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00:00:00,030 --> 00:00:03,480
hi I'm Yvette Dawn's from ah aka the

2
00:00:02,009 --> 00:00:11,968
sigh babe and you're listening to me on

3
00:00:03,480 --> 00:00:14,849
the sceptic zone welcome to the skipped

4
00:00:11,968 --> 00:00:16,269
exam the podcast from Australia for

5
00:00:14,849 --> 00:00:18,339
science and reason

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00:00:16,269 --> 00:00:21,390
[Music]

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00:00:18,339 --> 00:00:21,390
[Applause]

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00:00:21,550 --> 00:00:27,850
[Music]

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00:00:27,949 --> 00:00:34,289
yes it's the skeptic zone podcast

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00:00:30,629 --> 00:00:37,079
episode number 522 for the 21st of

11
00:00:34,289 --> 00:00:40,109
October 2018 richardsaunders here with

12
00:00:37,079 --> 00:00:42,988
you from Sydney Australia lightning and

13
00:00:40,109 --> 00:00:45,238
thunder and rain and hail and cats and

14
00:00:42,988 --> 00:00:49,649
dogs and puddles and everything last

15
00:00:45,238 --> 00:00:52,738
week has been wet but it did not oh no

16
00:00:49,649 --> 00:00:55,140
it did not dampen the skeptic on last

17
00:00:52,738 --> 00:00:56,789
weekend in fact the way that was okay

18
00:00:55,140 --> 00:00:59,338
it's sort of rained a little bit and

19
00:00:56,789 --> 00:01:00,268
then it was sort of okay what a huge

20
00:00:59,338 --> 00:01:03,689
success

21
00:01:00,268 --> 00:01:05,280
skeptic on was the the the positive

22
00:01:03,689 --> 00:01:07,950
comments for organizing that and putting

23
00:01:05,280 --> 00:01:10,170
that together and bringing out those

24
00:01:07,950 --> 00:01:12,450
special guests flowing back to the

25
00:01:10,170 --> 00:01:14,939
Australian skeptics have been just

26
00:01:12,450 --> 00:01:17,820
terrific it's a very nice compliments

27
00:01:14,939 --> 00:01:19,590
coming back to me thank you very much I

28
00:01:17,819 --> 00:01:22,469
gave a couple of presentations more

29

00:01:19,590 --> 00:01:26,219
about that in the coming weeks in fact

30
00:01:22,469 --> 00:01:29,700
we're gonna kick off today with a report

31
00:01:26,219 --> 00:01:32,789
from a nod at skeptical trivia which was

32
00:01:29,700 --> 00:01:36,780
the kickoff event the leading event for

33
00:01:32,790 --> 00:01:39,810
skeptic on 2018 oh wow that was fun that

34
00:01:36,780 --> 00:01:44,189
was fun really lots of people playing

35
00:01:39,810 --> 00:01:45,810
trivia and Maynard tonight running

36
00:01:44,189 --> 00:01:48,780
around at the pub with his microphone

37
00:01:45,810 --> 00:01:51,060
chats - skeptic zone reporter mandy lean

38
00:01:48,780 --> 00:01:53,700
Noble one of the vice presidents of

39
00:01:51,060 --> 00:01:56,640
Australian skeptics joke Ben amou former

40
00:01:53,700 --> 00:01:58,829
skeptic zone reporter Beth Darlington

41
00:01:56,640 --> 00:02:01,560
from access paranormal who was a guest

42
00:01:58,829 --> 00:02:04,500
of the convention another guest dr. sue

43
00:02:01,560 --> 00:02:08,219

Blackmore was there Kirsten banks yet

44

00:02:04,500 --> 00:02:09,959

another guest and dr. Pamela gay all

45

00:02:08,219 --> 00:02:14,128

these people were rubbing shoulders at

46

00:02:09,959 --> 00:02:16,199

the trivia night then after that I read

47

00:02:14,128 --> 00:02:20,009

out the winners of the Australian

48

00:02:16,199 --> 00:02:22,530

skeptics annual awards including the

49

00:02:20,009 --> 00:02:25,259

bent spoon award and the inaugural Barry

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00:02:22,530 --> 00:02:26,969

Williams award for skeptical journalism

51

00:02:25,259 --> 00:02:28,798

now of course Barry Williams was a

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00:02:26,969 --> 00:02:31,680

longtime member of the Australian

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00:02:28,799 --> 00:02:34,469

skeptics a former president and editor

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00:02:31,680 --> 00:02:37,260

of the skeptic magazine who sadly died

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00:02:34,469 --> 00:02:38,199

in January this year and we decided to

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00:02:37,259 --> 00:02:41,348

have an

57

00:02:38,199 --> 00:02:44,049

ward in his honor now it's giving out no

58
00:02:41,348 --> 00:02:48,030
secrets to say that the journalist Jane

59
00:02:44,050 --> 00:02:50,620
Hansen won the award and following the

60
00:02:48,030 --> 00:02:53,919
the reading of the report about the

61
00:02:50,620 --> 00:02:54,759
awards may not interviews Jane Hansen on

62
00:02:53,919 --> 00:02:56,829
today's show

63
00:02:54,759 --> 00:02:59,769
then it's the first interview from

64
00:02:56,830 --> 00:03:02,620
skeptic on itself with dr. Kyle Cruz on

65
00:02:59,769 --> 00:03:06,039
whiskey and dr. Carl tells may not how

66
00:03:02,620 --> 00:03:08,500
to handle all those awkward questions at

67
00:03:06,039 --> 00:03:11,169
dinner parties and around off the show

68
00:03:08,500 --> 00:03:14,110
no may not never never takes a break

69
00:03:11,169 --> 00:03:16,839
these microphones always by his side

70
00:03:14,110 --> 00:03:20,079
in fact Maynard and I went to the book

71
00:03:16,840 --> 00:03:23,229
launch of the book by David Rosenberg

72
00:03:20,079 --> 00:03:25,959
about Pine Gap because this has just

73
00:03:23,229 --> 00:03:28,359
been released as a miniseries here in

74
00:03:25,959 --> 00:03:30,699
Australia and of course Pine Gap which

75
00:03:28,360 --> 00:03:33,190
is the joint intelligence gathering

76
00:03:30,699 --> 00:03:34,869
facility in Australia between the United

77
00:03:33,189 --> 00:03:37,840
States and Australia it's of great

78
00:03:34,870 --> 00:03:40,269
interest to conspiracy theorists who

79
00:03:37,840 --> 00:03:44,799
think no end of things are going on

80
00:03:40,269 --> 00:03:47,379
there from aliens being bred to secret

81
00:03:44,799 --> 00:03:49,260
well obviously secrets but they love it

82
00:03:47,379 --> 00:03:53,199
it's sort of like the Australia

83
00:03:49,259 --> 00:03:54,818
Australian version of area 51 but what a

84
00:03:53,199 --> 00:03:56,919
fun time that was to attend a book

85
00:03:54,818 --> 00:03:59,888
launch have a glass of champagne and a

86

00:03:56,919 --> 00:04:02,559
few cheese biscuits and listen to David

87
00:03:59,889 --> 00:04:05,980
Rosenberg now before we get stuck into

88
00:04:02,560 --> 00:04:09,310
the show one of the many highlights for

89
00:04:05,979 --> 00:04:13,828
me while at the convention was on the

90
00:04:09,310 --> 00:04:16,930
Saturday evening pre-dinner drinks I

91
00:04:13,829 --> 00:04:20,889
arranged with my friends at the ESP

92
00:04:16,930 --> 00:04:22,959
podcast to do a live video hookup at two

93
00:04:20,889 --> 00:04:26,650
QED in Manchester

94
00:04:22,959 --> 00:04:30,759
so why people were lined up to register

95
00:04:26,649 --> 00:04:32,978
to get into QED people in Australia were

96
00:04:30,759 --> 00:04:34,509
milling around having pre-dinner drinks

97
00:04:32,978 --> 00:04:37,719
and I was running around with my iPad

98
00:04:34,509 --> 00:04:39,788
with the video on Qantas Burkman work

99
00:04:37,720 --> 00:04:42,610
from the ESP was running around with his

100
00:04:39,788 --> 00:04:44,860

phone I think with the video on so folks

101

00:04:42,610 --> 00:04:47,889

in Sydney were able to chat and wave to

102

00:04:44,860 --> 00:04:50,229

folks in Manchester at both conventions

103

00:04:47,889 --> 00:04:51,250

that was a lot of fun and thank you to

104

00:04:50,228 --> 00:04:53,829

pontus for helping

105

00:04:51,250 --> 00:04:56,319

put all that together but now it's time

106

00:04:53,829 --> 00:04:59,709

for me to run downstairs and inspired by

107

00:04:56,319 --> 00:05:03,699

Yvette dancer on the sigh babe have a

108

00:04:59,709 --> 00:05:06,259

nice piece of sushi while I do that I

109

00:05:03,699 --> 00:05:13,810

hope you enjoy the skeptic zone

110

00:05:06,259 --> 00:05:16,860

[Music]

111

00:05:13,810 --> 00:05:16,860

[Applause]

112

00:05:18,718 --> 00:05:29,218

years may not spooky action at the

113

00:05:23,610 --> 00:05:30,658

distance it's the beginning of a weekend

114

00:05:29,218 --> 00:05:31,860

of huffing and puffing and rushing and

115
00:05:30,658 --> 00:05:33,658
crushing and walking around as the

116
00:05:31,860 --> 00:05:35,338
biggest skeptical event on the national

117
00:05:33,658 --> 00:05:37,769
calendar takes place it's skeptic on

118
00:05:35,338 --> 00:05:39,389
Sydney that's right but skeptics from

119
00:05:37,769 --> 00:05:41,278
all over the world and all over the

120
00:05:39,389 --> 00:05:42,689
bathroom will be coming to see what's

121
00:05:41,278 --> 00:05:43,889
going on and we're having our first

122
00:05:42,689 --> 00:05:44,999
event for the whole thing this is

123
00:05:43,889 --> 00:05:47,158
usually the night that's the biggest one

124
00:05:44,999 --> 00:05:49,829
last year who could forget we had the

125
00:05:47,158 --> 00:05:52,228
guys from cognitive dissidence on the

126
00:05:49,829 --> 00:05:53,848
scathing atheist on is a huge night and

127
00:05:52,228 --> 00:05:56,038
was absolutely packed so that's why

128
00:05:53,848 --> 00:05:57,628
we're doing two levels of the

129
00:05:56,038 --> 00:05:59,459
meet-and-greet which is the Occidental

130
00:05:57,629 --> 00:06:01,949
hotel where we normally have the the

131
00:05:59,459 --> 00:06:03,329
mighty skeptics in the pub so what we're

132
00:06:01,949 --> 00:06:04,889
going to be doing tonight is on this

133
00:06:03,329 --> 00:06:07,860
first level where I am there's gonna be

134
00:06:04,889 --> 00:06:09,478
a trivia contest and the level above is

135
00:06:07,860 --> 00:06:11,009
where the hardcore drinkers will be and

136
00:06:09,478 --> 00:06:12,508
people will sort of oscillate between

137
00:06:11,009 --> 00:06:14,939
the two like the use of The Skeptical

138
00:06:12,509 --> 00:06:15,989
word there oscillate and of course a new

139
00:06:14,939 --> 00:06:18,989
world I've discovered which I'm really

140
00:06:15,988 --> 00:06:20,518
getting into nimman vidiiian we'll find

141
00:06:18,988 --> 00:06:23,788
out what that is later you name them

142
00:06:20,519 --> 00:06:25,050
Gideon's you cuz you hang around the bar

143

00:06:23,788 --> 00:06:28,348
and who should we bump into who we got

144
00:06:25,050 --> 00:06:29,939
here okay Mandy how do you feel what

145
00:06:28,348 --> 00:06:31,468
what is the big what it's a hot tip for

146
00:06:29,939 --> 00:06:35,159
this weekend as far as the skeptical

147
00:06:31,468 --> 00:06:37,998
thing what are you here to see probably

148
00:06:35,158 --> 00:06:40,889
looking forward to Richard Saunders

149
00:06:37,999 --> 00:06:42,389
doing his talk he still makes it all up

150
00:06:40,889 --> 00:06:45,930
you know

151
00:06:42,389 --> 00:06:48,598
I've no doubt and are you doing a talk

152
00:06:45,930 --> 00:06:51,329
this weekend no I'm one that got you

153
00:06:48,598 --> 00:06:52,680
here what didn't I do it well I came on

154
00:06:51,329 --> 00:06:55,829
my own steam this year and I'm looking

155
00:06:52,680 --> 00:06:57,449
forward to having to break it okay and

156
00:06:55,829 --> 00:07:02,430
now you're hanging around these

157
00:06:57,449 --> 00:07:03,990

skeptical foyer out the front where the

158

00:07:02,430 --> 00:07:05,639

thing is spending a week in amounts of

159

00:07:03,990 --> 00:07:07,860

like-minded people with some interesting

160

00:07:05,639 --> 00:07:09,750

debate yes yes people who are interested

161

00:07:07,860 --> 00:07:12,930

in having conversations about skeptical

162

00:07:09,750 --> 00:07:18,509

things sometimes are short on the ground

163

00:07:12,930 --> 00:07:19,800

out there sometime thank you oh look

164

00:07:18,509 --> 00:07:20,729

there's race many special guests have

165

00:07:19,800 --> 00:07:22,590

flown in from all over the country

166

00:07:20,728 --> 00:07:24,180

mothers people would be Joe great to

167

00:07:22,589 --> 00:07:28,468

have you here from Melbourne I'm a nod

168

00:07:24,180 --> 00:07:31,259

nice to see that fabulous suit look this

169

00:07:28,468 --> 00:07:32,519

was given to me by Jim Ferguson you you

170

00:07:31,259 --> 00:07:33,718

would have you would have seen this suit

171

00:07:32,519 --> 00:07:35,818

on don't leave home without your

172
00:07:33,718 --> 00:07:37,408
toothbrush okay the only two remaining

173
00:07:35,819 --> 00:07:38,669
suits that are any good are the red one

174
00:07:37,408 --> 00:07:39,089
and the blue one and you gave them both

175
00:07:38,668 --> 00:07:41,579
to me

176
00:07:39,089 --> 00:07:43,079
I remember that suit actually yes this

177
00:07:41,579 --> 00:07:45,478
suit is giving away prizes but not

178
00:07:43,079 --> 00:07:46,889
tonight the skeptic there's Richard said

179
00:07:45,478 --> 00:07:49,228
there's a cash prize for trivia but he

180
00:07:46,889 --> 00:07:52,050
didn't say how much I'm saying it's a

181
00:07:49,228 --> 00:07:53,218
lazy 5 knowing the skeptics and so

182
00:07:52,050 --> 00:07:55,020
what's the big skeptical issue that's

183
00:07:53,218 --> 00:07:58,338
been burning your butt off over the past

184
00:07:55,019 --> 00:08:03,930
year since we last spoke to you probably

185
00:07:58,338 --> 00:08:07,889
really bothering me probably the last

186
00:08:03,930 --> 00:08:10,709
time I spoke to you I was still you know

187
00:08:07,889 --> 00:08:12,088
I work in cynical research I remember

188
00:08:10,709 --> 00:08:13,799
giving you a prize or something when I

189
00:08:12,088 --> 00:08:15,449
hosted a dinner last year didn't you win

190
00:08:13,800 --> 00:08:17,788
something skeptical or you came up to

191
00:08:15,449 --> 00:08:19,919
speak was like hey no I came out a prize

192
00:08:17,788 --> 00:08:21,269
oh okay I haven't won any prizes

193
00:08:19,918 --> 00:08:23,698
although I have to give them out to

194
00:08:21,269 --> 00:08:26,299
other people know the thing that's

195
00:08:23,699 --> 00:08:28,860
really bothering me at the moment is

196
00:08:26,300 --> 00:08:32,729
cancer patients being taken advantage of

197
00:08:28,860 --> 00:08:35,519
by various proponents of dubious

198
00:08:32,729 --> 00:08:36,990
therapies in Australia our regulations

199
00:08:35,519 --> 00:08:38,310
are a bit tighter so are they going

200

00:08:36,990 --> 00:08:39,448
overseas to do this well they're

201
00:08:38,309 --> 00:08:41,500
slipping between the cracks of our

202
00:08:39,448 --> 00:08:43,418
regulations here

203
00:08:41,500 --> 00:08:45,100
they ask some look I think they still

204
00:08:43,418 --> 00:08:46,929
very much are going overseas so you know

205
00:08:45,100 --> 00:08:52,690
we still see patients going over to

206
00:08:46,929 --> 00:08:55,569
Texas or to Mexico and and so on but the

207
00:08:52,690 --> 00:08:58,870
sort of thing I'm seeing more of it's

208
00:08:55,570 --> 00:09:01,300
not necessarily you know people going

209
00:08:58,870 --> 00:09:03,970
off and having some you know alternative

210
00:09:01,299 --> 00:09:05,169
therapy outside of oncology I'm talking

211
00:09:03,970 --> 00:09:06,850
about people who are you know

212
00:09:05,169 --> 00:09:09,699
potentially still having conventional

213
00:09:06,850 --> 00:09:11,139
science based treatments but who are

214
00:09:09,700 --> 00:09:13,240

then going off and having sort of

215

00:09:11,139 --> 00:09:16,269

supportive treatments from naturopaths

216

00:09:13,240 --> 00:09:18,250

or you're going to go into clinics who

217

00:09:16,269 --> 00:09:20,439

are taking advantage of their illness

218

00:09:18,250 --> 00:09:23,649

not necessarily offering to directly

219

00:09:20,440 --> 00:09:26,350

cure them but you know selling them all

220

00:09:23,649 --> 00:09:27,870

manner of supplements and you know

221

00:09:26,350 --> 00:09:30,879

offering them things that that really

222

00:09:27,870 --> 00:09:33,190

kind of don't make sense in terms of the

223

00:09:30,879 --> 00:09:34,539

disease they have and confusing them the

224

00:09:33,190 --> 00:09:36,790

thing the thing that I'm incredibly

225

00:09:34,539 --> 00:09:38,379

passionate about is actually about

226

00:09:36,789 --> 00:09:41,349

health information it's about how we

227

00:09:38,379 --> 00:09:43,059

educate people so that they understand

228

00:09:41,350 --> 00:09:46,420

what's happening to them so that they

229
00:09:43,059 --> 00:09:48,549
are better able to kind of sift through

230
00:09:46,419 --> 00:09:50,529
all of the the huge amounts of

231
00:09:48,549 --> 00:09:52,029
information that are thrown at them and

232
00:09:50,529 --> 00:09:54,730
I think one of the things that happened

233
00:09:52,029 --> 00:09:56,470
so often with you know these these

234
00:09:54,730 --> 00:09:58,600
practitioners is that they've been boos

235
00:09:56,470 --> 00:10:03,279
or people with information at a time and

236
00:09:58,600 --> 00:10:04,659
they're really vulnerable and booking

237
00:10:03,279 --> 00:10:06,610
job Polly talked to you over the weekend

238
00:10:04,659 --> 00:10:08,789
well and welcome welcome thanks he may

239
00:10:06,610 --> 00:10:08,789
not

240
00:10:09,190 --> 00:10:13,730
Richard's been hosting the first round

241
00:10:11,690 --> 00:10:15,680
of skeptical questions here at skeptical

242
00:10:13,730 --> 00:10:18,230
trivia when the great questions was how

243
00:10:15,679 --> 00:10:20,989
far in astronomical units is Earth from

244
00:10:18,230 --> 00:10:24,139
the Sun how far in astronomical units is

245
00:10:20,990 --> 00:10:28,480
Earth from the Sun the answer coming up

246
00:10:24,139 --> 00:10:30,819
later in the show flowers answering them

247
00:10:28,480 --> 00:10:33,610
questions answering our questions one of

248
00:10:30,820 --> 00:10:35,830
our questions what sphere it is the

249
00:10:33,610 --> 00:10:38,139
lowest part of the atmosphere what

250
00:10:35,830 --> 00:10:43,300
sphere is the lowest part of the

251
00:10:38,139 --> 00:10:45,159
atmosphere well it's always to get the

252
00:10:43,299 --> 00:10:46,839
air of bitterness that comes over team

253
00:10:45,159 --> 00:10:47,980
that come in second last and here's a

254
00:10:46,840 --> 00:10:49,450
team that came second they've got

255
00:10:47,980 --> 00:10:51,670
nothing how do you feel of being pitted

256
00:10:49,450 --> 00:10:52,600
the post trivia newton-john so tell me

257

00:10:51,669 --> 00:10:59,289
how do you feel about being a

258
00:10:52,600 --> 00:11:00,759
disappointing loser I'll say I'm

259
00:10:59,289 --> 00:11:02,620
everyone else in the team reckons you

260
00:11:00,759 --> 00:11:04,299
didn't even contribute anything I did I

261
00:11:02,620 --> 00:11:06,070
did I contributed unique a Garen but

262
00:11:04,299 --> 00:11:08,199
they didn't write it down Sputnik I got

263
00:11:06,070 --> 00:11:11,200
Sputnik I got yeah she's giving answers

264
00:11:08,200 --> 00:11:12,520
you didn't write it down more to say

265
00:11:11,200 --> 00:11:16,690
don't anyone say anything

266
00:11:12,519 --> 00:11:18,069
I got Universal Serial bus ah well you

267
00:11:16,690 --> 00:11:20,410
came pretty close it what do you blame

268
00:11:18,070 --> 00:11:22,470
your loss the fact that Jamie and Brad

269
00:11:20,409 --> 00:11:25,059
ditched us before the end I blame them

270
00:11:22,470 --> 00:11:28,149
yes exactly and the one that knew all

271
00:11:25,059 --> 00:11:29,979

the political questions yes we blame

272

00:11:28,149 --> 00:11:31,899

them so it's their fault that's really

273

00:11:29,980 --> 00:11:36,519

well congratulations on coming second

274

00:11:31,899 --> 00:11:38,620

anyway the tribute has already been on

275

00:11:36,519 --> 00:11:39,939

folks and everyone's been done pretty

276

00:11:38,620 --> 00:11:41,620

excited by the trivia there there was

277

00:11:39,940 --> 00:11:43,930

some controversial questions maybe about

278

00:11:41,620 --> 00:11:45,250

Colin Baker's partner that was one of

279

00:11:43,929 --> 00:11:47,139

the other ones other one was what's the

280

00:11:45,250 --> 00:11:49,450

highest mountain in the universe which

281

00:11:47,139 --> 00:11:50,590

of course uh opposite me up but some

282

00:11:49,450 --> 00:11:52,660

people that would know that they're but

283

00:11:50,590 --> 00:11:53,740

a Hoover got here at Darlington of

284

00:11:52,659 --> 00:11:55,629

access colonel

285

00:11:53,740 --> 00:11:57,789

and it goes you'll be on a panel which

286
00:11:55,629 --> 00:11:59,740
is running on Sunday morning I am very

287
00:11:57,789 --> 00:12:01,149
excited and slightly scared well well

288
00:11:59,740 --> 00:12:03,279
that's the one that's all about cryptids

289
00:12:01,149 --> 00:12:04,539
and ghosties and things like that but I

290
00:12:03,279 --> 00:12:06,220
wouldn't say there were many people who

291
00:12:04,539 --> 00:12:08,829
are believers in that sort of thing here

292
00:12:06,220 --> 00:12:09,790
no no I'm amongst very very different

293
00:12:08,830 --> 00:12:11,560
people but also at the same time

294
00:12:09,789 --> 00:12:13,149
fabulous people mmm

295
00:12:11,559 --> 00:12:16,329
so what is the question you're most

296
00:12:13,149 --> 00:12:18,699
afraid of I don't know yet I think when

297
00:12:16,330 --> 00:12:20,290
it gets asked you'll find out I'm still

298
00:12:18,700 --> 00:12:21,700
working that one out good imagine me

299
00:12:20,289 --> 00:12:22,599
something I why do you bother with that

300
00:12:21,700 --> 00:12:24,040
hooy

301
00:12:22,600 --> 00:12:25,870
maybe something like that that's a

302
00:12:24,039 --> 00:12:27,219
normal question - alright yeah I get

303
00:12:25,870 --> 00:12:28,840
asked that all the time and why do you

304
00:12:27,220 --> 00:12:31,480
bother with that some would go hooy

305
00:12:28,840 --> 00:12:33,670
it fascinates me it just fascinates me

306
00:12:31,480 --> 00:12:35,350
it fascinates the possibility of a

307
00:12:33,669 --> 00:12:37,179
possibility of an afterlife

308
00:12:35,350 --> 00:12:38,590
at the same time being quite logical

309
00:12:37,179 --> 00:12:41,099
about the fact that you know as it

310
00:12:38,590 --> 00:12:43,990
stands with science at the point in time

311
00:12:41,100 --> 00:12:45,759
there is no proof of it but but people

312
00:12:43,990 --> 00:12:47,919
have these experiences I still think

313
00:12:45,759 --> 00:12:50,919
it's quite intriguing so for me again so

314

00:12:47,919 --> 00:12:52,569
what do you think English Victorians

315
00:12:50,919 --> 00:12:53,949
were so obsessed with them because they

316
00:12:52,570 --> 00:12:55,420
had a broom up their bum and it made

317
00:12:53,950 --> 00:12:58,000
them get you know they could they could

318
00:12:55,419 --> 00:13:01,269
speculate about wild stuff a bit more or

319
00:12:58,000 --> 00:13:02,379
not I love your analogy they were pretty

320
00:13:01,269 --> 00:13:05,470
uptight I mean just look at the

321
00:13:02,379 --> 00:13:07,750
buildings they built very very uptight

322
00:13:05,470 --> 00:13:09,910
buildings very uptight jokes I think I

323
00:13:07,750 --> 00:13:11,620
think um because there's a lot of there

324
00:13:09,909 --> 00:13:14,049
was a lost civil war going on in people

325
00:13:11,620 --> 00:13:15,429
people's relatives went over facing

326
00:13:14,049 --> 00:13:17,019
limit came back and they were trying to

327
00:13:15,429 --> 00:13:18,129
find reasons as to try and find out what

328
00:13:17,019 --> 00:13:19,840

happened so they're like well let's go

329

00:13:18,129 --> 00:13:22,629
contact the dead I think a lot of

330

00:13:19,840 --> 00:13:24,730
mediums not necessarily true mediums

331

00:13:22,629 --> 00:13:26,379
were actually trying to you know

332

00:13:24,730 --> 00:13:27,789
obviously find ways in which these

333

00:13:26,379 --> 00:13:29,080
people could actually try and contact

334

00:13:27,789 --> 00:13:30,639
their loved ones so I think there's a

335

00:13:29,080 --> 00:13:31,870
bit of that going on at that time but

336

00:13:30,639 --> 00:13:34,569
yeah I think that's how can a ball it's

337

00:13:31,870 --> 00:13:36,519
parked out you're probably right there

338

00:13:34,570 --> 00:13:38,050
and because how did you go in the trivia

339

00:13:36,519 --> 00:13:40,419
how did you go in the trivia contest we

340

00:13:38,049 --> 00:13:42,729
just had downstairs what we were mid

341

00:13:40,419 --> 00:13:44,199
range but a couple of paranormal

342

00:13:42,730 --> 00:13:45,730
questions I was able to help out with a

343
00:13:44,200 --> 00:13:48,400
team which I felt very privileged to be

344
00:13:45,730 --> 00:13:49,960
able to I'm like I know you knew the

345
00:13:48,399 --> 00:13:51,850
answer to the uri geller question which

346
00:13:49,960 --> 00:13:53,650
was critics thought that he was spending

347
00:13:51,850 --> 00:13:55,210
the spoon with the lasers coming out of

348
00:13:53,649 --> 00:13:58,449
his watch and of course the answer was

349
00:13:55,210 --> 00:14:00,250
his belt buckle which would have been

350
00:13:58,450 --> 00:14:01,810
technically not possible at the time I

351
00:14:00,250 --> 00:14:04,120
don't think you could add a battery for

352
00:14:01,809 --> 00:14:05,559
a laser that small I'm still not

353
00:14:04,120 --> 00:14:07,950
technically possible as far as I'm

354
00:14:05,559 --> 00:14:07,949
concerned

355
00:14:08,429 --> 00:14:13,208
have you ever heard Yuri Geller's album

356
00:14:10,629 --> 00:14:14,919
no I haven't have you um yes I have I

357
00:14:13,208 --> 00:14:17,109
have a copy of it in fact he has Maxine

358
00:14:14,919 --> 00:14:18,939
nightingales singing one track on it

359
00:14:17,110 --> 00:14:21,778
with him it's a little bit of the word

360
00:14:18,940 --> 00:14:24,850
ponderous comes to mind

361
00:14:21,778 --> 00:14:26,708
top indulgent comes to mind the tracks

362
00:14:24,850 --> 00:14:28,389
are on YouTube just have a listen listen

363
00:14:26,708 --> 00:14:31,059
doc just google.you Rogalla his

364
00:14:28,389 --> 00:14:32,559
self-titled album which was 1774 or

365
00:14:31,059 --> 00:14:36,578
something oh that's a gatefold out my of

366
00:14:32,559 --> 00:14:39,099
course at the vinyl it's great right in

367
00:14:36,578 --> 00:14:40,659
that odd way in that it's opposite to

368
00:14:39,100 --> 00:14:43,839
Grave with something to help clean the

369
00:14:40,659 --> 00:14:45,370
house with yes now what is know we like

370
00:14:43,839 --> 00:14:47,980
lifestyle keepers here on the skeptic

371

00:14:45,370 --> 00:14:50,289
zone so how do you relax and get into

372
00:14:47,980 --> 00:14:51,519
the mood to do your your panel you're

373
00:14:50,289 --> 00:14:53,949
going to be doing how do you get into

374
00:14:51,519 --> 00:14:55,328
the zone so to speak to do the skeptic

375
00:14:53,950 --> 00:14:56,740
and face them down there like you will

376
00:14:55,328 --> 00:14:58,778
be on Sunday morning what's your tip for

377
00:14:56,740 --> 00:15:00,370
the listener out there how they can you

378
00:14:58,778 --> 00:15:02,139
know steel themselves as a difficult

379
00:15:00,370 --> 00:15:04,539
task just remember why you're there

380
00:15:02,139 --> 00:15:05,860
remember why you're invited and enjoy it

381
00:15:04,539 --> 00:15:07,120
enjoy the fact that there are people

382
00:15:05,860 --> 00:15:08,200
that are going to want to hear from you

383
00:15:07,120 --> 00:15:09,820
there's other people that want to hear a

384
00:15:08,200 --> 00:15:11,620
different opinion and at the same time

385
00:15:09,820 --> 00:15:13,629

being ready to to be challenged as well

386

00:15:11,620 --> 00:15:14,828

I think that's important yeah if we can

387

00:15:13,629 --> 00:15:19,088

take that into the whole weekend thank

388

00:15:14,828 --> 00:15:21,578

you I'm here with some major skeptical

389

00:15:19,089 --> 00:15:23,860

people we've got Kirsten Banks and

390

00:15:21,578 --> 00:15:25,120

Pamela gate yeah it's so great to be

391

00:15:23,860 --> 00:15:27,100

talking to you how can I ask you do you

392

00:15:25,120 --> 00:15:28,328

actually produce your own podcasts or do

393

00:15:27,100 --> 00:15:31,570

you just record and get someone to play

394

00:15:28,328 --> 00:15:35,259

with it afterwards I hire an audio

395

00:15:31,570 --> 00:15:37,839

editor I no shame in that I just don't

396

00:15:35,259 --> 00:15:41,528

have the ears to do it it's a magical

397

00:15:37,839 --> 00:15:45,240

skill I do not have is our I advanced up

398

00:15:41,528 --> 00:15:45,240

that's cause I'm cheap that's mainly one

399

00:15:46,169 --> 00:15:51,399

we also have don't have one photographer

400
00:15:48,850 --> 00:15:52,449
who she might just learn it yes so what

401
00:15:51,399 --> 00:15:55,028
is the big challenge for you this

402
00:15:52,448 --> 00:15:58,629
weekend be time for me is speaking

403
00:15:55,028 --> 00:16:01,409
slowly I get too excited and I speak so

404
00:15:58,629 --> 00:16:01,409
super fast

405
00:16:04,480 --> 00:16:11,389
that's nothing a jeering sorry

406
00:16:09,399 --> 00:16:12,529
what's your way to get into the zone

407
00:16:11,389 --> 00:16:13,819
when you've got to present to people at

408
00:16:12,529 --> 00:16:15,409
a conference or is that just completely

409
00:16:13,820 --> 00:16:17,690
natural - because you've done so many

410
00:16:15,409 --> 00:16:19,789
times have a lot I think the thing I

411
00:16:17,690 --> 00:16:22,010
have to worry about is my students say

412
00:16:19,789 --> 00:16:23,569
professor voice it's when someone asks

413
00:16:22,009 --> 00:16:26,450
me a question I've been asked so many

414
00:16:23,570 --> 00:16:30,350
times I have a rote answer and I just go

415
00:16:26,450 --> 00:16:32,300
into the well actually and it's like not

416
00:16:30,350 --> 00:16:35,750
mansplaining not woman splaining is

417
00:16:32,299 --> 00:16:37,429
Professor splaining yeah so that's a

418
00:16:35,750 --> 00:16:39,769
tough one to stop I need to avoid that

419
00:16:37,429 --> 00:16:40,969
that's my goal and now you're very good

420
00:16:39,769 --> 00:16:42,409
at delivering things on time because

421
00:16:40,970 --> 00:16:44,180
lectures were a certain length so you

422
00:16:42,409 --> 00:16:47,029
say you start talking fast towards the

423
00:16:44,179 --> 00:16:50,289
end I try to avoid that I try to make

424
00:16:47,029 --> 00:16:53,360
sure that my lectures are self-contained

425
00:16:50,289 --> 00:16:55,129
I've aired in both directions though

426
00:16:53,360 --> 00:16:57,680
many people worry about running too long

427
00:16:55,129 --> 00:17:01,519
I actually once finished in 40 minutes

428

00:16:57,679 --> 00:17:04,639
for a 55-minute talk that has lasted as

429
00:17:01,519 --> 00:17:06,700
a moment of devastation and vamping all

430
00:17:04,640 --> 00:17:08,990
right so you had 20 minutes of questions

431
00:17:06,700 --> 00:17:12,650
mostly at 20 minutes of being terrified

432
00:17:08,990 --> 00:17:14,240
I was a graduate student oh it would've

433
00:17:12,650 --> 00:17:16,100
been a tough one to time - because you

434
00:17:14,240 --> 00:17:18,049
hadn't done it before yeah exactly and

435
00:17:16,099 --> 00:17:20,599
every talk has to be given the first

436
00:17:18,049 --> 00:17:23,059
time once and that that's always a scary

437
00:17:20,599 --> 00:17:25,399
moment and I have to admit every talk

438
00:17:23,059 --> 00:17:27,859
I've given at a sceptical event or at am

439
00:17:25,400 --> 00:17:31,009
has been the first time I've given that

440
00:17:27,859 --> 00:17:33,199
talk so here's to see what happens on

441
00:17:31,009 --> 00:17:34,759
Sunday I'll probably about to talk to

442
00:17:33,200 --> 00:17:36,620

both you a few times over the over the

443

00:17:34,759 --> 00:17:38,629

weekend but one question before you both

444

00:17:36,619 --> 00:17:40,699

on the astronomical side of things now

445

00:17:38,630 --> 00:17:41,720

people are often going on UFOs and

446

00:17:40,700 --> 00:17:43,190

people would bring that up with you all

447

00:17:41,720 --> 00:17:45,380

the time I still have an issue with the

448

00:17:43,190 --> 00:17:46,789

the the poll of Neptune that's a

449

00:17:45,380 --> 00:17:49,220

straight line thing that's up there it's

450

00:17:46,789 --> 00:17:50,539

gotta be person made it's a square on

451

00:17:49,220 --> 00:17:52,370

the top of the thing but we'll get to

452

00:17:50,539 --> 00:17:53,930

that later but so when people bring up

453

00:17:52,369 --> 00:17:56,049

your phones with you how do you normally

454

00:17:53,930 --> 00:17:59,180

what is it the quick answer with them

455

00:17:56,049 --> 00:18:01,909

then unidentified I'm fine with alien

456

00:17:59,180 --> 00:18:03,920

not so much and you know the military is

457
00:18:01,910 --> 00:18:06,650
better at keeping secrets the scientists

458
00:18:03,920 --> 00:18:08,840
so anyone that says NASA's lying is

459
00:18:06,650 --> 00:18:11,149
wrong and anyone who doesn't think the

460
00:18:08,839 --> 00:18:12,618
military built it is also probably wrong

461
00:18:11,148 --> 00:18:14,778
okay and what have you filled those

462
00:18:12,618 --> 00:18:16,868
questions God I get those questions all

463
00:18:14,778 --> 00:18:20,690
the time

464
00:18:16,868 --> 00:18:22,819
my biggest answer is what is the UFO and

465
00:18:20,690 --> 00:18:23,989
unidentified flying object

466
00:18:22,819 --> 00:18:25,338
look at that flashing thing moving

467
00:18:23,989 --> 00:18:28,249
through the sky that's what we call jet

468
00:18:25,338 --> 00:18:29,329
star both very good answers

469
00:18:28,249 --> 00:18:30,819
you could probably flatten them with

470
00:18:29,329 --> 00:18:33,439
budget saying that the extra-terrestrial

471
00:18:30,819 --> 00:18:35,088
hypothesis is just one and that you

472
00:18:33,440 --> 00:18:37,669
recommend they read the book called UFOs

473
00:18:35,088 --> 00:18:37,999
reframing the debate that's actual title

474
00:18:37,669 --> 00:18:40,609
of it

475
00:18:37,999 --> 00:18:42,769
it's full of essays from people that non

476
00:18:40,608 --> 00:18:44,269
scientists and it's basically a whole

477
00:18:42,769 --> 00:18:45,829
bunch of range of offers of what they

478
00:18:44,269 --> 00:18:46,960
might be and that'll keep them busy

479
00:18:45,829 --> 00:18:49,999
enough so you can leave the room

480
00:18:46,960 --> 00:18:53,119
excellent I fully believe in doing

481
00:18:49,999 --> 00:18:55,308
things like people asking me about hey

482
00:18:53,118 --> 00:18:57,949
look over my theory about debating

483
00:18:55,308 --> 00:19:01,749
Einstein if I could find two of those

484
00:18:57,950 --> 00:19:04,038
and put them together that maybe the

485

00:19:01,749 --> 00:19:06,409
perpetual motion machine I found many

486
00:19:04,038 --> 00:19:07,700
physicists that have a box of crank mail

487
00:19:06,409 --> 00:19:09,080
they get and they just keep that over

488
00:19:07,700 --> 00:19:11,629
the years do keep that stuff where you

489
00:19:09,079 --> 00:19:13,608
go I better not I have to admit I keep

490
00:19:11,628 --> 00:19:16,608
it in case any of them like become

491
00:19:13,608 --> 00:19:18,499
creepers later but also sometimes it's

492
00:19:16,608 --> 00:19:20,598
just fun to use with students who are

493
00:19:18,499 --> 00:19:21,308
like now no one would think oh yeah they

494
00:19:20,598 --> 00:19:23,538
do

495
00:19:21,308 --> 00:19:25,069
so do you think the reframing the debate

496
00:19:23,538 --> 00:19:26,898
book might be an answer for those people

497
00:19:25,069 --> 00:19:29,329
definitely something to think about I

498
00:19:26,898 --> 00:19:30,618
definitely been liberated actually lots

499
00:19:29,329 --> 00:19:32,868

of ideas I'm it goes from everything

500

00:19:30,618 --> 00:19:35,689

from a religious one like demons through

501

00:19:32,868 --> 00:19:37,189

to multiverse time travel stuff like

502

00:19:35,690 --> 00:19:39,109

that so gives lots of options that are

503

00:19:37,190 --> 00:19:42,379

is well equally as valid for the proof

504

00:19:39,108 --> 00:19:43,908

we've got under the extra register cool

505

00:19:42,378 --> 00:19:45,228

sounds fun I'll have to find it and

506

00:19:43,909 --> 00:19:47,989

actually read it I'm very interested

507

00:19:45,229 --> 00:19:49,399

yeah thanks for chatting to us I'll

508

00:19:47,989 --> 00:19:50,899

check you over the weekend now drink up

509

00:19:49,398 --> 00:19:52,548

or whatever you've there is a non

510

00:19:50,898 --> 00:19:54,798

skeptical I'm not skeptical about what

511

00:19:52,548 --> 00:19:56,929

you're drinking what is that this is a

512

00:19:54,798 --> 00:19:59,369

hazelnut martini and it may be the best

513

00:19:56,929 --> 00:20:03,300

choice I made today

514
00:19:59,369 --> 00:20:06,449
oh the answers earth is one astronomical

515
00:20:03,299 --> 00:20:10,819
unit away from the Sun and the

516
00:20:06,450 --> 00:20:10,819
troposphere is the lowest sphere

517
00:20:11,299 --> 00:20:17,549
aliens are probing people and mutilating

518
00:20:14,130 --> 00:20:19,710
cows 9/11 was an inside job

519
00:20:17,549 --> 00:20:23,129
I'm the oppa to clean up my athlete's

520
00:20:19,710 --> 00:20:25,620
foot vaccines cause autism little

521
00:20:23,130 --> 00:20:28,590
sausage the clematis lawn is definitely

522
00:20:25,619 --> 00:20:30,959
real we all have friends and family who

523
00:20:28,589 --> 00:20:33,000
believe these things and much more well

524
00:20:30,960 --> 00:20:34,860
if you're a rational thinker who is

525
00:20:33,000 --> 00:20:36,450
tired of arguing on social media and

526
00:20:34,859 --> 00:20:37,529
never getting anywhere we have a

527
00:20:36,450 --> 00:20:39,539
solution for you

528
00:20:37,529 --> 00:20:42,000
join the guerrilla skepticism on

529
00:20:39,539 --> 00:20:44,399
wikipedia team and we will teach you how

530
00:20:42,000 --> 00:20:46,500
to add reliable scientific and skeptical

531
00:20:44,400 --> 00:20:49,470
information to the world's number-one

532
00:20:46,500 --> 00:20:51,420
source of information Wikipedia we write

533
00:20:49,470 --> 00:20:53,970
new articles and improve existing ones

534
00:20:51,420 --> 00:20:56,130
we remove pseudoscience paranormal and

535
00:20:53,970 --> 00:20:58,319
augment claims substituting the actual

536
00:20:56,130 --> 00:21:00,990
facts and we operate in many languages

537
00:20:58,319 --> 00:21:03,329
we've already reached tens of millions

538
00:21:00,990 --> 00:21:05,339
of people searching for information but

539
00:21:03,329 --> 00:21:08,429
as you can imagine we can never do

540
00:21:05,339 --> 00:21:11,039
enough so please join us all you need is

541
00:21:08,430 --> 00:21:13,080
a PC a Facebook account and the desire

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00:21:11,039 --> 00:21:15,149
to help educate the planet in fact

543
00:21:13,079 --> 00:21:18,929
you'll be educating the world while you

544
00:21:15,150 --> 00:21:22,710
sleep clock ticked us T is Oh W team at

545
00:21:18,930 --> 00:21:27,490
gmail.com guerrilla skepticism the time

546
00:21:22,710 --> 00:21:35,130
is now music by purple planet calm

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[Music]

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00:21:35,130 --> 00:21:41,260
Australian skeptics National Convention

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00:21:37,119 --> 00:21:44,079
2018 skeptic on awards and this comes to

550
00:21:41,259 --> 00:21:47,200
us from WWC optics Khamenei you

551
00:21:44,079 --> 00:21:54,819
published on the 13th of October by Tim

552
00:21:47,200 --> 00:21:57,730
Mendham a bad day for Sarah Australian

553
00:21:54,819 --> 00:22:00,579
skeptics inks notorious bent spoon award

554
00:21:57,730 --> 00:22:04,149
has gone to social-media influencer

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00:22:00,579 --> 00:22:06,308
Sarah's day who promotes questionable

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00:22:04,148 --> 00:22:09,339

natural health remedies via her vast

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00:22:06,308 --> 00:22:11,349

network of followers the bent spoon

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00:22:09,339 --> 00:22:13,209

awarded to the proponent of the most

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00:22:11,349 --> 00:22:14,319

preposterous piece of pseudo scientific

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00:22:13,210 --> 00:22:17,288

or paranormal

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piffle of the year with past winners

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00:22:17,288 --> 00:22:23,919

including Pete paleo Evans the CSIRO s

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00:22:20,648 --> 00:22:26,138

head Larry Marshall the ABC the pharmacy

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00:22:23,919 --> 00:22:29,710

Guild of Australia the University of

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00:22:26,138 --> 00:22:33,548

Wollongong and a psychic dentist Sarah

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00:22:29,710 --> 00:22:36,038

Stevenson aka Sarah's day picked up the

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00:22:33,548 --> 00:22:38,440

2018 bent spoon for spreading

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00:22:36,038 --> 00:22:41,019

misinformation about health via her

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00:22:38,440 --> 00:22:44,759

online following of over 1 million

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00:22:41,019 --> 00:22:47,259

people made up of largely young women

571
00:22:44,759 --> 00:22:50,129
Stevenson has no qualifications in

572
00:22:47,259 --> 00:22:53,138
health but promotes herself as quote a

573
00:22:50,130 --> 00:22:55,600
holistic health & fitness youtuber end

574
00:22:53,138 --> 00:22:58,689
quote via a YouTube channel blog and

575
00:22:55,599 --> 00:23:02,109
podcast on the 26th of April 2018

576
00:22:58,690 --> 00:23:05,320
Sarah's day posted on Instagram quote I

577
00:23:02,109 --> 00:23:08,229
did it i reversed by cervical dysplasia

578
00:23:05,319 --> 00:23:10,538
encode claiming successful treatment of

579
00:23:08,230 --> 00:23:13,210
her precancerous condition through a

580
00:23:10,538 --> 00:23:16,658
regime of quote the power of natural

581
00:23:13,210 --> 00:23:20,110
medicine food lifestyle changes and

582
00:23:16,659 --> 00:23:22,899
prayer in quote and that she quote made

583
00:23:20,109 --> 00:23:26,019
a conscious effort every day to cure her

584
00:23:22,898 --> 00:23:28,359
cervix banquet the vast majority of

585
00:23:26,019 --> 00:23:32,950
cervical anomalies are caused by the

586
00:23:28,359 --> 00:23:35,259
human papilloma virus HPV and the Cancer

587
00:23:32,950 --> 00:23:37,808
Council of Australia states that quote

588
00:23:35,259 --> 00:23:40,058
there is no evidence that there is

589
00:23:37,808 --> 00:23:42,158
anything the woman can do in terms of

590
00:23:40,058 --> 00:23:45,460
diet and lifestyle that promotes

591
00:23:42,159 --> 00:23:47,470
regression in quote quote to suggest you

592
00:23:45,460 --> 00:23:48,909
can heal your cervix with positive

593
00:23:47,470 --> 00:23:51,909
thoughts and greens

594
00:23:48,909 --> 00:23:53,950
smoothies is not only narcissistic it's

595
00:23:51,909 --> 00:23:56,109
also dangerous to recommend other women

596
00:23:53,950 --> 00:23:58,330
should do the same thing in quote said

597
00:23:56,108 --> 00:24:01,749
Australian skeptics president Alethea

598
00:23:58,329 --> 00:24:04,178
Dean quote it's admirable to promote a

599

00:24:01,749 --> 00:24:07,179
healthy lifestyle but believing you've

600
00:24:04,179 --> 00:24:11,070
healed your cervical dysplasia naturally

601
00:24:07,179 --> 00:24:13,179
is not grounded in reality in quote a

602
00:24:11,069 --> 00:24:16,418
dishonorable mention went to the

603
00:24:13,179 --> 00:24:19,210
Therapeutic Goods Administration TGA and

604
00:24:16,419 --> 00:24:21,970
the Australian Government for enshrining

605
00:24:19,210 --> 00:24:24,970
pseudo medical indications into

606
00:24:21,970 --> 00:24:29,319
legislation including quote balanced

607
00:24:24,970 --> 00:24:33,848
aggravated vanta up raise lift shrunken

608
00:24:29,319 --> 00:24:39,038
middle Chee moisten dryness in the

609
00:24:33,848 --> 00:24:41,138
triple burner and disinhibitor more

610
00:24:39,038 --> 00:24:43,658
positive achievements were also noted

611
00:24:41,138 --> 00:24:46,118
with the inaugural Barry Williams award

612
00:24:43,659 --> 00:24:49,359
for skeptical journalism going to Jane

613
00:24:46,118 --> 00:24:51,158

Hansen reporter for News Corp who has

614

00:24:49,358 --> 00:24:53,470
written extensively on the

615

00:24:51,159 --> 00:24:56,859
anti-vaccination n anti-flu ride

616

00:24:53,470 --> 00:24:58,929
movements fad diets and quack cures the

617

00:24:56,858 --> 00:25:01,569
thread for net for the promotion of

618

00:24:58,929 --> 00:25:04,389
reason was given to dr. Ian Musgrave

619

00:25:01,569 --> 00:25:07,028
senior lecturer in pharmacology at the

620

00:25:04,388 --> 00:25:09,519
University of Adelaide who has been a

621

00:25:07,028 --> 00:25:12,098
long-standing and effective science

622

00:25:09,519 --> 00:25:14,159
communicator in the area of pharmacology

623

00:25:12,098 --> 00:25:18,009
and provides a voice of reason in

624

00:25:14,159 --> 00:25:20,609
challenging quote Kim phobia unquote

625

00:25:18,009 --> 00:25:23,200
other winners on the night included

626

00:25:20,608 --> 00:25:25,028
longtime New South Wales skeptics

627

00:25:23,200 --> 00:25:28,119
committee member Martin Hadley and

628
00:25:25,028 --> 00:25:30,970
immediate past-president Iran Segev both

629
00:25:28,118 --> 00:25:34,058
of whom were awarded a life membership

630
00:25:30,970 --> 00:25:36,249
the winners were announced at the formal

631
00:25:34,058 --> 00:25:37,690
dinner on October 13th for the

632
00:25:36,249 --> 00:25:41,788
Australian skeptics National Convention

633
00:25:37,690 --> 00:25:45,070
which this year was held in Sydney and

634
00:25:41,788 --> 00:25:49,628
it's interesting to note that on the

635
00:25:45,069 --> 00:25:54,450
comments section of that webpage under

636
00:25:49,628 --> 00:25:57,519
the title of a Sarah's day follower

637
00:25:54,450 --> 00:26:00,399
someone has written I hope you realize

638
00:25:57,519 --> 00:26:02,730
that she has disclaimer in her videos

639
00:26:00,398 --> 00:26:05,248
and post that she is not special

640
00:26:02,730 --> 00:26:07,288
in these fields she is simply just

641
00:26:05,249 --> 00:26:10,108
sharing what has worked for her

642
00:26:07,288 --> 00:26:12,470
personally clearly you're mixing words

643
00:26:10,108 --> 00:26:14,819
and making horrible blogpost about

644
00:26:12,470 --> 00:26:19,649
someone who doesn't deserve it

645
00:26:14,819 --> 00:26:23,158
hate gets ya nowhere buddy and the reply

646
00:26:19,648 --> 00:26:25,108
from Tim Mendham disclaimers do not

647
00:26:23,159 --> 00:26:27,600
excuse enthusiastic endorsement of

648
00:26:25,108 --> 00:26:29,908
nonsense particularly for someone with

649
00:26:27,599 --> 00:26:33,019
such a large following and another

650
00:26:29,909 --> 00:26:37,139
comment written by somebody called sigh

651
00:26:33,019 --> 00:26:39,659
it's pi GH disclaimers don't excuse

652
00:26:37,138 --> 00:26:41,699
putting dangerous misinformation out

653
00:26:39,659 --> 00:26:44,278
there how about I promote drinking

654
00:26:41,700 --> 00:26:47,569
bleach but add a disclaimer that it may

655
00:26:44,278 --> 00:26:51,829
not work for everyone

656

00:26:47,569 --> 00:26:54,388

[Music]

657

00:26:51,829 --> 00:26:55,528

okay I'm here right in the back of the

658

00:26:54,388 --> 00:26:56,819

room now which is interesting there's

659

00:26:55,528 --> 00:26:58,739

plenty of room back here but we got

660

00:26:56,819 --> 00:27:01,048

Jaden Hansen from The Sunday Telegraph

661

00:26:58,739 --> 00:27:02,669

ah right and look how are things in the

662

00:27:01,048 --> 00:27:04,259

print media well before we get into what

663

00:27:02,669 --> 00:27:05,820

you've been doing them you've been there

664

00:27:04,259 --> 00:27:08,128

a while how do you think it's changed

665

00:27:05,819 --> 00:27:10,648

recently is it tough oh we are because

666

00:27:08,128 --> 00:27:13,449

we're up against lots of social media

667

00:27:10,648 --> 00:27:16,659

outlets that have no

668

00:27:13,450 --> 00:27:18,940

over here over heads and also know that

669

00:27:16,660 --> 00:27:20,800

contract with the truth that's true and

670

00:27:18,940 --> 00:27:22,570

that's where you guys come into that

671

00:27:20,799 --> 00:27:23,859

must get really annoying for you when

672

00:27:22,569 --> 00:27:25,329

you just say that person just made that

673

00:27:23,859 --> 00:27:26,649

stuff up and no one's ever got no

674

00:27:25,329 --> 00:27:28,359

editors gonna be wrapping them over the

675

00:27:26,650 --> 00:27:31,420

knuckles for yeah well also gives me a

676

00:27:28,359 --> 00:27:32,439

story to write doesn't know and in fact

677

00:27:31,420 --> 00:27:33,400

that's what I'm here to talk to you

678

00:27:32,440 --> 00:27:34,450

about because I believe you've been

679

00:27:33,400 --> 00:27:36,190

writing some things about the

680

00:27:34,450 --> 00:27:37,690

anti-vaccination movement in Australia

681

00:27:36,190 --> 00:27:39,100

or what angle you've been taking and

682

00:27:37,690 --> 00:27:41,340

what have you found out well I'm

683

00:27:39,099 --> 00:27:44,500

actually born and bred and Mullumbimby

684

00:27:41,339 --> 00:27:46,929

so ground zero which is Merrill's

685
00:27:44,500 --> 00:27:49,000
trapping ground Merrill Dory who's you

686
00:27:46,930 --> 00:27:51,310
know from America but has you know she

687
00:27:49,000 --> 00:27:53,650
set up in the nineteen nineties and set

688
00:27:51,309 --> 00:27:55,000
up the avian and it's always been a

689
00:27:53,650 --> 00:27:58,810
thorn in my side

690
00:27:55,000 --> 00:28:00,549
I remember watching in 2009 Toni

691
00:27:58,809 --> 00:28:04,509
McCaffrey and Dave McAfee had just lost

692
00:28:00,549 --> 00:28:05,889
their daughter Donna and Merrill Tori

693
00:28:04,509 --> 00:28:07,690
were they were on the Sunday night

694
00:28:05,890 --> 00:28:09,490
program and Merrill Dory was on the

695
00:28:07,690 --> 00:28:11,019
Sunday night program and I was sitting

696
00:28:09,490 --> 00:28:14,019
there watching it and Mike Monroe let

697
00:28:11,019 --> 00:28:15,789
Merrill Dory just rabbit on about her

698
00:28:14,019 --> 00:28:19,509
conspiracy theories with it and he did

699
00:28:15,789 --> 00:28:22,450
not pick her up and I thought we even

700
00:28:19,509 --> 00:28:24,759
Denise research and I thought we we the

701
00:28:22,450 --> 00:28:28,600
media cannot let people like that come

702
00:28:24,759 --> 00:28:31,960
and spread such rubbish without checking

703
00:28:28,599 --> 00:28:35,559
it so in my mind there in was born

704
00:28:31,960 --> 00:28:36,759
no jab no play so I started working with

705
00:28:35,559 --> 00:28:38,679
The Sunday Telegraph of my fabulous

706
00:28:36,759 --> 00:28:41,500
deputy editor Claire Harvey and I

707
00:28:38,680 --> 00:28:44,049
decided that we needed to set up a

708
00:28:41,500 --> 00:28:46,779
campaign that just attacked the lies

709
00:28:44,049 --> 00:28:48,759
with truth just facts facts facts and

710
00:28:46,779 --> 00:28:50,089
also challenged the government to raise

711
00:28:48,759 --> 00:28:51,829
the bar

712
00:28:50,089 --> 00:28:52,879
we'll find a way for the government to

713

00:28:51,829 --> 00:28:56,809
the race because they weren't doing

714
00:28:52,880 --> 00:28:58,250
anything no race bar what can we look at

715
00:28:56,809 --> 00:29:00,319
for the government to do to raise the

716
00:28:58,250 --> 00:29:02,480
bar on vaccinations so we know we found

717
00:29:00,319 --> 00:29:06,649
that the Public Health Act could perhaps

718
00:29:02,480 --> 00:29:09,349
look at enrollment into child care

719
00:29:06,650 --> 00:29:12,200
centers that they and and we challenged

720
00:29:09,349 --> 00:29:15,799
the New South Wales health to change the

721
00:29:12,200 --> 00:29:17,090
laws of abatement people had to prove

722
00:29:15,799 --> 00:29:19,399
that they got the information from the

723
00:29:17,089 --> 00:29:22,939
doctor not from dr. Google and that's

724
00:29:19,400 --> 00:29:25,550
where no job no placed our life so now

725
00:29:22,940 --> 00:29:26,930
but that and did they was their reaction

726
00:29:25,549 --> 00:29:28,609
that you were trying to do some smear

727
00:29:26,930 --> 00:29:29,420

campaign and your thing was like you

728

00:29:28,609 --> 00:29:31,339

said you're just telling your truth

729

00:29:29,420 --> 00:29:35,330

there and did they treat that as not

730

00:29:31,339 --> 00:29:37,609

that where they put you in the

731

00:29:35,329 --> 00:29:44,329

conspiracy were you in the big someone

732

00:29:37,609 --> 00:29:45,859

yeah she with Meryl or Vienna her chance

733

00:29:44,329 --> 00:29:47,809

to go back and forth with her directly

734

00:29:45,859 --> 00:29:50,750

at all I have emailed her a couple of

735

00:29:47,809 --> 00:29:58,359

times she doesn't answer the questions

736

00:29:50,750 --> 00:29:58,359

she just sends her diatribe boilerplate

737

00:29:58,900 --> 00:30:04,670

anyway so block e block block that's

738

00:30:01,130 --> 00:30:05,930

what I do now we have been talking about

739

00:30:04,670 --> 00:30:07,430

this you think it's good to preemptively

740

00:30:05,930 --> 00:30:08,990

block people so if you see a really

741

00:30:07,430 --> 00:30:10,940

annoying person on Twitter you can go oh

742
00:30:08,990 --> 00:30:12,289
I want nothing to do them and rock block

743
00:30:10,940 --> 00:30:13,730
them preemptively before they haven't

744
00:30:12,289 --> 00:30:16,099
done anything to you you know what I

745
00:30:13,730 --> 00:30:19,460
think professor Robert boy said don't

746
00:30:16,099 --> 00:30:22,969
engage because everything you say gets

747
00:30:19,460 --> 00:30:25,700
turned arithmetic um another blog post

748
00:30:22,970 --> 00:30:27,950
for her that Jane actually said this to

749
00:30:25,700 --> 00:30:29,840
me because she's deprived of oxygen now

750
00:30:27,950 --> 00:30:32,390
because the journalists don't want to

751
00:30:29,839 --> 00:30:34,039
talk to her because we we don't you know

752
00:30:32,390 --> 00:30:36,440
we don't do that false balancing thing

753
00:30:34,039 --> 00:30:39,019
we don't need to go to a nutter and say

754
00:30:36,440 --> 00:30:40,580
hey you know as the old saying is the

755
00:30:39,019 --> 00:30:42,619
journalists somebody tells you it's

756
00:30:40,579 --> 00:30:44,089
raining somebody tells you it's sunny

757
00:30:42,619 --> 00:30:45,529
you don't write both sides you stick

758
00:30:44,089 --> 00:30:48,500
your head out the window and you see the

759
00:30:45,529 --> 00:30:50,658
truth yes so we we listen to the

760
00:30:48,500 --> 00:30:54,169
scientific world we listen to

761
00:30:50,659 --> 00:30:55,549
the medical experts we don't go to the

762
00:30:54,169 --> 00:30:57,919
Nutter and say what do you think about

763
00:30:55,548 --> 00:30:59,480
that that's true you said that on 60

764
00:30:57,919 --> 00:31:00,649
minutes that's what fired you up but

765
00:30:59,480 --> 00:31:01,880
what do you think is the most egregious

766
00:31:00,648 --> 00:31:04,189
thing about the anti-vaccination

767
00:31:01,880 --> 00:31:07,580
movement generally but they're dangerous

768
00:31:04,190 --> 00:31:09,798
they're really dangerous I mean they

769
00:31:07,579 --> 00:31:12,109
actually break up families which one of

770

00:31:09,798 --> 00:31:14,388
the stories that I entered into one of

771
00:31:12,109 --> 00:31:20,408
the awards tonight was about chase

772
00:31:14,388 --> 00:31:24,019
Walker who was born with epilepsy and

773
00:31:20,409 --> 00:31:25,789
Cine Walker had you know accepted this

774
00:31:24,019 --> 00:31:28,099
fact in the first 12 months of his life

775
00:31:25,788 --> 00:31:30,888
he had seizures within minutes of him

776
00:31:28,099 --> 00:31:33,199
being born she wills her spastic

777
00:31:30,888 --> 00:31:34,668
quadriplegia child into a faxed movie

778
00:31:33,200 --> 00:31:36,528
showing somewhere on the Sunshine Coast

779
00:31:34,669 --> 00:31:39,169
or somewhere and the anti-vaccine

780
00:31:36,528 --> 00:31:41,599
movement pounced on her and all of a

781
00:31:39,169 --> 00:31:45,769
sudden her accepted fact about her child

782
00:31:41,599 --> 00:31:48,949
had become their vaccine injured poster

783
00:31:45,769 --> 00:31:50,628
boy and then the medical cannabis people

784
00:31:48,950 --> 00:31:54,080

jumped on board and so lots of this

785

00:31:50,628 --> 00:31:57,408

child he's taken off his champion he's

786

00:31:54,079 --> 00:31:59,480

total nutrition he's being fed organic

787

00:31:57,409 --> 00:32:01,759

you know mashed banana with cannabis oil

788

00:31:59,480 --> 00:32:03,649

the whole thing he loses 25% of his body

789

00:32:01,759 --> 00:32:05,990

weight which can kill a child of course

790

00:32:03,648 --> 00:32:07,638

so the doctors brought him back into

791

00:32:05,990 --> 00:32:09,769

hospital and she abducted him from

792

00:32:07,638 --> 00:32:11,449

hospital and then any vaccine people

793

00:32:09,769 --> 00:32:13,190

saying it's what conspiracy blardy

794

00:32:11,450 --> 00:32:14,240

blardy blar and at the end of the day

795

00:32:13,190 --> 00:32:16,639

she's lost her child

796

00:32:14,240 --> 00:32:19,950

they've lost custody so they have

797

00:32:16,638 --> 00:32:22,289

actively destroyed an entire family

798

00:32:19,950 --> 00:32:25,650

I don't want to be mean to cine and Mark

799

00:32:22,289 --> 00:32:27,079

but they were vulnerable people who

800

00:32:25,650 --> 00:32:30,240

weren't you know particularly

801

00:32:27,079 --> 00:32:32,519

scientifically literate and the only

802

00:32:30,240 --> 00:32:34,559

vaccine pre gaydar looking for a poster

803

00:32:32,519 --> 00:32:36,470

child and they found it in him because

804

00:32:34,559 --> 00:32:40,019

there aren't many vaccine injured people

805

00:32:36,470 --> 00:32:42,930

and they absolutely destroyed that

806

00:32:40,019 --> 00:32:44,519

family it is powerful stuff is it

807

00:32:42,930 --> 00:32:46,170

difficult to keep addition to this

808

00:32:44,519 --> 00:32:47,809

because it's hard not to take personally

809

00:32:46,170 --> 00:32:49,650

when you see this happening to people

810

00:32:47,809 --> 00:32:50,879

how do you just suit yourself as a

811

00:32:49,650 --> 00:32:53,880

journalist could you have to a little

812

00:32:50,880 --> 00:32:55,860

bit or else you'll be taking it finds my

813
00:32:53,880 --> 00:32:57,540
passion but the more hate blogs they

814
00:32:55,859 --> 00:32:59,969
write about me the more I want to just D

815
00:32:57,539 --> 00:33:01,470
in and you know just throw facts that it

816
00:32:59,970 --> 00:33:03,089
just throw factors that affect that

817
00:33:01,470 --> 00:33:04,710
that's a great quote throw facts at it

818
00:33:03,089 --> 00:33:06,089
look thank you very much for coming onto

819
00:33:04,710 --> 00:33:08,870
and joining us and have a good evening

820
00:33:06,089 --> 00:33:08,869
with dinner thank you

821
00:33:10,119 --> 00:33:21,358
[Music]

822
00:33:26,519 --> 00:33:29,759
[Applause]

823
00:33:33,788 --> 00:33:38,679
I rented oh hi Trish hi would you like a

824
00:33:38,048 --> 00:33:40,089
coffee

825
00:33:38,679 --> 00:33:42,399
yeah thanks what are you working on I'm

826
00:33:40,089 --> 00:33:43,628
trying to come up with a new promo to

827

00:33:42,398 --> 00:33:46,959
play on the skeptic zone

828
00:33:43,628 --> 00:33:49,569
who's it for the good thinking Society

829
00:33:46,960 --> 00:33:51,489
in the UK you know these oh yeah I know

830
00:33:49,569 --> 00:33:53,168
them the guys who recently chased the

831
00:33:51,489 --> 00:33:55,899
homeopaths out of the UK Public Health

832
00:33:53,169 --> 00:33:57,369
System oh did they yeah they campaigned

833
00:33:55,898 --> 00:33:59,738
and lobbied government for a while and

834
00:33:57,368 --> 00:34:01,839
now you cannot get homeopathy on the NHS

835
00:33:59,739 --> 00:34:03,879
so they can now spend public money on

836
00:34:01,839 --> 00:34:06,398
health care that works Yeah right look

837
00:34:03,878 --> 00:34:10,960
I'll mention that in the promo now their

838
00:34:06,398 --> 00:34:12,818
website is good thinking society org and

839
00:34:10,960 --> 00:34:15,280
that website is a good resource for

840
00:34:12,818 --> 00:34:16,779
learning more about quackery thanks

841
00:34:15,280 --> 00:34:19,200

Trish that gives me something good to

842

00:34:16,780 --> 00:34:19,200

think about

843

00:34:21,679 --> 00:34:28,689

[Music]

844

00:34:28,789 --> 00:34:32,399

look dr. Kovac we liquor so now you're

845

00:34:31,318 --> 00:34:33,838

rushing off to Adelaide which is a

846

00:34:32,398 --> 00:34:36,469

fairly rash thing to do in the first

847

00:34:33,838 --> 00:34:39,659

place why going there talking to

848

00:34:36,469 --> 00:34:42,358

intensive care nurses and there's a

849

00:34:39,659 --> 00:34:44,128

whole different field intensive care is

850

00:34:42,358 --> 00:34:47,699

such a radical thing to do to somebody

851

00:34:44,128 --> 00:34:48,808

that a week in intensive care takes a

852

00:34:47,699 --> 00:34:51,178

year out of your life it takes you a

853

00:34:48,809 --> 00:34:53,909

year to recover because they're

854

00:34:51,179 --> 00:34:56,039

basically pouring liquids and foods into

855

00:34:53,909 --> 00:34:57,088

you keeping you alive and taking stuff

856
00:34:56,039 --> 00:34:59,760
out of you they're doing the breathing

857
00:34:57,088 --> 00:35:01,409
for you all you're doing is keeping your

858
00:34:59,760 --> 00:35:03,510
brain and heart running and they've

859
00:35:01,409 --> 00:35:05,190
provided the background so we're not

860
00:35:03,510 --> 00:35:07,528
very good at mimicking what the body

861
00:35:05,190 --> 00:35:08,940
does the rationale do easily and so it

862
00:35:07,528 --> 00:35:10,469
takes a huge toll on you I'm talking to

863
00:35:08,940 --> 00:35:12,389
those guys so they're the ones that

864
00:35:10,469 --> 00:35:15,298
smoke and drink a lot those noses aren't

865
00:35:12,389 --> 00:35:17,639
they traditionally they do because

866
00:35:15,298 --> 00:35:19,798
that's the really high stress stuff it

867
00:35:17,639 --> 00:35:21,449
is a high stress area I will actually

868
00:35:19,798 --> 00:35:24,329
ask them this question to see if this is

869
00:35:21,449 --> 00:35:26,548
a true data point or not it was not

870
00:35:24,329 --> 00:35:27,809
think that in that area of hospital that

871
00:35:26,548 --> 00:35:29,009
would be the one that would be the most

872
00:35:27,809 --> 00:35:31,528
stressful they're the ones you see

873
00:35:29,010 --> 00:35:32,819
puffing quickly outside I will go and

874
00:35:31,528 --> 00:35:34,048
see how many I'll see puffing outside

875
00:35:32,818 --> 00:35:35,699
and look the one question because you do

876
00:35:34,048 --> 00:35:36,989
have to go is you mentioned there that

877
00:35:35,699 --> 00:35:38,669
you're at a dinner party you're a guest

878
00:35:36,989 --> 00:35:41,250
at someone's place and someone made a

879
00:35:38,670 --> 00:35:42,750
obviously false statement and you were

880
00:35:41,250 --> 00:35:44,608
put in a difficult position by your wife

881
00:35:42,750 --> 00:35:46,889
for all the skeptics listening that just

882
00:35:44,608 --> 00:35:49,019
want to jump in there and barrel the

883
00:35:46,889 --> 00:35:50,699
people down how did you handle it with a

884

00:35:49,019 --> 00:35:52,769
suggestion for them doing the same well

885
00:35:50,699 --> 00:35:55,169
I was going to be irrational and try and

886
00:35:52,769 --> 00:35:56,250
engage him in discussion and a small

887
00:35:55,170 --> 00:35:57,990
part of me in the background knew

888
00:35:56,250 --> 00:35:59,548
something changing thing is you've got

889
00:35:57,989 --> 00:36:00,449
to create an awkward atmosphere and

890
00:35:59,548 --> 00:36:03,659
we're going to end up with a he-said

891
00:36:00,449 --> 00:36:05,788
he-said she-said she-said thing then my

892
00:36:03,659 --> 00:36:08,699
wife she's obviously short and then my

893
00:36:05,789 --> 00:36:11,160
wife started gently nudging me kicking

894
00:36:08,699 --> 00:36:14,159
me bashing me on the leg and I realized

895
00:36:11,159 --> 00:36:15,690
I'm being irrational yeah I can't think

896
00:36:14,159 --> 00:36:18,149
straight because I'm in this emotional

897
00:36:15,690 --> 00:36:21,630
state she is an outsider I will follow

898
00:36:18,150 --> 00:36:23,309

her lead and basically if I did okay she

899

00:36:21,630 --> 00:36:25,079

didn't kick me too hard and if I start

900

00:36:23,309 --> 00:36:26,490

getting the wrong past he did and the

901

00:36:25,079 --> 00:36:29,160

pathway we chose turned out to be

902

00:36:26,489 --> 00:36:33,058

perfect for this situation which was at

903

00:36:29,159 --> 00:36:33,519

a dinner party where the Clara denialist

904

00:36:33,059 --> 00:36:36,760

was

905

00:36:33,519 --> 00:36:38,739

regular Thursday night guests and I was

906

00:36:36,760 --> 00:36:41,260

just a blow in once and it would be

907

00:36:38,739 --> 00:36:44,679

really impolite to everybody to create a

908

00:36:41,260 --> 00:36:48,010

bad vibe so I just said one thing which

909

00:36:44,679 --> 00:36:50,230

was you are scientifically incorrect and

910

00:36:48,010 --> 00:36:52,900

changed the subject because nothing I

911

00:36:50,230 --> 00:36:54,400

could do would change his mind would

912

00:36:52,900 --> 00:36:55,750

bring him to the light I was he still

913
00:36:54,400 --> 00:36:58,269
trying to have the argument so you just

914
00:36:55,750 --> 00:37:00,219
you just took that same path no he

915
00:36:58,269 --> 00:37:02,530
backed off very quickly he dropped in a

916
00:37:00,219 --> 00:37:06,459
few comments and each time he did my

917
00:37:02,530 --> 00:37:08,380
wife kicked me and I just smiled and

918
00:37:06,460 --> 00:37:10,030
said nothing and other people picked up

919
00:37:08,380 --> 00:37:11,829
the conversation and it just sort of

920
00:37:10,030 --> 00:37:13,269
drifted away it was a far more pleasant

921
00:37:11,829 --> 00:37:15,340
evening

922
00:37:13,269 --> 00:37:17,500
and I didn't waste time on somebody

923
00:37:15,340 --> 00:37:19,180
whose brain could not be changed so make

924
00:37:17,500 --> 00:37:21,130
your thoughts known and then just be

925
00:37:19,179 --> 00:37:22,929
polite and and change the subject if

926
00:37:21,130 --> 00:37:25,059
they did yeah yeah it's not gonna change

927

00:37:22,929 --> 00:37:26,769

if you look at what happened would have

928

00:37:25,059 --> 00:37:27,969

happened a few hours later they'd all

929

00:37:26,769 --> 00:37:29,079

gone down a different pathway would have

930

00:37:27,969 --> 00:37:32,529

had an argument it would be an

931

00:37:29,079 --> 00:37:34,029

unpleasant and be unhappy and his mind

932

00:37:32,530 --> 00:37:35,830

wouldn't have been changed this way was

933

00:37:34,030 --> 00:37:37,840

still at the same path it's the same

934

00:37:35,829 --> 00:37:39,369

endpoint but we had a happier ending you

935

00:37:37,840 --> 00:37:42,960

feel the same way about arguing on line

936

00:37:39,369 --> 00:37:46,150

just a few things are as useless as that

937

00:37:42,960 --> 00:37:49,360

arguing on line often you're arguing

938

00:37:46,150 --> 00:37:53,860

against roles what you can do is just

939

00:37:49,360 --> 00:37:57,280

stick to the facts the moment they

940

00:37:53,860 --> 00:37:59,289

started generating into rudeness I'm

941

00:37:57,280 --> 00:38:01,450
mute them but so long as they're polite

942
00:37:59,289 --> 00:38:03,340
I'm cool if they're a troll let them

943
00:38:01,449 --> 00:38:05,739
crawl away if they're if they are in

944
00:38:03,340 --> 00:38:08,350
fact genuinely troll if they're a bot

945
00:38:05,739 --> 00:38:10,179
I'll just block them but I did like to

946
00:38:08,349 --> 00:38:12,849
try to keep the lines open and because

947
00:38:10,179 --> 00:38:16,230
it's not just them it's their family at

948
00:38:12,849 --> 00:38:18,219
home they might have children or parents

949
00:38:16,230 --> 00:38:20,050
thanks for your time today we'll see you

950
00:38:18,219 --> 00:38:21,189
here tomorrow enjoy Adil ever got Lauren

951
00:38:20,050 --> 00:38:23,620
to come up now so I'll get out of the

952
00:38:21,190 --> 00:38:28,500
way oh hi dr. Lauren bye

953
00:38:23,619 --> 00:38:31,329
[Music]

954
00:38:28,500 --> 00:38:34,480
the skeptic magazine the journal from

955
00:38:31,329 --> 00:38:36,699

Australian skeptics subscribe online to

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00:38:34,480 --> 00:38:42,190

the world's second oldest skeptical

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00:38:36,699 --> 00:38:45,189

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958

00:38:42,190 --> 00:38:49,599

publication's link you can also find

959

00:38:45,190 --> 00:38:52,750

there over 30 years on back issues free

960

00:38:49,599 --> 00:38:56,009

to download the skeptic magazine from

961

00:38:52,750 --> 00:38:56,010

Australian skeptics

962

00:38:59,789 --> 00:39:03,619

[Music]

963

00:39:12,380 --> 00:39:19,338

those secretive may not here in the

964

00:39:14,838 --> 00:39:20,929

audience for the Rosenberg and

965

00:39:19,338 --> 00:39:23,268

surrounded by people who work with him

966

00:39:20,929 --> 00:39:25,518

at Pine Koala was there and that people

967

00:39:23,268 --> 00:39:28,248

of interest to UM know more about it to

968

00:39:25,518 --> 00:39:30,379

do with the TV show and goods a

969

00:39:28,248 --> 00:39:31,728

philippic nipson decent piece of

970
00:39:30,380 --> 00:39:33,410
information if the hot goes on there

971
00:39:31,728 --> 00:39:35,389
I've been reading up on it and I've

972
00:39:33,409 --> 00:39:36,679
learned a lot more and it's one of those

973
00:39:35,389 --> 00:39:38,210
things where the more you read about it

974
00:39:36,679 --> 00:39:41,960
you don't know much you get very

975
00:39:38,210 --> 00:39:45,199
confused very quickly but I'm going to

976
00:39:41,960 --> 00:39:49,460
give it a go I've got some big words to

977
00:39:45,199 --> 00:39:52,369
use like ich along and transient which

978
00:39:49,460 --> 00:39:56,730
are the names of programs see how I go

979
00:39:52,369 --> 00:39:59,500
[Music]

980
00:39:56,730 --> 00:40:01,000
you can see how busy the room is and I

981
00:39:59,500 --> 00:40:02,739
thought I'd play but in the game of see

982
00:40:01,000 --> 00:40:05,019
if I could swap the spook see things

983
00:40:02,739 --> 00:40:08,169
like spies or operatives here and um

984
00:40:05,019 --> 00:40:10,360
honestly again how would you know it

985
00:40:08,170 --> 00:40:13,900
could be like someone who truly obvious

986
00:40:10,360 --> 00:40:15,730
with an overcoat and a slouch hat or the

987
00:40:13,900 --> 00:40:17,170
person who looks at the mom obvious

988
00:40:15,730 --> 00:40:19,630
could be the one or there could be no

989
00:40:17,170 --> 00:40:23,730
one here or everyone could be as

990
00:40:19,630 --> 00:40:26,970
beautiful it's a fun game to play

991
00:40:23,730 --> 00:40:29,280
I reckon the dark God with the cardigan

992
00:40:26,969 --> 00:40:37,139
yeah the guy with the cardigan he's got

993
00:40:29,280 --> 00:40:39,150
secrets good evening everyone my name is

994
00:40:37,139 --> 00:40:41,009
Liam clock and it's my pleasure to

995
00:40:39,150 --> 00:40:43,289
welcome all of you here tonight to

996
00:40:41,010 --> 00:40:46,020
launch the book client gap the inside

997
00:40:43,289 --> 00:40:46,829
story of the NSA in Australia written by

998

00:40:46,019 --> 00:40:51,650
David Rosenberg

999
00:40:46,829 --> 00:40:51,650
and published by Hardy grand over its

1000
00:40:58,338 --> 00:41:03,960
have any questions about the book about

1001
00:41:02,190 --> 00:41:06,088
about the TV series anything you've

1002
00:41:03,960 --> 00:41:07,769
always wanted to know because because if

1003
00:41:06,088 --> 00:41:09,509
you answer the questions that I might be

1004
00:41:07,769 --> 00:41:11,519
able to give you an answer yes an

1005
00:41:09,510 --> 00:41:12,960
innovator hello Richard Saunders from

1006
00:41:11,519 --> 00:41:15,869
the Australian skeptics one of the

1007
00:41:12,960 --> 00:41:18,240
things that we get put to us quite a lot

1008
00:41:15,869 --> 00:41:20,910
at conspiracy theorists and I kid you

1009
00:41:18,239 --> 00:41:23,368
not one of them conspiracies is mind gap

1010
00:41:20,909 --> 00:41:31,379
is a secret base for aliens to create

1011
00:41:23,369 --> 00:41:33,180
closed Road laws what did you encounter

1012
00:41:31,380 --> 00:41:38,010

these sort of crazy conspiracies when

1013

00:41:33,179 --> 00:41:40,889

you are working there never heard of the

1014

00:41:38,010 --> 00:41:41,970

UFO research society New South Wales you

1015

00:41:40,889 --> 00:41:44,879

have our research society

1016

00:41:41,969 --> 00:41:47,548

yes I was asked to give a talk at at

1017

00:41:44,880 --> 00:41:49,769

that particular organizations and I did

1018

00:41:47,548 --> 00:41:51,239

that because I you know we all respect

1019

00:41:49,769 --> 00:41:53,460

people as the pupils opinions and what

1020

00:41:51,239 --> 00:41:54,750

and what and what they want to do so

1021

00:41:53,460 --> 00:41:56,010

they gave me a long list of questions

1022

00:41:54,750 --> 00:41:58,849

exactly like that

1023

00:41:56,010 --> 00:42:01,070

yeah how many aliens is

1024

00:41:58,849 --> 00:42:03,889

have been to Pine Gap is it isn't it

1025

00:42:01,070 --> 00:42:05,690

isn't an alien landing site how far

1026

00:42:03,889 --> 00:42:07,489

underground that because the facility

1027
00:42:05,690 --> 00:42:12,470
goes and is it used in high powered

1028
00:42:07,489 --> 00:42:15,649
weapons so I barely disappointed the

1029
00:42:12,469 --> 00:42:17,599
audience I have to say because I

1030
00:42:15,650 --> 00:42:19,070
couldn't confirm that Pine Gap had

1031
00:42:17,599 --> 00:42:20,869
aliens or that we were involved in any

1032
00:42:19,070 --> 00:42:22,580
kind of high-power weapons testing it

1033
00:42:20,869 --> 00:42:23,089
simply mean that's not happening fine

1034
00:42:22,579 --> 00:42:25,699
daddy

1035
00:42:23,090 --> 00:42:27,530
as I tell people the satellites the Pine

1036
00:42:25,699 --> 00:42:29,719
Gap uses the antennas are all pointing

1037
00:42:27,530 --> 00:42:32,710
down towards Earth trying to find

1038
00:42:29,719 --> 00:42:32,709
intelligence there

1039
00:42:40,239 --> 00:42:44,569
the coffers got Dave signing my copy of

1040
00:42:42,619 --> 00:42:46,460
at Pine Gap it's a very exciting thing

1041
00:42:44,570 --> 00:42:48,019
and I've got my I've got my notes I've

1042
00:42:46,460 --> 00:42:49,730
got here which are all been like

1043
00:42:48,019 --> 00:42:50,929
incredibly superseded by what I've been

1044
00:42:49,730 --> 00:42:53,059
listening to but that it is quite

1045
00:42:50,929 --> 00:42:54,589
interesting about to kind of say okay do

1046
00:42:53,059 --> 00:42:55,730
you think they called it five eyes and

1047
00:42:54,590 --> 00:42:56,930
kept New Zealand in there because they

1048
00:42:55,730 --> 00:42:59,240
didn't want a group that's called four

1049
00:42:56,929 --> 00:43:01,159
eyes that sounds like it's a better name

1050
00:42:59,239 --> 00:43:02,419
does rather than four eyes we had to

1051
00:43:01,159 --> 00:43:04,190
find a fifth in New Zealand was a good

1052
00:43:02,420 --> 00:43:05,869
choice that's true that's true and I

1053
00:43:04,190 --> 00:43:07,429
suspect the whole aliens thing is a

1054
00:43:05,869 --> 00:43:08,960
disinformation thing to throw people

1055

00:43:07,429 --> 00:43:10,639
right off the path of what's going on

1056
00:43:08,960 --> 00:43:12,530
because you were saying that you can

1057
00:43:10,639 --> 00:43:13,969
recharge the batteries on nuclear

1058
00:43:12,530 --> 00:43:16,190
submarines but it's just a communication

1059
00:43:13,969 --> 00:43:17,869
it's a long low frequency communication

1060
00:43:16,190 --> 00:43:19,340
you're not charging any batteries

1061
00:43:17,869 --> 00:43:22,369
we're not charging any batteries the

1062
00:43:19,340 --> 00:43:24,170
Pine Gap I can tell you that there's

1063
00:43:22,369 --> 00:43:26,029
anyone looking there was no pushback

1064
00:43:24,170 --> 00:43:27,860
tonight there was no-one going boo get

1065
00:43:26,030 --> 00:43:29,960
off Australian soil booed none of that

1066
00:43:27,860 --> 00:43:33,320
now we're all good friends here actually

1067
00:43:29,960 --> 00:43:34,789
and yeah I I did say earlier that I do

1068
00:43:33,320 --> 00:43:36,440
believe that the partnership that the

1069
00:43:34,789 --> 00:43:39,650

friendship the alliance is bigger than

1070

00:43:36,440 --> 00:43:41,269

one person regardless of who is in

1071

00:43:39,650 --> 00:43:43,430

office I think the bigger picture always

1072

00:43:41,269 --> 00:43:44,989

has to be seen there and and the

1073

00:43:43,429 --> 00:43:47,299

Alliance goes back very very far is very

1074

00:43:44,989 --> 00:43:48,559

very strong and hopefully it will hope

1075

00:43:47,300 --> 00:43:50,960

hopefully it will just continue in that

1076

00:43:48,559 --> 00:43:52,639

in that their respect and there was the

1077

00:43:50,960 --> 00:43:53,869

question ask if you thought there was

1078

00:43:52,639 --> 00:43:55,250

something going on the government's

1079

00:43:53,869 --> 00:43:57,769

doing something bad is there any

1080

00:43:55,250 --> 00:43:58,969

mechanism to go or hey can we do that

1081

00:43:57,769 --> 00:44:01,099

but I would think that would be like you

1082

00:43:58,969 --> 00:44:02,989

feel given the launch codes you just

1083

00:44:01,099 --> 00:44:04,819

push the launch codes you don't go is

1084
00:44:02,989 --> 00:44:06,919
this a genuine order you don't question

1085
00:44:04,820 --> 00:44:08,750
orders is it like that in the

1086
00:44:06,920 --> 00:44:10,070
intelligence community right I know

1087
00:44:08,750 --> 00:44:11,360
that's the way it is in the military

1088
00:44:10,070 --> 00:44:12,920
because in the military if you don't

1089
00:44:11,360 --> 00:44:15,200
follow orders then people die so you

1090
00:44:12,920 --> 00:44:17,570
really you really have to do that we are

1091
00:44:15,199 --> 00:44:18,859
collecting intelligence everyone of

1092
00:44:17,570 --> 00:44:20,450
course does have their own opinion but

1093
00:44:18,860 --> 00:44:22,760
when we all sign up we know that when

1094
00:44:20,449 --> 00:44:25,789
we're here we're here to do a job we get

1095
00:44:22,760 --> 00:44:27,830
tasks to do work in finding particular

1096
00:44:25,789 --> 00:44:30,079
signals and we and we do that like I

1097
00:44:27,829 --> 00:44:31,309
said Pine Gap is not an offensive base

1098
00:44:30,079 --> 00:44:33,829
at all it doesn't have any kind of

1099
00:44:31,309 --> 00:44:35,420
offensive capability whatsoever wouldn't

1100
00:44:33,829 --> 00:44:37,610
communications with drones be routed

1101
00:44:35,420 --> 00:44:39,440
through that not at all not at all no no

1102
00:44:37,610 --> 00:44:41,599
that would give Pine Gap and all an

1103
00:44:39,440 --> 00:44:42,800
offensive capability and that I believe

1104
00:44:41,599 --> 00:44:44,329
would not be acceptable to the

1105
00:44:42,800 --> 00:44:46,099
Australian government I'd also also

1106
00:44:44,329 --> 00:44:49,338
don't think that it would be acceptable

1107
00:44:46,099 --> 00:44:52,068
for for this this this particular

1108
00:44:49,338 --> 00:44:55,818
facility simply simply because it would

1109
00:44:52,068 --> 00:44:57,739
be it would be such a change in these in

1110
00:44:55,818 --> 00:45:00,798
the protocol that's existed at Pine Gap

1111
00:44:57,739 --> 00:45:02,929
to simply be a passive eavesdropping

1112

00:45:00,798 --> 00:45:04,639
facility basically you satellites to

1113
00:45:02,929 --> 00:45:06,288
collect signals passively but not

1114
00:45:04,639 --> 00:45:08,748
transmit anything that might indicate

1115
00:45:06,289 --> 00:45:10,849
any kind of a weapon scape any members

1116
00:45:08,748 --> 00:45:13,639
of the mall said hang an atoll in Tonga

1117
00:45:10,849 --> 00:45:15,769
I haven't met any whether they're there

1118
00:45:13,639 --> 00:45:17,328
or not okay we'll have to wait maybe

1119
00:45:15,768 --> 00:45:19,338
that maybe maybe they visit our Springs

1120
00:45:17,329 --> 00:45:21,349
and congratulations on getting a TV

1121
00:45:19,338 --> 00:45:23,210
series about Pine Gap which you've

1122
00:45:21,349 --> 00:45:24,729
described as a geopolitical thriller so

1123
00:45:23,210 --> 00:45:28,369
it's like an episode of Columbo is it

1124
00:45:24,728 --> 00:45:30,169
pathetical love though if some guy comes

1125
00:45:28,369 --> 00:45:32,028
and goes one more thing at the end and

1126
00:45:30,170 --> 00:45:33,318

if Columbia had satellites that would

1127

00:45:32,028 --> 00:45:35,358

that that's that that's what that story

1128

00:45:33,318 --> 00:45:36,619

would be okay and one more time what's

1129

00:45:35,358 --> 00:45:38,389

your favorite website we should go and

1130

00:45:36,619 --> 00:45:40,338

read some stuff that we can even learn

1131

00:45:38,389 --> 00:45:41,629

as much as is in this book is pretty

1132

00:45:40,338 --> 00:45:44,119

good business somewhere else that you

1133

00:45:41,630 --> 00:45:45,588

could like you know the confessions of

1134

00:45:44,119 --> 00:45:47,960

an economic hitman would you recommend

1135

00:45:45,588 --> 00:45:49,369

that book I haven't read that one but I

1136

00:45:47,960 --> 00:45:50,838

heard it was pretty good so I do

1137

00:45:49,369 --> 00:45:52,400

recommend it but but if you do want to

1138

00:45:50,838 --> 00:45:55,518

know more about Pine Gap my website is

1139

00:45:52,400 --> 00:45:56,630

Pine Gap book.com go there Thank You

1140

00:45:55,518 --> 00:45:56,838

Devereaux's we're getting good luck with

1141
00:45:56,630 --> 00:45:59,680
it

1142
00:45:56,838 --> 00:45:59,679
thank you very much matter

1143
00:46:02,429 --> 00:46:06,669
so how's this go as far as a book launch

1144
00:46:05,019 --> 00:46:10,420
goes is this a good crowd for book

1145
00:46:06,670 --> 00:46:12,099
launch yeah it is to go turnout everyone

1146
00:46:10,420 --> 00:46:14,170
seemed very interested and the questions

1147
00:46:12,099 --> 00:46:16,269
were not as challenging as I would have

1148
00:46:14,170 --> 00:46:18,309
expected given the dynamic nature of the

1149
00:46:16,269 --> 00:46:19,900
topic and I thought people to go food

1150
00:46:18,309 --> 00:46:21,670
porn gap there was none of that going on

1151
00:46:19,900 --> 00:46:23,260
no I guess the people that would have

1152
00:46:21,670 --> 00:46:26,588
read the book and supported the author

1153
00:46:23,260 --> 00:46:29,319
would be fairly you know to the benefits

1154
00:46:26,588 --> 00:46:31,389
of because here it better red than dead

1155
00:46:29,318 --> 00:46:32,858
is it like man it's like a lot of people

1156
00:46:31,389 --> 00:46:35,078
think it's an uphill push to sell books

1157
00:46:32,858 --> 00:46:37,269
these days but not know it depends

1158
00:46:35,079 --> 00:46:39,099
doesn't it especially I think the way to

1159
00:46:37,269 --> 00:46:41,139
go is engaging with the community so a

1160
00:46:39,099 --> 00:46:43,539
bookstore has a book club on tonight an

1161
00:46:41,139 --> 00:46:45,909
external event one in here high teas

1162
00:46:43,539 --> 00:46:48,430
authors and book launches and I think

1163
00:46:45,909 --> 00:46:49,690
that kind of if you engage the community

1164
00:46:48,429 --> 00:46:51,460
in different literary events I think it

1165
00:46:49,690 --> 00:46:54,130
makes books more more of a feature as

1166
00:46:51,460 --> 00:46:56,440
part of a societal aspect rather than

1167
00:46:54,130 --> 00:46:57,940
just a one-off you know so what's it

1168
00:46:56,440 --> 00:47:00,548
like when there's a poetry night he does

1169

00:46:57,940 --> 00:47:04,630
get a bit bare a wearing does it well

1170
00:47:00,548 --> 00:47:05,858
berries I run the French literature yo

1171
00:47:04,630 --> 00:47:08,318
you gotta come with the baguettes and

1172
00:47:05,858 --> 00:47:12,009
the whole caboodle Aaron's poodle so you

1173
00:47:08,318 --> 00:47:14,170
know Wow so if you have a French poetry

1174
00:47:12,010 --> 00:47:16,000
night that must be insane I'll put it to

1175
00:47:14,170 --> 00:47:17,889
the the guy that runs our unspoken words

1176
00:47:16,000 --> 00:47:20,469
poetry group ever and back and see if

1177
00:47:17,889 --> 00:47:22,118
far they might wanna do a collab done a

1178
00:47:20,469 --> 00:47:23,259
good job he ready to see so many people

1179
00:47:22,119 --> 00:47:25,150
he could actually use the bigger space

1180
00:47:23,260 --> 00:47:26,200
good year well sometimes yeah we

1181
00:47:25,150 --> 00:47:28,028
consider having the mezzanine level

1182
00:47:26,199 --> 00:47:29,009
taking the books off the cooking section

1183
00:47:28,028 --> 00:47:33,449

and

1184

00:47:29,010 --> 00:47:34,950

or go books no thank you very much I'm

1185

00:47:33,449 --> 00:47:36,989

talking with the only person who had an

1186

00:47:34,949 --> 00:47:39,480

eBay coupe we've got here Dennis right

1187

00:47:36,989 --> 00:47:41,489

but and and Dennis are you you wouldn't

1188

00:47:39,480 --> 00:47:43,019

be a big fan of Pine Gap or you think

1189

00:47:41,489 --> 00:47:45,509

it's a necessary evil what do you think

1190

00:47:43,019 --> 00:47:47,070

no I'm a big fan of David and I'm gonna

1191

00:47:45,510 --> 00:47:49,050

look forward to reading the book I think

1192

00:47:47,070 --> 00:47:51,240

that yes we do need to have some levels

1193

00:47:49,050 --> 00:47:54,210

of surveillance it's a shame when these

1194

00:47:51,239 --> 00:47:56,639

surveillance don't actually do their job

1195

00:47:54,210 --> 00:47:59,429

and we have the instances night 911

1196

00:47:56,639 --> 00:48:01,170

leading to Wars which continue on today

1197

00:47:59,429 --> 00:48:03,239

what's a free kick what's a great

1198
00:48:01,170 --> 00:48:04,530
website where you think we can learn it

1199
00:48:03,239 --> 00:48:11,789
with sing stuff and go to is there one

1200
00:48:04,530 --> 00:48:13,590
that your favorite The Guardian I'm

1201
00:48:11,789 --> 00:48:15,590
talking to someone who worked with David

1202
00:48:13,590 --> 00:48:18,420
what was what does he like to work with

1203
00:48:15,590 --> 00:48:21,269
he was a disabled make up no he was a

1204
00:48:18,420 --> 00:48:21,750
disembodied voice on my headphones oh

1205
00:48:21,269 --> 00:48:25,230
really

1206
00:48:21,750 --> 00:48:26,849
he'd go wake up mate no no I mean I

1207
00:48:25,230 --> 00:48:29,760
would just hear him occasionally when he

1208
00:48:26,849 --> 00:48:33,358
when he punched on oh I would hear him

1209
00:48:29,760 --> 00:48:34,590
in the headphones but I wouldn't know at

1210
00:48:33,358 --> 00:48:37,409
the beginning when I started working

1211
00:48:34,590 --> 00:48:39,269
there who this guy was and so when you

1212
00:48:37,409 --> 00:48:41,279
would go home working at Alice Springs

1213
00:48:39,269 --> 00:48:42,690
at Pine Gap wouldn't you be kind of

1214
00:48:41,280 --> 00:48:44,400
taking the work home with you and

1215
00:48:42,690 --> 00:48:47,190
thinking about things at night or could

1216
00:48:44,400 --> 00:48:49,108
you turn off easily from it that was a

1217
00:48:47,190 --> 00:48:50,429
good part about it shift work you can

1218
00:48:49,108 --> 00:48:52,039
just switch off because you've handed

1219
00:48:50,429 --> 00:48:54,589
off to somebody else

1220
00:48:52,039 --> 00:48:56,029
there enough that that's cool and I was

1221
00:48:54,590 --> 00:48:57,890
asking you earlier is it like being in

1222
00:48:56,030 --> 00:48:59,510
combat where there's a lot of boredom

1223
00:48:57,889 --> 00:49:01,309
and then intense bits but you said

1224
00:48:59,510 --> 00:49:04,160
there's intense but to go on for hours

1225
00:49:01,309 --> 00:49:05,809
sometimes no it's uh it was just

1226

00:49:04,159 --> 00:49:10,099
interesting the whole time there was

1227
00:49:05,809 --> 00:49:13,150
just it was just ongoing the days went

1228
00:49:10,099 --> 00:49:16,969
very quickly so you had tasks to do and

1229
00:49:13,150 --> 00:49:19,789
that they just disappeared or the night

1230
00:49:16,969 --> 00:49:22,189
disappeared and what's it like living in

1231
00:49:19,789 --> 00:49:25,909
Alice anyway I was really good

1232
00:49:22,190 --> 00:49:28,610
I've been Telus before I didn't I

1233
00:49:25,909 --> 00:49:30,259
thought it was a boring town when I went

1234
00:49:28,610 --> 00:49:32,420
there the first time because I wasn't

1235
00:49:30,260 --> 00:49:34,130
working anywhere else just tourists but

1236
00:49:32,420 --> 00:49:37,340
when I started working we made friends

1237
00:49:34,130 --> 00:49:39,230
straight away the induction that I had

1238
00:49:37,340 --> 00:49:44,150
at Pine Gap I made instant friends and

1239
00:49:39,230 --> 00:49:46,969
then from that paid heaps of sport heaps

1240
00:49:44,150 --> 00:49:49,579

of friends so it was good it was it was

1241

00:49:46,969 --> 00:49:51,829

a lot of camaraderie we went out in the

1242

00:49:49,579 --> 00:49:54,590

desert we had bonfires together as a

1243

00:49:51,829 --> 00:49:57,880

crew it was really good I'll let you say

1244

00:49:54,590 --> 00:49:57,880

ray today Thanks

1245

00:49:59,039 --> 00:50:07,398

[Music]

1246

00:50:16,260 --> 00:50:22,380

thank you for listening to the skeptic

1247

00:50:18,760 --> 00:50:24,130

zone and as this show goes out to air

1248

00:50:22,380 --> 00:50:26,650

the air

1249

00:50:24,130 --> 00:50:30,070

the Internet's the web the world wide

1250

00:50:26,650 --> 00:50:31,990

web in your ears right now in Las Vegas

1251

00:50:30,070 --> 00:50:33,430

it's psych on the committee for

1252

00:50:31,989 --> 00:50:35,859

skeptical inquiry are having their

1253

00:50:33,429 --> 00:50:38,469

annual convention am so sorry friends

1254

00:50:35,860 --> 00:50:41,410

and and colleagues I can't be there this

1255
00:50:38,469 --> 00:50:44,169
year I love going to cycle had a blast

1256
00:50:41,409 --> 00:50:46,539
last year was lots of fun I hope it's a

1257
00:50:44,170 --> 00:50:48,849
big success I'm very sorry to have

1258
00:50:46,539 --> 00:50:51,579
missed it this year it just came a

1259
00:50:48,849 --> 00:50:56,400
little bit too close timewise butted

1260
00:50:51,579 --> 00:50:59,289
against skeptic on here in Sydney and

1261
00:50:56,400 --> 00:51:01,420
jet lag is not my friend so I didn't

1262
00:50:59,289 --> 00:51:04,090
feel I could go there and be on my game

1263
00:51:01,420 --> 00:51:07,480
next year and in fact next year I've

1264
00:51:04,090 --> 00:51:11,050
been asked to go to Dragon Con in

1265
00:51:07,480 --> 00:51:13,360
Atlanta Georgia who knows I'd love to do

1266
00:51:11,050 --> 00:51:16,750
that's been many years since I've been

1267
00:51:13,360 --> 00:51:19,240
there my ever lasting thanks to the

1268
00:51:16,750 --> 00:51:21,400
people who subscribe to the skeptics

1269
00:51:19,239 --> 00:51:25,179
owned by patreon or PayPal at skeptic

1270
00:51:21,400 --> 00:51:30,070
zone TV and owing to your generosity

1271
00:51:25,179 --> 00:51:32,739
I've just in the last week purchased

1272
00:51:30,070 --> 00:51:34,720
another piece of equipment some of you

1273
00:51:32,739 --> 00:51:37,769
may be familiar with the zoom range of

1274
00:51:34,719 --> 00:51:42,250
microphones I've purchased a zoom h6

1275
00:51:37,769 --> 00:51:44,769
which is a nice bit of kit which allows

1276
00:51:42,250 --> 00:51:47,920
me to have multiple microphone inputs

1277
00:51:44,769 --> 00:51:50,679
and record from lots of sources so I'll

1278
00:51:47,920 --> 00:51:53,349
be using that for more interviews and so

1279
00:51:50,679 --> 00:51:55,779
forth but the only reason I can do this

1280
00:51:53,349 --> 00:51:58,900
and supply equipment to my reporters and

1281
00:51:55,780 --> 00:52:01,330
pay for things and their behalf from

1282
00:51:58,900 --> 00:52:04,950
time to time is because of your

1283

00:52:01,329 --> 00:52:07,900
generosity and if there was nobody

1284
00:52:04,949 --> 00:52:11,349
chipping in to the show even if it's

1285
00:52:07,900 --> 00:52:14,200
just \$5 a month from patreon there would

1286
00:52:11,349 --> 00:52:15,549
be no skeptic zone but I encourage you

1287
00:52:14,199 --> 00:52:17,409
all especially those people listening in

1288
00:52:15,550 --> 00:52:19,000
the United States because the dollar is

1289
00:52:17,409 --> 00:52:22,690
really strong against the Australian

1290
00:52:19,000 --> 00:52:23,139
dollar to sign up with patreon \$5 a

1291
00:52:22,690 --> 00:52:27,278
month

1292
00:52:23,139 --> 00:52:30,129
is such a small thing to ask really

1293
00:52:27,278 --> 00:52:33,248
if enough people do it then it means a

1294
00:52:30,130 --> 00:52:33,789
lot here at the skeptic zone but for

1295
00:52:33,248 --> 00:52:35,738
this week

1296
00:52:33,789 --> 00:52:39,119
this is Richard Saunders signing off

1297
00:52:35,739 --> 00:52:39,119

from Sydney Australia

1298

00:52:40,978 --> 00:52:47,188

you've been listening to the skeptic

1299

00:52:43,509 --> 00:52:52,630

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00:52:47,188 --> 00:52:55,178

WWDC be honest contacts and to access

1301

00:52:52,630 --> 00:52:58,778

the bat catalog of episodes going back

1302

00:52:55,179 --> 00:53:02,439

to 2008 you can follow the skeptic zone

1303

00:52:58,778 --> 00:53:04,838

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1304

00:53:02,438 --> 00:53:08,199

our facebook page or leave a review on

1305

00:53:04,838 --> 00:53:11,558

itunes you can also support the skeptic

1306

00:53:08,199 --> 00:53:13,929

zone via patreon or PayPal the skeptic

1307

00:53:11,559 --> 00:53:15,880

zone podcast is an independent

1308

00:53:13,929 --> 00:53:18,068

production reviews and opinions

1309

00:53:15,880 --> 00:53:20,229

expressed on the skeptic zone are not

1310

00:53:18,068 --> 00:53:23,159

necessarily those of Australian skeptics

1311

00:53:20,228 --> 00:53:29,468

or any other skeptical organization

1312
00:53:23,159 --> 00:53:29,469
[Music]

1313
00:53:34,079 --> 00:53:37,660
it's hard to believe the conventions

1314
00:53:36,639 --> 00:53:40,389
over but I'm here

1315
00:53:37,659 --> 00:53:43,929
back here at Madame frou frou and yes

1316
00:53:40,389 --> 00:53:47,739
hello crooner hi Richard I know she

1317
00:53:43,929 --> 00:53:49,299
knows what's coming here we go on this

1318
00:53:47,739 --> 00:53:51,608
lovely County you've just cleaned up got

1319
00:53:49,300 --> 00:53:55,660
the UH the dice ready to go whoa

1320
00:53:51,608 --> 00:53:58,358
where did you roll it for us please I

1321
00:53:55,659 --> 00:54:03,118
know you have to roll it oh it's pretty

1322
00:53:58,358 --> 00:54:07,828
good there for you to roll no she's just

1323
00:54:03,119 --> 00:54:11,650
shaking it in there

1324
00:54:07,829 --> 00:54:13,750
lucky number four lucky number four okay

1325
00:54:11,650 --> 00:54:16,230
one more time she's rolling it around in

1326
00:54:13,750 --> 00:54:16,230
their hands

1327
00:54:16,320 --> 00:54:25,630
it's one again one so four one yep and

1328
00:54:24,070 --> 00:54:31,450
roll it around this is last one folks

1329
00:54:25,630 --> 00:54:33,690
for one end and four again thank you

1330
00:54:31,449 --> 00:54:40,259
very much and for the best coffee in

1331
00:54:33,690 --> 00:54:40,260
glebe come to Madame frou frou for sure