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ZONE  
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00:00:11,930 --> 00:00:02,869  
hello my name is Willa you're listening

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00:00:14,600 --> 00:00:11,940  
to uncle ratchet welcome to the sceptic

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00:00:16,000 --> 00:00:14,610  
zone the podcast from Australia for

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00:00:18,080 --> 00:00:16,010  
science and reason

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00:00:21,050 --> 00:00:18,090  
[Music]

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00:00:26,590 --> 00:00:21,060  
[Applause]

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00:00:29,240 --> 00:00:26,600  
[Music]

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00:00:33,790 --> 00:00:29,250  
yes it's the skeptics are in episode

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00:00:35,780 --> 00:00:33,800  
number 448 for the 21st of May 2017

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00:00:38,150 --> 00:00:35,790  
richardsaunders here with you from

11  
00:00:41,840 --> 00:00:38,160  
Sydney Australia and it's the sort of

12  
00:00:44,660 --> 00:00:41,850  
weather I just love it's fine sunny it's

13  
00:00:47,270 --> 00:00:44,670

not hot it's not cold you can wear a

14

00:00:49,100 --> 00:00:47,280

jacket you can wear a t-shirt you can

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00:00:51,410 --> 00:00:49,110

wear snorkels and flippers if you want

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00:00:53,540 --> 00:00:51,420

it's very pleasant at the moment in

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00:00:55,820 --> 00:00:53,550

Sydney we were supposed to get all this

18

00:00:58,490 --> 00:00:55,830

deluge this weekend but didn't happen so

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00:01:03,290 --> 00:00:58,500

very good coming up on this week's

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00:01:07,010 --> 00:01:03,300

episode of the skeptic zone UFOs oh yes

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00:01:09,710 --> 00:01:07,020

an oldie but a goodie I do like UFOs

22

00:01:12,470 --> 00:01:09,720

stories one of the reasons I got into

23

00:01:14,960 --> 00:01:12,480

skepticism growing up in the 1970s all

24

00:01:16,430 --> 00:01:14,970

those UFOs flying about we're going to

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00:01:19,100 --> 00:01:16,440

kick off the show with the report about

26  
00:01:21,200 --> 00:01:19,110  
government funding federal government

27  
00:01:23,390 --> 00:01:21,210  
funding I think it is for a local UFO

28  
00:01:25,850 --> 00:01:23,400  
group up in New South Wales up by just

29  
00:01:28,430 --> 00:01:25,860  
north of Sydney is this a good thing

30  
00:01:30,710 --> 00:01:28,440  
this is a bad thing is this a ridiculous

31  
00:01:33,140 --> 00:01:30,720  
thing find out when we have some reports

32  
00:01:35,930 --> 00:01:33,150  
including one read by Shelley stockin

33  
00:01:37,280 --> 00:01:35,940  
now reporter about this situation and

34  
00:01:39,110 --> 00:01:37,290  
then that's followed by an interview

35  
00:01:41,180 --> 00:01:39,120  
with dr. Steve Roberts from the

36  
00:01:45,440 --> 00:01:41,190  
Australian skeptics who is a UFO expert

37  
00:01:47,690 --> 00:01:45,450  
an expert in to something that isn't yet

38  
00:01:50,300 --> 00:01:47,700

to be proven to exist go figure that one

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00:01:51,710 --> 00:01:50,310

out UFOs are out there they're in there

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00:01:53,030 --> 00:01:51,720

they're up there they're doing something

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00:01:54,980 --> 00:01:53,040

or other they're certainly doing

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00:01:56,930 --> 00:01:54,990

something with government funding find

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00:01:58,880 --> 00:01:56,940

out to kick off the skeptic zone

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00:02:01,360 --> 00:01:58,890

following that it's a follow up to a

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00:02:03,830 --> 00:02:01,370

story we covered in January about the

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00:02:06,110 --> 00:02:03,840

National Institute of complementary

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00:02:08,240 --> 00:02:06,120

medicines who were nominated for the

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00:02:09,680 --> 00:02:08,250

Australian skeptics Bend spoon award and

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00:02:12,470 --> 00:02:09,690

they weren't very pleased about that

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00:02:15,229 --> 00:02:12,480

will the story of their whinging and

51  
00:02:18,470 --> 00:02:15,239  
whining and complaining has ended up in

52  
00:02:21,259 --> 00:02:18,480  
the journal of Australian pharmacist so

53  
00:02:23,030 --> 00:02:21,269  
we're going to be covering that which is

54  
00:02:26,180 --> 00:02:23,040  
a sort of a follow up to a story we did

55  
00:02:29,750 --> 00:02:26,190  
earlier in the year then we have

56  
00:02:31,250 --> 00:02:29,760  
brouhaha from Australia science TV what

57  
00:02:34,339 --> 00:02:31,260  
are we looking at this week Oh

58  
00:02:36,050 --> 00:02:34,349  
Earth's accidental force field

59  
00:02:38,660 --> 00:02:36,060  
that sounds pretty interesting that's

60  
00:02:40,400 --> 00:02:38,670  
with Casey Harrigan then we have another

61  
00:02:43,430 --> 00:02:40,410  
report from the Australian skeptics

62  
00:02:46,190 --> 00:02:43,440  
website about pro-vaccine measures in

63  
00:02:47,780 --> 00:02:46,200

the recent federal budget something

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00:02:50,780 --> 00:02:47,790

that's not going to please the

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00:02:53,090 --> 00:02:50,790

anti-vaccination lobby and speaking of

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00:02:54,740 --> 00:02:53,100

the anti-vaccination lobby the final

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00:02:58,690 --> 00:02:54,750

report on this week's show is about a

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00:03:02,060 --> 00:02:58,700

disabled boy in danger of malnutrition

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00:03:05,240 --> 00:03:02,070

being removed from his parents by the

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00:03:09,410 --> 00:03:05,250

police and community services why have

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00:03:11,810 --> 00:03:09,420

the authorities acted to to remove this

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00:03:14,000 --> 00:03:11,820

boy which is a dramatic thing to do well

73

00:03:16,550 --> 00:03:14,010

find out in our report to round off this

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00:03:18,560 --> 00:03:16,560

week's show now there are all sorts of

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00:03:21,500 --> 00:03:18,570

sceptical conventions and conferences

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00:03:23,570 --> 00:03:21,510

and congresses coming up before the end

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00:03:25,009 --> 00:03:23,580

of the year we have we have the New

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00:03:27,410 --> 00:03:25,019

England conference and science and

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00:03:30,020 --> 00:03:27,420

skepticism in New York which I'll be

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00:03:32,780 --> 00:03:30,030

attending we have saikhan in Las Vegas

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00:03:35,900 --> 00:03:32,790

we have the European skeptics Congress

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00:03:39,890 --> 00:03:35,910

in Poland skeptic owl one-day event in

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00:03:42,830 --> 00:03:39,900

California QED in Manchester and skeptic

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00:03:44,960 --> 00:03:42,840

on Sydney if you want to find out more

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00:03:47,240 --> 00:03:44,970

about all those events I'll add a link

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00:03:49,310 --> 00:03:47,250

in the show notes and I think those

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00:03:51,770 --> 00:03:49,320

links will be pretty permanent from now

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00:03:54,050 --> 00:03:51,780

on well at least until the individual

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00:03:58,150 --> 00:03:54,060

congresses and conferences and

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00:04:01,069 --> 00:03:58,160

conventions and cons and everything else

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00:04:03,650 --> 00:04:01,079

come to an end this year a quick shout

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00:04:06,710 --> 00:04:03,660

out to the Gold Coast skeptics if you're

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00:04:11,350 --> 00:04:06,720

in the Gold Coast area of Queensland why

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00:04:16,150 --> 00:04:11,360

not visit facebook.com slash G sea

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00:04:18,319 --> 00:04:16,160

skeptics that's facebook.com slash G sea

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00:04:21,800 --> 00:04:18,329

skeptics to find out about the Gold

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00:04:23,240 --> 00:04:21,810

Coast skeptics and any upcoming events

98

00:04:25,570 --> 00:04:23,250

and I think we'll be bringing you more

99

00:04:28,370 --> 00:04:25,580

about the Gold Coast to skeptics um

100

00:04:30,620 --> 00:04:28,380

shortly in in the weeks to come

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00:04:32,900 --> 00:04:30,630

good luck Gold Coast skeptics in

102

00:04:35,029 --> 00:04:32,910

beautiful part of the world but now it's

103

00:04:37,010 --> 00:04:35,039

time for me to run downstairs

104

00:04:38,990 --> 00:04:37,020

I hope those cats aren't waiting outside

105

00:04:41,060 --> 00:04:39,000

the door sometimes you open the door and

106

00:04:42,680 --> 00:04:41,070

cat springing cat owners yes you know

107

00:04:47,029 --> 00:04:42,690

what I mean time for me to run

108

00:04:49,400 --> 00:04:47,039

downstairs and um ah look for those fish

109

00:04:51,500 --> 00:04:49,410

and chips I haven't quite gotten through

110

00:04:52,680 --> 00:04:51,510

yet I think there's another server fish

111

00:04:54,720 --> 00:04:52,690

and chips

112

00:04:56,790 --> 00:04:54,730

and I like to have it with a little bit

113

00:04:59,310 --> 00:04:56,800

of hot - English mustard on the chips

114

00:05:00,570 --> 00:04:59,320

and also something I picked up when I

115

00:05:04,500 --> 00:05:00,580

lived in Germany a little bit of

116

00:05:05,790 --> 00:05:04,510

mayonnaise on the side yeah mmm some

117

00:05:08,520 --> 00:05:05,800

listeners will know what I mean

118

00:05:10,740 --> 00:05:08,530

I'm going to run down quickly scoff

119

00:05:12,570 --> 00:05:10,750

those fish and chips run straight back

120

00:05:14,970 --> 00:05:12,580

up the stairs to bring you the rest of

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00:05:38,679 --> 00:05:14,980

the sceptic zone

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00:05:43,659 --> 00:05:41,529

is the truth out there is the truth up

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00:05:45,999 --> 00:05:43,669

there is the truth on the central coast

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00:05:48,009 --> 00:05:46,009

of New South Wales the area just north

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00:05:51,100 --> 00:05:48,019

of Sydney a beautiful area surrounded by

126

00:05:53,459 --> 00:05:51,110

beaches and lakes and the city of

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00:05:56,499 --> 00:05:53,469

Gosford little communities and

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00:06:00,100 --> 00:05:56,509

apparently apparently that area is a hot

129

00:06:03,039 --> 00:06:00,110

spot for UFO activity and so we come to

130

00:06:06,719 --> 00:06:03,049

a series of reports about the fact that

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00:06:09,879 --> 00:06:06,729

their local UFO group has been receiving

132

00:06:13,059 --> 00:06:09,889

government funding to continue its

133

00:06:16,449 --> 00:06:13,069

activities after these reports will hear

134

00:06:18,429 --> 00:06:16,459

from Australian skeptics UFO expert dr.

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00:06:26,510 --> 00:06:18,439

Steve Roberts but we'll kick off with

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00:06:33,399 --> 00:06:28,799

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00:06:43,929 --> 00:06:33,409

interesting claims questioning take

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00:06:47,169 --> 00:06:43,939

stock with Shelley stockin hi I'm

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00:06:49,959 --> 00:06:47,179

Shelley stockin where I live about an

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00:06:53,319 --> 00:06:49,969

hour or so north of Sydney there's

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00:06:58,389 --> 00:06:53,329

plenty of sunny weather plenty of golden

142

00:07:03,519 --> 00:06:58,399

beaches plenty of parking and as ABC

143

00:07:05,949 --> 00:07:03,529

News reports possibly plenty of UFOs in

144

00:07:11,319 --> 00:07:05,959

an ABC News article dated Friday the

145

00:07:13,540 --> 00:07:11,329

19th of May 2017 they report Christian

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00:07:17,559 --> 00:07:13,550

Porter launches probe into taxpayer

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00:07:19,689 --> 00:07:17,569

funding of UFO group if the truth is out

148

00:07:22,899 --> 00:07:19,699

there it won't be funded by the

149

00:07:25,299 --> 00:07:22,909

government anymore social services

150

00:07:28,059 --> 00:07:25,309

minister Christian Porter has launched

151  
00:07:30,189 --> 00:07:28,069  
an urgent probe to determine how a UFO

152  
00:07:33,399 --> 00:07:30,199  
group received thousands of dollars in

153  
00:07:35,259 --> 00:07:33,409  
taxpayers funds mr. Porter said he was

154  
00:07:37,540 --> 00:07:35,269  
unaware his department had approved

155  
00:07:40,299 --> 00:07:37,550  
nearly six thousand dollars of grants

156  
00:07:43,829 --> 00:07:40,309  
for the Tuggerah Lakes UFO group on the

157  
00:07:47,169 --> 00:07:43,839  
New South Wales Central Coast since 2013

158  
00:07:50,739 --> 00:07:47,179  
the funding exposed by News Corp and

159  
00:07:52,220 --> 00:07:50,749  
confirmed by the ABC was first provided

160  
00:07:53,900 --> 00:07:52,230  
by the Labour government

161  
00:07:56,450 --> 00:07:53,910  
to assist with the cost of transporting

162  
00:07:59,780 --> 00:07:56,460  
volunteers with the disability mr.

163  
00:08:02,240 --> 00:07:59,790

Porter who is an avid sci-fi fan said it

164

00:08:05,540 --> 00:08:02,250

was a beam me up Scotty moment when he

165

00:08:07,280 --> 00:08:05,550

found out about the funding I'm sure

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

they're very nice people and there are

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00:08:11,150 --> 00:08:08,790

lots of volunteers who are getting

168

00:08:13,160 --> 00:08:11,160

something out of it but looking at it

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00:08:15,680 --> 00:08:13,170

from my perspective representing

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00:08:18,520 --> 00:08:15,690

taxpayers it didn't seem to pass a

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00:08:20,750 --> 00:08:18,530

common sense test mr. Porter said I

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00:08:22,640 --> 00:08:20,760

asked the department to hold the

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00:08:24,620 --> 00:08:22,650

transmission of funds until they could

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00:08:27,530 --> 00:08:24,630

give me a little more detail around what

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00:08:29,420 --> 00:08:27,540

the group does mr. Porter said he

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00:08:31,220 --> 00:08:29,430

wouldn't be swayed by suggestions the

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00:08:35,540 --> 00:08:31,230

Central Coast region was a hot spot for

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00:08:36,770 --> 00:08:35,550

UFO sightings it's very hard to unpack

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00:08:40,130 --> 00:08:36,780

cause and effect

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00:08:41,960 --> 00:08:40,140

he said you tend to find a lot of

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00:08:45,920 --> 00:08:41,970

sightings when you're funding UFO

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00:08:48,110 --> 00:08:45,930

sighting groups official records show

183

00:08:50,030 --> 00:08:48,120

the department approved two thousand six

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00:08:52,640 --> 00:08:50,040

hundred and forty five dollars for the

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00:08:56,180 --> 00:08:52,650

UFO group in this year's volunteer grant

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00:08:57,970 --> 00:08:56,190

program the group received two thousand

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00:09:02,240 --> 00:08:57,980

nine hundred and ninety four dollars in

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00:09:03,980 --> 00:09:02,250

2013 the Tuggerah Lakes UFO group has

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00:09:07,100 --> 00:09:03,990

eight hundred and twenty two members on

190

00:09:10,520 --> 00:09:07,110

Facebook and was created to share news

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00:09:13,550 --> 00:09:10,530

information support friends and network

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00:09:16,850 --> 00:09:13,560

in UFO matters as well as related topics

193

00:09:18,640 --> 00:09:16,860

the ABC it reports has tried to make

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00:09:20,970 --> 00:09:18,650

contact with the UFO group

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00:09:23,620 --> 00:09:20,980

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00:09:25,680 --> 00:09:23,630

this is Shelly stockin thanks for having

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00:09:40,880 --> 00:09:25,690

me in your earholes

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00:09:46,680 --> 00:09:44,040

from Matt Taylor writing in the Central

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00:09:48,510 --> 00:09:46,690

Coast Gosford Express advocate newspaper

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00:09:51,660 --> 00:09:48,520

on the 19th of May

201  
00:09:54,030 --> 00:09:51,670  
Central Coast UFO group funding mystery

202  
00:09:57,120 --> 00:09:54,040  
Federal Minister calls for urgent review

203  
00:10:00,389 --> 00:09:57,130  
the disbelieving Federal Minister has

204  
00:10:02,430 --> 00:10:00,399  
launched a probe into the x-file mystery

205  
00:10:04,380 --> 00:10:02,440  
of why tax payers have forked out

206  
00:10:06,449 --> 00:10:04,390  
thousands of dollars for a Central Coast

207  
00:10:07,710 --> 00:10:06,459  
UFO group to conduct its

208  
00:10:10,740 --> 00:10:07,720  
out-of-this-world

209  
00:10:13,380 --> 00:10:10,750  
activities Minister for social services

210  
00:10:15,780 --> 00:10:13,390  
Christian Porter this week called for an

211  
00:10:19,079 --> 00:10:15,790  
urgent review into his department's

212  
00:10:21,600 --> 00:10:19,089  
decision to approve a grant of two

213  
00:10:24,870 --> 00:10:21,610

thousand six hundred and \$45 for

214

00:10:27,660 --> 00:10:24,880

Tuggerah Lakes UFO group to quote do

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00:10:29,639 --> 00:10:27,670

their important work man quote after it

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00:10:32,550 --> 00:10:29,649

had received two thousand nine hundred

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00:10:34,949 --> 00:10:32,560

and ninety four dollars in 2013 quote

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00:10:37,079 --> 00:10:34,959

the minister's office has been advised

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00:10:39,360 --> 00:10:37,089

that this group was previously funded

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00:10:42,090 --> 00:10:39,370

under the Labour government in 2013 and

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00:10:44,340 --> 00:10:42,100

some of this grant goes to the transport

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00:10:46,350 --> 00:10:44,350

costs of volunteers with a disability

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00:10:49,110 --> 00:10:46,360

when quote a spokesman for mr. Porter

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00:10:51,630 --> 00:10:49,120

told the Express Advocate quote however

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00:10:53,550 --> 00:10:51,640

the minister is somewhat surprised at

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00:10:56,160 --> 00:10:53,560

the nature of this particular volunteer

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00:10:58,290 --> 00:10:56,170

group being funded through his grant

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00:11:00,780 --> 00:10:58,300

program and he has instructed his

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00:11:03,690 --> 00:11:00,790

department to hold the transmission of

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00:11:06,720 --> 00:11:03,700

funds pending a reexamination of the

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00:11:08,550 --> 00:11:06,730

application banquet at agra lakes UFO

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00:11:11,610 --> 00:11:08,560

group spokeswoman said the close

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00:11:14,220 --> 00:11:11,620

encounter with a funding investigation

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00:11:16,769 --> 00:11:14,230

was quote disappointing and quote but

235

00:11:17,220 --> 00:11:16,779

quote it's not the end of the world end

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00:11:20,280 --> 00:11:17,230

quote

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00:11:23,460 --> 00:11:20,290

ask what the group which has more than

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00:11:26,250 --> 00:11:23,470

800 Facebook members used the funding

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00:11:28,199 --> 00:11:26,260

for she said quote we have elderly

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00:11:30,660 --> 00:11:28,209

people we pick up and take to meetings

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00:11:32,670 --> 00:11:30,670

where they need projectors and

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00:11:35,430 --> 00:11:32,680

microphones so everyone can see and hear

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00:11:38,940 --> 00:11:35,440

what's going on we also have outings at

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00:11:40,889 --> 00:11:38,950

night checking for unusual activity and

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00:11:43,440 --> 00:11:40,899

quote the Department of Social Services

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00:11:46,110 --> 00:11:43,450

said on its website that quote the

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00:11:48,930 --> 00:11:46,120

funding will help the UFO groups

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00:11:51,000 --> 00:11:48,940

volunteers to do their important work by

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00:11:52,070 --> 00:11:51,010

sharing their experiences and knowledge

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00:11:54,230 --> 00:11:52,080

with the community

251  
00:11:57,259 --> 00:11:54,240  
the volunteers foster social inclusion

252  
00:11:59,780 --> 00:11:57,269  
and enrich the local region and quote

253  
00:12:03,970 --> 00:11:59,790  
it's said the Central Coast has long

254  
00:12:07,850 --> 00:12:03,980  
been a hot spot for UFO sightings the

255  
00:12:10,699 --> 00:12:07,860  
1994 Gosford UFO incident where business

256  
00:12:14,630 --> 00:12:10,709  
owners policemen and retired academics

257  
00:12:17,230 --> 00:12:14,640  
witnessed a large object beaming four or

258  
00:12:21,259 --> 00:12:17,240  
five bright lights into Brisbane water

259  
00:12:24,250 --> 00:12:21,269  
made for national headlines as an aside

260  
00:12:26,780 --> 00:12:24,260  
Brisbane water is the body of water

261  
00:12:27,230 --> 00:12:26,790  
around the Gosford area on the Central

262  
00:12:30,380 --> 00:12:27,240  
Coast

263  
00:12:33,460 --> 00:12:30,390

the Tuggerah Lakes UFO group spokeswoman

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00:12:36,590 --> 00:12:33,470

says the truth is out there for the many

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00:12:39,110 --> 00:12:36,600

locals who have since spotted unusual

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00:12:41,090 --> 00:12:39,120

activity in the region quote it's always

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00:12:43,460 --> 00:12:41,100

hard to get a definite photo in quotes

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00:12:46,040 --> 00:12:43,470

she said quote often people find it

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00:12:48,590 --> 00:12:46,050

easier to speak about their experiences

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00:12:51,310 --> 00:12:48,600

and quote quizzed on how the public

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00:12:54,170 --> 00:12:51,320

reacted to the UFO group she said quote

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00:12:55,310 --> 00:12:54,180

it's getting better but some people

273

00:12:58,010 --> 00:12:55,320

think we're all crazy

274

00:13:00,079 --> 00:12:58,020

we actually get people come out to our

275

00:13:02,180 --> 00:13:00,089

meetings from all walks of life we're

276

00:13:04,819 --> 00:13:02,190

all open-minded to aliens being out

277

00:13:07,699 --> 00:13:04,829

there when you read and hear the stories

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00:13:12,800 --> 00:13:07,709

of UFO sightings anything's possible

279

00:13:14,840 --> 00:13:12,810

then quote Gosford 1994 x-files still a

280

00:13:17,829 --> 00:13:14,850

mystery it's one of Australia's most

281

00:13:21,319 --> 00:13:17,839

intriguing UFO cases our new year's eve

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00:13:24,199 --> 00:13:21,329

1994 police switchboards lit up with

283

00:13:26,750 --> 00:13:24,209

reports of an unidentified illuminated

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00:13:30,410 --> 00:13:26,760

object over Brisbane water witnesses

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00:13:32,360 --> 00:13:30,420

reported seeing quote a huge ball shaped

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00:13:35,269 --> 00:13:32,370

object with bright lights on the bottom

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00:13:39,319 --> 00:13:35,279

and quote where it appeared to be

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00:13:42,079 --> 00:13:39,329

sucking up water some believed the four

289

00:13:44,840 --> 00:13:42,089

or five beams of lights were turning the

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00:13:47,689 --> 00:13:44,850

water into steam while others described

291

00:13:49,819 --> 00:13:47,699

the water as frothing reports came in

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00:13:51,199 --> 00:13:49,829

that night from respected members of the

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00:13:53,449 --> 00:13:51,209

community including police officers

294

00:13:55,939 --> 00:13:53,459

doctors teachers nurses and lawyers

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00:13:58,040 --> 00:13:55,949

police were sent out to investigate but

296

00:14:01,010 --> 00:13:58,050

they soon found themselves chasing a

297

00:14:04,010 --> 00:14:01,020

quote strange metallic craft and quote

298

00:14:05,660 --> 00:14:04,020

back and forth across the bay officers

299

00:14:08,990 --> 00:14:05,670

said they came within

300

00:14:11,210 --> 00:14:09,000

D meters of the UFO and the quote craft

301

00:14:13,120 --> 00:14:11,220

would turn off its lights and shoot up

302

00:14:15,560 --> 00:14:13,130

sky words out of sight men quote

303

00:14:18,080 --> 00:14:15,570

residents also reported their pets

304

00:14:21,650 --> 00:14:18,090

acting strangely with dogs howling for

305

00:14:24,940 --> 00:14:21,660

no apparent reason the mystery has never

306

00:14:24,950 --> 00:14:30,550

[Music]

307

00:14:35,350 --> 00:14:33,129

joining me now on the line all the way

308

00:14:35,949 --> 00:14:35,360

from sunny Melbourne haha sunny

309

00:14:37,929 --> 00:14:35,959

Melbourne

310

00:14:41,230 --> 00:14:37,939

well sunny one day raining the next it's

311

00:14:44,290 --> 00:14:41,240

the Australian skeptics UFO expert if

312

00:14:46,090 --> 00:14:44,300

there can be an expert into UFOs dr.

313

00:14:48,429 --> 00:14:46,100

Steve Roberts hello Steve

314

00:14:50,949 --> 00:14:48,439

good morning Richard how are you I'm

315

00:14:52,329 --> 00:14:50,959

very well I'm very I'm kind of battles

316

00:14:54,309 --> 00:14:52,339

to how somebody could be an expert on

317

00:14:55,960 --> 00:14:54,319

something that's unknown it's true

318

00:14:58,299 --> 00:14:55,970

that's what I thought they call me

319

00:14:59,980 --> 00:14:58,309

anyway oh well we'll go with that at the

320

00:15:03,610 --> 00:14:59,990

moment I'm quite well at the moment I

321

00:15:05,499 --> 00:15:03,620

think I benefit from the all the secret

322

00:15:07,329 --> 00:15:05,509

hidden knowledge that the humanity has

323

00:15:09,549 --> 00:15:07,339

gained over the years from aliens I

324

00:15:12,100 --> 00:15:09,559

think that's the way it works here the

325

00:15:15,519 --> 00:15:12,110

transistor and other stuff I suppose

326

00:15:17,650 --> 00:15:15,529

that's right we're looking at this

327

00:15:21,579 --> 00:15:17,660

interesting story today about government

328

00:15:23,110 --> 00:15:21,589

funding for a UFO group but I kind of

329

00:15:25,420 --> 00:15:23,120

think there's more to this story than

330

00:15:28,629 --> 00:15:25,430

meets the eye what's your take up on

331

00:15:31,449 --> 00:15:28,639

this the UFO groups are social clubs in

332

00:15:33,280 --> 00:15:31,459

a great way because you know actually

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00:15:36,249 --> 00:15:33,290

the UFOs don't really exist I mean if

334

00:15:39,519 --> 00:15:36,259

you if you have a poetry circle as to be

335

00:15:41,650 --> 00:15:39,529

some poetry yeah lifting my UFO group

336

00:15:44,049 --> 00:15:41,660

you've only got stories of UFOs that

337

00:15:45,819 --> 00:15:44,059

should be seen by other people rather

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00:15:48,610 --> 00:15:45,829

than by the people in the groups itself

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00:15:50,949 --> 00:15:48,620

so just a sort of you to store your

340

00:15:53,949 --> 00:15:50,959

appreciation group about UFOs and it is

341

00:15:56,769 --> 00:15:53,959

a it is a social group and I've been in

342

00:15:58,749 --> 00:15:56,779

some of these myself and it is it is a

343

00:16:02,019 --> 00:15:58,759

very own set of people are sort of

344

00:16:04,389 --> 00:16:02,029

present in every time but it is a big

345

00:16:07,540 --> 00:16:04,399

social scene you can be in on yeah um

346

00:16:09,879 --> 00:16:07,550

and you can have discussions and whatnot

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00:16:11,710 --> 00:16:09,889

and you have fun as a whole little true

348

00:16:14,679 --> 00:16:11,720

believers in the group that don't open

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00:16:17,679 --> 00:16:14,689

their minds to things but it's a it is a

350

00:16:20,199 --> 00:16:17,689

social occasion you can go to and it can

351

00:16:22,629 --> 00:16:20,209

be argued that some you know if somebody

352

00:16:25,900 --> 00:16:22,639

disabled has difficulty going to a

353

00:16:27,549 --> 00:16:25,910

meeting about UFOs it's not really the

354

00:16:29,799 --> 00:16:27,559

business of welfare groups what the

355

00:16:31,449 --> 00:16:29,809

meeting is about the fact is somebody's

356

00:16:33,489 --> 00:16:31,459

disabled and has trouble getting there

357

00:16:35,769 --> 00:16:33,499

and if they wish to go there there

358

00:16:38,249 --> 00:16:35,779

should be assistance yeah it's

359

00:16:41,379 --> 00:16:38,259

interesting I tend to agree but you know

360

00:16:43,420 --> 00:16:41,389

there's two aspects to this there's the

361

00:16:45,130 --> 00:16:43,430

money which we don't know all the

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00:16:47,350 --> 00:16:45,140

ins and outs of it and it's not it's not

363

00:16:48,760 --> 00:16:47,360

a huge amount of money but on one aspect

364

00:16:50,740 --> 00:16:48,770

there are people saying how can you

365

00:16:53,410 --> 00:16:50,750

waste it on something as ridiculous and

366

00:16:56,139 --> 00:16:53,420

outdated as UFOs but the flipside is

367

00:16:57,820 --> 00:16:56,149

well if it's a benefit to people as you

368

00:17:01,060 --> 00:16:57,830

say to get out of the house and help

369

00:17:03,010 --> 00:17:01,070

them socialize meet other people then

370

00:17:04,990 --> 00:17:03,020

that's another aspect to it there were

371

00:17:06,730 --> 00:17:05,000

some thousands of dollars those three or

372

00:17:09,490 --> 00:17:06,740

six thousand or something I don't know

373

00:17:12,069 --> 00:17:09,500

exactly what that was given forth a lot

374

00:17:14,650 --> 00:17:12,079

of money to help people go out actually

375

00:17:16,449 --> 00:17:14,660

but I don't really what it was really

376

00:17:18,549 --> 00:17:16,459

applied to but then all the other side

377

00:17:21,220 --> 00:17:18,559

you know six thousand dollars is quote

378

00:17:24,100 --> 00:17:21,230

only six thousand dollars not very much

379

00:17:26,079 --> 00:17:24,110

on that on the budget of things so it's

380

00:17:27,819 --> 00:17:26,089

not really worth the minister's time to

381

00:17:30,460 --> 00:17:27,829

worry that much about it compared to

382

00:17:32,020 --> 00:17:30,470

other social causes that waste hundreds

383

00:17:34,690 --> 00:17:32,030

and millions of dollars well yes

384

00:17:36,549 --> 00:17:34,700

absolutely true but I guess it's also

385

00:17:38,799 --> 00:17:36,559

the sort of story that the media love

386

00:17:42,460 --> 00:17:38,809

and even the skeptic Jones covering it

387

00:17:44,710 --> 00:17:42,470

because it's got to do with UFOs and I

388

00:17:46,660 --> 00:17:44,720

guess what do you think do you think

389

00:17:49,150 --> 00:17:46,670

there's a lot of nostalgia now about

390

00:17:53,520 --> 00:17:49,160

these things because there are discussed

391

00:17:55,990 --> 00:17:53,530

a little division about UFOs since 1997

392

00:17:59,470 --> 00:17:56,000

that the first UFO sighting of the

393

00:18:01,870 --> 00:17:59,480

modern era was in 1947 yeah and the VAS

394

00:18:04,450 --> 00:18:01,880

wahoo house 1948 she was only actually

395

00:18:06,940 --> 00:18:04,460

dug up in about 1980 by Stanton Friedman

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00:18:10,600 --> 00:18:06,950

nobody really had much time for that

397

00:18:12,820 --> 00:18:10,610

story before but if you look at the UFO

398

00:18:16,090 --> 00:18:12,830

movement now or ask any UFO fan they'll

399

00:18:17,980 --> 00:18:16,100

say oh this all began in only 47 48 and

400

00:18:19,600 --> 00:18:17,990

there was stuff around was Boswell

401  
00:18:21,910 --> 00:18:19,610  
around that time when the American got

402  
00:18:23,740 --> 00:18:21,920  
the testing and actually still are

403  
00:18:26,080 --> 00:18:23,750  
testing around there their stealth

404  
00:18:28,390 --> 00:18:26,090  
bombers and cruise missiles and secret

405  
00:18:31,390 --> 00:18:28,400  
weapons and God knows what it always was

406  
00:18:34,000 --> 00:18:31,400  
secret rail there and what I'm was the

407  
00:18:36,340 --> 00:18:34,010  
50th anniversary came out in 1997 and

408  
00:18:37,870 --> 00:18:36,350  
the beedi had to think okay it's the

409  
00:18:41,110 --> 00:18:37,880  
50th anniversary of the first UFO

410  
00:18:43,330 --> 00:18:41,120  
sighting do we report this you know this

411  
00:18:46,960 --> 00:18:43,340  
subject has reared its head do we report

412  
00:18:49,960 --> 00:18:46,970  
this seriously or with division or with

413  
00:18:51,880 --> 00:18:49,970

humor or what how do we do it you know

414

00:18:54,400 --> 00:18:51,890

do we say these people are lunatics or

415

00:18:56,950 --> 00:18:54,410

there really is an issue and they

416

00:18:59,980 --> 00:18:56,960

decided to report it with a sort of them

417

00:19:01,780 --> 00:18:59,990

benevolent humor yeah and ever since

418

00:19:03,190 --> 00:19:01,790

then UFOs have been viewed with kind of

419

00:19:05,740 --> 00:19:03,200

benevolent because the UFO sightings

420

00:19:07,660 --> 00:19:05,750

have died out with the advent of mobile

421

00:19:09,820 --> 00:19:07,670

phones especially mobile phones with

422

00:19:13,150 --> 00:19:09,830

cameras in them yeah they just are no

423

00:19:15,940 --> 00:19:13,160

you see sightings anymore they're pretty

424

00:19:18,220 --> 00:19:15,950

scarce I must say that they are pretty

425

00:19:21,450 --> 00:19:18,230

scarce that kind of tells you sorry so

426

00:19:25,090 --> 00:19:21,460

ever since 1997 this ufos has been a

427

00:19:28,170 --> 00:19:25,100

subject for miles on a slightly mild

428

00:19:31,600 --> 00:19:28,180

insanity or quirkiness or eccentricity

429

00:19:35,110 --> 00:19:31,610

and they're they're harmless nobody ever

430

00:19:36,520 --> 00:19:35,120

got killed by UFO by believing it right

431

00:19:38,770 --> 00:19:36,530

so it's moved from there to be a

432

00:19:40,420 --> 00:19:38,780

metaphor for especially in politics to

433

00:19:42,370 --> 00:19:40,430

be a metaphor for insanity you know I

434

00:19:44,800 --> 00:19:42,380

mean we we had a science with us through

435

00:19:46,840 --> 00:19:44,810

in Victoria once who believed in UFOs so

436

00:19:49,240 --> 00:19:46,850

this was often quoted you know we've got

437

00:19:52,060 --> 00:19:49,250

a science minister who believes in UFOs

438

00:19:54,820 --> 00:19:52,070

yeah well that closes that issue then

439

00:19:57,250 --> 00:19:54,830

you know it was said so I think when

440

00:19:59,380 --> 00:19:57,260

politicians or bill fear agencies get

441

00:20:02,800 --> 00:19:59,390

caught handing out money for flying

442

00:20:07,180 --> 00:20:02,810

saucer clubs um there's a very clear

443

00:20:08,080 --> 00:20:07,190

sort of view of division about this but

444

00:20:10,690 --> 00:20:08,090

as I said there are social

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00:20:12,580 --> 00:20:10,700

considerations if somebody has trouble

446

00:20:14,080 --> 00:20:12,590

getting out and about then they should

447

00:20:17,320 --> 00:20:14,090

be helped to get out and about whatever

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00:20:19,000 --> 00:20:17,330

for whatever reason yes it's not really

449

00:20:21,040 --> 00:20:19,010

on the welfare people to judge why

450

00:20:23,350 --> 00:20:21,050

they're getting out and about yeah there

451  
00:20:26,650 --> 00:20:23,360  
is no that is it's really a double-edged

452  
00:20:28,120 --> 00:20:26,660  
issue I agree completely I mean you and

453  
00:20:29,590 --> 00:20:28,130  
I like to get out and do social

454  
00:20:31,150 --> 00:20:29,600  
activities more to do with the

455  
00:20:33,790 --> 00:20:31,160  
science-based areas although of course

456  
00:20:37,900 --> 00:20:33,800  
the the UFO believers I've certainly

457  
00:20:39,820 --> 00:20:37,910  
encountered at at paranormal conferences

458  
00:20:44,170 --> 00:20:39,830  
and whatever would insist they are the

459  
00:20:46,120 --> 00:20:44,180  
true scientific people that we will have

460  
00:20:48,220 --> 00:20:46,130  
closed lines so we all have closed minds

461  
00:20:51,070 --> 00:20:48,230  
yes no I used to Bill you for believer

462  
00:20:54,790 --> 00:20:51,080  
years ago I thought you looked at the

463  
00:20:57,280 --> 00:20:54,800

evidence with a more open mind thought

464

00:21:01,210 --> 00:20:57,290

or maybe you know is this really true is

465

00:21:02,560 --> 00:21:01,220

this really cooperated and so on but I

466

00:21:04,570 --> 00:21:02,570

mean people are free to believe whatever

467

00:21:06,340 --> 00:21:04,580

they wish and pursue whatever they wish

468

00:21:09,640 --> 00:21:06,350

and it's not really for welfare

469

00:21:10,840 --> 00:21:09,650

organizations to ensure what they want

470

00:21:13,420 --> 00:21:10,850

people go out to

471

00:21:14,050 --> 00:21:13,430

there are some groups out there who are

472

00:21:16,450 --> 00:21:14,060

harmful

473

00:21:21,720 --> 00:21:16,460

you know neo-nazis and anti-vaccination

474

00:21:24,070 --> 00:21:21,730

maniacs yeah so on but even for those

475

00:21:26,790 --> 00:21:24,080

stopping people going to the meetings is

476

00:21:28,960 --> 00:21:26,800

sort of like since having you know their

477

00:21:30,760 --> 00:21:28,970

broadcasts or whatever it's so it's a

478

00:21:33,070 --> 00:21:30,770

bit of a free speech issue in a way oh

479

00:21:35,200 --> 00:21:33,080

yeah yeah these things aren't as black

480

00:21:36,790 --> 00:21:35,210

and white as people would like to point

481

00:21:38,260 --> 00:21:36,800

out again we're just gonna have to

482

00:21:41,140 --> 00:21:38,270

follow this story to see what the

483

00:21:43,600 --> 00:21:41,150

minister or the Department decide to do

484

00:21:45,520 --> 00:21:43,610

I wouldn't be surprised if they have

485

00:21:48,010 --> 00:21:45,530

their funding curtailed because of the

486

00:21:50,050 --> 00:21:48,020

negative media interest in at the moment

487

00:21:51,550 --> 00:21:50,060

but then again yeah cuz it's getting a

488

00:21:54,790 --> 00:21:51,560

lot of interest maybe more people will

489

00:21:56,710 --> 00:21:54,800

join their UFO Club who knows well there

490

00:21:58,030 --> 00:21:56,720

is that one it was funny for a farmer

491

00:22:00,430 --> 00:21:58,040

study I think the funny will have to get

492

00:22:04,030 --> 00:22:00,440

curtailed because it is such a clear-cut

493

00:22:05,440 --> 00:22:04,040

issue so in political speak yeah but

494

00:22:07,030 --> 00:22:05,450

only of how the UFO Club should be able

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00:22:10,060 --> 00:22:07,040

to sort of milk that for publicity for

496

00:22:12,490 --> 00:22:10,070

all it's worth and and you eventually

497

00:22:14,500 --> 00:22:12,500

maybe get a story I was denied attending

498

00:22:16,840 --> 00:22:14,510

a UFO meeting the government stopped me

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00:22:18,610 --> 00:22:16,850

I just imagine that it's the goodness of

500

00:22:22,300 --> 00:22:18,620

the who are that it's the conspiracy

501  
00:22:23,710 --> 00:22:22,310  
Steve it my father conspiracy yeah well

502  
00:22:26,380 --> 00:22:23,720  
I hope this broadcast gets out and it

503  
00:22:28,060 --> 00:22:26,390  
should be a you not struck by a 400

504  
00:22:30,790 --> 00:22:28,070  
bustles on the all my hopes try a

505  
00:22:32,860 --> 00:22:30,800  
meteorite yeah oh well that there you go

506  
00:22:34,960 --> 00:22:32,870  
well let Steve keep looking for those

507  
00:22:37,300 --> 00:22:34,970  
UFOs I mean you are regarded as one of

508  
00:22:38,800 --> 00:22:37,310  
Australia's top UFO experts but again we

509  
00:22:40,540 --> 00:22:38,810  
get back to saying how can you be an

510  
00:22:44,050 --> 00:22:40,550  
expert into something that has not been

511  
00:22:45,430 --> 00:22:44,060  
proven yes no I I know all the stories

512  
00:22:47,290 --> 00:22:45,440  
and people say what about windowsill

513  
00:22:49,240 --> 00:22:47,300

forests any I know I know that story

514

00:22:54,310 --> 00:22:49,250

what happened there learned all that

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00:22:56,650 --> 00:22:54,320

stuff I couldn't do something more fun

516

00:22:58,900 --> 00:22:56,660

instead but here it is you could maybe

517

00:23:00,880 --> 00:22:58,910

spinners maybe this this spinner cranes

518

00:23:03,580 --> 00:23:00,890

maybe they came from alien technology oh

519

00:23:06,580 --> 00:23:03,590

they did yeah we didn't have those until

520

00:23:09,340 --> 00:23:06,590

the aliens landed in the desert look at

521

00:23:11,800 --> 00:23:09,350

the spit oh I happen to note that you

522

00:23:14,800 --> 00:23:11,810

have a collection of spinners now oh I

523

00:23:17,110 --> 00:23:14,810

might have yes I bought one of the

524

00:23:20,140 --> 00:23:17,120

market that they've sold commercially I

525

00:23:22,690 --> 00:23:20,150

got my IndieGoGo but you into patties

526

00:23:25,480 --> 00:23:22,700

market and there they were there so

527

00:23:27,340 --> 00:23:25,490

faint voices ahead of the game well if

528

00:23:29,740 --> 00:23:27,350

that's not proof of alien technology I

529

00:23:31,480 --> 00:23:29,750

don't know what is but Steve Roberts all

530

00:23:32,980 --> 00:23:31,490

the way from Melbourne and Victoria

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00:23:40,310 --> 00:23:32,990

thank you very much

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00:23:40,320 --> 00:23:49,620

[Music]

533

00:23:55,419 --> 00:23:52,210

the wait is over tickets are now

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00:23:57,130 --> 00:23:55,429

available for skeptic on the 2017

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00:24:00,340 --> 00:23:57,140

Australian skeptics National Convention

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00:24:02,860 --> 00:24:00,350

The Skeptical highlight of the year our

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00:24:04,870 --> 00:24:02,870

33rd convention is being organized by

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00:24:08,529 --> 00:24:04,880

thinking and will be held on November

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00:24:11,680 --> 00:24:08,539

the 18th and 19th 2017 at the city

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recital hall angel place Sydney this

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promises to be a great event with

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speakers including science media star

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dr. Carl puzzle is key of course

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astronomer Alan Duffy YouTube super

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debunker captain disillusion comedian

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and MC Lawrence lung former naturopath

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and now critic of altmed Britt Hermes

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doctor and TV personality dr. Brad McCoy

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award-winning documentary maker Sonja

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Pemberton Walkley award winning

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journalist cathy marks and dr. Kerr

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magician doctor veeram sharma more great

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speakers will be announced soon as well

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as news of the convention dinner on the

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night of Saturday the 18th of November

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single day and full weekend tickets are

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available skeptic on Australia or GU

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now you may well remember that in

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January this year the 22nd of January on

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sceptics own episode number 431 we

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covered the story of the Australian

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skeptic standing by a bent spoon

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nomination for the National Institute of

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complementary medicine are the bent

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spoon is our annual award for the most

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purpose truest piece of paranormal or

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pseudo scientific people in other words

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people or organisations or products out

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there that we feel or people feel who

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let us know certainly do not live up to

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the paranormal or pseudo scientific

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claims that they are making the National

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Institute of complementary medicine was

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not very pleased at receiving this

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nomination and they wrote it to the

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Australian skeptics to express their

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displeasure and ask that we withdraw the

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the Australian skeptics of course said

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no and just this week it's come to our

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attention that the Australian Journal of

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Pharmacy has taken up this story and you

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can find this report at the website of

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the Australian Journal of Pharmacy under

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the title of unproven issues

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complementary medicines body under fire

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over evidence-based and environmental

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issues the National Institute of

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complementary medicines is once again

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under fire for promoting unproven

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products as well as having inconsistent

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views on the use of endangered species

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in traditional Chinese medicines the

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Australian skeptics have renewed their

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campaign against the n i c m accusing it

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of quote apparent endorsement of

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unproven traditional chinese treatments

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and quote in an article in the most

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recent edition of the skeptic the

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association's quarterly journal the ni c

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m was also accused of quote directly or

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indirectly and quote promoting or

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00:27:26,610 --> 00:27:22,240  
supporting the use of endangered animals

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in traditional chinese medicine TCM the

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latest criticism follows comments by ni

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cm head professor alan ban Susan backing

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the work ni cm does highlighting the

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quote Nobel prize-winning research into

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art museum and NOAA a good example of

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the recent validation of a traditional

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medicine used for centuries in managing

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malaria end quote

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professor ben Susan told MJ a insight

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the research highlighted the work ni CM

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was undertaking however the Australian

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skeptics article claims that quote

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unfortunately for Ben Susan is claims

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for the efficacy of a n OA is totally

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contradicted by the World Health

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Organization which said in a position

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paper for the global malaria program

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that it quote does not recommend the use

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of a in our plant material in any form

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including tea for the treatment or

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prevention of malaria in quote quote the

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amount of artemisinin in a an hour is

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extremely variable which is why the

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World Health Organization does not

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recommend the use of the plant itself as

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00:28:42,180 --> 00:28:39,580  
a treatment end quote

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the article said in addition the article

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raised issues are

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the links on the niam website to a TCM

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herbal database that gives quote helpful

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information men quote on the medical use

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of rhino horn the clinical uses and

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indications of which it gives as quote

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clears heat relieves fire toxicity cools

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blood arrests tremors arrhythmia

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nosebleed vomiting blood diarrhea

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convulsions manic behavior loss of

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consciousness end quote

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in February when this link was pointed

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out to the N ICM it was removed from

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their website but the Australian

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skeptics say there are also links

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between n IC m and research citing the

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use of products containing ingredients

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sourced from endangered animals such as

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previously stated that quote the TCM

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profession and the community should

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absolutely reject any use of endangered

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animals and plant species in Chinese

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medicines unquote last year

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professor ben susan asked that his

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australian skeptics bent spoon award for

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2016 be withdrawn in a letter to the

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complementary medicines unsupported by

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evidence the focus of our research

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institute excludes many forms of

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complementary medicines based on this

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a Chris Brooker published on the 18th of

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May 2017 and you can find out more about

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the Australian skeptics bent spoon award

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by visiting WWF Dexcom delay you and if

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you feel so inclined you can nominate an

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individual an organization a product for

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the bent spoon the criteria is that they

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should be Australian based we can't go

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nominating people from around the world

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although it's not a bad idea sometimes

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we'd like to but basically Australian

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free to nominate somebody for that award

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we can review your nomination and who

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knows it may appear on the website and

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your nomination may prove to be the

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winning one or the losing one depending

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on how you look at it

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skeptics comm got a you hi this is Ben

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Radford and this is Pascual Romero from

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the squaring the strange podcast every

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week my co-host and I cast a skeptical

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eye at a different topic monsters ghosts

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demons mysteries and even current events

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are dissected and discussed with a fun

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unscripted and skeptical take that

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you're sure to enjoy - is squirting

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strange calm itunes or on your favorite

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and now direct from the cafe at

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Australia's Science Channel

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sometimes humanity makes mistakes and

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field around our planet without

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realizing ever since we've been using

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very low frequency radio transmissions

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to say what's up to submarines we've

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created this sort of radio wave space

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bubble now so just discovered that it's

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it's about a thousand kilometers from

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Earth which for reference is about 600

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kilometres further than the

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International Space Station to add

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another layer of happy to this accident

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our force field sits right at the inner

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edge of the Van Allen radiation belt if

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it wasn't for our magnetic field

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radiation belts like this as well as the

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Sun would bombard our planet with

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charged particles and cause everything

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from health problems to satellite

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interference our very low frequency

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bubble gives us an extra layer of

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protection from radiation now we know

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it's there we can figure out exactly how

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protective it is and maybe even figure

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out how to use it to push away charged

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particles during severe space weather so

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21 whose job it is to communicate with

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submarines go ahead and have a nice long

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for more brouhaha and Australian science

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save the date Sunday June the 11th for

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skeptic al the day long

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Northern California conference of

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science and skepticism featuring Eugenie

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science and pseudoscience of race Brian

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gunning challenging popular assumptions

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and roof-rack noise pseudoscience advice

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for the 2017 solar eclipse ed wood vasa

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man fake news judith Horstman myths of

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the brain Marty Klein pornography and

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porn panic plus science comedy magic

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register online at skeptic Cal con dog

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skeptical at the Shattuck hotel Austin

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now here's a little update from the

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Australian skeptics website wapt.com

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today you buy tim Mendham published on

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the 10th of May under the title of probe

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axon measures in the 2017 budget the

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anti-vaccination Lobby will not be

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pleased with the 2017 federal budget

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following on it's no jab no pay policy

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the government has decided that families

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who fail to immunize their children and

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who fail to get a health check on their

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four-year-olds will lose twenty eight

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dollars a fortnight from the Family Tax

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Benefit this is part of the policy of

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increasing national immunization

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coverage rates and improving the

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effectiveness of the national

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immunization program increase the aim is

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that the immunization coverage rates in

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children at five years of age should be

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increased from an estimated ninety two

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point two percent of children immunized

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in 2016-17 to at least ninety four

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percent of children by 2020 21 the

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government says it will commit 14 point

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1 million dollars over four years

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through the National immunisation

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programme to provide ongoing catch-up

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vaccines for almost three hundred and

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seventy-five thousand Australians aged

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10 to 19 years and more than 8,000 adult

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refugees and humanitarian entrants in

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addition the government will launch a

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five point five million dollar awareness

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campaign over three years to improve

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awareness and uptake of immunization for

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children less than five years of age

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regular reminders will be sent to

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parents covering the importance of

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immunizing children and predicting

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public health and we notice all there's

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a comment published on the 14th of May

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on that page from David Smith and the

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David Smith rights you blokes are going

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to give scientists a bad name

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neither you nor any doctors know how

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each vaccine is produced purified

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activated inactivated how successful or

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not such activation actions are the

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constituents of each batch batch control

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and the specific molecular actions that

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occur in vitro from the administration

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of this multiple protein / adjunct mix

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what you do have is critical trial

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results provided to you by the

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manufacturers and you call yourself

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scientists I am a biochemist and I would

812  
00:37:22,640 --> 00:37:20,520  
not have a clue where the vaccines are

813  
00:37:25,549 --> 00:37:22,650

as safe as claimed and neither would you

814

00:37:28,370 --> 00:37:25,559

so kindly stop this Inquisition type

815

00:37:30,799 --> 00:37:28,380

hunt of anti-vaxxers most of whom are

816

00:37:34,160 --> 00:37:30,809

more correctly described as X of axes

817

00:37:36,140 --> 00:37:34,170

your embarrassment will be extreme if it

818

00:37:38,809 --> 00:37:36,150

turns out down the line that some of the

819

00:37:40,670 --> 00:37:38,819

plethora of the vaccines in the market

820

00:37:42,890 --> 00:37:40,680

are not as safe as currently believed

821

00:37:45,740 --> 00:37:42,900

leave them alone and concentrate on

822

00:37:48,589 --> 00:37:45,750

something more important thank you

823

00:37:50,420 --> 00:37:48,599

David Smith your comments are noted and

824

00:37:53,530 --> 00:37:50,430

if you wish to leave a comment just

825

00:38:09,430 --> 00:37:53,540

visit skeptics comm dot a you

826

00:38:13,849 --> 00:38:11,809

hey Spence got skipped ago

827

00:38:16,220 --> 00:38:13,859

the vet valid veteran scope for billing

828

00:38:18,920 --> 00:38:16,230

in the dog nun hangar of the skeptic

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00:38:21,140 --> 00:38:18,930

zone at a knock so are fearful dog pop

830

00:38:24,470 --> 00:38:21,150

science quiz or skeptical Kevin Thomas

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00:38:26,960 --> 00:38:24,480

Valley Quinn po vvv Punto front si

832

00:38:29,450 --> 00:38:26,970

thought spawning vivoli lugar local

833

00:38:30,920 --> 00:38:29,460

training a hunter Malanda topic on warm

834

00:38:33,349 --> 00:38:30,930

the door installed talent defense

835

00:38:37,819 --> 00:38:33,359

non-local training often to start FL

836

00:38:40,819 --> 00:38:37,829

your pot on a day is new hello all

837

00:38:42,440 --> 00:38:40,829

skeptics in Sweden I'm sure you already

838

00:38:44,960 --> 00:38:42,450

know that the Swedish skeptics

839

00:38:47,210 --> 00:38:44,970

Association not only is a big fan of the

840

00:38:49,700 --> 00:38:47,220

skeptic zone but that we also organize

841

00:38:54,069 --> 00:38:49,710

lectures pop science quiz and skeptics

842

00:38:56,450 --> 00:38:54,079

in the pub all over the country go to

843

00:38:58,789 --> 00:38:56,460

[www.hsn](http://www.hsn)

844

00:39:01,220 --> 00:38:58,799

to see what our seven local chapters are

845

00:39:03,529 --> 00:39:01,230

up to and if you live in a place where

846

00:39:04,250 --> 00:39:03,539

there is no local chapter why not start

847

00:39:21,049 --> 00:39:04,260

one yourself

848

00:39:23,240 --> 00:39:21,059

I am talking to you Leo over the last

849

00:39:27,109 --> 00:39:23,250

few weeks a very disturbing story has

850

00:39:30,740 --> 00:39:27,119

been unfolding of a four year old boy

851  
00:39:32,870 --> 00:39:30,750  
quite ill with cerebral palsy being

852  
00:39:36,380 --> 00:39:32,880  
denied proper medical attention due to

853  
00:39:41,329 --> 00:39:36,390  
the beliefs of his mother

854  
00:39:45,559 --> 00:39:41,339  
it would seem and this culminated just

855  
00:39:48,319 --> 00:39:45,569  
last night here in in Australia with the

856  
00:39:50,900 --> 00:39:48,329  
boy being removed from his parents or

857  
00:39:54,920 --> 00:39:50,910  
his mother at least in order for him to

858  
00:40:01,099 --> 00:39:54,930  
receive proper care because it seems the

859  
00:40:03,380 --> 00:40:01,109  
mother and her associates are of the

860  
00:40:05,509 --> 00:40:03,390  
conspiratorial mindset in other words

861  
00:40:08,120 --> 00:40:05,519  
that they've discovered the right method

862  
00:40:10,490 --> 00:40:08,130  
to treat this sick boy which involves

863  
00:40:11,870 --> 00:40:10,500

medical cannabis and I'm not saying

864

00:40:14,210 --> 00:40:11,880

anything for or against that

865

00:40:17,690 --> 00:40:14,220

particularly at the moment and organic

866

00:40:19,819 --> 00:40:17,700

food good more importantly that what the

867

00:40:21,220 --> 00:40:19,829

proper medical authorities are

868

00:40:23,410 --> 00:40:21,230

recommending

869

00:40:26,290 --> 00:40:23,420

to their mind is nothing more than

870

00:40:28,870 --> 00:40:26,300

dangerous chemicals and pharmaceutical

871

00:40:30,880 --> 00:40:28,880

conspiracy an overview here from Jane

872

00:40:34,080 --> 00:40:30,890

Hansen who is writing in The Sunday

873

00:40:36,400 --> 00:40:34,090

Telegraph published on the 21st of May

874

00:40:39,820 --> 00:40:36,410

disabled boy in danger of malnutrition

875

00:40:42,099 --> 00:40:39,830

removed from parents child protection

876

00:40:44,740 --> 00:40:42,109

authorities have removed a severely

877

00:40:47,080 --> 00:40:44,750

disabled four-year-old from his parents

878

00:40:50,020 --> 00:40:47,090

because the boy was deemed at risk of

879

00:40:52,270 --> 00:40:50,030

serious harm due to malnutrition last

880

00:40:55,390 --> 00:40:52,280

year his parents stopped the prescribed

881

00:40:58,150 --> 00:40:55,400

total nutrition formula diet fed through

882

00:41:00,730 --> 00:40:58,160

a tube into the boys stomach in favor of

883

00:41:04,240 --> 00:41:00,740

a quote natural diet of pureed fruit and

884

00:41:06,400 --> 00:41:04,250

vegetables unquote and cannabis oil the

885

00:41:08,830 --> 00:41:06,410

child has been under the care of a

886

00:41:12,070 --> 00:41:08,840

struck off doctor but he's weighted

887

00:41:14,620 --> 00:41:12,080

plummeted he was taken to John Hunter

888

00:41:17,349 --> 00:41:14,630

Hospital on the first of May and blood

889

00:41:20,050 --> 00:41:17,359

tests showed the child to have quote

890

00:41:22,750 --> 00:41:20,060

critical abnormal levels of potassium in

891

00:41:24,940 --> 00:41:22,760

quote consistent with malnutrition the

892

00:41:27,160 --> 00:41:24,950

parents failed to return him for a

893

00:41:29,500 --> 00:41:27,170

checkup by the 17th of May

894

00:41:33,730 --> 00:41:29,510

prompting child protection authorities

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00:41:35,859 --> 00:41:33,740

to act on Friday at 5:00 p.m. for police

896

00:41:39,310 --> 00:41:35,869

officers and to Family and Community

897

00:41:41,950 --> 00:41:39,320

Services workers arrived at where he was

898

00:41:44,230 --> 00:41:41,960

staying in Newcastle quote we had him

899

00:41:47,560 --> 00:41:44,240

barricaded in a room with his mother and

900

00:41:49,359 --> 00:41:47,570

quote his doctor said quote we agreed to

901  
00:41:51,250 --> 00:41:49,369  
take him to hospital with his mother

902  
00:41:53,650 --> 00:41:51,260  
where the doctors cleared him to go back

903  
00:41:55,810 --> 00:41:53,660  
home then Child Protection stepped in

904  
00:41:58,240 --> 00:41:55,820  
and the mother was sprayed with capsicum

905  
00:41:59,770 --> 00:41:58,250  
spray and thrown into a paddy wagon it

906  
00:42:01,960 --> 00:41:59,780  
was a disgrace end quote

907  
00:42:05,170 --> 00:42:01,970  
the doctor said the child had been on

908  
00:42:07,390 --> 00:42:05,180  
potassium replacement therapy he

909  
00:42:10,410 --> 00:42:07,400  
rejected criticism that child's diet was

910  
00:42:13,480 --> 00:42:10,420  
inappropriate quote the child has

911  
00:42:15,700 --> 00:42:13,490  
malabsorption problems and he has

912  
00:42:19,000 --> 00:42:15,710  
terrible reflux when quote the doctor

913  
00:42:21,450 --> 00:42:19,010

said the parents and anti vaccine

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00:42:23,950 --> 00:42:21,460

campaigners have taken up his cause

915

00:42:25,960 --> 00:42:23,960

believed vaccinations caused him to

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00:42:28,900 --> 00:42:25,970

develop his medical problems the child's

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00:42:31,120 --> 00:42:28,910

seizures began before he was vaccinated

918

00:42:33,220 --> 00:42:31,130

and that little update comes to us from

919

00:42:34,570 --> 00:42:33,230

Jane Hanson writing in The Sunday

920

00:42:37,480 --> 00:42:34,580

Telegraph

921

00:42:39,880 --> 00:42:37,490

and here courtesy of the Nine Network

922

00:42:40,720 --> 00:42:39,890

The Nine News is a report on the

923

00:42:43,420 --> 00:42:40,730

situation

924

00:42:45,340 --> 00:42:43,430

it's another chapter in the sad fight

925

00:42:47,830 --> 00:42:45,350

over the medical treatment of a four

926  
00:42:58,030 --> 00:42:47,840  
year old boy with cerebral palsy

927  
00:43:00,490 --> 00:42:58,040  
play secada we've just been pepper

928  
00:43:02,800 --> 00:43:00,500  
sprayed police arresting the boy's

929  
00:43:05,230 --> 00:43:02,810  
mother after she tried to stop doctors

930  
00:43:12,070 --> 00:43:05,240  
at a Newcastle hospital from treating

931  
00:43:14,140 --> 00:43:12,080  
him the young boy the center of the

932  
00:43:17,350 --> 00:43:14,150  
medical stash can't be named for legal

933  
00:43:18,040 --> 00:43:17,360  
reasons but it's the second time in less

934  
00:43:20,320 --> 00:43:18,050  
than a month

935  
00:43:22,720 --> 00:43:20,330  
his mother has clashed with authorities

936  
00:43:25,330 --> 00:43:22,730  
over her son receiving traditional

937  
00:43:27,250 --> 00:43:25,340  
treatment versus unconventional medicine

938  
00:43:30,400 --> 00:43:27,260

we are concerned like I think who was

939

00:43:32,650 --> 00:43:30,410

you you know just three weeks ago

940

00:43:35,170 --> 00:43:32,660

Queensland police issued an Amber Alert

941

00:43:37,690 --> 00:43:35,180

after the boy's parents took him from

942

00:43:40,300 --> 00:43:37,700

lady salento hospital and drove to

943

00:43:42,820 --> 00:43:40,310

Newcastle before police found him last

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00:43:44,830 --> 00:43:42,830

night New South Wales authorities came

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00:43:47,050 --> 00:43:44,840

to collect the boy at a church that

946

00:43:53,530 --> 00:43:47,060

promotes medicinal cannabis and an

947

00:43:55,390 --> 00:43:53,540

organic diet that court order alleged

948

00:43:57,940 --> 00:43:55,400

the four-year-old suffered medical

949

00:44:00,280 --> 00:43:57,950

neglect a blood test showing the boy had

950

00:44:02,410 --> 00:44:00,290

critically abnormal potassium levels

951

00:44:04,870 --> 00:44:02,420

which can place him at risk of

952

00:44:06,700 --> 00:44:04,880

life-threatening cardiac arrhythmia

953

00:44:09,190 --> 00:44:06,710

his mother has since been released

954

00:44:12,550 --> 00:44:09,200

without charge but her son is now in

955

00:44:15,520 --> 00:44:12,560

care Shannan Marshall mcCormick nine as

956

00:44:18,220 --> 00:44:15,530

you could hear in that report the the

957

00:44:21,160 --> 00:44:18,230

screams of the parents and the other

958

00:44:23,080 --> 00:44:21,170

people involved and I'm not surprised

959

00:44:26,460 --> 00:44:23,090

because we've got two issues going on

960

00:44:28,960 --> 00:44:26,470

here we've got one which is the normal

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00:44:31,390 --> 00:44:28,970

concern a parent would have for their

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00:44:35,980 --> 00:44:31,400

child regardless and that can easily

963

00:44:38,140 --> 00:44:35,990

bubble over into um into hysteria if a

964

00:44:39,540 --> 00:44:38,150

parent thinks their child is in imminent

965

00:44:41,710 --> 00:44:39,550

danger and that's absolutely

966

00:44:44,350 --> 00:44:41,720

understandable I I think any parent

967

00:44:47,080 --> 00:44:44,360

could under understand where they're

968

00:44:48,460 --> 00:44:47,090

coming from there but that combined with

969

00:44:50,800 --> 00:44:48,470

what they're being fed by

970

00:44:53,020 --> 00:44:50,810

by the conspiracy theories the

971

00:44:56,010 --> 00:44:53,030

anti-vaccination crowd and the one-world

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00:44:58,000 --> 00:44:56,020

government and now all chemicals or evil

973

00:44:59,589 --> 00:44:58,010

pharmaceuticals are out to get you the

974

00:45:02,859 --> 00:44:59,599

doctors are puppets of the large fire

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00:45:04,500 --> 00:45:02,869

all this sort of thing all that wrapped

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00:45:07,859 --> 00:45:04,510

up

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00:45:10,720 --> 00:45:07,869

combined with the the angst and the

978

00:45:12,760 --> 00:45:10,730

worry that the parents have this is the

979

00:45:15,720 --> 00:45:12,770

result at least for the moment the boys

980

00:45:30,040 --> 00:45:15,730

in proper care and we will bring you any

981

00:45:31,180 --> 00:45:30,050

relevant updates as they happen from the

982

00:45:33,940 --> 00:45:31,190

dawn of time

983

00:45:36,820 --> 00:45:33,950

one blood cast has unlocked the secrets

984

00:45:39,430 --> 00:45:36,830

of science and technology to enrich the

985

00:45:41,710 --> 00:45:39,440

lives of billions and now after a year

986

00:45:43,870 --> 00:45:41,720

where they've unlocked the Golden Age of

987

00:45:47,170 --> 00:45:43,880

knowledge they're about to get warp

988

00:45:49,480 --> 00:45:47,180

speed and go stratospheric holed up on

989

00:45:51,970 --> 00:45:49,490

oh no Ross and Carrie we don't make

990

00:45:54,130 --> 00:45:51,980

extraordinary claims we investigate them

991

00:45:56,470 --> 00:45:54,140

we go undercover with fringe religious

992

00:45:58,240 --> 00:45:56,480

groups investigate paranormal claims and

993

00:46:00,339 --> 00:45:58,250

we participate in pseudo scientific

994

00:46:02,500 --> 00:46:00,349

medical treatments and then report our

995

00:46:05,980 --> 00:46:02,510

findings to you and yes we've even

996

00:46:09,040 --> 00:46:05,990

investigated Scientology crash new

997

00:46:12,250 --> 00:46:09,050

episodes every month at maximum fun org

998

00:46:22,580 --> 00:46:12,260

oh no Ross and Carrie they show up so

999

00:46:26,970 --> 00:46:25,050

thank you for listening to the skeptic

1000

00:46:29,850 --> 00:46:26,980

zone and thank you once again and as

1001  
00:46:32,580 --> 00:46:29,860  
always once again the noise to those

1002  
00:46:35,760 --> 00:46:32,590  
wonderful people who support the skeptic

1003  
00:46:38,670 --> 00:46:35,770  
zone by chipping in on our website

1004  
00:46:41,580 --> 00:46:38,680  
skeptics on TV directly via micro

1005  
00:46:43,800 --> 00:46:41,590  
payments with PayPal or by a patreon and

1006  
00:46:47,850 --> 00:46:43,810  
the links are both there you can do it

1007  
00:46:49,650 --> 00:46:47,860  
either way you can also just send in a

1008  
00:46:52,260 --> 00:46:49,660  
little donation if you so wish or once

1009  
00:46:53,970 --> 00:46:52,270  
off some people like to do that some

1010  
00:46:56,670 --> 00:46:53,980  
people chip in a dollar a week some

1011  
00:46:58,650 --> 00:46:56,680  
people five dollars a week and as I say

1012  
00:47:01,590 --> 00:46:58,660  
it's like little drops in in the bathtub

1013  
00:47:04,650 --> 00:47:01,600

drop drop drop drop drop the bathtub

1014

00:47:06,960 --> 00:47:04,660

fills up slowly but surely and it means

1015

00:47:10,860 --> 00:47:06,970

we can do things like produce the show

1016

00:47:14,130 --> 00:47:10,870

and afford microphones and sometimes we

1017

00:47:16,050 --> 00:47:14,140

need a little extra cash for our little

1018

00:47:19,680 --> 00:47:16,060

outings to bring you reports and to help

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00:47:23,910 --> 00:47:19,690

my reporters at all it all goes to

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00:47:26,610 --> 00:47:23,920

helping keep the skeptic zone on the

1021

00:47:28,020 --> 00:47:26,620

Internet and in some cases on the air

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00:47:31,140 --> 00:47:28,030

because I know there are some radio

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00:47:33,720 --> 00:47:31,150

stations which do use segments of the

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00:47:35,700 --> 00:47:33,730

skeptic zone and any producers out there

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00:47:38,130 --> 00:47:35,710

at radio stations who like to use the

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00:47:40,230 --> 00:47:38,140

odd interviewer or whatever from the

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00:47:42,630 --> 00:47:40,240

skeptic zone you're more than welcome to

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00:47:44,790 --> 00:47:42,640

do so just drop me a line let me know

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00:47:45,390 --> 00:47:44,800

and I'm sure that will be that will be

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00:47:47,970 --> 00:47:45,400

fine

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00:47:49,740 --> 00:47:47,980

it's nice to get credit but for this

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00:47:56,820 --> 00:47:49,750

week from Sydney Australia this is

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00:47:59,070 --> 00:47:56,830

Richard Saunders signing off you've been

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00:48:03,060 --> 00:47:59,080

listening to the skeptic zone podcast

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00:48:05,910 --> 00:48:03,070

visit our website at WWF Tech's on TV

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00:48:09,990 --> 00:48:05,920

for contacts and archive of all episodes

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00:48:12,150 --> 00:48:10,000

since 2008 and our online store please

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00:48:15,450 --> 00:48:12,160

support the skeptic zone by following us

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00:48:18,450 --> 00:48:15,460

on twitter at skeptic zone liking us on

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00:48:20,790 --> 00:48:18,460

facebook and leaving a review on itunes

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00:48:23,610 --> 00:48:20,800

you can also show your support by

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00:48:27,210 --> 00:48:23,620

subscribing via paypal for as little as

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00:48:29,430 --> 00:48:27,220

99 cents a week the skeptic zone is an

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00:48:31,350 --> 00:48:29,440

independent production the views and

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00:48:33,540 --> 00:48:31,360

opinions expressed on the skeptic zone

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00:48:36,420 --> 00:48:33,550

and not necessarily those of Australian

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00:48:44,829 --> 00:48:36,430

skeptics or any other sceptical

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00:48:53,539 --> 00:48:49,400

I'm will and when I grew up I want to be

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00:48:55,069 --> 00:48:53,549

a marine biologist what what are you

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00:48:58,269 --> 00:48:55,079

going to do when you're a marine

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00:49:03,859 --> 00:48:58,279

biologist daddy

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00:49:05,960 --> 00:49:03,869

study what what are some of the things

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00:49:07,130 --> 00:49:05,970

in the ocean stop stop what are some of

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00:49:09,079 --> 00:49:07,140

the things in the ocean you'd like to

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00:49:10,279 --> 00:49:09,089

study don't get dizzy what are some of

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00:49:14,470 --> 00:49:10,289

the things in the ocean you'd like to

1057

00:49:26,539 --> 00:49:14,480

study starfish yeah what else

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00:49:28,549 --> 00:49:26,549

fish yeah well yeah oh yeah turtle that