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00:00:24,740 --> 00:00:09,089
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:30,350 --> 00:00:27,360
hello and welcome to the skeptics are an

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00:00:36,660 --> 00:00:30,360
episode number 393 for the first of may

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00:00:39,360 --> 00:00:36,670
2016 Richard Saunders now trying to

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00:00:42,930 --> 00:00:39,370
bring you the show with two little

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00:00:46,290 --> 00:00:42,940
kittens on my lap okay you too hot down

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00:00:48,090 --> 00:00:46,300
there they're very helpful you see what

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00:00:50,310 --> 00:00:48,100
they want to do is help me produce the

9
00:00:53,490 --> 00:00:50,320
skeptic zone coming up on this week's

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00:00:57,500 --> 00:00:53,500
show if i can get to my computer here

11
00:00:59,670 --> 00:00:57,510
and put it together it's alright mm-hmm

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00:01:01,500 --> 00:00:59,680
coming up on this week's show we're

13
00:01:04,979 --> 00:01:01,510

going to start off with an update about

14

00:01:08,730 --> 00:01:04,989

the chiropractor who was manipulating

15

00:01:12,990 --> 00:01:08,740

cracking treating i wouldn't use that

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00:01:15,630 --> 00:01:13,000

word a four day old baby as mentioned in

17

00:01:17,969 --> 00:01:15,640

previous skeptics owns the video has

18

00:01:20,550 --> 00:01:17,979

gone viral and it's causing a lot of

19

00:01:23,010 --> 00:01:20,560

controversy around the world so right at

20

00:01:25,230 --> 00:01:23,020

the start of the show an update to this

21

00:01:27,749 --> 00:01:25,240

story following that it's a little

22

00:01:31,410 --> 00:01:27,759

review i'm doing about conspiracy theory

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00:01:34,410 --> 00:01:31,420

centering on the port arthur massacre 20

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00:01:36,719 --> 00:01:34,420

years ago now we're 35 people lost their

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00:01:39,660 --> 00:01:36,729

lives and like any mass shooting these

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00:01:42,020 --> 00:01:39,670

days it seems to me the conspiracy

27

00:01:45,389 --> 00:01:42,030

theories have come out of there

28

00:01:48,810 --> 00:01:45,399

wormholes out of the woodwork making a

29

00:01:50,999 --> 00:01:48,820

general pest of themselves conspiracy

30

00:01:53,639 --> 00:01:51,009

theories san during on the port arthur

31

00:01:55,679 --> 00:01:53,649

massacre coming up a little later on in

32

00:01:57,719 --> 00:01:55,689

the show and a little bit of information

33

00:02:00,749 --> 00:01:57,729

about my upcoming appearance at the

34

00:02:03,450 --> 00:02:00,759

perak on the paranormal convention here

35

00:02:07,109 --> 00:02:03,460

in in australia up in the blue mountains

36

00:02:08,730 --> 00:02:07,119

the wonderful town of katoomba then to

37

00:02:13,070 --> 00:02:08,740

round off the show a report about the

38

00:02:16,200 --> 00:02:13,080

movie vax the year andrew wakefield

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00:02:17,940 --> 00:02:16,210

effort talking about conspiracy theories

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00:02:19,950 --> 00:02:17,950

now over the past few weeks I've been

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00:02:21,620 --> 00:02:19,960

trying to get myself together after

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00:02:24,960 --> 00:02:21,630

suffering some sort of a flu or a cold

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00:02:27,480 --> 00:02:24,970

something like that and a couple of days

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00:02:30,860 --> 00:02:27,490

I found myself well a bit wiped out to

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00:02:33,900 --> 00:02:30,870

be honest not much else to do except

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00:02:36,660 --> 00:02:33,910

take some aspirin and watch a bit of TV

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00:02:40,140 --> 00:02:36,670

I was watching a show produced here in

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00:02:42,120 --> 00:02:40,150

Australia Wow 20 years ago called

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00:02:43,950 --> 00:02:42,130

frontline and this is produced by the

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00:02:48,540 --> 00:02:43,960

working dog the same people who brought

51
00:02:50,690 --> 00:02:48,550
you the dish and the castle and recently

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00:02:53,250 --> 00:02:50,700
utopia which is a very funny show

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00:02:57,750 --> 00:02:53,260
frontline send it around the fictional

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00:03:00,810 --> 00:02:57,760
office of a TV a current affairs tabloid

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00:03:02,610 --> 00:03:00,820
type show and I enjoyed it very much I

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00:03:04,380 --> 00:03:02,620
enjoy it 20 years ago and I mean doing

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00:03:06,390 --> 00:03:04,390
it very much looking at it again all

58
00:03:08,310 --> 00:03:06,400
these years later it's still relevant

59
00:03:12,690 --> 00:03:08,320
but I thought I'd play you a very short

60
00:03:17,070 --> 00:03:12,700
clip from one of the episodes and it's

61
00:03:21,510 --> 00:03:17,080
amazing how relevant it is today next

62
00:03:23,760 --> 00:03:21,520
I've got a story I doctor who reckons

63
00:03:25,230 --> 00:03:23,770

vaccinating kids can be dangerous that's

64

00:03:27,720 --> 00:03:25,240

account of here's a question I love

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00:03:29,700 --> 00:03:27,730

children plus danger to children equals

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00:03:31,830 --> 00:03:29,710

brooke d the story right right next

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00:03:33,840 --> 00:03:31,840

how's Brooke going with that what's at

68

00:03:35,910 --> 00:03:33,850

the vaccination guy it's a bit dodgy

69

00:03:37,500 --> 00:03:35,920

he's a bit of a kook well he's a doctor

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00:03:38,850 --> 00:03:37,510

no he's a natural birth he's got no

71

00:03:40,920 --> 00:03:38,860

formal medical training well he's

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00:03:43,440 --> 00:03:40,930

raising legitimate concern our

73

00:03:45,330 --> 00:03:43,450

vaccinations dangerous but surely this

74

00:03:47,910 --> 00:03:45,340

is not I'm not a doctor whatever is he

75

00:03:49,740 --> 00:03:47,920

well we'll get both sides we're on size

76

00:03:52,080 --> 00:03:49,750

just one quack vs world health

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00:03:53,910 --> 00:03:52,090

organization that's sides by giving him

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00:03:55,560 --> 00:03:53,920

equal time we imply that the debate is

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00:04:01,320 --> 00:03:55,570

evenly matched with creating concern

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00:04:04,020 --> 00:04:01,330

over nothing em em you have a child do

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00:04:06,210 --> 00:04:04,030

you love it with all my heart tonight on

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00:04:09,090 --> 00:04:06,220

Frontline could a vaccination kill your

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00:04:10,470 --> 00:04:09,100

child will show you what frontline and

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00:04:12,060 --> 00:04:10,480

what do we want people to do what

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00:04:14,190 --> 00:04:12,070

frontline know what story are we gonna

86

00:04:16,260 --> 00:04:14,200

run tonight on Frontline vaccinations

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00:04:18,599 --> 00:04:16,270

both sides of this controversial and

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00:04:20,729 --> 00:04:18,609

evenly matched abate gee thank you in

89

00:04:22,950 --> 00:04:20,739

but it could home to my kids anything

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00:04:26,220 --> 00:04:22,960

else so there you go even 20 years ago

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00:04:29,790 --> 00:04:26,230

this issue of false balance in the media

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00:04:32,010 --> 00:04:29,800

was was coming up now for those of you

93

00:04:34,620 --> 00:04:32,020

in Sydney the next skeptics in the pub

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00:04:37,020 --> 00:04:34,630

is thursday the fifth of may at the

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crown hotel which is just near museum

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00:04:42,420 --> 00:04:39,490

station now that kicks off at six pm and

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00:04:44,070 --> 00:04:42,430

the talk this month is about well well

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00:04:46,710 --> 00:04:44,080

conspiracy theories there must be

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00:04:47,670 --> 00:04:46,720

conspiracy going on all hail the lizard

100

00:04:49,680 --> 00:04:47,680

people

101
00:04:52,580 --> 00:04:49,690
dr. Chris Fleming on the reason and

102
00:04:54,480 --> 00:04:52,590
madness in conspiracy theory here's

103
00:04:56,159 --> 00:04:54,490
conspiracy theories I think that's going

104
00:04:59,070 --> 00:04:56,169
to be very popular night you might want

105
00:05:02,820 --> 00:04:59,080
to go onto the web go to meet up look up

106
00:05:06,150 --> 00:05:02,830
Australian skeptics or meetup com /a ust

107
00:05:08,100 --> 00:05:06,160
skeptics and book your spot and we'll

108
00:05:10,340 --> 00:05:08,110
see you at skeptics in the pub here in

109
00:05:13,860 --> 00:05:10,350
Sydney but now with my voice starting to

110
00:05:16,350 --> 00:05:13,870
run away with me again oh boy this is

111
00:05:19,170 --> 00:05:16,360
cold or whatever it is really dragging

112
00:05:21,930 --> 00:05:19,180
never mind i know i'll run downstairs

113
00:05:23,999 --> 00:05:21,940

i'll give the cats the skeptic zone

114

00:05:25,499 --> 00:05:24,009

kittens a little bit of chicken neck

115

00:05:28,680 --> 00:05:25,509

each they love that while they're

116

00:05:46,290 --> 00:05:28,690

crunching that i hope you enjoy the

117

00:05:53,830 --> 00:05:49,770

and now another update in the continuing

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00:05:56,920 --> 00:05:53,840

drama saga story tale of the

119

00:06:00,939 --> 00:05:56,930

chiropractor who cracked the back four

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00:06:03,850 --> 00:06:00,949

day old baby weaving that following this

121

00:06:05,740 --> 00:06:03,860

story for some weeks now briefly there's

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00:06:08,290 --> 00:06:05,750

a video of a chiropractor here in

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00:06:10,540 --> 00:06:08,300

Australia manipulating the back of a

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00:06:13,500 --> 00:06:10,550

baby in a violent jerking manner you can

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00:06:16,480 --> 00:06:13,510

hear the baby's back being cracked

126
00:06:19,930 --> 00:06:16,490
baby's only four days old baby starts to

127
00:06:22,600 --> 00:06:19,940
cry I need not tell you there is no good

128
00:06:25,379 --> 00:06:22,610
evidence to suggest that doing this has

129
00:06:28,120 --> 00:06:25,389
any positive effects whatsoever

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00:06:30,010 --> 00:06:28,130
apparently the treatment is for colic

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00:06:32,290 --> 00:06:30,020
and it's been pointed out that a four

132
00:06:34,570 --> 00:06:32,300
day old baby is far too young to be

133
00:06:36,159 --> 00:06:34,580
diagnosed with colic anyway but in the

134
00:06:38,230 --> 00:06:36,169
last few days the president of the

135
00:06:41,140 --> 00:06:38,240
chiropractor's Association of Australia

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00:06:43,480 --> 00:06:41,150
has said that doctors are overreacting

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00:06:46,029 --> 00:06:43,490
to the video that shows the newborn

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00:06:48,460 --> 00:06:46,039

baby's spine being manipulated dr.

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00:06:50,110 --> 00:06:48,470

Anthony coxon the president of the

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Victorian branch of the chiropractors

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00:06:54,730 --> 00:06:52,310

Association of Australia said the

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00:06:56,860 --> 00:06:54,740

treatment was forceful but effective and

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00:06:58,870 --> 00:06:56,870

he said quote while I am uncomfortable

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00:07:02,469 --> 00:06:58,880

with the procedure that was performed

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00:07:04,330 --> 00:07:02,479

it's still a safe procedure and quote he

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00:07:06,820 --> 00:07:04,340

went on to say quote I know it doesn't

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00:07:09,610 --> 00:07:06,830

look good but the child did get a very

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00:07:12,010 --> 00:07:09,620

good result and immediate result from

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00:07:14,620 --> 00:07:12,020

the care when the parents returned a

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00:07:16,930 --> 00:07:14,630

week later the colic symptoms had

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00:07:18,850 --> 00:07:16,940
improved significantly it's not the

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00:07:20,800 --> 00:07:18,860
choice of technique that most

153
00:07:23,439 --> 00:07:20,810
chiropractors would use for these sort

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00:07:25,110 --> 00:07:23,449
of problems but it is very effective and

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00:07:29,230 --> 00:07:25,120
despite the fact it doesn't look good

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00:07:32,290 --> 00:07:29,240
it's still very safe and quote it sort

157
00:07:34,830 --> 00:07:32,300
of reminds me of the alternative medical

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00:07:37,980 --> 00:07:34,840
field in general where they dare not

159
00:07:41,200 --> 00:07:37,990
criticize each other it's interesting

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00:07:43,300 --> 00:07:41,210
the homeopaths won't criticize the Reiki

161
00:07:45,430 --> 00:07:43,310
practitioners the Reiki practitioners

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00:07:47,950 --> 00:07:45,440
won't criticize the acupuncturist and so

163
00:07:51,070 --> 00:07:47,960

on and so on and so on I guess once one

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00:07:51,750 --> 00:07:51,080

treatment is seen to be bogus it might

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00:07:54,690 --> 00:07:51,760

be a case

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00:07:56,850 --> 00:07:54,700

of Domino's they'll falling down let's

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00:08:00,540 --> 00:07:56,860

see and here is a report on the issue

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00:08:03,450 --> 00:08:00,550

from the channel 7 TV news here in

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00:08:05,550 --> 00:08:03,460

Australia a long-running feud between

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00:08:07,770 --> 00:08:05,560

doctors and chiropractors has erupted

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00:08:10,290 --> 00:08:07,780

again this time over a shocking video

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00:08:12,390 --> 00:08:10,300

that went viral thousands of Australians

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00:08:14,460 --> 00:08:12,400

swear by them but some chiropractors are

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00:08:17,280 --> 00:08:14,470

being condemned for controversial

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00:08:21,570 --> 00:08:17,290

practices including cracking a distress

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00:08:24,480 --> 00:08:21,580

newborn babies back a baby back row it's

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00:08:26,970 --> 00:08:24,490

a code all around the world the video

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00:08:29,040 --> 00:08:26,980

shows a chiropractor cracking a newborn

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00:08:31,290 --> 00:08:29,050

babies back that chiropractor is

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00:08:33,840 --> 00:08:31,300

melbourne-based in ross perot who's

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00:08:36,360 --> 00:08:33,850

treating a four day old baby for reflux

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00:08:38,400 --> 00:08:36,370

and colic that hurts to be crying but if

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00:08:41,010 --> 00:08:38,410

the baby isn't crying others are

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melbourne spinal surgeon John Cunningham

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says the clip made his eyes water while

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00:08:49,260 --> 00:08:45,850

the head pediatrician at Darwin Hospital

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00:08:51,540 --> 00:08:49,270

says it's beyond belief today this from

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00:08:53,580 --> 00:08:51,550

the Royal Australian College of GPS it

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00:08:55,440 --> 00:08:53,590

seems to me personally unnecessary and

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00:08:57,390 --> 00:08:55,450

cruel to do that to a newborn baby with

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00:08:59,550 --> 00:08:57,400

carros now advertising treatments for

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everything from asthma to eczema the

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college says this is the final straw the

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role of the current practice haven't

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really got to be examined and they've

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really got to get their act together the

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college on behalf of every GP in the

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00:09:14,640 --> 00:09:12,130

country is now reviewing its position on

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chiropractic care options include

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refusing referrals for children even

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00:09:21,570 --> 00:09:18,850
adults and demanding that medicare

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00:09:23,760 --> 00:09:21,580
rebates for kairos be scrapped citing

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00:09:26,220 --> 00:09:23,770
little to no scientific evidence to

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00:09:28,890 --> 00:09:26,230
support much of the work chiropractors

205
00:09:30,960 --> 00:09:28,900
do the research is out there but we're

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00:09:32,850 --> 00:09:30,970
working very hard to try and improve it

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00:09:35,130 --> 00:09:32,860
and build on that low back pain neck

208
00:09:38,070 --> 00:09:35,140
pain neck related headaches the research

209
00:09:40,710 --> 00:09:38,080
is very strong dr. Andrew Rochford 7

210
00:09:44,640 --> 00:09:40,720
News and thank you 7 news that sent a

211
00:09:46,420 --> 00:09:44,650
you news yahoo com it seems like this

212
00:09:48,579 --> 00:09:46,430
story is why

213
00:10:08,949 --> 00:09:48,589

we'll continue and will bring you

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updates as they come to him secrets of

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00:10:15,490 --> 00:10:13,100

the psychics Australian skeptics Sydney

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00:10:18,850 --> 00:10:15,500

dinner meeting fourth of June at the

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00:10:21,840 --> 00:10:18,860

ride Eastwood leagues club in west

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riding in preparation for the visit by

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psychic medium John Edward to Australia

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we're thrilled to have a special event

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00:10:32,680 --> 00:10:30,110

for our next dinner meeting in Sydney

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and double act with a demonstration of

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psychic powers by self professed psychic

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Nellie Klein and an explanation of the

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psychic skills by Richard Saunders judge

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00:10:46,660 --> 00:10:44,029
of the psychic TV challenge show the one

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00:10:49,510 --> 00:10:46,670
and senior investigator for Australian

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00:10:51,720 --> 00:10:49,520
skeptical sinker miss Klein has agreed to

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00:10:55,060 --> 00:10:51,730
do readings of members of our audience

230
00:10:57,280 --> 00:10:55,070
giving you the chance to see her psychic

231
00:10:59,530 --> 00:10:57,290
powers in action and see how accurate

232
00:11:01,870 --> 00:10:59,540
they are Richard will follow this with a

233
00:11:04,570 --> 00:11:01,880
presentation of psychic tricks of the

234
00:11:07,930 --> 00:11:04,580
trade using his extensive knowledge and

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00:11:09,280 --> 00:11:07,940
confrontation with claimers that sounds

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00:11:11,620 --> 00:11:09,290
interesting i might even go to this one

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00:11:13,480 --> 00:11:11,630
myself so that's the Australian skeptics

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00:11:16,780 --> 00:11:13,490

our dinner meeting the fourth of june at

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the ride eastwood leagues club and west

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ryde are 6 34 7 15 it says cost is fifty

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dollars per person which includes a

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buffet dinner and the dinners there up t

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damn good plus a lucky door prize

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somebody will get their ticket refunded

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one of the golden threads golden one of

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00:12:16,650 --> 00:12:14,649

the rusted through the cane threads that

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00:12:19,139 --> 00:12:16,660

binds a lot of what skeptics have to

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00:12:20,910 --> 00:12:19,149

deal with together our conspiracy

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theorists everything from the

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assassination of President John F

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Kennedy in 1963 to the moon landings to

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the real evil force behind vaccinations

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to the government or the Illuminati or

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aliens or whoever poisoning our

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atmosphere with chem trails left behind

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by commercial jet planes conspiracy

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theories to those of the right sort of

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mindset or maybe we should say the wrong

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sort of mindset I'm very seductive and

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compelling they make sense they're also

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a way for people to seem to have the

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advantage of a skeptics like us classic

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example is the John F Kennedy

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assassination I had a conversation with

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a conspiracy theorist about this once

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and the conspiracy theorists did

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something we call gish galloping is

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where your opponent will just bring up

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point after point after point after

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point which you cannot possibly refute

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00:13:28,620 --> 00:13:23,949

in the time given or even research or

273

00:13:30,360 --> 00:13:28,630

even know about so my opponent as it

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00:13:32,610 --> 00:13:30,370

were was bringing up all sorts of things

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00:13:33,960 --> 00:13:32,620

saying how do you explain then mr.

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00:13:35,310 --> 00:13:33,970

skeptic that Lyndon Johnson was

277

00:13:36,960 --> 00:13:35,320

overheard only two days before

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00:13:39,180 --> 00:13:36,970

discussing the assassination of

279

00:13:41,670 --> 00:13:39,190

President Kennedy with the head of this

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00:13:44,040 --> 00:13:41,680

company or that company now what are you

281

00:13:45,840 --> 00:13:44,050

going to do how can you possibly refute

282

00:13:47,340 --> 00:13:45,850

that on the spot you don't even know if

283

00:13:49,260 --> 00:13:47,350

it's true which it probably isn't and

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00:13:50,639 --> 00:13:49,270

that's another thing that the conspiracy

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00:13:54,749 --> 00:13:50,649

theorists will

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00:13:56,759 --> 00:13:54,759

use if you as the skeptic cannot refute

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00:13:59,999 --> 00:13:56,769

their arguments no matter what their

288

00:14:01,980 --> 00:14:00,009

arguments are to the nth degree they

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00:14:03,840 --> 00:14:01,990

will take that as a victory for their

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00:14:06,569 --> 00:14:03,850

argument you can't debunk this mr.

291

00:14:08,970 --> 00:14:06,579

skeptic therefore i win is sort of a

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00:14:11,819 --> 00:14:08,980

thinking well let's look at a conspiracy

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00:14:14,220 --> 00:14:11,829

theory that's in the news lately and one

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00:14:17,100 --> 00:14:14,230

that I've heard about for some time and

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00:14:20,189 --> 00:14:17,110

when I first heard about it or six seven

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00:14:24,419 --> 00:14:20,199

years ago it really did really did

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00:14:27,179 --> 00:14:24,429

surprise me really did shock me in 1996

298

00:14:30,530 --> 00:14:27,189

at Port Arthur on the island state of

299

00:14:33,689 --> 00:14:30,540

Tasmania terrible massacre took place

300

00:14:38,759 --> 00:14:33,699

Martin Bryant a lone gunman 28 of the

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00:14:40,829 --> 00:14:38,769

time shot dead 35 people and wounded 23

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00:14:43,350 --> 00:14:40,839

others the story made international news

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00:14:45,689 --> 00:14:43,360

of course and it's regarded as one of

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00:14:48,530 --> 00:14:45,699

Australia's worst single person

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00:14:51,210 --> 00:14:48,540

massacres now before I go any further

306

00:14:53,669 --> 00:14:51,220

we're just combining ourselves to this

307

00:14:55,290 --> 00:14:53,679

as though terrible massacre I do of

308

00:14:58,199 --> 00:14:55,300

course acknowledge that there have been

309

00:15:00,299 --> 00:14:58,209

other atrocities and massacres dating

310

00:15:02,400 --> 00:15:00,309

back throughout Australia's history

311

00:15:04,079 --> 00:15:02,410

however for the flow of this

312

00:15:06,949 --> 00:15:04,089

conversation will confine ourselves to

313

00:15:10,230 --> 00:15:06,959

the single person port arthur massacre

314

00:15:16,230 --> 00:15:10,240

here is the audio from a news report of

315

00:15:21,740 --> 00:15:16,240

the time seven nightly news with an

316

00:15:26,460 --> 00:15:24,030

the shooting spree that's shattered

317

00:15:28,769 --> 00:15:26,470

dozens of lives grief and anger tonight

318

00:15:32,910 --> 00:15:28,779

as a nation searches for answers to the

319

00:15:34,679 --> 00:15:32,920

slaughter good evening all Australians

320

00:15:37,199 --> 00:15:34,689

tonight share the horror of the port

321

00:15:39,569 --> 00:15:37,209

arthur massacre 35 people are dead a

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00:15:41,670 --> 00:15:39,579

teener injured police have now named the

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00:15:43,889 --> 00:15:41,680

mass murder he is 28 year old Martin

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00:15:46,199 --> 00:15:43,899

Bryant a local man believed to be

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00:15:48,090 --> 00:15:46,209

intellectually handicapped he's in royal

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00:15:50,550 --> 00:15:48,100

hobart hospital tonight suffering burns

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00:15:52,920 --> 00:15:50,560

to his upper body after running from the

328

00:15:54,540 --> 00:15:52,930

guest lodge that he satellite yes a

329

00:15:57,240 --> 00:15:54,550

horrible story and I certainly remember

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00:15:59,819 --> 00:15:57,250

hearing the news on the day hard to

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00:16:02,100 --> 00:15:59,829

believe it was 20 years ago but getting

332

00:16:04,850 --> 00:16:02,110

back to the conspiracy theory yes there

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00:16:07,949 --> 00:16:04,860

has been for some time now a theory that

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00:16:12,210 --> 00:16:07,959

Martin Bryant was the Patsy the fall guy

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00:16:15,540 --> 00:16:12,220

for a conspiracy where marksman marks

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00:16:17,040 --> 00:16:15,550

women were also at Port Arthur on the

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00:16:23,009 --> 00:16:17,050

day to make sure that a lot of people

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00:16:26,309 --> 00:16:23,019

were killed why to disarm Australians

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00:16:28,679 --> 00:16:26,319

because shortly thereafter the prime

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00:16:30,269 --> 00:16:28,689

minister at the time John Howard began

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00:16:35,280 --> 00:16:30,279

the process of changing the laws in

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00:16:37,110 --> 00:16:35,290

Australia to take serious firearms off

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00:16:40,019 --> 00:16:37,120

the streets now this was very

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00:16:42,269 --> 00:16:40,029

controversial especially to the people

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00:16:44,160 --> 00:16:42,279

in the rural areas of Australia and

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00:16:46,379 --> 00:16:44,170

farmers and so on who have a legitimate

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00:16:49,019 --> 00:16:46,389

use for guns of course and there were

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00:16:51,360 --> 00:16:49,029

protests and all sorts of things going

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00:16:54,210 --> 00:16:51,370

on but the point is these laws were

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00:16:56,460 --> 00:16:54,220

passed thousands and thousands of

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00:16:59,460 --> 00:16:56,470

firearms were taken off the streets they

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00:17:02,009 --> 00:16:59,470

had a gun buyback and destroyed now we

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00:17:05,399 --> 00:17:02,019

still have gun crime in Australia of

354

00:17:08,250 --> 00:17:05,409

course criminals have guns but it is

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00:17:11,520 --> 00:17:08,260

rare exceedingly rare when you think of

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00:17:13,559 --> 00:17:11,530

this situation in the United States we

357

00:17:15,539 --> 00:17:13,569

don't have anything in our Constitution

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00:17:17,039 --> 00:17:15,549

that says we have the right to bear arms

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00:17:19,079 --> 00:17:17,049

and I don't think you'll find too many

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00:17:21,809 --> 00:17:19,089

people in Australia who would want to

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00:17:24,120 --> 00:17:21,819

have this right to bear arms to walk

362

00:17:26,880 --> 00:17:24,130

around with the handguns to have guns in

363

00:17:29,190 --> 00:17:26,890

the home we just don't have them and I

364

00:17:30,159 --> 00:17:29,200

don't think we miss them security guards

365

00:17:32,470 --> 00:17:30,169

God

366

00:17:36,070 --> 00:17:32,480

banks and money and trains that have

367

00:17:38,259 --> 00:17:36,080

firearms police have firearms I can't

368

00:17:40,840 --> 00:17:38,269

think of many other people who would so

369

00:17:44,409 --> 00:17:40,850

to even see a gun is pretty rare the

370

00:17:47,200 --> 00:17:44,419

closest I've come to firing a gun was on

371

00:17:49,479 --> 00:17:47,210

a farm and that was an air rifle and I

372

00:17:51,039 --> 00:17:49,489

think that puts me ahead of most

373

00:17:54,759 --> 00:17:51,049

Australians who would have never even

374

00:17:56,979 --> 00:17:54,769

have touched a gun of any description by

375

00:17:59,619 --> 00:17:56,989

getting back to the massacre itself the

376

00:18:03,159 --> 00:17:59,629

eyewitnesses are plentiful although of

377

00:18:05,799 --> 00:18:03,169

course chroma tised there was a special

378

00:18:08,229 --> 00:18:05,809

on the TV not so long ago interviewing

379

00:18:09,669 --> 00:18:08,239

some of the eyewitnesses for the first

380

00:18:11,320 --> 00:18:09,679

time some of them for the first time in

381

00:18:14,499 --> 00:18:11,330

20 years coming forward to put their

382

00:18:16,599 --> 00:18:14,509

story there is grainy video handheld

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00:18:20,019 --> 00:18:16,609

video made at the time of Martin Bryan

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00:18:23,229 --> 00:18:20,029

walking around the port arthur area

385

00:18:25,869 --> 00:18:23,239

there is no evidence of any other people

386

00:18:29,320 --> 00:18:25,879

involved let alone some sort of special

387

00:18:31,060 --> 00:18:29,330

forces or government agents or phantoms

388

00:18:34,539 --> 00:18:31,070

from the Illuminati or whatever they'll

389

00:18:36,460 --> 00:18:34,549

have you believe for a good overview of

390

00:18:38,560 --> 00:18:36,470

the conspiracy theories in the port

391

00:18:42,849 --> 00:18:38,570

arthur massacre i can recommend the

392

00:18:45,369 --> 00:18:42,859

sceptile episode 253 the port arthur

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00:18:47,889 --> 00:18:45,379

massacre and in the news lately a

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00:18:49,779 --> 00:18:47,899

graphic film parently depicting the

395

00:18:51,759 --> 00:18:49,789

horror of the port arthur massacre will

396

00:18:54,729 --> 00:18:51,769

go ahead by an australian producer paul

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00:18:58,989 --> 00:18:54,739

modder who it seems is casting doubt on

398

00:19:01,599 --> 00:18:58,999

the official explanation and story of

399

00:19:03,759 --> 00:19:01,609

the massacre itself now this producer

400

00:19:06,849 --> 00:19:03,769

was a guest on the current affairs show

401
00:19:09,820 --> 00:19:06,859
the project recently to discuss his

402
00:19:12,549 --> 00:19:09,830
movie and he came up against presenter

403
00:19:15,849 --> 00:19:12,559
Waleed Aly now Waleed Aly is getting

404
00:19:18,249 --> 00:19:15,859
reputation in Australia as being a fine

405
00:19:22,180 --> 00:19:18,259
journalist and I think he's even up for

406
00:19:24,009 --> 00:19:22,190
a TV award this year for the the best

407
00:19:25,779 --> 00:19:24,019
personality on Australian TV or

408
00:19:28,389 --> 00:19:25,789
something like that and the project of

409
00:19:31,180 --> 00:19:28,399
course is the TV show and which are very

410
00:19:33,549 --> 00:19:31,190
own dr. Rachel dr. Rachel Dunlop appears

411
00:19:36,249 --> 00:19:33,559
on from time to time and I've even

412
00:19:38,619 --> 00:19:36,259
appeared on the show myself talking

413
00:19:42,279 --> 00:19:38,629

about skeptical matters well let's

414

00:19:43,280 --> 00:19:42,289

listen in to hear how Waleed Aly dealt

415

00:19:46,190 --> 00:19:43,290

with

416

00:19:48,020 --> 00:19:46,200

producer when it came to conspiracy

417

00:19:50,090 --> 00:19:48,030

theories because I note that you wrote

418

00:19:54,080 --> 00:19:50,100

on Facebook that Martin Bryant quote

419

00:19:55,760 --> 00:19:54,090

allegedly committed the crime what does

420

00:19:57,920 --> 00:19:55,770

that meant to mean I mean he's convicted

421

00:19:59,270 --> 00:19:57,930

there's no allegedly about it well I

422

00:20:01,280 --> 00:19:59,280

guess if you want to look at the the

423

00:20:03,500 --> 00:20:01,290

alcohol and discrepancies because I want

424

00:20:06,500 --> 00:20:03,510

to label them necessarily with calling

425

00:20:08,210 --> 00:20:06,510

them conspiracy theories but there are

426
00:20:10,960 --> 00:20:08,220
things like because there was no open

427
00:20:13,640 --> 00:20:10,970
trial there were never any fingerprints

428
00:20:15,470 --> 00:20:13,650
taken from the scene that proves that

429
00:20:17,300 --> 00:20:15,480
Martin was there there were never any

430
00:20:18,950 --> 00:20:17,310
ballistic evidence matching the firearms

431
00:20:20,240 --> 00:20:18,960
to the crime scene or Bryant to the

432
00:20:21,380 --> 00:20:20,250
firearms there's not going to be a

433
00:20:23,150 --> 00:20:21,390
ballistics evidence because there was a

434
00:20:24,980 --> 00:20:23,160
confession but that's not going to be

435
00:20:26,780 --> 00:20:24,990
presented in front of court because

436
00:20:28,640 --> 00:20:26,790
there was a confession yeah that's

437
00:20:30,380 --> 00:20:28,650
that's my understanding is well once

438
00:20:32,660 --> 00:20:30,390

somebody pleads guilty you don't have to

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00:20:34,460 --> 00:20:32,670

provide evidence and so there's nothing

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00:20:36,200 --> 00:20:34,470

to be made you know I guess people have

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00:20:37,790 --> 00:20:36,210

to understand that this evidence hasn't

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00:20:39,260 --> 00:20:37,800

been presented publicly of course it

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00:20:41,030 --> 00:20:39,270

hasn't been presented publicly that's

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00:20:44,090 --> 00:20:41,040

the way the system works if there was a

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00:20:45,500 --> 00:20:44,100

defensible case in this case it would

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00:20:47,450 --> 00:20:45,510

have run a trial that's what would

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00:20:50,660 --> 00:20:47,460

happen and those discrepancies if they

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00:20:52,460 --> 00:20:50,670

even exist would be discussed and judges

449

00:20:54,500 --> 00:20:52,470

would rule on them but the fact that

450

00:20:57,530 --> 00:20:54,510

someone can just say in a case where

451
00:21:00,110 --> 00:20:57,540
there was a conviction and really no

452
00:21:01,850 --> 00:21:00,120
debate about who did this oh look there

453
00:21:03,590 --> 00:21:01,860
was a discrepancy over here that's the

454
00:21:05,810 --> 00:21:03,600
stuff of conspiracy theory that's how

455
00:21:08,330 --> 00:21:05,820
you build a conspiracy theories you try

456
00:21:09,710 --> 00:21:08,340
to inject doubt where there just isn't

457
00:21:11,180 --> 00:21:09,720
any a lot of people out there don't

458
00:21:13,160 --> 00:21:11,190
agree with you you just think look

459
00:21:15,080 --> 00:21:13,170
there's not enough evidence there are

460
00:21:16,370 --> 00:21:15,090
people are in no position to say that

461
00:21:18,710 --> 00:21:16,380
Paul they were just so there's no

462
00:21:20,450 --> 00:21:18,720
evidence to say that he was they can't

463
00:21:22,160 --> 00:21:20,460

say that because it didn't go to trial

464

00:21:25,550 --> 00:21:22,170

we didn't see the evidence because there

465

00:21:27,560 --> 00:21:25,560

was a confession so I this is absolutely

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00:21:29,150 --> 00:21:27,570

unremarkable as a legal proceeding from

467

00:21:30,770 --> 00:21:29,160

what I can tell and it's cell when you

468

00:21:32,120 --> 00:21:30,780

say well there's all this stuff out

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00:21:34,130 --> 00:21:32,130

there that might make it remarkable

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00:21:35,690 --> 00:21:34,140

that's what leads me to believe there's

471

00:21:37,610 --> 00:21:35,700

something really weird going on here and

472

00:21:39,230 --> 00:21:37,620

I can completely understand why

473

00:21:43,610 --> 00:21:39,240

survivors and their families would say

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00:21:45,200 --> 00:21:43,620

no I'll let a link to that that video in

475

00:21:48,170 --> 00:21:45,210

the show notes this week or if you just

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00:21:50,810 --> 00:21:48,180

google the project Port Arthur you'll

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00:21:54,820 --> 00:21:50,820

find that clip conspiracy theories seem

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00:21:57,240 --> 00:21:54,830

to pop up regularly as soon as there's a

479

00:22:01,410 --> 00:21:57,250

large event anywhere in the world

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00:22:03,540 --> 00:22:01,420

sandy hook for example within it seems

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00:22:05,850 --> 00:22:03,550

sometimes within minutes the conspiracy

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00:22:07,770 --> 00:22:05,860

theory start I think it's a sport some

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00:22:09,240 --> 00:22:07,780

people just love to come up with

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00:22:11,580 --> 00:22:09,250

something instantly to gain notoriety

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00:22:14,550 --> 00:22:11,590

and conspiracy theories feed on each

486

00:22:18,270 --> 00:22:14,560

other again we get back to the same root

487

00:22:21,420 --> 00:22:18,280

thing of them they call them what you

488

00:22:23,490 --> 00:22:21,430

will the Illuminati the one world

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00:22:26,520 --> 00:22:23,500

government is behind it all why the

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00:22:29,010 --> 00:22:26,530

course they want to control us and upon

491

00:22:30,900 --> 00:22:29,020

it goes spiraling into a maze as my

492

00:22:33,750 --> 00:22:30,910

friend dr. Phil Plait the bad astronomer

493

00:22:36,620 --> 00:22:33,760

once told me into a maze of unending

494

00:22:40,080 --> 00:22:36,630

rooms for which there is no escape

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00:22:43,380 --> 00:22:40,090

humans are storytelling pattern seeking

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00:22:46,890 --> 00:22:43,390

animals which means from time to time we

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00:22:49,380 --> 00:22:46,900

will see patterns where no patterns

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00:22:52,290 --> 00:22:49,390

exist and if the story associated with a

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00:22:55,410 --> 00:22:52,300

pattern we think we perceive is enticing

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00:22:57,480 --> 00:22:55,420

interesting a bit daring and we feel

501
00:23:00,120 --> 00:22:57,490
like we might even be uncovering the

502
00:23:02,730 --> 00:23:00,130
truth or getting behind the mystery it's

503
00:23:04,800 --> 00:23:02,740
very enticing very seductive and that's

504
00:23:07,200 --> 00:23:04,810
why skepticism is so important critical

505
00:23:10,410 --> 00:23:07,210
thinking for when we realize that we are

506
00:23:12,960 --> 00:23:10,420
storytelling patent seeking animals with

507
00:23:15,600 --> 00:23:12,970
a fallible brain and fallible memory and

508
00:23:18,270 --> 00:23:15,610
reasoning skills then we can stop and

509
00:23:20,520 --> 00:23:18,280
question our own assumptions like the

510
00:23:23,190 --> 00:23:20,530
John F Kennedy assassination the Port

511
00:23:25,470 --> 00:23:23,200
Arthur conspiracy theories they won't go

512
00:23:27,990 --> 00:23:25,480
away but it doesn't mean we have to give

513
00:23:55,350 --> 00:23:28,000

up our reasoning skills and fall into

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00:24:01,360 --> 00:23:58,810

Eric on Australia's only paranormal

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00:24:03,580 --> 00:24:01,370

conference this year it's going to be at

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00:24:07,540 --> 00:24:03,590

the Carrington hotel timber in the Blue

517

00:24:09,070 --> 00:24:07,550

Mountains on may 28 and 29 so if you're

518

00:24:11,860 --> 00:24:09,080

into the paranormal two spookier

519

00:24:14,170 --> 00:24:11,870

mysterious the supernatural ghost

520

00:24:16,540 --> 00:24:14,180

hunters UFOs everywhere that sort of

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00:24:19,150 --> 00:24:16,550

stuff this is the conference for you

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00:24:22,060 --> 00:24:19,160

lots of our local and international

523

00:24:24,490 --> 00:24:22,070

guests coming in to talk including yours

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00:24:26,860 --> 00:24:24,500

truly and you can catch my talk as

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00:24:29,260 --> 00:24:26,870

skeptics guide to passing the million

526

00:24:33,130 --> 00:24:29,270

dollar challenge and it'll be on the

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00:24:34,930 --> 00:24:33,140

saturday night from 7pm to 8 p.m. for

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00:24:39,280 --> 00:24:34,940

more information and to buy your tickets

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00:24:40,420 --> 00:24:39,290

visit Paracon australia calm and don't

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00:24:42,790 --> 00:24:40,430

forget if you just want to come along

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00:24:44,680 --> 00:24:42,800

and see my talk you can just buy a

532

00:24:47,140 --> 00:24:44,690

ticket for my talk and that's at the

533

00:24:49,120 --> 00:24:47,150

bargain price of twenty-five dollars or

534

00:24:51,670 --> 00:24:49,130

you can buy a one day or two day pass

535

00:24:53,200 --> 00:24:51,680

and see the whole kit and caboodle so if

536

00:24:56,080 --> 00:24:53,210

you're interested about more details

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00:24:58,120 --> 00:24:56,090

about their various skeptical challenges

538

00:25:00,910 --> 00:24:58,130

around the world for large amounts of

539

00:25:02,350 --> 00:25:00,920

money or you want to apply oh yes if you

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00:25:05,650 --> 00:25:02,360

have a paranormal or supernatural

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00:25:30,090 --> 00:25:05,660

ability you can prove then come and see

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00:25:38,549 --> 00:25:33,720

from the Brisbane times at www Brisbane

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00:25:42,240 --> 00:25:38,559

times com not a you by Sarah Gill anti

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00:25:45,240 --> 00:25:42,250

immunization movie vax is a platform for

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its maker not its message amid world

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immunization week a film by a frontman

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for the anti-vaccination movement is

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being rolled out in US cinemas published

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00:25:59,820 --> 00:25:57,160

on April 27 a new film by Andrew

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Wakefield disgraced former doctor and

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00:26:04,380 --> 00:26:01,870
poster boy for the anti-vaccination

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00:26:07,710 --> 00:26:04,390
movement is being rolled out in cinemas

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00:26:09,990 --> 00:26:07,720
across the United States what more one

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00:26:12,960 --> 00:26:10,000
wonders could Wakefield possibly have to

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00:26:16,140 --> 00:26:12,970
offer on this topic given his deplorable

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00:26:18,299 --> 00:26:16,150
conduct in the late 1990s when he

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00:26:21,120 --> 00:26:18,309
essentially fabricated a link between

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00:26:23,669 --> 00:26:21,130
autism and the combined measles mumps

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00:26:26,370 --> 00:26:23,679
and rubella vaccine that caused the

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00:26:27,539 --> 00:26:26,380
worldwide vaccination scare what

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00:26:30,299 --> 00:26:27,549
followed over the next two decades

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00:26:32,510 --> 00:26:30,309
including mind-blowing revelations of

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00:26:34,919 --> 00:26:32,520

dishonesty fraud avarice and chicanery

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00:26:38,130 --> 00:26:34,929

accumulated in Wakefield's medical

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00:26:40,380 --> 00:26:38,140

deregistration in 2010 apparently

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00:26:43,799 --> 00:26:40,390

undeterred by this litany of prime

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00:26:47,039 --> 00:26:43,809

misdemeanors Wakefield's film vax from

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00:26:49,260 --> 00:26:47,049

cover-up to catastrophe simply sidesteps

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00:26:52,289 --> 00:26:49,270

his past and reprises the causal link

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00:26:54,270 --> 00:26:52,299

between MMR vaccine and autism this time

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00:26:56,880 --> 00:26:54,280

accusing the US Center for Disease

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00:26:59,490 --> 00:26:56,890

Control of scientific fraud by

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00:27:01,500 --> 00:26:59,500

manipulating data to conceal the

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00:27:05,279 --> 00:27:01,510

correlation between the triple shot and

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00:27:07,380 --> 00:27:05,289

autism pot kettle black after being

576
00:27:09,840 --> 00:27:07,390
dumped by the prestigious tribeca film

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00:27:12,049 --> 00:27:09,850
festival in March following condemnation

578
00:27:15,390 --> 00:27:12,059
from the international science community

579
00:27:17,730 --> 00:27:15,400
vax premiered in New York on April first

580
00:27:20,159 --> 00:27:17,740
the only day of the year so they say

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00:27:22,110 --> 00:27:20,169
when people critically evaluate

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00:27:25,620 --> 00:27:22,120
information rather than taking it on

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00:27:27,990 --> 00:27:25,630
faith let's hope so as global milestones

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00:27:30,690 --> 00:27:28,000
for measles elimination start to slip

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00:27:32,880 --> 00:27:30,700
amid recent outbreaks in Australia New

586
00:27:35,039 --> 00:27:32,890
Zealand Britain in the United States to

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00:27:37,490 --> 00:27:35,049
say that this latest offering is

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00:27:41,399 --> 00:27:37,500

seriously unhelpful is an understatement

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00:27:43,890 --> 00:27:41,409

the original 1998 Lancet paper now

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00:27:46,200 --> 00:27:43,900

retracted may have been comprehend

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00:27:49,200 --> 00:27:46,210

sively demolished by subsequent research

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00:27:50,990 --> 00:27:49,210

and crippled by revelations of the

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00:27:54,120 --> 00:27:51,000

author's peculiar interests and

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00:27:55,860 --> 00:27:54,130

falsification of data but that doesn't

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00:27:57,570 --> 00:27:55,870

mean the narrative still doesn't

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00:27:59,880 --> 00:27:57,580

resonate with some sectors of the

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00:28:01,440 --> 00:27:59,890

community indeed two weeks after pulling

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00:28:04,140 --> 00:28:01,450

the film from the festival programme

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00:28:07,110 --> 00:28:04,150

Tribeca co-founder Robert De Niro made a

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00:28:09,480 --> 00:28:07,120

spectacular you turn on the Today TV

601
00:28:11,490 --> 00:28:09,490
show defending the filmmakers and urging

602
00:28:13,290 --> 00:28:11,500
people to see the film as it happens

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00:28:15,750 --> 00:28:13,300
being ditched from the first of a lineup

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00:28:18,000 --> 00:28:15,760
in New York and Houston where people

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00:28:19,740 --> 00:28:18,010
took to the streets in protest doesn't

606
00:28:21,660 --> 00:28:19,750
appear to have damaged the interest in

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00:28:23,790 --> 00:28:21,670
the film or damaged its commercial

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00:28:25,860 --> 00:28:23,800
prospects New York screenings

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00:28:28,530 --> 00:28:25,870
accompanied by talks with Wakefield were

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00:28:32,040 --> 00:28:28,540
sold out and the film's Facebook page

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00:28:34,200 --> 00:28:32,050
even hints and level of enthusiasm for

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00:28:36,810 --> 00:28:34,210
an Australian release Wakefield and

613
00:28:38,850 --> 00:28:36,820

Baxter producer Dell big tree have

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00:28:42,480 --> 00:28:38,860

described the decision not to screen the

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00:28:44,700 --> 00:28:42,490

film as quote yet another example of the

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00:28:48,270 --> 00:28:44,710

power of corporate interests censoring

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00:28:50,520 --> 00:28:48,280

free speech art and truth tribeca's

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00:28:52,680 --> 00:28:50,530

action will not succeed in denying the

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00:28:55,560 --> 00:28:52,690

world access to the truth behind the

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00:28:57,540 --> 00:28:55,570

film vax to encode and their statement

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00:28:59,820 --> 00:28:57,550

dovetails selectively with the film's

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00:29:02,430 --> 00:28:59,830

central narrative but what the

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00:29:04,860 --> 00:29:02,440

filmmakers and nero are asserting that

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00:29:07,470 --> 00:29:04,870

different points of view deserve to be

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00:29:09,870 --> 00:29:07,480

aired not censored lively overlooks that

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00:29:12,630 --> 00:29:09,880

this is not just about the message but

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00:29:15,450 --> 00:29:12,640

the messenger as one film critic comment

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00:29:18,090 --> 00:29:15,460

quote Wakefield doesn't just have a dog

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00:29:20,430 --> 00:29:18,100

in this fight he is the dog in quote

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00:29:22,020 --> 00:29:20,440

there is something profoundly ironic

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00:29:23,370 --> 00:29:22,030

about Wakefield pointing to the

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00:29:25,410 --> 00:29:23,380

commercial interests of the

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00:29:28,110 --> 00:29:25,420

pharmaceutical industry or accusing the

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00:29:30,600 --> 00:29:28,120

CD CD of data manipulation when you

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00:29:34,020 --> 00:29:30,610

consider his own undisclosed financial

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00:29:36,930 --> 00:29:34,030

interests behind the 1998 Lancet study

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00:29:39,150 --> 00:29:36,940

and his role in what has been called out

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00:29:41,580 --> 00:29:39,160

to be one of the most flagrant frauds in

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00:29:44,550 --> 00:29:41,590

medical history it's not a stretch to

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00:29:46,350 --> 00:29:44,560

say that the title of his new film could

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00:29:49,290 --> 00:29:46,360

well describe the shenanigans of

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00:29:51,540 --> 00:29:49,300

Wakefield himself in the late 90s the

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00:29:53,760 --> 00:29:51,550

cover up being the secret contract with

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00:29:56,520 --> 00:29:53,770

lawyers who paid him to construct a case

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against MMR and the catastrophe of

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00:30:00,510 --> 00:29:57,670

course

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worldwide slump in vaccination don't be

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00:30:05,310 --> 00:30:02,890

fooled wakefield story is not a tale of

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00:30:07,920 --> 00:30:05,320

a man wrong by powerful corporations or

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00:30:10,320 --> 00:30:07,930

the medical establishment which in fact

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00:30:12,720 --> 00:30:10,330
closed ranks to protect him it's a story

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00:30:15,420 --> 00:30:12,730
of a physician who set out to cast doubt

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00:30:18,840 --> 00:30:15,430
on vaccine safety before he even

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00:30:21,060 --> 00:30:18,850
gathered the evidence and he did so not

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00:30:24,120 --> 00:30:21,070
for the public good but for private game

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00:30:27,000 --> 00:30:24,130
if this sounds personal that's because

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00:30:30,600 --> 00:30:27,010
it is scores of parents in the early

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00:30:34,020 --> 00:30:30,610
2000s my self included Harvard a deep

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00:30:36,660 --> 00:30:34,030
sense of unease about the 18 month MMR

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00:30:39,780 --> 00:30:36,670
and solely because of a small inclusive

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00:30:41,820 --> 00:30:39,790
but nonetheless troubling study by a man

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00:30:44,640 --> 00:30:41,830
uniquely positioned to exploit our

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00:30:46,680 --> 00:30:44,650

greatest fears Wakefield's hunger for

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00:30:48,950 --> 00:30:46,690

media attention his ferocious personal

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00:30:52,290 --> 00:30:48,960

ambition and cunning business dealings

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00:30:54,840 --> 00:30:52,300

included a patent filed in 1997 for a

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00:30:57,360 --> 00:30:54,850

vaccine to replace the triple shot and

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00:31:00,180 --> 00:30:57,370

generate millions of pounds in general

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00:31:03,480 --> 00:31:00,190

revenue we're a toxic mix and not so

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00:31:05,400 --> 00:31:03,490

much it seems has changed if you scratch

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00:31:07,230 --> 00:31:05,410

the surface of vax that's hardly

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00:31:10,920 --> 00:31:07,240

surprising to discover the whole thing

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00:31:14,850 --> 00:31:10,930

starts to disintegrate the reanalysis of

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00:31:17,270 --> 00:31:14,860

the cdc data set alleging a correlation

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00:31:20,250 --> 00:31:17,280

between MMR vaccine and autism in

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00:31:22,830 --> 00:31:20,260
african-american males published in 2014

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00:31:25,140 --> 00:31:22,840
has now been retracted with the journal

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00:31:28,080 --> 00:31:25,150
editors citing questionable methods of

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00:31:29,670 --> 00:31:28,090
quote undeclared competing interests on

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00:31:32,250 --> 00:31:29,680
the part of the author unquote

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00:31:35,070 --> 00:31:32,260
lamentably that hasn't stopped it going

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00:31:37,710 --> 00:31:35,080
viral online or prompting mass rallies

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00:31:40,260 --> 00:31:37,720
like the one which took place at the CDC

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00:31:42,510 --> 00:31:40,270
in Atlanta last weekend a symptom

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00:31:44,730 --> 00:31:42,520
perhaps of our enduring fascination for

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00:31:46,260 --> 00:31:44,740
conspiracy theories your pediatrician

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00:31:49,290 --> 00:31:46,270
and bioethicists that john hopkins

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00:31:52,380 --> 00:31:49,300

berman institute of bioethics observed

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in 2014 but those behind the study quote

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manipulated the data and manipulated the

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media in a very savvy and sophisticated

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way in quote and continue to do so

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needless the same none of this is to

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suggest of course that there's never a

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conflict of interest between private

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enterprise and public good or that

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scrutiny a pharmaceutical company

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responsible God knows for their share of

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public health catastrophes is

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unwarranted but if we really object to

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00:32:23,399 --> 00:32:21,789
being lied to if we'd prefer not to

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00:32:25,200 --> 00:32:23,409
sacrifice the greater good of the

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00:32:27,869 --> 00:32:25,210
community for the benefit of the

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00:32:29,879 --> 00:32:27,879
privileged few then why would we not

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00:32:33,389 --> 00:32:29,889
apply the same level of scrutiny to

706
00:32:35,970 --> 00:32:33,399
anyone with a profit motive who knows if

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00:32:38,549 --> 00:32:35,980
Wakefield and his associates are true to

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form vax is just another desperate

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00:32:44,899 --> 00:32:41,620
attempt to hoodwink the public for no

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00:32:47,789 --> 00:32:44,909
greater purpose than making money and

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00:32:50,249 --> 00:32:47,799
Zira Gil is an aged columnist who has

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00:32:52,590 --> 00:32:50,259
worked as a writer and policy analyst

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she is undertaking postgraduate Legal

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Studies at the University of Western

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Australia and this story comes to us

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from the Brisbane times at Brisbane

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times com au and the accompanying

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cartoon illustrated by john spooner

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depicts a skeleton like the Grim Reaper

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in a director's chair and the skeleton

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is saying lies camera action and on the

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back of the chair it says director

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dr. Harriet hall md no into thousands as

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the skeptic a retired family physician

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and former Air Force flight surgeon she

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00:33:55,450 --> 00:33:53,759
writes about medicine so called

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complementary and alternative medicine

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science pakery and critical thinking

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Harriet now has a free course a series

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00:34:08,030 --> 00:34:04,860
of ten video lectures on science based

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medicine and alternative medicine the

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00:34:12,169 --> 00:34:10,050
videos and an accompanying course guide

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can be found by following the link at

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skeptic dot info or by visiting web

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Randy's org slash educational dash

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modules dot HTML topics covered in the

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00:34:30,730 --> 00:34:27,599

series are science-based medicine vs.

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evidence-based medicine what is cam

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chiropractic acupuncture homeopathy

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naturopathy and herbal medicine energy

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medicine miscellaneous alternatives

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pitfalls in research and science-based

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medicine in the media and politics

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Harriet covers each topic in a matter of

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fact no-nonsense way that sure to

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00:35:20,410 --> 00:35:17,530

thank you for listening to the skeptic

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zone boy those kittens love their their

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bit of chicken neck crunch crunch crunch

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00:35:27,610 --> 00:35:25,340

and what's really sweet is when they get

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tired they look for a lap and up they

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00:35:31,800 --> 00:35:30,140

pop oh yeah anyway coming up on next

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week's show will have some reports from

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00:35:36,310 --> 00:35:34,220

skeptics in the pub probably some more

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about conspiracy theories but sometimes

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00:35:39,610 --> 00:35:38,210

I don't even know what's coming up on

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00:35:41,500 --> 00:35:39,620

next week's show it's a surprise to me

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00:35:43,150 --> 00:35:41,510

that's why I'd like to listen thank you

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00:35:46,060 --> 00:35:43,160

to all those people who do contribute to

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00:35:49,030 --> 00:35:46,070

the skeptic zone via paypal at skeptic

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zone TV micro payments some people chip

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in a dollar a week some people chip in

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00:35:56,140 --> 00:35:53,630

five dollars and even more it's all very

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much appreciated and it does mean the

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show keeps going even if my voice

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doesn't earn all right that's time for

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00:36:07,450 --> 00:36:04,820

me to have a bit of a lie-down rest my

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voice for next week's show but for now

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this is Richard Saunders signing off

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from Sydney Australia you've been

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listening to the skeptics own podcast

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00:36:24,520 --> 00:36:21,470

visit our website at wwc a petting zoo

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00:36:28,390 --> 00:36:24,530

TV for contacts and archive of all

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episodes since 2008 and our online store

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please support the skeptic zone by

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00:36:36,430 --> 00:36:33,430

following us on twitter at skeptic zone

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liking us on facebook and leaving a

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review on iTunes you can also show your

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00:36:45,820 --> 00:36:42,350

support by subscribing via paypal for as

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little as 99 cents a week the skeptic

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zone is an independent production the

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00:36:51,940 --> 00:36:49,880

views and opinions expressed on the

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00:36:54,630 --> 00:36:51,950

skeptic zone and not necessarily those

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of Australian skepta tea or any other

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what followed over the next decade