

1
00:00:00,060 --> 00:00:06,088
hello my name is James Randi I want if

2
00:00:04,440 --> 00:00:09,960
you graduate my good friend Richard

3
00:00:06,089 --> 00:00:13,500
Sanders on over 500 episodes of the

4
00:00:09,960 --> 00:00:16,460
skeptic zone podcast I've been on there

5
00:00:13,500 --> 00:00:19,259
many times and over the last 10 years

6
00:00:16,460 --> 00:00:24,990
it's been a good adventure I must say

7
00:00:19,260 --> 00:00:30,780
thank you Richard we need more of you go

8
00:00:24,989 --> 00:00:33,960
[Music]

9
00:00:30,780 --> 00:00:37,429
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:33,960 --> 00:00:41,250
from Australia for science and reason

11
00:00:37,429 --> 00:00:43,729
yuria hosts Richard Saunders and Stefan

12
00:00:41,250 --> 00:00:43,729
Soyka

13
00:00:45,250 --> 00:00:51,109
Richard Richard Richard Mason welcome

14
00:00:48,500 --> 00:00:53,058
well welcome back to bxe - you know

15
00:00:51,109 --> 00:00:55,070
you're all the time I'm here Val quite

16
00:00:53,058 --> 00:00:57,709
really these days and it's great to be

17
00:00:55,070 --> 00:00:59,869
back on the sceptic zone especially for

18
00:00:57,710 --> 00:01:01,698
this episode oh I think there's a very

19
00:00:59,869 --> 00:01:03,829
very special reason for being here

20
00:01:01,698 --> 00:01:06,649
tonight and and I think you might have

21
00:01:03,829 --> 00:01:11,299
to explain exactly why I'm here what

22
00:01:06,649 --> 00:01:14,570
episode is it 500 what the 500th episode

23
00:01:11,299 --> 00:01:16,728
yeah oh my gosh yeah that is

24
00:01:14,569 --> 00:01:19,309
unbelievable I mean just think when we

25
00:01:16,728 --> 00:01:21,159
first started like we our language

26
00:01:19,310 --> 00:01:23,570
hadn't even evolved into modern English

27
00:01:21,159 --> 00:01:25,909
remember the first episode we did other

28
00:01:23,569 --> 00:01:27,978
intro eight something like seven cycle

29

00:01:25,909 --> 00:01:30,769
along geared land

30
00:01:27,978 --> 00:01:33,349
he hopeful sickle Imam good line now

31
00:01:30,769 --> 00:01:34,819
wait wait wait wait how long ago there

32
00:01:33,349 --> 00:01:37,339
was where we started that's the first

33
00:01:34,819 --> 00:01:39,799
episode 500 episodes ago and then we had

34
00:01:37,340 --> 00:01:41,750
the Napoleonic Wars then we had like the

35
00:01:39,799 --> 00:01:49,030
Romantic era that the Classical era even

36
00:01:41,750 --> 00:01:50,810
but back Beethoven's not 500 weeks oh oh

37
00:01:49,030 --> 00:01:54,228
of course

38
00:01:50,810 --> 00:01:56,719
it seems like a hundred he is Richard I

39
00:01:54,228 --> 00:01:59,509
was completely convinced Lavi doing this

40
00:01:56,719 --> 00:02:02,689
for five hundred years but five hundred

41
00:01:59,509 --> 00:02:05,030
episodes gracious me

42
00:02:02,689 --> 00:02:07,280
well congratulations even that seems

43
00:02:05,030 --> 00:02:09,800

like a long time five hundred episodes

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00:02:07,280 --> 00:02:11,539

is a long time no matter how many how

45

00:02:09,800 --> 00:02:12,230

you space them apart even if you did do

46

00:02:11,539 --> 00:02:14,568

it every day

47

00:02:12,229 --> 00:02:16,159

five hundred is is a big number it is I

48

00:02:14,568 --> 00:02:17,929

mean probably things that even have

49

00:02:16,159 --> 00:02:19,280

evolved in that space of time as well I

50

00:02:17,930 --> 00:02:21,230

mean our language certainly has with all

51

00:02:19,280 --> 00:02:22,459

the selfies and all the other over the

52

00:02:21,229 --> 00:02:23,810

last ten years there's gonna be some

53

00:02:22,459 --> 00:02:25,789

microbes that evolve

54

00:02:23,810 --> 00:02:27,289

no listeners might hear a bit of

55

00:02:25,789 --> 00:02:30,530

background noise we're not the skeptics

56

00:02:27,289 --> 00:02:32,870

own Studios we're actually in the alcove

57

00:02:30,530 --> 00:02:34,789

yeah that used to be the Chinese

58
00:02:32,870 --> 00:02:36,349
restaurant oh yeah we're listeners

59
00:02:34,789 --> 00:02:38,150
longtime listeners will remember we used

60
00:02:36,348 --> 00:02:39,679
to record the think tank if it's now

61
00:02:38,150 --> 00:02:41,390
meeting rooms but there are some

62
00:02:39,680 --> 00:02:44,180
armchairs here and we're sitting exactly

63
00:02:41,389 --> 00:02:46,250
where we did when we had the big table

64
00:02:44,180 --> 00:02:50,599
500 episode see five hundred episodes

65
00:02:46,250 --> 00:02:52,489
ago and a bit later on there's a whole

66
00:02:50,598 --> 00:02:53,658
gang of people from the past and the

67
00:02:52,489 --> 00:02:55,280
present going to come down here we're

68
00:02:53,658 --> 00:02:56,449
gonna do a think tank Oh awesome

69
00:02:55,280 --> 00:02:58,280
yeah a bit later on in this episode

70
00:02:56,449 --> 00:02:59,419
that'll be fantastic

71
00:02:58,280 --> 00:03:02,030
fortunately I don't think I could be

72
00:02:59,419 --> 00:03:04,969
there for that because now that I'm 500

73
00:03:02,030 --> 00:03:06,770
episodes older I've got a lot of medical

74
00:03:04,969 --> 00:03:08,330
conditions allow you to sort out I'm

75
00:03:06,770 --> 00:03:09,740
getting some alternative therapy so

76
00:03:08,330 --> 00:03:12,380
tonight I think I've got a Reiki session

77
00:03:09,740 --> 00:03:14,780
oh I have to get to and a little bit of

78
00:03:12,379 --> 00:03:16,099
ear candling but but I will hopefully

79
00:03:14,780 --> 00:03:19,870
I'll be back for that for the outro oh

80
00:03:16,099 --> 00:03:19,870
you'll be a back for the outro of course

81
00:03:20,110 --> 00:03:23,989
all the people that we've interviewed

82
00:03:22,219 --> 00:03:26,180
over the years all the places the

83
00:03:23,989 --> 00:03:28,069
skeptical zone has been to around all the

84
00:03:26,180 --> 00:03:29,870
reports around the world it's it's

85
00:03:28,068 --> 00:03:31,399
staggering yeah it's an amazing

86

00:03:29,870 --> 00:03:33,349
achievement feat for you personally

87
00:03:31,400 --> 00:03:35,090
because you've actually produced every

88
00:03:33,349 --> 00:03:37,340
single one that I sit there in the

89
00:03:35,090 --> 00:03:39,979
skeptics own studios and drag the mouse

90
00:03:37,340 --> 00:03:42,349
over it prohibit every no substitute

91
00:03:39,979 --> 00:03:44,869
producer but Richard Saunders and and

92
00:03:42,349 --> 00:03:46,909
and just think of all they're really how

93
00:03:44,870 --> 00:03:48,860
far the movement has come in that time

94
00:03:46,909 --> 00:03:51,229
like in yeah in that how many years a

95
00:03:48,860 --> 00:03:53,300
something like 10 or die's 10 years yeah

96
00:03:51,229 --> 00:03:55,780
yeah just about well it's interesting

97
00:03:53,300 --> 00:03:59,360
because you and I were doing skeptical

98
00:03:55,780 --> 00:04:01,580
podcasts and video casts and things

99
00:03:59,360 --> 00:04:03,620
before this show before the show and

100
00:04:01,580 --> 00:04:08,930

even way back to when you're on net FM

101

00:04:03,620 --> 00:04:10,549

in 2001 we were doing skeptical style so

102

00:04:08,930 --> 00:04:12,319

just the zones being covered just the

103

00:04:10,549 --> 00:04:13,519

zones been going for 10 years but coming

104

00:04:12,319 --> 00:04:15,739

up yes tell me

105

00:04:13,519 --> 00:04:17,780

socata apart from the think tank coming

106

00:04:15,739 --> 00:04:19,668

up on this week's episode we have a

107

00:04:17,779 --> 00:04:22,099

report about the Australian skeptics

108

00:04:19,668 --> 00:04:24,529

vaccination clinic which is in a couple

109

00:04:22,100 --> 00:04:25,850

of days time as we're recording but by

110

00:04:24,529 --> 00:04:29,659

the time the show goes out of course

111

00:04:25,850 --> 00:04:32,930

it'll be yeah where the stone skeptics

112

00:04:29,660 --> 00:04:34,490

are having a flu jab day oh and giving

113

00:04:32,930 --> 00:04:36,590

the flu vaccination is none other than

114

00:04:34,490 --> 00:04:37,310

dr. Brad McCoy from embarrassing bodies

115
00:04:36,589 --> 00:04:39,168
Down Under

116
00:04:37,310 --> 00:04:40,610
well there's a bit of a celebrity are

117
00:04:39,168 --> 00:04:42,589
you not gonna have like people picketing

118
00:04:40,610 --> 00:04:45,199
outside going how dare you you're all

119
00:04:42,589 --> 00:04:46,849
gonna get autism I don't know but it

120
00:04:45,199 --> 00:04:48,680
could but it could this scuttlebutt

121
00:04:46,850 --> 00:04:50,390
there might be some protestors hopefully

122
00:04:48,680 --> 00:04:51,650
we'll find out we'll all find out when

123
00:04:50,389 --> 00:04:54,439
we'll find out nothing like a bit a

124
00:04:51,649 --> 00:04:56,949
political protest - hi please all the

125
00:04:54,439 --> 00:04:59,538
best for us yeah any attention spiral

126
00:04:56,949 --> 00:05:01,310
and also along the way in this week's

127
00:04:59,538 --> 00:05:03,019
episode as you would have heard just the

128
00:05:01,310 --> 00:05:04,639
beginning of greeting from James Randi

129

00:05:03,019 --> 00:05:06,139

which is really nice yes special

130

00:05:04,639 --> 00:05:07,459

greeting from him but throughout the

131

00:05:06,139 --> 00:05:09,050

rest of this episode it's going to be

132

00:05:07,459 --> 00:05:09,839

interspersed with greetings from people

133

00:05:09,050 --> 00:05:11,879

from all around the

134

00:05:09,839 --> 00:05:14,789

which is really nice celebratory

135

00:05:11,879 --> 00:05:17,310

greedy's yes celebrate ratings from

136

00:05:14,790 --> 00:05:19,410

celebrities and send congratulatory as

137

00:05:17,310 --> 00:05:22,410

well because 500 episodes it's a real

138

00:05:19,410 --> 00:05:24,300

it's almost an eon in the skeptical

139

00:05:22,410 --> 00:05:26,280

movement yeah think about it

140

00:05:24,300 --> 00:05:28,350

wait but you think of how much the

141

00:05:26,279 --> 00:05:31,829

digital media is taken over and and

142

00:05:28,350 --> 00:05:33,870

allowed this kind of thinking and this

143

00:05:31,829 --> 00:05:36,300
kind of movement to to what to promote

144
00:05:33,870 --> 00:05:38,759
itself it's actually we've had some big

145
00:05:36,300 --> 00:05:40,500
wins over the last 500 episodes haven't

146
00:05:38,759 --> 00:05:42,659
year like well yes I mean we've broken a

147
00:05:40,500 --> 00:05:43,918
lot of news The Skeptical movement in

148
00:05:42,660 --> 00:05:45,720
Australia has had a lot of wins I think

149
00:05:43,918 --> 00:05:47,339
that the topic that we're most proud of

150
00:05:45,720 --> 00:05:49,410
over all these years of the shout

151
00:05:47,339 --> 00:05:51,119
continual fight against the anti-vaxxers

152
00:05:49,410 --> 00:05:54,120
that's probably the biggest thing with

153
00:05:51,120 --> 00:05:55,168
dr. regia now yep more recently Haile

154
00:05:54,120 --> 00:05:58,079
Robertson from the Northern Rivers

155
00:05:55,168 --> 00:05:59,879
vaccination supporters so but it's too

156
00:05:58,079 --> 00:06:01,289
many highlights to remember it's a bit

157
00:05:59,879 --> 00:06:02,850

yeah I guess we'll talk about later as

158

00:06:01,290 --> 00:06:05,419

well but we have the things like the

159

00:06:02,850 --> 00:06:07,770

homeopathy and pharmacies that's been a

160

00:06:05,418 --> 00:06:10,199

high-profile one and a lot of the other

161

00:06:07,769 --> 00:06:11,789

basically a lot of the pseudo medical

162

00:06:10,199 --> 00:06:14,490

things that that are quite rife in

163

00:06:11,790 --> 00:06:17,189

Australia still yeah we've had a hand in

164

00:06:14,490 --> 00:06:18,780

in in in exposed they've changed things

165

00:06:17,189 --> 00:06:20,910

have been changing dramatically since we

166

00:06:18,779 --> 00:06:22,739

did the first episode and listeners

167

00:06:20,910 --> 00:06:24,289

listen listeners might want to listen to

168

00:06:22,740 --> 00:06:26,579

the first episode it's quite something

169

00:06:24,288 --> 00:06:28,469

well actually if you what I thought I

170

00:06:26,579 --> 00:06:30,918

would do is probably is I'm going to

171

00:06:28,470 --> 00:06:33,960

listen to one episode every Christmas

172
00:06:30,918 --> 00:06:34,349
for the next 500 years I think that'll

173
00:06:33,959 --> 00:06:38,099
be great

174
00:06:34,350 --> 00:06:39,510
I wish you luck mate I wish you well and

175
00:06:38,100 --> 00:06:40,770
anything else coming up or we're just

176
00:06:39,509 --> 00:06:43,589
gonna get straining that's it I think

177
00:06:40,769 --> 00:06:47,069
you know what we're going to unite yeah

178
00:06:43,589 --> 00:06:48,329
we're going to run upstairs yes join the

179
00:06:47,069 --> 00:06:50,250
others who are waiting up there we're

180
00:06:48,329 --> 00:06:52,379
going to have some some burgers and

181
00:06:50,250 --> 00:06:54,209
fries and chips and lollies and drinks

182
00:06:52,379 --> 00:06:55,439
and I don't know what the rest of us are

183
00:06:54,209 --> 00:06:57,079
going to come down here and continue

184
00:06:55,439 --> 00:07:01,639
with the think tank but for now so

185
00:06:57,079 --> 00:07:04,639
everybody welcome to show 500 hundred

186
00:07:01,639 --> 00:07:04,639
unbelievable

187
00:07:08,910 --> 00:07:22,450
[Music]

188
00:07:19,230 --> 00:07:25,360
I'm standing outside the East Sydney

189
00:07:22,449 --> 00:07:27,849
doctors clinic here i josh josh from the

190
00:07:25,360 --> 00:07:29,530
same skeptics appreciate how you going

191
00:07:27,850 --> 00:07:32,950
I'm going well and we're here for the

192
00:07:29,529 --> 00:07:34,359
vaccination the flu jab flu vaccinations

193
00:07:32,949 --> 00:07:36,430
afternoon and I can see some more

194
00:07:34,360 --> 00:07:37,750
skeptics walking across look they look

195
00:07:36,430 --> 00:07:41,620
like The Beatles there they just walking

196
00:07:37,750 --> 00:07:45,600
across this crosswalk over there I mean

197
00:07:41,620 --> 00:07:48,730
if the Beatles were mostly female yes

198
00:07:45,600 --> 00:07:50,110
and he chemistry and Lara from the

199
00:07:48,730 --> 00:07:52,210
committee already to have their

200

00:07:50,110 --> 00:07:53,920
vaccinations it's a wonderful glorious

201
00:07:52,209 --> 00:07:56,099
sunny day here in Sydney it's really

202
00:07:53,920 --> 00:07:56,100
nice

203
00:07:57,490 --> 00:08:02,900
as the busses go by and the cars go by

204
00:08:00,168 --> 00:08:05,029
hi Lara hello everybody here for your

205
00:08:02,899 --> 00:08:09,288
flu vaccination yes absolutely

206
00:08:05,029 --> 00:08:11,388
excellent excellent and joining us too

207
00:08:09,288 --> 00:08:14,300
is Trish hat what a wonderful shirt you

208
00:08:11,389 --> 00:08:16,610
have Trish for those time thank you

209
00:08:14,300 --> 00:08:19,699
you're like my top I've got a medical

210
00:08:16,610 --> 00:08:21,560
tie on with syringes and pills and

211
00:08:19,699 --> 00:08:26,060
stethoscope that you've got skeleton

212
00:08:21,560 --> 00:08:28,038
hands on your shirt that striking sure

213
00:08:26,060 --> 00:08:31,370
oh well we're outside the clinic at the

214
00:08:28,038 --> 00:08:34,580

moai si Lara's hoeing into the what are

215

00:08:31,370 --> 00:08:37,190

these British vanilla flavored god save

216

00:08:34,580 --> 00:08:38,930

the queen French fancies oh great I

217

00:08:37,190 --> 00:08:43,459

think I'll save one until after I get my

218

00:08:38,929 --> 00:08:48,009

flu vaccination and why don't we enter

219

00:08:43,458 --> 00:08:50,958

the clinic now yes walking up the

220

00:08:48,009 --> 00:08:56,659

passageway here into the East Sydney

221

00:08:50,958 --> 00:08:58,609

doctors around the corner into the

222

00:08:56,659 --> 00:09:01,129

waiting room we go and I'm just passing

223

00:08:58,610 --> 00:09:06,019

Brad McCoy who's busily eating so we

224

00:09:01,129 --> 00:09:08,419

won't disturb him at the moment and it's

225

00:09:06,019 --> 00:09:09,588

sceptic Jon reporter and president of

226

00:09:08,419 --> 00:09:11,299

these serene skeptics around to give

227

00:09:09,589 --> 00:09:13,790

higher and hello rich this is an

228

00:09:11,299 --> 00:09:15,679

interesting adventure or venture the

229
00:09:13,789 --> 00:09:17,088
Australian skeptics are trying and I

230
00:09:15,679 --> 00:09:19,429
think it's worthwhile I'm gonna get my

231
00:09:17,089 --> 00:09:22,130
flu jab anyway yeah I was going to I

232
00:09:19,429 --> 00:09:24,019
delete it by a bit because the advice

233
00:09:22,129 --> 00:09:26,360
was to wait a little bit and obviously

234
00:09:24,019 --> 00:09:30,588
tachyons coincided quite well without

235
00:09:26,360 --> 00:09:33,769
plan dates yeah Tom my son is asthmatic

236
00:09:30,589 --> 00:09:34,910
so he definitely gets it every year so

237
00:09:33,769 --> 00:09:36,350
it's a good opportunity and it's a good

238
00:09:34,909 --> 00:09:39,139
opportunity to send a message in the

239
00:09:36,350 --> 00:09:41,870
community that vaccines are safe and

240
00:09:39,139 --> 00:09:43,610
healthy thing to do I absolutely agree

241
00:09:41,870 --> 00:09:46,339
and if we front up and show that we are

242
00:09:43,610 --> 00:09:47,930
actually here to get our flu vaccination

243
00:09:46,339 --> 00:09:49,910
it shows that we put our money where our

244
00:09:47,929 --> 00:09:52,278
mouth is so to speak yeah well we put

245
00:09:49,909 --> 00:09:54,139
our arms we're putting out we're putting

246
00:09:52,278 --> 00:09:56,208
our lives in the hands of dr. Brad hi

247
00:09:54,139 --> 00:09:57,740
dr. Bret hello I'll have the adrenalin

248
00:09:56,208 --> 00:09:59,629
waiting in case there's an anaphylactic

249
00:09:57,740 --> 00:10:01,129
reaction I'm sure we'll be fine

250
00:09:59,629 --> 00:10:01,960
I must congratulate you on your recent

251
00:10:01,129 --> 00:10:04,529
TV

252
00:10:01,960 --> 00:10:06,190
understand grand show yes which is

253
00:10:04,529 --> 00:10:08,589
listeners who might not know that's

254
00:10:06,190 --> 00:10:10,360
called um matter of fact thank you man I

255
00:10:08,590 --> 00:10:12,610
couldn't think of a name but it's it's

256
00:10:10,360 --> 00:10:14,350
broadly an indigenous affairs show am I

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00:10:12,610 --> 00:10:15,070
correct in saying that or is it more

258
00:10:14,350 --> 00:10:17,470
broader than that

259
00:10:15,070 --> 00:10:20,080
Stan grande is an indigenous reporter so

260
00:10:17,470 --> 00:10:21,370
he's a journalist so he but he does all

261
00:10:20,080 --> 00:10:23,950
sorts of issues so we were talking

262
00:10:21,370 --> 00:10:26,740
previously with um Richard Dawkins he

263
00:10:23,950 --> 00:10:28,780
was on the show just recently yeah so

264
00:10:26,740 --> 00:10:30,639
I'm talking about rituals and how we

265
00:10:28,779 --> 00:10:32,949
don't need religion so that was a that

266
00:10:30,639 --> 00:10:35,049
was quite good you shocked me Richard

267
00:10:32,950 --> 00:10:37,810
Dawkins talking no I think it shocked

268
00:10:35,049 --> 00:10:39,759
Stan Graham's but but yeah he's still

269
00:10:37,809 --> 00:10:45,969
catching up with Richard Dawkins er you

270
00:10:39,759 --> 00:10:47,049
didn't turn the other night really you

271
00:10:45,970 --> 00:10:49,450

did your homework well we were

272

00:10:47,049 --> 00:10:51,490

disappointed with the review so the

273

00:10:49,450 --> 00:10:53,410

government decided not to act on the on

274

00:10:51,490 --> 00:10:55,690

their independent review on homeopathy

275

00:10:53,409 --> 00:10:57,730

and on the pharmaceutical industry and

276

00:10:55,690 --> 00:11:00,310

they've just decided ya know we'll just

277

00:10:57,730 --> 00:11:02,110

leave it to the pharmacies the the

278

00:11:00,309 --> 00:11:05,139

pharmacists themselves to decide whether

279

00:11:02,110 --> 00:11:07,659

they stock homeopathy or not so yeah

280

00:11:05,139 --> 00:11:09,490

it's still fleecing people it's taking

281

00:11:07,659 --> 00:11:12,219

their money it's giving them magic pills

282

00:11:09,490 --> 00:11:14,710

but they don't do anything so yeah it's

283

00:11:12,220 --> 00:11:20,080

a bit of a disappointment so we will see

284

00:11:14,710 --> 00:11:22,240

what happens going we are doing well by

285

00:11:20,080 --> 00:11:24,639

and large yeah we are getting there yeah

286

00:11:22,240 --> 00:11:26,649

but I'm we're following the the UK they

287

00:11:24,639 --> 00:11:29,139

seem to be kicking a few more goals than

288

00:11:26,649 --> 00:11:31,899

us at the moment very well okay now

289

00:11:29,139 --> 00:11:33,610

hello what's this Trish you know you're

290

00:11:31,899 --> 00:11:37,600

you know you just brought out a red

291

00:11:33,610 --> 00:11:40,899

syringe it looks interesting

292

00:11:37,600 --> 00:11:43,149

I'm sure it's full of blood yes

293

00:11:40,899 --> 00:11:44,439

yeah it does it doesn't look like but

294

00:11:43,149 --> 00:11:48,009

can you explain what's going on here

295

00:11:44,440 --> 00:11:51,070

well as you can see we have several

296

00:11:48,009 --> 00:11:53,259

muffins several it's a table full of

297

00:11:51,070 --> 00:11:55,270

muffins well I can't do maths which

298

00:11:53,259 --> 00:11:57,850

there is a very real possibility there

299

00:11:55,269 --> 00:12:00,309

should be 40 more and there are 40 of

300
00:11:57,850 --> 00:12:02,320
these describe them Richard there

301
00:12:00,309 --> 00:12:04,529
they're real syringes folks they're

302
00:12:02,320 --> 00:12:11,440
quite big ones but they're filled with

303
00:12:04,529 --> 00:12:13,629
strawberry and caramel oh it looks

304
00:12:11,440 --> 00:12:15,040
fantastic and the muffins folks I wish

305
00:12:13,629 --> 00:12:17,500
you could be here to look at this the

306
00:12:15,039 --> 00:12:19,269
table of muffins Oh now

307
00:12:17,500 --> 00:12:21,759
Tricia's just stuck a syringe into a

308
00:12:19,269 --> 00:12:23,949
muffin another syringe goes into the

309
00:12:21,759 --> 00:12:25,629
chocolate muffin I've never seen

310
00:12:23,950 --> 00:12:30,430
anything like this folks I must take a

311
00:12:25,629 --> 00:12:36,580
photograph well if nothing else this is

312
00:12:30,429 --> 00:12:40,239
a creative day I'd must say we all get

313
00:12:36,580 --> 00:12:41,889
started with vaccinations very soon we

314

00:12:40,240 --> 00:12:44,259
have lots of vaccinated muffins at the

315
00:12:41,889 --> 00:12:46,840
frontier so you said after you've got to

316
00:12:44,259 --> 00:12:48,730
earn your reward though so so after were

317
00:12:46,840 --> 00:12:50,560
vaccinated you please feel free as long

318
00:12:48,730 --> 00:12:51,480
as you're not allergic to muffins then

319
00:12:50,559 --> 00:12:54,189
that'll be all right

320
00:12:51,480 --> 00:12:56,769
if you can fill out the forms that are

321
00:12:54,190 --> 00:12:58,450
round mainly just the top bit like

322
00:12:56,769 --> 00:13:01,329
Medicare details if you've got them and

323
00:12:58,450 --> 00:13:02,379
like deta birth name and come up with

324
00:13:01,330 --> 00:13:04,450
middle I just asked you a few questions

325
00:13:02,379 --> 00:13:06,340
to make sure that we're all really ready

326
00:13:04,450 --> 00:13:09,310
to go make sure that there's no major

327
00:13:06,340 --> 00:13:11,530
allergies or any other problems we've

328
00:13:09,309 --> 00:13:13,419

got lots of vaccines here there's been a

329

00:13:11,529 --> 00:13:14,829

shortage around Australia at the moment

330

00:13:13,419 --> 00:13:16,620

but we've got we've got plenty at the

331

00:13:14,830 --> 00:13:18,790

clinic here today so that's all good

332

00:13:16,620 --> 00:13:21,009

yeah if there's any questions please ask

333

00:13:18,789 --> 00:13:22,599

me before I'm vaccinating you to make

334

00:13:21,009 --> 00:13:24,789

sure that we're all clear but yeah thank

335

00:13:22,600 --> 00:13:27,670

you so much for supporting community

336

00:13:24,789 --> 00:13:29,409

immunity in Australia and particularly

337

00:13:27,669 --> 00:13:30,849

around Sydney where we are here so just

338

00:13:29,409 --> 00:13:33,610

really really important both for

339

00:13:30,850 --> 00:13:35,200

yourself and for your family members too

340

00:13:33,610 --> 00:13:40,870

and the big question is who wants to go

341

00:13:35,200 --> 00:13:42,340

first Richard has decided that my name's

342

00:13:40,870 --> 00:13:46,169

on the top of the list you can be my

343
00:13:42,340 --> 00:13:46,170
guinea pig for the start of the session

344
00:13:46,690 --> 00:13:52,000
okay the day's going very well I was

345
00:13:49,450 --> 00:13:54,120
some the guinea pig I had my first Tim

346
00:13:52,000 --> 00:13:58,539
Mendham was in line to get his flu jab

347
00:13:54,120 --> 00:14:00,340
yes yes I am extremely nervous but I'll

348
00:13:58,539 --> 00:14:04,839
be fine I think I think I'll I'll

349
00:14:00,340 --> 00:14:07,180
survive the Reds very good at it doctor

350
00:14:04,840 --> 00:14:08,920
most very good in fact someone just said

351
00:14:07,179 --> 00:14:10,689
there we're a bit nervous about having

352
00:14:08,919 --> 00:14:12,699
the shot they just had it and they say

353
00:14:10,690 --> 00:14:15,070
this idea you know yeah I know I know

354
00:14:12,700 --> 00:14:17,200
something is you get over it I think

355
00:14:15,070 --> 00:14:19,330
pretty quickly you do but it's a great

356
00:14:17,200 --> 00:14:20,500
turn up the room is full of people I

357
00:14:19,330 --> 00:14:22,540
think they're all here for their muffins

358
00:14:20,500 --> 00:14:26,590
quite frankly the doctor breads doing a

359
00:14:22,539 --> 00:14:29,889
great job catching up with Lara here

360
00:14:26,590 --> 00:14:33,190
who's hoeing into her lovely muffin and

361
00:14:29,889 --> 00:14:35,949
she's also like like me she's received a

362
00:14:33,190 --> 00:14:38,080
temporary tattoo your says hug me I've

363
00:14:35,950 --> 00:14:41,950
had the flu vaccine mine says I'm a flu

364
00:14:38,080 --> 00:14:45,930
fighter and I think the Foo Fighters

365
00:14:41,950 --> 00:14:45,930
might be auntie back they might be

366
00:14:46,169 --> 00:14:51,219
listeners all no but it was what

367
00:14:49,690 --> 00:14:55,390
everybody saying was entirely painless

368
00:14:51,220 --> 00:14:59,019
yeah every year I'm a teacher and the

369
00:14:55,389 --> 00:15:00,879
kids are filthy and no in all

370
00:14:59,019 --> 00:15:02,500
seriousness though it's obviously rife

371

00:15:00,879 --> 00:15:05,710
for picking things up at school things

372
00:15:02,500 --> 00:15:07,000
circulate very very quickly so I always

373
00:15:05,710 --> 00:15:07,690
get the flu vaccine every single year

374
00:15:07,000 --> 00:15:10,480
yeah

375
00:15:07,690 --> 00:15:12,310
and the day is going very well it's been

376
00:15:10,480 --> 00:15:14,500
going for over an hour about an hour now

377
00:15:12,309 --> 00:15:15,729
and people are all still gathered here

378
00:15:14,500 --> 00:15:17,470
in fact everyone has had their

379
00:15:15,730 --> 00:15:19,509
vaccination is still here

380
00:15:17,470 --> 00:15:20,649
in fact no-one's really running out the

381
00:15:19,509 --> 00:15:22,750
door which I think they're here for the

382
00:15:20,649 --> 00:15:26,110
muffins quite frankly though yeah mine

383
00:15:22,750 --> 00:15:30,909
was pretty good now I'm just walking

384
00:15:26,110 --> 00:15:34,149
outside again to the street I'm standing

385
00:15:30,909 --> 00:15:36,219

outside the doctors clinic and the

386

00:15:34,149 --> 00:15:38,709

reason I'm here is because there was a

387

00:15:36,220 --> 00:15:41,889

core put out on Facebook a couple of

388

00:15:38,710 --> 00:15:45,100

weeks ago for people to come here and

389

00:15:41,889 --> 00:15:47,080

pick it this event to protest with

390

00:15:45,100 --> 00:15:49,870

banners and signs and make noise and

391

00:15:47,080 --> 00:15:54,339

whatever and I'm on the street now and

392

00:15:49,870 --> 00:15:55,818

there is not a soul there are cars

393

00:15:54,339 --> 00:15:58,489

whizzing by

394

00:15:55,818 --> 00:16:01,608

few people here and they're going about

395

00:15:58,489 --> 00:16:04,668

their business but the protesters must

396

00:16:01,609 --> 00:16:09,799

have all stayed home in then maybe

397

00:16:04,668 --> 00:16:12,350

they've got the flu well I must say the

398

00:16:09,798 --> 00:16:14,600

day is a terrific success lots of people

399

00:16:12,350 --> 00:16:17,449

here still waiting to get their

400
00:16:14,600 --> 00:16:21,168
injection from dr. Brad we've had live

401
00:16:17,448 --> 00:16:24,378
views on Facebook on the Estonian

402
00:16:21,168 --> 00:16:25,789
skeptics Facebook site and people are

403
00:16:24,379 --> 00:16:27,980
now getting their temporary tattoos

404
00:16:25,789 --> 00:16:30,048
which is a lot of fun so from the

405
00:16:27,980 --> 00:16:31,789
Australian skeptics vaccination flu

406
00:16:30,048 --> 00:16:43,730
vaccination day this is richard signing

407
00:16:31,789 --> 00:16:45,349
off hi i'm darren McKee one of the hosts

408
00:16:43,730 --> 00:16:46,909
of the reality check each week my

409
00:16:45,350 --> 00:16:48,619
co-host and I explore a range of

410
00:16:46,909 --> 00:16:50,208
controversies and curiosities using

411
00:16:48,619 --> 00:16:51,559
science and critical thinking you can

412
00:16:50,208 --> 00:16:53,599
find us on iTunes your favorite

413
00:16:51,558 --> 00:16:55,129
podcasting platform and on Facebook by

414
00:16:53,600 --> 00:16:56,808
searching for the reality check or by

415
00:16:55,129 --> 00:16:58,970
following us on Twitter at TRC

416
00:16:56,808 --> 00:17:00,379
underscore podcast until then keep an

417
00:16:58,970 --> 00:17:06,500
open mind but not so open your brain

418
00:17:00,379 --> 00:17:09,118
falls out join us now for drinking

419
00:17:06,500 --> 00:17:16,680
skeptically in the think tank

420
00:17:09,118 --> 00:17:19,569
[Music]

421
00:17:16,680 --> 00:17:21,580
welcome to the 500th episode of the

422
00:17:19,569 --> 00:17:24,759
skeptic zone a great moment in Australia

423
00:17:21,579 --> 00:17:27,789
up there with the death of Billy Sneden

424
00:17:24,759 --> 00:17:30,339
and some other great things that happen

425
00:17:27,789 --> 00:17:31,779
that are really good that were not good

426
00:17:30,339 --> 00:17:33,039
so that was tragic the death of Billy

427
00:17:31,779 --> 00:17:35,379
Steadman was a tragic thing for

428

00:17:33,039 --> 00:17:37,000
Australia but the 500th episode of the

429
00:17:35,380 --> 00:17:38,620
sceptic zone is a great thing for

430
00:17:37,000 --> 00:17:40,390
Australia stand-up Australia now sit

431
00:17:38,619 --> 00:17:43,299
down and welcome who've we got here

432
00:17:40,390 --> 00:17:45,759
today Richard Saunders thanks for coming

433
00:17:43,299 --> 00:17:48,250
along over there we've got Iran Sega and

434
00:17:45,759 --> 00:17:52,390
Tim indem Amanda Rose

435
00:17:48,250 --> 00:17:54,069
Trish Han Lara venom and you're gonna

436
00:17:52,390 --> 00:17:55,900
set us off with some great topics super

437
00:17:54,069 --> 00:17:57,730
can tell some stories are we let's talk

438
00:17:55,900 --> 00:18:00,220
about the time that your car didn't

439
00:17:57,730 --> 00:18:02,230
start that was an exciting moment wasn't

440
00:18:00,220 --> 00:18:03,640
a long time listeners will remember that

441
00:18:02,230 --> 00:18:05,500
we used to do a segment called the think

442
00:18:03,640 --> 00:18:07,690

tank where we'd come to our club at the

443

00:18:05,500 --> 00:18:09,339

end of the street and come downstairs to

444

00:18:07,690 --> 00:18:12,009

the Chinese restaurant have a great

445

00:18:09,339 --> 00:18:14,019

Chinese food and then dinner and then

446

00:18:12,009 --> 00:18:15,819

sit on these long tables as part of the

447

00:18:14,019 --> 00:18:18,129

restaurant we're in exactly the same

448

00:18:15,819 --> 00:18:20,289

spot however this club has completely

449

00:18:18,130 --> 00:18:21,730

changed its all meeting rooms now but

450

00:18:20,289 --> 00:18:23,349

we've got comfortable chairs it's quite

451

00:18:21,730 --> 00:18:27,759

nice yeah it looks a bit gameofthrones

452

00:18:23,349 --> 00:18:30,029

issue that's exactly right I think it's

453

00:18:27,759 --> 00:18:33,129

a catering school there now oddly enough

454

00:18:30,029 --> 00:18:36,279

look I have an apology Tim Ferguson a

455

00:18:33,130 --> 00:18:37,780

written apology from Tim Ferguson Tim

456

00:18:36,279 --> 00:18:39,940

Ferguson Agatha allstars he wished to

457
00:18:37,779 --> 00:18:42,490
apologize for not being here and he says

458
00:18:39,940 --> 00:18:44,710
that he does agree that the earth is not

459
00:18:42,490 --> 00:18:46,240
flat but he thinks the moon is flat

460
00:18:44,710 --> 00:18:49,539
because we only ever see one side it

461
00:18:46,240 --> 00:18:51,400
could be two-dimensional aha he said the

462
00:18:49,539 --> 00:18:52,809
earth is definitely flat may not I don't

463
00:18:51,400 --> 00:18:53,980
know what people are talking about now

464
00:18:52,809 --> 00:18:55,210
there's there's something we can kick

465
00:18:53,980 --> 00:18:57,460
off the think tank with this is

466
00:18:55,210 --> 00:18:58,960
incredible everybody in all the years

467
00:18:57,460 --> 00:19:00,670
I've been doing the sceptics own and we

468
00:18:58,960 --> 00:19:02,590
used to do the think tank this topic

469
00:19:00,670 --> 00:19:06,220
never came up because we thought why on

470
00:19:02,589 --> 00:19:08,139
earth on earth why on earth ever

471
00:19:06,220 --> 00:19:10,950
occurred to us now Tim you've been

472
00:19:08,140 --> 00:19:13,930
around a long time The Skeptical traps

473
00:19:10,950 --> 00:19:16,299
flat earth it's really taken off it

474
00:19:13,930 --> 00:19:18,580
hasn't why what's happening

475
00:19:16,299 --> 00:19:21,039
whatever I say pups it's just nice and

476
00:19:18,579 --> 00:19:22,750
even it's just yeah it's a simple thing

477
00:19:21,039 --> 00:19:23,379
to understand right a flat earth like a

478
00:19:22,750 --> 00:19:25,359
pancake

479
00:19:23,380 --> 00:19:28,000
and people can appreciate that like they

480
00:19:25,359 --> 00:19:30,159
appreciate pancakes I think it's really

481
00:19:28,000 --> 00:19:31,900
started he really started in the US with

482
00:19:30,160 --> 00:19:35,590
some prominent sports people like there

483
00:19:31,900 --> 00:19:37,600
was started with the basketball star who

484
00:19:35,589 --> 00:19:39,250
said something in there that was a bit

485

00:19:37,599 --> 00:19:42,519
like the party I'd look up the work of

486
00:19:39,250 --> 00:19:44,710
Mark Sargent online he's been one of the

487
00:19:42,519 --> 00:19:46,029
main promoters of this with videos and

488
00:19:44,710 --> 00:19:48,279
things like that he did a seven part

489
00:19:46,029 --> 00:19:51,700
series anyone seen any of these videos a

490
00:19:48,279 --> 00:19:53,740
tough crowd for that and it's kind of

491
00:19:51,700 --> 00:19:55,269
interesting and oh no Ross and Carrie

492
00:19:53,740 --> 00:19:56,319
didn't interview at marks sergeant's I

493
00:19:55,269 --> 00:19:57,700
have a look at that you make a bit of

494
00:19:56,319 --> 00:19:59,439
background but I don't think my

495
00:19:57,700 --> 00:20:05,200
sergeants alone you know I think it was

496
00:19:59,440 --> 00:20:06,970
also interviewed by by Marsh on on be

497
00:20:05,200 --> 00:20:12,009
reasonably reasonable yeah and be very

498
00:20:06,970 --> 00:20:15,819
reasonable in the case of Marsh be too

499
00:20:12,009 --> 00:20:17,799

reasonable the the thing is sergeant

500

00:20:15,819 --> 00:20:20,769

myself wouldn't in no way make it so

501

00:20:17,799 --> 00:20:23,019

popular I think he just had a celebrity

502

00:20:20,769 --> 00:20:25,859

pick up on it and make it a lot more

503

00:20:23,019 --> 00:20:28,359

popular today than it's been in decades

504

00:20:25,859 --> 00:20:29,889

it's not just popular it's it's there

505

00:20:28,359 --> 00:20:32,049

have conventions and they just had one

506

00:20:29,890 --> 00:20:33,400

in the UK and even here in Australia

507

00:20:32,049 --> 00:20:41,049

this mean that they tried to get one gig

508

00:20:33,400 --> 00:20:41,710

aside yes I haven't really looked into

509

00:20:41,049 --> 00:20:43,269

it buddy

510

00:20:41,710 --> 00:20:45,519

it's always been my impression that was

511

00:20:43,269 --> 00:20:48,629

kind of an are anything like it is it

512

00:20:45,519 --> 00:20:51,639

like a really they're really genuinely

513

00:20:48,630 --> 00:20:53,440

emotionally committed to the idea or an

514
00:20:51,640 --> 00:20:55,390
internet troll from what I gather

515
00:20:53,440 --> 00:20:58,029
there's there's the Christian angle as

516
00:20:55,390 --> 00:21:00,910
well that go back to the firmament above

517
00:20:58,029 --> 00:21:02,950
and then there's also the people who

518
00:21:00,910 --> 00:21:04,570
don't trust in what they're being told

519
00:21:02,950 --> 00:21:06,690
and it's kind of like they've been

520
00:21:04,569 --> 00:21:08,799
looking for the grand unification

521
00:21:06,690 --> 00:21:11,019
conspiracy theory of them all and this

522
00:21:08,799 --> 00:21:13,210
would be it because if the earth birth

523
00:21:11,019 --> 00:21:17,829
was indeed flat it explains all the

524
00:21:13,210 --> 00:21:18,970
other ones because that's the first

525
00:21:17,829 --> 00:21:20,529
thing they're hiding so it's

526
00:21:18,970 --> 00:21:22,240
conspiracies all the way down that sort

527
00:21:20,529 --> 00:21:25,500
of thing yes it's speaking of space man

528
00:21:22,240 --> 00:21:30,160
and I just noticed what Trish is wearing

529
00:21:25,500 --> 00:21:34,200
it's my um it's the Australian research

530
00:21:30,160 --> 00:21:37,890
into space exploration t-shirt or ass

531
00:21:34,200 --> 00:21:39,509
I know what's funny about that you have

532
00:21:37,890 --> 00:21:41,310
a lot of contact with school kids today

533
00:21:39,509 --> 00:21:51,629
I have anything about the latter thing

534
00:21:41,309 --> 00:21:53,309
do they try that one as a school teacher

535
00:21:51,630 --> 00:21:56,550
do your students go hey

536
00:21:53,309 --> 00:21:57,990
Earth's flat shut up it's sort of I'm so

537
00:21:56,549 --> 00:22:00,569
I've got a year twelve group at the

538
00:21:57,990 --> 00:22:02,309
moment who a lot of our conversations

539
00:22:00,569 --> 00:22:05,009
are centered around flat earth round

540
00:22:02,309 --> 00:22:05,849
earth they find a lot of memes and send

541
00:22:05,009 --> 00:22:10,079
them to me Oh

542

00:22:05,849 --> 00:22:11,579
to be honest it's it's the physics that

543
00:22:10,079 --> 00:22:13,889
they have to understand to be able to

544
00:22:11,579 --> 00:22:17,399
explain why the earth is not flat and in

545
00:22:13,890 --> 00:22:19,680
fact is a sphere is entirely relevant to

546
00:22:17,400 --> 00:22:22,519
our course so it seems like a complete

547
00:22:19,680 --> 00:22:25,710
joke but they're actually learning stuff

548
00:22:22,519 --> 00:22:28,410
now main I had a listener write in

549
00:22:25,710 --> 00:22:30,240
saying he had an idea for the 500th

550
00:22:28,410 --> 00:22:32,220
episode he said don't do any more no

551
00:22:30,240 --> 00:22:33,480
that was another listener isn't he said

552
00:22:32,220 --> 00:22:35,370
why don't we look at some of the topics

553
00:22:33,480 --> 00:22:37,740
that were in the very first thing tank

554
00:22:35,369 --> 00:22:39,719
and I just listened to that today and

555
00:22:37,740 --> 00:22:41,430
that was with dr. ray Qi and our

556
00:22:39,720 --> 00:22:43,680

reporter Michael walla Han at the time

557

00:22:41,430 --> 00:22:45,930

and the topics we covered 10 years ago

558

00:22:43,680 --> 00:22:48,810

almost in this very spot were the let's

559

00:22:45,930 --> 00:22:51,779

go panther Yahweh's UFOs and bunyips

560

00:22:48,809 --> 00:23:03,089

Robbie Williams looking for aliens do

561

00:22:51,779 --> 00:23:08,339

you remember that yes jobs been taken

562

00:23:03,089 --> 00:23:10,980

over by the guy from blink-182 another

563

00:23:08,339 --> 00:23:13,349

topic pink and Scientology I don't know

564

00:23:10,980 --> 00:23:15,390

if that ever went anywhere or not

565

00:23:13,349 --> 00:23:17,250

halfway through the recording of the the

566

00:23:15,390 --> 00:23:19,560

the session and I don't think it's going

567

00:23:17,250 --> 00:23:21,839

to happen tonight a nice young lady came

568

00:23:19,559 --> 00:23:24,450

up to us and gave us all free beers cuz

569

00:23:21,839 --> 00:23:28,259

the club were running a promotion yes I

570

00:23:24,450 --> 00:23:31,559

know and that's all recorded we should

571
00:23:28,259 --> 00:23:34,049
yeah Penn pharmaceuticals remember ten

572
00:23:31,559 --> 00:23:36,720
years ago there was a wonderful

573
00:23:34,049 --> 00:23:38,039
experience that was where they hadn't

574
00:23:36,720 --> 00:23:39,630
quite checked the ingredients properly

575
00:23:38,039 --> 00:23:41,509
in some tablets for coming out a hundred

576
00:23:39,630 --> 00:23:42,950
percent and some 10 percent yeah

577
00:23:41,509 --> 00:23:44,480
there was a lot of disparity there was

578
00:23:42,950 --> 00:23:46,759
actually also a lot of flaws sweepings

579
00:23:44,480 --> 00:23:47,450
apparently being put back into the mix

580
00:23:46,759 --> 00:23:50,180
mmm

581
00:23:47,450 --> 00:23:52,700
yes but I raided this pharmaceutical

582
00:23:50,180 --> 00:23:54,500
company I was making pills and things

583
00:23:52,700 --> 00:23:56,930
for other companies as well and they

584
00:23:54,500 --> 00:23:58,190
were raided and put out of business and

585
00:23:56,930 --> 00:24:00,259
there was a huge court case of better

586
00:23:58,190 --> 00:24:02,380
than the guy who ran pam pharmaceuticals

587
00:24:00,259 --> 00:24:04,519
well a huge paper gave me three million

588
00:24:02,380 --> 00:24:07,670
dollars so it was actually it pays to be

589
00:24:04,519 --> 00:24:09,710
a bad manufacturer so that was ten i

590
00:24:07,670 --> 00:24:11,630
roughly ten years ago also the topics

591
00:24:09,710 --> 00:24:13,250
brought up in that situation were

592
00:24:11,630 --> 00:24:17,390
witchcraft at a soccer match

593
00:24:13,250 --> 00:24:18,890
oddly enough and vegetarian diets so

594
00:24:17,390 --> 00:24:21,680
that were the topics we were looking at

595
00:24:18,890 --> 00:24:26,110
10 not even vegan vegetarian just just

596
00:24:21,680 --> 00:24:26,110
vegetarian diets so cutting-edge stuff

597
00:24:27,519 --> 00:24:31,730
but i think the best part was being

598
00:24:29,720 --> 00:24:35,839
interrupted to have free beers quite

599

00:24:31,730 --> 00:24:38,480
frankly so coming up in come to come to

600
00:24:35,839 --> 00:24:40,189
my notice the bus is late yes we all

601
00:24:38,480 --> 00:24:41,690
miss the bus announcements longtime

602
00:24:40,190 --> 00:24:42,950
listeners remember would be recording

603
00:24:41,690 --> 00:24:44,539
and halfway through the the club

604
00:24:42,950 --> 00:24:46,580
wouldn't say the bus is leaving for so

605
00:24:44,539 --> 00:24:48,680
instead location doesn't happen anymore

606
00:24:46,579 --> 00:24:50,809
main out it's very sad but there is

607
00:24:48,680 --> 00:24:52,910
behind you a photo of the dog that

608
00:24:50,809 --> 00:24:59,269
single-handedly defeated the kaiser in

609
00:24:52,910 --> 00:25:00,860
the first world war we see a dog is just

610
00:24:59,269 --> 00:25:04,009
about to go the cars that you can tell

611
00:25:00,859 --> 00:25:05,869
that causes just out of frame people

612
00:25:04,009 --> 00:25:08,200
wondering why they're just surrounded by

613
00:25:05,869 --> 00:25:10,909

war pictures because this club is the

614

00:25:08,200 --> 00:25:13,789

returned and services league club which

615

00:25:10,910 --> 00:25:15,529

is was originally set up for servicemen

616

00:25:13,789 --> 00:25:18,259

and women so there you go there you go

617

00:25:15,529 --> 00:25:21,109

so but it brought to my attention just

618

00:25:18,259 --> 00:25:23,960

today yesterday by dr. brad McKay was

619

00:25:21,109 --> 00:25:24,949

John Edward is coming back to town some

620

00:25:23,960 --> 00:25:26,779

things never change

621

00:25:24,950 --> 00:25:30,170

yeah you're right because I as I pointed

622

00:25:26,779 --> 00:25:32,960

out to dr. Brad this is his this is his

623

00:25:30,170 --> 00:25:34,370

routine every year for 10 plus years he

624

00:25:32,960 --> 00:25:36,380

comes in the middle of the end does this

625

00:25:34,369 --> 00:25:39,109

pre to a promotion

626

00:25:36,380 --> 00:25:41,450

which basically means every media outlet

627

00:25:39,109 --> 00:25:43,579

will have him on especially the chat

628
00:25:41,450 --> 00:25:47,429
shows and things like

629
00:25:43,579 --> 00:25:51,808
seen yourself soda by him oh it

630
00:25:47,429 --> 00:25:54,749
wasn't complimentary over 10 years ago I

631
00:25:51,808 --> 00:25:56,999
went to see him do a live TV show called

632
00:25:54,749 --> 00:25:59,460
mornings with Carrie Anne Kennedy at the

633
00:25:56,999 --> 00:26:01,319
time and I got into the audience and I

634
00:25:59,460 --> 00:26:03,329
thought best thing to do was just see

635
00:26:01,319 --> 00:26:04,918
what goes on if I stand up and tried to

636
00:26:03,329 --> 00:26:07,099
chat but it wouldn't work

637
00:26:04,919 --> 00:26:09,980
and he didn't do any readings at that

638
00:26:07,099 --> 00:26:13,738
time but Carrie Anne asked him about

639
00:26:09,980 --> 00:26:16,499
something to do with his psychic powers

640
00:26:13,739 --> 00:26:18,899
can interfere with electronics he said

641
00:26:16,499 --> 00:26:21,329
oh yeah that's true you know TVs flicker

642
00:26:18,898 --> 00:26:24,898
on and off and I I'm my powers in and I

643
00:26:21,329 --> 00:26:27,569
thought and they let him fly but it was

644
00:26:24,898 --> 00:26:29,339
that being in the audience after the

645
00:26:27,569 --> 00:26:30,868
show was over and he went away and and I

646
00:26:29,339 --> 00:26:33,418
was chatting to Carrie and Kenley that

647
00:26:30,868 --> 00:26:36,298
the the host of the show and I said look

648
00:26:33,419 --> 00:26:37,679
I'm from the skeptics and we sort of

649
00:26:36,298 --> 00:26:40,048
we've you know we're pretty sure we know

650
00:26:37,679 --> 00:26:42,419
what's going on would you have a skeptic

651
00:26:40,048 --> 00:26:44,099
on for balance and she said yes and

652
00:26:42,419 --> 00:26:47,190
that's why we got the magician mark

653
00:26:44,099 --> 00:26:48,928
Meyer on about two weeks later or

654
00:26:47,190 --> 00:26:50,850
something on to put the sceptical point

655
00:26:48,929 --> 00:26:52,769
of view so that that worked out in the

656

00:26:50,849 --> 00:26:54,868
end and I and again if I were to stood

657
00:26:52,769 --> 00:26:56,878
up and since during a live taping of the

658
00:26:54,868 --> 00:26:58,888
show and made a fool out of myself it

659
00:26:56,878 --> 00:27:01,980
happens anyway may not but I think that

660
00:26:58,888 --> 00:27:04,168
was the best outcome I mean has anyone

661
00:27:01,980 --> 00:27:06,749
ever been dude like that I mean not Mark

662
00:27:04,169 --> 00:27:08,700
John oh but anyone else have you had a

663
00:27:06,749 --> 00:27:09,929
chance to see one do a massive called

664
00:27:08,700 --> 00:27:14,429
reading which is what they turn into

665
00:27:09,929 --> 00:27:17,669
that challenged us a long time ago named

666
00:27:14,429 --> 00:27:19,528
cliff Dorian he was channeling a ancient

667
00:27:17,669 --> 00:27:22,019
spirit or something we're putting on a

668
00:27:19,528 --> 00:27:24,239
slightly different voice not very good

669
00:27:22,019 --> 00:27:26,249
but his was that he would dribble

670
00:27:24,239 --> 00:27:28,048

at the same time but he would go read

671

00:27:26,249 --> 00:27:29,759

people and he read he read there's some

672

00:27:28,048 --> 00:27:32,849

of the skeptics were there and he he

673

00:27:29,759 --> 00:27:34,769

sort of contacted dead relatives half of

674

00:27:32,849 --> 00:27:35,849

whom weren't but never mind so that was

675

00:27:34,769 --> 00:27:38,489

quite fun actually and he think

676

00:27:35,849 --> 00:27:40,439

challenges \$200,000 neat offered his own

677

00:27:38,489 --> 00:27:41,669

hundred thousand dollars I mean it

678

00:27:40,440 --> 00:27:43,798

supposedly brought it on and showed it

679

00:27:41,669 --> 00:27:45,538

on TV and it was sounded quite

680

00:27:43,798 --> 00:27:47,379

interesting Barry Williams was there

681

00:27:45,538 --> 00:27:48,970

with him actually

682

00:27:47,380 --> 00:27:51,280

bold or was this another guilin thinking

683

00:27:48,970 --> 00:27:57,670

about the building yeah baldon a bit

684

00:27:51,279 --> 00:27:59,769

okay I saw a female reader but it was

685
00:27:57,670 --> 00:28:02,860
not even cold reading was just all just

686
00:27:59,769 --> 00:28:04,359
basic mentalism tricks even she was so

687
00:28:02,859 --> 00:28:05,829
terrible that even at the time I mean I

688
00:28:04,359 --> 00:28:08,859
now I know a lot more about how these

689
00:28:05,829 --> 00:28:10,839
things are done at the time I didn't and

690
00:28:08,859 --> 00:28:12,639
he was still very transparent that what

691
00:28:10,839 --> 00:28:14,259
she was doing with tricks he was it was

692
00:28:12,640 --> 00:28:14,950
really quite bad just trying to remember

693
00:28:14,259 --> 00:28:17,619
what her name was

694
00:28:14,950 --> 00:28:19,269
yeah the only one I've seen that was in

695
00:28:17,619 --> 00:28:23,349
the studio audience of Richard's

696
00:28:19,269 --> 00:28:26,289
television show when he was judging the

697
00:28:23,349 --> 00:28:28,299
psychics and they weren't very good

698
00:28:26,289 --> 00:28:29,859
either yes good cuz you'd end up doing

699
00:28:28,299 --> 00:28:31,240
two seasons the show was called the one

700
00:28:29,859 --> 00:28:33,039
who's that and yeah two seasons she's a

701
00:28:31,240 --> 00:28:39,430
lot a lot of things that ended up on the

702
00:28:33,039 --> 00:28:41,109
editing room floor I've been called

703
00:28:39,430 --> 00:28:42,700
worse what we'll do now is would they

704
00:28:41,109 --> 00:28:45,549
get a quick break and we'll play some of

705
00:28:42,700 --> 00:28:48,250
the very kind and wonderful greetings

706
00:28:45,549 --> 00:28:51,849
and well wishing messages of well

707
00:28:48,250 --> 00:28:52,839
wishing well wishing wish I can I need

708
00:28:51,849 --> 00:28:55,209
another drink and I've only been

709
00:28:52,839 --> 00:28:56,589
drinking water and stuff we're gonna

710
00:28:55,210 --> 00:28:58,769
play some greetings from around the

711
00:28:56,589 --> 00:28:58,769
world

712
00:29:00,720 --> 00:29:05,980
we here at swearing strange wish you

713

00:29:03,640 --> 00:29:09,009
hearty congratulations on your milestone

714
00:29:05,980 --> 00:29:11,440
500th episode Richard Saunders has now

715
00:29:09,009 --> 00:29:13,839
entered epic territory as a podcasting

716
00:29:11,440 --> 00:29:15,820
legend hey we love legends we should do

717
00:29:13,839 --> 00:29:17,769
a whole show on Richard so from me

718
00:29:15,819 --> 00:29:19,990
Pasquale Romero and Ben Radford and

719
00:29:17,769 --> 00:29:22,210
Celeste reward all of us here in strange

720
00:29:19,990 --> 00:29:24,039
studios in the Southwest deserts of New

721
00:29:22,210 --> 00:29:27,069
Mexico kind of like the outback of the

722
00:29:24,039 --> 00:29:28,159
United States wish you a fantastic 500th

723
00:29:27,069 --> 00:29:31,208
and many more

724
00:29:28,160 --> 00:29:31,209
[Music]

725
00:29:37,400 --> 00:29:42,100
[Music]

726
00:29:39,538 --> 00:29:43,658
boy howdy George rob here from the

727
00:29:42,099 --> 00:29:45,878

geologic podcast just wanted to say

728

00:29:43,659 --> 00:29:51,789
congratulations on 500 wonderful

729

00:29:45,878 --> 00:29:56,009
episodes of the skeptic soup oh sorry

730

00:29:51,788 --> 00:30:00,700
500 episodes of the skeptic place the

731

00:29:56,009 --> 00:30:06,210
skeptic party guys the skeptic skeptics

732

00:30:00,700 --> 00:30:09,009
skeptic thing something bones something

733

00:30:06,210 --> 00:30:13,090
skeptic bone that's it's the skeptic

734

00:30:09,009 --> 00:30:15,970
bone the skeptic vegemite party and

735

00:30:13,089 --> 00:30:18,699
dingo fiesta yeah perfect let me start

736

00:30:15,970 --> 00:30:20,710
again boy howdy George Rob here just

737

00:30:18,700 --> 00:30:22,360
wanted to say congratulations on 500

738

00:30:20,710 --> 00:30:24,940
wonderful episodes of the skeptic

739

00:30:22,359 --> 00:30:26,888
Vegemite party and dingo fiesta richard

740

00:30:24,940 --> 00:30:28,629
you've really come quite a long way from

741

00:30:26,888 --> 00:30:31,349
those very first episodes where you were

742
00:30:28,628 --> 00:30:34,959
accidentally recording into your toaster

743
00:30:31,349 --> 00:30:35,528
do they say toaster in Australia no what

744
00:30:34,960 --> 00:30:40,019
do they say

745
00:30:35,528 --> 00:30:40,019
ready flame box really Oh

746
00:30:40,378 --> 00:30:46,028
skeptical zone what skeptical zone that's it

747
00:30:44,079 --> 00:30:48,339
what was I thinking anyway

748
00:30:46,028 --> 00:30:49,868
congratulations to everyone involved in

749
00:30:48,339 --> 00:30:51,819
producing all of the consistently

750
00:30:49,868 --> 00:30:54,038
wonderful content that makes up each and

751
00:30:51,819 --> 00:30:57,700
every one of the 500 episodes of the

752
00:30:54,038 --> 00:30:59,109
skeptical zone huzzah and pip-pip to you

753
00:30:57,700 --> 00:31:03,850
Richard and to all of your amazing

754
00:30:59,109 --> 00:31:04,449
cohorts except Maynard he knows why I'm

755
00:31:03,849 --> 00:31:05,980
just kidding

756
00:31:04,450 --> 00:31:08,860
I know now that that could have happened

757
00:31:05,980 --> 00:31:10,970
to anyone's llama regardless here's to

758
00:31:08,859 --> 00:31:13,429
the next 500

759
00:31:10,970 --> 00:31:20,440
[Applause]

760
00:31:13,430 --> 00:31:24,019
[Music]

761
00:31:20,440 --> 00:31:28,509
hi Richard it's Heidi Robertson the raw

762
00:31:24,019 --> 00:31:32,150
skeptic 500 episodes do you feel old

763
00:31:28,509 --> 00:31:34,788
worn out try some healing crystal energy

764
00:31:32,150 --> 00:31:37,820
chakra infusing Reiki with a side of

765
00:31:34,788 --> 00:31:40,669
homeopathic cynicism burned moxibustion

766
00:31:37,819 --> 00:31:43,490
style on Meridian piercing acupuncture

767
00:31:40,669 --> 00:31:47,090
pressure points your Yeti spirit animal

768
00:31:43,490 --> 00:31:50,720
will be forever grateful alternatively

769
00:31:47,089 --> 00:31:53,569
run downstairs and have a cup of tea and

770

00:31:50,720 --> 00:31:56,120
a peanut butter sandwich which will do

771
00:31:53,569 --> 00:31:58,960
just as well and cost you a fraction of

772
00:31:56,119 --> 00:32:01,129
the price you're welcome

773
00:31:58,960 --> 00:32:04,038
congratulations and thank you for all

774
00:32:01,130 --> 00:32:06,200
you do for the skeptical community hello

775
00:32:04,038 --> 00:32:08,379
Richard susan gerbic from the guerrilla

776
00:32:06,200 --> 00:32:11,779
skepticism on wikipedia project

777
00:32:08,380 --> 00:32:13,220
congratulations on 500 shows thank you

778
00:32:11,779 --> 00:32:15,918
for all your support and your friendship

779
00:32:13,220 --> 00:32:17,720
I've learned so much from you and I know

780
00:32:15,919 --> 00:32:20,150
I have a lot more to learn from you

781
00:32:17,720 --> 00:32:25,548
according to my psychic she sees another

782
00:32:20,150 --> 00:32:29,140
500 episodes sometime in 2027 and she's

783
00:32:25,548 --> 00:32:31,400
never wrong I get a business card

784
00:32:29,140 --> 00:32:33,230

congratulations are getting to 500 my

785

00:32:31,400 --> 00:32:35,330

dad what a wonderful thing you're

786

00:32:33,230 --> 00:32:36,980

bringing skepticism to the universe you

787

00:32:35,329 --> 00:32:39,319

are doing God's work if there is a god

788

00:32:36,980 --> 00:32:40,339

the best thing are you doing the work of

789

00:32:39,319 --> 00:32:41,899

everybody were you doing the work of

790

00:32:40,339 --> 00:32:43,849

everybody oh my god you're doing the

791

00:32:41,900 --> 00:32:46,820

work of the universe he's no fun be all

792

00:32:43,849 --> 00:32:49,069

right well wasn't that nice to have some

793

00:32:46,819 --> 00:32:49,908

of those people though send messages to

794

00:32:49,069 --> 00:32:51,710

the skeptic zone

795

00:32:49,909 --> 00:32:54,130

I don't know fantastic especially the

796

00:32:51,710 --> 00:32:54,130

second one

797

00:32:56,150 --> 00:33:01,800

but actually when did you pick up on the

798

00:32:59,069 --> 00:33:04,319

skip examine did you first hear it I

799
00:33:01,799 --> 00:33:08,039
think it was probably about five years

800
00:33:04,319 --> 00:33:11,369
ago when I went to my first skeptics

801
00:33:08,039 --> 00:33:13,529
convention in Melbourne and I'd only

802
00:33:11,369 --> 00:33:15,179
recently been I'd recently found out

803
00:33:13,529 --> 00:33:17,789
what skepticism was and I'd started

804
00:33:15,180 --> 00:33:20,730
listening to skeptics guide and then you

805
00:33:17,789 --> 00:33:23,250
may not accosted me at the Friday

806
00:33:20,730 --> 00:33:25,710
evening event and just terrified me

807
00:33:23,250 --> 00:33:27,089
yes terrified me and I couldn't even

808
00:33:25,710 --> 00:33:29,309
speak to you for about three or four

809
00:33:27,089 --> 00:33:31,169
years so and here we are

810
00:33:29,309 --> 00:33:33,480
that was a planet Maynard meet and greet

811
00:33:31,170 --> 00:33:35,759
and and and the guy with the beard came

812
00:33:33,480 --> 00:33:37,740
along as well too didn't he yeah

813
00:33:35,759 --> 00:33:39,690
different he all different yeah this is

814
00:33:37,740 --> 00:33:40,920
the variety yeah that was that was a

815
00:33:39,690 --> 00:33:42,509
pretty big night that as they usually

816
00:33:40,920 --> 00:33:44,670
are in Melbourne there and that was when

817
00:33:42,509 --> 00:33:47,069
it was held in an underground abandoned

818
00:33:44,670 --> 00:33:49,230
nuclear silo as well in northern - at

819
00:33:47,069 --> 00:33:51,450
the University of Melbourne I remember

820
00:33:49,230 --> 00:33:56,279
the big the huge concrete bunker

821
00:33:51,450 --> 00:33:57,690
underground there yep it just looks like

822
00:33:56,279 --> 00:33:58,859
every other lecture theatre you've ever

823
00:33:57,690 --> 00:34:00,090
been in but - someone has never been a

824
00:33:58,859 --> 00:34:02,159
lecture theatre it looked like a nuclear

825
00:34:00,089 --> 00:34:03,809
bunker underground there it would you

826
00:34:02,160 --> 00:34:05,580
and come encounter the skeptic zone

827

00:34:03,809 --> 00:34:07,980
first I'm trying I remember what year it

828
00:34:05,579 --> 00:34:11,969
was but it was the QED that you were at

829
00:34:07,980 --> 00:34:13,829
Iran and it was the same qdy about three

830
00:34:11,969 --> 00:34:16,289
years ago it's not that long ago and

831
00:34:13,829 --> 00:34:18,539
yeah the same year I met dr. Brad McCoy

832
00:34:16,289 --> 00:34:20,579
for the first time and went clubbing

833
00:34:18,539 --> 00:34:22,279
until about 4:00 in the morning yeah and

834
00:34:20,579 --> 00:34:24,239
then he recommended he said oh I

835
00:34:22,280 --> 00:34:25,590
listened to the skeptic zone and I was

836
00:34:24,239 --> 00:34:29,609
like oh what's that I'll add that to my

837
00:34:25,590 --> 00:34:35,880
list of podcasts and there we go and on

838
00:34:29,610 --> 00:34:38,190
the dance floor you have to move to the

839
00:34:35,880 --> 00:34:40,710
home of the skeptic zone so I packed all

840
00:34:38,190 --> 00:34:49,740
my stuff up and Here I am Amanda will

841
00:34:40,710 --> 00:34:51,690

you go yes dude remember any of the

842

00:34:49,739 --> 00:34:54,018

topics that you tackled no nothing I

843

00:34:51,690 --> 00:34:56,369

remember seeing

844

00:34:54,018 --> 00:34:58,979

those three beers all the time back then

845

00:34:56,369 --> 00:35:00,450

wasn't there I remember we did a thing

846

00:34:58,980 --> 00:35:03,028

take once a manor and you tell us about

847

00:35:00,449 --> 00:35:05,038

how you were you had an optical illusion

848

00:35:03,028 --> 00:35:07,048

you were on the train you're looking out

849

00:35:05,039 --> 00:35:09,000

the window and a plane was coming you

850

00:35:07,048 --> 00:35:11,719

remember going backwards yeah or

851

00:35:09,000 --> 00:35:11,719

something like that

852

00:35:12,170 --> 00:35:16,829

direction the plane was going and it

853

00:35:14,639 --> 00:35:20,788

kind of looked the UFO ish if you sort

854

00:35:16,829 --> 00:35:24,089

of couldn't quite see the wings and it

855

00:35:20,789 --> 00:35:25,589

was just sort of hovering there in like

856
00:35:24,088 --> 00:35:27,150
that seemed from flying hiring it's

857
00:35:25,588 --> 00:35:28,500
coming right for us and you ran and

858
00:35:27,150 --> 00:35:29,849
jumped out of the train window or

859
00:35:28,500 --> 00:35:33,449
anything like that Lord britches didn't

860
00:35:29,849 --> 00:35:37,048
flying I that's just stupid who would

861
00:35:33,449 --> 00:35:38,848
say that we might take another quick

862
00:35:37,048 --> 00:35:40,829
break again and listen to some more

863
00:35:38,849 --> 00:35:42,720
greetings from around the world see if

864
00:35:40,829 --> 00:35:44,369
one's see which ones you can see it

865
00:35:42,719 --> 00:35:47,489
under coercion when you have a listen to

866
00:35:44,369 --> 00:35:49,048
it or not hey this goes out to Richard

867
00:35:47,489 --> 00:35:51,088
Saunders and all of our friends and the

868
00:35:49,048 --> 00:35:53,670
Australian skeptics hey Richard

869
00:35:51,088 --> 00:36:02,338
congratulations on reaching the skeptic

870
00:35:53,670 --> 00:36:04,528
Zone episode 500 keep it up if I've

871
00:36:02,338 --> 00:36:07,288
hundred more yet Richard we all know how

872
00:36:04,528 --> 00:36:09,539
much work and dedication it takes to put

873
00:36:07,289 --> 00:36:12,028
out that kind of output for that long so

874
00:36:09,539 --> 00:36:13,289
really well done my friend yeah we love

875
00:36:12,028 --> 00:36:15,960
you brother keep up the great work

876
00:36:13,289 --> 00:36:18,019
Richards I want to congratulate you on

877
00:36:15,960 --> 00:36:20,970
the 500th episode of the skeptic zone

878
00:36:18,018 --> 00:36:24,149
but I can't do it without putting things

879
00:36:20,969 --> 00:36:25,439
in a bit of context when you invited me

880
00:36:24,150 --> 00:36:28,440
to join the Australian skeptics

881
00:36:25,440 --> 00:36:31,019
committee in 2003 you were already an

882
00:36:28,440 --> 00:36:33,000
old hand you were president of

883
00:36:31,018 --> 00:36:34,558
Australian skeptics Inc at the time you

884

00:36:33,000 --> 00:36:37,108
had recently finished creating the great

885
00:36:34,559 --> 00:36:38,880
skeptical CD and you were about to start

886
00:36:37,108 --> 00:36:40,710
Sydney skeptics in the pub which is

887
00:36:38,880 --> 00:36:41,369
still all these years later still going

888
00:36:40,710 --> 00:36:44,039
strong

889
00:36:41,369 --> 00:36:46,318
while the podcast was just a twinkle in

890
00:36:44,039 --> 00:36:47,880
your eye at that time you had already

891
00:36:46,318 --> 00:36:49,818
produced skeptical video and audio

892
00:36:47,880 --> 00:36:52,680
content of what somewhat similar nature

893
00:36:49,818 --> 00:36:54,568
yet even with all that in mind the

894
00:36:52,679 --> 00:36:57,719
skeptical zone must be considered a

895
00:36:54,568 --> 00:37:00,119
special achievement doing anything for

896
00:36:57,719 --> 00:37:02,578
500 consecutive weeks is incredible I

897
00:37:00,119 --> 00:37:04,318
mean personally I'd probably expect a

898
00:37:02,579 --> 00:37:06,450

ticker tape parade for taking the

899

00:37:04,318 --> 00:37:09,358
garbage out 500 weeks in a row

900

00:37:06,449 --> 00:37:12,419
yet through thick and thin happiness and

901

00:37:09,358 --> 00:37:14,130
adversity you have persisted you've also

902

00:37:12,420 --> 00:37:18,240
given a voice to others who you call

903

00:37:14,130 --> 00:37:20,789
reporters dr. AG Heidi Mandy Joe and Joe

904

00:37:18,239 --> 00:37:23,578
and of course the one and only may not

905

00:37:20,789 --> 00:37:24,630
and many others being one of those

906

00:37:23,579 --> 00:37:26,400
voices

907

00:37:24,630 --> 00:37:27,930
I truly appreciate having a platform

908

00:37:26,400 --> 00:37:30,030
that allows me to contribute

909

00:37:27,929 --> 00:37:31,500
occasionally and I will certainly

910

00:37:30,030 --> 00:37:32,059
appreciate the fact that you keep it

911

00:37:31,500 --> 00:37:34,530
going

912

00:37:32,059 --> 00:37:36,390
so Richard congratulations on the

913
00:37:34,530 --> 00:37:39,680
amazing milestone and all the best for

914
00:37:36,389 --> 00:37:43,618
the next 500 hello Richard

915
00:37:39,679 --> 00:37:45,750
congratulations on episode 500 this is

916
00:37:43,619 --> 00:37:47,970
Cassandra you guys know me as dr.

917
00:37:45,750 --> 00:37:50,088
Cassandra Perryman of the cast files and

918
00:37:47,969 --> 00:37:52,469
president of Brisbane skeptic Society

919
00:37:50,088 --> 00:37:54,358
I'd like to say that when I was a kid

920
00:37:52,469 --> 00:37:56,189
Richard was a personal hero of mine not

921
00:37:54,358 --> 00:37:58,348
because for his skepticism but because

922
00:37:56,190 --> 00:38:01,769
of his origami so I love to say that

923
00:37:58,349 --> 00:38:05,789
origami led me to skepticism and it was

924
00:38:01,769 --> 00:38:07,858
Richard who led me to both so thank you

925
00:38:05,789 --> 00:38:11,608
and congratulations again on Episode

926
00:38:07,858 --> 00:38:14,969
five hundred five hundred episodes of

927
00:38:11,608 --> 00:38:16,980
the skeptic zone I don't believe it well

928
00:38:14,969 --> 00:38:20,608
done Richard looking forward to the next

929
00:38:16,980 --> 00:38:21,599
500 of busting woo across Australia and

930
00:38:20,608 --> 00:38:27,529
around the world

931
00:38:21,599 --> 00:38:30,990
I read that you're coming up on your

932
00:38:27,530 --> 00:38:34,559
500th episode and here is for another

933
00:38:30,989 --> 00:38:37,979
500 yeah so we would like to

934
00:38:34,559 --> 00:38:39,510
congratulate you on doing so many we do

935
00:38:37,980 --> 00:38:42,298
know at the ESB

936
00:38:39,510 --> 00:38:44,790
that that is a hell of a lot of it's a

937
00:38:42,298 --> 00:38:46,829
lot of work and it's something I mean

938
00:38:44,789 --> 00:38:49,139
we've been listening all of us to the

939
00:38:46,829 --> 00:38:52,710
skeptic zone for ages and I think it's

940
00:38:49,139 --> 00:38:55,199
almost now ten years what you inspired

941

00:38:52,710 --> 00:38:57,000
us so much you are one of the reasons

942
00:38:55,199 --> 00:38:59,098
why we started this in this first place

943
00:38:57,000 --> 00:38:59,818
thank you very much for doing it you're

944
00:38:59,099 --> 00:39:02,490
amazing

945
00:38:59,818 --> 00:39:06,150
keep doing what you do and this was from

946
00:39:02,489 --> 00:39:08,429
all of us at the ESP the real ESP Exodus

947
00:39:06,150 --> 00:39:20,039
goodbye fire

948
00:39:08,429 --> 00:39:22,349
I don't know why you can't believe we

949
00:39:20,039 --> 00:39:24,389
now rejoin the think tank owner also

950
00:39:22,349 --> 00:39:27,210
known as the drunk tank already in

951
00:39:24,389 --> 00:39:29,009
progress and a shocking piece of news

952
00:39:27,210 --> 00:39:31,590
that the first episode could have been

953
00:39:29,010 --> 00:39:33,630
wrong at the sceptic zone well yeah it

954
00:39:31,590 --> 00:39:36,570
turns out pink never join Scientology so

955
00:39:33,630 --> 00:39:38,550

that was nonsense wasn't it well I don't

956

00:39:36,570 --> 00:39:40,590

I think it was just at the time there

957

00:39:38,550 --> 00:39:42,420

was a report of it so it was very new so

958

00:39:40,590 --> 00:39:44,519

we weren't sure what was happening but

959

00:39:42,420 --> 00:39:45,780

I'm glad she didn't she got dumped she

960

00:39:44,519 --> 00:39:47,940

got dumped and apparently they thought

961

00:39:45,780 --> 00:39:49,130

she became a Scientologist but no she's

962

00:39:47,940 --> 00:39:52,230

not that stupid

963

00:39:49,130 --> 00:39:57,210

so ten years later we find these things

964

00:39:52,230 --> 00:39:58,500

out so that was wrong now what but the

965

00:39:57,210 --> 00:40:02,130

pack but shortly the Penrith Panthers

966

00:39:58,500 --> 00:40:03,960

really was oh yeah yeah I caught one the

967

00:40:02,130 --> 00:40:06,690

other week it's in my backyard I

968

00:40:03,960 --> 00:40:09,230

actually did a story on a big cat

969

00:40:06,690 --> 00:40:11,970

sighting in the up hunter oh dear a

970
00:40:09,230 --> 00:40:14,340
fellow came forward called Lee Harvey so

971
00:40:11,969 --> 00:40:17,219
if you look up Lee Harvey ABC Newcastle

972
00:40:14,340 --> 00:40:18,600
or ABC up a hunter there'll be an audio

973
00:40:17,219 --> 00:40:20,369
interview with him and he's claiming he

974
00:40:18,599 --> 00:40:21,989
saw one around the muscle Brook area now

975
00:40:20,369 --> 00:40:24,329
there's never been any large cat

976
00:40:21,989 --> 00:40:26,639
sightings in that area it's not actually

977
00:40:24,329 --> 00:40:28,289
linked particularly well with with where

978
00:40:26,639 --> 00:40:31,170
you could walk up there in a corridor

979
00:40:28,289 --> 00:40:32,579
even if you if there was one so I was a

980
00:40:31,170 --> 00:40:33,930
bit skeptical shall we say of the whole

981
00:40:32,579 --> 00:40:35,819
thing and actually rang the local

982
00:40:33,929 --> 00:40:37,889
councils and all of them said that then

983
00:40:35,820 --> 00:40:40,110
they've never had a lien big cats as

984
00:40:37,889 --> 00:40:41,579
they're called in the UK sightings in

985
00:40:40,110 --> 00:40:44,880
the upper hand it just doesn't happen

986
00:40:41,579 --> 00:40:47,069
there all that often some carbs or some

987
00:40:44,880 --> 00:40:49,260
this cat was coming up over a hill or

988
00:40:47,070 --> 00:40:50,640
something there was a shade of something

989
00:40:49,260 --> 00:40:52,590
yeah there was a shed involved don't

990
00:40:50,639 --> 00:40:54,719
know if he saw any more than one but I

991
00:40:52,590 --> 00:40:57,360
know I did quit I'm saying are you sure

992
00:40:54,719 --> 00:40:59,279
and yes oh heavens look at the gear Lee

993
00:40:57,360 --> 00:41:01,079
Harvey ABC up a hunter Maynard and

994
00:40:59,280 --> 00:41:02,340
you'll see the cat thing we actually did

995
00:41:01,079 --> 00:41:04,679
also publish that in the skeptic

996
00:41:02,340 --> 00:41:06,150
magazine oh right now is that searchable

997
00:41:04,679 --> 00:41:08,339
it is absolutely searchable it's the

998

00:41:06,150 --> 00:41:10,260
same issue as you talk about some Yowies

999
00:41:08,340 --> 00:41:11,820
and that sort of stuff for beat cats in

1000
00:41:10,260 --> 00:41:14,760
various places actually so yeah that's a

1001
00:41:11,820 --> 00:41:16,880
bit of a big cat issue look it up in

1002
00:41:14,760 --> 00:41:16,880
there

1003
00:41:20,119 --> 00:41:24,960
and now getting back to the world of the

1004
00:41:22,798 --> 00:41:26,670
paranormal we never stray far from that

1005
00:41:24,960 --> 00:41:29,630
just letting Sydney listeners know

1006
00:41:26,670 --> 00:41:32,278
especially that Paracon Australia's

1007
00:41:29,630 --> 00:41:34,829
paranormal convention will be at the

1008
00:41:32,278 --> 00:41:37,199
manly quarantine station this year our

1009
00:41:34,829 --> 00:41:39,239
June the 16th and the 17th through a

1010
00:41:37,199 --> 00:41:41,429
special guest Sharon he'll skip tickle

1011
00:41:39,239 --> 00:41:43,588
Sharon Hill I won't be there

1012
00:41:41,429 --> 00:41:46,018

unfortunately I'll be in in the United

1013

00:41:43,588 --> 00:41:47,518

States but our hopefully may not know

1014

00:41:46,018 --> 00:41:48,598

much I'm hoping to attend so if you see

1015

00:41:47,518 --> 00:41:50,368

me there and you've got something to

1016

00:41:48,599 --> 00:41:51,599

save a skeptical or non skeptical nature

1017

00:41:50,369 --> 00:41:53,579

I'll certainly want to hear all about it

1018

00:41:51,599 --> 00:41:55,829

and I've been to see how Sharon's show

1019

00:41:53,579 --> 00:41:58,109

goes over yeah so if you want to go

1020

00:41:55,829 --> 00:41:59,910

along folks it look I always say this

1021

00:41:58,108 --> 00:42:01,498

it's worthwhile for skeptics to go to

1022

00:41:59,909 --> 00:42:03,028

mind body wallet it's worthwhile to go

1023

00:42:01,498 --> 00:42:05,159

to paranormal conventions sit in the

1024

00:42:03,028 --> 00:42:06,778

audience and learn it's really

1025

00:42:05,159 --> 00:42:08,338

worthwhile don't you you've been to a

1026

00:42:06,778 --> 00:42:10,559

few with me yeah look I won't do a

1027
00:42:08,338 --> 00:42:12,420
couple of mine Bali buddy wallets with

1028
00:42:10,559 --> 00:42:16,380
you I'm the one we did for disbelievers

1029
00:42:12,420 --> 00:42:20,489
9 where you got called the c-word and it

1030
00:42:16,380 --> 00:42:21,809
wasn't clever bye bye some guy who was

1031
00:42:20,489 --> 00:42:23,460
doing something would power bands or

1032
00:42:21,809 --> 00:42:24,930
something that that could have got

1033
00:42:23,460 --> 00:42:27,630
potentially rough in fact has there ever

1034
00:42:24,929 --> 00:42:29,489
been any evidence on in the world of

1035
00:42:27,630 --> 00:42:31,979
skepticism everyone had been putting a

1036
00:42:29,489 --> 00:42:34,170
headlock what happened oh well so a few

1037
00:42:31,978 --> 00:42:35,088
years back I went along to Sally Morgan

1038
00:42:34,170 --> 00:42:38,818
Desai

1039
00:42:35,088 --> 00:42:39,900
and I had a hidden camera somewhere else

1040
00:42:38,818 --> 00:42:42,210
had a hidden camera and we actually

1041
00:42:39,900 --> 00:42:43,739
filmed a skeptic who was he was

1042
00:42:42,210 --> 00:42:45,749
leafleting outside telling people what

1043
00:42:43,739 --> 00:42:47,489
to look for in cold reading and he got

1044
00:42:45,748 --> 00:42:49,318
chased into the road by Sally Morgan's

1045
00:42:47,489 --> 00:42:52,019
husband and threatened you know in his

1046
00:42:49,318 --> 00:42:52,949
life so yeah they're not all lovely in

1047
00:42:52,018 --> 00:42:54,899
airy-fairy

1048
00:42:52,949 --> 00:42:56,278
there's a very savory language some very

1049
00:42:54,900 --> 00:43:00,150
northern England language coming out

1050
00:42:56,278 --> 00:43:01,860
there well absolutely I was so offended

1051
00:43:00,150 --> 00:43:03,389
that was the husband that she wasn't

1052
00:43:01,860 --> 00:43:05,190
supposed to be working with anymore

1053
00:43:03,389 --> 00:43:07,829
that was the husband that was distanced

1054
00:43:05,190 --> 00:43:09,269
from her enterprise entirely yeah funny

1055

00:43:07,829 --> 00:43:11,219
you should say that and someone was

1056
00:43:09,269 --> 00:43:13,230
asking for video I've actually him at

1057
00:43:11,219 --> 00:43:16,169
had a one of her presentations actually

1058
00:43:13,230 --> 00:43:18,750
just to prove that it wasn't quite as as

1059
00:43:16,170 --> 00:43:19,950
it was portrayed but actually the UK

1060
00:43:18,750 --> 00:43:21,630
skeptics do that kind of thing where

1061
00:43:19,949 --> 00:43:23,519
they go along and expose people would

1062
00:43:21,630 --> 00:43:25,440
would the Australian skeptics do that I

1063
00:43:23,519 --> 00:43:29,070
know you're considered the rock stars of

1064
00:43:25,440 --> 00:43:31,650
the sky yeah

1065
00:43:29,070 --> 00:43:33,510
ah there's oh yes and no the thing about

1066
00:43:31,650 --> 00:43:35,070
the UK and the different laws we can't

1067
00:43:33,510 --> 00:43:36,870
have hidden cameras and hidden

1068
00:43:35,070 --> 00:43:38,250
microphones here you can't record

1069
00:43:36,869 --> 00:43:40,019

somebody or videoed them without their

1070

00:43:38,250 --> 00:43:43,650
permission oh yeah I've made a lot of

1071

00:43:40,019 --> 00:43:45,840
hay out of that no but it wasn't so long

1072

00:43:43,650 --> 00:43:47,039
ago you could and in fact one of the the

1073

00:43:45,840 --> 00:43:48,120
previous committee members of the

1074

00:43:47,039 --> 00:43:48,559
Australian skeptics here in New South

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00:43:48,119 --> 00:43:53,460
Wales

1076

00:43:48,559 --> 00:43:55,920
Olinda who was now lives in the UK years

1077

00:43:53,460 --> 00:43:57,030
ago a Current Affair or today tonight I

1078

00:43:55,920 --> 00:43:59,309
can't remember one of these tabloid

1079

00:43:57,030 --> 00:44:03,570
shows hooked her up with a hidden camera

1080

00:43:59,309 --> 00:44:07,110
and she went to have her boobs expanded

1081

00:44:03,570 --> 00:44:11,160
using hypnosis and the lady said that

1082

00:44:07,110 --> 00:44:13,800
she could hypnotize a Linda's stem cells

1083

00:44:11,159 --> 00:44:18,440
to make her breast her bust size bigger

1084
00:44:13,800 --> 00:44:21,810
so that was a an undercover report

1085
00:44:18,440 --> 00:44:25,639
that's a hell of a claim yes and it

1086
00:44:21,809 --> 00:44:25,639
didn't work apparently so she tells us

1087
00:44:26,329 --> 00:44:30,449
that's come up that and no one really

1088
00:44:28,980 --> 00:44:31,920
expected we obviously talked about the

1089
00:44:30,449 --> 00:44:33,569
flat earth that's it oh that's a return

1090
00:44:31,920 --> 00:44:35,340
of an oldie but a goodie is there anyone

1091
00:44:33,570 --> 00:44:38,280
that's come up that's new you've gone

1092
00:44:35,340 --> 00:44:40,559
well hide in there no there's always new

1093
00:44:38,280 --> 00:44:42,960
health claims they are always absolutely

1094
00:44:40,559 --> 00:44:45,570
shocking and but they usually have a

1095
00:44:42,960 --> 00:44:47,159
basis in something which does work so

1096
00:44:45,570 --> 00:44:49,320
you know you have your high dose vitamin

1097
00:44:47,159 --> 00:44:52,079
C which has been proven to be useful for

1098
00:44:49,320 --> 00:44:54,510
things like sepsis not much good for HIV

1099
00:44:52,079 --> 00:44:55,980
though not much good for chronic Lyme

1100
00:44:54,510 --> 00:44:57,000
which isn't a thing so the things like

1101
00:44:55,980 --> 00:44:59,480
that which are coming around all the

1102
00:44:57,000 --> 00:45:02,039
time so yeah there's always new medical

1103
00:44:59,480 --> 00:45:04,469
what will they do very often it so when

1104
00:45:02,039 --> 00:45:07,739
you hear a new claim usually it is based

1105
00:45:04,469 --> 00:45:09,659
on an old claim just you know just

1106
00:45:07,739 --> 00:45:11,369
revamped a little bit or it's based on

1107
00:45:09,659 --> 00:45:12,799
something that is actually scientific by

1108
00:45:11,369 --> 00:45:15,319
using the same words

1109
00:45:12,800 --> 00:45:17,360
but that says just the words not not

1110
00:45:15,320 --> 00:45:19,190
anything else it's just you know sounds

1111
00:45:17,360 --> 00:45:20,720
like it's the same but in reality it

1112

00:45:19,190 --> 00:45:23,470
means something completely different and

1113
00:45:20,719 --> 00:45:25,819
in fact usually doesn't mean anything

1114
00:45:23,469 --> 00:45:28,609
what's new at the customers because new

1115
00:45:25,820 --> 00:45:30,800
generations of customers come along and

1116
00:45:28,610 --> 00:45:33,530
I just had a thought that we were

1117
00:45:30,800 --> 00:45:36,200
chatting before over lots of chips and

1118
00:45:33,530 --> 00:45:37,970
dinners and things and Amanda tell us

1119
00:45:36,199 --> 00:45:39,529
that she's been working for a show we

1120
00:45:37,969 --> 00:45:40,730
all admire called the check out now that

1121
00:45:39,530 --> 00:45:42,950
wants to be an interesting because they

1122
00:45:40,730 --> 00:45:45,500
do tackle a lot of bullets whoo wolf

1123
00:45:42,949 --> 00:45:47,929
maybe wall - were especially homeopathy

1124
00:45:45,500 --> 00:45:50,059
they're quite they make some quite

1125
00:45:47,929 --> 00:45:51,619
strong funny comments on it also also

1126
00:45:50,059 --> 00:45:53,150

got the advantage of a fully-fledged a

1127

00:45:51,619 --> 00:45:55,339

legal department to check stuff for you

1128

00:45:53,150 --> 00:45:59,720

- does that delay things going to where

1129

00:45:55,340 --> 00:46:02,539

very often no most of I mean it gets

1130

00:45:59,719 --> 00:46:05,149

very much checked in the research for a

1131

00:46:02,539 --> 00:46:08,420

phase so hopefully what we come up with

1132

00:46:05,150 --> 00:46:09,889

behind the scenes is not actionable but

1133

00:46:08,420 --> 00:46:12,409

of course it does go through the ABC

1134

00:46:09,889 --> 00:46:15,710

legal and occasionally they do request

1135

00:46:12,409 --> 00:46:17,569

some wording changes or can you back up

1136

00:46:15,710 --> 00:46:20,119

this what's your evidence for this and

1137

00:46:17,570 --> 00:46:21,769

we can go back and say well bang bang

1138

00:46:20,119 --> 00:46:24,529

bang bang bang and they go okay that's

1139

00:46:21,769 --> 00:46:27,469

fine we're not gonna get sued but

1140

00:46:24,530 --> 00:46:30,260

sometimes the show has been sued

1141
00:46:27,469 --> 00:46:32,089
although those haven't been successful

1142
00:46:30,260 --> 00:46:35,200
and they're more sort of publicity

1143
00:46:32,090 --> 00:46:38,269
stunts like making the company gets the

1144
00:46:35,199 --> 00:46:39,859
publicity to say well we sued and then

1145
00:46:38,269 --> 00:46:42,289
they drop the suit but they in the

1146
00:46:39,860 --> 00:46:47,269
meantime they got all the media to say

1147
00:46:42,289 --> 00:46:49,699
that they sued but Julian Craig made

1148
00:46:47,269 --> 00:46:52,369
quite a lot of noise around Swiss

1149
00:46:49,699 --> 00:46:54,500
dropping their claims so it's not like

1150
00:46:52,369 --> 00:46:55,279
it's not one side it's absolutely not

1151
00:46:54,500 --> 00:46:58,719
one-sided

1152
00:46:55,280 --> 00:47:01,690
but perhaps the people that Suisse's

1153
00:46:58,719 --> 00:47:03,769
targeting aren't also really following

1154
00:47:01,690 --> 00:47:05,840
what the check out those you know

1155
00:47:03,769 --> 00:47:08,780
they're only getting the one media

1156
00:47:05,840 --> 00:47:10,970
release also people to check out to like

1157
00:47:08,780 --> 00:47:12,440
it kind of writes itself in the open the

1158
00:47:10,969 --> 00:47:16,549
paper and see what's going on you go oh

1159
00:47:12,440 --> 00:47:18,320
yeah that's kind of an obvious thing the

1160
00:47:16,550 --> 00:47:20,710
ideas come from the viewers

1161
00:47:18,320 --> 00:47:22,800
so keep off at the check out top TV

1162
00:47:20,710 --> 00:47:25,289
sending your ideas

1163
00:47:22,800 --> 00:47:26,910
and might get to it what's been the

1164
00:47:25,289 --> 00:47:29,670
favorite one you've done so favorite

1165
00:47:26,909 --> 00:47:31,500
segment you've worked on so far for me

1166
00:47:29,670 --> 00:47:33,960
as a research I think it was the MSG

1167
00:47:31,500 --> 00:47:35,340
segment that we did this year that was

1168
00:47:33,960 --> 00:47:37,289
just really fascinating for me to

1169

00:47:35,340 --> 00:47:38,760
research it was quite a different sort

1170
00:47:37,289 --> 00:47:42,210
of things I was going back through the

1171
00:47:38,760 --> 00:47:45,270
New York Times archives - you know 1968

1172
00:47:42,210 --> 00:47:47,519
when this the first idea about MSG

1173
00:47:45,269 --> 00:47:51,719
causing physical effects came up and

1174
00:47:47,519 --> 00:47:54,059
like plotting exactly how from one sort

1175
00:47:51,719 --> 00:47:57,809
of speculative letter in a medical

1176
00:47:54,059 --> 00:48:00,929
journal how and why this sort of myth

1177
00:47:57,809 --> 00:48:03,449
kind of grew about msg being really

1178
00:48:00,929 --> 00:48:05,309
harmful so I think that's probably my

1179
00:48:03,449 --> 00:48:07,889
favorite and they were on YouTube so you

1180
00:48:05,309 --> 00:48:10,199
could go to the checkout and catch up

1181
00:48:07,889 --> 00:48:12,629
and in fact who's a big fan Michael

1182
00:48:10,199 --> 00:48:15,629
Marshall from the UK a huge fan of the

1183
00:48:12,630 --> 00:48:17,519

check out I post some clips occasionally

1184

00:48:15,630 --> 00:48:20,220
of homeopathy or whatever and he writes

1185

00:48:17,519 --> 00:48:21,509
back to me said now I'm now last last 20

1186

00:48:20,219 --> 00:48:25,589
hours have been watching nothing but the

1187

00:48:21,510 --> 00:48:28,080
chicken mash was the host of the panel

1188

00:48:25,590 --> 00:48:31,079
that we had in 2014 convention which

1189

00:48:28,079 --> 00:48:36,239
included the checkout and the a Triple C

1190

00:48:31,079 --> 00:48:38,519
and choice so he actually was was the

1191

00:48:36,239 --> 00:48:40,949
moderator of that panel so he's in

1192

00:48:38,519 --> 00:48:42,449
preparation he did a lot of a lot of

1193

00:48:40,949 --> 00:48:45,239
watching of the checker I think that's

1194

00:48:42,449 --> 00:48:46,859
when he became a real fan yeah and

1195

00:48:45,239 --> 00:48:48,689
Michael might keep my commercial here

1196

00:48:46,860 --> 00:48:54,150
just does not care for Doctor Who or

1197

00:48:48,690 --> 00:48:57,679
Breaking Bad you think between those two

1198
00:48:54,150 --> 00:48:57,680
you'd get something wouldn't you but no

1199
00:49:06,769 --> 00:49:12,480
but what's kind of annoying because he

1200
00:49:08,820 --> 00:49:13,500
had more people than QED didn't David

1201
00:49:12,480 --> 00:49:19,619
Icke knows how to get the audience's

1202
00:49:13,500 --> 00:49:21,059
everyone Isis tracksuits oh can i I want

1203
00:49:19,619 --> 00:49:22,529
to ask questions like you know this has

1204
00:49:21,059 --> 00:49:24,840
been about 10 years I'm just wondering

1205
00:49:22,530 --> 00:49:26,400
ten years ago we talked about the

1206
00:49:24,840 --> 00:49:28,410
Penrith Panthers here what would what

1207
00:49:26,400 --> 00:49:29,700
would have been the prominent whoo in in

1208
00:49:28,409 --> 00:49:32,789
the UK you

1209
00:49:29,699 --> 00:49:35,429
you were both there at the time but I

1210
00:49:32,789 --> 00:49:40,559
was still I was on the other side ten

1211
00:49:35,429 --> 00:49:41,909
years ago ten years ago in England you

1212
00:49:40,559 --> 00:49:45,690
were on the white sheet over your head

1213
00:49:41,909 --> 00:49:50,009
and going in old stately manners ly not

1214
00:49:45,690 --> 00:49:51,929
quite no but I I think at some point I

1215
00:49:50,010 --> 00:49:53,520
started watching the x-files and just

1216
00:49:51,929 --> 00:49:55,799
got very obsessed with all the

1217
00:49:53,519 --> 00:49:58,650
paranormal stuff and it's only well not

1218
00:49:55,800 --> 00:50:00,420
since I've been in Australia and started

1219
00:49:58,650 --> 00:50:02,519
listening to skeptics guide and that

1220
00:50:00,420 --> 00:50:04,530
that I completely did a u-turn in a very

1221
00:50:02,519 --> 00:50:05,940
short space of time so ten years ago in

1222
00:50:04,530 --> 00:50:07,680
England I would have still been reading

1223
00:50:05,940 --> 00:50:09,360
stuff to do with UFOs and ghosts and

1224
00:50:07,679 --> 00:50:11,899
everything like that so you've gone from

1225
00:50:09,360 --> 00:50:16,490
being David to cognitive Julie Anderson

1226

00:50:11,900 --> 00:50:16,490

[Laughter]

1227

00:50:19,099 --> 00:50:25,440

well I mean 10 years ago there was a lot

1228

00:50:22,860 --> 00:50:28,680

of local wound where I was living 10

1229

00:50:25,440 --> 00:50:30,599

years ago so I was living down in a an

1230

00:50:28,679 --> 00:50:33,779

evil city down in the South of England

1231

00:50:30,599 --> 00:50:36,630

and there were lots of old buildings and

1232

00:50:33,780 --> 00:50:37,590

lots of whoo around that way but yeah

1233

00:50:36,630 --> 00:50:41,660

there wasn't anything particularly

1234

00:50:37,590 --> 00:50:41,660

momentous going on I don't think they're

1235

00:50:41,690 --> 00:50:46,349

all though I can tell you one story from

1236

00:50:44,039 --> 00:50:49,019

approximately ten years ago over big cat

1237

00:50:46,349 --> 00:50:50,759

sighting it was by the side of a big

1238

00:50:49,019 --> 00:50:52,650

motorway near where I used to drive past

1239

00:50:50,760 --> 00:50:54,570

for work and this big cat was seen lying

1240

00:50:52,650 --> 00:50:55,860

in the grass so of course immediately

1241
00:50:54,570 --> 00:50:57,150
what they do is they get someone from

1242
00:50:55,860 --> 00:50:59,880
our local zoo to come out with a

1243
00:50:57,150 --> 00:51:02,220
helicopter and as the helicopter comes

1244
00:50:59,880 --> 00:51:03,510
down over the big cat it then tumbles

1245
00:51:02,219 --> 00:51:13,139
down the hill because it's actually a

1246
00:51:03,510 --> 00:51:14,160
giant stuffed toy that was an

1247
00:51:13,139 --> 00:51:16,349
interesting thing actually when you look

1248
00:51:14,159 --> 00:51:18,869
back at the skeptics and how most people

1249
00:51:16,349 --> 00:51:20,190
way back when did start off sort of

1250
00:51:18,869 --> 00:51:22,469
believing something actually it's

1251
00:51:20,190 --> 00:51:25,230
nothing like I think my thing was

1252
00:51:22,469 --> 00:51:27,119
Bermuda Triangle way back when and I

1253
00:51:25,230 --> 00:51:28,710
think in von daniken appears all the

1254
00:51:27,119 --> 00:51:30,779
time actually I've spoken to so many

1255
00:51:28,710 --> 00:51:32,579
skeptics they say way back when they

1256
00:51:30,780 --> 00:51:35,010
used to sort of find von Daniken and

1257
00:51:32,579 --> 00:51:37,319
he's back with ancient aliens and and

1258
00:51:35,010 --> 00:51:38,700
darkus with his hair that write that and

1259
00:51:37,320 --> 00:51:41,880
look they've done ten seasons of that

1260
00:51:38,699 --> 00:51:42,429
show like yes I know that I mean they're

1261
00:51:41,880 --> 00:51:44,200
up

1262
00:51:42,429 --> 00:51:48,009
probably they're probably bigger than

1263
00:51:44,199 --> 00:51:49,689
Mythbusters in many ways yes because

1264
00:51:48,010 --> 00:51:51,550
they've done many and they're their

1265
00:51:49,690 --> 00:51:52,539
productions are probably cheaper to make

1266
00:51:51,550 --> 00:51:54,970
the problem made more money than

1267
00:51:52,539 --> 00:51:56,949
Mythbusters what show are we talking

1268
00:51:54,969 --> 00:51:58,209
about there's probably a bit of

1269
00:51:56,949 --> 00:52:01,509
money-making proposition than

1270
00:51:58,210 --> 00:52:02,740
Mythbusters I'd say yeah and that's

1271
00:52:01,510 --> 00:52:04,510
something that's happened to because

1272
00:52:02,739 --> 00:52:07,118
Mythbusters has come and gone in ten

1273
00:52:04,510 --> 00:52:09,700
years yes you're right things have come

1274
00:52:07,119 --> 00:52:11,500
and gone since we do it was probably on

1275
00:52:09,699 --> 00:52:13,480
air but my sanity first under

1276
00:52:11,500 --> 00:52:15,550
Mythbusters is probably on air before 10

1277
00:52:13,480 --> 00:52:19,809
years ago but it's certainly gone now it

1278
00:52:15,550 --> 00:52:21,880
was it was on before before but it's

1279
00:52:19,809 --> 00:52:25,119
still going you'll write different hosts

1280
00:52:21,880 --> 00:52:26,260
yes yes oh there's not many skeptical

1281
00:52:25,119 --> 00:52:31,119
programs no are they really

1282
00:52:26,260 --> 00:52:33,630
unfortunately you know Stephen Aviles

1283

00:52:31,119 --> 00:52:37,599
spoke about this how you know every time

1284
00:52:33,630 --> 00:52:41,318
he or others try to pitch to produce as

1285
00:52:37,599 --> 00:52:43,300
a skeptical show okay so they discuss

1286
00:52:41,318 --> 00:52:44,650
how we'll do the investigation and all

1287
00:52:43,300 --> 00:52:46,359
of that and they say okay but at the end

1288
00:52:44,650 --> 00:52:47,680
you will leave the possibility of goes

1289
00:52:46,358 --> 00:52:49,900
oh really or whatever you leave it open

1290
00:52:47,679 --> 00:52:52,868
right and say well whatever whatever

1291
00:52:49,900 --> 00:52:55,869
conclusion we reach and the producers do

1292
00:52:52,869 --> 00:52:57,880
want to hear of it because it's not you

1293
00:52:55,869 --> 00:52:59,680
know it's not that interesting to they

1294
00:52:57,880 --> 00:53:01,869
see it is not that interesting to the

1295
00:52:59,679 --> 00:53:04,509
audience there's a cosmos back with

1296
00:53:01,869 --> 00:53:07,720
Tyson Hall he's coming back for it yes

1297
00:53:04,510 --> 00:53:09,970

yes yeah what cost master is that got up

1298

00:53:07,719 --> 00:53:12,159

again yeah but there's another series

1299

00:53:09,969 --> 00:53:13,509

with a new deGrasse Tyson yes they're

1300

00:53:12,159 --> 00:53:16,210

making another series they're also

1301

00:53:13,510 --> 00:53:18,460

making in search of again know you know

1302

00:53:16,210 --> 00:53:33,670

you know they're making with the guy who

1303

00:53:18,460 --> 00:53:35,858

plays the Spock in the new yes you say

1304

00:53:33,670 --> 00:53:39,670

he's sort of the one who played Spock in

1305

00:53:35,858 --> 00:53:41,469

this case oh yeah in search of and I got

1306

00:53:39,670 --> 00:53:43,710

a feeling that it's gonna be more

1307

00:53:41,469 --> 00:53:45,399

ancient aliens than Mythbusters

1308

00:53:43,710 --> 00:53:46,079

scientific actually he said they're

1309

00:53:45,400 --> 00:53:49,309

gonna take a very

1310

00:53:46,079 --> 00:53:49,309

[Laughter]

1311

00:53:50,019 --> 00:53:54,789

a new way to kill off a primary if

1312
00:53:52,809 --> 00:53:57,159
listeners haven't seen in search of its

1313
00:53:54,789 --> 00:53:59,349
most of us on YouTube please watch the

1314
00:53:57,159 --> 00:54:04,420
Bigfoot one it's hilarious or one

1315
00:53:59,349 --> 00:54:06,429
episode and I couldn't oh yeah it's like

1316
00:54:04,420 --> 00:54:09,869
that that was it my ha I was to watch it

1317
00:54:06,429 --> 00:54:12,009
every Sunday it was fantastic you know

1318
00:54:09,869 --> 00:54:17,170
no it sounds like it's something I need

1319
00:54:12,010 --> 00:54:19,800
to check out oh boy yeah great stuff it

1320
00:54:17,170 --> 00:54:25,349
had all the drama of My Kitchen Rules

1321
00:54:19,800 --> 00:54:27,670
without the science or an oven or

1322
00:54:25,349 --> 00:54:29,829
discipline and also if you've got a

1323
00:54:27,670 --> 00:54:33,280
chance check out the actual follow-up

1324
00:54:29,829 --> 00:54:35,559
movie to Chariots of the Gods question

1325
00:54:33,280 --> 00:54:37,450
mark was done by William Shatner he did

1326
00:54:35,559 --> 00:54:39,159
one about ancient gods or something like

1327
00:54:37,449 --> 00:54:41,199
that and he's walking around in it and

1328
00:54:39,159 --> 00:54:42,429
he's a bit of a skeptic these days so he

1329
00:54:41,199 --> 00:54:44,739
must've been on pills back then and

1330
00:54:42,429 --> 00:54:50,679
frankly who can blame him you've seen

1331
00:54:44,739 --> 00:54:52,269
his toupee are you been annoyed the

1332
00:54:50,679 --> 00:54:53,349
whole ancient alien things come back

1333
00:54:52,269 --> 00:54:55,840
again because when you would have gotten

1334
00:54:53,349 --> 00:54:58,299
involved me in the skeptic movement back

1335
00:54:55,840 --> 00:54:59,860
then in ten years ago the ancient alien

1336
00:54:58,300 --> 00:55:01,660
things wasn't a go at all I don't

1337
00:54:59,860 --> 00:55:03,460
remember hearing about 10 years ago 20

1338
00:55:01,659 --> 00:55:04,659
years ago but no ten years I think the

1339
00:55:03,460 --> 00:55:06,429
thing you realize is they're all

1340

00:55:04,659 --> 00:55:07,929
cyclical yeah they come and they go

1341
00:55:06,429 --> 00:55:09,699
I mean psychic surgery is probably good

1342
00:55:07,929 --> 00:55:11,379
update an opportunity to come back down

1343
00:55:09,699 --> 00:55:12,939
I haven't seen it but I can't see any

1344
00:55:11,380 --> 00:55:15,460
reason why it won't and they come and

1345
00:55:12,940 --> 00:55:17,530
they go these classic topics like flat

1346
00:55:15,460 --> 00:55:19,240
earth like the Yowies like yeah Loch

1347
00:55:17,530 --> 00:55:22,330
Ness monster hasn't had a big run lately

1348
00:55:19,239 --> 00:55:24,399
I think it's about time yeah UFOs they

1349
00:55:22,329 --> 00:55:26,170
come and go a bit and I think all of

1350
00:55:24,400 --> 00:55:27,369
these things are very cyclical people

1351
00:55:26,170 --> 00:55:29,500
get bored with the latest one and they

1352
00:55:27,369 --> 00:55:33,009
go back to you know a sort of classic

1353
00:55:29,500 --> 00:55:35,559
coke version of of whoo and they just

1354
00:55:33,010 --> 00:55:37,660

pick it up so yeah I think one of the

1355

00:55:35,559 --> 00:55:38,920

criticisms are I often hear aimed at

1356

00:55:37,659 --> 00:55:40,839

skeptics is that are you pick on

1357

00:55:38,920 --> 00:55:42,099

consumer fraud net cloth sort of thing

1358

00:55:40,840 --> 00:55:44,289

why don't you go for the big ones like

1359

00:55:42,099 --> 00:55:48,519

Islam the Catholic Church and stuff like

1360

00:55:44,289 --> 00:55:50,590

that yes Marty because Islam is not a

1361

00:55:48,519 --> 00:55:53,380

claim and we could go after specific

1362

00:55:50,590 --> 00:55:55,510

claims but what we can't what what do

1363

00:55:53,380 --> 00:55:56,950

you go after like well the Catholics

1364

00:55:55,510 --> 00:56:00,590

have got the whole transubstantiation

1365

00:55:56,949 --> 00:56:03,379

thing yeah but okay so

1366

00:56:00,590 --> 00:56:06,500

but let's assume that we you know grab

1367

00:56:03,380 --> 00:56:08,390

some samples from some from of the wafer

1368

00:56:06,500 --> 00:56:11,719

inside somebody's mouth while those

1369
00:56:08,389 --> 00:56:13,730
supposedly it's becoming Jesus flesh

1370
00:56:11,719 --> 00:56:16,099
what then so that that will prove that

1371
00:56:13,730 --> 00:56:18,920
that one specific instance it didn't

1372
00:56:16,099 --> 00:56:21,529
actually transubstantiated it's I just

1373
00:56:18,920 --> 00:56:23,539
don't think it's worth spending so much

1374
00:56:21,530 --> 00:56:24,950
time there are other groups may not who

1375
00:56:23,539 --> 00:56:26,210
are better equipped to take all these

1376
00:56:24,949 --> 00:56:28,129
topics and we are then we can

1377
00:56:26,210 --> 00:56:30,710
concentrate on the classic wu and

1378
00:56:28,130 --> 00:56:33,470
consumerism and homeopathy and all the

1379
00:56:30,710 --> 00:56:35,539
things that we we seem to excel at is

1380
00:56:33,469 --> 00:56:37,459
there an area you reckon that could be

1381
00:56:35,539 --> 00:56:43,690
done in the future that you think we

1382
00:56:37,460 --> 00:56:47,360
should get onto that i want to know if

1383
00:56:43,690 --> 00:56:50,750
the girl from aqua really is dead almost

1384
00:56:47,360 --> 00:56:53,870
replaced by her twin oh that's that's a

1385
00:56:50,750 --> 00:56:55,989
21st century mccartney paul is dead

1386
00:56:53,869 --> 00:56:59,929
thing that's probably sing i I think

1387
00:56:55,989 --> 00:57:01,789
having seen the Vengaboys that that is

1388
00:56:59,929 --> 00:57:04,309
highly likely well also you'll notice

1389
00:57:01,789 --> 00:57:06,170
that after a quid the the soundtrack

1390
00:57:04,309 --> 00:57:09,559
from sliding doors they went on a very

1391
00:57:06,170 --> 00:57:23,690
melancholy turn I think that's around a

1392
00:57:09,559 --> 00:57:27,320
pilot point yeah dr. Jones dr. Jones see

1393
00:57:23,690 --> 00:57:28,639
there you go I know the lesser-known you

1394
00:57:27,320 --> 00:57:29,690
think you should get until you can't Lee

1395
00:57:28,639 --> 00:57:31,400
tell us cuz you it's coming up on

1396
00:57:29,690 --> 00:57:35,170
upcoming episodes of the check out

1397

00:57:31,400 --> 00:57:35,170
anything skeptics should be looking at

1398
00:57:35,909 --> 00:57:39,049
[Music]

1399
00:57:40,108 --> 00:57:46,028
no no these are considered now it's just

1400
00:57:44,259 --> 00:57:46,719
not like no go no and I've got no idea

1401
00:57:46,028 --> 00:57:49,358
what I'm saying

1402
00:57:46,719 --> 00:57:50,650
I think the dog the dog it where I think

1403
00:57:49,358 --> 00:57:52,778
we'll do is we'll play the last of the

1404
00:57:50,650 --> 00:57:54,249
the the messages we've had from around

1405
00:57:52,778 --> 00:57:56,259
the world and we'll come back to wrap up

1406
00:57:54,248 --> 00:57:57,608
the think tank and see how many of these

1407
00:57:56,259 --> 00:58:02,349
were recorded in a small concrete

1408
00:57:57,608 --> 00:58:04,900
building deep underground hi Richard Joe

1409
00:58:02,349 --> 00:58:06,670
Penna new here nearly 10 years ago I

1410
00:58:04,900 --> 00:58:08,588
appeared on the zone as a reporter

1411
00:58:06,670 --> 00:58:11,039

discussing a letter on homeopathy in the

1412

00:58:08,588 --> 00:58:13,599

London Journal of Medicine from 1851

1413

00:58:11,039 --> 00:58:14,799

suffice to say I think this told us that

1414

00:58:13,599 --> 00:58:17,259

there'll be a need for skeptical

1415

00:58:14,798 --> 00:58:19,809

activist along into the future and thus

1416

00:58:17,259 --> 00:58:22,028

I see the skeptic zone reaching 5000

1417

00:58:19,809 --> 00:58:23,859

episodes one day I'm miss doing the

1418

00:58:22,028 --> 00:58:26,139

think-tank with you dr. H G and Iran

1419

00:58:23,858 --> 00:58:28,028

which will always a scream thank you for

1420

00:58:26,139 --> 00:58:29,710

providing a wonderful skeptical podcast

1421

00:58:28,028 --> 00:58:32,889

and congratulations on reaching this

1422

00:58:29,710 --> 00:58:36,068

little milestone of longevity Richard

1423

00:58:32,889 --> 00:58:38,199

Saunders she's we've been doing this for

1424

00:58:36,068 --> 00:58:41,498

a long time haven't we I know

1425

00:58:38,199 --> 00:58:42,399

skepticality hasn't been going as often

1426
00:58:41,498 --> 00:58:46,088
as it used to

1427
00:58:42,400 --> 00:58:50,769
that'll change soon so I am NOT gonna

1428
00:58:46,088 --> 00:58:52,929
catch up to you anytime soon but I can't

1429
00:58:50,768 --> 00:58:54,998
wait to see you again I have to have you

1430
00:58:52,929 --> 00:58:57,038
come back to drank on when the first

1431
00:58:54,998 --> 00:59:00,189
time you came I think you were septic

1432
00:58:57,039 --> 00:59:04,359
tank still and then the next time he

1433
00:59:00,190 --> 00:59:07,229
came you're a skeptic zone so congrats

1434
00:59:04,358 --> 00:59:10,358
on all the shows many more to come

1435
00:59:07,228 --> 00:59:12,399
see you soon Richard hi this is Mike

1436
00:59:10,358 --> 00:59:13,690
Alice and Marsh from the skeptics with a

1437
00:59:12,400 --> 00:59:15,818
K podcast we just want to say

1438
00:59:13,690 --> 00:59:20,769
congratulations to the sceptic zone 500

1439
00:59:15,818 --> 00:59:22,989
Shores that's like 20 years of us to get

1440
00:59:20,768 --> 00:59:24,669
there ever one of us will die first I

1441
00:59:22,989 --> 00:59:27,940
mean we've just literally just finished

1442
00:59:24,670 --> 00:59:30,278
recording an hour and a half long show

1443
00:59:27,940 --> 00:59:32,469
which is mostly just you marsh rambling

1444
00:59:30,278 --> 00:59:35,048
I was it was it became more and more me

1445
00:59:32,469 --> 00:59:39,400
because I had V the notes of what we

1446
00:59:35,048 --> 00:59:40,960
were doing and Alice got bored but no

1447
00:59:39,400 --> 00:59:42,608
one gets bored listening to the sceptics

1448
00:59:40,960 --> 00:59:44,739
I'll never do it's a brilliant brilliant

1449
00:59:42,608 --> 00:59:46,568
show congratulations to everyone

1450
00:59:44,739 --> 00:59:49,389
involved and I'll look forward to the

1451
00:59:46,568 --> 00:59:51,759
next 500 episodes

1452
00:59:49,389 --> 00:59:54,129
500 episodes ago when Richard took the

1453
00:59:51,760 --> 00:59:56,530
mic he made a little podcast thing which

1454

00:59:54,130 --> 00:59:58,660
people seem to like now here we are much

1455
00:59:56,530 --> 01:00:01,360
later and the skeptic zone still rockin

1456
00:59:58,659 --> 01:00:05,799
congrats and thanks for having me with

1457
01:00:01,360 --> 01:00:08,829
love from Shelley stockin hi Mandy noble

1458
01:00:05,800 --> 01:00:12,430
diet sceptic here to congratulate

1459
01:00:08,829 --> 01:00:15,789
Richard I'm recording 500 episodes of

1460
01:00:12,429 --> 01:00:16,329
the skeptic zone podcast thank you

1461
01:00:15,789 --> 01:00:18,489
Richard

1462
01:00:16,329 --> 01:00:21,299
for providing this great platform for

1463
01:00:18,489 --> 01:00:24,309
science fun and critical thinking and

1464
01:00:21,300 --> 01:00:26,350
this weekend Richard when you run down

1465
01:00:24,309 --> 01:00:29,679
the stairs to see what is to eat in the

1466
01:00:26,349 --> 01:00:33,009
kitchen I hope you find a really big

1467
01:00:29,679 --> 01:00:35,739
skeptic zone cake to celebrate hollow

1468
01:00:33,010 --> 01:00:38,350

skeptic zone listeners and hello Richard

1469

01:00:35,739 --> 01:00:40,629

it's Joe alabaster here offering my

1470

01:00:38,349 --> 01:00:44,409

heartiest congratulations on Episode

1471

01:00:40,630 --> 01:00:46,180

five hundred now listeners I've seen the

1472

01:00:44,409 --> 01:00:48,489

amount of work that Richard goes to for

1473

01:00:46,179 --> 01:00:50,019

each episode of the show keeping on top

1474

01:00:48,489 --> 01:00:52,750

of what's going on in skeptical news

1475

01:00:50,019 --> 01:00:54,820

attending events finding so many people

1476

01:00:52,750 --> 01:00:57,099

to interview editing the show promoting

1477

01:00:54,820 --> 01:01:00,269

the show and know that he's now done

1478

01:00:57,099 --> 01:01:02,589

this 500 times absolutely mind-blowing

1479

01:01:00,269 --> 01:01:04,269

well there's another thing that he does

1480

01:01:02,590 --> 01:01:06,309

related to the saurian that I'd like to

1481

01:01:04,269 --> 01:01:08,320

mention quickly for those of us who've

1482

01:01:06,309 --> 01:01:10,989

worked with him on the show he's given

1483
01:01:08,320 --> 01:01:13,240
us opportunities to learn and refine new

1484
01:01:10,989 --> 01:01:15,789
skills such as reporting announced

1485
01:01:13,239 --> 01:01:17,949
editing and interviewing and to meet

1486
01:01:15,789 --> 01:01:19,929
some fantastic people that's you dear

1487
01:01:17,949 --> 01:01:22,210
listeners to have some interesting

1488
01:01:19,929 --> 01:01:24,669
experiences attending psychic exposures

1489
01:01:22,210 --> 01:01:26,170
and mind body wallet festivals and to

1490
01:01:24,670 --> 01:01:29,019
make some friendships and have a lot of

1491
01:01:26,170 --> 01:01:31,360
laughs so for that and for bringing us a

1492
01:01:29,019 --> 01:01:33,869
podcast of frankly fantastic quality

1493
01:01:31,360 --> 01:01:37,390
week after week thank you Richard and

1494
01:01:33,869 --> 01:01:39,369
congratulations again when I heard that

1495
01:01:37,389 --> 01:01:41,889
the skeptic zone had a big milestone

1496
01:01:39,369 --> 01:01:43,929
episode coming up I assumed it was a

1497
01:01:41,889 --> 01:01:46,000
strong number something like seven or

1498
01:01:43,929 --> 01:01:48,250
eight hundred as hosts Richard Saunders

1499
01:01:46,000 --> 01:01:50,409
is so much older than me and I'm only

1500
01:01:48,250 --> 01:01:52,719
into the six hundreds but when I heard

1501
01:01:50,409 --> 01:01:55,869
that his milestone was only to celebrate

1502
01:01:52,719 --> 01:01:58,599
a round number not a large one I said oh

1503
01:01:55,869 --> 01:02:00,819
how quaint so I do want to wish the

1504
01:01:58,599 --> 01:02:02,618
skeptic zone a charming and adorable

1505
01:02:00,820 --> 01:02:04,088
little 500

1506
01:02:02,619 --> 01:02:07,028
a number that most of the leading

1507
01:02:04,088 --> 01:02:08,980
podcast passed years ago Richard had

1508
01:02:07,028 --> 01:02:11,469
called me not long ago to express his

1509
01:02:08,980 --> 01:02:14,559
misgivings at not having been able to be

1510
01:02:11,469 --> 01:02:16,568
competitively productive I told him 500

1511

01:02:14,559 --> 01:02:18,880
is a good start and a number to be proud

1512
01:02:16,568 --> 01:02:21,429
of not bashful about I want to be

1513
01:02:18,880 --> 01:02:24,099
encouraging and say stick with it that

1514
01:02:21,429 --> 01:02:26,259
number will only climb from here and all

1515
01:02:24,099 --> 01:02:28,539
of us up on the top shelf will keep a

1516
01:02:26,259 --> 01:02:30,818
seat open for you and look forward to

1517
01:02:28,539 --> 01:02:34,059
that day when your milestones are real

1518
01:02:30,818 --> 01:02:38,380
and not merely symbolic I'm Brian

1519
01:02:34,059 --> 01:02:40,839
Dunning from skeptoid comm so Richard

1520
01:02:38,380 --> 01:02:46,568
the future the now the time I'm you must

1521
01:02:40,838 --> 01:02:48,548
be giddy with excitement yes I can't no

1522
01:02:46,568 --> 01:02:50,588
I I don't know I mean next week will be

1523
01:02:48,548 --> 01:02:51,429
episode 501 that's all I'm thinking

1524
01:02:50,588 --> 01:02:53,498
about right now

1525
01:02:51,429 --> 01:02:56,199

well cause everyone's going to know The

1526

01:02:53,498 --> 01:02:57,848

Skeptical Cats has been two pairs of

1527

01:02:56,199 --> 01:02:59,798

reciprocal cats over these over the 10

1528

01:02:57,849 --> 01:03:01,480

years and the new ones are following in

1529

01:02:59,798 --> 01:03:03,130

the old ones footsteps paw prints

1530

01:03:01,480 --> 01:03:05,079

whatever they do whatever cats do more

1531

01:03:03,130 --> 01:03:06,940

they do more they actually tried to help

1532

01:03:05,079 --> 01:03:09,039

edit the show by Limpy up on my computer

1533

01:03:06,940 --> 01:03:19,059

and sometimes typing in very strange

1534

01:03:09,039 --> 01:03:20,799

things like cats were more like

1535

01:03:19,059 --> 01:03:22,749

producers they sort of did fact-checking

1536

01:03:20,798 --> 01:03:26,429

and stuff like that my background they

1537

01:03:22,748 --> 01:03:27,939

were behind the glass panel that's right

1538

01:03:26,429 --> 01:03:31,498

as always

1539

01:03:27,940 --> 01:03:33,519

sometimes I it's always sometimes

1540
01:03:31,498 --> 01:03:35,679
sometimes I don't know what's coming up

1541
01:03:33,518 --> 01:03:37,179
next but things usually come along

1542
01:03:35,679 --> 01:03:38,649
you've done a lot of work over the years

1543
01:03:37,179 --> 01:03:40,118
thank you very much Maynard for all your

1544
01:03:38,650 --> 01:03:42,400
work of course well it's interesting you

1545
01:03:40,119 --> 01:03:44,318
just kind of turn up and a lot people

1546
01:03:42,400 --> 01:03:46,720
heard the skeptic zone and it's usually

1547
01:03:44,318 --> 01:03:48,009
bit of an intro to what's going on then

1548
01:03:46,719 --> 01:03:55,118
of course when they find out what I'm on

1549
01:03:48,009 --> 01:03:56,829
about I'm just waved off it's been great

1550
01:03:55,119 --> 01:03:58,450
to do a think tank again it's been years

1551
01:03:56,829 --> 01:04:00,160
since we've done a proper think tank in

1552
01:03:58,449 --> 01:04:01,899
the owl Club at the end of the street no

1553
01:04:00,159 --> 01:04:04,118
bus announcements what a what a shame

1554
01:04:01,900 --> 01:04:05,440
and maybe we can do one again be here in

1555
01:04:04,119 --> 01:04:10,120
the not-too-distant future that would be

1556
01:04:05,440 --> 01:04:15,610
really cool 500 program thank you

1557
01:04:10,119 --> 01:04:17,309
I was and as we used to do and we used

1558
01:04:15,610 --> 01:04:33,700
to sign off yeah

1559
01:04:17,309 --> 01:04:37,099
[Music]

1560
01:04:33,699 --> 01:04:39,949
hi this is dr. Pamela gay from astronomy

1561
01:04:37,099 --> 01:04:41,839
cast each week Fraser Cain and I take

1562
01:04:39,949 --> 01:04:44,059
our listeners on a fact-based journey

1563
01:04:41,840 --> 01:04:46,789
through the cosmos with our weekly

1564
01:04:44,059 --> 01:04:49,610
podcast we explain not just what we know

1565
01:04:46,789 --> 01:04:52,460
but how we know what we know about this

1566
01:04:49,610 --> 01:04:54,920
universe that we share check us out at

1567
01:04:52,460 --> 01:04:57,320
astronomy cast calm and look for us in

1568

01:04:54,920 --> 01:05:00,030
itunes google play and wherever you

1569
01:04:57,320 --> 01:05:09,230
download podcasts see online

1570
01:05:00,030 --> 01:05:09,230
[Music]

1571
01:05:15,219 --> 01:05:22,779
ah Richard I feel like a 500 episode old

1572
01:05:21,130 --> 01:05:25,539
man that's it

1573
01:05:22,780 --> 01:05:28,119
we did it we did 500 that was five

1574
01:05:25,539 --> 01:05:30,730
episode 500 thank you to all the people

1575
01:05:28,119 --> 01:05:32,050
who you heard in today's episode and all

1576
01:05:30,730 --> 01:05:34,088
those greetings weren't they nice from

1577
01:05:32,050 --> 01:05:35,890
all around the world is fabulous to

1578
01:05:34,088 --> 01:05:38,078
realize how much a little humble little

1579
01:05:35,889 --> 01:05:40,210
podcast in Sydney with humble little

1580
01:05:38,079 --> 01:05:43,119
Richard is just doing his thing every

1581
01:05:40,210 --> 01:05:45,550
week you and I you and I ten years ago

1582
01:05:43,119 --> 01:05:47,289

just in a little room and oh let's do

1583

01:05:45,550 --> 01:05:49,480
another podcast I mean we wouldn't even

1584

01:05:47,289 --> 01:05:58,269
adolescence then we were just we were

1585

01:05:49,480 --> 01:05:59,858
pre pretty full of beans but how so much

1586

01:05:58,269 --> 01:06:02,469
and thank you to everyone who's been

1587

01:05:59,858 --> 01:06:05,078
thanking listening and downloading every

1588

01:06:02,469 --> 01:06:08,379
week and there are people of course who

1589

01:06:05,079 --> 01:06:10,060
have heard every episode Wow and and all

1590

01:06:08,380 --> 01:06:12,430
the people who over the 10 years have

1591

01:06:10,059 --> 01:06:14,259
contributed financially to support the

1592

01:06:12,429 --> 01:06:16,419
skeptic zone it's just it's meant the

1593

01:06:14,260 --> 01:06:18,460
show is written has reached 500 it keeps

1594

01:06:16,420 --> 01:06:19,900
it going yeah I mean I would have

1595

01:06:18,460 --> 01:06:22,030
contributed more but I've actually had

1596

01:06:19,900 --> 01:06:24,430
to buy about 15 new iPhones over the

1597
01:06:22,030 --> 01:06:26,769
last 10 years just to fit all the

1598
01:06:24,429 --> 01:06:29,139
downloads of the podcast onto them my

1599
01:06:26,769 --> 01:06:30,880
memory is not big enough so so yeah

1600
01:06:29,139 --> 01:06:33,219
besides that I would be supported a lot

1601
01:06:30,880 --> 01:06:35,829
more but so I never mind I understand

1602
01:06:33,219 --> 01:06:44,199
the history now coming up on show 1000

1603
01:06:35,829 --> 01:06:48,789
no no think about it I've been doing

1604
01:06:44,199 --> 01:06:51,779
this show for a fifth of my life that's

1605
01:06:48,789 --> 01:06:53,829
amazing but you want to skip the show

1606
01:06:51,780 --> 01:06:56,650
next week we'll just so sure what about

1607
01:06:53,829 --> 01:06:58,839
now maybe five oh one let's let's just

1608
01:06:56,650 --> 01:07:00,369
start off a little Jo step-by-step I

1609
01:06:58,838 --> 01:07:02,849
think five no one's probably a good idea

1610
01:07:00,369 --> 01:07:05,769
but for now this is Richard Saunders and

1611
01:07:02,849 --> 01:07:07,240
Stefan Soyka signing off from Sydney

1612
01:07:05,769 --> 01:07:09,780
Australia

1613
01:07:07,239 --> 01:07:09,779
yeah

1614
01:07:12,260 --> 01:07:18,860
[Music]

1615
01:07:26,650 --> 01:07:34,269
Hayate may not here Wow 500 years of the

1616
01:07:32,269 --> 01:07:36,349
sceptic zone who would have thought I

1617
01:07:34,269 --> 01:07:38,690
remember the first time I was on the

1618
01:07:36,349 --> 01:07:40,819
skipping zone over or no acts I don't

1619
01:07:38,690 --> 01:07:44,599
remember I'm just making that up but all

1620
01:07:40,820 --> 01:07:49,039
the great times and loves that Richard

1621
01:07:44,599 --> 01:07:52,639
and I had there was that time we went to

1622
01:07:49,039 --> 01:07:59,779
Aldi and we we saw an orange that was

1623
01:07:52,639 --> 01:08:02,779
great there was the time we went to a

1624
01:07:59,780 --> 01:08:08,780
laundromat and we did washing that was

1625

01:08:02,780 --> 01:08:10,910
absolutely exciting I once told Regina

1626
01:08:08,780 --> 01:08:16,699
ended his wiper blades changed on his

1627
01:08:10,909 --> 01:08:18,800
Camry how we laughed at that there's too

1628
01:08:16,699 --> 01:08:22,670
many to think of and there's all people

1629
01:08:18,800 --> 01:08:25,550
we met like all the Bryan's we've met

1630
01:08:22,670 --> 01:08:27,980
that time you and I met Brian Cox and we

1631
01:08:25,550 --> 01:08:28,640
tried to get him to say monkey but he

1632
01:08:27,979 --> 01:08:31,009
punched you

1633
01:08:28,640 --> 01:08:32,539
oh hell we laughed Brian Dunning there

1634
01:08:31,010 --> 01:08:33,619
was at Thomond Brian Dunning Brian

1635
01:08:32,539 --> 01:08:34,850
Dunning you've been doing this for many

1636
01:08:33,619 --> 01:08:36,319
years now do you think the world is

1637
01:08:34,850 --> 01:08:38,360
getting more rational or we're getting

1638
01:08:36,319 --> 01:08:40,279
more kooky oh I don't think it's going

1639
01:08:38,359 --> 01:08:42,229

anywhere I think I think I'm gonna be in

1640

01:08:40,279 --> 01:08:43,969

business a long long time what's the

1641

01:08:42,229 --> 01:08:46,759

best rational way to see a path through

1642

01:08:43,970 --> 01:08:49,159

in this odd world we live in Brian be

1643

01:08:46,760 --> 01:08:51,050

positive don't burn bridges don't get

1644

01:08:49,159 --> 01:08:52,460

people mad at you don't annoy people

1645

01:08:51,050 --> 01:08:54,230

don't go around being holier-than-thou

1646

01:08:52,460 --> 01:08:56,119

and acting like you're the only one

1647

01:08:54,229 --> 01:08:57,979

who's right and you're the only one who

1648

01:08:56,119 --> 01:09:00,109

knows anything because you're not do you

1649

01:08:57,979 --> 01:09:04,069

think Richard Dawkins suffers from that

1650

01:09:00,109 --> 01:09:05,239

sometimes well he's easy I mean that's

1651

01:09:04,069 --> 01:09:05,989

respectfully but he's basically a

1652

01:09:05,239 --> 01:09:08,929

sideshow

1653

01:09:05,989 --> 01:09:10,159

he's a atheist activist he's not out

1654
01:09:08,930 --> 01:09:12,710
there trying to make friends

1655
01:09:10,159 --> 01:09:15,439
his work is really controversial and it

1656
01:09:12,710 --> 01:09:17,779
sells look it up go online check a

1657
01:09:15,439 --> 01:09:19,009
couple of sources go to a library no no

1658
01:09:17,779 --> 01:09:20,269
no you should only listen to some

1659
01:09:19,010 --> 01:09:22,909
podcast and you should believe

1660
01:09:20,270 --> 01:09:25,130
everything he tells you oh yeah very

1661
01:09:22,909 --> 01:09:27,229
emotional moment Tom I talked to George

1662
01:09:25,130 --> 01:09:31,460
Arab after that show thing it he said

1663
01:09:27,229 --> 01:09:34,429
this I with an absolute dingo eatin

1664
01:09:31,460 --> 01:09:35,960
sense of joy hey what do you like at the

1665
01:09:34,430 --> 01:09:37,909
doctor as a skeptical guy who believes

1666
01:09:35,960 --> 01:09:38,920
in science and reason used to must poop

1667
01:09:37,909 --> 01:09:40,599
yourself when some test

1668
01:09:38,920 --> 01:09:43,060
coming back something that completely

1669
01:09:40,600 --> 01:09:46,900
irrational my complete of rationality is

1670
01:09:43,060 --> 01:09:49,000
sort of providing myself a silent moment

1671
01:09:46,899 --> 01:09:50,619
of hope before I open the envelope or

1672
01:09:49,000 --> 01:09:52,600
before I answer the phone so you know

1673
01:09:50,619 --> 01:09:56,050
results are coming in there is that one

1674
01:09:52,600 --> 01:09:58,420
second of dread hope whatever where you

1675
01:09:56,050 --> 01:09:59,440
know that whatever you're feeling

1676
01:09:58,420 --> 01:10:01,210
whatever you're thinking whatever you're

1677
01:09:59,439 --> 01:10:03,819
wanting will not affect the ink which is

1678
01:10:01,210 --> 01:10:06,640
already printed on this page this is a

1679
01:10:03,819 --> 01:10:10,679
touch quantum absolutely yeah totally

1680
01:10:06,640 --> 01:10:12,969
total total total trading or trading or

1681
01:10:10,679 --> 01:10:15,130
it's just it's not a cat it's just you

1682

01:10:12,969 --> 01:10:17,560
know fingers up your poop he's certainly

1683
01:10:15,130 --> 01:10:20,469
a deep guy and that time I interviewed

1684
01:10:17,560 --> 01:10:25,539
dr. Lisa Randall and it didn't go so

1685
01:10:20,469 --> 01:10:29,980
well oh we have got a clip for that

1686
01:10:25,539 --> 01:10:32,198
sorry but seriously the skeptic zone

1687
01:10:29,979 --> 01:10:34,479
over the 500 years it's been on it is

1688
01:10:32,198 --> 01:10:35,979
just the premier science show that I

1689
01:10:34,479 --> 01:10:38,859
listen to and I get all my information

1690
01:10:35,979 --> 01:10:39,579
from it which is why I'm not welcome at

1691
01:10:38,859 --> 01:10:42,609
University

1692
01:10:39,579 --> 01:10:45,579
good work Richard long may use sale and

1693
01:10:42,609 --> 01:10:48,119
all that sale in you remember that

1694
01:10:45,579 --> 01:10:51,738
orange how we laughed

1695
01:10:48,119 --> 01:10:51,738
[Music]