

The Skeptic Zone
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00:00:22,599 --> 00:00:09,089
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:27,529 --> 00:00:25,669
it's a sunny day it's a big weekend of

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00:00:30,290 --> 00:00:27,539
science as people are sciencing all over

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00:00:33,500 --> 00:00:30,300
the place but who's this hello may not

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00:00:36,350 --> 00:00:33,510
he hello we're outside a pub which is a

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00:00:38,540 --> 00:00:36,360
lovely pub with lovely food with people

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00:00:41,119 --> 00:00:38,550
giving great service but it's full of

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00:00:43,280 --> 00:00:41,129
rotten kids I don't like kids I'm afraid

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00:00:45,110 --> 00:00:43,290
I you all love your kids and I know you

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00:00:48,350 --> 00:00:45,120
do but I've never had kids and there's a

11
00:00:50,360 --> 00:00:48,360
reason why because they annoy me may not

12
00:00:52,160 --> 00:00:50,370
folks were at the Henson pub which is in

13
00:00:54,590 --> 00:00:52,170

the suburb of marrickville having lunch

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00:00:58,939 --> 00:00:54,600

some of the Australian skeptics and may

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00:01:01,700 --> 00:00:58,949

not and and I are here to have a chat to

16

00:01:03,950 --> 00:01:01,710

Lauren slow the comedian skeptic

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00:01:06,020 --> 00:01:03,960

Mentalist we saw last night yeah it's

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00:01:07,760 --> 00:01:06,030

just done season in Melbourne of course

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00:01:09,380 --> 00:01:07,770

he's done a season here in Sydney he's

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00:01:10,760 --> 00:01:09,390

heading over to Perth and he might be

21

00:01:13,310 --> 00:01:10,770

doing a few other national dates in the

22

00:01:14,719 --> 00:01:13,320

near future yep and we'll find out soon

23

00:01:16,249 --> 00:01:14,729

as you're going to have a little chat

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00:01:19,700 --> 00:01:16,259

with him as part of the show this is the

25

00:01:20,749 --> 00:01:19,710

skeptic Zone episode 392 hey on the

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00:01:21,919 --> 00:01:20,759

weather report people like to get the

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00:01:23,300 --> 00:01:21,929

weather report off your we're standing

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00:01:25,130 --> 00:01:23,310

outside the moment and we're not getting

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00:01:27,560 --> 00:01:25,140

wet that means it's not raining i guess

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00:01:31,069 --> 00:01:27,570

and slightly overcast today it said what

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00:01:32,480 --> 00:01:31,079

about 22 degrees rather Pleasant yes and

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00:01:34,760 --> 00:01:32,490

the barometer is I don't know it's

33

00:01:36,350 --> 00:01:34,770

busted it's busted coming up on this

34

00:01:37,520 --> 00:01:36,360

week's oh you want to know what's coming

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00:01:38,630 --> 00:01:37,530

up on this week's show magic what's

36

00:01:40,160 --> 00:01:38,640

coming up on the show this week going on

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00:01:41,899 --> 00:01:40,170

this well we've got Lauren saloon of

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00:01:43,340 --> 00:01:41,909

course and interview another interview

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00:01:45,980 --> 00:01:43,350

with him and you'll be asking those

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00:01:47,330 --> 00:01:45,990

hard-hitting questions yeah like I'm how

41

00:01:48,980 --> 00:01:47,340

do you spell your last name that's a

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00:01:51,139 --> 00:01:48,990

hard ending question we've also got

43

00:01:52,760 --> 00:01:51,149

Heidi Roberts Heidi Robinson from the

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00:01:54,950 --> 00:01:52,770

Northern Rivers vaccination and our

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00:01:57,620 --> 00:01:54,960

reporter recently in the in the last

46

00:01:59,810 --> 00:01:57,630

week up in that area the hotbed of woo

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00:02:01,940 --> 00:01:59,820

had their first skeptics in the pub

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00:02:03,980 --> 00:02:01,950

Heidi brought her microphone along and

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00:02:07,190 --> 00:02:03,990

we hear from first-time pub is at a new

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00:02:08,509 --> 00:02:07,200

skeptics in the pub Wow III can that'll

51
00:02:09,919 --> 00:02:08,519
be a hotbed of something in the future

52
00:02:11,449 --> 00:02:09,929
as soon as all the groups come together

53
00:02:12,710 --> 00:02:11,459
you know it's going to be boil that I

54
00:02:15,740 --> 00:02:12,720
people turning up they're going you I

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00:02:17,539 --> 00:02:15,750
don't like your people yes I do it I

56
00:02:19,430 --> 00:02:17,549
predict that would be a fun evening in

57
00:02:20,960 --> 00:02:19,440
months to come we'll have to send you up

58
00:02:22,490 --> 00:02:20,970
there I think mine are also on this

59
00:02:24,319 --> 00:02:22,500
week's show we going to cover the story

60
00:02:27,050 --> 00:02:24,329
which we brought you a few weeks ago

61
00:02:29,300 --> 00:02:27,060
about the chiropractor manipulating the

62
00:02:32,629 --> 00:02:29,310
back of a four day old baby and that's

63
00:02:33,350 --> 00:02:32,639

now sort of gone viral a lot of people

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00:02:35,630 --> 00:02:33,360

are prone arms of

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00:02:37,370 --> 00:02:35,640

that and I've got believe a couple of

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00:02:38,600 --> 00:02:37,380

the national music wit networks have

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00:02:40,460 --> 00:02:38,610

been running more stories on that and

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00:02:42,950 --> 00:02:40,470

people are going they did what they did

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00:02:44,900 --> 00:02:42,960

what it's gone international and as

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00:02:47,470 --> 00:02:44,910

you'll hear later on in the show radio

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00:02:50,570 --> 00:02:47,480

national here in Australia the ABC ran a

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00:02:54,170 --> 00:02:50,580

lengthy story about this very topic Wow

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00:02:55,790 --> 00:02:54,180

okay and boy and it is up such a busy

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00:02:57,980 --> 00:02:55,800

day runs out because it's a here in

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00:03:01,430 --> 00:02:57,990

australia with sale Anzac Day weekend

76
00:03:03,380 --> 00:03:01,440
where we celebrate not winning a battle

77
00:03:07,190 --> 00:03:03,390
we don't it's not it's a commemoration

78
00:03:08,750 --> 00:03:07,200
it's it's our veterans day yes it's our

79
00:03:10,310 --> 00:03:08,760
veterans day and we honor our veterans

80
00:03:12,260 --> 00:03:10,320
and over the years I've done many

81
00:03:14,510 --> 00:03:12,270
stories with veterans and and I have

82
00:03:16,670 --> 00:03:14,520
really enjoyed talking to veterans of

83
00:03:17,810 --> 00:03:16,680
the malayan emergency that's one of the

84
00:03:19,720 --> 00:03:17,820
ones that you don't get to hear about

85
00:03:22,100 --> 00:03:19,730
very much you don't hear about that much

86
00:03:23,900 --> 00:03:22,110
and there was a australian and british

87
00:03:25,970 --> 00:03:23,910
troops involved in that of course and

88
00:03:27,199 --> 00:03:25,980

and look a lot of people go oh a

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00:03:29,030 --> 00:03:27,209

foundling vietnam had been more like

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00:03:30,350 --> 00:03:29,040

that but things weren't on during that

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00:03:32,030 --> 00:03:30,360

that you couldn't have done in Vietnam

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00:03:34,070 --> 00:03:32,040

because of the coverage of it from it's

93

00:03:35,240 --> 00:03:34,080

a very I'd recommend people to have a

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00:03:38,150 --> 00:03:35,250

little look at it and was called the

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00:03:40,280 --> 00:03:38,160

malayan emergency for assurance reason

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00:03:43,070 --> 00:03:40,290

that's because if it was a war it

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00:03:45,110 --> 00:03:43,080

changes the whole plant because people

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00:03:46,460 --> 00:03:45,120

own rubber plantations there in the area

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00:03:47,930 --> 00:03:46,470

and that would have changed the whole

100

00:03:49,640 --> 00:03:47,940

way that the insurance would have dealt

101
00:03:51,890 --> 00:03:49,650
with in any damage came from the war

102
00:03:53,420 --> 00:03:51,900
because it was an emergency not a war

103
00:03:55,580 --> 00:03:53,430
you know that's why I listen to the

104
00:03:58,610 --> 00:03:55,590
skeptical zone because I learned lots of

105
00:04:00,110 --> 00:03:58,620
stuff no I also learned from listening

106
00:04:01,940 --> 00:04:00,120
to the skeptical zone about bunga bunga

107
00:04:04,009 --> 00:04:01,950
how's that going bunga bunga with Tim

108
00:04:04,880 --> 00:04:04,019
Ferguson is going fine Tim Ferguson of

109
00:04:07,400 --> 00:04:04,890
course remember the dog Anthony

110
00:04:09,050 --> 00:04:07,410
all-stars we do it's the opposite of the

111
00:04:11,539 --> 00:04:09,060
skeptical zone really you don't learn a

112
00:04:13,370 --> 00:04:11,549
thing on that show there's lots of gross

113
00:04:15,380 --> 00:04:13,380

general speculation about nothing that

114

00:04:16,490 --> 00:04:15,390

means anything really but Tim's fine

115

00:04:17,690 --> 00:04:16,500

he's been doing some sup work with the

116

00:04:19,280 --> 00:04:17,700

dog Anthony all-stars he's around

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00:04:21,140 --> 00:04:19,290

Australia Doug Anthony all-stars are

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00:04:22,640 --> 00:04:21,150

returning to the Edinburgh Festival but

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00:04:26,000 --> 00:04:22,650

before Tim goes here we're going to do a

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00:04:28,219 --> 00:04:26,010

bunga bunga 26 fairly shortly fantastic

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00:04:29,659 --> 00:04:28,229

i did i tell you how pleased i haven't i

122

00:04:31,850 --> 00:04:29,669

like that did i mention on how pleased i

123

00:04:36,440 --> 00:04:31,860

have never had children know that we had

124

00:04:38,510 --> 00:04:36,450

about six children come right 66 on

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00:04:40,520 --> 00:04:38,520

scooters it's amazing you know i mean

126

00:04:43,580 --> 00:04:40,530

good luck to them that six kids Wow

127

00:04:45,320 --> 00:04:43,590

anyway ah yes bunga bunga may not calm

128

00:04:46,940 --> 00:04:45,330

today you but for now may night I think

129

00:04:48,710 --> 00:04:46,950

it's time we raced back inside

130

00:04:50,300 --> 00:04:48,720

let's go back inside the pub go

131

00:04:52,910 --> 00:04:50,310

downstairs to the cellar and drink the

132

00:05:15,909 --> 00:04:52,920

oldest thing we can find really I think

133

00:05:20,120 --> 00:05:18,350

well I don't know about you but every

134

00:05:21,409 --> 00:05:20,130

long weekend I feel like some science so

135

00:05:22,999 --> 00:05:21,419

I want to get out there and cheer and

136

00:05:24,469 --> 00:05:23,009

where the fabric colors of my favorite

137

00:05:25,939 --> 00:05:24,479

science team and science better than he

138

00:05:28,279 --> 00:05:25,949

went on the field then come back and go

139

00:05:30,800 --> 00:05:28,289

wow that was a day of science drive my

140

00:05:32,719 --> 00:05:30,810

soft top car through the town firing off

141

00:05:34,820 --> 00:05:32,729

a gun going science burn if your cars

142

00:05:36,830 --> 00:05:34,830

start a riot and that is a day of

143

00:05:38,210 --> 00:05:36,840

science now that's happened today I just

144

00:05:40,159 --> 00:05:38,220

completely made that up but i am here

145

00:05:42,920 --> 00:05:40,169

weird Richard Saunders and Iran hello

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00:05:44,600 --> 00:05:42,930

Richard hello may not Iran you look you

147

00:05:48,050 --> 00:05:44,610

came in here you had the tickets big day

148

00:05:49,640 --> 00:05:48,060

of science for you has it been no not

149

00:05:52,370 --> 00:05:49,650

nothing like what I described there

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00:05:53,930 --> 00:05:52,380

nothing like it at all well okay well

151
00:05:55,700 --> 00:05:53,940
hopefully Lawrence Lincoln dragged us

152
00:05:57,409 --> 00:05:55,710
out of this oh wow just a little girl

153
00:05:59,270 --> 00:05:57,419
she's dressed as Cinderella going into

154
00:06:00,980 --> 00:05:59,280
the show how can adults counter as a

155
00:06:03,559 --> 00:06:00,990
Cinderella and go into shows i guess you

156
00:06:04,969 --> 00:06:03,569
can you can of course you can wipe i'm

157
00:06:07,370 --> 00:06:04,979
surprised though you of all people would

158
00:06:09,350 --> 00:06:07,380
say that you can't well yeah i am

159
00:06:10,790 --> 00:06:09,360
dressed as a you know well i'm playing a

160
00:06:12,409 --> 00:06:10,800
fictional character a well dressed man

161
00:06:14,300 --> 00:06:12,419
today I Richard you're playing the

162
00:06:16,879 --> 00:06:14,310
fictional main ideas we we're here to

163
00:06:18,170 --> 00:06:16,889

see Lawrence long shot as I mentioned

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00:06:20,120 --> 00:06:18,180

last week on the skeptic zone when we

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00:06:21,920 --> 00:06:20,130

interviewed Lawrence on the show is

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00:06:24,860 --> 00:06:21,930

called very strange things we're here at

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00:06:26,959 --> 00:06:24,870

sydney's town hall which is which is

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00:06:28,820 --> 00:06:26,969

really busy Andy and very much like the

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00:06:31,129 --> 00:06:28,830

Melbourne Comedy Festival there's all

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00:06:32,180 --> 00:06:31,139

these shows that they do one after the

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00:06:34,189 --> 00:06:32,190

other and you say you've got to come in

172

00:06:35,719 --> 00:06:34,199

and then let the other people out let

173

00:06:36,800 --> 00:06:35,729

them in and we're in the at the moment

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00:06:38,480 --> 00:06:36,810

where all these kids it all these kids

175

00:06:40,219 --> 00:06:38,490

are coming out dresses Cinderella's fact

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00:06:42,110 --> 00:06:40,229

this is a show I should have been at I

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00:06:43,550 --> 00:06:42,120

weren't the wrong show definitely i had

178

00:06:46,700 --> 00:06:43,560

the dress I would have worn the bloody

179

00:06:48,260 --> 00:06:46,710

thing anyway we're looking forward to

180

00:06:50,209 --> 00:06:48,270

the show from Lawrence because it's a

181

00:06:52,640 --> 00:06:50,219

bit of mentalism I think a bit of

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00:06:54,950 --> 00:06:52,650

skepticism with a science actually now

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00:06:56,180 --> 00:06:54,960

how would you define mentalism what what

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00:06:58,580 --> 00:06:56,190

is that he'll know who Howard most

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00:07:01,490 --> 00:06:58,590

people encounter that mentalism is the

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00:07:04,670 --> 00:07:01,500

art of pretending to be able to read

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00:07:07,300 --> 00:07:04,680

people's minds or perform paranormal

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00:07:09,980 --> 00:07:07,310

acts to using your mind so things like

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00:07:12,680 --> 00:07:09,990

telekinesis and mind-reading you know

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00:07:15,740 --> 00:07:12,690

just so it's much not much more than

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00:07:18,680 --> 00:07:15,750

actually accurate cold guessing well

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00:07:20,360 --> 00:07:18,690

cold reading is not I suppose mentally

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00:07:22,550 --> 00:07:20,370

mentalism could include cold reading

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00:07:23,390 --> 00:07:22,560

except that cold reading is a very

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00:07:24,980 --> 00:07:23,400

simple

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00:07:27,350 --> 00:07:24,990

it's not the kind of thing that you

197

00:07:29,870 --> 00:07:27,360

would usually be very impressed by

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00:07:32,270 --> 00:07:29,880

unless you expect it to be true if you

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00:07:33,980 --> 00:07:32,280

go to a magic show then you expect to

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00:07:37,640 --> 00:07:33,990

see wonderful things like you know being

201
00:07:39,290 --> 00:07:37,650
able to read the number of a banknote

202
00:07:41,719 --> 00:07:39,300
that's hidden in an envelope and stuff

203
00:07:44,120 --> 00:07:41,729
like that yeah so it's it's a lot better

204
00:07:45,950 --> 00:07:44,130
than what people pretend you to be

205
00:07:47,779 --> 00:07:45,960
psychics to really do and look tell me

206
00:07:49,400 --> 00:07:47,789
as a skeptic have you encountered people

207
00:07:52,040 --> 00:07:49,410
that have seen really good magic shows

208
00:07:53,600 --> 00:07:52,050
and they they swear black and blue that

209
00:07:56,090 --> 00:07:53,610
there is actual magic going on there

210
00:07:58,490 --> 00:07:56,100
because the magician was that good it's

211
00:08:00,710 --> 00:07:58,500
usually yes i have but it usually

212
00:08:02,750 --> 00:08:00,720
happens when the magician is ambiguous

213
00:08:04,520 --> 00:08:02,760

about the message so for example with

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00:08:07,969 --> 00:08:04,530

darren brown we've seen that I haven't

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00:08:09,140 --> 00:08:07,979

seen Beth Derren Brown myself but people

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00:08:10,700 --> 00:08:09,150

were interviewed coming out of his shows

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00:08:12,350 --> 00:08:10,710

and because was especially in the early

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00:08:13,790 --> 00:08:12,360

years it was a little bit ambiguous

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00:08:16,610 --> 00:08:13,800

about whether what he was doing was

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00:08:19,909 --> 00:08:16,620

paranormal or a magic magic in the sense

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00:08:22,400 --> 00:08:19,919

of illusion and then some people believe

222

00:08:24,710 --> 00:08:22,410

that he had real powers but now he

223

00:08:25,790 --> 00:08:24,720

doesn't like I get confused for the term

224

00:08:27,469 --> 00:08:25,800

because if someone says they're

225

00:08:29,180 --> 00:08:27,479

Mentalist to me that always means that

226

00:08:31,520 --> 00:08:29,190

they're just slightly more legit than a

227

00:08:33,920 --> 00:08:31,530

psychic I would say they're a lot more

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00:08:37,519 --> 00:08:33,930

legit basically mentalism is a form of

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00:08:40,310 --> 00:08:37,529

magic okay right so it's a bit like you

230

00:08:41,870 --> 00:08:40,320

know when you're person who pulls a

231

00:08:43,519 --> 00:08:41,880

rabbit out of a hat you know that's

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00:08:45,949 --> 00:08:43,529

they're not pretending that that's

233

00:08:48,380 --> 00:08:45,959

really happening you like they've really

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00:08:50,060 --> 00:08:48,390

just made up the rabbit you know no it's

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00:08:52,390 --> 00:08:50,070

it's similar it's magic so should i

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00:08:55,100 --> 00:08:52,400

suspend my disbelief during this show I

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00:08:58,310 --> 00:08:55,110

think it would probably enjoy it more if

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00:08:59,660 --> 00:08:58,320

you do just a little bit right do you

239

00:09:01,699 --> 00:08:59,670

think they'll be a smarty bump some when

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00:09:03,620 --> 00:09:01,709

the audience going on how you did that

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00:09:05,210 --> 00:09:03,630

it doesn't usually happen with good

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00:09:09,319 --> 00:09:05,220

mentalism okay

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00:09:11,869 --> 00:09:09,329

you know fairly yeah if you if it's done

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00:09:13,999 --> 00:09:11,879

well then I'll on Team Orange doing some

245

00:09:15,590 --> 00:09:14,009

killer card tricks he's really good with

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00:09:16,879 --> 00:09:15,600

the close-up magic cards I've interests

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00:09:19,790 --> 00:09:16,889

to see how it goes on the stage tonight

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00:09:21,290 --> 00:09:19,800

I sure you'll be good I'm sure he'll be

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00:09:23,720 --> 00:09:21,300

good I've heard very good reviews by the

250

00:09:26,449 --> 00:09:23,730

show and have you felt about the work of

251

00:09:28,490 --> 00:09:26,459

darren brown as a skeptic Richard oh

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00:09:29,929 --> 00:09:28,500

that's a contentious issue because there

253

00:09:31,369 --> 00:09:29,939

are lots of people who understand what

254

00:09:33,740 --> 00:09:31,379

he's doing a lot of people who think

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00:09:35,240 --> 00:09:33,750

they understand what he's doing a lot of

256

00:09:37,280 --> 00:09:35,250

people aren't happy with what he's doing

257

00:09:40,550 --> 00:09:37,290

and then there are people who are okay

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00:09:42,230 --> 00:09:40,560

Yes Minister yes you were hedging your

259

00:09:43,670 --> 00:09:42,240

bets a few times there but like you'll

260

00:09:45,410 --> 00:09:43,680

be keeping quiet you won't be you won't

261

00:09:46,819 --> 00:09:45,420

be carrying on you up yelling out I'll

262

00:09:48,860 --> 00:09:46,829

be filling up boo are you have your

263

00:09:50,150 --> 00:09:48,870

skeptical you won't be cynical you won't

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00:09:54,170 --> 00:09:50,160

just be booing at inappropriate moments

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00:09:55,369 --> 00:09:54,180

now I'll keep my trap shut Wow look this

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00:09:57,259 --> 00:09:55,379

is the star any the thing I've been

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00:09:58,790 --> 00:09:57,269

looking forward to last night I went to

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00:10:01,009 --> 00:09:58,800

see a show that was called very strange

269

00:10:02,990 --> 00:10:01,019

things and look I didn't see a lot of

270

00:10:05,720 --> 00:10:03,000

strange things there but I was truly

271

00:10:07,699 --> 00:10:05,730

mystified Lawrence how are you great

272

00:10:09,199 --> 00:10:07,709

good to speak to you again may not look

273

00:10:10,040 --> 00:10:09,209

I was in the front row for your show and

274

00:10:11,329 --> 00:10:10,050

I hope that wasn't a bit off-putting

275

00:10:12,410 --> 00:10:11,339

because I realized you want to get

276

00:10:13,850 --> 00:10:12,420

people from the audience but you

277

00:10:16,369 --> 00:10:13,860

couldn't get people you knew up could

278

00:10:20,059 --> 00:10:16,379

you know i never get people up onto

279

00:10:21,559 --> 00:10:20,069

stage that i know so i think it's

280

00:10:23,299 --> 00:10:21,569

because with the type of show that this

281

00:10:27,410 --> 00:10:23,309

is people might think that they're

282

00:10:28,670 --> 00:10:27,420

actors or stooges or accomplices and you

283

00:10:31,639 --> 00:10:28,680

know generally i don't have you know any

284

00:10:33,410 --> 00:10:31,649

actors or stooges in the show so i like

285

00:10:35,569 --> 00:10:33,420

to look out into the audience and I

286

00:10:36,980 --> 00:10:35,579

generally choose people who are smiling

287

00:10:38,960 --> 00:10:36,990

and enjoying the show because it means

288

00:10:41,150 --> 00:10:38,970

that they'll be friendly on stage you

289

00:10:43,910 --> 00:10:41,160

know have nice personality not being you

290

00:10:46,100 --> 00:10:43,920

know dicks on stage yeah and and

291

00:10:48,290 --> 00:10:46,110

generally it's people who they're having

292

00:10:49,639 --> 00:10:48,300

a good time it makes a better show when

293

00:10:50,840 --> 00:10:49,649

everyone has a good time together the

294

00:10:52,429 --> 00:10:50,850

show has done the Melbourne comedy

295

00:10:53,900 --> 00:10:52,439

festival here for the Sydney Comedy

296

00:10:56,150 --> 00:10:53,910

Festival I believe you're going to Perth

297

00:10:58,579 --> 00:10:56,160

that's right so my show very strange

298

00:11:01,519 --> 00:10:58,589

things is going to the Perth comedy

299

00:11:03,860 --> 00:11:01,529

festival in may so may I think it's five

300

00:11:06,199 --> 00:11:03,870

six and seven it's the weekend there in

301
00:11:08,509 --> 00:11:06,209
the episode of May and yeah performing

302
00:11:09,829 --> 00:11:08,519
at the Town Hall in Perth I've never

303
00:11:11,360 --> 00:11:09,839
been there before I mean I've been to

304
00:11:12,710 --> 00:11:11,370
Perth but not to the town hall and I'll

305
00:11:14,329 --> 00:11:12,720
just you in town hall because there was

306
00:11:16,370 --> 00:11:14,339
a town hall in Melbourne wasn't that the

307
00:11:16,970 --> 00:11:16,380
universe was Sydney Town Hall birth town

308
00:11:18,949 --> 00:11:16,980
hall

309
00:11:20,900 --> 00:11:18,959
ah no one was at the malt house theatre

310
00:11:22,730 --> 00:11:20,910
but yes I played the town or before

311
00:11:25,970 --> 00:11:22,740
seems to be a comedy festival type thing

312
00:11:28,189 --> 00:11:25,980
to to have people funny buggers invade

313
00:11:29,629 --> 00:11:28,199

Civic buildings and of course you would

314

00:11:31,610 --> 00:11:29,639

of course know the show unbelievable

315

00:11:33,019 --> 00:11:31,620

producer just stepping in for second he

316

00:11:34,610 --> 00:11:33,029

does this you know and the thing is I

317

00:11:37,910 --> 00:11:34,620

think things are thought he was at home

318

00:11:39,079 --> 00:11:37,920

sleeping just to say that it's the sort

319

00:11:44,449 --> 00:11:39,089

of comedy that normally happens in a

320

00:11:46,400 --> 00:11:44,459

town hall right yeah I figured I could

321

00:11:48,290 --> 00:11:46,410

do some contribution so what about them

322

00:11:50,240 --> 00:11:48,300

going to Brisbane or you know some of

323

00:11:52,610 --> 00:11:50,250

regional areas yeah yeah there it's on

324

00:11:54,860 --> 00:11:52,620

on the cards on the on the planning

325

00:11:57,730 --> 00:11:54,870

table in the calendar I haven't fixed

326

00:11:59,600 --> 00:11:57,740

any dates just yet but in the meantime

327

00:12:01,340 --> 00:11:59,610

concentrating on this part of the tour

328

00:12:04,250 --> 00:12:01,350

first and then second half of the year

329

00:12:05,990 --> 00:12:04,260

we'll move the show to other parts of

330

00:12:07,550 --> 00:12:06,000

Australia because I have had a lot of

331

00:12:09,230 --> 00:12:07,560

people say in the fbook but why not bris

332

00:12:11,870 --> 00:12:09,240

must come come to Tasmania and it's like

333

00:12:14,269 --> 00:12:11,880

I want to so we just got to lock in the

334

00:12:16,490 --> 00:12:14,279

theaters and get it all planned and it's

335

00:12:18,139 --> 00:12:16,500

a show that I think can travel quite

336

00:12:19,990 --> 00:12:18,149

well I mean everywhere I performed it

337

00:12:24,019 --> 00:12:20,000

the crowds have been absolutely amazing

338

00:12:26,870 --> 00:12:24,029

they really enjoy a show which is both

339

00:12:29,290 --> 00:12:26,880

kind of I one hand entertaining but on

340

00:12:31,430 --> 00:12:29,300

the other hand it has a bit of sneaky

341

00:12:33,949 --> 00:12:31,440

education interval like I like to do

342

00:12:35,930 --> 00:12:33,959

stuff it that's from a skeptical bent

343

00:12:38,240 --> 00:12:35,940

and it's got buckets of your wit in it

344

00:12:40,220 --> 00:12:38,250

too I like like last night the the thing

345

00:12:42,199 --> 00:12:40,230

I wouldn't say impress me but the thing

346

00:12:43,819 --> 00:12:42,209

that I've really got to show is you were

347

00:12:46,100 --> 00:12:43,829

working hard and you were working

348

00:12:48,530 --> 00:12:46,110

efficiently through the whole shows like

349

00:12:49,550 --> 00:12:48,540

you're doing a sprint through it and it

350

00:12:51,050 --> 00:12:49,560

was great but you knew what you were

351

00:12:52,730 --> 00:12:51,060

doing you didn't trip over once it was

352

00:12:54,139 --> 00:12:52,740

one or two things didn't go well and you

353

00:12:55,970 --> 00:12:54,149

kept going it was almost like a

354

00:12:58,160 --> 00:12:55,980

Mentalist Tommy Cooper at one stage

355

00:12:59,650 --> 00:12:58,170

there yeah yeah I think it's important

356

00:13:01,970 --> 00:12:59,660

that when you do a show like this

357

00:13:04,460 --> 00:13:01,980

everything feels like it's flying on the

358

00:13:06,829 --> 00:13:04,470

set of its pants um you know I don't

359

00:13:10,460 --> 00:13:06,839

like to see shows which are you know

360

00:13:11,570 --> 00:13:10,470

boring so and if things go amazingly

361

00:13:13,910 --> 00:13:11,580

well that's great

362

00:13:15,680 --> 00:13:13,920

and if things kind of slip up it just

363

00:13:17,450 --> 00:13:15,690

makes it kind of fun because it means

364

00:13:19,370 --> 00:13:17,460

that every night it's different so I can

365

00:13:20,960 --> 00:13:19,380

play with the crowd and because no one

366

00:13:22,460 --> 00:13:20,970

everything's so unpredictable in the

367

00:13:25,850 --> 00:13:22,470

show I don't know what's going to happen

368

00:13:28,040 --> 00:13:25,860

once people are joining in and part of

369

00:13:30,080 --> 00:13:28,050

the show anything can happen and I've

370

00:13:32,030 --> 00:13:30,090

had some amazing stories and some crazy

371

00:13:34,130 --> 00:13:32,040

people coming up on stage and just

372

00:13:35,720 --> 00:13:34,140

there's one point where there's a part

373

00:13:36,860 --> 00:13:35,730

in the show without spoiling too much

374

00:13:37,880 --> 00:13:36,870

because I don't want to spoil the show

375

00:13:39,860 --> 00:13:37,890

that's the I'm not saying too much

376

00:13:41,720 --> 00:13:39,870

because I actually went along not

377

00:13:44,150 --> 00:13:41,730

knowing a thing about the show you could

378

00:13:46,310 --> 00:13:44,160

have been doing a documentary on

379

00:13:47,840 --> 00:13:46,320

paranormal fräulein ooh so I didn't know

380

00:13:49,910 --> 00:13:47,850

so and I just enjoy what I saw I was

381

00:13:52,850 --> 00:13:49,920

like yeah yeah there's our one one

382

00:13:56,540 --> 00:13:52,860

person in a show who stood up and and

383

00:13:58,220 --> 00:13:56,550

through their phone to the floor you

384

00:14:00,440 --> 00:13:58,230

know think thinking that I was almost

385

00:14:02,270 --> 00:14:00,450

demonic like I'd possess their phone Wow

386

00:14:03,410 --> 00:14:02,280

yeah yeah without giving away too much

387

00:14:05,990 --> 00:14:03,420

of what happens in that particular

388

00:14:10,100 --> 00:14:06,000

moment and that was fun and that was got

389

00:14:12,140 --> 00:14:10,110

purely just someone reacting so much to

390

00:14:13,550 --> 00:14:12,150

one of the effects in the show so

391

00:14:15,710 --> 00:14:13,560

basically the show for those of you

392

00:14:19,130 --> 00:14:15,720

don't know it's a it's kinda bout my

393

00:14:22,730 --> 00:14:19,140

experiences experimenting and also

394

00:14:24,200 --> 00:14:22,740

dabbling in experimenting if there is

395

00:14:28,040 --> 00:14:24,210

such a thing as the paranormal and

396

00:14:29,840 --> 00:14:28,050

supernatural things out there and over

397

00:14:31,340 --> 00:14:29,850

the years I've you know researched and

398

00:14:35,390 --> 00:14:31,350

found out a lot of different techniques

399

00:14:38,990 --> 00:14:35,400

of how fake psychics and charlatans do

400

00:14:41,630 --> 00:14:39,000

their things and I basically demonstrate

401
00:14:45,140 --> 00:14:41,640
that on stage with a live audience had

402
00:14:46,700 --> 00:14:45,150
people that go no no you have got the

403
00:14:48,380 --> 00:14:46,710
gift have you had people have said no

404
00:14:49,910 --> 00:14:48,390
you haven't got you know I know and your

405
00:14:52,040 --> 00:14:49,920
show unbelievable there was a woman that

406
00:14:53,270 --> 00:14:52,050
you could not convince yeah you had were

407
00:14:56,750 --> 00:14:53,280
faking it but has that happened in the

408
00:14:59,060 --> 00:14:56,760
show ah I've had people come up with all

409
00:15:01,040 --> 00:14:59,070
sorts of theories not one that would be

410
00:15:03,440 --> 00:15:01,050
saying that I'm a psychic because I

411
00:15:05,510 --> 00:15:03,450
emphatically throughout the entire show

412
00:15:09,110 --> 00:15:05,520
but always every time I do something

413
00:15:12,530 --> 00:15:09,120

which is psychic I say I'm not a psychic

414

00:15:14,150 --> 00:15:12,540

and and i love that delicious irony of

415

00:15:16,280 --> 00:15:14,160

the fact that i can be more accurate

416

00:15:18,230 --> 00:15:16,290

than most people who claim to be psychic

417

00:15:20,780 --> 00:15:18,240

despite the fact that i'm in no way

418

00:15:22,970 --> 00:15:20,790

psychic at all i am doing illusions

419

00:15:24,480 --> 00:15:22,980

their psychological illusions but

420

00:15:25,980 --> 00:15:24,490

they're certainly not psychic

421

00:15:27,930 --> 00:15:25,990

here's a question I have to ask you

422

00:15:29,400 --> 00:15:27,940

because you do great close-up magic I've

423

00:15:31,829 --> 00:15:29,410

seen you and Adam the world's greatest

424

00:15:33,090 --> 00:15:31,839

teacher doing some absolutely brilliant

425

00:15:35,160 --> 00:15:33,100

card tricks in front of me you do

426

00:15:37,680 --> 00:15:35,170

there's some great card tricks and I

427

00:15:40,320 --> 00:15:37,690

spoke to a magician last night who was

428

00:15:42,810 --> 00:15:40,330

very upset with the the likes of Penn &

429

00:15:44,790 --> 00:15:42,820

Teller because he thought that they they

430

00:15:47,100 --> 00:15:44,800

in some way bring the whole magic

431

00:15:49,050 --> 00:15:47,110

industry into disrepute by giving stuff

432

00:15:50,730 --> 00:15:49,060

away and let and treating the whole

433

00:15:53,670 --> 00:15:50,740

thing is as if letting some of the

434

00:15:57,329 --> 00:15:53,680

secret go and I'm a big dependent Ella

435

00:15:58,710 --> 00:15:57,339

fan and he specifically did the thick

436

00:16:00,540 --> 00:15:58,720

where they do the cups and balls with

437

00:16:02,400 --> 00:16:00,550

the clear cups and balls now after

438

00:16:03,870 --> 00:16:02,410

watching that you are no wiser is to

439

00:16:05,250 --> 00:16:03,880

have the cups and balls are done and I

440

00:16:06,840 --> 00:16:05,260

don't think it actually ruins a trick

441

00:16:08,610 --> 00:16:06,850

but how do you feel about that attitude

442

00:16:09,870 --> 00:16:08,620

from some in the in the magic game that

443

00:16:11,820 --> 00:16:09,880

think that they they bring the whole

444

00:16:13,829 --> 00:16:11,830

thing down a bit yeah right it's

445

00:16:18,960 --> 00:16:13,839

interesting because I I'm not part of

446

00:16:20,880 --> 00:16:18,970

any magic circle or subscribe to any I'm

447

00:16:22,710 --> 00:16:20,890

not really a magician like I just like

448

00:16:25,110 --> 00:16:22,720

to know I know how things are done and

449

00:16:27,449 --> 00:16:25,120

as a hobby and also someone who loves

450

00:16:28,949 --> 00:16:27,459

this world I do a lot of research and I

451
00:16:32,370 --> 00:16:28,959
do have hang out with a lot of magicians

452
00:16:34,110 --> 00:16:32,380
as well a lot of my friends are but I

453
00:16:35,699 --> 00:16:34,120
don't see myself as a magician as such

454
00:16:39,870 --> 00:16:35,709
so when it comes to the ethics of

455
00:16:42,930 --> 00:16:39,880
busting tricks it's it's about what what

456
00:16:45,900 --> 00:16:42,940
is the the where does the rule come from

457
00:16:49,470 --> 00:16:45,910
and why and on one hand if we talk about

458
00:16:52,889 --> 00:16:49,480
in terms of the secret the secret is to

459
00:16:55,170 --> 00:16:52,899
preserve someone's mystery or profession

460
00:16:56,730 --> 00:16:55,180
because it's their job right so I can

461
00:16:58,440 --> 00:16:56,740
understand it for professional point of

462
00:17:00,269 --> 00:16:58,450
view it's protecting their jobs because

463
00:17:02,670 --> 00:17:00,279

it's a job that relies on secrets and

464

00:17:04,470 --> 00:17:02,680

mystery but personally I think it's more

465

00:17:07,260 --> 00:17:04,480

of a philosophical question because it

466

00:17:09,299 --> 00:17:07,270

is ultimately about where do you where

467

00:17:10,949 --> 00:17:09,309

in magic does the mystery lie does it

468

00:17:13,559 --> 00:17:10,959

lie in the minds of the audience or not

469

00:17:17,910 --> 00:17:13,569

now there's a there are people who feel

470

00:17:19,860 --> 00:17:17,920

like magic can only get better if if the

471

00:17:23,910 --> 00:17:19,870

obvious tricks all the tricks which are

472

00:17:27,329 --> 00:17:23,920

stock standard or cliched or to be blunt

473

00:17:29,700 --> 00:17:27,339

hack if those tricks are exposed by

474

00:17:32,100 --> 00:17:29,710

people of the caliber of say Penn and

475

00:17:33,659 --> 00:17:32,110

Teller maybe it will force the industry

476
00:17:35,760 --> 00:17:33,669
and the magicians to make better tricks

477
00:17:36,980 --> 00:17:35,770
and better not better tricks the better

478
00:17:39,950 --> 00:17:36,990
methods

479
00:17:41,840 --> 00:17:39,960
and I am NOT hundred percent familiar

480
00:17:43,100 --> 00:17:41,850
with the routine with the clear cups and

481
00:17:45,410 --> 00:17:43,110
balls i think i've seen it on youtube

482
00:17:46,910 --> 00:17:45,420
i'm not familiar with the methods cuz i

483
00:17:48,380 --> 00:17:46,920
haven't sat down and like you know

484
00:17:51,049 --> 00:17:48,390
reverse engineered and watch it but to

485
00:17:53,180 --> 00:17:51,059
me it's it's it's not about exposing

486
00:17:55,310 --> 00:17:53,190
magic to me it's about celebrating the

487
00:17:57,080 --> 00:17:55,320
history of the cups and balls which is

488
00:18:00,740 --> 00:17:57,090

what the presentations about it's about

489

00:18:03,620 --> 00:18:00,750

the love of magic and then penn teller

490

00:18:05,630 --> 00:18:03,630

top that by doing it with showing you

491

00:18:07,520 --> 00:18:05,640

how they do it with clear cuts balls but

492

00:18:08,990 --> 00:18:07,530

then they always do the thing at the end

493

00:18:10,430 --> 00:18:09,000

of their routines once they expose

494

00:18:13,370 --> 00:18:10,440

something then they could cause amp you

495

00:18:17,240 --> 00:18:13,380

cuz I'm pew with a method you could not

496

00:18:19,100 --> 00:18:17,250

have imagined and then top it so and I

497

00:18:21,560 --> 00:18:19,110

do similar things in this show I early

498

00:18:23,630 --> 00:18:21,570

on the show I make things look very easy

499

00:18:27,470 --> 00:18:23,640

and within their bilmes of credibility

500

00:18:29,900 --> 00:18:27,480

or believability and then a few scenes

501
00:18:32,110 --> 00:18:29,910
later in my show very strange things I

502
00:18:36,260 --> 00:18:32,120
will hopefully gives up the audience by

503
00:18:38,360 --> 00:18:36,270
going ramping it from 10 to 200 really

504
00:18:40,490 --> 00:18:38,370
percent really quickly and then

505
00:18:44,120 --> 00:18:40,500
hopefully leave the audience with a

506
00:18:46,549 --> 00:18:44,130
head-scratching but also to preserve the

507
00:18:48,680 --> 00:18:46,559
mystery so without giving away too much

508
00:18:51,500 --> 00:18:48,690
in the show I do challenged the audience

509
00:18:52,430 --> 00:18:51,510
to inquire inside their own minds

510
00:18:54,740 --> 00:18:52,440
whether they want to be someone who

511
00:18:57,080 --> 00:18:54,750
knows everything or someone who enjoys

512
00:18:58,669 --> 00:18:57,090
mystery and since it shows all about

513
00:19:00,200 --> 00:18:58,679

science I don't know what is your

514

00:19:02,150 --> 00:19:00,210

favorite scientific invention or

515

00:19:04,820 --> 00:19:02,160

discovery I mean I'm a big fan of the

516

00:19:06,140 --> 00:19:04,830

earbud these simple everyday here but I

517

00:19:07,549 --> 00:19:06,150

mean someone had to learn how to and he

518

00:19:08,930 --> 00:19:07,559

had to wrap that cotton and we use it

519

00:19:11,150 --> 00:19:08,940

every day I mean think that's a pretty

520

00:19:14,510 --> 00:19:11,160

good thing I mean ok it's not fire but

521

00:19:17,540 --> 00:19:14,520

it's good I think so it depends on the

522

00:19:19,730 --> 00:19:17,550

situation like if we're in a apocalyptic

523

00:19:21,950 --> 00:19:19,740

situation I think can opener well this

524

00:19:25,700 --> 00:19:21,960

would be a very good invention it's true

525

00:19:28,610 --> 00:19:25,710

um ah the toilet is a very good

526

00:19:30,049 --> 00:19:28,620

invention ok zombie me is not zombie

527

00:19:32,990 --> 00:19:30,059

apocalypse you're gonna go with the

528

00:19:34,669 --> 00:19:33,000

shotgun or the baseball bat oh god yeah

529

00:19:36,380 --> 00:19:34,679

that's always a tough one I think I'd

530

00:19:38,510 --> 00:19:36,390

have to go the base book no you know

531

00:19:39,950 --> 00:19:38,520

what I'll go the shotgun ok because once

532

00:19:41,630 --> 00:19:39,960

it runs out of bullets you can use it

533

00:19:43,010 --> 00:19:41,640

like a baseball bat it's like two things

534

00:19:45,350 --> 00:19:43,020

that's to be close quarters and

535

00:19:46,700 --> 00:19:45,360

long-range and also the the shotgun

536

00:19:48,140 --> 00:19:46,710

would have to have a strap so I can wear

537

00:19:48,750 --> 00:19:48,150

over my shoulder because if I have to

538

00:19:50,280 --> 00:19:48,760

run with

539

00:19:52,680 --> 00:19:50,290

a baseball bat I may not be able to

540

00:19:54,540 --> 00:19:52,690

climb things I'm thinking about this I'm

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00:19:56,970 --> 00:19:54,550

thinking about this yeah in this

542

00:19:58,830 --> 00:19:56,980

apocalyptic scenario wow that is great

543

00:20:01,110 --> 00:19:58,840

and have you had anyone in the show yet

544

00:20:02,790 --> 00:20:01,120

that's gone I know how I do I know how

545

00:20:05,310 --> 00:20:02,800

you do that just try to almost ruin the

546

00:20:06,870 --> 00:20:05,320

show for you ah some smartass kid no I

547

00:20:08,820 --> 00:20:06,880

haven't any I've had some smart asses

548

00:20:10,140 --> 00:20:08,830

but they're always wrong like that's

549

00:20:15,500 --> 00:20:10,150

yeah and that's why it's so entertaining

550

00:20:18,090 --> 00:20:15,510

because the most often I get accused of

551
00:20:20,550 --> 00:20:18,100
having Stooges or actors in the show

552
00:20:22,830 --> 00:20:20,560
because they can't think of any other

553
00:20:24,600 --> 00:20:22,840
way it could be done and there are no

554
00:20:26,580 --> 00:20:24,610
stitches or actors in the show but to me

555
00:20:28,110 --> 00:20:26,590
I've take this as almost the ultimately

556
00:20:30,180 --> 00:20:28,120
what you ain't sharing the door with

557
00:20:33,150 --> 00:20:30,190
anybody yeah I'm not sharing my my

558
00:20:34,470 --> 00:20:33,160
ticket money with anyone and also think

559
00:20:36,690 --> 00:20:34,480
of the practicalities of me having to

560
00:20:38,340 --> 00:20:36,700
travel around the country with different

561
00:20:39,360 --> 00:20:38,350
people to for every single show because

562
00:20:40,760 --> 00:20:39,370
people are coming back and they're

563
00:20:43,050 --> 00:20:40,770

bringing their friends and their family

564

00:20:44,670 --> 00:20:43,060

coming back to the show so why would you

565

00:20:46,080 --> 00:20:44,680

have the same actors dressed in

566

00:20:48,630 --> 00:20:46,090

different mustaches and hats or

567

00:20:50,490 --> 00:20:48,640

something it'd be like Laurent and each

568

00:20:52,920 --> 00:20:50,500

crisis actors for his magic Joe you know

569

00:20:54,240 --> 00:20:52,930

what yeah well our purposes can look

570

00:20:55,170 --> 00:20:54,250

forward to that it's only a couple of

571

00:20:58,530 --> 00:20:55,180

shows you're doing there at the town

572

00:21:00,600 --> 00:20:58,540

hall isn't it yeah it's a may five six

573

00:21:03,030 --> 00:21:00,610

and seven or six seven eight one of

574

00:21:06,540 --> 00:21:03,040

those yeah I just have to go to the

575

00:21:08,490 --> 00:21:06,550

Perth comedy festival com website combo

576

00:21:09,780 --> 00:21:08,500

you I think it is and what about what

577

00:21:11,340 --> 00:21:09,790

about you yourself online where can

578

00:21:13,350 --> 00:21:11,350

people find you online where you've got

579

00:21:15,720 --> 00:21:13,360

the landing page for all this stuff oh

580

00:21:18,270 --> 00:21:15,730

yeah it's basically my facebook page

581

00:21:20,610 --> 00:21:18,280

it's called a lawrence learn official i

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00:21:23,760 --> 00:21:20,620

think just do a search for it actually

583

00:21:26,250 --> 00:21:23,770

or I'm on instagram and twitter as well

584

00:21:29,880 --> 00:21:26,260

so on twitter i'm lawrence underscore

585

00:21:31,740 --> 00:21:29,890

learn and on instagram i am mr. Lawrence

586

00:21:34,560 --> 00:21:31,750

loom but i'm sure all the links will be

587

00:21:35,490 --> 00:21:34,570

provided with this podcast interview I'd

588

00:21:37,170 --> 00:21:35,500

probably have asked you this question

589

00:21:39,900 --> 00:21:37,180

before and I do ask do all the skeptics

590

00:21:41,430 --> 00:21:39,910

there if one woo was true what would you

591

00:21:42,870 --> 00:21:41,440

want that to be would you like it I

592

00:21:44,910 --> 00:21:42,880

don't know speaking to the dead or any

593

00:21:46,800 --> 00:21:44,920

other kind of what we would you want to

594

00:21:49,380 --> 00:21:46,810

be true I don't want to speak to the

595

00:21:50,940 --> 00:21:49,390

dead i find that kind of morbid I don't

596

00:21:52,530 --> 00:21:50,950

want to be able to read people's minds

597

00:21:54,870 --> 00:21:52,540

because I think once you can do that it

598

00:21:55,680 --> 00:21:54,880

takes away the mystery in the world and

599

00:21:56,940 --> 00:21:55,690

then I'll start become more

600

00:22:00,029 --> 00:21:56,950

self-conscious because I spent my entire

601
00:22:02,039 --> 00:22:00,039
time worrying what people think about me

602
00:22:04,619 --> 00:22:02,049
and that would be the worst thing ever

603
00:22:06,210 --> 00:22:04,629
to actually be constantly hearing what's

604
00:22:07,979 --> 00:22:06,220
in people's heads you'll actually be

605
00:22:09,539 --> 00:22:07,989
bored with life because there'll be no

606
00:22:12,960 --> 00:22:09,549
mystery left and also the potential

607
00:22:15,570 --> 00:22:12,970
cacophony yeah absolutely so the word

608
00:22:20,269 --> 00:22:15,580
that I want to be able to be real if it

609
00:22:22,950 --> 00:22:20,279
could be one and I guess finding water

610
00:22:24,450 --> 00:22:22,960
divining because you know once again in

611
00:22:27,269 --> 00:22:24,460
the apocalypse when the zombies come out

612
00:22:29,879 --> 00:22:27,279
I need fresh water so so if I could

613
00:22:31,849 --> 00:22:29,889

divine where water sources would be and

614

00:22:33,659 --> 00:22:31,859

I have my shotgun I think I'll be fine

615

00:22:35,519 --> 00:22:33,669

Lawrence thanks a lot you and your

616

00:22:37,139 --> 00:22:35,529

shotgun and welcome on this show anytime

617

00:22:40,979 --> 00:22:37,149

I sound like a right-winger all of a

618

00:23:00,690 --> 00:22:40,989

sudden guns guns guns great to talk to

619

00:23:07,810 --> 00:23:04,960

secrets of the psychics Australian

620

00:23:11,500 --> 00:23:07,820

skeptics Sydney dinner meeting fourth of

621

00:23:14,470 --> 00:23:11,510

June epi ride Eastwood leagues club in

622

00:23:18,250 --> 00:23:14,480

west riding in preparation for the visit

623

00:23:19,899 --> 00:23:18,260

by psychic medium John Edward to

624

00:23:21,669 --> 00:23:19,909

Australia we're thrilled to have a

625

00:23:24,700 --> 00:23:21,679

special event for our next dinner

626
00:23:27,279 --> 00:23:24,710
meeting in Sydney a double apt with a

627
00:23:30,940 --> 00:23:27,289
demonstration of psychic powers by self

628
00:23:32,680 --> 00:23:30,950
professed psychic Nellie Klein and an

629
00:23:35,259 --> 00:23:32,690
explanation of the psychic skills by

630
00:23:38,169 --> 00:23:35,269
Richard Saunders judge of the psychic TV

631
00:23:40,000 --> 00:23:38,179
challenge show the one and senior

632
00:23:42,700 --> 00:23:40,010
investigator for Australian skeptic

633
00:23:44,669 --> 00:23:42,710
sinker miss Klein has agreed to do

634
00:23:48,009 --> 00:23:44,679
readings of members of our audience

635
00:23:50,500 --> 00:23:48,019
giving you the chance to see psychic

636
00:23:52,480 --> 00:23:50,510
powers in action and see how accurate

637
00:23:54,820 --> 00:23:52,490
they are Richard will follow this with a

638
00:23:57,519 --> 00:23:54,830

presentation of psychic tricks of the

639

00:24:00,850 --> 00:23:57,529

trade using his extensive knowledge and

640

00:24:02,259 --> 00:24:00,860

confrontation with claimers it sounds

641

00:24:04,570 --> 00:24:02,269

interesting i might even go to this one

642

00:24:06,399 --> 00:24:04,580

myself so that's the australian skeptics

643

00:24:09,730 --> 00:24:06,409

our dinner meeting the fourth of june at

644

00:24:14,740 --> 00:24:09,740

the ride eastwood leagues club and west

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00:24:16,389 --> 00:24:14,750

ryde are 6 34 7 15 it says cost is fifty

646

00:24:18,100 --> 00:24:16,399

dollars per person which includes a

647

00:24:21,310 --> 00:24:18,110

buffet dinner and the dinners they're up

648

00:24:24,009 --> 00:24:21,320

40 damn good plus a lucky door prize

649

00:24:50,920 --> 00:24:24,019

somebody will get their ticket refunded

650

00:25:07,340 --> 00:24:54,920

it's the raw skeptic report with Heidi

651
00:25:09,800 --> 00:25:07,350
Robertson well here i am at elfin pub in

652
00:25:11,210 --> 00:25:09,810
northern New South Wales beautiful pub

653
00:25:14,120 --> 00:25:11,220
great food if you're ever in the area

654
00:25:17,570 --> 00:25:14,130
and i'm pleased to say this is the

655
00:25:20,660 --> 00:25:17,580
inaugural skeptics in the pub in

656
00:25:24,890 --> 00:25:20,670
northern New South Wales the epicenter

657
00:25:26,480 --> 00:25:24,900
of pseudoscience some may say we've

658
00:25:29,450 --> 00:25:26,490
actually got quite a good turnout for

659
00:25:32,480 --> 00:25:29,460
our first for our first event we've got

660
00:25:35,990 --> 00:25:32,490
about 15 people here which is good all

661
00:25:37,520 --> 00:25:36,000
ages all walks of life it's just I can't

662
00:25:40,670 --> 00:25:37,530
tell you how good it is to be sitting

663
00:25:43,580 --> 00:25:40,680

around a table of like-minded people in

664

00:25:46,370 --> 00:25:43,590

the northern rivers absolutely fantastic

665

00:25:49,850 --> 00:25:46,380

I'm about to do a a two-minute little

666

00:25:51,530 --> 00:25:49,860

talk on what skepticism is I'm doing a

667

00:25:55,340 --> 00:25:51,540

disclaimer to start with that I am

668

00:25:57,890 --> 00:25:55,350

certainly no expert in this but my own

669

00:26:00,830 --> 00:25:57,900

experiences thus far and and what I've

670

00:26:03,260 --> 00:26:00,840

learned so hopefully we'll be doing a

671

00:26:07,850 --> 00:26:03,270

lot more of these and maybe some other

672

00:26:09,830 --> 00:26:07,860

reports in the future and here we are in

673

00:26:12,110 --> 00:26:09,840

the inaugural skeptics in the pub in

674

00:26:14,200 --> 00:26:12,120

northern New South Wales and who we got

675

00:26:16,420 --> 00:26:14,210

here Leonie price

676

00:26:18,460 --> 00:26:16,430

leone and you were the one that

677

00:26:21,130 --> 00:26:18,470

instigated this thank you so much for

678

00:26:22,690 --> 00:26:21,140

doing it I've been as you know wanting

679

00:26:24,220 --> 00:26:22,700

to do it for a very long time but you

680

00:26:28,690 --> 00:26:24,230

were the one that got it all together so

681

00:26:32,050 --> 00:26:28,700

thank you can you tell us why what what

682

00:26:33,400 --> 00:26:32,060

was your inspiration for for starting

683

00:26:36,490 --> 00:26:33,410

skeptics in the pub in the northern

684

00:26:38,170 --> 00:26:36,500

rivers well firstly I wanted to meet all

685

00:26:42,070 --> 00:26:38,180

the wonderful people I've been talking

686

00:26:44,830 --> 00:26:42,080

to online but secondly I wanted to

687

00:26:46,810 --> 00:26:44,840

network and just find out what their

688

00:26:51,150 --> 00:26:46,820

main interests were in relation to

689

00:26:54,070 --> 00:26:51,160

skepticism tell me what your particular

690

00:26:58,510 --> 00:26:54,080

interest in the areas skepticism is is

691

00:27:03,130 --> 00:26:58,520

it like Bigfoot or UFOs or tell us what

692

00:27:06,160 --> 00:27:03,140

you're most drawn to the major issue

693

00:27:09,040 --> 00:27:06,170

that I'm interested in has to do with

694

00:27:12,790 --> 00:27:09,050

vaccinations when I first moved up here

695

00:27:16,090 --> 00:27:12,800

I came from a family where everyone was

696

00:27:20,110 --> 00:27:16,100

vaccinated no one questioned it I had a

697

00:27:22,900 --> 00:27:20,120

mother who used to nurse babies who died

698

00:27:24,730 --> 00:27:22,910

from scourge that are no longer a

699

00:27:28,950 --> 00:27:24,740

problem now

700

00:27:33,669 --> 00:27:28,960

died from measles chicken hops

701
00:27:37,480 --> 00:27:33,679
diphtheria things that just unknown now

702
00:27:40,150 --> 00:27:37,490
you don't get diphtheria and yes last

703
00:27:42,820 --> 00:27:40,160
week there was a young lady out in

704
00:27:45,400 --> 00:27:42,830
casino for diphtheria from someone who

705
00:27:48,060 --> 00:27:45,410
came in from overseas and the reason for

706
00:27:51,760 --> 00:27:48,070
that is the low vaccination rate in the

707
00:27:54,580 --> 00:27:51,770
barossa class yes when I first moved up

708
00:27:58,090 --> 00:27:54,590
here pissed here there was a whooping

709
00:28:01,090 --> 00:27:58,100
cough outbreak and unfortunately there

710
00:28:03,730 --> 00:28:01,100
are a couple of babies who died and I

711
00:28:06,460 --> 00:28:03,740
was gobsmacked to you I couldn't believe

712
00:28:09,070 --> 00:28:06,470
in this day and age the two precious

713
00:28:12,210 --> 00:28:09,080

children could die from a disease that

714

00:28:16,930 --> 00:28:12,220

should not happen when I discovered that

715

00:28:19,000 --> 00:28:16,940

the major Eddie vaccination network was

716

00:28:21,340 --> 00:28:19,010

operating out of here and they were

717

00:28:25,390 --> 00:28:21,350

vilified these families who had lost

718

00:28:28,630 --> 00:28:25,400

babies I became very angry and that's

719

00:28:30,520 --> 00:28:28,640

that was my in and and you joined the

720

00:28:33,520 --> 00:28:30,530

northern rivers vaccinations what I did

721

00:28:36,060 --> 00:28:33,530

I did and so that is how I became

722

00:28:39,310 --> 00:28:36,070

involved just just the horror of

723

00:28:42,370 --> 00:28:39,320

children dying when it's completely

724

00:28:45,040 --> 00:28:42,380

unnecessary yeah and it all comes back

725

00:28:46,419 --> 00:28:45,050

to people's inability to beep

726

00:28:49,359 --> 00:28:46,429

skeptically

727

00:28:54,009 --> 00:28:49,369

and assess whether what they're being

728

00:28:55,869 --> 00:28:54,019

told is valid or whether it's just off

729

00:28:57,159 --> 00:28:55,879

with the fairies yeah we have until

730

00:28:59,320 --> 00:28:57,169

about critical thinking there's no

731

00:29:02,560 --> 00:28:59,330

exactly well thank you lee I'll let you

732

00:29:04,239 --> 00:29:02,570

get back to your local groups and thank

733

00:29:07,869 --> 00:29:04,249

you very much for organizing it okay

734

00:29:10,359 --> 00:29:07,879

thank you and I'm here with a another

735

00:29:12,580 --> 00:29:10,369

young man now who has joined us for the

736

00:29:13,899 --> 00:29:12,590

inaugural skeptics in the pub and whom

737

00:29:16,060 --> 00:29:13,909

we got here what's your name my name's

738

00:29:19,119 --> 00:29:16,070

David Oh David you're from the States

739

00:29:21,879 --> 00:29:19,129

but Sam's been yes yes and can you tell

740

00:29:23,830 --> 00:29:21,889

us what drew you here today to skip its

741

00:29:26,169 --> 00:29:23,840

recovery I was involved with skeptics

742

00:29:27,940 --> 00:29:26,179

movement activities in the states and we

743

00:29:30,220 --> 00:29:27,950

haven't had anything like that here in a

744

00:29:33,060 --> 00:29:30,230

while since I've been here there's a lot

745

00:29:34,899 --> 00:29:33,070

of whoo going on so okay no it's cool

746

00:29:38,440 --> 00:29:34,909

sort of like this I'm really excited

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00:29:42,430 --> 00:29:38,450

about it good and tell us what what irks

748

00:29:44,909 --> 00:29:42,440

you the most what is your particular bad

749

00:29:48,070 --> 00:29:44,919

fear when it comes to pseudoscience

750

00:29:50,080 --> 00:29:48,080

anti-vaccine certainly comes to mind I

751
00:29:51,399 --> 00:29:50,090
think that does a lot of damage okay and

752
00:29:54,549 --> 00:29:51,409
anything else in particular you're

753
00:29:56,289 --> 00:29:54,559
interested in the whole UFOs and like

754
00:29:58,389 --> 00:29:56,299
moon landings and definitely interested

755
00:30:00,159 --> 00:29:58,399
in the stuff here always it says that

756
00:30:03,100 --> 00:30:00,169
conspiracy culprits it's fascinating

757
00:30:05,320 --> 00:30:03,110
stuff but yes sir yeah I always hoping

758
00:30:07,330 --> 00:30:05,330
to talk about that great well thank you

759
00:30:09,070 --> 00:30:07,340
very much for coming and we look forward

760
00:30:12,220 --> 00:30:09,080
to seeing you at Santa skeptics in the

761
00:30:15,220 --> 00:30:12,230
pub in the future thank you much and

762
00:30:17,379 --> 00:30:15,230
here i am with Peter at the first

763
00:30:19,509 --> 00:30:17,389

skeptics in the pub and Peter what

764

00:30:22,629 --> 00:30:19,519

brought you here today and I've never

765

00:30:26,619 --> 00:30:22,639

been in a skeptics group but I am quite

766

00:30:28,330 --> 00:30:26,629

skeptical about pseudoscience and have

767

00:30:31,659 --> 00:30:28,340

you always been that way or was there

768

00:30:34,029 --> 00:30:31,669

something that that's always always even

769

00:30:36,460 --> 00:30:34,039

it's a show everything yeah yeah I did a

770

00:30:38,859 --> 00:30:36,470

science degree at school so I mean not

771

00:30:41,590 --> 00:30:38,869

at all at universities oh did you yes

772

00:30:44,139 --> 00:30:41,600

right so you're you're well-versed in

773

00:30:45,700 --> 00:30:44,149

the scientific method and and does it

774

00:30:47,259 --> 00:30:45,710

drive you crazy living in an area like

775

00:30:49,570 --> 00:30:47,269

this where there is a lot of

776

00:30:52,869 --> 00:30:49,580

pseudoscience and miscegenation yeah I

777

00:30:54,220 --> 00:30:52,879

do feel quite alone in the place well

778

00:30:56,560 --> 00:30:54,230

you're certainly not alone in the

779

00:30:59,820 --> 00:30:56,570

society but here's why I came it's your

780

00:31:02,019 --> 00:30:59,830

honor and tell me is there some sort of

781

00:31:06,759 --> 00:31:02,029

pseudoscience in particular that really

782

00:31:08,649 --> 00:31:06,769

irks you it's your boat well it's a kind

783

00:31:11,739 --> 00:31:08,659

of pseudoscience that ignores basic

784

00:31:15,519 --> 00:31:11,749

physics maybe your basic chemistry or

785

00:31:18,820 --> 00:31:15,529

biology give you an example of that okay

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00:31:21,369 --> 00:31:18,830

well I saw a documentary put out by the

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00:31:26,169 --> 00:31:21,379

Theosophical Society just recently that

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00:31:29,470 --> 00:31:26,179

had a diagram in it of the Sun revolving

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00:31:31,330 --> 00:31:29,480

around Sirius and claiming that every

790

00:31:34,480 --> 00:31:31,340

twenty-four thousand years the Sun and

791

00:31:37,210 --> 00:31:34,490

serious orbit each other which makes

792

00:31:39,260 --> 00:31:37,220

this our son and serious a kind of twin

793

00:31:43,770 --> 00:31:39,270

star

794

00:31:45,660 --> 00:31:43,780

in the diagram was kind of interesting

795

00:31:47,250 --> 00:31:45,670

but learn it when I thought about it I

796

00:31:50,430 --> 00:31:47,260

thought well there's other stars between

797

00:31:53,430 --> 00:31:50,440

the Sun and serious there's Alpha

798

00:31:55,530 --> 00:31:53,440

Centauri which is a cluster of stars so

799

00:31:57,780 --> 00:31:55,540

sunt the Sun and serious are revolving

800

00:32:00,810 --> 00:31:57,790

around each other and this there are

801
00:32:02,310 --> 00:32:00,820
other stars nearer than Syria's then the

802
00:32:05,670 --> 00:32:02,320
whole thing must be gravitationally

803
00:32:07,950 --> 00:32:05,680
bound not just the Sun and serious and I

804
00:32:10,170 --> 00:32:07,960
thought well actually I've never heard

805
00:32:13,470 --> 00:32:10,180
of that in astronomy and where on earth

806
00:32:18,560 --> 00:32:13,480
does it come from how come you know an

807
00:32:21,720 --> 00:32:18,570
idea like that can be propagated from a

808
00:32:25,710 --> 00:32:21,730
society like with the esophagus society

809
00:32:27,360 --> 00:32:25,720
which has got lots of adherent admit I I

810
00:32:29,280 --> 00:32:27,370
haven't really come across a lot of

811
00:32:31,080 --> 00:32:29,290
pseudoscience in the field of astronomy

812
00:32:33,630 --> 00:32:31,090
but maybe that's because I haven't

813
00:32:35,880 --> 00:32:33,640

really been looking for them ticular but

814

00:32:37,680 --> 00:32:35,890

yeah well I don't think you'll find she

815

00:32:44,250 --> 00:32:37,690

decides on the field of astronomy not

816

00:32:45,900 --> 00:32:44,260

know get a feel of theosophy yes right

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00:32:47,790 --> 00:32:45,910

oh thank you Peter I'll let you get back

818

00:32:49,920 --> 00:32:47,800

to your lunch and hopefully we'll see

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00:32:53,000 --> 00:32:49,930

you at all skeptics in the pubs in the

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00:32:56,150 --> 00:32:53,010

future thank you

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00:32:59,930 --> 00:32:56,160

and here i am with a lovely lady who has

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00:33:03,170 --> 00:32:59,940

been to several skeptics events with me

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00:33:06,470 --> 00:33:03,180

in the past if we got here Doreen possum

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00:33:08,180 --> 00:33:06,480

alo Doreen and are you very excited

825

00:33:12,530 --> 00:33:08,190

about this inaugural skeptics in the pub

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00:33:14,870 --> 00:33:12,540

in the northern rivers excited is a bit

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00:33:16,700 --> 00:33:14,880

of an exaggeration but are using I can

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00:33:18,050 --> 00:33:16,710

see the excitement on your place come on

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00:33:21,650 --> 00:33:18,060

you can hardly prevent yourself from

830

00:33:23,390 --> 00:33:21,660

jumping jack and the old I'm jumping up

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00:33:25,700 --> 00:33:23,400

and down and you were saying earlier

832

00:33:27,290 --> 00:33:25,710

that you've been involved in skepticism

833

00:33:30,020 --> 00:33:27,300

for probably the last couple of years

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00:33:33,320 --> 00:33:30,030

what was it that initially drew you to

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00:33:36,470 --> 00:33:33,330

it yeah I know I've always been a

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00:33:39,740 --> 00:33:36,480

skeptic and I was involved with stop the

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00:33:43,340 --> 00:33:39,750

avian facebook page and it was there I

838

00:33:45,350 --> 00:33:43,350

learnt of the skeptics groups and I then

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00:33:48,560 --> 00:33:45,360

joined the Australian skeptics Facebook

840

00:33:52,050 --> 00:33:48,570

page yes so you've been another vocal

841

00:33:55,290 --> 00:33:52,060

advocate for vaccination particularly

842

00:33:57,120 --> 00:33:55,300

yes yes that's fantastic and make value

843

00:34:01,020 --> 00:33:57,130

at you as a member of our group as well

844

00:34:03,540 --> 00:34:01,030

yes I'm old enough to remember or most

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00:34:05,870 --> 00:34:03,550

of these diseases what tell us a bit

846

00:34:08,250 --> 00:34:05,880

more about that what do you remember I

847

00:34:10,890 --> 00:34:08,260

remember my mother talking about my

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00:34:14,400 --> 00:34:10,900

sister having measles and how ill she

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00:34:16,980 --> 00:34:14,410

was she high fever and night news and

850

00:34:18,990 --> 00:34:16,990

she SAT up all night leave her I had

851
00:34:22,680 --> 00:34:19,000
measles to but I'm I was too young to

852
00:34:24,750 --> 00:34:22,690
remember that and my oldest two children

853
00:34:28,350 --> 00:34:24,760
had measles not quite as bad as my

854
00:34:32,520 --> 00:34:28,360
sister I believe I was a single mother

855
00:34:34,470 --> 00:34:32,530
at the time and working I lost my job

856
00:34:37,770 --> 00:34:34,480
because I had to take six weeks off work

857
00:34:40,650 --> 00:34:37,780
I went to the daycare center to pick up

858
00:34:44,940 --> 00:34:40,660
the children and I was told me zoals was

859
00:34:48,600 --> 00:34:44,950
going through the day kissing has been

860
00:34:51,060 --> 00:34:48,610
horrified again horrifying is a bit too

861
00:34:53,310 --> 00:34:51,070
strong a word because then just about

862
00:34:57,420 --> 00:34:53,320
everybody every child companies users

863
00:34:59,580 --> 00:34:57,430

yes and the my children were getting it

864

00:35:02,340 --> 00:34:59,590

at daycare in fact my daughter caught it

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00:35:04,230 --> 00:35:02,350

off my son because she was younger she

866

00:35:07,410 --> 00:35:04,240

was only a baby she was in a different

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00:35:09,330 --> 00:35:07,420

part of the daycare center and so that

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00:35:11,340 --> 00:35:09,340

meant three weeks we want three weeks

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00:35:11,849 --> 00:35:11,350

with the other I went back to work per

870

00:35:14,220 --> 00:35:11,859

lei

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00:35:18,839 --> 00:35:14,230

as they used to say in England gave me

872

00:35:20,880 --> 00:35:18,849

my cards I lost my job so did they would

873

00:35:23,180 --> 00:35:20,890

it be fair to say that that back then

874

00:35:26,579 --> 00:35:23,190

because it was such a prevalent

875

00:35:28,529 --> 00:35:26,589

childhood disease we're people actually

876

00:35:31,710 --> 00:35:28,539

aware of how serious it could be

877

00:35:35,729 --> 00:35:31,720

infected sometimes it is a fatal disease

878

00:35:38,999 --> 00:35:35,739

who was it I certainly wasn't aware so

879

00:35:41,609 --> 00:35:39,009

there's a lot more knowledge around that

880

00:35:44,249 --> 00:35:41,619

now and awareness I've become aware of

881

00:35:46,109 --> 00:35:44,259

it since some joining the stock the

882

00:35:49,140 --> 00:35:46,119

avian and reading a lot of material on

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00:35:53,279 --> 00:35:49,150

facebook and and also looking up

884

00:35:56,640 --> 00:35:53,289

information and i found the year i had

885

00:36:01,339 --> 00:35:56,650

measles it was in a thousand spec 2,000

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00:36:05,609 --> 00:36:01,349

people babies died children died music

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00:36:08,099 --> 00:36:05,619

the year my son had meters

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00:36:10,420 --> 00:36:08,109

I say there were two hundred and

889

00:36:14,079 --> 00:36:10,430

something days

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00:36:16,569 --> 00:36:14,089

people are still getting measles the

891

00:36:19,809 --> 00:36:16,579

medical care had improved in most yes

892

00:36:23,200 --> 00:36:19,819

they are saving yeah but at the time I

893

00:36:26,500 --> 00:36:23,210

didn't know if anybody yes yes and

894

00:36:29,589 --> 00:36:26,510

lastly is there a particular brand of

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00:36:33,450 --> 00:36:29,599

pseudoscience that really irritates you

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00:36:36,810 --> 00:36:33,460

apart from the vaccination things

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00:36:41,130 --> 00:36:36,820

all of them fun complementary medicine

898

00:36:44,190 --> 00:36:41,140

the most yes anything in particular well

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00:36:47,630 --> 00:36:44,200

in that field not only complementary

900

00:36:52,770 --> 00:36:47,640

maybe so not the alternative such as

901
00:36:58,290 --> 00:36:52,780
cannabis oil the wide variety of claims

902
00:37:01,410 --> 00:36:58,300
or yes and and people who choose to use

903
00:37:03,210 --> 00:37:01,420
this rather than going to see an

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00:37:05,940 --> 00:37:03,220
oncologist if you have cancer for

905
00:37:09,480 --> 00:37:05,950
example and yes it's a little worried

906
00:37:12,150 --> 00:37:09,490
isn't again and then at the age I know

907
00:37:14,730 --> 00:37:12,160
quite a few people who have cancer died

908
00:37:18,599 --> 00:37:14,740
I had a good friend and he became so

909
00:37:21,780 --> 00:37:18,609
annoyed people telling him to that his

910
00:37:24,510 --> 00:37:21,790
blood was too alkaline or two I said I

911
00:37:27,660 --> 00:37:24,520
forgot the machetes I think I promote

912
00:37:32,280 --> 00:37:27,670
the alkaline I'm supposed to be alone

913
00:37:34,770 --> 00:37:32,290

yes yes hmm so and and he was getting he

914

00:37:36,420 --> 00:37:34,780

said he got annoyed and he said I don't

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00:37:39,180 --> 00:37:36,430

want to have to deal with that now I

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00:37:40,980 --> 00:37:39,190

just waved from the way yes yeah this is

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00:37:44,280 --> 00:37:40,990

a man dealing with the news that he had

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00:37:46,560 --> 00:37:44,290

pancreatic cancer in the terminal and

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00:37:49,810 --> 00:37:46,570

lots of people will

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00:37:54,430 --> 00:37:49,820

suggesting he he take these alternative

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00:37:56,170 --> 00:37:54,440

it remedies and others I know who have

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00:38:00,940 --> 00:37:56,180

taken in rather than conventional

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00:38:02,680 --> 00:38:00,950

medicine yes okay I completely

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00:38:04,450 --> 00:38:02,690

understand where you're coming from with

925

00:38:06,910 --> 00:38:04,460

that that's one of my own bugbears as

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00:38:08,800 --> 00:38:06,920

well but listen I'll let you get back to

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00:38:11,080 --> 00:38:08,810

the table thank you for being here and

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00:38:13,060 --> 00:38:11,090

hope to see you at more skeptics in the

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00:38:18,370 --> 00:38:13,070

pub in the Northern Rivers you will

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00:38:20,230 --> 00:38:18,380

thank you for more information about the

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00:38:22,890 --> 00:38:20,240

skeptics in the pub in the northern

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00:38:49,180 --> 00:38:22,900

rivers and google rainbow region

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00:38:50,890 --> 00:38:49,190

skeptics in the pub astronomy cast it

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00:38:53,020 --> 00:38:50,900

takes a fax based journey through the

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00:38:55,030 --> 00:38:53,030

cosmos as it offers listeners weekly

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00:38:58,359 --> 00:38:55,040

discussions on astronomical topics

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00:39:00,430 --> 00:38:58,369

ranging from planets to cosmology hosted

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00:39:02,680 --> 00:39:00,440

by Fraser Cain of Universe Today and

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00:39:05,200 --> 00:39:02,690

myself dr. Pamela gave southern illinois

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00:39:07,240 --> 00:39:05,210

university edwardsville this show brings

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00:39:09,700 --> 00:39:07,250

the questions of an avid astronomy lover

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00:39:11,800 --> 00:39:09,710

directly to an astronomer together

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00:39:13,330 --> 00:39:11,810

Fraser and I explore what is known and

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00:39:16,090 --> 00:39:13,340

being discovered about the universe

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00:39:18,160 --> 00:39:16,100

around us join us each week as we take a

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00:39:29,349 --> 00:39:18,170

fact space journey through the cosmos at

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00:39:34,160 --> 00:39:31,789

and now we bring you an update of a

948

00:39:37,009 --> 00:39:34,170

story we brought you a few weeks ago

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00:39:40,880 --> 00:39:37,019

about a chiropractor who had just stood

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00:39:42,109 --> 00:39:40,890

the back of a four day old baby and the

951
00:39:45,109 --> 00:39:42,119
reason we know this happened is because

952
00:39:48,380 --> 00:39:45,119
the chiropractor kindly put this video

953
00:39:51,459 --> 00:39:48,390
up on YouTube for all to see this story

954
00:39:58,249 --> 00:39:51,469
has been picked up by the Daily Mail as

955
00:40:00,769 --> 00:39:58,259
published at ww Daily Mail co uk doctors

956
00:40:04,009 --> 00:40:00,779
condemn shocking video of a crying four

957
00:40:06,410 --> 00:40:04,019
day old baby having her back cracked by

958
00:40:08,989 --> 00:40:06,420
a chiropractor because she is suffering

959
00:40:11,180 --> 00:40:08,999
from colic video shows Australian

960
00:40:13,729 --> 00:40:11,190
chiropractic cracking a four day old

961
00:40:15,259 --> 00:40:13,739
babies back the chiropractor can be

962
00:40:18,079 --> 00:40:15,269
heard explaining his treatment to the

963
00:40:20,660 --> 00:40:18,089

parents he manipulates the tiny baby's

964

00:40:22,819 --> 00:40:20,670

body before a loud crack can be heard

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00:40:25,880 --> 00:40:22,829

other medical professionals have

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00:40:27,859 --> 00:40:25,890

expressed concerns over the treatment by

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00:40:30,099 --> 00:40:27,869

Freya noble published on the

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00:40:33,049 --> 00:40:30,109

twenty-second of April 2016 an

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00:40:35,449 --> 00:40:33,059

Australian chiropractor has posted a

970

00:40:37,640 --> 00:40:35,459

confronting video of him cracking the

971

00:40:40,519 --> 00:40:37,650

back of a crying baby at just four days

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00:40:42,949 --> 00:40:40,529

old the chiropractor treats a range of

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00:40:44,390 --> 00:40:42,959

patient ailments including colic which

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00:40:46,849 --> 00:40:44,400

the two week premature baby was

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00:40:49,459 --> 00:40:46,859

suffering from at the time he posts many

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00:40:51,559 --> 00:40:49,469

videos of him treating patients to his

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00:40:54,680 --> 00:40:51,569

YouTube channel however this particular

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00:40:57,199 --> 00:40:54,690

one has caused concern amongst doctors

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00:40:59,689 --> 00:40:57,209

in this footage he is seen holding the

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00:41:00,979 --> 00:40:59,699

baby girl wiggling her around as he

981

00:41:03,319 --> 00:41:00,989

talks to the parents through the

982

00:41:06,499 --> 00:41:03,329

adjustment he stretches out her tiny

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00:41:08,689 --> 00:41:06,509

body and there is a loud crack followed

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00:41:11,329 --> 00:41:08,699

by the crying from the little patient I

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00:41:14,079 --> 00:41:11,339

have to unfortunately just extend her a

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00:41:18,560 --> 00:41:14,089

little bit to get it in the right place

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00:41:22,109 --> 00:41:18,570

that's Bobby sorry

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00:41:24,030 --> 00:41:22,119

okay the chiropractor can then be heard

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00:41:27,060 --> 00:41:24,040

explaining the cause of their babies

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00:41:30,240 --> 00:41:27,070

distress and how his manipulation helped

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00:41:32,430 --> 00:41:30,250

the child quote when you see the parents

992

00:41:34,829 --> 00:41:32,440

returned with these children they always

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00:41:36,900 --> 00:41:34,839

report that the child is just so much

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00:41:39,150 --> 00:41:36,910

more comfortable they sleep so much

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00:41:40,950 --> 00:41:39,160

better they eat so much better end quote

996

00:41:43,170 --> 00:41:40,960

he said in the video there is a

997

00:41:44,700 --> 00:41:43,180

long-running debate between different

998

00:41:47,849 --> 00:41:44,710

treatments used by doctors and

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00:41:49,500 --> 00:41:47,859

chiropractors dr. Frank Jones President

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00:41:51,870 --> 00:41:49,510

of the Royal Australian College of

1001
00:41:54,210 --> 00:41:51,880
General Practitioners told the Daily

1002
00:41:57,900 --> 00:41:54,220
Mail Australia that it was a cruel

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00:42:01,079 --> 00:41:57,910
process quote well I think this was an

1004
00:42:03,570 --> 00:42:01,089
unnecessary and seemingly almost cruel

1005
00:42:06,000 --> 00:42:03,580
process that there is actually no

1006
00:42:09,750 --> 00:42:06,010
evidence to support and quote dr. Jones

1007
00:42:12,180 --> 00:42:09,760
said quote why would you ever do that it

1008
00:42:14,940 --> 00:42:12,190
shouldn't be advertised it shouldn't be

1009
00:42:16,859 --> 00:42:14,950
practiced in quote dr. Jones said while

1010
00:42:18,690 --> 00:42:16,869
there was quote mild to moderate and

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00:42:21,000 --> 00:42:18,700
quote evidence that chiropractors were

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00:42:23,220 --> 00:42:21,010
successful in treating mechanical back

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00:42:26,070 --> 00:42:23,230

pain treating anything else had no

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00:42:28,550 --> 00:42:26,080

scientific backing quote there is

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00:42:30,960 --> 00:42:28,560

actually no evidence whatsoever that

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00:42:32,700 --> 00:42:30,970

manipulating the spine makes any

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00:42:35,070 --> 00:42:32,710

difference to things such as colleague

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00:42:37,109 --> 00:42:35,080

or asthma and quote he said Melbourne

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00:42:40,020 --> 00:42:37,119

surgeon dr. John Cunningham who

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00:42:42,060 --> 00:42:40,030

specializes in spines said he was

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00:42:44,849 --> 00:42:42,070

shocked to see someone adjusting the

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00:42:46,829 --> 00:42:44,859

spine of a newborn baby in February dr.

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00:42:48,680 --> 00:42:46,839

Cunningham made a formal complaint to

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00:42:54,990 --> 00:42:48,690

the Australian healthcare practitioners

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00:42:57,300 --> 00:42:55,000

regulation agency ahpra ahpra regulates

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00:42:59,630 --> 00:42:57,310

the chiropractic board and the surgeon

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00:43:03,180 --> 00:42:59,640

has called for the board to be sacked

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00:43:05,460 --> 00:43:03,190

however the agency's CEO Martin felcher

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00:43:07,530 --> 00:43:05,470

who oversees the chiropractic board

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00:43:09,750 --> 00:43:07,540

disagreed saying there was no need for

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00:43:11,940 --> 00:43:09,760

the board to be sacked and the quote

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00:43:14,520 --> 00:43:11,950

high standards of chiropractic practice

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00:43:16,620 --> 00:43:14,530

are in place end quote Daily Mail

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00:43:19,440 --> 00:43:16,630

Australia has contacted the chiropractor

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00:43:23,070 --> 00:43:19,450

in question for a comment and that story

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00:43:26,730 --> 00:43:23,080

comes from Freya Noble at wal email co

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00:43:28,920 --> 00:43:26,740

uk and for the full shocking video of

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00:43:30,630 --> 00:43:28,930

the baby getting this so-called

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00:43:31,920 --> 00:43:30,640

treatment you can check the show notes

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00:43:34,410 --> 00:43:31,930

for this week's episode

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00:43:36,420 --> 00:43:34,420

or simply Google doctors condemn

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00:43:39,330 --> 00:43:36,430

shocking video of crying four day old

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00:43:41,250 --> 00:43:39,340

baby that should do it and the ABC radio

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00:43:45,170 --> 00:43:41,260

here in Australia has covered this story

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00:43:47,850 --> 00:43:45,180

extensively on their background briefing

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program I'll add a link to the show

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notes but if you google background

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briefing Cairo Wars chir oh you'll find

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the page and download so you can

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00:44:02,940 --> 00:44:00,160

download the entire 35 minute episode

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00:44:21,680 --> 00:44:02,950

they've devoted to this issue it is well

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00:44:25,530 --> 00:44:24,150

today this is dr. Karl Karl Christmas

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00:44:27,660 --> 00:44:25,540

keep proud to be skeptic and you can

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00:44:46,370 --> 00:44:27,670

find out more about me at dr. Kyle calm

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00:44:52,550 --> 00:44:50,300

wow what a show and my voice is almost

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00:44:55,460 --> 00:44:52,560

gone I'm so excited about that show no

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00:44:57,320 --> 00:44:55,470

I've not been exactly well over the last

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00:44:58,880 --> 00:44:57,330

few weeks and this rotten infection is

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00:45:00,440 --> 00:44:58,890

still just hanging on there but

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00:45:01,730 --> 00:45:00,450

nevermind not all so this is you've had

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00:45:03,740 --> 00:45:01,740

a hell of a time of it lately to you

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00:45:05,780 --> 00:45:03,750

need a good lie down I do I need a good

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00:45:07,820 --> 00:45:05,790

another coffee or something yes I

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00:45:09,380 --> 00:45:07,830

certainly met the kittens the kittens

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00:45:11,240 --> 00:45:09,390

have been doing a lot of powerful work

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00:45:12,350 --> 00:45:11,250

and the Saunders household in fact I've

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00:45:14,360 --> 00:45:12,360

got to say when I look at the two

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00:45:15,530 --> 00:45:14,370

kittens you've got hand and Mord they're

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00:45:17,180 --> 00:45:15,540

actually doing more than you they're

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00:45:18,710 --> 00:45:17,190

really showing you up actually I saw

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00:45:20,180 --> 00:45:18,720

them upstairs on the computer doing some

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googling earlier and they're amazing

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well I've taught them how to produce the

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show now they do they actually do the

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editing hmm I which saves a lot of time

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for me but you made a funny video with

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the kittens I did I inadvertently did

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00:45:34,130 --> 00:45:32,220
kitten magic because I thought look

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00:45:36,230 --> 00:45:34,140
people unbox stuff all the time let's

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00:45:38,120 --> 00:45:36,240
unbox and kittens and it worked it

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00:45:40,340 --> 00:45:38,130
worked if you get a manor calm day you

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you can see me nerd and doing magic

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tricks with the skeptics on kittens okay

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look and until then I'll let you do the

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off Thank You reg not bad for this week

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standing outside the Henson pub here in

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marrickville this is Richard Saunders

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signing off this is too many kids you've

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been listening to the skeptics own

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