00:28:32,590  
absolutely now you're very lucky if

688  
00:28:31,420 --> 00:28:36,670  
you're listening to this you obviously

689  
00:28:32,589 --> 00:28:38,740  
have internet access anyway so get on to

690  
00:28:36,670 --> 00:28:41,440  
internet and just look for people in

691  
00:28:38,740 --> 00:28:42,940  
your area and talk to people very easy

692  
00:28:41,440 --> 00:28:44,980  
to talk to people

693  
00:28:42,940 --> 00:28:47,259  
through the screen yes and then you

694  
00:28:44,980 --> 00:28:49,509  
might just bump into them and you might

695  
00:28:47,259 --> 00:28:51,190  
just have an evening where you just if

696  
00:28:49,509 --> 00:28:52,629  
there's only five year it doesn't matter

697  
00:28:51,190 --> 00:28:55,509  
and you can actually talk about how

698  
00:28:52,630 --> 00:28:58,720  
homeopathy yeah without being Smackdown

699  
00:28:55,509 --> 00:29:01,240  
for sale let it see and if you do happen

700  
00:28:58,720 --> 00:29:03,370  
to found a skeptics in the pub no matter

701  
00:29:01,240 --> 00:29:05,349  
what in where you are in the world let

702  
00:29:03,369 --> 00:29:08,199  
me know let the skeptic zone know and we

703  
00:29:05,349 --> 00:29:10,750  
will let your city know by this podcast

704  
00:29:08,200 --> 00:29:12,700  
well wow what a pleasure it's been to

705  
00:29:10,750 --> 00:29:14,890  
talk to you both in wonderful to meet

706  
00:29:12,700 --> 00:29:16,450  
you for the first time of course yes it

707  
00:29:14,890 --> 00:29:21,220  
was wonderful to meet you too it's good

708  
00:29:16,450 --> 00:29:26,920  
thank you very much 66 Steve yeah 66

709  
00:29:21,220 --> 00:29:30,490  
Steve or as we like to say sick I am

710  
00:29:26,920 --> 00:29:33,220  
ecote 80 on twitter if it's icy que le

711  
00:29:30,490 --> 00:29:36,099  
underscore tayto if you want to follow

712  
00:29:33,220 --> 00:29:38,769  
me on twitter i am generally pleasant

713

00:29:36,099 --> 00:29:41,740  
you know what I do want to follow you on

714  
00:29:38,769 --> 00:29:43,539  
twitter but right now listen is what

715  
00:29:41,740 --> 00:29:47,259  
I'll do is I'll take you straight from

716  
00:29:43,539 --> 00:29:50,079  
the wonderful land of Ireland here to

717  
00:29:47,259 --> 00:29:52,720  
Manchester and my interview with Janice

718  
00:29:50,079 --> 00:29:54,929  
Callister from the Manchester skeptics

719  
00:29:52,720 --> 00:29:54,930  
in the pub

720  
00:29:59,549 --> 00:30:05,109  
Manchester skeptics in the pub which

721  
00:30:02,769 --> 00:30:06,819  
I've just attended and still going on

722  
00:30:05,109 --> 00:30:08,740  
we've slipped away here to a sort of a

723  
00:30:06,819 --> 00:30:11,319  
back room near the toilets unfortunately

724  
00:30:08,740 --> 00:30:14,549  
over there you go and it's great to see

725  
00:30:11,319 --> 00:30:17,319  
you when did Manchester skeptics really

726  
00:30:14,549 --> 00:30:21,190  
kick off with this wonderful skeptics in

727  
00:30:17,319 --> 00:30:23,649

the pub we started David's in late two

728

00:30:21,190 --> 00:30:25,840

thousand nine there was a couple of guys

729

00:30:23,650 --> 00:30:28,780

Gavin and Alex who are so involved in

730

00:30:25,839 --> 00:30:31,419

the committee who and they started

731

00:30:28,779 --> 00:30:33,190

Stockport skeptics and they decided that

732

00:30:31,420 --> 00:30:34,480

well I think I think some people at

733

00:30:33,190 --> 00:30:36,940

merseyside to actually convince them

734

00:30:34,480 --> 00:30:39,759

that the Manchester needed skeptics

735

00:30:36,940 --> 00:30:42,309

because obviously I heard their yes so a

736

00:30:39,759 --> 00:30:44,289

Manchester and stop hot very close to

737

00:30:42,309 --> 00:30:46,720

each other but Manchester services

738

00:30:44,289 --> 00:30:48,069

furthermore the sitting but because

739

00:30:46,720 --> 00:30:50,259

we're actually greater manchester

740

00:30:48,069 --> 00:30:53,200

skeptic so the idea is that serves a

741

00:30:50,259 --> 00:30:55,779

larger area all right okay I understand

742

00:30:53,200 --> 00:30:57,640  
and it's a fun venue I must say it's

743

00:30:55,779 --> 00:31:00,430  
sort of a downstairs here in this pub

744

00:30:57,640 --> 00:31:05,230  
where them with a very strange room yeah

745

00:31:00,430 --> 00:31:07,930  
full of 60s sci-fi memorabilia there are

746

00:31:05,230 --> 00:31:09,970  
Daleks there are Star Trek things there

747

00:31:07,930 --> 00:31:11,950  
are it's pretty weird but it sort of

748

00:31:09,970 --> 00:31:14,350  
works I think it's very nice yeah we

749

00:31:11,950 --> 00:31:16,120  
absolutely love it here I mean actually

750

00:31:14,349 --> 00:31:19,750  
is collagen spider published called the

751

00:31:16,119 --> 00:31:22,929  
TV 21 TV 21 yeah and yeah they've got a

752

00:31:19,750 --> 00:31:24,279  
lot of sci-fi memorabilia and film posts

753

00:31:22,930 --> 00:31:26,410  
and things around and it kind of

754

00:31:24,279 --> 00:31:28,149  
inspired us to do an event here we do on

755

00:31:26,410 --> 00:31:31,210  
an annual basis now called a geek nerd

756  
00:31:28,150 --> 00:31:33,519  
pride day so we all we have a fancy

757  
00:31:31,210 --> 00:31:35,559  
dress costume and geek nerd pride quiz

758  
00:31:33,519 --> 00:31:37,329  
so it's not just skepticism it's kind of

759  
00:31:35,559 --> 00:31:39,819  
all the things that people might be

760  
00:31:37,329 --> 00:31:43,089  
interested in like from sci-fi to a math

761  
00:31:39,819 --> 00:31:44,500  
oh it doesn't matter it's a wide-ranging

762  
00:31:43,089 --> 00:31:46,959  
and people come as all kinds of things

763  
00:31:44,500 --> 00:31:48,369  
whether it's a sci-fi character or you

764  
00:31:46,960 --> 00:31:51,430  
know their favorite scientist or

765  
00:31:48,369 --> 00:31:53,259  
somebody who's been in skeptical news or

766  
00:31:51,430 --> 00:31:55,360  
that kind of thing and that's so much

767  
00:31:53,259 --> 00:31:58,059  
fun we love it that's fantastic because

768  
00:31:55,359 --> 00:32:00,069  
I must say I've really enjoyed tonight

769  
00:31:58,059 --> 00:32:01,539  
you've had a speaker talking about the

770

00:32:00,069 --> 00:32:03,980  
baczynski

771  
00:32:01,539 --> 00:32:05,930  
controversy that the clinic the the

772  
00:32:03,980 --> 00:32:08,539  
cancer clinic in the United States but

773  
00:32:05,930 --> 00:32:10,759  
the evening is going on and on and on

774  
00:32:08,539 --> 00:32:14,509  
and there the questions are still going

775  
00:32:10,759 --> 00:32:16,339  
in there and I people are really

776  
00:32:14,509 --> 00:32:18,650  
interested in getting very passionate

777  
00:32:16,339 --> 00:32:20,929  
about about the topic tonight do you

778  
00:32:18,650 --> 00:32:22,220  
find that normally the case with the

779  
00:32:20,930 --> 00:32:25,039  
speakers you have here in Manchester

780  
00:32:22,220 --> 00:32:26,240  
yeah absolute spray typical I always say

781  
00:32:25,039 --> 00:32:27,859  
at the beginning for people who've not

782  
00:32:26,240 --> 00:32:29,630  
been before that you know we have a

783  
00:32:27,859 --> 00:32:30,889  
break and obviously we live in the city

784  
00:32:29,630 --> 00:32:33,050

center and not everyone can hang around

785

00:32:30,890 --> 00:32:35,150

but if you possibly can for me the best

786

00:32:33,049 --> 00:32:36,169

part the evening is the Q&A it's

787

00:32:35,150 --> 00:32:38,480

absolutely brilliant there's so many

788

00:32:36,170 --> 00:32:41,240

questions and the speaker is always

789

00:32:38,480 --> 00:32:42,950

really receptive I don't know there's

790

00:32:41,240 --> 00:32:44,960

something about having that kind of open

791

00:32:42,950 --> 00:32:47,090

forum for discussion which is it brings

792

00:32:44,960 --> 00:32:49,039

something extra so we just usually carry

793

00:32:47,089 --> 00:32:51,230

on for as long as as I said that being

794

00:32:49,039 --> 00:32:53,659

the speaker can keep standing or people

795

00:32:51,230 --> 00:32:56,660

have questions and even after that tends

796

00:32:53,660 --> 00:32:58,640

to carry on upstairs in the bar I think

797

00:32:56,660 --> 00:33:02,060

it's a great idea you have you have the

798

00:32:58,640 --> 00:33:04,220

speaker giving the talk for 40 minutes

799

00:33:02,059 --> 00:33:05,509  
or an hour or whatever it is then you

800

00:33:04,220 --> 00:33:08,029  
say right now we're having a break

801

00:33:05,509 --> 00:33:09,589  
everybody runs to the bar and as a few

802

00:33:08,029 --> 00:33:12,230  
drinks and and then I think they're

803

00:33:09,589 --> 00:33:14,000  
primed then to you know they're

804

00:33:12,230 --> 00:33:17,480  
lubricated as we might fail you in

805

00:33:14,000 --> 00:33:19,309  
Australia to to carry on more which it's

806

00:33:17,480 --> 00:33:22,880  
still going inside I think it's a great

807

00:33:19,309 --> 00:33:24,079  
idea yeah I think that sometimes it

808

00:33:22,880 --> 00:33:25,400  
gives you a bit of a chance to

809

00:33:24,079 --> 00:33:27,049  
consolidate your questions as well

810

00:33:25,400 --> 00:33:31,070  
especially for you I'm actually a little

811

00:33:27,049 --> 00:33:32,000  
bit shy and for me having having a

812

00:33:31,069 --> 00:33:34,369  
little bit of a break and knowing the

813  
00:33:32,000 --> 00:33:35,839  
Q&A a separate helps me to have a think

814  
00:33:34,369 --> 00:33:38,479  
about exactly what it is I want to ask

815  
00:33:35,839 --> 00:33:40,730  
and sometimes people ask it for me but

816  
00:33:38,480 --> 00:33:45,019  
that's alright that's okay as long as I

817  
00:33:40,730 --> 00:33:47,839  
find out but and yeah it's a it's always

818  
00:33:45,019 --> 00:33:52,759  
the best part of me and to me it's such

819  
00:33:47,839 --> 00:33:55,220  
a pleasure to visit another skeptics in

820  
00:33:52,759 --> 00:33:57,339  
the pub I've been to skeptics in the pub

821  
00:33:55,220 --> 00:34:01,569  
in Sydney and Melbourne and camber

822  
00:33:57,339 --> 00:34:04,000  
in Edinburgh deep and now in Manchester

823  
00:34:01,569 --> 00:34:05,409  
and every time I go to a different part

824  
00:34:04,000 --> 00:34:07,420  
of the world or different skeptics in

825  
00:34:05,410 --> 00:34:09,519  
the pub I I don't know I really

826  
00:34:07,420 --> 00:34:12,400  
recharges the batteries I think have you

827

00:34:09,519 --> 00:34:15,159  
had the chance to go to other skeptics

828  
00:34:12,400 --> 00:34:17,110  
in the pub actually I started by going

829  
00:34:15,159 --> 00:34:20,769  
the foot my very first get pics in pub I

830  
00:34:17,110 --> 00:34:22,360  
went to was in merseyside so they had an

831  
00:34:20,769 --> 00:34:23,800  
event though which was I think their

832  
00:34:22,360 --> 00:34:25,750  
original speaker canceled so they had

833  
00:34:23,800 --> 00:34:27,519  
four speakers that night and it was like

834  
00:34:25,750 --> 00:34:30,909  
short talks there's actually a really

835  
00:34:27,519 --> 00:34:32,769  
good introduction to skepticism so

836  
00:34:30,909 --> 00:34:34,239  
instead of having this they usually have

837  
00:34:32,769 --> 00:34:36,400  
this format to I think a lot of places

838  
00:34:34,239 --> 00:34:38,619  
you of having the the long talk followed

839  
00:34:36,400 --> 00:34:42,010  
by break in the new yeah and I saw I've

840  
00:34:38,619 --> 00:34:44,409  
been to quite a few of those and that's

841  
00:34:42,010 --> 00:34:45,910

it so far i'm planning to go and go and

842

00:34:44,409 --> 00:34:47,920

maybe go on a road trip if we can line

843

00:34:45,909 --> 00:34:51,069

some up i'd love to go to Birmingham

844

00:34:47,920 --> 00:34:52,630

because they they seem to pull a really

845

00:34:51,070 --> 00:34:54,250

good crowd and they're always really

846

00:34:52,630 --> 00:34:55,690

active on the internets interesting to

847

00:34:54,250 --> 00:34:58,210

listen to where they have a podcast well

848

00:34:55,690 --> 00:35:00,940

they interview their speakers was really

849

00:34:58,210 --> 00:35:03,039

really interesting interview so it's

850

00:35:00,940 --> 00:35:04,869

quite inspiring to listen to well every

851

00:35:03,039 --> 00:35:06,880

time I go to a new skeptics in the pub

852

00:35:04,869 --> 00:35:09,219

I'm always inspired myself to tell my

853

00:35:06,880 --> 00:35:11,260

listeners wherever you are in the world

854

00:35:09,219 --> 00:35:16,089

if there's not a skeptics in the pub in

855

00:35:11,260 --> 00:35:18,340

your city well be the one that kicks it

856  
00:35:16,090 --> 00:35:19,870  
off that really does it yeah that's said

857  
00:35:18,340 --> 00:35:21,730  
I mean there's been a massive boom in

858  
00:35:19,869 --> 00:35:22,960  
them i think in the last few years you

859  
00:35:21,730 --> 00:35:24,519  
can just see them all the time new

860  
00:35:22,960 --> 00:35:26,320  
groups appearing and what's really great

861  
00:35:24,519 --> 00:35:28,150  
is when it happens you see all the

862  
00:35:26,320 --> 00:35:30,430  
people who involved in organizing from

863  
00:35:28,150 --> 00:35:32,950  
all over you know offering to help in

864  
00:35:30,429 --> 00:35:34,509  
any way they can and there's a form if

865  
00:35:32,949 --> 00:35:35,889  
you want to start up here in skeptics in

866  
00:35:34,510 --> 00:35:37,800  
the pub week and you can get involved

867  
00:35:35,889 --> 00:35:41,529  
with the people there and ask questions

868  
00:35:37,800 --> 00:35:43,330  
so it's it's a very helpful community of

869  
00:35:41,530 --> 00:35:45,519  
people waiting to help you from all over

870  
00:35:43,329 --> 00:35:47,409  
the world you know of different ideas of

871  
00:35:45,519 --> 00:35:49,509  
how to do it but they're all helpful and

872  
00:35:47,409 --> 00:35:51,009  
interesting and actually it's a good way

873  
00:35:49,510 --> 00:35:51,660  
as well if even if you can do it every

874  
00:35:51,010 --> 00:35:53,970  
few years

875  
00:35:51,659 --> 00:35:55,618  
don't get kind of stagnant you can keep

876  
00:35:53,969 --> 00:35:57,838  
changing and getting new ideas about how

877  
00:35:55,619 --> 00:35:59,910  
to do things absolutely right of course

878  
00:35:57,838 --> 00:36:02,009  
I guess we're a little bit lucky I'm

879  
00:35:59,909 --> 00:36:04,469  
serve a bit spoiled because it's in the

880  
00:36:02,010 --> 00:36:07,470  
lead-up to QED here in Manchester so got

881  
00:36:04,469 --> 00:36:09,689  
a nice selection people here who may not

882  
00:36:07,469 --> 00:36:12,269  
be normally here of course from from

883  
00:36:09,690 --> 00:36:14,460  
different parts so there is the message

884

00:36:12,269 --> 00:36:17,699  
folks is a skeptics in the pub is a

885  
00:36:14,460 --> 00:36:19,940  
wonderful thing and I've thoroughly

886  
00:36:17,699 --> 00:36:22,078  
enjoyed my night here in the Manchester

887  
00:36:19,940 --> 00:36:25,409  
14 people listening in the Manchester

888  
00:36:22,079 --> 00:36:27,210  
area and I think I'd like to come to

889  
00:36:25,409 --> 00:36:29,460  
skeptics in the pub how can they find

890  
00:36:27,210 --> 00:36:33,470  
out more and the the best place to go is

891  
00:36:29,460 --> 00:36:33,470  
probably our website which is

892  
00:36:35,659 --> 00:36:44,159  
www.facebook.com course GM skeptics not

893  
00:36:41,369 --> 00:36:46,380  
to be confused with GM food let's get

894  
00:36:44,159 --> 00:36:49,409  
addicted sometimes we didn't get a

895  
00:36:46,380 --> 00:36:51,660  
computer really yeah because GM greater

896  
00:36:49,409 --> 00:36:52,980  
manchester right yeah yes I so that's

897  
00:36:51,659 --> 00:36:58,139  
how it comes from it's just a bit

898  
00:36:52,980 --> 00:37:00,630

unfortunate well it's been wonderful to

899

00:36:58,139 --> 00:37:03,900

to come here and meet you and be part of

900

00:37:00,630 --> 00:37:06,450

this wonderful event I've actually made

901

00:37:03,900 --> 00:37:08,730

a few heckling comments and and ask some

902

00:37:06,449 --> 00:37:11,399

questions myself and of course everyone

903

00:37:08,730 --> 00:37:13,139

is looking forward to QED so thank you

904

00:37:11,400 --> 00:37:14,700

once again oh thanks it's been real

905

00:37:13,139 --> 00:37:16,409

pleasure having here tonight and yeah I

906

00:37:14,699 --> 00:37:20,058

think the room is buzzing with talk of

907

00:37:16,409 --> 00:37:20,058

QED it's going to be a great weekend

908

00:37:29,320 --> 00:37:34,220

congratulations brian dunning on over

909

00:37:31,760 --> 00:37:39,050

eight hundred and ninety seven thousand

910

00:37:34,219 --> 00:37:41,029

shows of skipped I'd everybody's

911

00:37:39,050 --> 00:37:43,850

favorite show does shake their fist at

912

00:37:41,030 --> 00:37:45,830

and go you bastard Dunning greetings

913  
00:37:43,849 --> 00:37:49,279  
from may not hear from Maynard's malaise

914  
00:37:45,829 --> 00:37:51,440  
the skeptic zone and ABC australia we

915  
00:37:49,280 --> 00:37:54,110  
wish we were as quarter as good as you

916  
00:37:51,440 --> 00:37:56,900  
and we wish we had that roger ramjet jaw

917  
00:37:54,110 --> 00:38:00,110  
of yours god we're jealous hooray it's

918  
00:37:56,900 --> 00:38:02,960  
kept towards birthday i'm not brian

919  
00:38:00,110 --> 00:38:06,260  
dunning from skip toy con and frankly I

920  
00:38:02,960 --> 00:38:08,840  
couldn't be happier give generously skept

921  
00:38:06,260 --> 00:38:12,290  
tide is made from the tears and the

922  
00:38:08,840 --> 00:38:14,180  
sweat and and sweatshop people that he

923  
00:38:12,289 --> 00:38:16,820  
he's got these people over in Jamaica

924  
00:38:14,179 --> 00:38:18,679  
skip to it is made possible by Brian

925  
00:38:16,820 --> 00:38:21,019  
Dunning exploiting most of the people in

926  
00:38:18,679 --> 00:38:23,480  
his life please give generously so he

927  
00:38:21,019 --> 00:38:26,150  
can enjoy a living standard much higher

928  
00:38:23,480 --> 00:38:29,179  
than yours I mean really listen to the

929  
00:38:26,150 --> 00:38:32,329  
crap on the radio okay listen to skip

930  
00:38:29,179 --> 00:38:35,119  
tide crap on the radio cost you nothing

931  
00:38:32,329 --> 00:38:37,009  
skip toid cost you very little to keep

932  
00:38:35,119 --> 00:38:39,259  
Brian doing that so what do you want

933  
00:38:37,010 --> 00:38:41,810  
more crap on the radio or more brian

934  
00:38:39,260 --> 00:38:44,470  
dunning i say more brian dunning too

935  
00:38:41,809 --> 00:38:47,630  
much brian dunning is never enough I

936  
00:38:44,469 --> 00:38:50,689  
want my brian dunning now and with ice

937  
00:38:47,630 --> 00:38:54,190  
in a tall glass that's not opinion

938  
00:38:50,690 --> 00:38:54,190  
that's science

939  
00:39:02,960 --> 00:39:07,019  
well thank you for listening to the

940  
00:39:05,068 --> 00:39:10,170  
skeptics and I'm still here at QED

941

00:39:07,019 --> 00:39:12,659  
question explore discover are here in

942  
00:39:10,170 --> 00:39:14,420  
Manchester and Finn is still with me and

943  
00:39:12,659 --> 00:39:17,789  
Steve's too and they're laughing at me

944  
00:39:14,420 --> 00:39:19,380  
no honest no okay yeah we are left we're

945  
00:39:17,789 --> 00:39:21,630  
not laughing at you were laughing with

946  
00:39:19,380 --> 00:39:23,039  
you no I'm not being at you I'm glad to

947  
00:39:21,630 --> 00:39:25,950  
hear that and thank you for listening

948  
00:39:23,039 --> 00:39:27,750  
again over the coming weeks lots of

949  
00:39:25,949 --> 00:39:30,838  
interviews from the guests and

950  
00:39:27,750 --> 00:39:33,809  
participants here at QED in Manchester

951  
00:39:30,838 --> 00:39:36,750  
but for now for this week it's Richard

952  
00:39:33,809 --> 00:39:45,269  
Saunders signing off and cheers Cheers

953  
00:39:36,750 --> 00:39:51,329  
flan sir yes from Manchester England the

954  
00:39:45,269 --> 00:39:54,719  
Irish for codorus word for health you've

955  
00:39:51,329 --> 00:39:59,309

been listening to the skeptic zone visit

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