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00:00:20,340 --> 00:00:09,520  
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:27,480 --> 00:00:23,040  
hello and welcome to the skeptic zone

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00:00:30,330 --> 00:00:27,490  
episode number 106 for the 29th of our

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00:00:32,400 --> 00:00:30,340  
of October 2010 Richard Saunders here

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00:00:34,830 --> 00:00:32,410  
with you once again in sydney australia

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00:00:37,979 --> 00:00:34,840  
on this week's show we have a report

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00:00:40,890 --> 00:00:37,989  
from the shonky awards by the consumer

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00:00:42,570 --> 00:00:40,900  
affairs magazine choice they give out

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00:00:45,030 --> 00:00:42,580  
these awards every year it's sort of

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00:00:47,430 --> 00:00:45,040  
like the Pegasus award from the j ref

11  
00:00:50,580 --> 00:00:47,440  
for the bent spoon from the australian

12  
00:00:52,799 --> 00:00:50,590  
skeptics shonky meaning juvia sore

13  
00:00:54,899 --> 00:00:52,809

underhanded is award given out every

14

00:00:58,320 --> 00:00:54,909

year to a range of products that in the

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00:01:01,799 --> 00:00:58,330

view of choice magazine are frankly

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00:01:05,580 --> 00:01:01,809

shonky don't live up to claims may be a

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00:01:07,740 --> 00:01:05,590

ripoff maybe an outright con and our

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00:01:10,050 --> 00:01:07,750

interest this year in the shonky Awards

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was the awarding of one of those awards

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00:01:16,350 --> 00:01:14,350

to the power balance bracelet so in the

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00:01:19,320 --> 00:01:16,360

view of choice magazine the power

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00:01:23,430 --> 00:01:19,330

balance bracelet with its magic hologram

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00:01:25,740 --> 00:01:23,440

in their words is a con we'll find out

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00:01:27,929 --> 00:01:25,750

more soon following that there's a

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00:01:30,810 --> 00:01:27,939

report that i did downtown here in

26  
00:01:34,709 --> 00:01:30,820  
Sydney a few days ago with the zombie

27  
00:01:37,590 --> 00:01:34,719  
March not much to do with skepticism

28  
00:01:40,620 --> 00:01:37,600  
here okay but it was a lot of fun anyway

29  
00:01:43,830 --> 00:01:40,630  
and after that the think tank with the

30  
00:01:48,149 --> 00:01:43,840  
welcome return of dr. Richie Joe Benna

31  
00:01:50,130 --> 00:01:48,159  
mu a run so give and may not all right

32  
00:01:52,020 --> 00:01:50,140  
thank you to those people sending in

33  
00:01:55,469 --> 00:01:52,030  
drink ideas are we mentioned some of

34  
00:01:58,230 --> 00:01:55,479  
those coming up in the think tank but

35  
00:02:00,870 --> 00:01:58,240  
for now sit back I have that nice glass

36  
00:02:12,800 --> 00:02:00,880  
of cold soda water and enjoy the

37  
00:02:18,480 --> 00:02:16,290  
for 50 years choice magazine has been

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00:02:22,130 --> 00:02:18,490

keeping an eye out for Australian

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00:02:25,770 --> 00:02:22,140

consumers testing and rating products

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00:02:29,160 --> 00:02:25,780

this year was the fifth anniversary of

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00:02:32,520 --> 00:02:29,170

the shonky Awards the prize no company

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00:02:35,220 --> 00:02:32,530

wants to win at a press conference in

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00:02:37,920 --> 00:02:35,230

Sydney Christopher Xin from choice

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00:02:40,620 --> 00:02:37,930

magazine announced that the power band

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00:02:45,570 --> 00:02:40,630

bracelet was the winner of one of the

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00:02:47,820 --> 00:02:45,580

shonky Awards so ladies and gentlemen

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00:02:50,729 --> 00:02:47,830

the shonky or the strongest pen dias

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00:03:00,140 --> 00:02:50,739

dumbest and pseudoscience contribution

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00:03:04,110 --> 00:03:02,610

particular marketing campaign we would

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00:03:06,960 --> 00:03:04,120

say that may be so but we think it's

51  
00:03:10,440 --> 00:03:06,970  
shocking the power balance bands as well

52  
00:03:12,660 --> 00:03:10,450  
I understand that choice did its own

53  
00:03:15,030 --> 00:03:12,670  
independent testing on that yeah what'd

54  
00:03:16,770 --> 00:03:15,040  
you find yeah look we did you know I

55  
00:03:18,690 --> 00:03:16,780  
think we'd have looked at the power

56  
00:03:20,520 --> 00:03:18,700  
balance without testing it and say look

57  
00:03:22,020 --> 00:03:20,530  
there's something a bit shonky here but

58  
00:03:23,819 --> 00:03:22,030  
we put it through a test of 20

59  
00:03:26,069 --> 00:03:23,829  
able-bodied adults doing various power

60  
00:03:27,509 --> 00:03:26,079  
and flexibility test sometimes they had

61  
00:03:29,069 --> 00:03:27,519  
the power band sometimes they had

62  
00:03:31,470 --> 00:03:29,079  
nothing sometimes they thought they had

63  
00:03:33,900 --> 00:03:31,480

the power band we'd actually removed the

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

magic hologram which resonates 7.83

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00:03:37,470 --> 00:03:35,860

kilohertz and you know what it did make

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00:03:39,530 --> 00:03:37,480

a skerrick of difference one way or the

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00:03:42,150 --> 00:03:39,540

other now the power band has some

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00:03:44,130 --> 00:03:42,160

placebo effect it can make people feel

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00:03:45,630 --> 00:03:44,140

something that's great but do you really

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00:03:47,430 --> 00:03:45,640

have to pay sixty dollars for such a

71

00:03:50,310 --> 00:03:47,440

thing you know say one I'm wearing now

72

00:03:53,819 --> 00:03:50,320

is a is a ripoff version that costs two

73

00:03:55,170 --> 00:03:53,829

dollars and it seems to do five and now

74

00:03:56,580 --> 00:03:55,180

I'm talking with Chris Barnes from

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00:03:58,170 --> 00:03:56,590

choice magazine Chris you did a great

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00:04:00,300 --> 00:03:58,180

little demonstration there with help of

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some other people about via the effects

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or shall I say the zero effects to the

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00:04:07,110 --> 00:04:05,079

power power balance bracelet yes that's

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00:04:10,229 --> 00:04:07,120

right Richard zero effect is what we

81

00:04:10,900 --> 00:04:10,239

found we did a trial of about 20 people

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00:04:13,660 --> 00:04:10,910

in the

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00:04:15,130 --> 00:04:13,670

and it consisted of testing balance and

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00:04:16,930 --> 00:04:15,140

flexibility since those are two of the

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00:04:19,210 --> 00:04:16,940

things that the Power Balance claims to

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help you with it also claims help with

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00:04:22,690 --> 00:04:20,330

strength but we thought there might be

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00:04:25,510 --> 00:04:22,700

some ohs issues in testing strengthener

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00:04:27,880 --> 00:04:25,520

in the lab so we left that one out so we

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00:04:29,590 --> 00:04:27,890

the test basically consisted of people

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00:04:32,710 --> 00:04:29,600

walking on a balance beam and doing a

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00:04:34,240 --> 00:04:32,720

rotational stretch around which is

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00:04:36,790 --> 00:04:34,250

similar to some of the demonstrations of

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00:04:38,380 --> 00:04:36,800

power balance themselves use but we did

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00:04:40,720 --> 00:04:38,390

a little more scientifically than they

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00:04:42,250 --> 00:04:40,730

did we had a fro everyone went through

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00:04:45,820 --> 00:04:42,260

three runs one without wearing any

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00:04:48,490 --> 00:04:45,830

product one wearing a products which was

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00:04:51,100 --> 00:04:48,500

intact so still have its magic hologram

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00:04:52,300 --> 00:04:51,110

consarn attached and one which was able

101  
00:04:54,160 --> 00:04:52,310  
to see though it looked exactly the same

102  
00:04:56,020 --> 00:04:54,170  
but it had its Holograms removed and

103  
00:04:58,240 --> 00:04:56,030  
both sets of products are disguised with

104  
00:05:00,370 --> 00:04:58,250  
tape so that no one doing the truong nhu

105  
00:05:02,590 --> 00:05:00,380  
which one with which and i was actually

106  
00:05:04,540 --> 00:05:02,600  
running the trial didn't know either so

107  
00:05:06,220 --> 00:05:04,550  
it was a double-blind trial we had that

108  
00:05:08,740 --> 00:05:06,230  
one of our lab tested separately you

109  
00:05:11,200 --> 00:05:08,750  
know to myself dr. one of the sets of

110  
00:05:13,600 --> 00:05:11,210  
power balance so that meant that if

111  
00:05:15,190 --> 00:05:13,610  
there was any effect at all we really

112  
00:05:17,380 --> 00:05:15,200  
should have seen something show up in

113  
00:05:18,640 --> 00:05:17,390

the balance and flexibility test and the

114

00:05:20,170 --> 00:05:18,650

end result was that there was no

115

00:05:22,450 --> 00:05:20,180

significant difference between any of

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00:05:25,150 --> 00:05:22,460

the runs at all clearly the product is

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00:05:26,830 --> 00:05:25,160

purely placebo absolutely and that's the

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00:05:29,280 --> 00:05:26,840

conclusion of a showing skeptics of

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00:05:30,790 --> 00:05:29,290

course have you had feedback or

120

00:05:33,640 --> 00:05:30,800

communication of the Power Balance

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00:05:35,050 --> 00:05:33,650

people yes so as we do with all our

122

00:05:36,909 --> 00:05:35,060

product tests we sent them the results

123

00:05:38,560 --> 00:05:36,919

before we published so they could

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00:05:41,290 --> 00:05:38,570

comment and give them a right of fair

125

00:05:42,550 --> 00:05:41,300

reply before we publish anything so we

126

00:05:44,140 --> 00:05:42,560

do that with all our product tests

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00:05:46,630 --> 00:05:44,150

probably to check facts but also to give

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00:05:49,450 --> 00:05:46,640

the right of reply their reply was that

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00:05:51,040 --> 00:05:49,460

they believes in the product and that is

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00:05:52,920 --> 00:05:51,050

it didn't work then millions of people

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00:05:55,540 --> 00:05:52,930

would be demanding their money back and

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00:05:57,520 --> 00:05:55,550

well clearly people don't generally

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00:05:58,780 --> 00:05:57,530

demand their money back even when they

134

00:06:01,110 --> 00:05:58,790

think that something doesn't work they

135

00:06:03,850 --> 00:06:01,120

tend to just give up on it and move on

136

00:06:05,440 --> 00:06:03,860

with regards to the money back guarantee

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00:06:06,850 --> 00:06:05,450

we did actually test that we took a

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00:06:08,590 --> 00:06:06,860

product back to the store where we

139

00:06:10,030 --> 00:06:08,600

bought and said look we wanted we wanted

140

00:06:12,909 --> 00:06:10,040

our money back we're not happy with this

141

00:06:14,620 --> 00:06:12,919

and believe it or not the product the

142

00:06:17,060 --> 00:06:14,630

store they actually tested the product

143

00:06:18,680 --> 00:06:17,070

using power balances own tests

144

00:06:20,900 --> 00:06:18,690

demonstration balance and the

145

00:06:22,100 --> 00:06:20,910

flexibility and all that too absolutely

146

00:06:23,480 --> 00:06:22,110

because I wanted to make sure it was a

147

00:06:25,100 --> 00:06:23,490

genuine thing that we weren't you know

148

00:06:26,600 --> 00:06:25,110

that we weren't returning some sort of

149

00:06:28,220 --> 00:06:26,610

counterfeit and they've satisfied

150

00:06:29,840 --> 00:06:28,230

themselves it was the real thing so they

151  
00:06:32,270 --> 00:06:29,850  
gave the money back so the money back

152  
00:06:34,580 --> 00:06:32,280  
guarantee at least is a real thing well

153  
00:06:36,230 --> 00:06:34,590  
if there's one thing one thing that we

154  
00:06:38,180 --> 00:06:36,240  
said that's real about the whole power

155  
00:06:40,730 --> 00:06:38,190  
balance and holographic band claim is

156  
00:06:42,800 --> 00:06:40,740  
some companies will give you give you

157  
00:06:45,050 --> 00:06:42,810  
your money back that's correct yep and

158  
00:06:46,790 --> 00:06:45,060  
look you know if you get some placebo

159  
00:06:48,380 --> 00:06:46,800  
effect out of it that's terrific but

160  
00:06:50,690 --> 00:06:48,390  
frankly you can get the same effect by

161  
00:06:52,790 --> 00:06:50,700  
wearing your lucky Underpants or a

162  
00:06:54,680 --> 00:06:52,800  
four-leaf clover or whatever if there's

163  
00:06:55,790 --> 00:06:54,690

some talisman that you believe brings

164

00:06:57,440 --> 00:06:55,800

you a bit of luck and helps your

165

00:06:59,600 --> 00:06:57,450

performance on the sports field you know

166

00:07:01,130 --> 00:06:59,610

why not wear it look at why pay sixty

167

00:07:03,590 --> 00:07:01,140

dollars or 90 that's the point they're

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00:07:05,060 --> 00:07:03,600

not selling it as a feel-good thing

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00:07:06,920 --> 00:07:05,070

they're selling it with the specific

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00:07:09,350 --> 00:07:06,930

claims that it will increase your

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00:07:11,060 --> 00:07:09,360

balance strength and flexibility using

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00:07:12,830 --> 00:07:11,070

the science they've probably cooked up

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00:07:14,390 --> 00:07:12,840

out of that yeah exactly they use some

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00:07:15,920 --> 00:07:14,400

fairy pseudo scientific terms which

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00:07:17,780 --> 00:07:15,930

which are quite convincing if you don't

176  
00:07:19,760 --> 00:07:17,790  
really know much about science or about

177  
00:07:22,490 --> 00:07:19,770  
you know biology they talk about energy

178  
00:07:24,620 --> 00:07:22,500  
fields and frequencies and all this sort

179  
00:07:26,870 --> 00:07:24,630  
of stuff which are all real things in

180  
00:07:28,340 --> 00:07:26,880  
their own right but you know have

181  
00:07:30,560 --> 00:07:28,350  
absolutely no bearing on the product

182  
00:07:32,840 --> 00:07:30,570  
it's a classic example of people cooking

183  
00:07:34,670 --> 00:07:32,850  
up a great scheme and being very

184  
00:07:36,410 --> 00:07:34,680  
successful at good week in the public I

185  
00:07:38,990 --> 00:07:36,420  
think remarkably successful from

186  
00:07:41,930 --> 00:07:39,000  
everything that I've read yes yes well

187  
00:07:44,360 --> 00:07:41,940  
thank you Chris and well I hope that we

188  
00:07:48,180 --> 00:07:44,370

have some happy and use next year on

189

00:07:54,640 --> 00:07:51,790

now thanks to choice magazine or putting

190

00:07:57,550 --> 00:07:54,650

on such a great press conference for the

191

00:08:01,680 --> 00:07:57,560

shonky awards and I can recommend choice

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00:08:15,040 --> 00:08:01,690

magazine to you you can subscribe at ww

193

00:08:17,350 --> 00:08:15,050

choice com au hey boo oh hey bro what on

194

00:08:20,380 --> 00:08:17,360

your wrist is that a balance cabin what

195

00:08:22,270 --> 00:08:20,390

the no no this is a placebo man or what

196

00:08:24,880 --> 00:08:22,280

that's right new from skeptic browse

197

00:08:26,500 --> 00:08:24,890

calm let's sip abandoned no more popping

198

00:08:29,050 --> 00:08:26,510

pills painful needles or smelly

199

00:08:30,820 --> 00:08:29,060

ointments huh the suburban uses too

200

00:08:32,920 --> 00:08:30,830

powerful scientifically proven affects

201  
00:08:34,839 --> 00:08:32,930  
the placebo effect and confirmation bias

202  
00:08:36,700 --> 00:08:34,849  
seriously there's no one else here who

203  
00:08:38,170 --> 00:08:36,710  
are you yelling at the super bands in

204  
00:08:39,850 --> 00:08:38,180  
five fashionable colors are available

205  
00:08:42,790 --> 00:08:39,860  
for only two dollars each plus postage

206  
00:08:45,310 --> 00:08:42,800  
and handling from skeptic bros calm get

207  
00:08:47,350 --> 00:08:45,320  
yours today why do I even talk to you

208  
00:08:58,400 --> 00:08:47,360  
I'm your brother and mum says you have

209  
00:09:04,400 --> 00:09:01,660  
i'm here at the hyde park in sydney it's

210  
00:09:06,559 --> 00:09:04,410  
zombie day or walk like a zombie hello

211  
00:09:07,819 --> 00:09:06,569  
what's your name hi I'm Jesse hi Jesse

212  
00:09:09,319 --> 00:09:07,829  
what is what's going on here with all

213  
00:09:11,629 --> 00:09:09,329

these zombies it's the annual zombie

214

00:09:12,949 --> 00:09:11,639

walk it happens all over the world there

215

00:09:14,900 --> 00:09:12,959

was one in please spend today as well

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00:09:16,340 --> 00:09:14,910

I'll go and everybody just meets at my

217

00:09:20,179 --> 00:09:16,350

pad fat and walks through this video

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00:09:22,400 --> 00:09:20,189

like a zombie may I wonder why or just

219

00:09:25,249 --> 00:09:22,410

for fun just for fun if they're part of

220

00:09:26,720 --> 00:09:25,259

and the Sydney flash mob is oh yeah yeah

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00:09:33,050 --> 00:09:26,730

so it's just one of those weird things

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00:09:34,639 --> 00:09:33,060

they do for fun and it's somebody's ami

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00:09:36,199 --> 00:09:34,649

just fell over and all the other zombies

224

00:09:38,300 --> 00:09:36,209

are jumping on top of them to feed off

225

00:09:39,769 --> 00:09:38,310

his brains like this and that's why

226

00:09:42,139 --> 00:09:39,779

you're here just for fun isn't it yeah

227

00:09:44,360 --> 00:09:42,149

and you I'm just here for fun as well

228

00:09:48,379 --> 00:09:44,370

i'm also a marshal um have no idea

229

00:09:49,999 --> 00:09:48,389

what's going on but um what I've heard

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00:09:52,550 --> 00:09:50,009

is it's for charity I'm not sure what

231

00:09:59,569 --> 00:09:52,560

charity but um there they will be taking

232

00:10:01,999 --> 00:09:59,579

donations that now folks all the zombies

233

00:10:04,550 --> 00:10:02,009

is just ran off in a mad run around the

234

00:10:07,460 --> 00:10:04,560

fountain after brains there have to hope

235

00:10:09,559 --> 00:10:07,470

wonderfully tasty well this is very good

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00:10:11,990 --> 00:10:09,569

i'm pleased to see so many zombies oh

237

00:10:14,120 --> 00:10:12,000

they're coming back okay a lot more if

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00:10:15,350 --> 00:10:14,130

you hang around too bad friend i think

239

00:10:17,030 --> 00:10:15,360

i'll do that because this is too

240

00:10:19,910 --> 00:10:17,040

interesting to miss out although the

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00:10:21,679 --> 00:10:19,920

cool one is joining this is quite a

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00:10:24,139 --> 00:10:21,689

sight well thanks for having a chat

243

00:10:26,840 --> 00:10:24,149

thank you that's not every day you come

244

00:10:29,059 --> 00:10:26,850

across Death himself here in Sydney

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00:10:31,670 --> 00:10:29,069

death there are so many zombies around

246

00:10:35,120 --> 00:10:31,680

here you responsible for this it's sort

247

00:10:37,189 --> 00:10:35,130

of on full sleep at my job and I sort of

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00:10:39,860 --> 00:10:37,199

got fired and I can't even get federal

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00:10:41,749 --> 00:10:39,870

eat even recognize me anymore now that

250

00:10:43,819 --> 00:10:41,759

down there and they said what are you

251  
00:10:47,030 --> 00:10:43,829  
doing with the board dude killing her on

252  
00:10:48,769 --> 00:10:47,040  
like do killing for a living and they

253  
00:10:51,230 --> 00:10:48,779  
for the Fed bill will get back to you or

254  
00:10:52,670 --> 00:10:51,240  
not now you might wonder why def sounds

255  
00:10:56,030 --> 00:10:52,680  
so strange well death is actually

256  
00:10:57,350 --> 00:10:56,040  
wearing a death mask your fraud well I

257  
00:10:58,939 --> 00:10:57,360  
think there's lots of piggies around

258  
00:11:01,490 --> 00:10:58,949  
here today def so I hope you have a good

259  
00:11:03,559 --> 00:11:01,500  
March horrible normally they should stay

260  
00:11:05,449 --> 00:11:03,569  
dead when they call them but the ports

261  
00:11:06,269 --> 00:11:05,459  
of these guys just keep getting back up

262  
00:11:09,900 --> 00:11:06,279  
and moving

263  
00:11:12,329 --> 00:11:09,910

udah rid of War II wash thank you now if

264

00:11:14,009 --> 00:11:12,339

zombies could said to have an organized

265

00:11:15,809 --> 00:11:14,019

and I think I found the organizer here

266

00:11:17,489 --> 00:11:15,819

he's faces exploding and all sorts of

267

00:11:19,879 --> 00:11:17,499

things happening your name is Michael

268

00:11:22,019 --> 00:11:19,889

vermin Michael what's this all about

269

00:11:24,239 --> 00:11:22,029

basically the undead need to rise

270

00:11:25,410 --> 00:11:24,249

occasionally and what better way to do

271

00:11:28,019 --> 00:11:25,420

it then get them all together in the

272

00:11:30,540 --> 00:11:28,029

city and go for a nice walk a nice walk

273

00:11:32,040 --> 00:11:30,550

on a gray grizzly sore today oh well

274

00:11:34,019 --> 00:11:32,050

great grizzly so today's best day for

275

00:11:35,699 --> 00:11:34,029

zombies I think it is too how many years

276

00:11:37,499 --> 00:11:35,709

is this sort of a thing been going on

277

00:11:39,360 --> 00:11:37,509

you know it's been going on in Sydney

278

00:11:41,999 --> 00:11:39,370

for a couple of years although it's been

279

00:11:44,840 --> 00:11:42,009

his first post on in san fran no not san

280

00:11:47,369 --> 00:11:44,850

francisco summer in california yeah in

281

00:11:48,869 --> 00:11:47,379

2006 and then it sort of spread on the

282

00:11:50,699 --> 00:11:48,879

internet and now everyone's going on

283

00:11:52,259 --> 00:11:50,709

it's not a bad turnout I mean the

284

00:11:53,610 --> 00:11:52,269

marchesan on for a little while yet but

285

00:11:56,040 --> 00:11:53,620

still the parks filling up with all

286

00:11:57,780 --> 00:11:56,050

sorts of undead creatures yeah um be

287

00:11:59,939 --> 00:11:57,790

Jesus I love seeing a good zombie jesus

288

00:12:01,710 --> 00:11:59,949

everywhere yes got a lot of heavy bear

289

00:12:03,480 --> 00:12:01,720

and all sorts of things yeah a few

290

00:12:05,819 --> 00:12:03,490

people from Resident Evil going as

291

00:12:07,889 --> 00:12:05,829

Umbrella Corporation employees I throw

292

00:12:09,420 --> 00:12:07,899

them awesome so this is fantastic I

293

00:12:11,939 --> 00:12:09,430

imagine it's only going to get bigger

294

00:12:13,470 --> 00:12:11,949

and bigger and they used to come oh yeah

295

00:12:15,360 --> 00:12:13,480

I'm this is the first one I've ever

296

00:12:16,949 --> 00:12:15,370

organized so I'm really excited about

297

00:12:18,929 --> 00:12:16,959

seeing it expand over the next few years

298

00:12:21,389 --> 00:12:18,939

all the best will be much thank you very

299

00:12:23,100 --> 00:12:21,399

much now not all zombies are horrible

300

00:12:25,530 --> 00:12:23,110

wretches from the graves and I found

301

00:12:27,929 --> 00:12:25,540

some lovely zombies in fact coming along

302

00:12:29,939 --> 00:12:27,939

here today ladies why you've got blood

303

00:12:31,230 --> 00:12:29,949

and muck and everything on your face why

304

00:12:35,579 --> 00:12:31,240

are you here today we've just eaten

305

00:12:37,530 --> 00:12:35,589

what's her I see messy eaters I know it

306

00:12:40,829 --> 00:12:37,540

was it's great we went to the Michael

307

00:12:42,119 --> 00:12:40,839

Jackson Thriller or a dance this morning

308

00:12:43,920 --> 00:12:42,129

and then we thought we did the zombie

309

00:12:48,119 --> 00:12:43,930

walk this afternoon how did you find out

310

00:12:50,600 --> 00:12:48,129

about it um this might work yeah um well

311

00:12:52,940 --> 00:12:50,610

you found a better on facebook facebook

312

00:12:55,100 --> 00:12:52,950

good old facebook and bringing the world

313

00:12:57,530 --> 00:12:55,110

together in a strange subway together

314

00:12:58,819 --> 00:12:57,540

bring it bringing zombies together all

315

00:13:00,590 --> 00:12:58,829

over the world and this is the first

316

00:13:02,690 --> 00:13:00,600

time you have taken part in a much yeah

317

00:13:04,250 --> 00:13:02,700

yeah it is yes well it's the first time

318

00:13:05,780 --> 00:13:04,260

I've seen it too and it's quite

319

00:13:08,030 --> 00:13:05,790

remarkable to be surrounded by all these

320

00:13:12,110 --> 00:13:08,040

girls and I wasn't expecting to see

321

00:13:15,829 --> 00:13:12,120

Jesus here well there you go Oh nobody

322

00:13:17,329 --> 00:13:15,839

expects the Spanish English it's taking

323

00:13:20,750 --> 00:13:17,339

a lot of people by surprise I think

324

00:13:22,400 --> 00:13:20,760

today cuz he normally does well look

325

00:13:24,139 --> 00:13:22,410

thank you very much having a chat with

326

00:13:34,280 --> 00:13:24,149

me enjoy your your March you all look

327

00:13:35,930 --> 00:13:34,290

fantastic thank you want your brain well

328

00:13:38,810 --> 00:13:35,940

the crowd is certainly growing here and

329

00:13:41,210 --> 00:13:38,820

there are a lot of people just wandering

330

00:13:42,769 --> 00:13:41,220

mind the parks stopping to have a look

331

00:13:46,340 --> 00:13:42,779

can't believe what they see there's

332

00:13:49,160 --> 00:13:46,350

about 200 may be zombies gathered here

333

00:13:51,889 --> 00:13:49,170

now mostly drenched in blood dancing

334

00:13:55,310 --> 00:13:51,899

around all over the place people running

335

00:13:58,490 --> 00:13:55,320

about lots of photographers have turned

336

00:14:00,829 --> 00:13:58,500

up from everywhere sort of I'm just

337

00:14:04,639 --> 00:14:00,839

waiting for the first TV film crew to

338

00:14:07,100 --> 00:14:04,649

arrive it's getting quite crowded he was

339

00:14:08,750 --> 00:14:07,110

Ombey so this is even before the match

340

00:14:09,740 --> 00:14:08,760

starts so it'll be interesting to see

341

00:14:11,000 --> 00:14:09,750

what will happen although there's

342

00:14:14,300 --> 00:14:11,010

somebody with a knife in their head just

343

00:14:16,460 --> 00:14:14,310

walking past me and as a by-product of

344

00:14:18,500 --> 00:14:16,470

all of this looking on the ground around

345

00:14:20,130 --> 00:14:18,510

the fountain here and it's sort of

346

00:14:22,790 --> 00:14:20,140

splattered with that

347

00:14:26,520 --> 00:14:22,800

blood every now and then and black ooze

348

00:14:31,350 --> 00:14:26,530

it's gushing from various valves people

349

00:14:38,190 --> 00:14:31,360

are eating this probably chocolate syrup

350

00:14:39,690 --> 00:14:38,200

and just spinning it out there's someone

351

00:14:43,110 --> 00:14:39,700

who just this is the last episode on a

352

00:14:44,520 --> 00:14:43,120

podcast I can see in the corner there

353

00:14:48,270 --> 00:14:44,530

would appears to be a group of Japanese

354

00:14:51,330 --> 00:14:48,280

tourists very confused so what's going

355

00:14:53,340 --> 00:14:51,340

on here well zombies come in all shapes

356

00:14:54,900 --> 00:14:53,350

and sizes I'm talking to a delightful a

357

00:14:57,180 --> 00:14:54,910

couple of young zombies here today what

358

00:15:00,000 --> 00:14:57,190

brings you to this ridiculously

359

00:15:02,430 --> 00:15:00,010

interesting place well my flatmate he is

360

00:15:04,410 --> 00:15:02,440

from Canada and she's been involved in a

361

00:15:07,440 --> 00:15:04,420

zombie walks before and she's introduced

362

00:15:10,130 --> 00:15:07,450

me to this Madigan's I am a zombie

363

00:15:13,050 --> 00:15:10,140

enthusiast this is my third zombie walk

364

00:15:14,520 --> 00:15:13,060

you zombie walk in Canada yes we zombie

365

00:15:15,870 --> 00:15:14,530

walk in Canada we zombie walk all over

366

00:15:18,300 --> 00:15:15,880

the world you know anywhere were those

367

00:15:20,310 --> 00:15:18,310

people there's the undead so you know it

368

00:15:23,430 --> 00:15:20,320

can be expected what's the attraction

369

00:15:24,990 --> 00:15:23,440

especially for you know it's just want

370

00:15:27,540 --> 00:15:25,000

to do for laughs I just I just enjoy

371

00:15:29,880 --> 00:15:27,550

dressing up Halloween only comes once a

372

00:15:31,620 --> 00:15:29,890

year so you know any other chances that

373

00:15:34,410 --> 00:15:31,630

you get to look I'll gory so is this

374

00:15:36,840 --> 00:15:34,420

loosely tied in with Halloween I'm not

375

00:15:39,600 --> 00:15:36,850

sure not really I think it's more like

376

00:15:43,860 --> 00:15:39,610

um it's would be considered a flash mob

377

00:15:45,650 --> 00:15:43,870

it up more yeah like a cult flash mob in

378

00:15:47,580 --> 00:15:45,660

his own way the same way like people

379

00:15:48,720 --> 00:15:47,590

like the people who come to these are

380

00:15:50,610 --> 00:15:48,730

things at the same ones who like The

381

00:15:53,010 --> 00:15:50,620

Rocky Horror Picture Show like horror

382

00:15:54,840 --> 00:15:53,020

movies and so it's just yeah those

383

00:15:57,630 --> 00:15:54,850

people getting up and going and doing

384

00:15:59,640 --> 00:15:57,640

things the community have you ever been

385

00:16:01,230 --> 00:15:59,650

to their big conventions like Dragon Con

386

00:16:04,410 --> 00:16:01,240

in the United States the big science

387

00:16:05,910 --> 00:16:04,420

fiction are this reminds me of that you

388

00:16:08,100 --> 00:16:05,920

see a lot of people dressed up as

389

00:16:08,560 --> 00:16:08,110

zombies and also suppose you things of

390

00:16:13,570 --> 00:16:08,570

those things

391

00:16:15,640 --> 00:16:13,580

I'm a zombie virgin brain eating a lot

392

00:16:17,380 --> 00:16:15,650

for your first time yeah exactly but I

393

00:16:19,030 --> 00:16:17,390

don't think you're a good coming no I

394

00:16:20,920 --> 00:16:19,040

know a lot of fun and it's good to see

395

00:16:22,600 --> 00:16:20,930

lots of people in getting involved and

396

00:16:23,920 --> 00:16:22,610

like all of their costumes and stuff and

397

00:16:27,520 --> 00:16:23,930

just made me want to go bigger and

398

00:16:29,740 --> 00:16:27,530

better next year converted another yeah

399

00:16:34,000 --> 00:16:29,750

you've created another undead yes

400

00:16:51,240 --> 00:16:34,010

exactly infected her heaven well thank

401  
00:16:55,620 --> 00:16:53,460  
so the zombie March is making its way

402  
00:17:00,270 --> 00:16:55,630  
through the streets of the city hello

403  
00:17:02,760 --> 00:17:00,280  
again fancy meeting you here the heck

404  
00:17:05,010 --> 00:17:02,770  
are you enjoying it I'm having a great

405  
00:17:07,140 --> 00:17:05,020  
time now with much you're all marching

406  
00:17:08,579 --> 00:17:07,150  
along you've gotten the character more

407  
00:17:10,559 --> 00:17:08,589  
than I have obviously they are you

408  
00:17:12,720 --> 00:17:10,569  
enjoying the March it's awesome it's

409  
00:17:15,360 --> 00:17:12,730  
fabulous it's amazing to have this huge

410  
00:17:16,980 --> 00:17:15,370  
horde of zombies I noticed some people

411  
00:17:19,740 --> 00:17:16,990  
in buses giving you some funny looks too

412  
00:17:22,020 --> 00:17:19,750  
they're cheering us on Davis always they

413  
00:17:26,280 --> 00:17:22,030

should be scared but they're not and

414

00:17:27,720 --> 00:17:26,290

we're off again just crossing down now

415

00:17:29,160 --> 00:17:27,730

in Martin place one of the big

416

00:17:31,050 --> 00:17:29,170

pedestrian malls in here and city

417

00:17:33,690 --> 00:17:31,060

hundreds of photographers has shown up

418

00:17:35,370 --> 00:17:33,700

and strangely enough we seem to be

419

00:17:36,890 --> 00:17:35,380

gathering more zombies as we walk along

420

00:17:39,750 --> 00:17:36,900

I don't know where they're coming from

421

00:17:42,690 --> 00:17:39,760

they must be popping out of the graves I

422

00:17:53,640 --> 00:17:47,640

hold zombies young so much pain I mean

423

00:17:55,650 --> 00:17:53,650

is it where's wally zombie i think

424

00:17:59,790 --> 00:17:55,660

they've cornered some poor woman down

425

00:18:07,460 --> 00:17:59,800

here surrounding her after her brains or

426

00:18:10,290 --> 00:18:07,470

something it's a bit later on now

427

00:18:12,750 --> 00:18:10,300

zombies are still marching TV film crews

428

00:18:14,670 --> 00:18:12,760

to come out of some police over there

429

00:18:18,080 --> 00:18:14,680

people are being marshaled in various

430

00:18:21,320 --> 00:18:18,090

directions but

431

00:18:25,100 --> 00:18:21,330

I for one think this is a fantastic

432

00:18:26,690 --> 00:18:25,110

event oh it's a bridal party up ahead

433

00:18:28,760 --> 00:18:26,700

there looking a little bit worried

434

00:18:29,720 --> 00:18:28,770

there's a hundred zombies coming their

435

00:18:34,430 --> 00:18:29,730

way but I think this is a wonderful

436

00:18:36,350 --> 00:18:34,440

event it's all in good fun there there's

437

00:18:38,390 --> 00:18:36,360

another bride and groom right beside me

438

00:18:41,269 --> 00:18:38,400

is this your is this your wedding day is

439

00:18:45,049 --> 00:18:41,279

how it is and I you forgot to brush your

440

00:18:46,610 --> 00:18:45,059

teeth but don't worry why did you if you

441

00:18:48,740 --> 00:18:46,620

can speak how did you why did you come

442

00:18:50,960 --> 00:18:48,750

to the zombie much today it's a bit of

443

00:18:52,159 --> 00:18:50,970

fun that's what I think exactly it's

444

00:18:54,950 --> 00:18:52,169

just a bit of good fun and little

445

00:18:56,659 --> 00:18:54,960

fabulous thank you very much for that so

446

00:18:59,659 --> 00:18:56,669

as the zombies March off into the

447

00:19:03,279 --> 00:18:59,669

distance hello there's a south african

448

00:19:05,510 --> 00:19:03,289

zombie i think i'll leave them to a

449

00:19:07,220 --> 00:19:05,520

finish up and crawl back into their

450

00:19:10,010 --> 00:19:07,230

graves and yes what a lot of fun it is

451  
00:19:13,340 --> 00:19:10,020  
the zombie much check it out on facebook

452  
00:19:16,399 --> 00:19:13,350  
check it out on facebook and if there's

453  
00:19:19,039 --> 00:19:16,409  
a zombie much coming to your city by all

454  
00:19:31,190 --> 00:19:19,049  
means go along dress up and have a lot

455  
00:19:37,860 --> 00:19:33,930  
rational capital the podcast for science

456  
00:19:39,390 --> 00:19:37,870  
and skepticism in and about Canberra say

457  
00:19:46,440 --> 00:19:39,400  
it like you mean it there's nothing

458  
00:19:52,940 --> 00:19:46,450  
magical miraculous about that find out

459  
00:20:06,240 --> 00:19:56,340  
join us now for drinking skeptically in

460  
00:20:08,370 --> 00:20:06,250  
the think tank you won't talk about it

461  
00:20:10,470 --> 00:20:08,380  
man I want you to talk about that but we

462  
00:20:12,990 --> 00:20:10,480  
are glad we have thrilled and we are

463  
00:20:14,760 --> 00:20:13,000

pleased and delighted and overjoyed and

464

00:20:16,890 --> 00:20:14,770

happy and delighted I said that already

465

00:20:18,630 --> 00:20:16,900

that you're joining us for do you think

466

00:20:19,800 --> 00:20:18,640

tank hello may not hello it's great to

467

00:20:21,660 --> 00:20:19,810

be here we were just talking about a

468

00:20:23,340 --> 00:20:21,670

discussion I had with a salesperson max

469

00:20:24,990 --> 00:20:23,350

black in King Street blaster said

470

00:20:26,670 --> 00:20:25,000

they're not but that's not for

471

00:20:28,980 --> 00:20:26,680

publication see dr. hu knows what that

472

00:20:31,470 --> 00:20:28,990

is and people in the know know out there

473

00:20:33,300 --> 00:20:31,480

and a in the morning to a lot of people

474

00:20:34,860 --> 00:20:33,310

that have been sending the emails about

475

00:20:37,170 --> 00:20:34,870

stuff too because you're picking up a

476

00:20:39,660 --> 00:20:37,180

lot of interest from fringe people about

477

00:20:42,000 --> 00:20:39,670

this podcast mi it's good to know but

478

00:20:43,590 --> 00:20:42,010

please I it's your show but but ladies

479

00:20:46,080 --> 00:20:43,600

gentlemen that delightful laughter

480

00:20:48,900 --> 00:20:46,090

laughter you missed last week because

481

00:20:51,420 --> 00:20:48,910

she was in Wyoming chasing moose it's

482

00:20:53,910 --> 00:20:51,430

dr. HC back with us again hideout dream

483

00:20:57,220 --> 00:20:53,920

hi Richard yay

484

00:20:58,540 --> 00:20:57,230

your fans are missed you I have actually

485

00:21:00,280 --> 00:20:58,550

that somebody wrote on the blog that

486

00:21:02,920 --> 00:21:00,290

they missed you the same thing oh that's

487

00:21:04,360 --> 00:21:02,930

very sweet well yeah I was chasing me

488

00:21:05,860 --> 00:21:04,370

but we can talk about that a bit later

489

00:21:08,260 --> 00:21:05,870

already that's what the kids are calling

490

00:21:10,870 --> 00:21:08,270

in that's all the kids for now and it's

491

00:21:13,360 --> 00:21:10,880

great to see back again nurse jojoba no

492

00:21:14,680 --> 00:21:13,370

moon hi Richard it's been ages yeah you

493

00:21:17,350 --> 00:21:14,690

haven't been long for a while but I know

494

00:21:19,060 --> 00:21:17,360

you that you've had have had some

495

00:21:20,980 --> 00:21:19,070

interesting things to look at I have

496

00:21:24,700 --> 00:21:20,990

which we'll get to in am absolutely and

497

00:21:27,460 --> 00:21:24,710

of course I rounding up the five of us

498

00:21:29,830 --> 00:21:27,470

tonight it's Iran's again hi Richard

499

00:21:33,910 --> 00:21:29,840

it's good to be back you try I heard

500

00:21:38,230 --> 00:21:33,920

yeah I heard my fan missed me are your

501  
00:21:39,550 --> 00:21:38,240  
mom listens to the show no he listens to

502  
00:21:42,580 --> 00:21:39,560  
the show when he comes home again you

503  
00:21:44,890 --> 00:21:42,590  
see last week I mentioned on the show

504  
00:21:46,480 --> 00:21:44,900  
that I invited listeners to riding with

505  
00:21:49,080 --> 00:21:46,490  
their favorite drink the drink of choice

506  
00:21:51,520 --> 00:21:49,090  
that maybe we could have as the official

507  
00:21:53,620 --> 00:21:51,530  
skeptical zone drink and I've had some

508  
00:21:56,710 --> 00:21:53,630  
people riding in with their ranch drink

509  
00:22:00,580 --> 00:21:56,720  
of choice let me turn to one now we've

510  
00:22:03,310 --> 00:22:00,590  
had a absently ah now this is actually

511  
00:22:05,800 --> 00:22:03,320  
like apps yet look I'm not since they

512  
00:22:07,390 --> 00:22:05,810  
took the LSD type quality out of it with

513  
00:22:08,980 --> 00:22:07,400

the wormwood have not been so big on it

514

00:22:14,710 --> 00:22:08,990

but you know I give it a go and you just

515

00:22:18,280 --> 00:22:14,720

throw in your own acid so thank you

516

00:22:19,990 --> 00:22:18,290

howard love it who is written to us in

517

00:22:22,840 --> 00:22:20,000

fact he's invited us all to have a glass

518

00:22:25,410 --> 00:22:22,850

with him and this is something we may

519

00:22:28,240 --> 00:22:25,420

take up before long and we have another

520

00:22:30,850 --> 00:22:28,250

suggestion from Matthew McCarthy he

521

00:22:34,710 --> 00:22:30,860

reckons that we should have rum and

522

00:22:37,180 --> 00:22:34,720

honey Oh doesn't that sound nice winter

523

00:22:38,580 --> 00:22:37,190

Armenia I'm going to be cold at the

524

00:22:42,190 --> 00:22:38,590

moment that sounds like a good thing to

525

00:22:45,779 --> 00:22:42,200

have the cold so folks keep those drinks

526

00:22:47,340 --> 00:22:45,789

coming in cocktails or interesting

527

00:22:53,729 --> 00:22:47,350

Thanks that they've been sending them is

528

00:22:59,099 --> 00:22:53,739

sending emails and the yeah and the

529

00:23:01,710 --> 00:22:59,109

hallucis another week is wormwood let's

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00:23:03,450 --> 00:23:01,720

start off the think tank tonight with an

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00:23:04,830 --> 00:23:03,460

interesting subject that's been popping

532

00:23:06,749 --> 00:23:04,840

up on the internet lately and I know

533

00:23:10,830 --> 00:23:06,759

we've got a lot to get through tonight

534

00:23:12,419 --> 00:23:10,840

on the show the old saying preaching to

535

00:23:16,440 --> 00:23:12,429

the converted now there are a lot of

536

00:23:18,210 --> 00:23:16,450

people out there who criticize skeptics

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00:23:20,369 --> 00:23:18,220

and conventions and of course convention

538

00:23:23,070 --> 00:23:20,379

is on our mind at the moment with Tam

539

00:23:25,830 --> 00:23:23,080

Australia coming up people whinging

540

00:23:27,930 --> 00:23:25,840

saying or whining why do we waste our

541

00:23:30,719 --> 00:23:27,940

time simply preaching to convert what

542

00:23:34,139 --> 00:23:30,729

uses up now I take offense to that

543

00:23:36,529 --> 00:23:34,149

personally because heaven heavens who's

544

00:23:39,629 --> 00:23:36,539

more converted with me personally yet I

545

00:23:42,899 --> 00:23:39,639

love going to conventions the amazing

546

00:23:45,029 --> 00:23:42,909

meeting dragoncon all of this because I

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00:23:47,099 --> 00:23:45,039

don't think for one moment that I know

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00:23:49,759 --> 00:23:47,109

their everything there is to know about

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00:23:52,619 --> 00:23:49,769

what we do in skepticism and the new

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00:23:54,450 --> 00:23:52,629

critical thinking and all that every

551  
00:23:58,229 --> 00:23:54,460  
time I go to one of these conventions I

552  
00:24:00,029 --> 00:23:58,239  
learn a hell of a lot so I'm converted

553  
00:24:02,070 --> 00:24:00,039  
and I'm happy to be preached to because

554  
00:24:04,169 --> 00:24:02,080  
I know I come away learning more and

555  
00:24:06,330 --> 00:24:04,179  
more i wonder what the ports are the

556  
00:24:07,529 --> 00:24:06,340  
people around the table well this kind

557  
00:24:09,119 --> 00:24:07,539  
of started richard cuz there's an

558  
00:24:11,460 --> 00:24:09,129  
article in this month's skeptical

559  
00:24:14,279 --> 00:24:11,470  
inquirer written back out dr. karen

560  
00:24:16,289 --> 00:24:14,289  
stoles know about Tam 8 and she does

561  
00:24:17,789 --> 00:24:16,299  
mention that there was some people

562  
00:24:19,409 --> 00:24:17,799  
saying that it was really about

563  
00:24:21,599 --> 00:24:19,419

preaching to the converted but it's also

564

00:24:24,599 --> 00:24:21,609

based on some of the discussion that's

565

00:24:26,820 --> 00:24:24,609

come off the end of term London and

566

00:24:28,290 --> 00:24:26,830

there were a couple of blogs that were

567

00:24:30,030 --> 00:24:28,300

citing

568

00:24:31,710 --> 00:24:30,040

first of all that it was preaching to

569

00:24:35,940 --> 00:24:31,720

the converted but second of all that it

570

00:24:39,210 --> 00:24:35,950

was excluding grassroots skeptics

571

00:24:41,460 --> 00:24:39,220

because by being elitist by having it in

572

00:24:44,640 --> 00:24:41,470

a hotel where it costs 200 quid to go

573

00:24:46,950 --> 00:24:44,650

and that skeptics should really start

574

00:24:51,540 --> 00:24:46,960

thinking about you know what is really

575

00:24:54,780 --> 00:24:51,550

the the course of their ideas and and so

576

00:24:56,700 --> 00:24:54,790

I think yeah there's been that that's

577

00:24:58,350 --> 00:24:56,710

where it kind of started from you know

578

00:25:00,780 --> 00:24:58,360

which I think Joe's got something to add

579

00:25:03,390 --> 00:25:00,790

to that look I've read a few of the blog

580

00:25:06,060 --> 00:25:03,400

pieces that have been doing the rounds

581

00:25:09,480 --> 00:25:06,070

at the moment and I've got a number of

582

00:25:12,810 --> 00:25:09,490

criticisms of of what's been said and

583

00:25:14,640 --> 00:25:12,820

they go to a couple of issues number one

584

00:25:17,100 --> 00:25:14,650

is the notion of preaching to the

585

00:25:20,400 --> 00:25:17,110

converted I understand the concept and I

586

00:25:21,780 --> 00:25:20,410

think that in any community and in one

587

00:25:24,360 --> 00:25:21,790

like The Skeptical community there is

588

00:25:26,340 --> 00:25:24,370

the risk sometime of of getting you know

589

00:25:29,100 --> 00:25:26,350

getting too self-involved getting very

590

00:25:30,570 --> 00:25:29,110

involved in you know talking amongst

591

00:25:32,130 --> 00:25:30,580

ourselves in the end it's I think it's

592

00:25:36,420 --> 00:25:32,140

something that we can be mindful of

593

00:25:38,460 --> 00:25:36,430

however I think that there's the skeptic

594

00:25:40,770 --> 00:25:38,470

skepticism and the skeptical community

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00:25:42,750 --> 00:25:40,780

is evolving and changing and

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00:25:45,240 --> 00:25:42,760

particularly in the last few years it

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00:25:48,390 --> 00:25:45,250

has been rapidly growing and people who

598

00:25:51,180 --> 00:25:48,400

previously would have been very you know

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00:25:52,530 --> 00:25:51,190

aware of their own skepticism but not

600

00:25:54,690 --> 00:25:52,540

necessarily in contact with other

601  
00:25:56,550 --> 00:25:54,700  
skeptics have suddenly found that there

602  
00:25:58,110 --> 00:25:56,560  
are all these people out there who think

603  
00:25:59,820 --> 00:25:58,120  
the way they do and they're suddenly

604  
00:26:01,620 --> 00:25:59,830  
finding there's a community of people

605  
00:26:03,720 --> 00:26:01,630  
out there who think the same way about

606  
00:26:05,070 --> 00:26:03,730  
the world and they want to nurture that

607  
00:26:07,050 --> 00:26:05,080  
and they want to develop it and they

608  
00:26:10,380 --> 00:26:07,060  
want to use it to make a difference the

609  
00:26:13,260 --> 00:26:10,390  
thing is conventions like Tam and and

610  
00:26:15,420 --> 00:26:13,270  
and Dragon Con and places which offer an

611  
00:26:18,570 --> 00:26:15,430  
opportunity for us all to get together I

612  
00:26:22,290 --> 00:26:18,580  
think are a valuable opportunity for us

613  
00:26:24,510 --> 00:26:22,300

to brainstorm for us to be physically in

614

00:26:26,940 --> 00:26:24,520

the same place together to hear some of

615

00:26:28,920 --> 00:26:26,950

the people who we admire actually talk

616

00:26:31,830 --> 00:26:28,930

to us and really

617

00:26:35,400 --> 00:26:31,840

use those as opportunities to then get

618

00:26:37,920 --> 00:26:35,410

together and develop new groups you know

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00:26:40,080 --> 00:26:37,930

come up with ideas that we can then take

620

00:26:41,310 --> 00:26:40,090

out into the general you know you take

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00:26:43,740 --> 00:26:41,320

out into the community and share with

622

00:26:49,680 --> 00:26:43,750

the general public and I think that it's

623

00:26:51,930 --> 00:26:49,690

a bit of a incorrect notion to think

624

00:26:53,340 --> 00:26:51,940

that we're constantly preaching to the

625

00:26:55,080 --> 00:26:53,350

converted these are valuable

626  
00:26:56,880 --> 00:26:55,090  
opportunities to really get together and

627  
00:26:59,520 --> 00:26:56,890  
then disseminate what we know to our

628  
00:27:01,650 --> 00:26:59,530  
families and friends and in research and

629  
00:27:05,070 --> 00:27:01,660  
so on and I think it's a false way of

630  
00:27:07,320 --> 00:27:05,080  
looking at it we only do this two three

631  
00:27:09,270 --> 00:27:07,330  
times a year maybe right we get there

632  
00:27:11,640 --> 00:27:09,280  
and the rest of the time we're working

633  
00:27:14,130 --> 00:27:11,650  
our butts off writing blogs doing shows

634  
00:27:17,730 --> 00:27:14,140  
for kids going out and doing public

635  
00:27:19,410 --> 00:27:17,740  
speaking right now people right sure I

636  
00:27:21,420 --> 00:27:19,420  
just went to a conference in America

637  
00:27:22,860 --> 00:27:21,430  
which was a whole bunch of scientists do

638  
00:27:24,420 --> 00:27:22,870

you think we SAT around afterwards going

639

00:27:27,180 --> 00:27:24,430

oh my god we only talked to the

640

00:27:28,500 --> 00:27:27,190

scientists what a load of nonsense yeah

641

00:27:29,970 --> 00:27:28,510

of course we get together as a

642

00:27:31,920 --> 00:27:29,980

professional group and talk about our

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00:27:33,930 --> 00:27:31,930

work and then we all get back to our

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00:27:36,270 --> 00:27:33,940

respective labs and we do our work then

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00:27:38,430 --> 00:27:36,280

we go and talk it's it's lively criticism

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00:27:41,700 --> 00:27:38,440

that you know the skeptic these aletta

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00:27:44,820 --> 00:27:41,710

skeptics just spend their time feeling

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00:27:46,470 --> 00:27:44,830

good gathering well it's it's the it's

649

00:27:47,970 --> 00:27:46,480

the inferences we sit there patting

650

00:27:49,560 --> 00:27:47,980

ourselves on the back saying I'll we're

651  
00:27:50,820 --> 00:27:49,570  
really gonna and then what we go home

652  
00:27:53,010 --> 00:27:50,830  
for the rest of you and just sit back

653  
00:27:56,040 --> 00:27:53,020  
and do nothing well I don't know about

654  
00:27:57,510 --> 00:27:56,050  
you return I don't do nothing very well

655  
00:27:59,130 --> 00:27:57,520  
I was mean to bring up you do stuff for

656  
00:28:03,330 --> 00:27:59,140  
children but I don't think balloon

657  
00:28:05,460 --> 00:28:03,340  
folding to explain Planck time quantum

658  
00:28:07,860 --> 00:28:05,470  
entanglement really works that well for

659  
00:28:09,450 --> 00:28:07,870  
kids coming not sure you can make a cute

660  
00:28:11,340 --> 00:28:09,460  
little dash and out of balloons but well

661  
00:28:15,120 --> 00:28:11,350  
there's actually important ailment I

662  
00:28:17,130 --> 00:28:15,130  
think the notion first of all I think

663  
00:28:19,440 --> 00:28:17,140

people are forgetting that the community

664

00:28:22,440 --> 00:28:19,450

is important it drives people to do

665

00:28:24,390 --> 00:28:22,450

things then also there is this thing

666

00:28:26,850 --> 00:28:24,400

about not everybody having to actually

667

00:28:28,920 --> 00:28:26,860

go out there let's assume that half the

668

00:28:30,180 --> 00:28:28,930

people at am you know what let's say

669

00:28:31,770 --> 00:28:30,190

three quarters of the people at time

670

00:28:34,620 --> 00:28:31,780

don't do anything other than going to

671

00:28:36,570 --> 00:28:34,630

town yeah that seed still leaves what

672

00:28:38,940 --> 00:28:36,580

was it 1400 people that were there this

673

00:28:40,890 --> 00:28:38,950

year 1300 people so that that leaves

674

00:28:42,370 --> 00:28:40,900

several hundred people who will actually

675

00:28:44,110 --> 00:28:42,380

after tambe reinvigorate

676  
00:28:45,880 --> 00:28:44,120  
rated we'll know more people will know

677  
00:28:48,550 --> 00:28:45,890  
more things and we'll go out there and

678  
00:28:49,750 --> 00:28:48,560  
do things that's if only a quarter of a

679  
00:28:51,880 --> 00:28:49,760  
third of all people actually do

680  
00:28:53,950 --> 00:28:51,890  
something what I want a classic example

681  
00:28:56,350 --> 00:28:53,960  
of this is our very good friend travis

682  
00:28:59,800 --> 00:28:56,360  
roy right the Granite State skeptics now

683  
00:29:02,590 --> 00:28:59,810  
I correspond with Travis quite a lot and

684  
00:29:05,260 --> 00:29:02,600  
my goodness me the amount of effort he

685  
00:29:07,300 --> 00:29:05,270  
is putting in to all sorts of skeptical

686  
00:29:08,920 --> 00:29:07,310  
endeavors and this little thing but it

687  
00:29:10,630 --> 00:29:08,930  
only in New Hampshire them oh there you

688  
00:29:12,550 --> 00:29:10,640

go can I just add something to that too

689

00:29:14,980 --> 00:29:12,560

I mean one of the criticisms critical

690

00:29:17,740 --> 00:29:14,990

blogs that was written after Tom London

691

00:29:19,510 --> 00:29:17,750

this year it could result in a lot of

692

00:29:22,780 --> 00:29:19,520

discussion and it turned out as far as

693

00:29:27,190 --> 00:29:22,790

I'm aware from Tracy King that this guy

694

00:29:29,800 --> 00:29:27,200

didn't even go to town oh so the person

695

00:29:31,960 --> 00:29:29,810

who wrote the blog was super critical of

696

00:29:33,280 --> 00:29:31,970

this elitism and saying that we're all

697

00:29:35,980 --> 00:29:33,290

sitting around going all good on you

698

00:29:37,900 --> 00:29:35,990

good on your mate and didn't go to term

699

00:29:41,800 --> 00:29:37,910

and apparently has never been to him i

700

00:29:43,240 --> 00:29:41,810

believe so it's the people that are not

701  
00:29:46,030 --> 00:29:43,250  
there that seems to be the ones in the

702  
00:29:48,340 --> 00:29:46,040  
most critical so grapes I mean yeah

703  
00:29:50,410 --> 00:29:48,350  
really I think maybe it's he wanted to

704  
00:29:52,330 --> 00:29:50,420  
do it and he couldn't afford and you

705  
00:29:54,160 --> 00:29:52,340  
know you know we have the same thing

706  
00:29:55,360 --> 00:29:54,170  
here now we're organizing Thomas right

707  
00:29:57,070 --> 00:29:55,370  
and we have people who complain about

708  
00:29:59,200 --> 00:29:57,080  
the price but the reality is that these

709  
00:30:01,600 --> 00:29:59,210  
things cost money but these are not the

710  
00:30:03,400 --> 00:30:01,610  
only things that you can do in

711  
00:30:04,960 --> 00:30:03,410  
skepticism these are not even their only

712  
00:30:07,600 --> 00:30:04,970  
social events there's plenty of other

713  
00:30:09,190 --> 00:30:07,610

opportunities and you know what it's

714

00:30:10,750 --> 00:30:09,200

turning into you now around it's kind of

715

00:30:12,790 --> 00:30:10,760

like shifting the goal person away

716

00:30:14,950 --> 00:30:12,800

because people are saying or we can't

717

00:30:15,910 --> 00:30:14,960

afford it and we're saying well this is

718

00:30:17,740 --> 00:30:15,920

not the only thing and then they're

719

00:30:20,080 --> 00:30:17,750

saying oh yeah but because time is

720

00:30:21,640 --> 00:30:20,090

around that's crushing the skeptics in

721

00:30:23,410 --> 00:30:21,650

the pub things that we use absolutely i

722

00:30:27,160 --> 00:30:23,420

drew its reiterating its making it

723

00:30:29,050 --> 00:30:27,170

bigger visit now a second drinking

724

00:30:31,720 --> 00:30:29,060

skeptically or skeptics in the pub night

725

00:30:34,000 --> 00:30:31,730

in sip in sydney it's starting next

726

00:30:35,920 --> 00:30:34,010

month in november it says I think it's

727

00:30:38,150 --> 00:30:35,930

just there's absolutely no evidence at

728

00:30:42,170 --> 00:30:39,980

that's the case there's no evidence at

729

00:30:44,420 --> 00:30:42,180

all that time and other organized

730

00:30:47,570 --> 00:30:44,430

skeptical events that cost money have

731

00:30:49,520 --> 00:30:47,580

anything at all to do with reducing the

732

00:30:50,660 --> 00:30:49,530

level of a skeptical activism I think if

733

00:30:52,490 --> 00:30:50,670

anything else they probably after

734

00:30:54,680 --> 00:30:52,500

setting mode yeah yeah I've isn't look

735

00:30:56,510 --> 00:30:54,690

as something who is someone who is the

736

00:30:58,250 --> 00:30:56,520

least educated around this table of the

737

00:30:59,240 --> 00:30:58,260

like so if you were to look at and

738

00:31:01,640 --> 00:30:59,250

you've noticed me writing down words

739

00:31:03,410 --> 00:31:01,650

because I notice you're using words to

740

00:31:05,810 --> 00:31:03,420

describe this almost in a religious

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00:31:07,540 --> 00:31:05,820

connotation I mean we've heard preaching

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00:31:10,160 --> 00:31:07,550

we've heard believers we've heard

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00:31:12,650 --> 00:31:10,170

converted the only word and you almost

744

00:31:14,930 --> 00:31:12,660

hit on it then was evangelistic you

745

00:31:17,210 --> 00:31:14,940

almost use the word evangelistic there

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00:31:18,380 --> 00:31:17,220

and and I think that's interesting that

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00:31:20,450 --> 00:31:18,390

you're describing almost what you're

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00:31:22,520 --> 00:31:20,460

doing in in religious terms some ways

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00:31:23,930 --> 00:31:22,530

which is not all what you're doing I

750

00:31:28,160 --> 00:31:23,940

imagine there's a few atheists in the

751  
00:31:32,510 --> 00:31:28,170  
skeptical movement to you see an ideal and

752  
00:31:34,490 --> 00:31:32,520  
it's almost like action I saw them out

753  
00:31:37,610 --> 00:31:34,500  
and make sure you do it like the

754  
00:31:39,770 --> 00:31:37,620  
Catholics do send around twice right and

755  
00:31:41,780 --> 00:31:39,780  
look at it and it's almost like this

756  
00:31:44,510 --> 00:31:41,790  
SKism going on is that the curriculum

757  
00:31:46,460 --> 00:31:44,520  
yeah yeah I'm dealing all we've got the

758  
00:31:48,500 --> 00:31:46,470  
elite people Oh in its I'm gonna now

759  
00:31:50,840 --> 00:31:48,510  
something to add or by a few people

760  
00:31:52,640 --> 00:31:50,850  
complaining i don't think it's it schism

761  
00:31:54,200 --> 00:31:52,650  
would imply that there's a majority or a

762  
00:31:55,520 --> 00:31:54,210  
large number of people who complain I

763  
00:31:57,260 --> 00:31:55,530

think it's small number of people are

764

00:32:00,140 --> 00:31:57,270

complaining now I think the technical

765

00:32:02,540 --> 00:32:00,150

term is grumble bums grumble bum like

766

00:32:05,090 --> 00:32:02,550

you know there's nothing wrong and I've

767

00:32:06,920 --> 00:32:05,100

heard this on on non skeptical podcasts

768

00:32:08,330 --> 00:32:06,930

there's nothing wrong with preaching to

769

00:32:10,640 --> 00:32:08,340

the choir because eventually the choir

770

00:32:12,800 --> 00:32:10,650

will go out and be evangelistic if they

771

00:32:14,330 --> 00:32:12,810

believe well and anyway and you know i

772

00:32:15,860 --> 00:32:14,340

can understand people thinking you're

773

00:32:17,570 --> 00:32:15,870

being elitist but if you put these

774

00:32:18,980 --> 00:32:17,580

things on they cost a certain amount and

775

00:32:22,130 --> 00:32:18,990

you have to do them for a certain price

776

00:32:24,290 --> 00:32:22,140

and you know yeah i mean ever they might

777

00:32:25,790 --> 00:32:24,300

look G look I would go to a conspiracy

778

00:32:27,680 --> 00:32:25,800

convention in a heartbeat we just don't

779

00:32:29,780 --> 00:32:27,690

have them here in Australia I mean I

780

00:32:32,390 --> 00:32:29,790

silly yes doing video yeah i'm able

781

00:32:34,100 --> 00:32:32,400

decided not they're not that big bore

782

00:32:37,760 --> 00:32:34,110

the 40 and x has a great body knows

783

00:32:39,170 --> 00:32:37,770

about the Mulsanne tell her comments one

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00:32:41,630 --> 00:32:39,180

of the comments that was made on one of

785

00:32:43,580 --> 00:32:41,640

the blogs was um the the in fact it

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00:32:45,529 --> 00:32:43,590

wasn't a blog it was actually an article

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00:32:48,049 --> 00:32:45,539

that was published

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00:32:51,019 --> 00:32:48,059

and and the wording was something along

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00:32:53,899 --> 00:32:51,029

the lines of why do X when you could do

790

00:32:57,109 --> 00:32:53,909

y in other words why go to gatherings of

791

00:32:58,700 --> 00:32:57,119

skeptics and navel gaze and talk coins

792

00:33:00,349 --> 00:32:58,710

to each other and Pat each other on the

793

00:33:01,609 --> 00:33:00,359

back when you could be going out there

794

00:33:03,889 --> 00:33:01,619

and sharing all this information with

795

00:33:04,789 --> 00:33:03,899

the general public and and a comment

796

00:33:06,320 --> 00:33:04,799

that was made on this which I thought

797

00:33:09,469 --> 00:33:06,330

was really important is that it's a

798

00:33:11,779 --> 00:33:09,479

false dichotomy why is it one or the

799

00:33:14,330 --> 00:33:11,789

other yeah you can't yeah I mean I mean

800

00:33:16,639 --> 00:33:14,340

it much like in medicine or anything

801  
00:33:19,460 --> 00:33:16,649  
else or any other scientific endeavor

802  
00:33:20,810 --> 00:33:19,470  
anything really you can't have the group

803  
00:33:23,089 --> 00:33:20,820  
of people who are part of our community

804  
00:33:24,440 --> 00:33:23,099  
not talking amongst each other and

805  
00:33:27,139 --> 00:33:24,450  
they're creating hating that to other

806  
00:33:28,729 --> 00:33:27,149  
people yes otherwise it's really just

807  
00:33:30,259 --> 00:33:28,739  
one individual going around and talking

808  
00:33:31,339 --> 00:33:30,269  
to people about being skeptical if

809  
00:33:34,039 --> 00:33:31,349  
you're not communicating with other

810  
00:33:37,039 --> 00:33:34,049  
skeptics and I think no one you've heard

811  
00:33:38,839 --> 00:33:37,049  
about how do you know what is what what

812  
00:33:40,190 --> 00:33:38,849  
are the buzz issues how do you know I

813  
00:33:42,169 --> 00:33:40,200

mean obviously you can do it from just

814

00:33:43,639 --> 00:33:42,179

reading and so on but you need to be

815

00:33:45,440 --> 00:33:43,649

communicating to other people you need

816

00:33:47,450 --> 00:33:45,450

to actually be arguing with other people

817

00:33:49,339 --> 00:33:47,460

i mean arguing his important debate is

818

00:33:51,859 --> 00:33:49,349

important no one is saying it's not but

819

00:33:53,570 --> 00:33:51,869

but Joe is a preposterous position to

820

00:33:56,419 --> 00:33:53,580

take because every industry every

821

00:33:58,399 --> 00:33:56,429

discipline has people get together and

822

00:34:00,169 --> 00:33:58,409

discuss things by nature we do it every

823

00:34:02,180 --> 00:34:00,179

day we all have jobs we go to work we

824

00:34:05,989 --> 00:34:02,190

discuss it with our colleagues I think

825

00:34:08,990 --> 00:34:05,999

part of the six per the other week Lena

826

00:34:12,109 --> 00:34:09,000

I do again and again and again hot video

827

00:34:14,659 --> 00:34:12,119

that one I know where can people see

828

00:34:16,490 --> 00:34:14,669

that video o course at your site at my

829

00:34:18,500 --> 00:34:16,500

side maintain calm do you or thank you

830

00:34:19,940 --> 00:34:18,510

or just anywhere but I think what you're

831

00:34:22,970 --> 00:34:19,950

getting it i think people send have a

832

00:34:25,010 --> 00:34:22,980

great fear of intellectual elitism which

833

00:34:27,020 --> 00:34:25,020

which skeptics are accused of quite a

834

00:34:28,369 --> 00:34:27,030

bit mainly because you guys have you

835

00:34:30,409 --> 00:34:28,379

know you've actually got you know a

836

00:34:31,879 --> 00:34:30,419

credit at university and that kind of

837

00:34:34,339 --> 00:34:31,889

stuff and you didn't have the bottle

838

00:34:36,799 --> 00:34:34,349

precisely actually think what people

839

00:34:40,460 --> 00:34:36,809

dying yeah i think it's not about that i

840

00:34:42,470 --> 00:34:40,470

think really I I see all the criticism

841

00:34:44,419 --> 00:34:42,480

and I think it's all to do with money

842

00:34:46,250 --> 00:34:44,429

it's all to do with the fact that these

843

00:34:47,869 --> 00:34:46,260

events cost money yeah a lot of people

844

00:34:49,849 --> 00:34:47,879

can't afford them yeah and the reason I

845

00:34:51,440 --> 00:34:49,859

think it's that is because you don't see

846

00:34:53,299 --> 00:34:51,450

any criticism for example of different

847

00:34:54,440 --> 00:34:53,309

forms of skeptics in the pub I mean

848

00:34:55,879 --> 00:34:54,450

there are skeptics in the pub with a

849

00:34:57,210 --> 00:34:55,889

speaker there's ones where they just

850

00:34:59,820 --> 00:34:57,220

drink in

851  
00:35:00,930 --> 00:34:59,830  
talk amongst themselves I'm talking

852  
00:35:05,400 --> 00:35:00,940  
about that reminds I was going to the

853  
00:35:07,710 --> 00:35:05,410  
bar now for those that said what he said

854  
00:35:09,210 --> 00:35:07,720  
a key word there which activated an MK

855  
00:35:11,520 --> 00:35:09,220  
ULTRA thing in my mind to go to the bar

856  
00:35:14,099 --> 00:35:11,530  
so I'll be back scene don't know what MK

857  
00:35:15,660 --> 00:35:14,109  
ULTRA is say oh you people know what I'm

858  
00:35:18,359 --> 00:35:15,670  
talking about he's off actually there he

859  
00:35:21,750 --> 00:35:18,369  
goes after them of the bar Iran you

860  
00:35:23,700 --> 00:35:21,760  
quickly before he comes back so I think

861  
00:35:26,280 --> 00:35:23,710  
the fact that there's no criticism over

862  
00:35:28,950 --> 00:35:26,290  
are the forms of skeptics skeptical

863  
00:35:30,300 --> 00:35:28,960

activities that do not cost money raises

864

00:35:32,250 --> 00:35:30,310

the suspicion in me that it's very

865

00:35:34,500 --> 00:35:32,260

likely to be simple simply people who

866

00:35:35,970 --> 00:35:34,510

really want to participate in time but

867

00:35:38,040 --> 00:35:35,980

can't because they can't afford it or

868

00:35:39,420 --> 00:35:38,050

that they think all skeptical activity

869

00:35:43,410 --> 00:35:39,430

should be free which i think is just

870

00:35:46,080 --> 00:35:43,420

silly yeah and I just don't understand

871

00:35:49,170 --> 00:35:46,090

this notion of it's as if people have a

872

00:35:51,180 --> 00:35:49,180

right to attend tam it's an event it

873

00:35:53,700 --> 00:35:51,190

costs money to produce it costs

874

00:35:55,410 --> 00:35:53,710

therefore it costs money to attend even

875

00:35:57,060 --> 00:35:55,420

if the organization's organizing it

876

00:35:59,339 --> 00:35:57,070

we're actually making money which we

877

00:36:01,080 --> 00:35:59,349

know is not the case but let's let's

878

00:36:03,030 --> 00:36:01,090

even say that was the case okay let's

879

00:36:04,140 --> 00:36:03,040

say that jf and Australia's get us were

880

00:36:07,200 --> 00:36:04,150

making hundreds of thousands of dollars

881

00:36:09,089 --> 00:36:07,210

out of time so what I mean nobody has a

882

00:36:11,220 --> 00:36:09,099

right to attend any of these events it's

883

00:36:12,599 --> 00:36:11,230

a privilege and we would we've done a

884

00:36:14,040 --> 00:36:12,609

lot too for example from our perspective

885

00:36:16,140 --> 00:36:14,050

done a lot to make sure that as many

886

00:36:19,680 --> 00:36:16,150

people as possible can attend but not

887

00:36:21,450 --> 00:36:19,690

only that Iran that not that the four of

888

00:36:24,630 --> 00:36:21,460

us left at the table now who are

889

00:36:27,030 --> 00:36:24,640

involved in town have terribly much to

890

00:36:31,109 --> 00:36:27,040

do with this but there is an awful lot

891

00:36:33,060 --> 00:36:31,119

of free events around town you know the

892

00:36:35,430 --> 00:36:33,070

fringe events yet hub nights and

893

00:36:37,740 --> 00:36:35,440

meetings and groups and activities so

894

00:36:39,870 --> 00:36:37,750

even if if you missed a ticket or you

895

00:36:42,839 --> 00:36:39,880

can't afford it you can still meet these

896

00:36:44,190 --> 00:36:42,849

people and have a great time but I'm

897

00:36:45,630 --> 00:36:44,200

just saying in front of you it should I

898

00:36:47,130 --> 00:36:45,640

know this is a bit of a segue now i'm

899

00:36:50,579 --> 00:36:47,140

reading upside down an email from

900

00:36:52,980 --> 00:36:50,589

someone saying belfast had their first

901  
00:36:54,750 --> 00:36:52,990  
meeting this month well i mean they must

902  
00:36:56,849 --> 00:36:54,760  
have got inspired from somewhere I was

903  
00:36:58,680 --> 00:36:56,859  
just about to uh SAT around

904  
00:37:00,359 --> 00:36:58,690  
themselves had an epiphany oh well let

905  
00:37:01,710 --> 00:37:00,369  
me know they probably had made a

906  
00:37:05,309 --> 00:37:01,720  
collection and then he could afford

907  
00:37:07,650 --> 00:37:05,319  
listening to podcast let me mention that

908  
00:37:09,239 --> 00:37:07,660  
right now I was gonna come to this sorry

909  
00:37:11,999 --> 00:37:09,249  
Joe oh sorry Richard no no what I was

910  
00:37:13,319 --> 00:37:12,009  
going to say was I mean you know I I I

911  
00:37:16,200 --> 00:37:13,329  
think I've said before on the podcast

912  
00:37:18,479 --> 00:37:16,210  
that until I really knew that I was a

913  
00:37:21,479 --> 00:37:18,489

skeptic I thought this way my whole life

914

00:37:24,989 --> 00:37:21,489

and I'd known about the Australian

915

00:37:27,150 --> 00:37:24,999

skeptics for a good 10 years it was only

916

00:37:29,729 --> 00:37:27,160

you know and I'm about four years ago

917

00:37:31,079 --> 00:37:29,739

that I really yeah that it was not that

918

00:37:34,170 --> 00:37:31,089

long ago bit but the thing was that it

919

00:37:35,910 --> 00:37:34,180

took it was really a lot to do with my

920

00:37:38,039 --> 00:37:35,920

awareness through a lot of the stuff

921

00:37:39,599 --> 00:37:38,049

that is going on in the community that

922

00:37:40,920 --> 00:37:39,609

gave me the confidence to actually say

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00:37:43,890 --> 00:37:40,930

hey this is a group of people I want to

924

00:37:45,660 --> 00:37:43,900

try and get in contact with and for me

925

00:37:48,150 --> 00:37:45,670

very glad you did because I think you

926  
00:37:50,069 --> 00:37:48,160  
better you know I I made a choice to get

927  
00:37:53,190 --> 00:37:50,079  
involved in this end of the thing the

928  
00:37:55,170 --> 00:37:53,200  
thing about skepticism The Skeptical

929  
00:37:56,819 --> 00:37:55,180  
community whatever you want to call us

930  
00:37:59,579 --> 00:37:56,829  
whatever it is that we're doing is

931  
00:38:01,499 --> 00:37:59,589  
really a choice of how much you want to

932  
00:38:02,729 --> 00:38:01,509  
put into it and how much you want to get

933  
00:38:04,049 --> 00:38:02,739  
out again what you want to do with it

934  
00:38:07,859 --> 00:38:04,059  
and there are there are people out there

935  
00:38:09,779 --> 00:38:07,869  
who are being referred to as small as

936  
00:38:11,640 --> 00:38:09,789  
skeptics and they're people who you know

937  
00:38:13,289 --> 00:38:11,650  
think of themselves as skeptics and they

938  
00:38:14,999 --> 00:38:13,299

go about their life and they utilize the

939

00:38:17,819 --> 00:38:15,009

tools of critical thinking and so on and

940

00:38:20,069 --> 00:38:17,829

then there are those of us who really

941

00:38:22,920 --> 00:38:20,079

are trying to actually be more activist

942

00:38:25,140 --> 00:38:22,930

in the community and they don't kind

943

00:38:27,450 --> 00:38:25,150

exactly and I think that there are there

944

00:38:30,269 --> 00:38:27,460

is a lot of different machinery out here

945

00:38:33,509 --> 00:38:30,279

that is making this work and some of it

946

00:38:35,279 --> 00:38:33,519

is driven by small individuals out there

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00:38:37,079 --> 00:38:35,289

doing tiny little things and some of it

948

00:38:41,220 --> 00:38:37,089

is driven by the bigger organizations

949

00:38:43,710 --> 00:38:41,230

and I think that it is really unfair to

950

00:38:46,440 --> 00:38:43,720

say fun fairs right where but i think

951  
00:38:48,809 --> 00:38:46,450  
it's not it's not helpful to say that

952  
00:38:54,599 --> 00:38:48,819  
those bigger organizations are somehow

953  
00:38:56,039 --> 00:38:54,609  
it's almost conspiracy theories the

954  
00:38:57,299 --> 00:38:56,049  
thing is that when Tom London was

955  
00:39:00,539 --> 00:38:57,309  
happening and this whole business was

956  
00:39:02,279 --> 00:39:00,549  
about because the je reve said the money

957  
00:39:04,670 --> 00:39:02,289  
that they're made from town would go on

958  
00:39:06,200 --> 00:39:04,680  
funding to stuff in the UK

959  
00:39:08,270 --> 00:39:06,210  
and there was all this stuff on Twitter

960  
00:39:09,589 --> 00:39:08,280  
about where is it going to go are we

961  
00:39:11,299 --> 00:39:09,599  
going to know where it's going to go can

962  
00:39:13,099 --> 00:39:11,309  
we apply for the funds we want to know

963  
00:39:15,200 --> 00:39:13,109

where it's going to go as if it was

964

00:39:17,710 --> 00:39:15,210

people's right to know where the jrf

965

00:39:20,930 --> 00:39:17,720

would send their money throughout the UK

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00:39:22,670 --> 00:39:20,940

now i agree with you around that it says

967

00:39:24,260 --> 00:39:22,680

it's really bizarre to me it's this

968

00:39:26,839 --> 00:39:24,270

whole thing about ownership that seems

969

00:39:28,670 --> 00:39:26,849

to happen in this community and you know

970

00:39:30,170 --> 00:39:28,680

I work in an industry as well where

971

00:39:32,210 --> 00:39:30,180

there's a lot of people involved from

972

00:39:34,510 --> 00:39:32,220

different levels and different you know

973

00:39:36,829 --> 00:39:34,520

education but they don't seem to

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00:39:38,299 --> 00:39:36,839

whenever we have scientific conferences

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00:39:39,829 --> 00:39:38,309

the people that can't afford to go don't

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00:39:42,740 --> 00:39:39,839

start their feet and write a livid blog

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00:39:44,780 --> 00:39:42,750

you know what I mean I just and if you

978

00:39:46,190 --> 00:39:44,790

want to go and see the village people

979

00:39:47,930 --> 00:39:46,200

with main art and you don't have a

980

00:39:50,329 --> 00:39:47,940

hundred and fifty bucks you know excuse

981

00:39:54,020 --> 00:39:50,339

me it's Village People they are a

982

00:39:55,730 --> 00:39:54,030

another they're not how many times have

983

00:39:59,750 --> 00:39:55,740

to tell you they're not a collective

984

00:40:02,390 --> 00:39:59,760

noun apologize but if you can't afford

985

00:40:05,120 --> 00:40:02,400

to go and see may not supporting village

986

00:40:07,099 --> 00:40:05,130

village people then you just cop it

987

00:40:10,430 --> 00:40:07,109

sweet you don't and you you know you

988

00:40:11,660 --> 00:40:10,440

don't attack the whole live music

989

00:40:14,420 --> 00:40:11,670

industry and say it's all a conspiracy

990

00:40:17,030 --> 00:40:14,430

and we are somehow then excluded from

991

00:40:19,609 --> 00:40:17,040

that from going to see a bad the local

992

00:40:22,160 --> 00:40:19,619

music or fair yeah i i'm nothing nothing

993

00:40:25,460 --> 00:40:22,170

about being unable to attend a big event

994

00:40:27,260 --> 00:40:25,470

like tam excludes you from being a

995

00:40:28,370 --> 00:40:27,270

skeptic or being part of the skeptical

996

00:40:31,069 --> 00:40:28,380

community of contributing in whatever

997

00:40:33,950 --> 00:40:31,079

way you want to yeah yes oh you know

998

00:40:37,250 --> 00:40:33,960

David Powell from Belfast has written to

999

00:40:38,690 --> 00:40:37,260

me don't look shocked manner David pal

1000

00:40:39,950 --> 00:40:38,700

from Belfast has written to me saying

1001  
00:40:42,049 --> 00:40:39,960  
that they've got a skeptics in the pub

1002  
00:40:44,000 --> 00:40:42,059  
now they'll be meeting on the six of

1003  
00:40:47,569 --> 00:40:44,010  
November when they'll be having a talk

1004  
00:40:50,390 --> 00:40:47,579  
by mind reader David need Nelson

1005  
00:40:53,240 --> 00:40:50,400  
optimist I would love to go drinking

1006  
00:40:55,430 --> 00:40:53,250  
with Irish skeptics that would be that

1007  
00:40:57,789 --> 00:40:55,440  
would be cool I would love to go skepta

1008  
00:41:02,420 --> 00:40:57,799  
Singh skip to sing with Irish drinkers

1009  
00:41:04,940 --> 00:41:02,430  
but how how I would love to be there

1010  
00:41:06,530 --> 00:41:04,950  
what a great occasion that would be look

1011  
00:41:08,900 --> 00:41:06,540  
folks if you want to know more about the

1012  
00:41:11,930 --> 00:41:08,910  
Belfast skeptics the advice is to head

1013  
00:41:14,120 --> 00:41:11,940

to Facebook head to Facebook and just

1014

00:41:16,420 --> 00:41:14,130

search for belfast skeptics give them a

1015

00:41:18,040 --> 00:41:16,430

look on on the old google there

1016

00:41:20,560 --> 00:41:18,050

they've got a facebook group at the

1017

00:41:22,270 --> 00:41:20,570

moment which is a series of numbers

1018

00:41:24,160 --> 00:41:22,280

really but just look for Baelfire

1019

00:41:25,720 --> 00:41:24,170

skeptics look all the best Baelfire

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00:41:27,850 --> 00:41:25,730

skeptics how I wish and I'm sure

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00:41:29,920 --> 00:41:27,860

everybody at this table wish we could

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00:41:32,230 --> 00:41:29,930

jump on the plane tomorrow and and join

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00:41:33,520 --> 00:41:32,240

with you we would love to end the start

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00:41:36,010 --> 00:41:33,530

of winter there i'm not sure you want to

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00:41:38,620 --> 00:41:36,020

do it look mate I tell you I would be on

1026  
00:41:42,010 --> 00:41:38,630  
that plane tomorrow I really maybe and

1027  
00:41:46,720 --> 00:41:42,020  
laughing mrs. they're Irish Bruce is why

1028  
00:41:48,820 --> 00:41:46,730  
it's the plural of macy's nice and send

1029  
00:41:54,850 --> 00:41:48,830  
us some photos from that event I can put

1030  
00:41:56,770 --> 00:41:54,860  
them up on the side dad three two dads

1031  
00:41:58,390 --> 00:41:56,780  
there's a new word has entered the

1032  
00:42:00,190 --> 00:41:58,400  
language we've made up a new word for

1033  
00:42:03,670 --> 00:42:00,200  
the sound that a moose makes when it's

1034  
00:42:08,140 --> 00:42:03,680  
walking in the snow what it is plop

1035  
00:42:09,910 --> 00:42:08,150  
plop-plop-plop-plop but of course one of

1036  
00:42:11,230 --> 00:42:09,920  
the other huge events is happening in

1037  
00:42:14,830 --> 00:42:11,240  
the next few months here in australia

1038  
00:42:18,100 --> 00:42:14,840

and new zealand is the styrofoam tour by

1039

00:42:21,490 --> 00:42:18,110

George rub oh yeah goodness gracious me

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00:42:24,040 --> 00:42:21,500

he's goin everywhere he's going to

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00:42:27,130 --> 00:42:24,050

Brisbane Melbourne Christ chest Oakland

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00:42:31,300 --> 00:42:27,140

Adelaide Canberra Sydney the guy is

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00:42:34,090 --> 00:42:31,310

going to be a wreck um all I considered

1044

00:42:38,290 --> 00:42:34,100

walking is that the problem he is I'm

1045

00:42:39,700 --> 00:42:38,300

not going in an order that makes not is

1046

00:42:43,210 --> 00:42:39,710

a bit of a visual thing but he's sort of

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00:42:46,120 --> 00:42:43,220

going like this around the head around

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00:42:47,590 --> 00:42:46,130

the back of the head ok George rub will

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00:42:49,300 --> 00:42:47,600

be a town here of course on the

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00:42:51,400 --> 00:42:49,310

twenty-sixth of 20th November here in

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00:42:54,880 --> 00:42:51,410

Sydney then he's heading up to brisbane

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00:42:56,650 --> 00:42:54,890

on monday the 29th and november to do a

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00:42:59,020 --> 00:42:56,660

gig location to be announced at the

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00:43:01,270 --> 00:42:59,030

moment on the 30th or november he's

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00:43:04,180 --> 00:43:01,280

going to be in melbourne at the clyde

1056

00:43:05,740 --> 00:43:04,190

hotel in carlton and then the first to

1057

00:43:09,370 --> 00:43:05,750

December he's in New Zealand in

1058

00:43:11,470 --> 00:43:09,380

Christchurch the twisted hop at in

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00:43:15,220 --> 00:43:11,480

Christchurch Auckland on the second of

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00:43:17,050 --> 00:43:15,230

December which has the details of yet to

1061

00:43:18,580 --> 00:43:17,060

come along should you join to music

1062

00:43:20,750 --> 00:43:18,590

behind that lighter announcing it all

1063

00:43:24,569 --> 00:43:20,760

right

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00:43:26,849 --> 00:43:24,579

yes think you may not talk about a

1065

00:43:28,859 --> 00:43:26,859

delayed on the third of december at the

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00:43:31,349 --> 00:43:28,869

Royal Institute of Australia Adelaide

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00:43:33,030 --> 00:43:31,359

and Canberra on the fifth of December at

1068

00:43:36,569 --> 00:43:33,040

King o'malley's irish pub where you and

1069

00:43:38,280 --> 00:43:36,579

I spoke Rachel the styrofoam tour if

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00:43:39,839 --> 00:43:38,290

people just Google George harav

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00:43:43,650 --> 00:43:39,849

australian tour they'll certainly get

1072

00:43:44,940 --> 00:43:43,660

more up-to-date information wow I mean

1073

00:43:46,589 --> 00:43:44,950

this guy is going to be a wreck by the

1074

00:43:48,809 --> 00:43:46,599

end of it but he's one of the best acts

1075

00:43:52,349 --> 00:43:48,819

I've seen in The Skeptical world a great

1076  
00:43:54,870 --> 00:43:52,359  
musician a fantastic show do not miss

1077  
00:43:56,010 --> 00:43:54,880  
George horrible styrofoam so have we

1078  
00:43:57,420 --> 00:43:56,020  
changed the name of the tour to the

1079  
00:44:11,810 --> 00:43:57,430  
armor and the back of the neck to an

1080  
00:44:16,770 --> 00:44:14,520  
disease no Jonas laughs but they do

1081  
00:44:18,420 --> 00:44:16,780  
speak the bus is smaller i think that's

1082  
00:44:22,320 --> 00:44:18,430  
one that's it that was many people

1083  
00:44:24,359 --> 00:44:22,330  
getting on now listeners may be aware if

1084  
00:44:27,480 --> 00:44:24,369  
you list if you are listen if you want

1085  
00:44:32,130 --> 00:44:27,490  
if you look at the skeptics website WWE

1086  
00:44:33,960 --> 00:44:32,140  
tix calm day you a few days ago I put up

1087  
00:44:36,390 --> 00:44:33,970  
a little report i did about the hot

1088  
00:44:39,480 --> 00:44:36,400

fanned the hot band folks is that for

1089

00:44:41,880 --> 00:44:39,490

period pain as well it could be which is

1090

00:44:45,930 --> 00:44:41,890

a knockoff of the power balance which is

1091

00:44:49,260 --> 00:44:45,940

his choice magazine have said a con a

1092

00:44:51,270 --> 00:44:49,270

barefaced a barefaced color I'm wearing

1093

00:44:56,609 --> 00:44:51,280

a couple of placebo bands on me at the

1094

00:44:59,040 --> 00:44:56,619

moment but chemist warehouse chemist

1095

00:45:01,740 --> 00:44:59,050

warehouse are selling the hot band oh

1096

00:45:05,849 --> 00:45:01,750

I've been there oh oh that's great place

1097

00:45:08,040 --> 00:45:05,859

yes it is various to you in mainland can

1098

00:45:10,320 --> 00:45:08,050

I say look I paid for the the tam

1099

00:45:15,990 --> 00:45:10,330

thinking it was the amazing medication

1100

00:45:17,700 --> 00:45:16,000

nothing of the sort anyway the chemist

1101

00:45:21,210 --> 00:45:17,710

warehouse which is a chain here in

1102

00:45:23,490 --> 00:45:21,220

Australia are selling a hologram Percy

1103

00:45:25,500 --> 00:45:23,500

bow device that's be honestly ok it's

1104

00:45:28,829 --> 00:45:25,510

got two Holograms Holograms I'm sorry

1105

00:45:30,660 --> 00:45:28,839

Lindsay twice a strong and a good friend

1106

00:45:33,060 --> 00:45:30,670

of ours a good skeptical by the name of

1107

00:45:34,200 --> 00:45:33,070

Chris Higgins wrote to them saying you

1108

00:45:36,349 --> 00:45:34,210

know what are you playing at why are you

1109

00:45:39,240 --> 00:45:36,359

selling this stuff here's the reply

1110

00:45:41,790 --> 00:45:39,250

here's the reply from chemist warehouse

1111

00:45:45,480 --> 00:45:41,800

that he received I think only today or

1112

00:45:49,620 --> 00:45:45,490

yesterday whilst we appreciate your

1113

00:45:52,470 --> 00:45:49,630

point of view regarding holistic

1114

00:45:54,450 --> 00:45:52,480

homeopathic products are Chris also

1115

00:45:57,930 --> 00:45:54,460

mentioned those in his emails wells hot

1116

00:45:59,880 --> 00:45:57,940

band in dismissing them as placebos the

1117

00:46:02,760 --> 00:45:59,890

Australian public has a wide and varied

1118

00:46:05,480 --> 00:46:02,770

belief in all things such as religion

1119

00:46:07,340 --> 00:46:05,490

and medicine what's religion sorry

1120

00:46:09,680 --> 00:46:07,350

we got to do with it it's a god

1121

00:46:27,010 --> 00:46:09,690

everything's good that they made the

1122

00:46:30,170 --> 00:46:27,020

link laughs you love so much sisters

1123

00:46:33,650 --> 00:46:30,180

they go on to say we believe that if

1124

00:46:36,050 --> 00:46:33,660

even one person can be alleviated of

1125

00:46:38,660 --> 00:46:36,060

their pain or symptoms from the use of

1126

00:46:42,140 --> 00:46:38,670

any of these alternative products or be

1127

00:46:44,600 --> 00:46:42,150

it as a placebo effect then we are doing

1128

00:46:46,070 --> 00:46:44,610

a community service I think that I think

1129

00:46:48,470 --> 00:46:46,080

that we should all Twitter that when we

1130

00:46:52,520 --> 00:46:48,480

get home this is exactly the same

1131

00:46:55,460 --> 00:46:52,530

response that the CEO of boots gave the

1132

00:46:56,690 --> 00:46:55,470

inquiry in the in the UK about the fact

1133

00:47:00,320 --> 00:46:56,700

that they're selling homeopathic

1134

00:47:02,720 --> 00:47:00,330

remedies and I believe that the response

1135

00:47:05,080 --> 00:47:02,730

there from the chairperson of the

1136

00:47:08,109 --> 00:47:05,090

committee was something along the lines

1137

00:47:11,109 --> 00:47:08,119

that's not a serious argument is it i

1138

00:47:13,010 --> 00:47:11,119

remember rebecca was reporting on it and

1139

00:47:15,410 --> 00:47:13,020

she said something along those lines

1140

00:47:16,970 --> 00:47:15,420

Deary me it's a strange world into the

1141

00:47:18,890 --> 00:47:16,980

evidence check and said we know it

1142

00:47:20,780 --> 00:47:18,900

doesn't work but our patient our

1143

00:47:22,130 --> 00:47:20,790

customers want to buy it so we sell it

1144

00:47:24,260 --> 00:47:22,140

even though we know it doesn't work I

1145

00:47:27,800 --> 00:47:24,270

think he also said something along the

1146

00:47:29,720 --> 00:47:27,810

lines of why would people buy if you

1147

00:47:33,109 --> 00:47:29,730

didn't work or something like that and

1148

00:47:35,150 --> 00:47:33,119

that the response that was serious

1149

00:47:37,430 --> 00:47:35,160

that's not a serious argument let me

1150

00:47:39,580 --> 00:47:37,440

sorry my little it's a very quickly two

1151  
00:47:43,970 --> 00:47:39,590  
more things than everybody else have a

1152  
00:47:46,280 --> 00:47:43,980  
ramble I know you're waiting just to let

1153  
00:47:48,200 --> 00:47:46,290  
people know that I've had word that

1154  
00:47:50,720 --> 00:47:48,210  
there's an alert gone out to parents

1155  
00:47:52,880 --> 00:47:50,730  
here in Sydney about whooping cough yeah

1156  
00:47:55,070 --> 00:47:52,890  
which is very sad that this is still

1157  
00:47:57,360 --> 00:47:55,080  
raising its ugly head ten babies have

1158  
00:48:00,390 --> 00:47:57,370  
died now in California yeah

1159  
00:48:03,600 --> 00:48:00,400  
really that's terrible and a quick story

1160  
00:48:06,180 --> 00:48:03,610  
again to do these power devices that now

1161  
00:48:09,810 --> 00:48:06,190  
the Richard almond who is the host of

1162  
00:48:11,610 --> 00:48:09,820  
dogma free America podcast for various

1163  
00:48:18,200 --> 00:48:11,620

channels including travis roy has

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00:48:25,590 --> 00:48:21,420

promoting or using something called the

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00:48:28,680 --> 00:48:25,600

power force which as you might guess is

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00:48:29,760 --> 00:48:28,690

yet another energy wristband and don't

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00:48:32,970 --> 00:48:29,770

get the cheap ones you got to get the

1168

00:48:35,130 --> 00:48:32,980

one that hold in place I have no idea

1169

00:48:36,540 --> 00:48:35,140

what you're talking about no one here

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00:48:41,370 --> 00:48:36,550

seems to be shooting a cheer for the

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00:48:47,030 --> 00:48:41,380

death of paul paul the psychic octopus

1172

00:48:52,260 --> 00:48:49,650

just about every one of my news item for

1173

00:48:55,590 --> 00:48:52,270

this week so matter do we know if Paul

1174

00:48:57,360 --> 00:48:55,600

died of natural causes all age I'd I

1175

00:49:00,060 --> 00:48:57,370

suspect so because if it have been some

1176  
00:49:01,470 --> 00:49:00,070  
hint he obviously would have known but

1177  
00:49:02,910 --> 00:49:01,480  
you couldn't have prevented it though

1178  
00:49:04,710 --> 00:49:02,920  
putting this looks I think once he got

1179  
00:49:06,690 --> 00:49:04,720  
famous you know he got into the usual

1180  
00:49:08,640 --> 00:49:06,700  
thing got crazy on the GAC got drinking

1181  
00:49:10,110 --> 00:49:08,650  
and you know like if you pull the bottle

1182  
00:49:11,850 --> 00:49:10,120  
of alcohol into the tank that you're in

1183  
00:49:13,650 --> 00:49:11,860  
it's not a good toxic environment you

1184  
00:49:15,810 --> 00:49:13,660  
know what I reckon happened he had his

1185  
00:49:17,220 --> 00:49:15,820  
like his peak during the world cup and

1186  
00:49:19,470 --> 00:49:17,230  
then nobody there was nothing nobody

1187  
00:49:21,540 --> 00:49:19,480  
interested about him anymore and then he

1188  
00:49:23,880 --> 00:49:21,550

fell into drugs and he ended up in a

1189

00:49:25,800 --> 00:49:23,890

hotel room by himself taking smoking

1190

00:49:35,460 --> 00:49:25,810

drugs drinking beer and they'll sleep on

1191

00:49:38,100 --> 00:49:35,470

a barbecue she's gonna leave a look

1192

00:49:41,730 --> 00:49:38,110

around the corner you can't be an

1193

00:49:45,300 --> 00:49:41,740

involuntary with no Charles III was only

1194

00:49:48,360 --> 00:49:45,310

going to to bring to everyone's

1195

00:49:51,630 --> 00:49:48,370

attention my um my bad research design

1196

00:49:53,730 --> 00:49:51,640

for the week yes nor so um you know I I

1197

00:49:55,980 --> 00:49:53,740

have a look at him you know nursing

1198

00:49:58,570 --> 00:49:55,990

journals fairly regularly and oh they do

1199

00:50:02,560 --> 00:49:58,580

I can't even run not that kind

1200

00:50:07,610 --> 00:50:02,570

Maynard and I came across one recently

1201

00:50:11,030 --> 00:50:07,620

but it was it was done by a doctrine a

1202

00:50:12,710 --> 00:50:11,040

couple of nurses in in America and the

1203

00:50:14,300 --> 00:50:12,720

title of the article is endoscopic

1204

00:50:17,690 --> 00:50:14,310

procedure with a modified Reiki

1205

00:50:19,310 --> 00:50:17,700

intervention yeah what what basically

1206

00:50:21,650 --> 00:50:19,320

that's I'll give you hungry for you pal

1207

00:50:25,790 --> 00:50:21,660

okay much more pleasant that way yeah

1208

00:50:28,610 --> 00:50:25,800

hey I am I work I work in their room

1209

00:50:30,080 --> 00:50:28,620

where we do colonoscopies and they can

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00:50:31,760 --> 00:50:30,090

be quite painful procedures and they're

1211

00:50:34,010 --> 00:50:31,770

not usually done under an anesthetic and

1212

00:50:35,690 --> 00:50:34,020

I've noticed more and more these days in

1213

00:50:37,520 --> 00:50:35,700

the literature a lot of lot of nurses

1214

00:50:39,200 --> 00:50:37,530

are dabbling in doing things like reiki

1215

00:50:41,390 --> 00:50:39,210

during colonoscopies and things like

1216

00:50:42,500 --> 00:50:41,400

Ryan that I thought comfortable we're

1217

00:50:44,060 --> 00:50:42,510

done under general anesthetic effect

1218

00:50:46,010 --> 00:50:44,070

they're not if you go to a private

1219

00:50:48,500 --> 00:50:46,020

hospital you may have an underdog that's

1220

00:50:51,020 --> 00:50:48,510

why my yeah the model I'm right okay so

1221

00:50:53,000 --> 00:50:51,030

your last one was not oh oh my yeah my

1222

00:50:54,080 --> 00:50:53,010

parents have always had under a general

1223

00:50:56,540 --> 00:50:54,090

so they must be going to the really

1224

00:50:58,310 --> 00:50:56,550

expensive it's not necessarily full

1225

00:51:00,770 --> 00:50:58,320

general anesthetic but usually on this

1226

00:51:03,200 --> 00:51:00,780

part we can use not I'll step up the

1227

00:51:06,980 --> 00:51:03,210

other than later is it into colonial

1228

00:51:10,060 --> 00:51:06,990

leaking no I'd like to see that one I've

1229

00:51:12,500 --> 00:51:10,070

had a colonoscopy that's brilliant i

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00:51:16,430 --> 00:51:12,510

have to say i would encourage i would

1231

00:51:17,930 --> 00:51:16,440

encourage anyone i'm over 40's idea and

1232

00:51:19,430 --> 00:51:17,940

it was under a general yeah so I

1233

00:51:21,500 --> 00:51:19,440

wouldn't have had a nice leave it was

1234

00:51:25,730 --> 00:51:21,510

all yeah look I i I'd encourage anyone

1235

00:51:27,440 --> 00:51:25,740

over the age of 45 50 to speak to the GP

1236

00:51:29,510 --> 00:51:27,450

particularly got a family history of

1237

00:51:31,250 --> 00:51:29,520

bowel cancer um you know a lot of people

1238

00:51:33,140 --> 00:51:31,260

are really frightened to go and have

1239

00:51:36,020 --> 00:51:33,150

colonoscopies done because of the ick

1240

00:51:37,190 --> 00:51:36,030

factor and we'll look I why you well the

1241

00:51:38,960 --> 00:51:37,200

actual getting it done is not so

1242

00:51:41,660 --> 00:51:38,970

problematic it's the day or two before

1243

00:51:45,410 --> 00:51:41,670

now when you're gonna clean when you've

1244

00:51:46,850 --> 00:51:45,420

got to be mr pooppy but otherwise known

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00:51:50,240 --> 00:51:46,860

in the real world us don't make any

1246

00:51:51,710 --> 00:51:50,250

other plans absolutely lato

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00:51:53,300 --> 00:51:51,720

unfortunately despite the fact that

1248

00:51:55,550 --> 00:51:53,310

we've been doing these for decades now

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00:51:57,080 --> 00:51:55,560

there yet to come up with any better way

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00:51:58,760 --> 00:51:57,090

of doing it what about the virtual one

1251  
00:52:00,990 --> 00:51:58,770  
they're working on that they could even

1252  
00:52:03,060 --> 00:52:01,000  
with virtual colonoscopy which is done

1253  
00:52:05,430 --> 00:52:03,070  
using a CT scan rather than having to

1254  
00:52:07,110 --> 00:52:05,440  
have the lovely corner scope rounder way

1255  
00:52:09,180 --> 00:52:07,120  
around to call on you still have to take

1256  
00:52:11,150 --> 00:52:09,190  
the bell / here the point is all this

1257  
00:52:13,470 --> 00:52:11,160  
these a little poof the point is that

1258  
00:52:15,540 --> 00:52:13,480  
okay the few days beforehand is

1259  
00:52:16,800 --> 00:52:15,550  
interesting to say the least but once

1260  
00:52:19,620 --> 00:52:16,810  
you're in there it's all over pretty

1261  
00:52:21,510 --> 00:52:19,630  
quick in your sleep it's not ask abhi is

1262  
00:52:23,220 --> 00:52:21,520  
that if we can find polyps and remove

1263  
00:52:24,240 --> 00:52:23,230

them before they grow into a cancer then

1264

00:52:26,220 --> 00:52:24,250

it's only the best methods for

1265

00:52:28,470 --> 00:52:26,230

preventing you'll be kissing your ass

1266

00:52:31,740 --> 00:52:28,480

for exactly your life exactly so how

1267

00:52:34,740 --> 00:52:31,750

involved in this I so basically a couple

1268

00:52:38,100 --> 00:52:34,750

of furnaces and and I think a doctor

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00:52:40,230 --> 00:52:38,110

decided to try a reccy intervention to

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00:52:41,940 --> 00:52:40,240

decrease patient anxiety before and

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00:52:44,070 --> 00:52:41,950

during colonists I said not on that bum

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00:52:46,050 --> 00:52:44,080

on the nearby that's been out of belly

1273

00:52:48,240 --> 00:52:46,060

in that week what was going on well no

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00:52:50,580 --> 00:52:48,250

no no they did it with sedation so they

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00:52:52,080 --> 00:52:50,590

have a sedation as well as this and they

1276  
00:52:54,690 --> 00:52:52,090  
and they were looking at various factors

1277  
00:52:57,980 --> 00:52:54,700  
but what particularly had me giggling

1278  
00:53:01,500 --> 00:52:57,990  
and face palming and various other

1279  
00:53:04,850 --> 00:53:01,510  
violent responses head desking was the

1280  
00:53:07,800 --> 00:53:04,860  
design of the study it was called a

1281  
00:53:10,200 --> 00:53:07,810  
prospective non blinded partially

1282  
00:53:13,590 --> 00:53:10,210  
randomized patient preference design

1283  
00:53:16,050 --> 00:53:13,600  
that's how much sleazeball like words

1284  
00:53:17,610 --> 00:53:16,060  
that mean we just made it up I hop on

1285  
00:53:19,440 --> 00:53:17,620  
them I'll just read to you a little bit

1286  
00:53:21,030 --> 00:53:19,450  
from this as part of the usual

1287  
00:53:23,070 --> 00:53:21,040  
pre-procedure screening visit by the

1288  
00:53:24,660 --> 00:53:23,080

gastroenterologist individuals were

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00:53:26,670 --> 00:53:24,670

informed about the study and invited to

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00:53:28,170 --> 00:53:26,680

participate if interested they were

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00:53:30,060 --> 00:53:28,180

given written information about the

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00:53:31,890 --> 00:53:30,070

Reiki intervention to take home and read

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00:53:33,480 --> 00:53:31,900

on the day of the procedure the

1294

00:53:35,850 --> 00:53:33,490

principal investigators spoke with each

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00:53:37,410 --> 00:53:35,860

potential subject explained the study in

1296

00:53:39,600 --> 00:53:37,420

detail and ascertain interest in

1297

00:53:41,190 --> 00:53:39,610

participating was no blinding after

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00:53:43,110 --> 00:53:41,200

written consent was obtained patients

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00:53:45,450 --> 00:53:43,120

were randomized to the experimental

1300

00:53:48,090 --> 00:53:45,460

pre-procedure Reiki intervention or

1301  
00:53:51,180 --> 00:53:48,100  
control using usual colonoscopy care

1302  
00:53:53,730 --> 00:53:51,190  
group some patients randomized to the

1303  
00:53:56,940 --> 00:53:53,740  
control group requested to be in the

1304  
00:53:58,380 --> 00:53:56,950  
Reiki group Oh necessitating a

1305  
00:54:01,680 --> 00:53:58,390  
modification of the design to a

1306  
00:54:04,590 --> 00:54:01,690  
partially randomized patient preference

1307  
00:54:06,540 --> 00:54:04,600  
what I'm not going to go into any

1308  
00:54:08,310 --> 00:54:06,550  
further detail about my studies suffice

1309  
00:54:10,050 --> 00:54:08,320  
to say that this is the kind of stuff

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00:54:12,330 --> 00:54:10,060  
this is the kind of study that I've seen

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00:54:14,940 --> 00:54:12,340  
published in in nursing journals these

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00:54:17,850 --> 00:54:14,950  
days and if my profession wants to take

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00:54:22,380 --> 00:54:17,860

itself seriously as a profession which

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00:54:23,730 --> 00:54:22,390

is scientific and and evidence-based can

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00:54:25,650 --> 00:54:23,740

we at least come up with something

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00:54:27,210 --> 00:54:25,660

better i'm richard i just wanted if i

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00:54:29,370 --> 00:54:27,220

can just take a minute to do a little

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00:54:31,920 --> 00:54:29,380

bit of self-interested plugging yes

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00:54:32,850 --> 00:54:31,930

you're slightly political but i'm you

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00:54:35,790 --> 00:54:32,860

know we were talking about some of my

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00:54:37,170 --> 00:54:35,800

nursing stuff before and in New South

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00:54:39,090 --> 00:54:37,180

Wales at the moment we've got a real

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00:54:40,740 --> 00:54:39,100

problem in our public hospitals of not

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00:54:42,180 --> 00:54:40,750

having enough nurses or enough

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00:54:44,310 --> 00:54:42,190

registered nurses to look after our

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00:54:46,380 --> 00:54:44,320  
patients safely and we've known for a

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00:54:48,300 --> 00:54:46,390  
long time now about Tom registered

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00:54:49,920 --> 00:54:48,310  
nurses or having registered nurses to

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00:54:51,240 --> 00:54:49,930  
look after patients is one of the best

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00:54:54,480 --> 00:54:51,250  
things that we can do to have good

1331  
00:54:56,460 --> 00:54:54,490  
patient outruns and at the moment our

1332  
00:54:58,170 --> 00:54:56,470  
nurses are struggling under the weight

1333  
00:54:59,970 --> 00:54:58,180  
of having to look after far more

1334  
00:55:02,100 --> 00:54:59,980  
patients they bet the fact then they can

1335  
00:55:03,840 --> 00:55:02,110  
really manage so the New South Wales

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00:55:07,290 --> 00:55:03,850  
Nurses Association has embarked on a

1337  
00:55:09,300 --> 00:55:07,300  
campaign to push for nurse to patient

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00:55:11,000 --> 00:55:09,310

ratios which they have in Victoria but

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00:55:13,260 --> 00:55:11,010

we don't have a new south wales and

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00:55:18,180 --> 00:55:13,270

anyone who would like to support that

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00:55:23,250 --> 00:55:18,190

campaign can go to ww oh and sorry wwo

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00:55:25,590 --> 00:55:23,260

any numeral to fo you are comte you and

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00:55:27,660 --> 00:55:25,600

it's something that you know for from

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00:55:29,130 --> 00:55:27,670

nurses point of views yes our our backs

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00:55:30,660 --> 00:55:29,140

are breaking and where we've got a

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00:55:32,340 --> 00:55:30,670

terrible workload but we want to see our

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00:55:34,920 --> 00:55:32,350

patients get the best care possible and

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00:55:36,660 --> 00:55:34,930

we can do that by pushing our government

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00:55:39,540 --> 00:55:36,670

and our opposition and anyone who cares

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00:55:42,600 --> 00:55:39,550

about health care to ensure that that's

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00:55:45,150 --> 00:55:42,610  
the outcome we get and of course don't

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00:55:47,100 --> 00:55:45,160  
forget listeners that one day that when

1353  
00:55:49,650 --> 00:55:47,110  
you're in hospital you will be very

1354  
00:55:52,740 --> 00:55:49,660  
grateful for the for the professionalism

1355  
00:55:55,560 --> 00:55:52,750  
and the idea the care that nurses give

1356  
00:55:57,090 --> 00:55:55,570  
you thanks Richard we really want to see

1357  
00:56:00,390 --> 00:55:57,100  
the best thing that we can get from this

1358  
00:56:01,800 --> 00:56:00,400  
and it really is a concern that you know

1359  
00:56:05,370 --> 00:56:01,810  
as we've talked about on the show before

1360  
00:56:06,750 --> 00:56:05,380  
with them the way health care is going

1361  
00:56:10,070 --> 00:56:06,760  
in terms of some of the things we see in

1362  
00:56:11,840 --> 00:56:10,080  
pharmacies and a real devaluing of

1363  
00:56:14,310 --> 00:56:11,850

quality in

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00:56:15,690 --> 00:56:14,320

you know if we don't push for this kind

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00:56:18,990 --> 00:56:15,700

of thing and push for what we know to be

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00:56:20,850 --> 00:56:19,000

the best evidence care whether that's

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00:56:22,650 --> 00:56:20,860

behind the treatments we do all the

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00:56:24,330 --> 00:56:22,660

staff that we have to look after people

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00:56:26,970 --> 00:56:24,340

then we're not doing the best thing we

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00:56:28,380 --> 00:56:26,980

can in health care folks it's been one

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00:56:30,359 --> 00:56:28,390

of the most entertaining and interesting

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00:56:32,510 --> 00:56:30,369

think tanks I can remember since last

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00:56:35,670 --> 00:56:32,520

week and no footwear has been thrown

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00:56:39,420 --> 00:56:35,680

that's right and I would like to

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00:56:41,100 --> 00:56:39,430

sincerely thank the team tonight may not

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00:56:43,380 --> 00:56:41,110

thank you my pleasure you've come a long

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00:56:44,760 --> 00:56:43,390

way tried to be with us I have that's

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00:56:46,350 --> 00:56:44,770

why I drink heavily because it's always

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00:56:47,760 --> 00:56:46,360

the end of my week here when I'm here so

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00:56:51,000 --> 00:56:47,770

I find that's the best way to do it and

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00:56:56,310 --> 00:56:51,010

I live you this thought yes no one

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00:57:00,320 --> 00:56:56,320

expects the third shoe Iran's again

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00:57:06,000 --> 00:57:03,330

nurse Joe thank you Richard thank you

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00:57:08,190 --> 00:57:06,010

and Rachel Dunlop still a little jet lag

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00:57:09,630 --> 00:57:08,200

I fear I am a little bit but I want to

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00:57:12,420 --> 00:57:09,640

give a big shout out to the Salt Lake

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00:57:14,970 --> 00:57:12,430

City skeptics who hosted me last

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00:57:17,520 --> 00:57:14,980

Saturday night in Salt Lake thanks very

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00:57:20,609 --> 00:57:17,530

much to Patrick who organized to talk

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00:57:23,130 --> 00:57:20,619

for me and it was a fantastic weekend in

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00:57:25,410 --> 00:57:23,140

Salt Lake so I'm hoping to come back to

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00:57:28,500 --> 00:57:25,420

the states again soon although I've just

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00:57:30,660 --> 00:57:28,510

got back from and I just want to add a

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00:57:32,609 --> 00:57:30,670

little caveat I've been getting some

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00:57:33,960 --> 00:57:32,619

grief on Twitter because last time i was

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00:57:36,330 --> 00:57:33,970

on the think tank i was saying how great

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00:57:40,230 --> 00:57:36,340

delta was and ever since I said that

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00:57:42,690 --> 00:57:40,240

they failed me know so Delta pull your

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00:57:45,410 --> 00:57:42,700

socks up and I'd like to again think the

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00:57:47,520 --> 00:57:45,420

whole team tonight and until next

1401  
00:57:50,580 --> 00:57:47,530  
interesting thing thing cheers everybody

1402  
00:58:16,819 --> 00:57:50,590  
oh she is indeed haunted apologize for

1403  
00:58:21,559 --> 00:58:19,430  
thank you for listening to the skeptic

1404  
00:58:24,499 --> 00:58:21,569  
zone thank you to those people who

1405  
00:58:26,900 --> 00:58:24,509  
subscribe for 99 cents a week to the

1406  
00:58:32,299 --> 00:58:26,910  
skeptic zone you can do that by going to

1407  
00:58:35,539 --> 00:58:32,309  
our website at wwt TV scroll down a bit

1408  
00:58:38,870 --> 00:58:35,549  
and you should find the links only 99

1409  
00:58:41,059 --> 00:58:38,880  
cents a week what a bargain folks what a

1410  
00:58:43,640 --> 00:58:41,069  
bargain and your money does go to good

1411  
00:58:45,289 --> 00:58:43,650  
use now the tam organizing committee

1412  
00:58:49,699 --> 00:58:45,299  
have told me that we still have some

1413  
00:58:52,219 --> 00:58:49,709

places left for sponsorship or vendors

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00:58:54,799 --> 00:58:52,229

in sydney australia at the amazing

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00:58:56,930 --> 00:58:54,809

meeting if your company or organization

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00:59:00,859 --> 00:58:56,940

are interested in being represented by

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00:59:02,209 --> 00:59:00,869

the way of sponsorship or if you have

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00:59:03,650 --> 00:59:02,219

something to sell or maybe some

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00:59:06,650 --> 00:59:03,660

information and you want to have a table

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00:59:09,019 --> 00:59:06,660

a vendor's table at tam australia there

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00:59:11,359 --> 00:59:09,029

are still some spots left and a chance

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00:59:13,999 --> 00:59:11,369

for you to be involved so drop me an

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00:59:16,279 --> 00:59:14,009

email here Richard at skeptics and TV

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00:59:18,529 --> 00:59:16,289

and i'll forward that on but for now

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00:59:24,140 --> 00:59:18,539

this is Richard Saunders signing off

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00:59:26,420 --> 00:59:24,150

from Sydney Australia you meant

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00:59:30,979 --> 00:59:26,430

listening to the skeptic zone visit our

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00:59:33,439 --> 00:59:30,989

website at wwc a petting zoo TV for

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00:59:36,320 --> 00:59:33,449

comments contacts and extra video

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00:59:36,330 --> 00:59:50,180

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