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00:00:05,929 --> 00:00:14,209
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:09,119 --> 00:00:14,209
from Australia for science and reason ah

3
00:00:22,100 --> 00:00:28,500
yes one Labradoodle to rule them all but

4
00:00:25,199 --> 00:00:31,980
now it's Richard Saunders what one

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00:00:28,500 --> 00:00:34,500
Labradoodle it must be what other showed

6
00:00:31,980 --> 00:00:36,420
you hear the word Labradoodle on the

7
00:00:34,500 --> 00:00:39,238
Labradoodle show that's true it's very

8
00:00:36,420 --> 00:00:42,539
popular show it is hello and welcome to

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00:00:39,238 --> 00:00:44,339
the skeptic zone episode number 394 and

10
00:00:42,539 --> 00:00:46,049
Richard Saunders here with Maynard at

11
00:00:44,340 --> 00:00:47,340
skeptics in the pub it's a pretty big

12
00:00:46,049 --> 00:00:48,628
night tonight I can see a lot of people

13
00:00:47,340 --> 00:00:49,860
are lining up for an argument there's a

14
00:00:48,628 --> 00:00:52,049
few people that have bought jugs would

15
00:00:49,859 --> 00:00:55,100
be just to pour over other people pour

16
00:00:52,049 --> 00:00:57,119
over you they're gone well I'm going

17
00:00:55,100 --> 00:00:59,250
that's how you get your drinks these

18
00:00:57,119 --> 00:01:00,659
days and not people their throat through

19
00:00:59,250 --> 00:01:02,969
that of free drinks I've had thrown at

20
00:01:00,659 --> 00:01:08,478
me in my lifetime what's coming up on

21
00:01:02,969 --> 00:01:10,650
this week's show I hear you ask yes

22
00:01:08,478 --> 00:01:12,030
what's coming up on the show this week

23
00:01:10,650 --> 00:01:13,680
Richard I'm glad you are we're going to

24
00:01:12,030 --> 00:01:16,049
be talking to dr. Chris Fleming all

25
00:01:13,680 --> 00:01:17,970
about conspiracy theories also we're

26
00:01:16,049 --> 00:01:20,340
going to visit choice magazine here in

27
00:01:17,969 --> 00:01:23,219
Sydney and talk to Tom Godfrey their

28
00:01:20,340 --> 00:01:25,530
media representative about consumer

29

00:01:23,219 --> 00:01:27,060
affairs and medicine and all sorts of

30
00:01:25,530 --> 00:01:28,618
things like that if I have a date that

31
00:01:27,060 --> 00:01:31,379
doesn't go well can I complain to

32
00:01:28,618 --> 00:01:32,640
consumers control about that write it

33
00:01:31,379 --> 00:01:34,408
write an article for choice magazine

34
00:01:32,640 --> 00:01:35,759
choice choice magazine and the

35
00:01:34,409 --> 00:01:38,100
Australian skeptics are sort of very

36
00:01:35,759 --> 00:01:40,530
kindred spirits you know we both look at

37
00:01:38,099 --> 00:01:42,809
shonky and dodgy products you and I went

38
00:01:40,530 --> 00:01:44,549
and reported Angela bash of course we

39
00:01:42,810 --> 00:01:47,009
were the shonky Awards last year that's

40
00:01:44,549 --> 00:01:50,909
true and we didn't get one this year not

41
00:01:47,009 --> 00:01:52,530
yet we might the shonky podcast and also

42
00:01:50,909 --> 00:01:54,899
we're going to be continuing the

43
00:01:52,530 --> 00:01:56,159

coverage of this chiropractor who

44

00:01:54,899 --> 00:01:58,439

cracked the back of the four day old

45

00:01:56,159 --> 00:02:00,030

baby he was recently on the TV in the

46

00:01:58,438 --> 00:02:02,339

last couple of days here in Australia

47

00:02:00,030 --> 00:02:03,969

and he really made a meal of it he

48

00:02:02,340 --> 00:02:05,980

didn't do very well at all so

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00:02:03,969 --> 00:02:07,539

covering that yeah I could imagine that

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00:02:05,980 --> 00:02:08,950

if you got to explain yourself you've

51

00:02:07,540 --> 00:02:10,509

got to be really good if that's what

52

00:02:08,949 --> 00:02:13,149

you're going to be doing you have to be

53

00:02:10,508 --> 00:02:15,609

on your game and he wasn't he was not on

54

00:02:13,150 --> 00:02:17,710

his game all that coming up and for

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00:02:15,610 --> 00:02:19,630

those people who want to know Henriette

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00:02:17,710 --> 00:02:21,159

her and mortar doing very well they are

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00:02:19,629 --> 00:02:22,689

too i've been taking some photos of hen

58
00:02:21,159 --> 00:02:25,240
hen seems to be the one that likes the

59
00:02:22,689 --> 00:02:27,579
camera yes she's a ham him the hand the

60
00:02:25,240 --> 00:02:29,260
ham I think yeah that's right I bought

61
00:02:27,580 --> 00:02:30,820
them a cardboard box and it's a great

62
00:02:29,259 --> 00:02:33,310
that you can spend all this money on

63
00:02:30,819 --> 00:02:34,629
kitten toys and kitten homes and stuff

64
00:02:33,310 --> 00:02:36,340
and all you really need to do is give

65
00:02:34,629 --> 00:02:37,990
them a shoe box with a hole in it yeah

66
00:02:36,340 --> 00:02:39,789
shoe box are a big box with a couple of

67
00:02:37,990 --> 00:02:41,709
holes in it and kittens are as happy as

68
00:02:39,789 --> 00:02:43,959
well kittens can be I think that's right

69
00:02:41,709 --> 00:02:45,459
all that coming up on the skipping stone

70
00:02:43,959 --> 00:02:47,349
look me night I think we'd better run

71
00:02:45,459 --> 00:02:49,270
off to the bar there and order some more

72
00:02:47,349 --> 00:02:51,129
drinks and some schnitzel how about some

73
00:02:49,270 --> 00:02:53,050
schnitzel no I'm going to order myself a

74
00:02:51,129 --> 00:02:55,569
parfait door more i'm getting a vogue

75
00:02:53,050 --> 00:02:57,310
from the top shelf good heaven it's

76
00:02:55,569 --> 00:02:59,769
purple and smells like perfume it's

77
00:02:57,310 --> 00:03:01,150
lovely yes your skeptics are all those

78
00:02:59,770 --> 00:03:03,360
people who contribute to the skeptic

79
00:03:01,150 --> 00:03:07,000
zone this is where for the money cutters

80
00:03:03,360 --> 00:03:09,489
buy us drinks and who knows what else

81
00:03:07,000 --> 00:03:12,900
anyway why we do that we hope you enjoy

82
00:03:09,489 --> 00:03:12,900
the skeptic zone

83
00:03:35,860 --> 00:03:39,650
well we're in the belly of the beast

84
00:03:37,879 --> 00:03:41,090
here if you've been out there selling

85
00:03:39,650 --> 00:03:43,400
stuff at the two-dollar markets that are

86

00:03:41,090 --> 00:03:45,140
really worth to us 50 you are in so much

87
00:03:43,400 --> 00:03:46,879
trouble let me tell you right now here

88
00:03:45,139 --> 00:03:48,229
in a lot of Ken trouble because we are

89
00:03:46,879 --> 00:03:50,689
here at choice magazine will you'll be

90
00:03:48,229 --> 00:03:51,739
named shamed and a photo of your bum put

91
00:03:50,689 --> 00:03:53,300
at the front of the building for

92
00:03:51,740 --> 00:03:54,590
everybody at the football oval across

93
00:03:53,300 --> 00:03:56,810
the road to look at that's what's going

94
00:03:54,590 --> 00:03:59,180
to happen to you we have here Tim

95
00:03:56,810 --> 00:04:01,370
mendham and Richard Saunders and the guy

96
00:03:59,180 --> 00:04:03,800
in the hot seat Tom Godfrey and what's

97
00:04:01,370 --> 00:04:07,640
your job little boy I am a head of media

98
00:04:03,800 --> 00:04:08,689
for my sins no choice and the Consumer

99
00:04:07,639 --> 00:04:10,159
Affairs Australian Consumer Association

100
00:04:08,689 --> 00:04:11,419

has been around for a long time he's to

101

00:04:10,159 --> 00:04:13,039

work opposite it actually when it was in

102

00:04:11,419 --> 00:04:15,349

Chippendale a little warehouse there

103

00:04:13,039 --> 00:04:16,759

actually nice old place but it was

104

00:04:15,349 --> 00:04:18,798

always behave the image of beings of

105

00:04:16,759 --> 00:04:20,870

comparing products appliances and

106

00:04:18,798 --> 00:04:22,609

services working out what's the best

107

00:04:20,870 --> 00:04:24,860

value for money etc and that's probably

108

00:04:22,610 --> 00:04:27,470

still the main image that choice has in

109

00:04:24,860 --> 00:04:30,080

the magazine etc fridges and appliances

110

00:04:27,470 --> 00:04:32,360

and you name it but also you do deal

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00:04:30,079 --> 00:04:34,430

with shonky technology and shonky

112

00:04:32,360 --> 00:04:36,350

products and that's obviously what is

113

00:04:34,430 --> 00:04:37,819

the subject of your shonky awards how

114

00:04:36,350 --> 00:04:40,700

much do you think that represents of

115
00:04:37,819 --> 00:04:42,800
what choice does it look like it's the

116
00:04:40,699 --> 00:04:45,019
essence of what we do because whether

117
00:04:42,800 --> 00:04:47,509
we're looking at a fridge or the latest

118
00:04:45,019 --> 00:04:49,909
bit of tech or a claim on a some

119
00:04:47,509 --> 00:04:51,949
packaging what it's about is trying to

120
00:04:49,910 --> 00:04:53,410
get to the heart of the issue because

121
00:04:51,949 --> 00:04:55,939
what we tend to find is that

122
00:04:53,410 --> 00:04:57,800
manufacturers and big brands push the

123
00:04:55,939 --> 00:05:00,050
envelope in a bid to get you to pay a

124
00:04:57,800 --> 00:05:02,150
price premium and often when we get to

125
00:05:00,050 --> 00:05:04,668
the heart of it that price premium

126
00:05:02,149 --> 00:05:06,319
shouldn't really be there and time and

127
00:05:04,668 --> 00:05:08,649
time again it is often the biggest

128
00:05:06,319 --> 00:05:10,879
companies in the market big global

129
00:05:08,649 --> 00:05:13,069
multi-billion dollar brands that are

130
00:05:10,879 --> 00:05:15,228
trying to deceive and dupe consumers

131
00:05:13,069 --> 00:05:16,490
just on a specific one here in the

132
00:05:15,228 --> 00:05:18,439
chakras last year there was an issue

133
00:05:16,490 --> 00:05:20,418
with was at Samsung washing machines had

134
00:05:18,439 --> 00:05:22,850
a potential fire issue or what happened

135
00:05:20,418 --> 00:05:28,370
with that this is an absolute disgrace

136
00:05:22,850 --> 00:05:30,500
so Samsung a big global brand operating

137
00:05:28,370 --> 00:05:31,269
in many different markets but they put a

138
00:05:30,500 --> 00:05:33,189
washing machine

139
00:05:31,269 --> 00:05:35,079
the market a hundred and forty-four

140
00:05:33,189 --> 00:05:37,509
thousand five hundred of these washing

141
00:05:35,079 --> 00:05:39,669
machines were faulty so what would you

142
00:05:37,509 --> 00:05:41,349
do if you put a faulty washing machine

143

00:05:39,670 --> 00:05:43,990
on the market what would you do

144
00:05:41,350 --> 00:05:46,510
obviously you'd get it off because these

145
00:05:43,990 --> 00:05:49,750
have a really nasty habit of catching

146
00:05:46,509 --> 00:05:52,420
fire fact there's been more than 250

147
00:05:49,750 --> 00:05:54,610
incidents or fires in Australia but

148
00:05:52,420 --> 00:05:57,460
Samsung refuse to let people know we've

149
00:05:54,610 --> 00:05:58,810
asked them repeatedly go on TV spend as

150
00:05:57,459 --> 00:06:01,089
much money as you do promoting new

151
00:05:58,810 --> 00:06:03,250
products to get this old dodgy product

152
00:06:01,089 --> 00:06:04,599
off the market but they refuse and the

153
00:06:03,250 --> 00:06:06,550
reason they're refuses because they're

154
00:06:04,600 --> 00:06:08,530
trying to protect their brand which is

155
00:06:06,550 --> 00:06:10,180
cold comfort for all those consumers

156
00:06:08,529 --> 00:06:11,979
across the country who have lost their

157
00:06:10,180 --> 00:06:14,800

homes and is still now dealing with

158

00:06:11,980 --> 00:06:17,290

Samsung trying to get compensation my

159

00:06:14,800 --> 00:06:19,030

firm advice to anyone with a Samsung top

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00:06:17,290 --> 00:06:21,610

loader washing machine caught up in this

161

00:06:19,029 --> 00:06:23,979

recall is just get it out of your home

162

00:06:21,610 --> 00:06:26,050

and get your money back and go and buy

163

00:06:23,980 --> 00:06:27,310

another brand you have a rightness

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00:06:26,050 --> 00:06:29,530

tralee under Australian Consumer Law

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00:06:27,310 --> 00:06:31,449

that came in in 2011 to repair

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00:06:29,529 --> 00:06:34,239

replacement or refund if there's a major

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00:06:31,449 --> 00:06:36,420

failure now what we see all too often is

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00:06:34,240 --> 00:06:39,129

that these big brands bully consumers

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00:06:36,420 --> 00:06:40,629

into signing non-disclosure agreements

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00:06:39,129 --> 00:06:42,699

and gag orders before they're giving

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00:06:40,629 --> 00:06:45,730

them those basic rights it's a disgrace

172
00:06:42,699 --> 00:06:48,069
and look I think it always if you get

173
00:06:45,730 --> 00:06:50,860
into a problem if a product fails don't

174
00:06:48,069 --> 00:06:52,480
stay quiet definitely come to choice go

175
00:06:50,860 --> 00:06:53,770
to the regulator the other thing to

176
00:06:52,480 --> 00:06:55,780
remember is these companies have a

177
00:06:53,769 --> 00:06:57,609
mandatory reporting provision if you've

178
00:06:55,779 --> 00:06:59,859
been to see a doctor if that product has

179
00:06:57,610 --> 00:07:01,389
caused harm then these companies need to

180
00:06:59,860 --> 00:07:03,430
report to the a Triple C there's been a

181
00:07:01,389 --> 00:07:04,930
problem but they are so keen on

182
00:07:03,430 --> 00:07:06,670
protecting their brands and I think

183
00:07:04,930 --> 00:07:09,040
they're all very nervous of social media

184
00:07:06,670 --> 00:07:11,199
and any negative coverage they might get

185
00:07:09,040 --> 00:07:13,060
online well let's get onto a subject

186
00:07:11,199 --> 00:07:14,939
that came to our notice recently but

187
00:07:13,060 --> 00:07:17,920
it's an ongoing story and this is the

188
00:07:14,939 --> 00:07:21,069
recent decision to find the people

189
00:07:17,920 --> 00:07:24,670
behind the Nura Fionn pain relief pills

190
00:07:21,069 --> 00:07:26,709
a 1.7 million dollar fine which to them

191
00:07:24,670 --> 00:07:29,050
probably isn't that much but the point

192
00:07:26,709 --> 00:07:31,359
is that the neuro Fionn were marketing

193
00:07:29,050 --> 00:07:33,160
the same pill to do different things

194
00:07:31,360 --> 00:07:36,220
target pain in different areas of the

195
00:07:33,160 --> 00:07:38,740
body and I no choice has been on this

196
00:07:36,220 --> 00:07:41,200
case for a long time yeah targeted pain

197
00:07:38,740 --> 00:07:42,670
relief is a con plain and simple we

198
00:07:41,199 --> 00:07:43,420
first blew the whistle on this in two

199
00:07:42,670 --> 00:07:46,870
thousand

200

00:07:43,420 --> 00:07:48,879
and when we gave urine a shonky we all

201
00:07:46,870 --> 00:07:50,949
know that these pain relievers but I've

202
00:07:48,879 --> 00:07:53,019
approp Anor paracetamol are systemic

203
00:07:50,949 --> 00:07:55,539
once you take it it goes to wherever the

204
00:07:53,019 --> 00:07:59,109
pain is in the body but these companies

205
00:07:55,540 --> 00:08:01,300
and it's purely for a profit they want

206
00:07:59,110 --> 00:08:03,610
to convince you that these pills work

207
00:08:01,300 --> 00:08:05,139
differently and target particular types

208
00:08:03,610 --> 00:08:08,110
of pain whether it be neck and back

209
00:08:05,139 --> 00:08:11,079
period pain or otherwise so it is purely

210
00:08:08,110 --> 00:08:13,360
just to play for profit it's a total con

211
00:08:11,079 --> 00:08:16,000
and what's even more concerning is that

212
00:08:13,360 --> 00:08:18,730
this company was found to have been

213
00:08:16,000 --> 00:08:20,519
misleading consumers they only got a 1.7

214
00:08:18,730 --> 00:08:23,080

million dollar fine I mean it is

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00:08:20,519 --> 00:08:25,599

completely insignificant compared to how

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00:08:23,079 --> 00:08:27,759

much money this company is making each

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00:08:25,600 --> 00:08:29,710

year from putting these dodgy claims in

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00:08:27,759 --> 00:08:32,080

the market and look it's not just about

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00:08:29,709 --> 00:08:33,669

profit and ripping consumers off you'd

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00:08:32,080 --> 00:08:35,139

be far better obviously just buying the

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00:08:33,669 --> 00:08:37,029

generic that didn't have the dodgy

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00:08:35,139 --> 00:08:38,919

targeted pain relief message it's also

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00:08:37,029 --> 00:08:41,319

dangerous because there is a real risk

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00:08:38,919 --> 00:08:42,939

that people could interpret that as I've

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00:08:41,320 --> 00:08:44,950

got two panes I've got a headache and I

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00:08:42,940 --> 00:08:48,070

go to back pain and take double the dose

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00:08:44,950 --> 00:08:49,660

it's irresponsible and to say that it's

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00:08:48,070 --> 00:08:51,610

not just your f---ing it's panadol as

229
00:08:49,659 --> 00:08:54,219
well and they should just stop it and

230
00:08:51,610 --> 00:08:56,379
what we'd like to see that 1.7 million

231
00:08:54,220 --> 00:08:58,629
dollar fine that should be bulked up you

232
00:08:56,379 --> 00:09:00,429
know then that the fine needs to fit the

233
00:08:58,629 --> 00:09:02,980
crime and it just doesn't at the moment

234
00:09:00,429 --> 00:09:06,759
for breaches of consumer law is there

235
00:09:02,980 --> 00:09:07,930
time for the head and a final back okay

236
00:09:06,759 --> 00:09:09,759
then we're looking at sort of nurofen

237
00:09:07,929 --> 00:09:12,039
which is a painkiller presumably it does

238
00:09:09,759 --> 00:09:13,779
kill pain right it just doesn't do what

239
00:09:12,039 --> 00:09:16,149
the way they say it do did the targeted

240
00:09:13,779 --> 00:09:18,220
so but what about products that don't do

241
00:09:16,149 --> 00:09:20,379
what they say they can do that that are

242
00:09:18,220 --> 00:09:22,389
cruelly shonky yeah look and there are

243
00:09:20,379 --> 00:09:24,700
plenty of those out there and each year

244
00:09:22,389 --> 00:09:27,509
we have our annual name and shame athan

245
00:09:24,700 --> 00:09:30,009
where we put forward a lot of those

246
00:09:27,509 --> 00:09:32,319
shonky products we put a call out to the

247
00:09:30,009 --> 00:09:34,240
community and you see them coming

248
00:09:32,320 --> 00:09:36,160
through all the time whether it's a

249
00:09:34,240 --> 00:09:37,960
phone cover that says its water proof

250
00:09:36,159 --> 00:09:42,059
that just completely is and of course

251
00:09:37,960 --> 00:09:42,060
that can be disproved pretty quickly for

252
00:09:42,090 --> 00:09:46,660
you know but the business will

253
00:09:44,350 --> 00:09:48,820
continually try it on and I think you

254
00:09:46,659 --> 00:09:50,379
know our role here is to keep business

255
00:09:48,820 --> 00:09:52,720
honest we've been doing it since

256
00:09:50,379 --> 00:09:54,779
nineteen fifty-nine and we're getting

257

00:09:52,720 --> 00:09:57,000
stronger and stronger every year

258
00:09:54,779 --> 00:09:58,559
it was a look that's one of the areas

259
00:09:57,000 --> 00:10:00,120
that of course the skeptics get into is

260
00:09:58,559 --> 00:10:01,619
not just the marketing which is

261
00:10:00,120 --> 00:10:03,269
obviously what a lot of your problems

262
00:10:01,620 --> 00:10:05,220
are about but also the suppose and

263
00:10:03,269 --> 00:10:06,509
scientific evidence that underpin some

264
00:10:05,220 --> 00:10:08,550
of these products and that's I mean

265
00:10:06,509 --> 00:10:09,990
things like the power balance wristband

266
00:10:08,549 --> 00:10:11,819
which which it was very much involved

267
00:10:09,990 --> 00:10:13,799
with debunking is now off the market

268
00:10:11,820 --> 00:10:15,240
initial that got a shonky as well okay

269
00:10:13,799 --> 00:10:18,659
that's what sort of area due to a lot of

270
00:10:15,240 --> 00:10:20,669
that with a pseudoscience oh absolutely

271
00:10:18,659 --> 00:10:21,870

i mean it's at the heart of what we do

272

00:10:20,669 --> 00:10:24,629
in the product testing business

273

00:10:21,870 --> 00:10:26,399
particularly because looking at the

274

00:10:24,629 --> 00:10:29,789
claims and looking at the supposed

275

00:10:26,399 --> 00:10:31,590
science behind the products if you spend

276

00:10:29,789 --> 00:10:36,899
it of time it can be pretty easy to

277

00:10:31,590 --> 00:10:39,120
disprove speaking your tips i'll leave

278

00:10:36,899 --> 00:10:40,860
you of this this is one of the magazines

279

00:10:39,120 --> 00:10:43,379
that we regularly click to get a lot of

280

00:10:40,860 --> 00:10:45,870
our tips from it's a new age magazine

281

00:10:43,379 --> 00:10:47,759
now without saying too much as well your

282

00:10:45,870 --> 00:10:50,159
attention to one of the advertising it

283

00:10:47,759 --> 00:10:51,480
for a device which you plug into your

284

00:10:50,159 --> 00:10:53,939
wall or you put on the back of your

285

00:10:51,480 --> 00:10:58,230
mobile phone and all your radiation

286
00:10:53,940 --> 00:10:59,970
problems yeah good luck with that it

287
00:10:58,230 --> 00:11:01,200
looks a lot like a bit of plastic and a

288
00:10:59,970 --> 00:11:03,570
bit of plastic that goes on your phone

289
00:11:01,200 --> 00:11:05,730
yeah that's right it's amazing what

290
00:11:03,570 --> 00:11:07,020
people will try isn't it other areas you

291
00:11:05,730 --> 00:11:09,360
don't touch i mean have you touched

292
00:11:07,019 --> 00:11:11,789
areas like homeopathy things like that

293
00:11:09,360 --> 00:11:13,409
because the checkout does and all those

294
00:11:11,789 --> 00:11:14,669
sort of you have item and products and

295
00:11:13,409 --> 00:11:17,519
home do you actually look into those as

296
00:11:14,669 --> 00:11:19,199
well look we do and a lot of what we do

297
00:11:17,519 --> 00:11:21,269
obviously is research base so we're

298
00:11:19,200 --> 00:11:23,780
looking at the size of markets and the

299
00:11:21,269 --> 00:11:26,429
level of consumer detriment to a problem

300
00:11:23,779 --> 00:11:27,809
it's not to say that we we won't touch

301
00:11:26,429 --> 00:11:29,789
all sorts of things from time to time

302
00:11:27,809 --> 00:11:31,709
but what we tend to do is focus on the

303
00:11:29,789 --> 00:11:33,059
big ones so obviously at the moment

304
00:11:31,710 --> 00:11:35,900
we're out there on private health

305
00:11:33,059 --> 00:11:39,539
insurance so we're in there looking at

306
00:11:35,899 --> 00:11:41,819
38,000 policies of the 48,000 on the

307
00:11:39,539 --> 00:11:44,039
market because what we've seen is a rise

308
00:11:41,820 --> 00:11:45,930
in what we term junk insurance policies

309
00:11:44,039 --> 00:11:47,639
where consumers are paying up to two

310
00:11:45,929 --> 00:11:50,129
thousand dollars a year for this

311
00:11:47,639 --> 00:11:53,610
hospital cover that then excludes them

312
00:11:50,129 --> 00:11:55,379
from nearly 5,000 treatments it's pretty

313
00:11:53,610 --> 00:11:57,570
hopeless i mean really it's just a

314

00:11:55,379 --> 00:11:59,639
marketing tool for the funds to keep you

315
00:11:57,570 --> 00:12:02,129
in their network and help you avoid a

316
00:11:59,639 --> 00:12:03,750
bit of taxes and surcharges on the way

317
00:12:02,129 --> 00:12:05,639
through we actually did an investigation

318
00:12:03,750 --> 00:12:07,690
of some time ago into health funds and

319
00:12:05,639 --> 00:12:09,340
the sort of things they do support

320
00:12:07,690 --> 00:12:10,750
which is a lot of the very man

321
00:12:09,340 --> 00:12:12,070
pseudo-scientific areas I mean they're

322
00:12:10,750 --> 00:12:14,490
people supporting iridology and

323
00:12:12,070 --> 00:12:16,750
homeopathy and Osteopathy not and

324
00:12:14,490 --> 00:12:18,730
chiropractic and naturopathy all sorts

325
00:12:16,750 --> 00:12:21,460
of areas and of course the health funds

326
00:12:18,730 --> 00:12:22,750
are subsidized by the government right

327
00:12:21,460 --> 00:12:24,580
and so therefore we our concern was that

328
00:12:22,750 --> 00:12:27,129

his government tax payers money going

329

00:12:24,580 --> 00:12:29,410

towards supporting health and payouts

330

00:12:27,129 --> 00:12:30,669

for things would just don't work yeah

331

00:12:29,409 --> 00:12:32,589

look I think it's a really interesting

332

00:12:30,669 --> 00:12:33,969

point and what not a lot of people

333

00:12:32,590 --> 00:12:35,350

realize that health insurance is

334

00:12:33,970 --> 00:12:37,029

actually two things it's hospital cover

335

00:12:35,350 --> 00:12:38,980

and it's good to have that and you want

336

00:12:37,029 --> 00:12:41,199

top level cover policy with in excess or

337

00:12:38,980 --> 00:12:42,789

a co-payment unfortunately people are

338

00:12:41,200 --> 00:12:44,530

being downgraded into junk policies

339

00:12:42,789 --> 00:12:46,269

there but the types of things you've

340

00:12:44,529 --> 00:12:48,459

been talking about ten to falling extras

341

00:12:46,269 --> 00:12:50,769

cover and what we find is extras cover

342

00:12:48,460 --> 00:12:52,960

is generally pretty shocking value and

343
00:12:50,769 --> 00:12:54,490
the average payout rates are around

344
00:12:52,960 --> 00:12:56,019
three hundred and seventy dollars a year

345
00:12:54,490 --> 00:12:59,440
but people are paying a great deal more

346
00:12:56,019 --> 00:13:00,909
than that in premiums and I just think

347
00:12:59,440 --> 00:13:02,440
that you need to get yourself an annual

348
00:13:00,909 --> 00:13:04,299
claim statement if you're paying that

349
00:13:02,440 --> 00:13:06,250
type of insurance find out whether or

350
00:13:04,299 --> 00:13:07,240
not you're actually getting more benefit

351
00:13:06,250 --> 00:13:08,470
than you're paying out in premium

352
00:13:07,240 --> 00:13:11,169
because if you're not pretty simple

353
00:13:08,470 --> 00:13:12,910
equation just get rid of it and save a

354
00:13:11,169 --> 00:13:14,349
bit of money for the dentist do you have

355
00:13:12,909 --> 00:13:15,669
to actually ask for an annual claims

356
00:13:14,350 --> 00:13:17,769
statement does it automatically get sent

357
00:13:15,669 --> 00:13:20,169
out to you yeah like the when you do it

358
00:13:17,769 --> 00:13:23,620
the the rep on the phone is horrified

359
00:13:20,169 --> 00:13:25,899
they they didn't think many people

360
00:13:23,620 --> 00:13:28,600
realize that these things exist but they

361
00:13:25,899 --> 00:13:30,069
do and you know I I got mine the other

362
00:13:28,600 --> 00:13:32,050
day and it was a pretty simple equation

363
00:13:30,070 --> 00:13:34,840
I hadn't made any claims and I'd spend a

364
00:13:32,049 --> 00:13:37,269
small fortune so look happily get get

365
00:13:34,840 --> 00:13:38,860
rid of it and unlike hospital insurance

366
00:13:37,269 --> 00:13:42,069
you can drop your extras cover without

367
00:13:38,860 --> 00:13:43,539
any tax penalties so you know you won't

368
00:13:42,070 --> 00:13:45,850
be feeling better if you keep paying

369
00:13:43,539 --> 00:13:47,439
those big bills okay as my dad's always

370
00:13:45,850 --> 00:13:49,210
reminded me a lot of the funds actually

371

00:13:47,440 --> 00:13:50,800
have a funeral payout but because the

372
00:13:49,210 --> 00:13:52,600
person who's been taking it out passes

373
00:13:50,799 --> 00:13:54,129
away the relatives don't know that so it

374
00:13:52,600 --> 00:13:55,690
never gets claimed sometimes that that

375
00:13:54,129 --> 00:13:57,879
is what can happen here as well I mean

376
00:13:55,690 --> 00:13:59,500
it there's lots of very strange

377
00:13:57,879 --> 00:14:01,240
insurance products and I think your

378
00:13:59,500 --> 00:14:03,519
funeral insurance is one of them every

379
00:14:01,240 --> 00:14:06,610
time we look at it it's pretty appalling

380
00:14:03,519 --> 00:14:08,350
value and you know the bass lesson with

381
00:14:06,610 --> 00:14:11,169
a lot of these insurance program you see

382
00:14:08,350 --> 00:14:13,450
with pet insurance as well is that you'd

383
00:14:11,169 --> 00:14:15,009
be far better off just putting a little

384
00:14:13,450 --> 00:14:17,020
bit of money aside and covering the

385
00:14:15,009 --> 00:14:18,490

costs yourselves avoid all the nonsense

386

00:14:17,019 --> 00:14:19,470

that the companies are telling you

387

00:14:18,490 --> 00:14:21,960

because ultimately there

388

00:14:19,470 --> 00:14:22,950

exists there to make a lot of money it

389

00:14:21,960 --> 00:14:24,629

was like the way that the people

390

00:14:22,950 --> 00:14:28,290

promoting funeral insurance are so happy

391

00:14:24,629 --> 00:14:30,689

look for your guy I'm 65 I'm really

392

00:14:28,289 --> 00:14:33,000

looking forward to dying and my kids are

393

00:14:30,690 --> 00:14:34,530

not going to pay for it what on those

394

00:14:33,000 --> 00:14:36,570

areas I mean you obviously deal with a

395

00:14:34,529 --> 00:14:38,699

lot of other sort of regulators etc the

396

00:14:36,570 --> 00:14:41,430

a triple see people like that how

397

00:14:38,700 --> 00:14:43,710

effective are they look they can be very

398

00:14:41,429 --> 00:14:45,719

effective and what we've seen recently

399

00:14:43,710 --> 00:14:48,180

is some increase funding to the agency

400
00:14:45,720 --> 00:14:50,070
which is really good and I think really

401
00:14:48,179 --> 00:14:51,629
that's what is required and whether we

402
00:14:50,070 --> 00:14:54,330
look at the age will see our asset they

403
00:14:51,629 --> 00:14:57,330
need resources and sadly at the moment

404
00:14:54,330 --> 00:14:59,220
acik when it's taking on some of the

405
00:14:57,330 --> 00:15:00,780
biggest and most profitable financial

406
00:14:59,220 --> 00:15:03,240
institutions in the world seems a little

407
00:15:00,779 --> 00:15:06,179
bit under guns so we certainly would

408
00:15:03,240 --> 00:15:09,149
support greater funding for the hplc and

409
00:15:06,179 --> 00:15:12,149
acic to take on you know what has been a

410
00:15:09,149 --> 00:15:14,610
shocking display recently in the

411
00:15:12,149 --> 00:15:15,809
financial sector whether it's you know

412
00:15:14,610 --> 00:15:18,180
the the biggest banks in the country

413
00:15:15,809 --> 00:15:21,029
trying to lobby to remove consumer

414
00:15:18,179 --> 00:15:22,649
protections yeah and then you the same

415
00:15:21,029 --> 00:15:24,569
hand they're presiding over some of the

416
00:15:22,649 --> 00:15:26,370
worst financial planning disasters going

417
00:15:24,570 --> 00:15:28,260
around I just think you know the

418
00:15:26,370 --> 00:15:30,299
regulator's need to be strong and well

419
00:15:28,259 --> 00:15:32,250
funded so that these businesses are

420
00:15:30,299 --> 00:15:33,719
called to account does that mean I'm in

421
00:15:32,250 --> 00:15:35,909
the a Triple C recent you took a case

422
00:15:33,720 --> 00:15:38,310
against homeopathy Plus which is hardly

423
00:15:35,909 --> 00:15:40,079
at the big end of town right and they

424
00:15:38,309 --> 00:15:42,719
won because homeopathy plus was claiming

425
00:15:40,080 --> 00:15:44,700
that homeopathic vaccinations were there

426
00:15:42,720 --> 00:15:46,200
for whooping cough yeah we would sort of

427
00:15:44,700 --> 00:15:48,090
better than anything else yeah I know I

428

00:15:46,200 --> 00:15:49,470
know it's a worry but I mean there was

429
00:15:48,090 --> 00:15:51,090
it was out radio statements they asked

430
00:15:49,470 --> 00:15:52,889
them to take the statements down off

431
00:15:51,090 --> 00:15:55,350
their website they didn't they forwarded

432
00:15:52,889 --> 00:15:57,779
they lost honey opti plus lost and the

433
00:15:55,350 --> 00:15:59,399
plants were from a homeopathy plus point

434
00:15:57,779 --> 00:16:00,689
of view would have been crippling but

435
00:15:59,399 --> 00:16:03,000
from an a Triple C point of view whether

436
00:16:00,690 --> 00:16:06,150
you were recouping your costs I mean

437
00:16:03,000 --> 00:16:08,070
that's obviously done as a ethical issue

438
00:16:06,149 --> 00:16:08,480
almost by the a traditional market as

439
00:16:08,070 --> 00:16:10,990
well

440
00:16:08,480 --> 00:16:13,459
and i think that's it i'm the a triple c

441
00:16:10,990 --> 00:16:16,310
does a great job and obviously they've

442
00:16:13,458 --> 00:16:18,588

got a very big remit and cases like that

443

00:16:16,309 --> 00:16:20,509

i think send a really clear message to

444

00:16:18,589 --> 00:16:23,120

others who might not directly be in that

445

00:16:20,509 --> 00:16:24,889

space but are pushing boundaries that

446

00:16:23,120 --> 00:16:27,078

there are some big fines and they will

447

00:16:24,889 --> 00:16:29,000

get cramps that's an interesting case

448

00:16:27,078 --> 00:16:31,219

because with the homeopathy plus people

449

00:16:29,000 --> 00:16:33,470

they are they were dealing with true

450

00:16:31,220 --> 00:16:35,269

believers these people who really in

451

00:16:33,470 --> 00:16:37,730

their heart of hearts believe this stuff

452

00:16:35,269 --> 00:16:39,289

actually works whereas maybe we can look

453

00:16:37,730 --> 00:16:40,519

at some of the other dodgy products that

454

00:16:39,289 --> 00:16:42,528

have come and gotten of the power

455

00:16:40,519 --> 00:16:44,778

balance bands for example with the

456

00:16:42,528 --> 00:16:46,309

people behind it knew full well it was a

457
00:16:44,778 --> 00:16:47,929
dodgy product from the beginning so it's

458
00:16:46,309 --> 00:16:50,629
interesting you get to do a two

459
00:16:47,929 --> 00:16:52,189
different well that yeah that's right

460
00:16:50,629 --> 00:16:54,769
and I think that's why choice will

461
00:16:52,190 --> 00:16:57,740
always exist because whether or not

462
00:16:54,769 --> 00:16:59,480
people doing it with the pure intent to

463
00:16:57,740 --> 00:17:01,278
deceive you or they're just doing it

464
00:16:59,480 --> 00:17:03,259
unknowingly there is always a role for

465
00:17:01,278 --> 00:17:05,929
someone to keep them honest on that role

466
00:17:03,259 --> 00:17:07,730
is it a lonely wrong choice there many

467
00:17:05,929 --> 00:17:09,860
other people to check out does that

468
00:17:07,730 --> 00:17:11,240
these days on the ABC right but there's

469
00:17:09,859 --> 00:17:12,649
not a lot of others out there doing and

470
00:17:11,240 --> 00:17:15,410
then quite a few promoters of the other

471
00:17:12,650 --> 00:17:17,990
side yeah I've got a saying in in the

472
00:17:15,410 --> 00:17:19,939
legal profession is it's not a very sexy

473
00:17:17,990 --> 00:17:21,679
area to be in consumer law on the

474
00:17:19,939 --> 00:17:22,880
consumer side if there's not a lot of

475
00:17:21,679 --> 00:17:25,459
money in it and there's not a lot of

476
00:17:22,880 --> 00:17:30,410
glamour in it either really yeah on the

477
00:17:25,459 --> 00:17:32,720
TV that's it that it's it's really

478
00:17:30,410 --> 00:17:35,509
interesting because now that obviously

479
00:17:32,720 --> 00:17:36,829
social media has taken off we're getting

480
00:17:35,509 --> 00:17:39,109
a lot of people wanting to get engaged

481
00:17:36,829 --> 00:17:40,849
and what's fascinating about that is

482
00:17:39,109 --> 00:17:42,979
that you get support from really

483
00:17:40,849 --> 00:17:44,719
interesting places in the community and

484
00:17:42,980 --> 00:17:46,759
you can see it live and people arguing

485

00:17:44,720 --> 00:17:48,470
your case for you so if you get the

486
00:17:46,759 --> 00:17:50,419
message right and then you empower the

487
00:17:48,470 --> 00:17:53,480
community they often will take that

488
00:17:50,419 --> 00:17:55,040
consumer affairs message for you into

489
00:17:53,480 --> 00:17:56,750
the market and what's been really

490
00:17:55,039 --> 00:17:59,240
interesting recently where we launched a

491
00:17:56,750 --> 00:18:01,669
free-range egg boycott against 19 brands

492
00:17:59,240 --> 00:18:04,940
that we believe we're just ridiculous

493
00:18:01,669 --> 00:18:06,919
with their free-range claims people

494
00:18:04,940 --> 00:18:09,980
embraced it we're getting 10,000 scans

495
00:18:06,919 --> 00:18:12,530
on egg cartons every day basically

496
00:18:09,980 --> 00:18:14,808
showing people how they're being misled

497
00:18:12,529 --> 00:18:17,089
and deceived with these claims and it's

498
00:18:14,808 --> 00:18:17,680
just being embraced by the community and

499
00:18:17,089 --> 00:18:19,720

shared

500

00:18:17,680 --> 00:18:21,220

so if you get it right it can go viral

501

00:18:19,720 --> 00:18:25,750

like that and you can have a huge impact

502

00:18:21,220 --> 00:18:27,430

like long and far beyond these doors all

503

00:18:25,750 --> 00:18:29,079

right well then Tom thank you so much

504

00:18:27,430 --> 00:18:30,670

it's always good to come by to choice

505

00:18:29,079 --> 00:18:32,429

magazine Western skeptics and choice

506

00:18:30,670 --> 00:18:34,750

magazine have had a long and happy

507

00:18:32,430 --> 00:18:37,299

relationship we do cross over quite a

508

00:18:34,750 --> 00:18:39,700

bit and of course I very well remember

509

00:18:37,299 --> 00:18:41,139

well not helping choice because that's

510

00:18:39,700 --> 00:18:42,910

not exactly how it works but letting

511

00:18:41,140 --> 00:18:44,140

them know more about the power balance

512

00:18:42,910 --> 00:18:46,779

band and I was delighted when that

513

00:18:44,140 --> 00:18:49,150

received the shonky some years ago and I

514
00:18:46,779 --> 00:18:51,069
will offer you an open invitation to

515
00:18:49,150 --> 00:18:53,350
come and talk to our group at skeptics

516
00:18:51,069 --> 00:18:55,059
in the pub which is the first thursday

517
00:18:53,349 --> 00:18:56,829
of the month Alex tonight as a matter of

518
00:18:55,059 --> 00:18:58,720
fact but we have a Sega tonight but

519
00:18:56,829 --> 00:18:59,889
you're always welcome in the coming

520
00:18:58,720 --> 00:19:02,799
months if you want to come along and ask

521
00:18:59,890 --> 00:19:05,980
for address our group it's quite a fun

522
00:19:02,799 --> 00:19:07,690
evening and if people want to find out

523
00:19:05,980 --> 00:19:10,029
more about choice magazine or even

524
00:19:07,690 --> 00:19:13,059
subscribe how do they go that well jump

525
00:19:10,029 --> 00:19:14,799
to choice comdata you and it's all there

526
00:19:13,059 --> 00:19:17,289
and I would encourage everyone if you've

527
00:19:14,799 --> 00:19:19,000
got a tip let us know it's information

528
00:19:17,289 --> 00:19:21,399
about the trans-pacific trade agreement

529
00:19:19,000 --> 00:19:23,079
cuz that's really confusing is a simple

530
00:19:21,400 --> 00:19:25,269
place that on your site we can read

531
00:19:23,079 --> 00:19:27,069
about yeah there is so again just got a

532
00:19:25,269 --> 00:19:29,109
choice to accommodate you type in TPP

533
00:19:27,069 --> 00:19:30,970
and there's an explainer there there's

534
00:19:29,109 --> 00:19:31,990
also a campaign action you can take to

535
00:19:30,970 --> 00:19:34,930
help us keep the pressure on the

536
00:19:31,990 --> 00:19:37,259
government to get out of this dodgy isds

537
00:19:34,930 --> 00:19:37,259
clause

538
00:19:52,769 --> 00:19:54,829
you

539
00:19:55,839 --> 00:20:02,959
secrets of the psychics Australian

540
00:20:00,109 --> 00:20:05,839
skeptics Sydney dinner meeting fourth of

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00:20:02,960 --> 00:20:09,230
June at the ride Eastwood leagues club

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00:20:05,839 --> 00:20:13,399
in west ryde in preparation for the

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00:20:09,230 --> 00:20:15,049
visit by psychic medium John Edward to

544
00:20:13,400 --> 00:20:16,790
Australia we're thrilled to have a

545
00:20:15,049 --> 00:20:19,819
special event for our next dinner

546
00:20:16,789 --> 00:20:22,428
meeting in Sydney and double act with a

547
00:20:19,819 --> 00:20:26,089
demonstration of psychic powers by self

548
00:20:22,429 --> 00:20:27,830
professed psychic Nellie Klein and an

549
00:20:26,089 --> 00:20:30,409
explanation of the psychic skills by

550
00:20:27,829 --> 00:20:33,349
Richard Saunders judge of the psychic TV

551
00:20:30,410 --> 00:20:35,500
challenge show the one and senior

552
00:20:33,349 --> 00:20:38,569
investigator for Australian skeptics Inc

553
00:20:35,500 --> 00:20:41,119
miss Klein has agreed to do readings of

554
00:20:38,569 --> 00:20:43,759
members of our audience giving you the

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00:20:41,119 --> 00:20:45,799
chance to see the psychic powers in

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00:20:43,759 --> 00:20:47,690

action and see how accurate they are

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00:20:45,799 --> 00:20:49,970

Richard will follow this with the

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00:20:47,690 --> 00:20:52,670

presentation of psychic tricks of the

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00:20:49,970 --> 00:20:55,700

trade using his extensive knowledge and

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00:20:52,670 --> 00:20:57,050

confrontation with claimants who it

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00:20:55,700 --> 00:20:59,299

sounds interesting i might even go to

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00:20:57,049 --> 00:21:00,980

this one myself so that's the australian

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00:20:59,299 --> 00:21:03,829

skeptics in dinner meeting the fourth of

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00:21:00,980 --> 00:21:09,349

june at the ride eastwood leagues club

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00:21:03,829 --> 00:21:10,849

in west ryde are 6 34 7 15 it says cost

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00:21:09,349 --> 00:21:12,829

is fifty dollars per person which

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00:21:10,849 --> 00:21:15,859

includes a buffet dinner and the dinners

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00:21:12,829 --> 00:21:17,869

there are pretty damn good plus a lucky

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00:21:15,859 --> 00:21:20,240

door prize somebody will get their

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00:21:17,869 --> 00:21:25,269

ticket refunded for more information

571
00:21:20,240 --> 00:21:25,269
visit w WH calm

572
00:21:32,009 --> 00:21:36,549
how much truth is there to claims of

573
00:21:34,599 --> 00:21:38,919
risk caused by the treatment of beef

574
00:21:36,549 --> 00:21:40,779
cattle with antibiotics I'm Tamra

575
00:21:38,920 --> 00:21:46,690
Robertson and you're hooked up to the

576
00:21:40,779 --> 00:21:48,879
feeding tube the feeding tube is the web

577
00:21:46,690 --> 00:21:51,970
video series that brings you the real

578
00:21:48,880 --> 00:21:54,430
facts behind popular food myths food

579
00:21:51,970 --> 00:21:56,799
whoo is the most pervasive pop

580
00:21:54,430 --> 00:21:59,289
pseudoscience out there right now and it

581
00:21:56,799 --> 00:22:01,299
desperately needs debunking each three

582
00:21:59,289 --> 00:22:04,059
minute episode is suitable for general

583
00:22:01,299 --> 00:22:07,180
audience and is produced by scientists

584
00:22:04,059 --> 00:22:27,669
for everyone the feeding tube check it

585
00:22:07,180 --> 00:22:29,799
out feeding tube TV the skeptic zone

586
00:22:27,670 --> 00:22:33,279
continues to bring you updates on the

587
00:22:29,799 --> 00:22:35,589
Melbourne chiropractor in ross perot who

588
00:22:33,279 --> 00:22:38,859
crafted the back of a four day old baby

589
00:22:35,589 --> 00:22:41,289
his reasoning was to relieve the baby of

590
00:22:38,859 --> 00:22:43,659
colic I'm going to take that contact

591
00:22:41,289 --> 00:22:46,119
there like that I have to unfortunately

592
00:22:43,660 --> 00:22:55,600
just extend her a little bit to get it

593
00:22:46,119 --> 00:22:58,149
in the right place that's why there is

594
00:22:55,599 --> 00:23:00,839
an excellent overview of this whole

595
00:22:58,150 --> 00:23:04,120
affair over its science-based medicine

596
00:23:00,839 --> 00:23:05,740
science-based medicine org I'll add a

597
00:23:04,119 --> 00:23:07,779
link to the show notes if you go to

598
00:23:05,740 --> 00:23:11,049
science-based medicine you'll find the

599

00:23:07,779 --> 00:23:16,210
article they're entitled the crack heard

600
00:23:11,049 --> 00:23:18,869
around the world by clay Jones Ross bruh

601
00:23:16,210 --> 00:23:21,700
himself appeared on the national TV show

602
00:23:18,869 --> 00:23:25,209
studio 10 earlier last week to defend

603
00:23:21,700 --> 00:23:26,860
the video his actions in chiropractic it

604
00:23:25,210 --> 00:23:29,860
didn't go very well for him at all and

605
00:23:26,859 --> 00:23:32,709
I'll add that video to the show notes as

606
00:23:29,859 --> 00:23:36,609
well but to quote a segment of the

607
00:23:32,710 --> 00:23:39,130
report at science-based medicine what

608
00:23:36,609 --> 00:23:41,289
really happened in the ross perot video

609
00:23:39,130 --> 00:23:44,110
the funny thing is the child in the

610
00:23:41,289 --> 00:23:46,450
video doesn't have acid reflux or

611
00:23:44,109 --> 00:23:49,359
neither of those are conditions we

612
00:23:46,450 --> 00:23:51,250
diagnose in a four day old infant the

613
00:23:49,359 --> 00:23:53,349

kid was hungry what the parents

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00:23:51,250 --> 00:23:55,808

described and taking into account the

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00:23:53,349 --> 00:23:58,629

mild prematurity of the infant is

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00:23:55,808 --> 00:24:01,539

consistent with a hungry cluster feeding

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00:23:58,630 --> 00:24:04,390

baby whose mothers milk hasn't come in

618

00:24:01,539 --> 00:24:06,879

yet the reason the child was less fussy

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00:24:04,390 --> 00:24:11,290

one week later was because by that time

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00:24:06,880 --> 00:24:13,929

it had she didn't need chiropractic she

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00:24:11,289 --> 00:24:16,960

needed a weight check and an evaluation

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00:24:13,929 --> 00:24:19,090

of her obvious jaundice her parents

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00:24:16,960 --> 00:24:22,960

needed reassurance and breastfeeding

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00:24:19,089 --> 00:24:27,639

support they all just needed a good

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00:24:22,960 --> 00:24:31,380

primary care doctor from the website of

626

00:24:27,640 --> 00:24:34,840

Australian skeptics skeptics comdata you

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00:24:31,380 --> 00:24:38,049

Vic health minister calls for action on

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00:24:34,839 --> 00:24:41,199

kiro regulation by Tim mendham published

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00:24:38,048 --> 00:24:43,389

on the 6th of May following a public

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00:24:41,200 --> 00:24:45,640

outcry the Victorian Health Minister

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00:24:43,390 --> 00:24:47,710

Jill Hennessy has raised serious

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00:24:45,640 --> 00:24:50,380

concerns about the practices and

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00:24:47,710 --> 00:24:52,929

regulation in the chiropractic industry

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00:24:50,380 --> 00:24:55,630

calling for urgent action on these

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00:24:52,929 --> 00:24:57,669

issues she is the second health minister

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00:24:55,630 --> 00:24:59,830

to raise concerns about the chiropractic

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00:24:57,669 --> 00:25:01,809

industry following the South Australian

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00:24:59,829 --> 00:25:03,519

health minister Jack snowing he wrote to

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00:25:01,808 --> 00:25:07,599

the Australian health practitioners

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00:25:03,519 --> 00:25:10,240

regulation agency eh pra and the

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00:25:07,599 --> 00:25:12,609

chiropractic board of Australia CBA in

642
00:25:10,240 --> 00:25:15,279
February demanding to know what they are

643
00:25:12,609 --> 00:25:17,609
doing about chiropractors involved in

644
00:25:15,279 --> 00:25:20,649
quote potentially false or misleading

645
00:25:17,609 --> 00:25:23,079
advertising men quote snelling is the

646
00:25:20,650 --> 00:25:25,210
chair of the co AG Health Council whose

647
00:25:23,079 --> 00:25:27,548
members comprise all australian

648
00:25:25,210 --> 00:25:29,769
government ministers state and territory

649
00:25:27,548 --> 00:25:31,569
ministers and ministers from the new

650
00:25:29,769 --> 00:25:33,730
zealand government with direct

651
00:25:31,569 --> 00:25:36,369
responsibility for health matters which

652
00:25:33,730 --> 00:25:38,019
includes Hennessey Hennessey has not

653
00:25:36,369 --> 00:25:41,109
issued a formal statement on the issue

654
00:25:38,019 --> 00:25:43,000
but in interviews with the media she

655
00:25:41,109 --> 00:25:45,849
says she has called for urgent action

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00:25:43,000 --> 00:25:48,759
against rogue chiropractors amid outrage

657
00:25:45,849 --> 00:25:51,579
over the manipulation of babies spines

658
00:25:48,759 --> 00:25:54,640
this follows the wide distribution of a

659
00:25:51,579 --> 00:25:57,189
YouTube clip of chiropractor Ian Ross

660
00:25:54,640 --> 00:25:57,770
pura cracking the back of a Ford a year

661
00:25:57,190 --> 00:26:00,230
old primit

662
00:25:57,769 --> 00:26:02,569
your baby Roz pura has recently posted

663
00:26:00,230 --> 00:26:05,599
another video of himself adjusting the

664
00:26:02,569 --> 00:26:07,549
neck of his own baby local skeptics and

665
00:26:05,599 --> 00:26:09,439
concerned members of the community have

666
00:26:07,549 --> 00:26:11,329
raised the issue with the Victorian

667
00:26:09,440 --> 00:26:13,670
Human Services Minister and the

668
00:26:11,329 --> 00:26:16,039
Department of Health there has also been

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00:26:13,670 --> 00:26:18,620
much space on mainstream and social

670
00:26:16,039 --> 00:26:20,889

media devoted to the clip and its wider

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00:26:18,619 --> 00:26:23,079

implications for chiropractic practice

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00:26:20,890 --> 00:26:26,060

Hennessy said that she was quote

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00:26:23,079 --> 00:26:28,099

physically shaken and quote after

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00:26:26,059 --> 00:26:31,879

viewing the initial video like snelling

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00:26:28,099 --> 00:26:33,980

she has written to the ahpra and the cba

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00:26:31,880 --> 00:26:36,110

seeking action on chiropractors

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00:26:33,980 --> 00:26:38,660

performing quote unproven and

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00:26:36,109 --> 00:26:41,149

potentially unsafe procedures on young

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00:26:38,660 --> 00:26:43,070

children and infants men quote in

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00:26:41,150 --> 00:26:45,650

particular she was concerned about the

681

00:26:43,069 --> 00:26:48,259

persistent claims from a quote small

682

00:26:45,650 --> 00:26:50,660

cohort of chiropractors and quote that

683

00:26:48,259 --> 00:26:53,210

spinal or scalp treatment could cure

684

00:26:50,660 --> 00:26:57,019

conditions such as colic autism ear

685
00:26:53,210 --> 00:27:00,829
infections and ADHD she said that in her

686
00:26:57,019 --> 00:27:02,750
letter to the ahpra and the cba she

687
00:27:00,829 --> 00:27:04,699
raised doubts that the current

688
00:27:02,750 --> 00:27:06,140
regulations were preventing rogue

689
00:27:04,700 --> 00:27:08,690
chiropractors from making

690
00:27:06,140 --> 00:27:10,970
unsubstantiated and dangerous claims and

691
00:27:08,690 --> 00:27:13,759
asked the board to review its

692
00:27:10,970 --> 00:27:16,160
accountability mechanisms in March the

693
00:27:13,759 --> 00:27:18,379
CBA the group responsible for

694
00:27:16,160 --> 00:27:20,690
chiropractic industry standards issued

695
00:27:18,380 --> 00:27:23,540
its own warning to chiropractors that

696
00:27:20,690 --> 00:27:25,730
quote claims suggesting that manual

697
00:27:23,539 --> 00:27:28,220
therapy for spinal problems can assist

698
00:27:25,730 --> 00:27:30,079
with general wellness and or benefit a

699
00:27:28,220 --> 00:27:32,690
variety of pediatric symptoms and

700
00:27:30,079 --> 00:27:34,669
organic conditions are not supported by

701
00:27:32,690 --> 00:27:36,680
satisfactory evidence this includes

702
00:27:34,670 --> 00:27:39,140
claims relating to development and

703
00:27:36,680 --> 00:27:42,799
behavioral disorders ADHD autism

704
00:27:39,140 --> 00:27:45,610
spectrum disorders asthma infantile

705
00:27:42,799 --> 00:27:48,440
colic bedwetting ear infections and

706
00:27:45,609 --> 00:27:50,689
digestive problems unquote the baby in

707
00:27:48,440 --> 00:27:52,910
rosboroughs initial video was being

708
00:27:50,690 --> 00:27:55,700
treated for colic the Royal Australian

709
00:27:52,910 --> 00:27:57,860
College of General Practitioners has

710
00:27:55,700 --> 00:28:00,230
told its members not to refer patients

711
00:27:57,859 --> 00:28:01,759
to chiropractors and has called for the

712
00:28:00,230 --> 00:28:04,160
federal government and private health

713

00:28:01,759 --> 00:28:06,230
insurers to stop paying them for

714
00:28:04,160 --> 00:28:08,029
questionable treatments hennessy was

715
00:28:06,230 --> 00:28:10,940
also concerned about the reports from

716
00:28:08,029 --> 00:28:12,470
quote alarmed and quote members of the

717
00:28:10,940 --> 00:28:14,930
who said they had witnessed

718
00:28:12,470 --> 00:28:17,180
chiropractors advising parents against

719
00:28:14,930 --> 00:28:19,880
vaccinating their children and openly

720
00:28:17,180 --> 00:28:23,240
promoting anti-vaccination materials in

721
00:28:19,880 --> 00:28:25,070
waiting rooms quote it's reprehensible

722
00:28:23,240 --> 00:28:27,680
but chiropractors would pedal

723
00:28:25,069 --> 00:28:29,839
anti-vaccination myths outside their

724
00:28:27,680 --> 00:28:33,049
scope of practice when quote she told

725
00:28:29,839 --> 00:28:34,819
the media CAA interview following the

726
00:28:33,049 --> 00:28:37,970
publication of Minister Hennessy's

727
00:28:34,819 --> 00:28:40,789

comments ABC morning radio presented Jon

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00:28:37,970 --> 00:28:42,200

Faine interviewed andrew lawrence deputy

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00:28:40,789 --> 00:28:45,230

president of the chiropractic

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00:28:42,200 --> 00:28:47,779

association of australia in what can

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00:28:45,230 --> 00:28:49,210

only be described as an extremely

732

00:28:47,779 --> 00:28:51,680

hesitant response to feigns

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00:28:49,210 --> 00:28:53,680

uncompromising questioning lawrence

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00:28:51,680 --> 00:28:55,910

repeatedly refused to condemn

735

00:28:53,680 --> 00:28:59,299

chiropractic treatment of infants and

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00:28:55,910 --> 00:29:01,130

that comes to us from skeptics com au

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00:28:59,299 --> 00:29:03,859

the website of Australian skeptics

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00:29:01,130 --> 00:29:06,560

written by Tim mendham published on the

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00:29:03,859 --> 00:29:09,349

6th of May an hour play a short clip

740

00:29:06,559 --> 00:29:12,019

from the aforementioned segment with

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00:29:09,349 --> 00:29:15,169

radio presenter ABC radio presenter Jon

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00:29:12,019 --> 00:29:17,359
Faine interviewing andrew lawrence the

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00:29:15,170 --> 00:29:20,779
deputy president of the chiropractic

744
00:29:17,359 --> 00:29:28,879
association of australia 774 ABC

745
00:29:20,779 --> 00:29:30,980
melbourne on radio online jon faine good

746
00:29:28,880 --> 00:29:34,070
morning friday morning the sixth of may

747
00:29:30,980 --> 00:29:37,160
the state government clamped down on

748
00:29:34,069 --> 00:29:41,299
extravagant even misleading claims made

749
00:29:37,160 --> 00:29:44,779
by chiropractors and one viral online

750
00:29:41,299 --> 00:29:50,690
video of a chiropractor cracking the

751
00:29:44,779 --> 00:29:55,759
spine of a four day old baby four days

752
00:29:50,690 --> 00:29:57,200
old is triggering an enormous outpouring

753
00:29:55,759 --> 00:30:00,289
of criticism of the practice of

754
00:29:57,200 --> 00:30:01,640
chiropractors to dr. andrew lawrence is

755
00:30:00,289 --> 00:30:03,740
deputy present of the chiropractor's

756
00:30:01,640 --> 00:30:05,570
association morning to you Andrew good

757
00:30:03,740 --> 00:30:09,529
morning John a chiropractors out of

758
00:30:05,569 --> 00:30:11,990
control no not at all what about mr.

759
00:30:09,529 --> 00:30:14,990
Ross Perot manipulating and cracking the

760
00:30:11,990 --> 00:30:17,690
spine of a four day old baby look I've

761
00:30:14,990 --> 00:30:19,819
seen the video but obviously I wasn't

762
00:30:17,690 --> 00:30:22,720
there so it's a bit difficult for me to

763
00:30:19,819 --> 00:30:24,658
contact specific comment specifically

764
00:30:22,720 --> 00:30:27,460
about it would you under any

765
00:30:24,659 --> 00:30:34,960
circumstances do that on a four day old

766
00:30:27,460 --> 00:30:36,970
baby the adjustment of children is so by

767
00:30:34,960 --> 00:30:40,000
chiropractors has been done safely for a

768
00:30:36,970 --> 00:30:44,919
very long period of time four days old

769
00:30:40,000 --> 00:30:46,900
do you defend it I ever said I can't

770

00:30:44,919 --> 00:30:49,000
comment because i have known to comment

771
00:30:46,900 --> 00:30:50,950
Andrew you're the deputy president of

772
00:30:49,000 --> 00:30:54,069
the Assessor ocean Oh either say it's

773
00:30:50,950 --> 00:30:57,069
okay or you say it's not well the care

774
00:30:54,069 --> 00:30:58,899
of children is has been a part of

775
00:30:57,069 --> 00:31:00,730
chiropractic for a very long period of

776
00:30:58,900 --> 00:31:03,640
time for dads attique look that

777
00:31:00,730 --> 00:31:08,919
particular video did not did not look

778
00:31:03,640 --> 00:31:19,870
good and it's the type of adjustment

779
00:31:08,919 --> 00:31:22,450
that occurred is well really we don't we

780
00:31:19,869 --> 00:31:27,428
don't why not just come out and say it's

781
00:31:22,450 --> 00:31:29,710
wrong well that type of adjustment on a

782
00:31:27,429 --> 00:31:31,538
four day old would not be recommended I

783
00:31:29,710 --> 00:31:33,819
wouldn't of thought had its worst Andrew

784
00:31:31,538 --> 00:31:43,500

I've got a snake that needs oiling can i

785

00:31:33,819 --> 00:31:43,500

send it to you are you there yes I am

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00:31:53,388 --> 00:31:58,849

hi this is Heidi Robertson from the

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00:31:56,909 --> 00:32:01,730

Northern Rivers vaccination supporters

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00:31:58,849 --> 00:32:04,349

we are a group of concerned citizens

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00:32:01,730 --> 00:32:06,929

dedicated to promoting good science and

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00:32:04,349 --> 00:32:09,990

common sense in our region the far north

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00:32:06,929 --> 00:32:11,788

coast of New South Wales this area are

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00:32:09,990 --> 00:32:14,788

famous for its natural beauty and

793

00:32:11,788 --> 00:32:18,388

relaxed lifestyle also has the lowest

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00:32:14,788 --> 00:32:20,490

rates of vaccination in Australia we are

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00:32:18,388 --> 00:32:22,918

out to change that by challenging the

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00:32:20,490 --> 00:32:24,599

myths and misinformation and by

797

00:32:22,919 --> 00:32:27,899

providing good evidence based

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00:32:24,599 --> 00:32:29,759

information to the community we'd love

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00:32:27,898 --> 00:32:33,388
for you no matter where you are in the

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00:32:29,759 --> 00:32:40,980
world to join our fight please visit our

801

00:32:33,388 --> 00:32:43,798
webpage at ww nrvs info we also have a

802

00:32:40,980 --> 00:32:47,849
link there to our facebook page tweet us

803

00:32:43,798 --> 00:32:50,398
at in our faqs supporters that's VA x

804

00:32:47,849 --> 00:32:52,368
and check us out on Wikipedia by

805

00:32:50,398 --> 00:33:04,319
searching for Northern Rivers

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00:32:52,368 --> 00:33:07,909
vaccination supporters thank you years

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00:33:04,319 --> 00:33:10,990
may not spooky action

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00:33:07,910 --> 00:33:10,990
at the distance

809

00:33:11,450 --> 00:33:16,230
yes I'm discreetly located near the

810

00:33:14,220 --> 00:33:18,450
ladies toilet where I can keep an eye on

811

00:33:16,230 --> 00:33:20,308
everything scenically opposite the

812

00:33:18,450 --> 00:33:21,720
vaults look at that doesn't it look like

813
00:33:20,308 --> 00:33:24,000
there's a conspiracy of some sort going

814
00:33:21,720 --> 00:33:26,700
in there I ask our guests tonight at

815
00:33:24,000 --> 00:33:29,640
skeptics in the pub who is Chris Fleming

816
00:33:26,700 --> 00:33:31,019
and Chris have what degree of you got

817
00:33:29,640 --> 00:33:32,730
and why are you giving us a lecture on

818
00:33:31,019 --> 00:33:34,259
conspiracy theories this evening oh I've

819
00:33:32,730 --> 00:33:36,298
got a couple of undergraduate degrees in

820
00:33:34,259 --> 00:33:38,220
a PhD in philosophy why am I giving you

821
00:33:36,298 --> 00:33:40,048
why am i coming you talk about that I

822
00:33:38,220 --> 00:33:42,179
could you asked me any ones and you

823
00:33:40,048 --> 00:33:45,210
asked very nicely actually right so it's

824
00:33:42,179 --> 00:33:46,470
ego basically narcissism and I yeah I

825
00:33:45,210 --> 00:33:48,840
think it's a great thing to talk about

826
00:33:46,470 --> 00:33:52,440
Google look I'm a huge fan of new shows

827

00:33:48,839 --> 00:33:54,359
up does that make me a weirdo well I

828
00:33:52,440 --> 00:33:56,460
mean you to do philosophers go into the

829
00:33:54,359 --> 00:33:59,250
nation no I've got it one of my PhD

830
00:33:56,460 --> 00:34:01,910
students doing a PhD on nature as we

831
00:33:59,250 --> 00:34:04,289
speak i was reading his work today so

832
00:34:01,910 --> 00:34:05,880
unless this we're all weirdos which is

833
00:34:04,289 --> 00:34:07,409
fine and that's what yeah exactly is it

834
00:34:05,880 --> 00:34:11,128
is there a philosopher who isn't a

835
00:34:07,410 --> 00:34:12,720
weirdo it's hard to say i spent a lot of

836
00:34:11,128 --> 00:34:14,699
time thinking a bit too hard about stuff

837
00:34:12,719 --> 00:34:18,029
for you really maybe shouldn't yeah i

838
00:34:14,699 --> 00:34:19,980
did a very are very often the the

839
00:34:18,030 --> 00:34:22,830
personalized of philosophers are not to

840
00:34:19,980 --> 00:34:25,050
be emulated i guess how you going to

841
00:34:22,829 --> 00:34:26,549

broach the whole conspiracy topic to us

842

00:34:25,050 --> 00:34:28,740

and sometimes I find the whole idea

843

00:34:26,550 --> 00:34:30,419

conspiracy theory adding that word on

844

00:34:28,739 --> 00:34:31,949

the end of it a little bit insulting to

845

00:34:30,418 --> 00:34:34,319

people that may be because there are

846

00:34:31,949 --> 00:34:35,699

genuine theories in in legal courts

847

00:34:34,320 --> 00:34:37,769

every day in Australia yeah

848

00:34:35,699 --> 00:34:39,569

unfortunately English is one of these

849

00:34:37,769 --> 00:34:42,269

things we can't control unlike the

850

00:34:39,570 --> 00:34:44,070

French who passed laws about what words

851

00:34:42,269 --> 00:34:45,480

you can use in what way English is one

852

00:34:44,070 --> 00:34:47,789

of these things that son ruling it's

853

00:34:45,480 --> 00:34:51,030

probably good that way restricting

854

00:34:47,789 --> 00:34:53,550

people's people from saying theory I

855

00:34:51,030 --> 00:34:55,859

mean maybe it is maybe it is but I mean

856
00:34:53,550 --> 00:34:57,330
the the very i'll be talking about the

857
00:34:55,858 --> 00:34:59,699
language of what it means to call

858
00:34:57,329 --> 00:35:01,380
something a conspiracy theory as opposed

859
00:34:59,699 --> 00:35:04,710
to a conspiracy because there's things

860
00:35:01,380 --> 00:35:06,800
to be noted there okay no I like the big

861
00:35:04,710 --> 00:35:08,730
ones like the electric universe theory

862
00:35:06,800 --> 00:35:10,530
hologram theory they're two of my

863
00:35:08,730 --> 00:35:13,530
favorite ones because they just overturn

864
00:35:10,530 --> 00:35:15,119
everything down to really small ones to

865
00:35:13,530 --> 00:35:16,830
like you know where do the socks always

866
00:35:15,119 --> 00:35:20,010
go stuff like that and what are your

867
00:35:16,829 --> 00:35:21,199
favorites now really intrigues you well

868
00:35:20,010 --> 00:35:24,650
the way you know the

869
00:35:21,199 --> 00:35:26,689
really got me I was in wrote a book I

870
00:35:24,650 --> 00:35:28,070
wrote a book a couple years ago and one

871
00:35:26,690 --> 00:35:29,838
of the things I did was watch all the

872
00:35:28,070 --> 00:35:32,539
documentaries and they're all passing by

873
00:35:29,838 --> 00:35:35,088
me without much impact unfortunately

874
00:35:32,539 --> 00:35:36,710
varick von Daniken man he is the cool

875
00:35:35,088 --> 00:35:38,389
he's a cool guy basically these days

876
00:35:36,710 --> 00:35:41,179
he's got the bling and he's got the bit

877
00:35:38,389 --> 00:35:42,769
of gravitas p.m. you know any well not

878
00:35:41,179 --> 00:35:44,149
for you he looks like he's in an old

879
00:35:42,769 --> 00:35:47,690
metal band doesn't need something like

880
00:35:44,150 --> 00:35:49,940
that or yeah well maybe he is maybe

881
00:35:47,690 --> 00:35:52,039
still in a metal band but so at the end

882
00:35:49,940 --> 00:35:56,659
of this right towards the end there was

883
00:35:52,039 --> 00:36:00,559
one of the shows was on area 51 in so

884

00:35:56,659 --> 00:36:02,118
aliens and so on and I was totally taken

885
00:36:00,559 --> 00:36:06,108
i mean i didn't believe it in a way but

886
00:36:02,119 --> 00:36:09,019
the guys testimony was so astonishing

887
00:36:06,108 --> 00:36:10,369
that i felt myself believing him you

888
00:36:09,019 --> 00:36:12,769
know but it's the same conceit that I

889
00:36:10,369 --> 00:36:15,200
get when I watch a you know a true crime

890
00:36:12,769 --> 00:36:16,909
show I always have the conceit that I

891
00:36:15,199 --> 00:36:19,129
know whether they're guilty or not you

892
00:36:16,909 --> 00:36:20,539
know that I can read human nature and I

893
00:36:19,130 --> 00:36:22,940
was just certain this guy was telling

894
00:36:20,539 --> 00:36:25,608
the truth I mean he's not but it is

895
00:36:22,940 --> 00:36:28,970
interesting right so it's and so I

896
00:36:25,608 --> 00:36:31,369
enjoyed that enormously to know what

897
00:36:28,969 --> 00:36:33,348
about the theory about area 51 in

898
00:36:31,369 --> 00:36:34,910

because that that stuff was sort of

899

00:36:33,349 --> 00:36:36,200

thrown up as a cover story for what was

900

00:36:34,909 --> 00:36:38,000

actually really going on there like

901

00:36:36,199 --> 00:36:40,549

making the Blackbird and developing

902

00:36:38,000 --> 00:36:41,989

weapons and communication things that

903

00:36:40,550 --> 00:36:43,190

were actually stuff that had to be kept

904

00:36:41,989 --> 00:36:45,049

secret because that was a government

905

00:36:43,190 --> 00:36:47,780

conspiracy of a military kind yeah

906

00:36:45,050 --> 00:36:50,359

absolutely i mean this is the this is

907

00:36:47,780 --> 00:36:52,280

close to what someone like Noam Chomsky

908

00:36:50,358 --> 00:36:56,269

says is that there are actual plans

909

00:36:52,280 --> 00:36:59,089

going on in secret behind closed doors

910

00:36:56,269 --> 00:37:01,460

with powerful men and that a lot of

911

00:36:59,088 --> 00:37:03,440

people waste their time looking at the

912

00:37:01,460 --> 00:37:05,240

kind of very super if they become a

913
00:37:03,440 --> 00:37:07,670
structural engineer overnight and decide

914
00:37:05,239 --> 00:37:10,129
that September 11 didn't happen and it

915
00:37:07,670 --> 00:37:12,800
was a black flag attack by the US now

916
00:37:10,130 --> 00:37:15,108
it's a you know Chomsky's idea is that

917
00:37:12,800 --> 00:37:16,880
the people like bush or anyone the

918
00:37:15,108 --> 00:37:18,500
Republican Party would love people

919
00:37:16,880 --> 00:37:19,789
buying into this in a way as a

920
00:37:18,500 --> 00:37:22,250
distraction I'm not sure whether he's

921
00:37:19,789 --> 00:37:24,619
right but I mean there there's something

922
00:37:22,250 --> 00:37:27,289
to that I hadn't realized that there was

923
00:37:24,619 --> 00:37:29,119
quite a few ideas around the whole port

924
00:37:27,289 --> 00:37:30,519
and arthur shooting until in recent

925
00:37:29,119 --> 00:37:32,230
years now

926
00:37:30,519 --> 00:37:33,460
is that just something that's come up or

927
00:37:32,230 --> 00:37:35,349
was that been something that happened at

928
00:37:33,460 --> 00:37:36,909
the time when the gun buyback happened

929
00:37:35,349 --> 00:37:39,069
and they link the two together yeah

930
00:37:36,909 --> 00:37:40,929
there was a small amount of conspiracy

931
00:37:39,070 --> 00:37:44,710
theorizing at the time but what we're

932
00:37:40,929 --> 00:37:47,019
seeing now is that I think there's

933
00:37:44,710 --> 00:37:48,970
signal moment for conspiracy theories

934
00:37:47,019 --> 00:37:51,730
really JFK and the Warren Commission

935
00:37:48,969 --> 00:37:55,209
report and that took a couple years to

936
00:37:51,730 --> 00:37:57,039
really you know kind of take off in a

937
00:37:55,210 --> 00:37:59,050
way that it was in the Warren Report was

938
00:37:57,039 --> 00:38:00,789
its own Quran and the satanic verses in

939
00:37:59,050 --> 00:38:02,650
one you know it was a document trying to

940
00:38:00,789 --> 00:38:04,719
prove something and also there were

941

00:38:02,650 --> 00:38:06,849
holes in it well but now there was that

942
00:38:04,719 --> 00:38:08,469
early documentary on JFK was it Mark

943
00:38:06,849 --> 00:38:10,659
Lane who made the first one black and

944
00:38:08,469 --> 00:38:13,209
white one that is an extraordinary film

945
00:38:10,659 --> 00:38:15,579
mm-hmm oh yeah absolutely but I mean

946
00:38:13,210 --> 00:38:18,340
what's happening now is you watch major

947
00:38:15,579 --> 00:38:22,319
world events is what you could almost

948
00:38:18,340 --> 00:38:24,250
call instant revisionism so as the news

949
00:38:22,320 --> 00:38:26,559
report is coming out of the account

950
00:38:24,250 --> 00:38:28,449
there are already circulating the real

951
00:38:26,559 --> 00:38:31,259
account this is the most evident the

952
00:38:28,449 --> 00:38:34,629
last time I saw this happen was with the

953
00:38:31,260 --> 00:38:36,970
Boston Marathon bombing within an hour I

954
00:38:34,630 --> 00:38:39,670
was getting news feeds about who was

955
00:38:36,969 --> 00:38:42,879

really behind it it's amazing that the

956

00:38:39,670 --> 00:38:45,610

pace at which conspiracy theorizing is

957

00:38:42,880 --> 00:38:47,380

is now coming out of course a lot of

958

00:38:45,610 --> 00:38:49,570

people immediately think false flags and

959

00:38:47,380 --> 00:38:51,400

yes false flag attacks have happened I'm

960

00:38:49,570 --> 00:38:52,990

in the Gulf of Tonkin incident strikes

961

00:38:51,400 --> 00:38:54,639

means maybe if not a false flag

962

00:38:52,989 --> 00:38:56,169

something that was used to get into

963

00:38:54,639 --> 00:38:58,210

Vietnam or that maybe never even

964

00:38:56,170 --> 00:39:00,400

happened yeah yeah it looked at this is

965

00:38:58,210 --> 00:39:04,119

a thing in there's no one of the things

966

00:39:00,400 --> 00:39:06,400

that is frustrating about writing about

967

00:39:04,119 --> 00:39:09,009

this areas we don't have any surefire

968

00:39:06,400 --> 00:39:11,860

algorithm to kind of sort lunacy from

969

00:39:09,010 --> 00:39:14,290

from reason there's a sliding scale of

970
00:39:11,860 --> 00:39:17,500
plausibility now whether you know it

971
00:39:14,289 --> 00:39:20,130
seems at least to me doubtful that we're

972
00:39:17,500 --> 00:39:23,199
being ruled by you know reptilian

973
00:39:20,130 --> 00:39:25,180
hybrids but you know whether that there

974
00:39:23,199 --> 00:39:27,250
were some you know whether some other

975
00:39:25,179 --> 00:39:29,799
conspiracies of its smaller nature I

976
00:39:27,250 --> 00:39:32,199
don't want to name any but are actually

977
00:39:29,800 --> 00:39:35,160
the case I can't think of any off the

978
00:39:32,199 --> 00:39:37,629
top of my head then you know there are

979
00:39:35,159 --> 00:39:38,859
gradations of plausibility here and as

980
00:39:37,630 --> 00:39:41,800
you say they've been you know the

981
00:39:38,860 --> 00:39:43,720
Tuskegee syphilis experiment operation

982
00:39:41,800 --> 00:39:46,420
northcott which never actually happened

983
00:39:43,719 --> 00:39:49,299
it was a quiet north wind and a horn

984
00:39:46,420 --> 00:39:50,619
it's something up racial north winds

985
00:39:49,300 --> 00:39:52,420
where they were thinking of introducing

986
00:39:50,619 --> 00:39:54,039
was it a flu agent or something to see

987
00:39:52,420 --> 00:39:55,690
how it would go although think I'm doing

988
00:39:54,039 --> 00:39:57,579
hijacking experiments and blaming the

989
00:39:55,690 --> 00:39:59,980
Cubans was that the one yes yes it was

990
00:39:57,579 --> 00:40:02,289
that was a that was the blaming cubes

991
00:39:59,980 --> 00:40:04,030
but we've only got um finally got

992
00:40:02,289 --> 00:40:06,789
written records of that play never did

993
00:40:04,030 --> 00:40:09,220
it but they've have some account of it

994
00:40:06,789 --> 00:40:10,929
so what do you reckon is if someone like

995
00:40:09,219 --> 00:40:12,549
obviously there's a skeptic listing they

996
00:40:10,929 --> 00:40:14,559
don't want any truck with this sort of

997
00:40:12,550 --> 00:40:16,990
stuff probably but if they want to have

998

00:40:14,559 --> 00:40:18,820
a good time looking at a documentary

999
00:40:16,989 --> 00:40:21,250
that is proposing something odd to me

1000
00:40:18,820 --> 00:40:22,930
ancient aliens is a good one because it

1001
00:40:21,250 --> 00:40:24,429
the production values are good it's easy

1002
00:40:22,929 --> 00:40:26,139
to watch but is there one you would

1003
00:40:24,429 --> 00:40:28,299
recommened of interesting starting point a

1004
00:40:26,139 --> 00:40:31,139
documentary to watch about conspiracies

1005
00:40:28,300 --> 00:40:33,550
well I mean a really significant one

1006
00:40:31,139 --> 00:40:36,670
loose change is really interesting as a

1007
00:40:33,550 --> 00:40:39,400
as a kind of example of the genre and is

1008
00:40:36,670 --> 00:40:40,780
and also unlike other it kept updating

1009
00:40:39,400 --> 00:40:42,639
every six months or every year that

1010
00:40:40,780 --> 00:40:46,440
updated as well and that's a new thing

1011
00:40:42,639 --> 00:40:49,539
now too oh absolutely so it's you know I

1012
00:40:46,440 --> 00:40:51,429

and it's it's very significant in terms

1013

00:40:49,539 --> 00:40:53,949
of modern conspiracy dissemination

1014

00:40:51,429 --> 00:40:56,230
through billing seven building seven man

1015

00:40:53,949 --> 00:40:58,779
yeah I know I don't want to talk about

1016

00:40:56,230 --> 00:41:02,500
it he actually have at least not out in

1017

00:40:58,780 --> 00:41:03,880
the open but yeah so okay d lose-lose

1018

00:41:02,500 --> 00:41:06,519
changes yet but you've you found that a

1019

00:41:03,880 --> 00:41:08,050
bit dull well I mean dramatic times you

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00:41:06,519 --> 00:41:09,519
know if you really want to watch a good

1021

00:41:08,050 --> 00:41:12,160
conspiracy show watch any television

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00:41:09,519 --> 00:41:14,409
right because that is the that is the

1023

00:41:12,159 --> 00:41:16,539
main mode in which television operates

1024

00:41:14,409 --> 00:41:18,039
you know if you are watching daredevil

1025

00:41:16,539 --> 00:41:20,469
last night right the whole thing is this

1026

00:41:18,039 --> 00:41:23,469
incredible conspiracy between building

1027
00:41:20,469 --> 00:41:25,779
contractors between slight sexual slave

1028
00:41:23,469 --> 00:41:27,459
traders between you know read that and

1029
00:41:25,780 --> 00:41:28,900
brown I mean you don't do if you really

1030
00:41:27,460 --> 00:41:30,608
want the good conspiracies turn to

1031
00:41:28,900 --> 00:41:32,980
fiction because they're everywhere you

1032
00:41:30,608 --> 00:41:35,259
never have a TV on a television show

1033
00:41:32,980 --> 00:41:37,719
that talks about structural inequality

1034
00:41:35,260 --> 00:41:39,880
or broad social trends right because

1035
00:41:37,719 --> 00:41:41,919
they're not then they're not

1036
00:41:39,880 --> 00:41:44,079
intrinsically interesting to an audience

1037
00:41:41,920 --> 00:41:45,909
so that's where I'd turn I wouldn't

1038
00:41:44,079 --> 00:41:48,519
there's not enough in the Dockers how

1039
00:41:45,909 --> 00:41:50,710
about jf Oliver Stone's JFK that is that

1040
00:41:48,519 --> 00:41:53,019
that is a monumental piece of work yeah

1041
00:41:50,710 --> 00:41:55,929
it is I find all of the stone difficult

1042
00:41:53,019 --> 00:41:58,809
I didn't forgive him to the doors

1043
00:41:55,929 --> 00:42:00,940
but oh and I find it kind of ponderous

1044
00:41:58,809 --> 00:42:04,329
but yeah why not I mean he is he's

1045
00:42:00,940 --> 00:42:07,030
himself a conspiracy theorist about all

1046
00:42:04,329 --> 00:42:09,400
I think about most things but I think

1047
00:42:07,030 --> 00:42:11,019
even did the the revision history of the

1048
00:42:09,400 --> 00:42:12,880
United States it is a series as well

1049
00:42:11,019 --> 00:42:14,679
documentary looking at it alternative

1050
00:42:12,880 --> 00:42:17,110
history of the United States there you

1051
00:42:14,679 --> 00:42:18,909
go I had no idea yeah well as well worth

1052
00:42:17,110 --> 00:42:20,980
ago and as a Hollywood filmmaker he'd be

1053
00:42:18,909 --> 00:42:22,149
in a very good position to do that and

1054
00:42:20,980 --> 00:42:23,170
so what do you think you think you're

1055

00:42:22,150 --> 00:42:24,309
getting at what sort of audience tonight

1056
00:42:23,170 --> 00:42:25,539
you're gonna get a lot of a lot of poo

1057
00:42:24,309 --> 00:42:27,009
poo is here at the script is it got to

1058
00:42:25,539 --> 00:42:28,750
be poo pooing everything you're talking

1059
00:42:27,010 --> 00:42:31,330
about so you won't have a lot of people

1060
00:42:28,750 --> 00:42:32,440
arguing with you but what do you reckon

1061
00:42:31,329 --> 00:42:35,500
they're gonna be like as an audience oh

1062
00:42:32,440 --> 00:42:37,929
I just think that I've got no ID I don't

1063
00:42:35,500 --> 00:42:40,090
know what I you know I've never given

1064
00:42:37,929 --> 00:42:43,299
I've didn't talk for the humanists I'm

1065
00:42:40,090 --> 00:42:45,579
given I mean I don't know what's the

1066
00:42:43,300 --> 00:42:48,910
psychological profile of a skeptic I

1067
00:42:45,579 --> 00:42:52,090
don't know is it is it yeah I'm not sure

1068
00:42:48,909 --> 00:42:54,819
I don't know about that and I always ask

1069
00:42:52,090 --> 00:42:56,500

this if there was one conspiracy theory

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00:42:54,820 --> 00:42:58,480

that you're pretty sure is incorrect

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00:42:56,500 --> 00:43:00,670

that you would like to be true is there

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00:42:58,480 --> 00:43:04,510

any conspiracy you think wow that would

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00:43:00,670 --> 00:43:06,730

be good if that was one maybe Santa my

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00:43:04,510 --> 00:43:08,650

god yeah ideally really if they really

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00:43:06,730 --> 00:43:11,889

want something if there really was a fat

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00:43:08,650 --> 00:43:13,119

man around that conspired secretly to

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00:43:11,889 --> 00:43:14,849

kind of come into your house every year

1078

00:43:13,119 --> 00:43:18,849

and give you just what you wanted

1079

00:43:14,849 --> 00:43:21,219

contingent on you being naughty or nice

1080

00:43:18,849 --> 00:43:23,679

russet naughty then that would probably

1081

00:43:21,219 --> 00:43:26,259

be one of the best i think but i mean

1082

00:43:23,679 --> 00:43:27,819

i'd seriously i I don't know they're all

1083

00:43:26,260 --> 00:43:30,340

fun I wouldn't mind some of them being

1084
00:43:27,820 --> 00:43:33,670
true for an hour like the reptilian

1085
00:43:30,340 --> 00:43:34,930
hybrid theory that we're governed and

1086
00:43:33,670 --> 00:43:37,450
other aliens are governed there's a

1087
00:43:34,929 --> 00:43:40,989
hierarchy of aliens my favorite mid rank

1088
00:43:37,449 --> 00:43:43,539
is the intergalactic Sasquatch but the

1089
00:43:40,989 --> 00:43:45,789
that might be good until things start to

1090
00:43:43,539 --> 00:43:46,960
kind of blow up but dheela thanks for

1091
00:43:45,789 --> 00:43:48,550
joining us on the skeptics don't know if

1092
00:43:46,960 --> 00:43:50,199
we can find out where you are online or

1093
00:43:48,550 --> 00:43:53,769
join in a conversation where can we find

1094
00:43:50,199 --> 00:43:55,210
you it's dr. Chris Fleming calm cool

1095
00:43:53,769 --> 00:43:56,889
okay well we'll see you there sometime

1096
00:43:55,210 --> 00:43:59,590
soon and enjoy your night tonight I hope

1097
00:43:56,889 --> 00:44:00,909
a fight doesn't break out well I depends

1098
00:43:59,590 --> 00:44:02,260
on the nature of the fight right I think

1099
00:44:00,909 --> 00:44:04,589
I think you appearing here tinnitus is

1100
00:44:02,260 --> 00:44:06,450
one giant false flag event

1101
00:44:04,590 --> 00:44:10,500
thought I had I thought well yes I mean

1102
00:44:06,449 --> 00:44:12,299
no of course not I look look we're among

1103
00:44:10,500 --> 00:44:14,460
me like i like to call them the shadowy

1104
00:44:12,300 --> 00:44:16,620
elite and as you know we've got Jessica

1105
00:44:14,460 --> 00:44:18,929
here how are you oh I'm hiding here in

1106
00:44:16,619 --> 00:44:21,119
the shadows and I'm plotting away what's

1107
00:44:18,929 --> 00:44:22,829
one of the conspiracies that you've

1108
00:44:21,119 --> 00:44:24,029
found very interesting the anomalies are

1109
00:44:22,829 --> 00:44:27,630
you think man that that's kind of out

1110
00:44:24,030 --> 00:44:31,560
there oh it's got to be the theory about

1111
00:44:27,630 --> 00:44:34,039
the Illuminati and the alien

1112

00:44:31,559 --> 00:44:37,889
shape-shifting blood-drinking lizards I

1113
00:44:34,039 --> 00:44:40,860
like that one it's just so entertaining

1114
00:44:37,889 --> 00:44:42,900
and theatrical and it's it's great on

1115
00:44:40,860 --> 00:44:45,090
every level touch of sci-fi it's got a

1116
00:44:42,900 --> 00:44:48,809
touch of Game of Thrones yeah and nature

1117
00:44:45,090 --> 00:44:50,100
yeah okay well I got to say I mean when

1118
00:44:48,809 --> 00:44:53,759
you do look at the Queen you think

1119
00:44:50,099 --> 00:44:56,519
something's going on there oh yes yes oh

1120
00:44:53,760 --> 00:44:58,710
yes definitely look in the way she kind

1121
00:44:56,519 --> 00:45:00,210
of waves fact I reckon she's got a false

1122
00:44:58,710 --> 00:45:01,650
hand that just waves and she's actually

1123
00:45:00,210 --> 00:45:03,179
they're playing with her iPad while

1124
00:45:01,650 --> 00:45:07,110
she's driving along and who can blame

1125
00:45:03,179 --> 00:45:10,559
her ball one yeah she must have she must

1126
00:45:07,110 --> 00:45:12,150

have stress fatigue of their hands look

1127

00:45:10,559 --> 00:45:14,219

it's always great to be at skeptics at

1128

00:45:12,150 --> 00:45:15,809

the pub co sir dr. bread comes along and

1129

00:45:14,219 --> 00:45:17,219

you've obviously had a busy day in the

1130

00:45:15,809 --> 00:45:18,719

surgery and that it's great you still

1131

00:45:17,219 --> 00:45:20,879

want it you must be exhausted after

1132

00:45:18,719 --> 00:45:22,230

seeing lots and lots of people as a GP

1133

00:45:20,880 --> 00:45:23,430

that must be really exhausting because

1134

00:45:22,230 --> 00:45:24,449

you never know what the person's going

1135

00:45:23,429 --> 00:45:26,129

to have when they come through the door

1136

00:45:24,449 --> 00:45:28,439

and now I'm pretty used to it by now

1137

00:45:26,130 --> 00:45:30,450

though so every 15 minutes is a new

1138

00:45:28,440 --> 00:45:32,490

story and a new person a new condition

1139

00:45:30,449 --> 00:45:34,019

so it's wiped off and now I'm here for

1140

00:45:32,489 --> 00:45:35,579

you how do you how do they

1141
00:45:34,019 --> 00:45:37,079
psychologically prepare you for that a

1142
00:45:35,579 --> 00:45:38,789
bit medical school because it's not

1143
00:45:37,079 --> 00:45:40,289
something you know because you've got to

1144
00:45:38,789 --> 00:45:41,670
be intense with that person for 15

1145
00:45:40,289 --> 00:45:43,050
minutes like they're the only person

1146
00:45:41,670 --> 00:45:45,510
you're seeing that day and then next

1147
00:45:43,050 --> 00:45:47,760
time I think you it's ground into you

1148
00:45:45,510 --> 00:45:49,980
over time so it's just repetition and

1149
00:45:47,760 --> 00:45:52,170
yeah sometimes you need to take a bit of

1150
00:45:49,980 --> 00:45:53,969
a breath between patients but usually

1151
00:45:52,170 --> 00:45:55,260
it's all right and another thing just

1152
00:45:53,969 --> 00:45:56,909
off topic you too when you are in

1153
00:45:55,260 --> 00:45:58,460
medical school how do they teach you to

1154
00:45:56,909 --> 00:46:01,440
be on the ball and make life-saving

1155
00:45:58,460 --> 00:46:03,210
decisions over 12 or 13 hour shift that

1156
00:46:01,440 --> 00:46:04,920
you have sometimes haha how do you how

1157
00:46:03,210 --> 00:46:06,780
do you mentally get around that cuz that

1158
00:46:04,920 --> 00:46:09,599
that's very tough it's called a flat

1159
00:46:06,780 --> 00:46:11,160
white all right yeah so any any coffee

1160
00:46:09,599 --> 00:46:14,489
just keeps you a focus for the whole day

1161
00:46:11,159 --> 00:46:16,319
yeah so as a medical student you had a

1162
00:46:14,489 --> 00:46:18,029
chance to sample all sorts

1163
00:46:16,320 --> 00:46:20,190
ranges of good and bad coffee haven't

1164
00:46:18,030 --> 00:46:22,500
you typically and usually the bad ones

1165
00:46:20,190 --> 00:46:23,940
are at hospital oh yeah yeah especially

1166
00:46:22,500 --> 00:46:25,920
from a machine if you're pressing a

1167
00:46:23,940 --> 00:46:27,480
button probably not going to be the best

1168
00:46:25,920 --> 00:46:28,889
coffee and it for him that's often all

1169

00:46:27,480 --> 00:46:30,630
you can get yeah there was a beautiful

1170
00:46:28,889 --> 00:46:33,599
coffee at what are the hospitals where

1171
00:46:30,630 --> 00:46:35,340
it came out like an oil slick on top so

1172
00:46:33,599 --> 00:46:37,230
it was all shimmering with rainbow

1173
00:46:35,340 --> 00:46:39,390
colors which probably wasn't into me

1174
00:46:37,230 --> 00:46:40,829
there it's like drinking a liquid nodoz

1175
00:46:39,389 --> 00:46:42,809
tablet or something especially when

1176
00:46:40,829 --> 00:46:44,549
you're doing night shift its yeah it's

1177
00:46:42,809 --> 00:46:46,829
not a hallucination it's actually there

1178
00:46:44,550 --> 00:46:48,120
Wow looking before it gets too late I

1179
00:46:46,829 --> 00:46:49,769
want to ask you because we're talking

1180
00:46:48,119 --> 00:46:51,359
about conspiracies tonight is it have

1181
00:46:49,769 --> 00:46:53,159
you got a favorite conspiracy theory or

1182
00:46:51,360 --> 00:46:55,110
one that annoys you the one that one

1183
00:46:53,159 --> 00:46:57,690

that even intrigues the most yeah I

1184

00:46:55,110 --> 00:46:59,670

think what I love the most is when

1185

00:46:57,690 --> 00:47:03,659

people back up conspiracy theories with

1186

00:46:59,670 --> 00:47:04,980

conspiracy theories so yeah like if

1187

00:47:03,659 --> 00:47:07,109

people are coming into the clinic and

1188

00:47:04,980 --> 00:47:09,420

they're wanting to not vaccinate their

1189

00:47:07,110 --> 00:47:11,460

children and then they're trying to back

1190

00:47:09,420 --> 00:47:13,800

that up by saying that it's a conspiracy

1191

00:47:11,460 --> 00:47:15,329

that the government's after them but

1192

00:47:13,800 --> 00:47:17,039

it's also from all of the reading that

1193

00:47:15,329 --> 00:47:19,619

they've been doing about homeopathy that

1194

00:47:17,039 --> 00:47:21,360

backs up their their knowledge about

1195

00:47:19,619 --> 00:47:23,489

vaccinations it sort of like one thing

1196

00:47:21,360 --> 00:47:24,630

adds on to the next and I'm just

1197

00:47:23,489 --> 00:47:26,489

expecting them to be talking about

1198
00:47:24,630 --> 00:47:27,869
chemtrails then influencing the people

1199
00:47:26,489 --> 00:47:30,029
that are making the vaccines it sort of

1200
00:47:27,869 --> 00:47:31,619
it all rolls into one it's very poetic

1201
00:47:30,030 --> 00:47:33,120
it's very difficult because you're at

1202
00:47:31,619 --> 00:47:34,889
the coalface of the whole thing you've

1203
00:47:33,119 --> 00:47:36,599
got a limited time with this person how

1204
00:47:34,889 --> 00:47:38,069
do you get them to try and disengage

1205
00:47:36,599 --> 00:47:39,329
from that and try and tell them the

1206
00:47:38,070 --> 00:47:41,370
world there is some general medicine

1207
00:47:39,329 --> 00:47:42,719
that can help them often people are

1208
00:47:41,369 --> 00:47:45,269
coming in and they're they're very

1209
00:47:42,719 --> 00:47:47,579
convinced of their own argument and they

1210
00:47:45,269 --> 00:47:49,139
they may just not want to be giving

1211
00:47:47,579 --> 00:47:50,610
their child a vaccination and somebody

1212
00:47:49,139 --> 00:47:52,619
will come in and they want you to sign

1213
00:47:50,610 --> 00:47:54,930
an exemption form to say that their

1214
00:47:52,619 --> 00:47:58,109
children shouldn't be vaccinated and

1215
00:47:54,929 --> 00:47:59,669
yellow there's not much basis for what

1216
00:47:58,110 --> 00:48:00,990
they're trying to do but they're a lot

1217
00:47:59,670 --> 00:48:02,610
of people will sort of try to get around

1218
00:48:00,989 --> 00:48:04,589
it so they'll they'll say that they have

1219
00:48:02,610 --> 00:48:07,110
religious reasons that they don't want

1220
00:48:04,590 --> 00:48:08,579
to to immunize their children but often

1221
00:48:07,110 --> 00:48:10,769
if you're challenging them about their

1222
00:48:08,579 --> 00:48:13,500
religious reasons they just say oh well

1223
00:48:10,769 --> 00:48:15,480
I don't believe in vaccines which at the

1224
00:48:13,500 --> 00:48:17,190
moment in Australia that's not a good

1225
00:48:15,480 --> 00:48:19,199
enough excuse to not vaccinate your

1226

00:48:17,190 --> 00:48:22,349
children and subjecting your children to

1227
00:48:19,199 --> 00:48:24,599
potentially deadly viruses and bacteria

1228
00:48:22,349 --> 00:48:26,588
isn't quite on can I ask you have you

1229
00:48:24,599 --> 00:48:28,028
actually ever actually signed 14

1230
00:48:26,588 --> 00:48:31,719
of course you really had to because

1231
00:48:28,028 --> 00:48:33,880
they've been so unmovable no I refuse to

1232
00:48:31,719 --> 00:48:36,460
sign exemption forms I don't think that

1233
00:48:33,880 --> 00:48:38,499
that's applicable I think the vaccines

1234
00:48:36,460 --> 00:48:41,019
are very important for children to have

1235
00:48:38,498 --> 00:48:43,268
I think if you have a personal reason

1236
00:48:41,018 --> 00:48:45,218
then you still shouldn't be putting your

1237
00:48:43,268 --> 00:48:47,488
children at risk and in the government

1238
00:48:45,219 --> 00:48:50,349
and the medical profession still has a

1239
00:48:47,489 --> 00:48:52,599
obligation to protect children whether

1240
00:48:50,349 --> 00:48:54,430

their parents believe that or not and I

1241
00:48:52,599 --> 00:48:56,559
know that sounds contentious but yeah

1242
00:48:54,429 --> 00:48:57,728
it's all about the the best for the

1243
00:48:56,559 --> 00:48:59,380
whole community in the best for the

1244
00:48:57,728 --> 00:49:01,088
environment and when have you been in

1245
00:48:59,380 --> 00:49:02,798
your surgery and someone's come in and

1246
00:49:01,088 --> 00:49:05,318
maybe it's been related to vaccinations

1247
00:49:02,798 --> 00:49:07,088
or someone's given you a theory of the

1248
00:49:05,318 --> 00:49:08,679
world that has really set you back on

1249
00:49:07,088 --> 00:49:10,449
the the bones of your posterior there

1250
00:49:08,679 --> 00:49:12,368
you go never heard that one before and

1251
00:49:10,449 --> 00:49:15,009
it's actually surprised you is it what's

1252
00:49:12,369 --> 00:49:17,229
been the one that's gone Wow I think

1253
00:49:15,009 --> 00:49:19,210
working in HIV medicine I have some

1254
00:49:17,228 --> 00:49:20,798
people that refuse to be on medication

1255
00:49:19,210 --> 00:49:23,019
because they don't think that it applies

1256
00:49:20,798 --> 00:49:24,579
to them and they think that it's just

1257
00:49:23,018 --> 00:49:25,988
going to be poison that's put into their

1258
00:49:24,579 --> 00:49:28,059
body and often they haven't had any

1259
00:49:25,989 --> 00:49:30,489
problems yet because it takes about five

1260
00:49:28,059 --> 00:49:33,309
or so years to actually start to have a

1261
00:49:30,489 --> 00:49:36,608
weak immune system but yeah usually from

1262
00:49:33,309 --> 00:49:39,369
from plotting graphs actually and

1263
00:49:36,608 --> 00:49:42,098
showing how people's white cell count or

1264
00:49:39,369 --> 00:49:43,930
cd4 count starts to drop over time you

1265
00:49:42,099 --> 00:49:45,999
can actually yeah like plot a graph and

1266
00:49:43,929 --> 00:49:47,379
show oh well in about six months you're

1267
00:49:45,998 --> 00:49:50,409
probably going to start having problems

1268
00:49:47,380 --> 00:49:51,579
so yeah bye-bye sort of spelling it out

1269
00:49:50,409 --> 00:49:54,639
to people and explaining things

1270
00:49:51,579 --> 00:49:56,440
thoroughly and making sure that I'm

1271
00:49:54,639 --> 00:49:58,690
going through and addressing the issues

1272
00:49:56,440 --> 00:50:00,338
nobody can get things pretty pretty good

1273
00:49:58,690 --> 00:50:02,380
and people will start to agree so this

1274
00:50:00,338 --> 00:50:04,028
is almost like a classic conspiracy

1275
00:50:02,380 --> 00:50:05,650
thing where it's a person's personal

1276
00:50:04,028 --> 00:50:07,838
experience and what they've seen around

1277
00:50:05,650 --> 00:50:09,190
them that creates the entire thing for

1278
00:50:07,838 --> 00:50:10,298
them they haven't seen the people like

1279
00:50:09,190 --> 00:50:12,009
you have that have been sicker in

1280
00:50:10,298 --> 00:50:13,690
hospital and that's what's powering this

1281
00:50:12,009 --> 00:50:16,869
for them yeah i think it's it's

1282
00:50:13,690 --> 00:50:18,700
ignorance in some regard or just not not

1283

00:50:16,869 --> 00:50:20,739
having the same life experience and i

1284
00:50:18,699 --> 00:50:22,028
think that's where I come into play

1285
00:50:20,739 --> 00:50:23,499
being a doctor and having that

1286
00:50:22,028 --> 00:50:27,190
experience and seeing people that have

1287
00:50:23,498 --> 00:50:29,288
had significant problems yeah by trying

1288
00:50:27,190 --> 00:50:32,079
to put that across and try to explain it

1289
00:50:29,289 --> 00:50:34,329
it is vivid terms as possible can

1290
00:50:32,079 --> 00:50:35,798
sometimes get the message across try and

1291
00:50:34,329 --> 00:50:37,349
enjoy yourself and don't get too angry

1292
00:50:35,798 --> 00:50:38,849
during the conspiracy

1293
00:50:37,349 --> 00:50:43,318
tation okay I think I might need to

1294
00:50:38,849 --> 00:50:44,940
throw beer well and of course a he's

1295
00:50:43,318 --> 00:50:46,798
over there he's quietly eating his fish

1296
00:50:44,940 --> 00:50:48,989
but of course he's the guest at next

1297
00:50:46,798 --> 00:50:50,880

month's skeptics in the pub in Bryce how

1298

00:50:48,989 --> 00:50:53,039

are you and what is one of your favorite

1299

00:50:50,880 --> 00:50:55,200

or most intriguing almost interesting or

1300

00:50:53,039 --> 00:50:56,519

annoying conspiracy theories or

1301

00:50:55,199 --> 00:50:58,018

anomalies that you like to follow you

1302

00:50:56,518 --> 00:50:59,699

know I'm into the electric universe you

1303

00:50:58,018 --> 00:51:01,288

know one like the hologram theory you

1304

00:50:59,699 --> 00:51:04,439

know both of them referred all the work

1305

00:51:01,289 --> 00:51:07,739

of Einstein what have you got for me ok

1306

00:51:04,440 --> 00:51:12,170

hello may know that was a long

1307

00:51:07,739 --> 00:51:12,170

introduction oh sorry we're out of time

1308

00:51:12,318 --> 00:51:17,518

yeah well I had a revelation recently

1309

00:51:14,998 --> 00:51:20,788

many years ago when I was visiting byron

1310

00:51:17,518 --> 00:51:22,258

bay i visited the local airstrip there

1311

00:51:20,789 --> 00:51:24,479

but there's a lot of home-built aircraft

1312
00:51:22,259 --> 00:51:26,460
and their pilots spent the day with a

1313
00:51:24,478 --> 00:51:29,009
bunch of pilots looking at and flying

1314
00:51:26,460 --> 00:51:31,470
their various machines and they said I

1315
00:51:29,009 --> 00:51:33,329
are real electrical a real aeronautical

1316
00:51:31,469 --> 00:51:35,038
engineer can we ask you some questions I

1317
00:51:33,329 --> 00:51:37,109
asked a couple of things you know all

1318
00:51:35,039 --> 00:51:39,869
those airliners there are these pods

1319
00:51:37,108 --> 00:51:43,078
they have under the wings two or three

1320
00:51:39,869 --> 00:51:44,818
on each side what are they for so I told

1321
00:51:43,079 --> 00:51:46,318
them that are they how's the mechanism

1322
00:51:44,818 --> 00:51:48,630
to raise and lower the flaps when you

1323
00:51:46,318 --> 00:51:52,380
take off and land it may seem very

1324
00:51:48,630 --> 00:51:54,960
disappointed and it was only a few weeks

1325
00:51:52,380 --> 00:51:58,229
ago when I saw an article on chemtrails

1326
00:51:54,960 --> 00:52:00,509
I realized they were hoping that they

1327
00:51:58,228 --> 00:52:02,189
were secret tanks in which the chemicals

1328
00:52:00,509 --> 00:52:06,659
were carried for spraying into the

1329
00:52:02,190 --> 00:52:08,608
atmosphere no mr. aeronautical engineer

1330
00:52:06,659 --> 00:52:10,679
let's talk about the Pentagon and the

1331
00:52:08,608 --> 00:52:13,199
plane that hit the Pentagon on 911 I

1332
00:52:10,679 --> 00:52:16,348
believe that because of ground effect a

1333
00:52:13,199 --> 00:52:18,210
plane that big can't fly that fast that

1334
00:52:16,349 --> 00:52:19,769
load of the ground is that true or what

1335
00:52:18,210 --> 00:52:22,289
have I got going on there in my head

1336
00:52:19,768 --> 00:52:25,439
well it didn't it didn't have to break

1337
00:52:22,289 --> 00:52:27,089
that rule for very long did it stop

1338
00:52:25,440 --> 00:52:28,469
flying indeed yeah because i'm just so

1339
00:52:27,088 --> 00:52:30,298
just wondering because people say ground

1340

00:52:28,469 --> 00:52:32,009
effect and someone like me goes oh ok

1341
00:52:30,298 --> 00:52:33,568
and they oh yes because planes even

1342
00:52:32,009 --> 00:52:35,608
military planes don't go that low that

1343
00:52:33,568 --> 00:52:37,588
fast because that doesn't happen is is

1344
00:52:35,608 --> 00:52:40,228
there anything in that can you give us

1345
00:52:37,588 --> 00:52:42,088
in a nutshell what I've been told well

1346
00:52:40,228 --> 00:52:43,528
ground effect is the idea that you can

1347
00:52:42,088 --> 00:52:44,608
get a little more lift when you're near

1348
00:52:43,528 --> 00:52:46,030
the ground and when you're in the air

1349
00:52:44,608 --> 00:52:48,159
which is very good for landing

1350
00:52:46,030 --> 00:52:51,730
of cushions you the bumping that we all

1351
00:52:48,159 --> 00:52:54,129
sit the ground but it doesn't stop you

1352
00:52:51,730 --> 00:52:55,480
reaching the ground or as all the planes

1353
00:52:54,130 --> 00:52:58,690
that ever took off it still be in the

1354
00:52:55,480 --> 00:53:00,400

air okay I do so now that doesn't negate

1355

00:52:58,690 --> 00:53:02,019

the idea I thought you're going to ask

1356

00:53:00,400 --> 00:53:04,630

for a moment about the vanishing plane

1357

00:53:02,019 --> 00:53:06,250

because a lot of conspiracy sites so

1358

00:53:04,630 --> 00:53:07,630

that no trace of the plane was ever

1359

00:53:06,250 --> 00:53:09,309

found that that's the one that went down

1360

00:53:07,630 --> 00:53:11,829

in Pennsylvania and just lift that very

1361

00:53:09,309 --> 00:53:13,960

funny sort of brown smudge no it was

1362

00:53:11,829 --> 00:53:15,699

found another one hit the Pentagon the

1363

00:53:13,960 --> 00:53:17,590

websites say there was no trace of it

1364

00:53:15,699 --> 00:53:19,419

found yeah there was some engines and

1365

00:53:17,590 --> 00:53:21,370

bits and pieces but a lot of it did sort

1366

00:53:19,420 --> 00:53:22,900

of get the aluminium got also where I

1367

00:53:21,369 --> 00:53:24,190

went through the building dinner well

1368

00:53:22,900 --> 00:53:26,800

the websites claimed there was nothing

1369
00:53:24,190 --> 00:53:29,050
found of it that's my point I won't lots

1370
00:53:26,800 --> 00:53:30,789
of it was found in including part of the

1371
00:53:29,050 --> 00:53:32,860
fuselage they had the name of the

1372
00:53:30,789 --> 00:53:35,590
airline painted on it that's that's a

1373
00:53:32,860 --> 00:53:37,570
pretty reasonable proof that it was in

1374
00:53:35,590 --> 00:53:39,160
fact that error playing then went

1375
00:53:37,570 --> 00:53:40,390
missing on that day and what are you

1376
00:53:39,159 --> 00:53:43,179
going to be discussing here at skeptics

1377
00:53:40,389 --> 00:53:45,449
at the pub next month okay well next the

1378
00:53:43,179 --> 00:53:48,279
next talk here is on gravitational waves

1379
00:53:45,449 --> 00:53:50,949
that's they were you might remember they

1380
00:53:48,280 --> 00:53:52,600
were announced in February image amid

1381
00:53:50,949 --> 00:53:54,099
much fanfare big breakthrough in

1382
00:53:52,599 --> 00:53:57,190
astronomy is detecting gravitational

1383
00:53:54,099 --> 00:54:00,610
waves so I'm going to talk about what

1384
00:53:57,190 --> 00:54:02,800
they are and how they were discovered

1385
00:54:00,610 --> 00:54:05,019
which is too big detectors called like

1386
00:54:02,800 --> 00:54:06,400
Oh in the USA and that's what you will

1387
00:54:05,019 --> 00:54:07,900
explain you to us next month it's

1388
00:54:06,400 --> 00:54:10,059
skeptics at the pub and I'll be sitting

1389
00:54:07,900 --> 00:54:12,280
there seeing them one my mouth open like

1390
00:54:10,059 --> 00:54:14,009
ren and stimpy going well but i'll be

1391
00:54:12,280 --> 00:54:16,150
trying very hard when I'm listening

1392
00:54:14,010 --> 00:54:17,500
fantastic I'm forward to finger there

1393
00:54:16,150 --> 00:54:18,730
may know and i'll see you there too

1394
00:54:17,500 --> 00:54:20,880
that's next month it's kept it to the

1395
00:54:18,730 --> 00:54:20,880
pub

1396
00:54:32,690 --> 00:54:38,670
the skeptic magazine the journal from

1397

00:54:35,550 --> 00:54:40,890
Australian skeptics subscribe online to

1398
00:54:38,670 --> 00:54:45,480
the world's second oldest skeptical

1399
00:54:40,889 --> 00:54:48,809
magazine visit w WC apt Comte you and

1400
00:54:45,480 --> 00:54:52,409
click the publication's League you can

1401
00:54:48,809 --> 00:54:55,710
also find their over 30 years on back

1402
00:54:52,409 --> 00:55:00,199
issues free to download the skeptic

1403
00:54:55,710 --> 00:55:00,199
magazine from Australian skeptics

1404
00:55:13,440 --> 00:55:18,280
hey hey the show's over the show's over

1405
00:55:16,389 --> 00:55:20,348
it's all over time to go home everybody

1406
00:55:18,280 --> 00:55:22,480
come on come on you don't have to go

1407
00:55:20,349 --> 00:55:24,430
home but you can't stay here well I mean

1408
00:55:22,480 --> 00:55:25,659
we're still at skeptics in the pub you

1409
00:55:24,429 --> 00:55:27,190
know we're on our fourth bottle of

1410
00:55:25,659 --> 00:55:29,529
whatever this red stuff is half eight or

1411
00:55:27,190 --> 00:55:31,630

more thank you did you enjoy the show

1412

00:55:29,530 --> 00:55:34,329

this week may not I did it was just like

1413

00:55:31,630 --> 00:55:35,798

a long cool Brandy Alexander while

1414

00:55:34,329 --> 00:55:37,599

floating around the pool with a

1415

00:55:35,798 --> 00:55:39,130

supermodel who's not talking to you and

1416

00:55:37,599 --> 00:55:42,250

I've had that experience and tonight was

1417

00:55:39,130 --> 00:55:43,630

exactly like that I see and I want to

1418

00:55:42,250 --> 00:55:45,940

say they give those people here at

1419

00:55:43,630 --> 00:55:47,680

skeptics in the pub who gave us the

1420

00:55:45,940 --> 00:55:49,420

answer to their conspiracy theory in

1421

00:55:47,679 --> 00:55:50,949

Bryce dr. Brad of course are very

1422

00:55:49,420 --> 00:55:53,079

helpful what did you think of their

1423

00:55:50,949 --> 00:55:54,939

particular answers look I thought they

1424

00:55:53,079 --> 00:55:56,559

were really on the money a few times I

1425

00:55:54,940 --> 00:55:58,480

thought dr. Brad was a bit harsh I

1426
00:55:56,559 --> 00:56:00,700
thought the language you used was far

1427
00:55:58,480 --> 00:56:02,108
too inflammatory but again he was one of

1428
00:56:00,699 --> 00:56:03,519
the people who brought the extra jug of

1429
00:56:02,108 --> 00:56:05,078
beer to throw and then came in handy

1430
00:56:03,519 --> 00:56:06,880
anyone in the end but the good thing

1431
00:56:05,079 --> 00:56:08,500
about dr. Brad if he says something

1432
00:56:06,880 --> 00:56:10,690
inflammatory he's always got an ointment

1433
00:56:08,500 --> 00:56:12,130
to fix it later that's true it'll say

1434
00:56:10,690 --> 00:56:13,599
something inflammatory and then I write

1435
00:56:12,130 --> 00:56:16,510
you a prescription for in deceit it's

1436
00:56:13,599 --> 00:56:17,769
amazing it's amazing folks skeptics in

1437
00:56:16,510 --> 00:56:19,630
the pub here in Sydney is the first

1438
00:56:17,769 --> 00:56:21,730
thursday of the month every month it's a

1439
00:56:19,630 --> 00:56:23,650
lot of fun we are we really enjoyed a

1440
00:56:21,730 --> 00:56:25,659
lot of people turn up and there's always

1441
00:56:23,650 --> 00:56:27,278
interesting talk so we hope we can see

1442
00:56:25,659 --> 00:56:29,288
you here one time and when is the next

1443
00:56:27,278 --> 00:56:33,518
one first thursday of the month so it

1444
00:56:29,289 --> 00:56:38,719
will be the first thursday in odd

1445
00:56:33,518 --> 00:56:40,368
to be speakers them in Bryce well what

1446
00:56:38,719 --> 00:56:43,579
are you be talking about in June I'll be

1447
00:56:40,369 --> 00:56:45,588
talking about gravitational waves oh we

1448
00:56:43,579 --> 00:56:47,778
all look now look I subscribe to the

1449
00:56:45,588 --> 00:56:49,190
electric universe theory so I think that

1450
00:56:47,778 --> 00:56:51,889
it's all electrical attraction and

1451
00:56:49,190 --> 00:56:53,900
gravity doesn't exist haha but that's it

1452
00:56:51,889 --> 00:56:55,458
that's a nice theory to given that 2

1453
00:56:53,900 --> 00:56:57,650
protons attract each other with the

1454

00:56:55,458 --> 00:56:59,298
force 10 to the 40 times stronger than

1455
00:56:57,650 --> 00:57:01,900
gravity the electric charge is much

1456
00:56:59,298 --> 00:57:05,869
longer than gravity that's not a bad

1457
00:57:01,900 --> 00:57:07,969
hypothesis up front just new bag of it I

1458
00:57:05,869 --> 00:57:09,440
just needs to be tested here we go we'll

1459
00:57:07,969 --> 00:57:11,208
look up the google the electric universe

1460
00:57:09,440 --> 00:57:12,380
theory and see how far you get with that

1461
00:57:11,208 --> 00:57:13,759
people because it does have a lot of

1462
00:57:12,380 --> 00:57:15,680
physics in it that I didn't understand

1463
00:57:13,759 --> 00:57:18,409
which I will chat to him about next week

1464
00:57:15,679 --> 00:57:19,818
next month sometime or other thank you

1465
00:57:18,409 --> 00:57:20,719
again for listening to the skeptics I'm

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00:57:19,818 --> 00:57:22,880
and thank you those people who

1467
00:57:20,719 --> 00:57:25,369
contribute via paypal most people

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00:57:22,880 --> 00:57:27,140

contribute 99 cents a week we and it all

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00:57:25,369 --> 00:57:29,509

helps it helps keep Maynard in that

1470

00:57:27,139 --> 00:57:31,518

fancy red drink hmm parfait term or

1471

00:57:29,509 --> 00:57:34,190

evoke Google at people it's purple

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00:57:31,518 --> 00:57:37,399

Google and people but for this week this

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00:57:34,190 --> 00:57:40,130

is Richard Saunders and and may nod

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00:57:37,400 --> 00:57:46,519

thank you and peanut signing off from

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