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**Maynard**

Maynard chats to  
documentary film maker  
Samuel Hutchinson

Eran Segev and his views  
on Marriage Equality

Anti-vaxxer on the hunt for \$\$\$

Spoon Bending on the Radio



**Spoon Bending on the Radio**

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00:00:09,080 --> 00:00:05,920

[Music]

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00:00:13,910 --> 00:00:09,090

welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:16,840 --> 00:00:13,920

from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:22,510 --> 00:00:16,850

[Applause]

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00:00:24,980 --> 00:00:22,520

[Music]

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00:00:28,220 --> 00:00:24,990

yes it's the skipping zone podcast

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00:00:31,640 --> 00:00:28,230

episode number 478 for the 17th of

8  
00:00:34,400 --> 00:00:31,650

December 2017 Richardson is here with

9  
00:00:38,450 --> 00:00:34,410

you from a very thundery Sydney

10  
00:00:49,539 --> 00:00:38,460

Australia in fact I just recorded this a

11  
00:00:52,100 --> 00:00:49,549

moment ago you ghost unit knee Australia

12  
00:00:53,780 --> 00:00:52,110

coming up on this week's show well it's

13  
00:00:56,180 --> 00:00:53,790

a slightly shorter version of the show

14

00:00:58,640 --> 00:00:56,190

this week Christmas time coming up all

15

00:01:00,320 --> 00:00:58,650

sorts of things happening but never fear

16

00:01:02,660 --> 00:01:00,330

we can always rely on girl may not to

17

00:01:04,310 --> 00:01:02,670

bring us some content her last week in

18

00:01:06,740 --> 00:01:04,320

fact we had Sydney skeptics in the pub

19

00:01:09,320 --> 00:01:06,750

with our special guest the documentary

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00:01:11,270 --> 00:01:09,330

filmmaker Sam Hutchinson talking about

21

00:01:14,660 --> 00:01:11,280

his movie he's upcoming our project

22

00:01:17,900 --> 00:01:14,670

conspirator ality the interesting

23

00:01:20,480 --> 00:01:17,910

project indeed where he spends time with

24

00:01:23,270 --> 00:01:20,490

true believers in UFOs and monsters and

25

00:01:26,180 --> 00:01:23,280

things like that and gets their point of

26

00:01:31,610 --> 00:01:26,190

view we have a chat to various pub goers

27

00:01:33,530 --> 00:01:31,620

to get their impressions of Sam's talk

28

00:01:35,650 --> 00:01:33,540

some people thought he was are doing a

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good thing some people didn't in fact

30

00:01:41,600 --> 00:01:38,850

may not also talks to Sam about his

31

00:01:43,760 --> 00:01:41,610

project links in the show notes also

32

00:01:45,649 --> 00:01:43,770

included in that is a grain of salt with

33

00:01:47,840 --> 00:01:45,659

a rancer give a mini grain of salt

34

00:01:49,970 --> 00:01:47,850

where ron gives his thoughts and

35

00:01:53,690 --> 00:01:49,980

opinions on the recent changing of the

36

00:01:56,090 --> 00:01:53,700

law here in australia to amend the

37

00:01:57,500 --> 00:01:56,100

Marriage Act marriage equality following

38

00:01:59,450 --> 00:01:57,510

that it's a story from the Australian

39

00:02:01,310 --> 00:01:59,460

skeptics website by Tim Mendham about

40

00:02:05,300 --> 00:02:01,320

the efforts being made by the

41

00:02:07,580 --> 00:02:05,310

anti-vaxxers to raise more money then to

42

00:02:13,550 --> 00:02:07,590

round off the show it's radio clip I did

43

00:02:15,259 --> 00:02:13,560

just last week who more Thunder here in

44

00:02:17,570 --> 00:02:15,269

Sydney where I went into the studios of

45

00:02:21,199 --> 00:02:17,580

talking lifestyle that's the name of the

46

00:02:23,120 --> 00:02:21,209

radio station and I bent some spoons

47

00:02:24,860 --> 00:02:23,130

over the good old spoon bending on the

48

00:02:25,960 --> 00:02:24,870

radio anyway it was a lot of fun I'll

49

00:02:28,690 --> 00:02:25,970

play some of that a little bit

50

00:02:30,160 --> 00:02:28,700

later on to round off the show oh hello

51  
00:02:40,860 --> 00:02:30,170  
Lord the cats just jumped into the

52  
00:02:46,000 --> 00:02:43,090  
think she's quite interested in the rain

53  
00:02:47,350 --> 00:02:46,010  
coming down and the Thunder well oh

54  
00:02:49,900 --> 00:02:47,360  
there's bright sunshine there must be a

55  
00:02:53,410 --> 00:02:49,910  
rainbow somewhere but now it's time for

56  
00:02:56,830 --> 00:02:53,420  
me to run downstairs have some nice let

57  
00:02:57,990 --> 00:02:56,840  
me see some tuna chili tuna chili tuna

58  
00:03:00,370 --> 00:02:58,000  
on toast

59  
00:03:02,290 --> 00:03:00,380  
hello another bird it's all happening

60  
00:03:16,050 --> 00:03:02,300  
here while I do that I hope you enjoy

61  
00:03:23,830 --> 00:03:21,000  
his main art spooky action at the

62  
00:03:28,839 --> 00:03:26,680  
welcome to skeptics in the pub the

63  
00:03:30,520 --> 00:03:28,849

exciting time where all the skeptics get

64

00:03:32,260 --> 00:03:30,530

together and they get they just get a

65

00:03:33,970 --> 00:03:32,270

bit judgey just like an Adele album you

66

00:03:35,229 --> 00:03:33,980

know what I mean people it's gonna be

67

00:03:36,970 --> 00:03:35,239

like that tonight except we're gonna

68

00:03:38,610 --> 00:03:36,980

have some UFOs flying around they're

69

00:03:41,320 --> 00:03:38,620

gonna talk about some of cryptozoology

70

00:03:43,960 --> 00:03:41,330

I'm just gonna find out I'm gonna ask

71

00:03:45,880 --> 00:03:43,970

some questions about the West all 66

72

00:03:48,640 --> 00:03:45,890

masts your first sighting in Melbourne

73

00:03:50,470 --> 00:03:48,650

because I think the skeptics left it he

74

00:03:51,820 --> 00:03:50,480

ate some humble pie with that one eye

75

00:03:53,259 --> 00:03:51,830

it's what I feel will happen tonight

76

00:03:55,270 --> 00:03:53,269

because it'll be big it's a big night of

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00:03:57,880 --> 00:03:55,280

UFOs it's a big night and cryptids look

78

00:03:59,170 --> 00:03:57,890

out actually since I'm sitting here you

79

00:04:01,300 --> 00:03:59,180

might be thinking what are some of your

80

00:04:03,280 --> 00:04:01,310

favorite UFO sightings maenad well one

81

00:04:05,830 --> 00:04:03,290

of the ones that I've been interested in

82

00:04:08,650 --> 00:04:05,840

lately was one that was that recently

83

00:04:10,120 --> 00:04:08,660

mentioned by the guy from blink 182 when

84

00:04:12,339 --> 00:04:10,130

he was talking about his company he's

85

00:04:14,350 --> 00:04:12,349

formed to go into the space and stars

86

00:04:16,330 --> 00:04:14,360

beyond and that is the attack shaped

87

00:04:18,909 --> 00:04:16,340

object that persisted during daylight

88

00:04:20,379 --> 00:04:18,919

and seemed to go up and down and up and

89

00:04:22,330 --> 00:04:20,389

down some people say it's actually a

90

00:04:24,159 --> 00:04:22,340

photo of a plane taken from behind from

91

00:04:26,260 --> 00:04:24,169

a distance but other people insist that

92

00:04:28,029 --> 00:04:26,270

it is genuinely an anomalous object

93

00:04:31,150 --> 00:04:28,039

that's from 2005 just look up the

94

00:04:34,060 --> 00:04:31,160

tick-tack UFO the other one I like to

95

00:04:37,560 --> 00:04:34,070

point out is the Chicago Airport UFO

96

00:04:41,520 --> 00:04:37,570

which apparently a UFO hovers over a

97

00:04:43,960 --> 00:04:41,530

departure gate at Chicago O'Hare Airport

98

00:04:45,130 --> 00:04:43,970

and it looked a bit like a doughnut for

99

00:04:47,980 --> 00:04:45,140

a period of time and then it shot

100

00:04:51,490 --> 00:04:47,990

straight up some people say it is

101  
00:04:53,170 --> 00:04:51,500  
behaving like a cloudbank inversion but

102  
00:04:54,400 --> 00:04:53,180  
no one's actually got a good photo of it

103  
00:04:55,570 --> 00:04:54,410  
so we don't know so that's another one

104  
00:04:58,300 --> 00:04:55,580  
to look up as far as your first

105  
00:05:01,000 --> 00:04:58,310  
sightings go I've mentioned the West all

106  
00:05:04,719 --> 00:05:01,010  
66 sighting already and the other one

107  
00:05:09,109 --> 00:05:07,039  
Rendlesham forest that's always a famous

108  
00:05:11,059 --> 00:05:09,119  
one there was actually some touching of

109  
00:05:11,539 --> 00:05:11,069  
the UFO and a bit of an ESP thing going

110  
00:05:13,279 --> 00:05:11,549  
on there

111  
00:05:14,599 --> 00:05:13,289  
how do you feel about these sightings

112  
00:05:16,399 --> 00:05:14,609  
which have you've got a favorite UFO

113  
00:05:18,499 --> 00:05:16,409

sighting you'd like to mention yeah the

114

00:05:22,249 --> 00:05:18,509

one I want to see next next week

115

00:05:25,159 --> 00:05:22,259

hopefully I I did see ah you know when I

116

00:05:27,559 --> 00:05:25,169

was a kid I remember waking up one night

117

00:05:32,479 --> 00:05:27,569

looking at the window I think and of

118

00:05:36,259 --> 00:05:32,489

this bright light it was falling slowly

119

00:05:38,449 --> 00:05:36,269

to the ground and to this day I've not

120

00:05:40,699 --> 00:05:38,459

yet uncovered what it was it was like a

121

00:05:42,499 --> 00:05:40,709

flare but there was no aircraft in the

122

00:05:44,869 --> 00:05:42,509

sky so that was a bit strange I'd like

123

00:05:46,639 --> 00:05:44,879

to see that one again actually you know

124

00:05:49,699 --> 00:05:46,649

there are some people who say why do you

125

00:05:51,019 --> 00:05:49,709

skip big deny the phenomenon of UFOs and

126

00:05:53,299 --> 00:05:51,029

do you think that's a fair comment to

127

00:05:54,139 --> 00:05:53,309

say that skeptics deny the phenomenon of

128

00:05:56,719 --> 00:05:54,149

UFOs

129

00:06:00,169 --> 00:05:56,729

well what skeptics I've never denied it

130

00:06:01,909 --> 00:06:00,179

I mean if you mean unidentified flying

131

00:06:03,549 --> 00:06:01,919

objects well of course you can't

132

00:06:06,379 --> 00:06:03,559

that's ridiculous of course there are

133

00:06:09,439 --> 00:06:06,389

unidentified flying objects and even if

134

00:06:12,499 --> 00:06:09,449

you stretch it and say alien spaceships

135

00:06:14,119 --> 00:06:12,509

so we don't deny them that's not it's

136

00:06:16,939 --> 00:06:14,129

not the right way to look at the court

137

00:06:19,129 --> 00:06:16,949

the problem or the question is that we

138

00:06:21,229 --> 00:06:19,139

don't accept them without credible

139

00:06:23,270 --> 00:06:21,239

evidence that's different to denying

140

00:06:28,100 --> 00:06:23,280

them

141

00:06:30,500 --> 00:06:28,110

I ran Segovia he was a member of the

142

00:06:32,390 --> 00:06:30,510

shadowy elite and are you for one we're

143

00:06:35,000 --> 00:06:32,400

very pleased that the capital of the

144

00:06:39,560 --> 00:06:35,010

reduce one's been recognized our you

145

00:06:40,970 --> 00:06:39,570

happy about that I have you instrumental

146

00:06:42,650 --> 00:06:40,980

in having it moved I believe you made

147

00:06:48,050 --> 00:06:42,660

the call to trump and said mate Tel Aviv

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00:06:50,540 --> 00:06:48,060

out Jerusalem anywhere job as a member

149

00:06:55,040 --> 00:06:50,550

of the shadowy elite I think Trump is a

150

00:06:57,650 --> 00:06:55,050

[h\_\_\h] and I can I can I quote no

151  
00:07:00,680 --> 00:06:57,660  
allegiance from Facebook certainly can

152  
00:07:02,540 --> 00:07:00,690  
no is a guy who is very when it comes to

153  
00:07:05,360 --> 00:07:02,550  
like you know Trump and foreign policy I

154  
00:07:07,190 --> 00:07:05,370  
think know is probably on the money no

155  
00:07:08,900 --> 00:07:07,200  
illusion said if the rationale behind

156  
00:07:10,850 --> 00:07:08,910  
recognizing Jerusalem as Israel's

157  
00:07:13,190 --> 00:07:10,860  
capital was to provoke Muslim terrorism

158  
00:07:15,290 --> 00:07:13,200  
and thus sell the travel ban and other

159  
00:07:17,570 --> 00:07:15,300  
draconian anti-muslim policies that

160  
00:07:19,070 --> 00:07:17,580  
would surprise me only in the fact there

161  
00:07:23,090 --> 00:07:19,080  
was a rationale behind one of Tom's

162  
00:07:25,219 --> 00:07:23,100  
decisions nothing there's nothing more

163  
00:07:26,360 --> 00:07:25,229

to add to the whole thing now what are

164

00:07:28,550 --> 00:07:26,370

you expecting here tonight at our

165

00:07:32,030 --> 00:07:28,560

skeptics at the pub look or something

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00:07:33,710 --> 00:07:32,040

you have to say yes because about 20

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00:07:36,280 --> 00:07:33,720

minutes ago the Parliament of Australia

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00:07:40,880 --> 00:07:36,290

passed the marriage equality bill and

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00:07:44,210 --> 00:07:40,890

this is something that has been a long

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00:07:46,219 --> 00:07:44,220

time coming and I'm just I'm really

171

00:07:48,050 --> 00:07:46,229

emotional because I'm so happy about

172

00:07:49,610 --> 00:07:48,060

that you know and that trumps everything

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00:07:51,950 --> 00:07:49,620

else sorry I've mentioned that word

174

00:07:53,600 --> 00:07:51,960

again it's more important than anything

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00:07:56,830 --> 00:07:53,610

else that will happen today or probably

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00:08:00,050 --> 00:07:56,840

in the next month it's just wonderful

177

00:08:01,880 --> 00:08:00,060

I'm a little bit underwhelmed because I

178

00:08:03,890 --> 00:08:01,890

thought they did it two weeks ago you

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00:08:04,400 --> 00:08:03,900

see so I'm like what what I thought they

180

00:08:06,560 --> 00:08:04,410

did already

181

00:08:07,909 --> 00:08:06,570

that was the Senate DA was the House of

182

00:08:09,440 --> 00:08:07,919

Representatives see that's when I

183

00:08:11,719 --> 00:08:09,450

started celebrating I've been drunk

184

00:08:12,950 --> 00:08:11,729

since then so I can get drunk again is

185

00:08:14,150 --> 00:08:12,960

that what you're saying I'm saying

186

00:08:15,980 --> 00:08:14,160

you've probably been drunk for the past

187

00:08:18,530 --> 00:08:15,990

six years

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00:08:20,060 --> 00:08:18,540

you know well that's great actually out

189

00:08:21,680 --> 00:08:20,070

the flow-on effect through all the other

190

00:08:22,940 --> 00:08:21,690

laws because you can get a lot of laws

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00:08:24,440 --> 00:08:22,950

that now gonna have to be changed

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00:08:25,700 --> 00:08:24,450

because of this all just amended in

193

00:08:27,560 --> 00:08:25,710

small ways it's going to be fairly

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00:08:30,970 --> 00:08:27,570

massive as they're found in the Canadian

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00:08:34,250 --> 00:08:30,980

Parliament I don't know I think so

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00:08:35,690 --> 00:08:34,260

because now marriage is between two

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00:08:37,640 --> 00:08:35,700

people so you've actually got to change

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00:08:40,100 --> 00:08:37,650

what marriage is in all your other

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00:08:41,720 --> 00:08:40,110

legislation because I don't have to

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00:08:43,910 --> 00:08:41,730

change it to two people knows the ending

201  
00:08:46,700 --> 00:08:43,920  
is that this does not affect any other

202  
00:08:48,560 --> 00:08:46,710  
law okay I were able to thought that you

203  
00:08:50,030 --> 00:08:48,570  
just have to change subtle wording it

204  
00:08:51,170 --> 00:08:50,040  
that's all cuz where it might have man

205  
00:08:52,790 --> 00:08:51,180  
the woman you wanted to change they

206  
00:08:55,130 --> 00:08:52,800  
haven't you see that the thing is the

207  
00:08:57,680 --> 00:08:55,140  
Marriage Act was only changed to between

208  
00:08:59,780 --> 00:08:57,690  
a man and a woman in 2004 they haven't

209  
00:09:01,280 --> 00:08:59,790  
had a lot of time to make all these

210  
00:09:02,420 --> 00:09:01,290  
sweeping changes throughout other Lords

211  
00:09:04,490 --> 00:09:02,430  
this is not like something that we've

212  
00:09:05,120 --> 00:09:04,500  
had for a hundred and ten years this is

213  
00:09:08,000 --> 00:09:05,130

new

214

00:09:09,710 --> 00:09:08,010

that changes read to me so oh we've done

215

00:09:13,670 --> 00:09:09,720

now is we've back to where we were

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00:09:15,530 --> 00:09:13,680

essentially in 2004 I my understanding

217

00:09:17,930 --> 00:09:15,540

from quite a lot of reading is that it's

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00:09:19,640 --> 00:09:17,940

not going to affect any other law that's

219

00:09:21,680 --> 00:09:19,650

okay so it's basically the the Howard

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00:09:22,850 --> 00:09:21,690

government's changing it in 2004 that

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00:09:23,720 --> 00:09:22,860

caused the problem in the first place

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00:09:26,240 --> 00:09:23,730

yes

223

00:09:28,730 --> 00:09:26,250

now one thing that is interesting is

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00:09:30,800 --> 00:09:28,740

that because of all the because of all

225

00:09:34,520 --> 00:09:30,810

the religious objections to marriage

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00:09:36,590 --> 00:09:34,530

equality that a lot of people a lot of

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00:09:38,360 --> 00:09:36,600

the amendments that were raised were

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00:09:41,960 --> 00:09:38,370

basically to protect people's right to

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00:09:43,820 --> 00:09:41,970

be bigots these things are going to be

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00:09:46,790 --> 00:09:43,830

reviewed by a commission established by

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Turnball headed by Phillip Roddick is

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00:09:52,120 --> 00:09:49,680

actually the the Commission is actually

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00:09:54,620 --> 00:09:52,130

or the panel is actually reasonably

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00:09:55,760 --> 00:09:54,630

structured they believe they the head of

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00:09:58,190 --> 00:09:55,770

the Human Rights Commissioner a

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00:09:59,750 --> 00:09:58,200

commission is is on it and and if you

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00:10:02,120 --> 00:09:59,760

are the people so I don't have a problem

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00:10:05,720 --> 00:10:02,130

with a panel itself the thing is it's a

239

00:10:07,550 --> 00:10:05,730

panel on on religious freedoms and I do

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00:10:10,040 --> 00:10:07,560

not believe that religious freedoms can

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00:10:12,710 --> 00:10:10,050

be or freedom of religion cannot be

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discussed separately from freedom from

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00:10:18,920 --> 00:10:15,240

religion it's one and one and the same

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00:10:20,570 --> 00:10:18,930

and I've asked written to the prime

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00:10:22,520 --> 00:10:20,580

minister into my local Member of

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00:10:25,870 --> 00:10:22,530

Parliament asking them to ensure that

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00:10:27,940 --> 00:10:25,880

that is discussed as well but received a

248

00:10:30,820 --> 00:10:27,950

this I wouldn't say it was the

249

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dismissive he was not answer it was a

250

00:10:34,180 --> 00:10:32,720

non answer yeah no an answer not from

251  
00:10:36,250 --> 00:10:34,190  
the prime minister but for my local

252  
00:10:39,430 --> 00:10:36,260  
member who is by the way against

253  
00:10:41,680 --> 00:10:39,440  
marriage equality this would be

254  
00:10:44,770 --> 00:10:41,690  
interesting because because suddenly if

255  
00:10:47,440 --> 00:10:44,780  
you start to create a class of people

256  
00:10:49,120 --> 00:10:47,450  
who are religious that feel slighted

257  
00:10:50,650 --> 00:10:49,130  
against this diesel warmers create

258  
00:10:53,020 --> 00:10:50,660  
another group that can't be you know

259  
00:10:54,940 --> 00:10:53,030  
yeah but I feel slighted against all the

260  
00:10:56,830 --> 00:10:54,950  
time by all kinds of things that happen

261  
00:10:58,300 --> 00:10:56,840  
in Parliament there don't expect laws to

262  
00:11:00,760 --> 00:10:58,310  
be made especially to prevent me from

263  
00:11:02,860 --> 00:11:00,770

being slighted people who want to be

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00:11:04,120 --> 00:11:02,870

religious are perfectly capable of

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00:11:06,760 --> 00:11:04,130

keeping their religion to themselves

266

00:11:09,100 --> 00:11:06,770

they're not entitled to impose it on

267

00:11:11,490 --> 00:11:09,110

other people and their law of Australia

268

00:11:14,590 --> 00:11:11,500

now permits same-sex couples to marry

269

00:11:16,930 --> 00:11:14,600

thankfully and if you don't want to

270

00:11:18,640 --> 00:11:16,940

participate you don't have to but to

271

00:11:19,780 --> 00:11:18,650

discriminate against others is something

272

00:11:26,860 --> 00:11:19,790

that there's no is not allowed in

273

00:11:28,210 --> 00:11:26,870

Australia and that's a good just come

274

00:11:30,490 --> 00:11:28,220

into a shadowy corner here which is

275

00:11:32,170 --> 00:11:30,500

probably a great place to talk to Sam

276

00:11:33,820 --> 00:11:32,180

Hutchinson's at the kirkland race and

277

00:11:35,650 --> 00:11:33,830

look what's your experience as a TV

278

00:11:36,910 --> 00:11:35,660

producer recently well I mean what do

279

00:11:38,710 --> 00:11:36,920

you do the pay for the money to go out

280

00:11:39,880 --> 00:11:38,720

to the Blue Mountains so recently I

281

00:11:41,560 --> 00:11:39,890

finished doing a show for Discovery

282

00:11:42,130 --> 00:11:41,570

Channel dr. Carr's outrageous acts of

283

00:11:44,230 --> 00:11:42,140

science

284

00:11:46,240 --> 00:11:44,240

oh that was a great show really good and

285

00:11:47,950 --> 00:11:46,250

some really good finds from people we

286

00:11:50,440 --> 00:11:47,960

haven't seen on TV so the smart

287

00:11:52,810 --> 00:11:50,450

intelligent women on TV well done thank

288

00:11:54,190 --> 00:11:52,820

you yeah yeah well yeah there's some

289

00:11:55,690 --> 00:11:54,200

scientists I've never seen before on TV

290

00:11:57,190 --> 00:11:55,700

and there was trailing I was gay

291

00:11:58,480 --> 00:11:57,200

I it's just some English showed some

292

00:11:59,230 --> 00:11:58,490

footage hang on a minute that's an

293

00:12:01,180 --> 00:11:59,240

Australian accent

294

00:12:03,280 --> 00:12:01,190

yeah and Tony Martin good yeah it was

295

00:12:05,920 --> 00:12:03,290

probably the standout for me well yeah

296

00:12:08,200 --> 00:12:05,930

it wouldn't be too hard work oh yes and

297

00:12:09,700 --> 00:12:08,210

no some of the comedians were thrown off

298

00:12:12,600 --> 00:12:09,710

the meetings the scientists kind of gave

299

00:12:14,800 --> 00:12:12,610

him the run for the money oh really yeah

300

00:12:15,910 --> 00:12:14,810

well congratulations on that and I hope

301

00:12:16,630 --> 00:12:15,920

you get another season now that or

302

00:12:18,910 --> 00:12:16,640

something no thank you

303

00:12:20,920 --> 00:12:18,920

mmm and and also and also done some work

304

00:12:23,920 --> 00:12:20,930

than the ABC - yeah recently finished

305

00:12:25,810 --> 00:12:23,930

off a kids show with Justin Clark so

306

00:12:28,420 --> 00:12:25,820

it's a little bit different dr. Karl's

307

00:12:30,250 --> 00:12:28,430

yeah but as anyone within the Australian

308

00:12:31,840 --> 00:12:30,260

TV industry you've got to have range or

309

00:12:33,300 --> 00:12:31,850

else you're not gonna eat off your shop

310

00:12:35,620 --> 00:12:33,310

you've gotta kind of diversify and

311

00:12:36,519 --> 00:12:35,630

Conspirator ality very interesting what

312

00:12:38,499 --> 00:12:36,529

you're working on right

313

00:12:40,119 --> 00:12:38,509

and what you're doing here in Australia

314

00:12:42,639 --> 00:12:40,129

is mirroring what's happening in the

315

00:12:44,819 --> 00:12:42,649

u.s. at the moment cuz the UFO scene and

316

00:12:47,649 --> 00:12:44,829

particularly MUFON scene in the u.s.

317

00:12:50,739 --> 00:12:47,659

spirituality is moving into the UFO seam

318

00:12:52,419 --> 00:12:50,749

there and causing quite a schism MUFON

319

00:12:54,309 --> 00:12:52,429

itself there's people who are leaving it

320

00:12:56,229 --> 00:12:54,319

in droves because it's gone on new agey

321

00:12:58,149 --> 00:12:56,239

instead of nuts and bolts in the sky

322

00:12:59,529 --> 00:12:58,159

kind of thing and this what you're

323

00:13:01,809 --> 00:12:59,539

looking at is kind of an Australian

324

00:13:04,059 --> 00:13:01,819

version of that and I think it's very

325

00:13:06,309 --> 00:13:04,069

interesting there's books like refract

326  
00:13:08,169 --> 00:13:06,319  
reframing the debate about UFOs which

327  
00:13:09,999 --> 00:13:08,179  
talks about the very thing you're you're

328  
00:13:12,849 --> 00:13:10,009  
looking at here you just explain to the

329  
00:13:14,709 --> 00:13:12,859  
listener in a nutshell how you are

330  
00:13:16,959 --> 00:13:14,719  
combining the whole nuts and bolts UFO

331  
00:13:18,879 --> 00:13:16,969  
belief with the spirituality belief that

332  
00:13:20,289 --> 00:13:18,889  
some of the people you're meeting him so

333  
00:13:22,419 --> 00:13:20,299  
the guys I'm talking did they have the

334  
00:13:24,459 --> 00:13:22,429  
spiritual belief they're actually an

335  
00:13:27,159 --> 00:13:24,469  
offshoot of a u.s. organization called

336  
00:13:30,309 --> 00:13:27,169  
East SETI so they've just co-opted that

337  
00:13:31,749 --> 00:13:30,319  
name to form a city Australia I think

338  
00:13:34,229 --> 00:13:31,759

it's a trend that's been happening for a

339

00:13:37,209 --> 00:13:34,239

while kind of this male-dominated

340

00:13:40,049 --> 00:13:37,219

nuts-and-bolts field as you know kind of

341

00:13:42,549 --> 00:13:40,059

alienating a few people and this New Age

342

00:13:43,719 --> 00:13:42,559

spiritual movement is kind of coming in

343

00:13:44,769 --> 00:13:43,729

because it's a little bit more positive

344

00:13:46,210 --> 00:13:44,779

if we're gonna be a little bit honest

345

00:13:47,979 --> 00:13:46,220

it's been confusing Duke who says

346

00:13:50,109 --> 00:13:47,989

there's the demand for evidence and the

347

00:13:51,789 --> 00:13:50,119

spiritual field doesn't require that as

348

00:13:53,259 --> 00:13:51,799

much that's that's correct so if you

349

00:13:55,149 --> 00:13:53,269

don't have evidence just knowledge

350

00:13:57,849 --> 00:13:55,159

becomes the capital that you trade off

351

00:13:59,829 --> 00:13:57,859

to you know basically I don't want to

352

00:14:01,389 --> 00:13:59,839

say create your own evidence but it's

353

00:14:03,369 --> 00:14:01,399

something that gives you power within

354

00:14:05,079 --> 00:14:03,379

that field and I know it's one of the

355

00:14:07,089 --> 00:14:05,089

great techniques you use is you would

356

00:14:09,159 --> 00:14:07,099

say oh well skeptics could say that this

357

00:14:10,749 --> 00:14:09,169

is just not quite right can you do that

358

00:14:12,159 --> 00:14:10,759

question twice in a row because if they

359

00:14:14,589 --> 00:14:12,169

do an explanation and you go well then a

360

00:14:16,329 --> 00:14:14,599

skeptic might say does the the skeptics

361

00:14:17,979 --> 00:14:16,339

aids question work twice in a row with

362

00:14:20,049 --> 00:14:17,989

these people it does actually

363

00:14:21,519 --> 00:14:20,059

oh really yeah basically just inhabit

364

00:14:24,539 --> 00:14:21,529

the form of a skeptic and you ask

365

00:14:27,249 --> 00:14:24,549

questions through that mind mouthpiece

366

00:14:28,599 --> 00:14:27,259

it's something I don't like to do but

367

00:14:30,819 --> 00:14:28,609

it's something that I like to do when I

368

00:14:32,390 --> 00:14:30,829

don't want to ask questions that gets

369

00:14:34,340 --> 00:14:32,400

him off side

370

00:14:36,200 --> 00:14:34,350

also there's been people here that have

371

00:14:38,390 --> 00:14:36,210

been taking of the opinion that you

372

00:14:40,910 --> 00:14:38,400

should be challenging them in that the

373

00:14:43,310 --> 00:14:40,920

documentary makers should be challenging

374

00:14:45,380 --> 00:14:43,320

these thoughts and ideas that they have

375

00:14:48,200 --> 00:14:45,390

in some way to bring them back to

376

00:14:50,360 --> 00:14:48,210

reality where I'm not with that I'm with

377

00:14:52,730 --> 00:14:50,370

the more like you're documenting you're

378

00:14:54,620 --> 00:14:52,740

showing their world they may be

379

00:14:56,810 --> 00:14:54,630

internally consistent they may not be

380

00:14:58,820 --> 00:14:56,820

but that's your job to show that yeah I

381

00:15:00,440 --> 00:14:58,830

would actually completely agree with

382

00:15:03,350 --> 00:15:00,450

that it's not my job as a filmmaker to

383

00:15:05,750 --> 00:15:03,360

get my point of view across I think it's

384

00:15:08,150 --> 00:15:05,760

just about honestly capturing their

385

00:15:10,040 --> 00:15:08,160

interpretation of reality it may or may

386

00:15:12,050 --> 00:15:10,050

not be different from mine but it's not

387

00:15:13,850 --> 00:15:12,060

my place to say and do you think there's

388

00:15:15,500 --> 00:15:13,860

a problem sometimes that you could wear

389

00:15:17,630 --> 00:15:15,510

a bit that's slipping into exploitation

390

00:15:19,400 --> 00:15:17,640

of them as well sometimes that's the

391

00:15:21,410 --> 00:15:19,410

that's the line so it's writing the line

392

00:15:23,810 --> 00:15:21,420

between having fun and making fun altima

393

00:15:26,390 --> 00:15:23,820

Lee it's very easy to take these people

394

00:15:28,579 --> 00:15:26,400

out of context yeah to ridicule them to

395

00:15:29,690 --> 00:15:28,589

make them the butt of the joke but if

396

00:15:31,250 --> 00:15:29,700

they say something that's a bit out

397

00:15:34,400 --> 00:15:31,260

there and a bit ridiculous they said it

398

00:15:36,050 --> 00:15:34,410

don't take it out of context I often

399

00:15:39,250 --> 00:15:36,060

find they come from a place of sincerity

400

00:15:40,400 --> 00:15:39,260

and you kind of want to embrace their

401  
00:15:43,490 --> 00:15:40,410  
sincereness

402  
00:15:44,690 --> 00:15:43,500  
and just use that to tell the story is

403  
00:15:46,340 --> 00:15:44,700  
there a point where you'd have to sort

404  
00:15:47,810 --> 00:15:46,350  
of draw a line if there was someone you

405  
00:15:50,260 --> 00:15:47,820  
were talking to and you thought gee

406  
00:15:52,400 --> 00:15:50,270  
there is really something seriously of a

407  
00:15:54,140 --> 00:15:52,410  
psychological issue going on here where

408  
00:15:55,910 --> 00:15:54,150  
you may feel you have to do something

409  
00:15:57,800 --> 00:15:55,920  
does that ever happen do you think that

410  
00:16:00,470 --> 00:15:57,810  
might happen I haven't come across that

411  
00:16:02,660 --> 00:16:00,480  
yet but I look forward to the day when

412  
00:16:03,440 --> 00:16:02,670  
that does come because then that you

413  
00:16:05,329 --> 00:16:03,450

know I learn something new about myself

414

00:16:08,150 --> 00:16:05,339

and I believe you're a follower of Nisha

415

00:16:10,100 --> 00:16:08,160

by the sound of it I'm not overly okay

416

00:16:12,019 --> 00:16:10,110

because you're a bit of nihilist oh yeah

417

00:16:13,250 --> 00:16:12,029

this is my more existential nihilism

418

00:16:16,250 --> 00:16:13,260

everything is pointless that's I think

419

00:16:18,380 --> 00:16:16,260

that's why I don't frame what I'm doing

420

00:16:20,720 --> 00:16:18,390

in any sort of you know lens just let it

421

00:16:22,130 --> 00:16:20,730

be what it is and so you said you had a

422

00:16:24,650 --> 00:16:22,140

Christian upbringing and then you went

423

00:16:26,780 --> 00:16:24,660

to angry atheist so where are you at the

424

00:16:28,699 --> 00:16:26,790

moment a agnostic atheist or a guy who

425

00:16:30,890 --> 00:16:28,709

just read chapter four of Dawkins hasn't

426

00:16:32,480 --> 00:16:30,900

look at so if we look at it as a

427

00:16:34,400 --> 00:16:32,490

spectrum and we've got I don't know

428

00:16:36,860 --> 00:16:34,410

maybe complete believer one end complete

429

00:16:39,350 --> 00:16:36,870

skeptic at the other agnostic in the

430

00:16:40,340 --> 00:16:39,360

middle somewhere between agnostic and

431

00:16:42,889 --> 00:16:40,350

scale

432

00:16:44,090 --> 00:16:42,899

and want to engage with you online and

433

00:16:46,519 --> 00:16:44,100

people listening can find out more about

434

00:16:48,139 --> 00:16:46,529

conspira-con spiritualities have I've

435

00:16:49,850 --> 00:16:48,149

got my saying that correctly that's in

436

00:16:51,229 --> 00:16:49,860

spirituality and you've got he got the

437

00:16:51,769 --> 00:16:51,239

domain going on - but where can we find

438

00:16:54,829 --> 00:16:51,779

it

439

00:16:56,569 --> 00:16:54,839  
so best place to look is must go faster

440

00:16:58,009 --> 00:16:56,579  
on Facebook so it's a little film

441

00:16:59,299 --> 00:16:58,019  
collective of them apart off that's

442

00:17:01,009 --> 00:16:59,309  
where we get our documentaries out we

443

00:17:03,169 --> 00:17:01,019  
also do a stack and on also a stack of

444

00:17:04,730 --> 00:17:03,179  
fiction films that do festivals so check

445

00:17:06,230 --> 00:17:04,740  
us out on Facebook that's a must go

446

00:17:08,510 --> 00:17:06,240  
faster there are some people that

447

00:17:10,669 --> 00:17:08,520  
thinking up to me it's great that you're

448

00:17:12,289 --> 00:17:10,679  
documenting Outsiders I think that is

449

00:17:13,130 --> 00:17:12,299  
really good I think there a story that

450

00:17:15,470 --> 00:17:13,140  
needs to be told

451  
00:17:16,340 --> 00:17:15,480  
but not gonna agrees with that do that

452  
00:17:18,049 --> 00:17:16,350  
it's like why are you giving these

453  
00:17:19,490 --> 00:17:18,059  
people the time of day don't they and

454  
00:17:21,559 --> 00:17:19,500  
how do you answer that when they go and

455  
00:17:23,210 --> 00:17:21,569  
you go well because I know why you're

456  
00:17:24,710 --> 00:17:23,220  
doing it we just say to those people

457  
00:17:28,159 --> 00:17:24,720  
what kind of what makes you better than

458  
00:17:30,159 --> 00:17:28,169  
them that's a great answer that's great

459  
00:17:32,870 --> 00:17:30,169  
thank you very much no worries thank you

460  
00:17:35,600 --> 00:17:32,880  
now we're beam up watching the talk here

461  
00:17:37,370 --> 00:17:35,610  
tonight and and and you - you seem to

462  
00:17:39,169 --> 00:17:37,380  
have a bit of an issue with the role the

463  
00:17:40,909 --> 00:17:39,179

interviewer should take in such a

464

00:17:44,690 --> 00:17:40,919

documentary what we what you're getting

465

00:17:45,919 --> 00:17:44,700

at there sorry there's a microphone

466

00:17:48,909 --> 00:17:45,929

that's the only way we're gonna hear

467

00:17:51,860 --> 00:17:48,919

it's interesting what he was saying I

468

00:17:53,419 --> 00:17:51,870

compared himself to lehre thorough and

469

00:17:55,940 --> 00:17:53,429

who is a psychopath

470

00:17:59,120 --> 00:17:55,950

oh no sorry sociopath Louis Theroux is a

471

00:18:00,649 --> 00:17:59,130

sociopath he's a voyeur but I bet he can

472

00:18:02,149 --> 00:18:00,659

survive quite well in America where

473

00:18:04,220 --> 00:18:02,159

where everything's aggressive over there

474

00:18:06,950 --> 00:18:04,230

and and what Sam saber has done he

475

00:18:08,000 --> 00:18:06,960

participated in it and betters

476

00:18:09,680 --> 00:18:08,010

interesting some of the questions that

477

00:18:11,060 --> 00:18:09,690

will sit out words that he understood

478

00:18:13,519 --> 00:18:11,070

that some of these people didn't have

479

00:18:15,169 --> 00:18:13,529

issues so it's a bit as a very good

480

00:18:17,210 --> 00:18:15,179

thing he's a very good documentary went

481

00:18:19,850 --> 00:18:17,220

out when I'll say it but I mean like

482

00:18:24,500 --> 00:18:19,860

these people needed

483

00:18:27,320 --> 00:18:24,510

support and and some of them did have

484

00:18:29,269 --> 00:18:27,330

charisma and so do you think in some

485

00:18:30,799 --> 00:18:29,279

ways he's doing some harm by not

486

00:18:32,600 --> 00:18:30,809

pointing out to them at the time there's

487

00:18:35,659 --> 00:18:32,610

something wrong I don't think he's doing

488

00:18:37,700 --> 00:18:35,669

any harm at all I'll be interesting

489

00:18:39,380 --> 00:18:37,710

seeing what he has to be if he's

490

00:18:39,950 --> 00:18:39,390

documented his publicize I would love to

491

00:18:41,750 --> 00:18:39,960

see it

492

00:18:45,110 --> 00:18:41,760

and what did you make of his documentary

493

00:18:48,019 --> 00:18:45,120

style I actually disagree I think he's

494

00:18:52,310 --> 00:18:48,029

doing some harm if he's showing support

495

00:18:56,539 --> 00:18:52,320

but not providing some logical alternate

496

00:18:58,430 --> 00:18:56,549

reasoning objections to what these

497

00:19:00,560 --> 00:18:58,440

people are presenting I mean he won't be

498

00:19:02,450 --> 00:19:00,570

able to get into their world unless he

499

00:19:05,720 --> 00:19:02,460

actually plays along and he's playing

500

00:19:07,340 --> 00:19:05,730

along and that just feeds into it as one

501  
00:19:10,279 --> 00:19:07,350  
of our other speakers tonight said it

502  
00:19:12,590 --> 00:19:10,289  
creates a feedback loop on his his

503  
00:19:16,220 --> 00:19:12,600  
documentary style and that isn't

504  
00:19:18,649 --> 00:19:16,230  
necessarily going to support the people

505  
00:19:20,210 --> 00:19:18,659  
he's presenting and it's also not

506  
00:19:22,610 --> 00:19:20,220  
actually going to support any kind of

507  
00:19:25,159 --> 00:19:22,620  
skeptics rational view of what's really

508  
00:19:27,500 --> 00:19:25,169  
going on but if he does that he probably

509  
00:19:28,250 --> 00:19:27,510  
won't get as good a documentary because

510  
00:19:32,570 --> 00:19:28,260  
he's going to spend the whole time

511  
00:19:34,310 --> 00:19:32,580  
arguing with that agree but then again

512  
00:19:35,750 --> 00:19:34,320  
I don't think he's actually progressing

513  
00:19:37,909 --> 00:19:35,760

anything and I think is actually helping

514

00:19:39,950 --> 00:19:37,919

out our understanding of what's going on

515

00:19:42,560 --> 00:19:39,960

and it's not helping those people that

516

00:19:44,269 --> 00:19:42,570

is actually making a documentary on so I

517

00:19:45,279 --> 00:19:44,279

see that there's no actual real value in

518

00:19:47,060 --> 00:19:45,289

what he's doing

519

00:19:49,279 --> 00:19:47,070

just come on the back here with Jessica

520

00:19:51,470 --> 00:19:49,289

and like I've been talking to people and

521

00:19:53,750 --> 00:19:51,480

we seem to be having two distinct

522

00:19:55,159 --> 00:19:53,760

opinions are from Sam's talk tonight

523

00:19:56,840 --> 00:19:55,169

this the people who think that he should

524

00:19:59,659 --> 00:19:56,850

be challenging these people that he's

525

00:20:02,570 --> 00:19:59,669

interviewing in order to offer them some

526  
00:20:04,940 --> 00:20:02,580  
help or a view into perceived consensus

527  
00:20:06,889 --> 00:20:04,950  
reality and the other view is that

528  
00:20:08,360 --> 00:20:06,899  
between his mine is that he's a he's

529  
00:20:10,340 --> 00:20:08,370  
just documenting what they do and it's

530  
00:20:13,399 --> 00:20:10,350  
not his role to challenge them now as

531  
00:20:15,379 --> 00:20:13,409  
the skeptics what do you think oh I

532  
00:20:17,870 --> 00:20:15,389  
think definitely as a documentary maker

533  
00:20:20,690 --> 00:20:17,880  
in a journalist his role is to document

534  
00:20:24,320 --> 00:20:20,700  
not to get involved and not to challenge

535  
00:20:27,259 --> 00:20:24,330  
and if you think there's a danger in

536  
00:20:29,870 --> 00:20:27,269  
enabling them by not saying anything to

537  
00:20:36,270 --> 00:20:34,350  
possibly maybe if there was it if there

538  
00:20:38,430 --> 00:20:36,280

was a mental illness involved and there

539

00:20:41,580 --> 00:20:38,440

was a possibility of self-harm

540

00:20:44,700 --> 00:20:41,590

maybe it's journalistic ethics is

541

00:20:48,029 --> 00:20:44,710

actually not my not my area because I'm

542

00:20:50,730 --> 00:20:48,039

not not a journalist but I understand

543

00:20:53,520 --> 00:20:50,740

these are people who are in many ways

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00:20:55,650 --> 00:20:53,530

outsiders and having a documentary about

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00:20:57,750 --> 00:20:55,660

outsiders and the way they think I've

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00:21:00,930 --> 00:20:57,760

not had a problem with yeah not a bad

547

00:21:04,950 --> 00:21:00,940

thing at all I think you know it helps

548

00:21:07,440 --> 00:21:04,960

in understanding them it helps in the

549

00:21:09,950 --> 00:21:07,450

understanding that they're human if

550

00:21:12,720 --> 00:21:09,960

you're we're all humans we're all flawed

551  
00:21:14,909 --> 00:21:12,730  
we all have our problems maybe these

552  
00:21:17,250 --> 00:21:14,919  
maybe these problems maybe these people

553  
00:21:23,520 --> 00:21:17,260  
have more problems than other people who

554  
00:21:36,650 --> 00:21:30,540  
[Music]

555  
00:21:39,080 --> 00:21:36,660  
what does Christmas mean to you does it

556  
00:21:41,150 --> 00:21:39,090  
mean the big guy in the red suit does it

557  
00:21:47,630 --> 00:21:41,160  
mean get another crappy Christmas song

558  
00:21:49,970 --> 00:21:47,640  
like this one or does it mean getting

559  
00:21:51,770 --> 00:21:49,980  
along to a very bunga bunga Christmas

560  
00:21:53,960 --> 00:21:51,780  
that's right the happiest kingdom of

561  
00:21:57,590 --> 00:21:53,970  
them all will be at the mighty Howell

562  
00:21:59,810 --> 00:21:57,600  
Park Hotel at 7:30 on Tuesday the 19th

563  
00:22:01,460 --> 00:21:59,820

of December where Tim Ferguson of the

564

00:22:03,320 --> 00:22:01,470

Doug Anthony all-stars of everything

565

00:22:05,510 --> 00:22:03,330

that's funny ever in the history of

566

00:22:08,270 --> 00:22:05,520

Australian comedy and myself will be on

567

00:22:10,910 --> 00:22:08,280

stage will be having a quiz will be

568

00:22:13,430 --> 00:22:10,920

mucking about will be labelling people

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00:22:15,320 --> 00:22:13,440

and I can almost guarantee you that the

570

00:22:17,060 --> 00:22:15,330

show that is recorded on the night will

571

00:22:19,970 --> 00:22:17,070

only be half what we actually do find

572

00:22:22,610 --> 00:22:19,980

out what's so good about the other half

573

00:22:24,200 --> 00:22:22,620

maybe it's not well maybe a skeptic you

574

00:22:27,830 --> 00:22:24,210

should go along and find out it's your

575

00:22:29,030 --> 00:22:27,840

job to skeptically analyze comedy and to

576

00:22:31,490 --> 00:22:29,040

the point that it's not funny anymore

577

00:22:34,190 --> 00:22:31,500

that's a very bunga bunga Christmas

578

00:22:35,990 --> 00:22:34,200

Tuesday the 19th of December at the help

579

00:22:37,850 --> 00:22:36,000

her hotel in Sydney get along there

580

00:22:39,410 --> 00:22:37,860

tickets available online just go along

581

00:22:41,510 --> 00:22:39,420

and look for a very bunga bunga

582

00:22:44,330 --> 00:22:41,520

Christmas in the Google machine or go to

583

00:22:46,340 --> 00:22:44,340

Maynard com dodo you and there on the

584

00:22:47,780 --> 00:22:46,350

front page you'll see a post about it as

585

00:22:49,460 --> 00:22:47,790

well as all the other Christmas Post

586

00:22:51,020 --> 00:22:49,470

I've been doing a podcast today for you

587

00:22:53,180 --> 00:22:51,030

people you haven't even been listening

588

00:22:54,980 --> 00:22:53,190

you ungrateful but you will be grateful

589

00:22:57,590 --> 00:22:54,990

if you go along to a very bunga bunga

590

00:23:00,710 --> 00:22:57,600

Christmas and say inspiring things like

591

00:23:02,720 --> 00:23:00,720

you're tired or something like that ho

592

00:23:06,120 --> 00:23:02,730

ho ho that's a very bunga bunga

593

00:23:25,980 --> 00:23:06,130

Christmas Maynard ponder a goob

594

00:23:32,029 --> 00:23:28,720

[Music]

595

00:23:35,330 --> 00:23:32,039

and evac sir Merrill Dory on the hunt

596

00:23:36,560 --> 00:23:35,340

for money money money and this story

597

00:23:39,259 --> 00:23:36,570

comes to us from the website of

598

00:23:42,169 --> 00:23:39,269

Australian skeptics skeptics kaamdar you

599

00:23:47,450 --> 00:23:42,179

published on the 29th of November by Tim

600

00:23:48,649 --> 00:23:47,460

Minton you too could make Merrill Dory's

601  
00:23:51,619 --> 00:23:48,659  
dream come true

602  
00:23:53,980 --> 00:23:51,629  
the anti-vaxxer and on-again-off-again

603  
00:23:57,680 --> 00:23:53,990  
head of the Australian M

604  
00:24:02,210 --> 00:23:57,690  
anti-vaccination skeptics Network a V s

605  
00:24:06,169 --> 00:24:02,220  
n is trying to raise \$5,000 per month

606  
00:24:08,289 --> 00:24:06,179  
via patreon site to quote help make my

607  
00:24:11,779 --> 00:24:08,299  
dream of widespread vaccination

608  
00:24:14,269 --> 00:24:11,789  
education become a reality and nearly as

609  
00:24:16,580 --> 00:24:14,279  
important make non compulsory

610  
00:24:19,629 --> 00:24:16,590  
vaccination the anti-choice governments

611  
00:24:22,039 --> 00:24:19,639  
and farmers biggest nightmare n quote

612  
00:24:24,320 --> 00:24:22,049  
she says that when she reaches two

613  
00:24:27,950 --> 00:24:24,330

thousand dollars per month from patreon

614

00:24:30,889 --> 00:24:27,960

she will start quote bi-weekly free

615

00:24:32,509 --> 00:24:30,899

webinars to keep everyone up to date on

616

00:24:34,430 --> 00:24:32,519

the most recent news and information

617

00:24:36,730 --> 00:24:34,440

from around the world regarding

618

00:24:39,409 --> 00:24:36,740

vaccinations and health rights in quote

619

00:24:42,320 --> 00:24:39,419

if she reaches five thousand dollars per

620

00:24:44,989 --> 00:24:42,330

month she will launch quote my first

621

00:24:47,840 --> 00:24:44,999

in-depth class free to the public

622

00:24:49,700 --> 00:24:47,850

unquote this class will she says provide

623

00:24:52,220 --> 00:24:49,710

parents and health professionals quote

624

00:24:54,889 --> 00:24:52,230

with a broad range of historical and

625

00:24:57,019 --> 00:24:54,899

up-to-date references and outlining some

626  
00:25:00,049 --> 00:24:57,029  
of the questions they need to be asking

627  
00:25:02,659 --> 00:25:00,059  
before they say yes or no to

628  
00:25:04,460 --> 00:25:02,669  
vaccinations main quote donors get

629  
00:25:07,730 --> 00:25:04,470  
nothing in return for their support

630  
00:25:10,580 --> 00:25:07,740  
apart from advanced notice of webinars

631  
00:25:13,519 --> 00:25:10,590  
and an invitation to join her private

632  
00:25:15,409 --> 00:25:13,529  
Facebook group Dory has raised money in

633  
00:25:19,669 --> 00:25:15,419  
the past which has not gone to the

634  
00:25:21,710 --> 00:25:19,679  
project described in 2016 the SAV n

635  
00:25:23,320 --> 00:25:21,720  
raised money for a high-court challenge

636  
00:25:26,260 --> 00:25:23,330  
to the no job no

637  
00:25:28,390 --> 00:25:26,270  
play legislation PSA VN was told some

638  
00:25:31,950 --> 00:25:28,400

time after raising the money that the

639

00:25:35,680 --> 00:25:31,960

action was unlikely to succeed but the

640

00:25:37,990 --> 00:25:35,690

150,000 dollars plus raised has as of

641

00:25:41,260 --> 00:25:38,000

last notice not been returned to donors

642

00:25:45,400 --> 00:25:41,270

the SA VN reported that the total cost

643

00:25:47,230 --> 00:25:45,410

of the legal advice was 72 thousand five

644

00:25:50,560 --> 00:25:47,240

hundred and twenty-six dollars and 37

645

00:25:53,800 --> 00:25:50,570

cents leaving the organization with more

646

00:25:56,110 --> 00:25:53,810

than 70 thousand dollars this led the

647

00:25:58,420 --> 00:25:56,120

New South Wales government to institute

648

00:26:01,510 --> 00:25:58,430

an investigation into the savians

649

00:26:03,940 --> 00:26:01,520

fund raising activities in April of this

650

00:26:05,920 --> 00:26:03,950

year New South Wales innovation and

651  
00:26:08,770 --> 00:26:05,930  
better regulation Minister ordered

652  
00:26:11,260 --> 00:26:08,780  
another inquiry into the SA VN following

653  
00:26:13,090 --> 00:26:11,270  
complaints that it may have been seeking

654  
00:26:16,320 --> 00:26:13,100  
donations from the public illegally

655  
00:26:19,600 --> 00:26:16,330  
under the charitable fund raising Act

656  
00:26:21,610 --> 00:26:19,610  
1991 individuals or groups seeking

657  
00:26:25,300 --> 00:26:21,620  
donations from the public for charitable

658  
00:26:26,860 --> 00:26:25,310  
purposes may require an authority to

659  
00:26:29,500 --> 00:26:26,870  
raise funds the New South Wales

660  
00:26:32,560 --> 00:26:29,510  
Government Licensing Service had already

661  
00:26:36,070 --> 00:26:32,570  
removed the savians charity licence in

662  
00:26:41,190 --> 00:26:36,080  
2014 as of November 28 this year that

663  
00:26:45,779 --> 00:26:43,379

and that update comes to us from the

664

00:26:47,750 --> 00:26:45,789

website of Australian skeptics skeptics

665

00:26:59,800 --> 00:26:47,760

calm day you

666

00:27:05,290 --> 00:27:03,350

hi this is Heidi Robertson from the

667

00:27:08,170 --> 00:27:05,300

Northern Rivers vaccination supporters

668

00:27:10,730 --> 00:27:08,180

we are a group of concerned citizens

669

00:27:13,370 --> 00:27:10,740

dedicated to promoting good science and

670

00:27:16,490 --> 00:27:13,380

common sense in our region the far north

671

00:27:18,050 --> 00:27:16,500

coast of New South Wales this area are

672

00:27:21,230 --> 00:27:18,060

famous for its natural beauty and

673

00:27:24,740 --> 00:27:21,240

relaxed lifestyle also has the lowest

674

00:27:27,020 --> 00:27:24,750

rates of vaccination in Australia we are

675

00:27:29,360 --> 00:27:27,030

out to change that by challenging the

676  
00:27:31,040 --> 00:27:29,370  
myths and misinformation and by

677  
00:27:34,370 --> 00:27:31,050  
providing good evidence-based

678  
00:27:36,200 --> 00:27:34,380  
information to the community we'd love

679  
00:27:39,830 --> 00:27:36,210  
for you no matter where you are in the

680  
00:27:47,600 --> 00:27:39,840  
world to join our fight please visit our

681  
00:27:50,690 --> 00:27:47,610  
webpage at [wwlp.com](http://wwlp.com) we also have a link

682  
00:27:54,560 --> 00:27:50,700  
there to our Facebook page tweet us at

683  
00:27:57,170 --> 00:27:54,570  
in our FAQs supporters that's VIX and

684  
00:27:59,810 --> 00:27:57,180  
check us out on Wikipedia by searching

685  
00:28:01,600 --> 00:27:59,820  
for Northern Rivers vaccination

686  
00:28:15,729 --> 00:28:01,610  
supporters thank you

687  
00:28:19,939 --> 00:28:18,349  
because every Tuesday we have our man

688  
00:28:22,129 --> 00:28:19,949

from the Australian skeptics Richard

689

00:28:24,529 --> 00:28:22,139

Saunders he's talked about uri geller he

690

00:28:26,449 --> 00:28:24,539

was the bloke who was causing sensations

691

00:28:28,579 --> 00:28:26,459

on the Don Lane show over those years

692

00:28:30,559 --> 00:28:28,589

when he go on there and spin spoons

693

00:28:32,089 --> 00:28:30,569

was the late 70s wasn't a try Israeli

694

00:28:34,249 --> 00:28:32,099

psychic I think he claimed that he'd

695

00:28:36,139 --> 00:28:34,259

been given this gift by visiting aliens

696

00:28:38,059 --> 00:28:36,149

and somehow was able to bend all the

697

00:28:38,839 --> 00:28:38,069

cutlery all around the world actually no

698

00:28:40,369 --> 00:28:38,849

matter where he went

699

00:28:41,899 --> 00:28:40,379

Richard joins us this morning good

700

00:28:43,849 --> 00:28:41,909

morning good morning now you're in the

701  
00:28:46,399 --> 00:28:43,859  
studio and you've brought CBS metal

702  
00:28:49,309 --> 00:28:46,409  
spoons in here we've checked that

703  
00:28:51,079 --> 00:28:49,319  
they're metal at the mayor they media

704  
00:28:52,489 --> 00:28:51,089  
solid stand yes this solid there's

705  
00:28:54,829 --> 00:28:52,499  
nothing he doesn't have anything up his

706  
00:28:57,139 --> 00:28:54,839  
sleeve I'm gonna hand over got a couple

707  
00:28:58,969 --> 00:28:57,149  
of wrists up my sleeve keep them here I

708  
00:29:04,489 --> 00:28:58,979  
think who are listening I want to

709  
00:29:05,959 --> 00:29:04,499  
describe what happens here you're also

710  
00:29:07,759 --> 00:29:05,969  
filming this yeah so that you can have a

711  
00:29:09,439 --> 00:29:07,769  
look on their website there's nothing

712  
00:29:12,829 --> 00:29:09,449  
these spoons I'm watching them here yeah

713  
00:29:15,619 --> 00:29:12,839

they're a new grab one to you now before

714

00:29:17,569 --> 00:29:15,629

we start spoon bending is great it's a

715

00:29:19,339 --> 00:29:17,579

wonderful trick but bear in mind your

716

00:29:21,799 --> 00:29:19,349

eyes can be fooled and the great example

717

00:29:23,539 --> 00:29:21,809

of that is you take a an ordinary pen

718

00:29:25,429 --> 00:29:23,549

which I have here tap tap tap on the

719

00:29:27,289 --> 00:29:25,439

table it's system a cheapy pen you've

720

00:29:28,669 --> 00:29:27,299

done this trick before probably school

721

00:29:30,589 --> 00:29:28,679

kids do it you see how that looks like

722

00:29:32,059 --> 00:29:30,599

it's getting wobbly and bent it is

723

00:29:33,589 --> 00:29:32,069

bending you see that but they you know

724

00:29:35,929 --> 00:29:33,599

that's not the collusion by the way I'm

725

00:29:39,199 --> 00:29:35,939

waving the spoon yes you can get a

726

00:29:40,759 --> 00:29:39,209

similar effect with the saloon you have

727

00:29:43,399 --> 00:29:40,769

in your hand now look at that spoon yep

728

00:29:45,259 --> 00:29:43,409

bend it slightly for me just bend it

729

00:29:46,909 --> 00:29:45,269

slightly you see does it have any give

730

00:29:49,249 --> 00:29:46,919

or anything like that no I don't really

731

00:29:51,259 --> 00:29:49,259

know no all right so just tap it on your

732

00:29:54,499 --> 00:29:51,269

hand like that I'm doing that right now

733

00:29:55,849 --> 00:29:54,509

okay hold it by the neck yep you too

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00:29:57,919 --> 00:29:55,859

every yep well holding it by the neck

735

00:29:59,839 --> 00:29:57,929

and just rub it here rub it with the

736

00:30:01,699 --> 00:29:59,849

neck and wiggle the bottom and you'll

737

00:30:03,409 --> 00:30:01,709

get the same optical illusion happening

738

00:30:06,769 --> 00:30:03,419

see how that looks like it's getting oh

739

00:30:09,889 --> 00:30:06,779

yeah weakly and bendy yep and just like

740

00:30:12,349 --> 00:30:09,899

the pen it's your eyes fooling your

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00:30:13,699 --> 00:30:12,359

brain and it's such a strong effect that

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00:30:15,259 --> 00:30:13,709

the more you do it you can really

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00:30:17,749 --> 00:30:15,269

convince Pete yeah yeah it looks like

744

00:30:20,869 --> 00:30:17,759

it's doing it yo you're about to take it

745

00:30:22,090 --> 00:30:20,879

that it looks like it's been it does it

746

00:30:24,669 --> 00:30:22,100

looks like it yeah now

747

00:30:26,440 --> 00:30:24,679

what certain people in Israel would do

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00:30:28,450 --> 00:30:26,450

many years ago say I don't know what's

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00:30:30,760 --> 00:30:28,460

happening it's look it's getting rubbery

750

00:30:34,710 --> 00:30:30,770

and bending what's happening there look

751

00:30:37,930 --> 00:30:34,720

at that how are you doing that

752

00:30:39,370 --> 00:30:37,940

you've crap oh you've kept rubbing it

753

00:30:41,440 --> 00:30:39,380

there I should explain

754

00:30:42,789 --> 00:30:41,450

the spoon has just split and thanks any

755

00:30:44,440 --> 00:30:42,799

piece and take another one you've bent

756

00:30:45,820 --> 00:30:44,450

that yeah well there you go

757

00:30:47,710 --> 00:30:45,830

must be all true then I'd better pay

758

00:30:51,970 --> 00:30:47,720

myself the hundred thousand dollars yeah

759

00:30:55,930 --> 00:30:51,980

this gift I did it very well I thought

760

00:30:58,419 --> 00:30:55,940

don't you just let's have a spoon here

761

00:31:00,850 --> 00:30:58,429

because now that was this menu Gabi

762

00:31:03,220 --> 00:31:00,860

there's another way to do it and into

763

00:31:04,570 --> 00:31:03,230

two pieces yeah I mean I go I go through

764

00:31:05,950 --> 00:31:04,580

a lot of spoons the other way to do it

765

00:31:08,140 --> 00:31:05,960

is simply hold it like this

766

00:31:11,350 --> 00:31:08,150

yes all right with your thumb layer and

767

00:31:12,880 --> 00:31:11,360

you start to rub it if you got one you

768

00:31:14,500 --> 00:31:12,890

could pick one pick one of you you start

769

00:31:16,299 --> 00:31:14,510

to gently rub there now you are you left

770

00:31:17,950 --> 00:31:16,309

the right handed right hand right hold

771

00:31:19,899 --> 00:31:17,960

it in your right right start to hold it

772

00:31:22,029 --> 00:31:19,909

in my right yeah and rub it like that on

773

00:31:24,370 --> 00:31:22,039

brother with all sitting here by the way

774

00:31:26,320 --> 00:31:24,380

rubbing spoons this is great and can you

775

00:31:28,450 --> 00:31:26,330

explain what's happening now would your

776

00:31:30,190 --> 00:31:28,460

spoon your spoons looks like it's had a

777

00:31:34,390 --> 00:31:30,200

dose of Viagra because we handle is

778

00:31:37,930 --> 00:31:34,400

actually now isn't going out isn't going

779

00:31:40,090 --> 00:31:37,940

up what there we go look at that how did

780

00:31:42,669 --> 00:31:40,100

you do that I again I think I did it

781

00:31:44,649 --> 00:31:42,679

very well especially on radio but that's

782

00:31:47,830 --> 00:31:44,659

terrific else didn't Bend at all that

783

00:31:49,539 --> 00:31:47,840

now it would be wrong of me and I know

784

00:31:51,159 --> 00:31:49,549

everyone's dying to know how did you do

785

00:31:53,320 --> 00:31:51,169

that how did you do that to spill

786

00:31:54,640 --> 00:31:53,330

magicians secrets it's not that it's not

787

00:31:57,940 --> 00:31:54,650

a good thing to do it's unprofessional

788

00:31:59,950 --> 00:31:57,950

it's not very good but if I can come in

789

00:32:01,690 --> 00:31:59,960

here in the studio and bend and break a

790

00:32:03,460 --> 00:32:01,700

spoon for you and make one melt and bend

791

00:32:05,380 --> 00:32:03,470

over it's no stretch of the imagination

792

00:32:07,149 --> 00:32:05,390

to think the well anybody can really

793

00:32:08,740 --> 00:32:07,159

learn how to do then trick and do it so

794

00:32:10,360 --> 00:32:08,750

well that people are flabbergast so that

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00:32:11,470 --> 00:32:10,370

is that is an amazing trick you've done

796

00:32:20,500 --> 00:32:11,480

you're going to tell us how you did it I

797

00:32:23,470 --> 00:32:20,510

maybe later business background yeah

798

00:32:25,240 --> 00:32:23,480

I've currently I do little part to do

799

00:32:27,490 --> 00:32:25,250

bit parts in fact I think I'm on home

800

00:32:30,430 --> 00:32:27,500

and away this week in am as a minor role

801  
00:32:32,380 --> 00:32:30,440  
really yeah and many years ago I was on

802  
00:32:34,139 --> 00:32:32,390  
the Seven Network in a show called the

803  
00:32:35,729 --> 00:32:34,149  
one the search for Australia

804  
00:32:41,759 --> 00:32:35,739  
greatest psychic or something where I

805  
00:32:43,109 --> 00:32:41,769  
was the sceptical judge of course you

806  
00:32:46,379 --> 00:32:43,119  
the guy in the corner going look I don't

807  
00:32:49,829 --> 00:32:46,389  
quite know this week I think I'm a

808  
00:32:51,119 --> 00:32:49,839  
minister so you get to do lots of

809  
00:32:53,039 --> 00:32:51,129  
different things when you do a little

810  
00:32:54,479 --> 00:32:53,049  
bit part act no we should explain the

811  
00:32:56,879 --> 00:32:54,489  
Australian skeptics we only got a minute

812  
00:32:58,709 --> 00:32:56,889  
to go but they were offering \$100,000

813  
00:33:01,169 --> 00:32:58,719

for anyone who can prove that they do

814

00:33:03,689 --> 00:33:01,179

have a psychic if you were the lucky gal

815

00:33:05,369 --> 00:33:03,699

if you can actually bend spoons get in

816

00:33:08,369 --> 00:33:05,379

touch with Richard and the Australian

817

00:33:10,619 --> 00:33:08,379

skeptics they'll set up a test to you to

818

00:33:13,109 --> 00:33:10,629

really determine whether or not that is

819

00:33:15,269 --> 00:33:13,119

correct a test completely done in

820

00:33:18,629 --> 00:33:15,279

cooperation with the person coming to us

821

00:33:20,309 --> 00:33:18,639

for the claim we work very hard to make

822

00:33:22,169 --> 00:33:20,319

people happy especially water diviners

823

00:33:25,019 --> 00:33:22,179

we've tested over the years and in the

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00:33:30,259 --> 00:33:25,029

30 years plus of these tests in

825

00:33:35,999 --> 00:33:32,969

the spoon is in two pieces

826

00:33:38,429 --> 00:33:36,009

and he's only used his finger on it end

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00:33:39,689 --> 00:33:38,439

of one quite remarkable got me which is

828

00:33:44,850 --> 00:33:39,699

great to have you in this morning thank

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00:33:44,860 --> 00:34:04,290

[Music]

830

00:34:09,220 --> 00:34:06,580

thank you for listening to the skeptic

831

00:34:11,740 --> 00:34:09,230

zone with the rain still there dripping

832

00:34:13,870 --> 00:34:11,750

down outside the window and more the cat

833

00:34:16,830 --> 00:34:13,880

in the window frame looking out at the

834

00:34:20,410 --> 00:34:16,840

world and there's another bird out there

835

00:34:23,350 --> 00:34:20,420

more thunder coming up on next week's

836

00:34:26,080 --> 00:34:23,360

show more from the recent Australian

837

00:34:27,820 --> 00:34:26,090

skeptics convention skeptic on with may

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00:34:30,790 --> 00:34:27,830

not interviewing all sorts of people he

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00:34:32,890 --> 00:34:30,800

did so much it's great because you get

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00:34:35,169 --> 00:34:32,900

to enjoy his interviews over many weeks

841

00:34:36,910 --> 00:34:35,179

and again thank you to those people who

842

00:34:38,740 --> 00:34:36,920

contribute via PayPal or patreon I

843

00:34:40,480 --> 00:34:38,750

noticed patreon wanted to change their

844

00:34:45,220 --> 00:34:40,490

terms and conditions and methods of

845

00:34:46,870 --> 00:34:45,230

payments and percentages and all that

846

00:34:49,330 --> 00:34:46,880

sort of thing and there was a huge

847

00:34:51,610 --> 00:34:49,340

backlash and patreon wrote to all the

848

00:34:56,530 --> 00:34:51,620

producers and said whoops no we're not

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00:34:58,450 --> 00:34:56,540

doing that after all so good and before

850

00:35:00,610 --> 00:34:58,460

I go because we've had a request I've

851  
00:35:02,170 --> 00:35:00,620  
had a request I'll do the dice game

852  
00:35:03,490 --> 00:35:02,180  
again for those of you who don't know

853  
00:35:04,870 --> 00:35:03,500  
every now and then every couple of

854  
00:35:09,100 --> 00:35:04,880  
months I'll roll a couple of dice here

855  
00:35:13,140 --> 00:35:09,110  
on the table and you get to predict what

856  
00:35:15,960 --> 00:35:13,150  
the number is I've got a 601 and a

857  
00:35:18,610 --> 00:35:15,970  
20-sided so we'll start with the six so

858  
00:35:24,880 --> 00:35:18,620  
here we go rolling the dice so predict

859  
00:35:26,830 --> 00:35:24,890  
predict predict four there we go lucky

860  
00:35:29,530 --> 00:35:26,840  
people who've got four and I'll roll the

861  
00:35:37,150 --> 00:35:29,540  
20-sided one now so predict number

862  
00:35:38,650 --> 00:35:37,160  
between from one to 2018 it sounds like

863  
00:35:40,780 --> 00:35:38,660

the lotto numbers so if you got four and

864

00:35:42,880 --> 00:35:40,790

eighteen well done well done

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00:35:44,920 --> 00:35:42,890

until next week this is Richard Saunders

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00:35:51,440 --> 00:35:44,930

signing off from the Thunder and the

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00:35:56,870 --> 00:35:53,970

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of Australian skeptics or any other