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Dr Steve Roberts

Prediction Project Update  
We head to the State Library of Victoria  
to chase 18 years worth of prognostications

Back issues of 'The Skeptic' magazine  
from Australian Skeptics online and free

UFOs and Crop Circles  
with Dr Steve Roberts



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00:00:09,090 --> 00:00:06,150

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00:00:11,830 --> 00:00:09,100

welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:13,910 --> 00:00:11,840

from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:29,300 --> 00:00:24,780

yes it's the skeptic zone podcast

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00:00:31,890 --> 00:00:29,310

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2018 Richardson is here with you from a

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00:00:37,680 --> 00:00:35,320

very sunny not a cloud in the sky Sydney

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00:00:40,770 --> 00:00:37,690

Australia and I'm just back from a

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00:00:42,810 --> 00:00:40,780

wonderful four or five days in Melbourne

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

staying with my old buddy my old mate

12  
00:00:47,190 --> 00:00:44,800

dr. Steve Roberts from the Australian

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00:00:50,700 --> 00:00:47,200

skeptics I flew down there to continue

14

00:00:52,500 --> 00:00:50,710

the great prediction project because a

15

00:00:55,620 --> 00:00:52,510

lot of the magazines and reference

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00:00:59,430 --> 00:00:55,630

materials that I needed to look at were

17

00:01:00,810 --> 00:00:59,440

in the State Library of Victoria I've

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00:01:02,639 --> 00:01:00,820

never been to the State Library of

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00:01:04,590 --> 00:01:02,649

Victoria before but I'm glad I did this

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00:01:06,690 --> 00:01:04,600

time a wonderful place very interesting

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good place for study in research as you

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would might expect and the Steve Roberts

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00:01:15,540 --> 00:01:14,320

join me for three solid days of research

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00:01:17,820 --> 00:01:15,550

we've got there in the morning and just

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00:01:19,469 --> 00:01:17,830

plowed through with a break for lunch

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00:01:24,090 --> 00:01:19,479

until the late evening for three days

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00:01:27,419 --> 00:01:24,100

and we ended up sorting through over 900

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00:01:29,040 --> 00:01:27,429

issues of a magazine called new idea and

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00:01:32,100 --> 00:01:29,050

Australian listeners will be familiar

30

00:01:34,800 --> 00:01:32,110

with the new idea magazine because in

31

00:01:37,320 --> 00:01:34,810

the pages of those magazines apart from

32

00:01:40,199 --> 00:01:37,330

what your favorite celebrity is doing

33

00:01:42,359 --> 00:01:40,209

now and what your favorite royal is

34

00:01:45,570 --> 00:01:42,369

doing now and what's the latest scandal

35

00:01:50,130 --> 00:01:45,580

and this sort of thing dog stuck up a

36

00:01:52,889 --> 00:01:50,140

tree where psychic predictions over the

37

00:01:54,540 --> 00:01:52,899

years so and so the psychic says this is

38

00:01:56,040 --> 00:01:54,550

what's happening to this favorite royal

39

00:01:58,710 --> 00:01:56,050

or favorite celebrity normally

40

00:02:01,999 --> 00:01:58,720

celebrities a year after year normally

41

00:02:06,419 --> 00:02:02,009

Nicole Kidman for some reason her name

42

00:02:08,339 --> 00:02:06,429

comes up a lot anyway as part of this

43

00:02:12,120 --> 00:02:08,349

week's episode of the skeptic zone a

44

00:02:16,110 --> 00:02:12,130

report on that process as we go to the

45

00:02:17,460 --> 00:02:16,120

library thumb through magazines and see

46

00:02:21,780 --> 00:02:17,470

what we can find out

47

00:02:23,490 --> 00:02:21,790

following that it's a short piece from

48

00:02:25,160 --> 00:02:23,500

the Australian skeptics website about

49

00:02:33,320 --> 00:02:25,170

the

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00:02:34,880 --> 00:02:33,330

magazine

51

00:02:37,370 --> 00:02:34,890

verse skeptic the journal from

52

00:02:40,070 --> 00:02:37,380

Australian skeptics in PDF form you

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00:02:42,470 --> 00:02:40,080

might recall that for years we had most

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00:02:45,020 --> 00:02:42,480

issues up there but the first ten years

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00:02:48,230 --> 00:02:45,030

just selected articles now we have all

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00:02:50,030 --> 00:02:48,240

issues apart from the last four which

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00:02:52,360 --> 00:02:50,040

you need to look at via subscription

58

00:02:55,820 --> 00:02:52,370

it's very cheap though anyway a little

59

00:02:57,949 --> 00:02:55,830

piece about that the whole project from

60

00:03:02,540 --> 00:02:57,959

the Australian skeptics website where I

61

00:03:05,030 --> 00:03:02,550

get to quote myself which is very odd

62

00:03:06,620 --> 00:03:05,040

then to round off the show i chat to

63

00:03:10,490 --> 00:03:06,630

doctor steve roberts in melbourne about

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00:03:12,890 --> 00:03:10,500

his UFO experiences over the years not

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that he's had real UFO experiences but

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00:03:17,210 --> 00:03:15,330

he has been one of the spokesmen about

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00:03:19,640 --> 00:03:17,220

ufos for many years from Australian

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00:03:21,860 --> 00:03:19,650

skeptics and he gives us his opinion on

69

00:03:24,229 --> 00:03:21,870

why there's been such a dramatic decline

70

00:03:28,300 --> 00:03:24,239

in UFO stories and UFO interest really

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00:03:31,130 --> 00:03:28,310

over the last ten years then we read an

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00:03:34,039 --> 00:03:31,140

item we also discovered in the library

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00:03:37,009 --> 00:03:34,049

from a now-defunct magazine or newspaper

74

00:03:39,500 --> 00:03:37,019

in Melbourne called the truth which was

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00:03:44,270 --> 00:03:39,510

a very young what would call now very

76  
00:03:47,030 --> 00:03:44,280  
trashy our journal sort of the journal

77  
00:03:50,390 --> 00:03:47,040  
that used to have page 3 girls and horse

78  
00:03:53,060 --> 00:03:50,400  
racing as the dominant reason for their

79  
00:03:55,759 --> 00:03:53,070  
existence and scandalous news and things

80  
00:03:57,830 --> 00:03:55,769  
like that anyway Steve Roberts was

81  
00:04:00,410 --> 00:03:57,840  
quoted in this because they ran a story

82  
00:04:03,009 --> 00:04:00,420  
about crop circles crop circles way back

83  
00:04:07,460 --> 00:04:03,019  
in 1989 so we'll read you out that story

84  
00:04:09,410 --> 00:04:07,470  
which includes Steve's comments so a bit

85  
00:04:12,199 --> 00:04:09,420  
of a different show this week mostly

86  
00:04:15,699 --> 00:04:12,209  
because I was very busy and away from

87  
00:04:17,960 --> 00:04:15,709  
the skeptics own Studios to do research

88  
00:04:21,140 --> 00:04:17,970

as I mentioned at the top of the show

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00:04:23,900 --> 00:04:21,150

and as you fully know it's April the 1st

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00:04:27,920 --> 00:04:23,910

April Fool's Day which had me thinking

91

00:04:29,960 --> 00:04:27,930

in years past it was such a big deal an

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00:04:31,700 --> 00:04:29,970

April Fool's gag what's what's the April

93

00:04:34,159 --> 00:04:31,710

Fool's joke I mean I'm sure people still

94

00:04:36,830 --> 00:04:34,169

do it but I seem to recall when I was

95

00:04:38,930 --> 00:04:36,840

younger it was a much bigger deal TV

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00:04:41,630 --> 00:04:38,940

stations and radio stations as

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00:04:43,250 --> 00:04:41,640

would be broadcasting April Fool's jokes

98

00:04:46,730 --> 00:04:43,260

and trying to fool people in the past

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00:04:49,390 --> 00:04:46,740

that was a very notable but now you

100

00:04:52,460 --> 00:04:49,400

don't hear much about it I don't think

101  
00:04:55,310 --> 00:04:52,470  
possibly because there have been cases

102  
00:04:57,530 --> 00:04:55,320  
of gags and stunts especially pulled by

103  
00:05:00,770 --> 00:04:57,540  
radio stations which have gone very

104  
00:05:04,520 --> 00:05:00,780  
wrong and led to tragic outcomes sadly

105  
00:05:07,820 --> 00:05:04,530  
so I guess this whole idea of gagging

106  
00:05:10,850 --> 00:05:07,830  
and fooling and trying to score points

107  
00:05:13,940 --> 00:05:10,860  
over people in that respect is waning in

108  
00:05:15,710 --> 00:05:13,950  
our culture what do you think is this an

109  
00:05:17,900 --> 00:05:15,720  
April Fool's gag am I really trying to

110  
00:05:21,560 --> 00:05:17,910  
fool you you can add your comments to

111  
00:05:23,990 --> 00:05:21,570  
the episode listing our and Facebook on

112  
00:05:26,960 --> 00:05:24,000  
the skeptics own Facebook page links at

113  
00:05:31,240 --> 00:05:26,970

skeptic zone TV but now it's time for me

114

00:05:34,460 --> 00:05:31,250

to run downstairs have some toast and

115

00:05:36,350 --> 00:05:34,470

cream cheese and I'll try something

116

00:05:38,390 --> 00:05:36,360

different and during one of the lunch

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00:05:41,510 --> 00:05:38,400

breaks in Melbourne dr. Steve Roberts

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00:05:43,280 --> 00:05:41,520

and I went down Swanson Street I think

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00:05:46,700 --> 00:05:43,290

it was found a lovely Japanese

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00:05:50,150 --> 00:05:46,710

restaurant very authentic and on the

121

00:05:53,120 --> 00:05:50,160

table was a little grinder a little mill

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00:05:56,260 --> 00:05:53,130

with sesame seeds in it and that was

123

00:06:00,650 --> 00:05:56,270

fantastic so we were able to put

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00:06:04,100 --> 00:06:00,660

ground-up sesame seeds on our lunch

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00:06:06,020 --> 00:06:04,110

order so impressed were we we hurried

126

00:06:08,440 --> 00:06:06,030

down the street after lunch found the

127

00:06:11,980 --> 00:06:08,450

store selling them and bought a couple

128

00:06:15,140 --> 00:06:11,990

run downstairs and grind my sesame seeds

129

00:06:16,170 --> 00:06:15,150

while I do that I hope you enjoy the

130

00:06:42,240 --> 00:06:16,180

skeptic zone

131

00:06:49,270 --> 00:06:44,650

I'm stepping off the train here at

132

00:06:50,710 --> 00:06:49,280

Melbourne Central and with skeptic Steve

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00:06:53,980 --> 00:06:50,720

Robert Steve we're making our way

134

00:06:55,860 --> 00:06:53,990

somehow in this maze we're making our

135

00:06:59,909 --> 00:06:55,870

way to the State Library to continue

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00:07:01,499 --> 00:06:59,919

researching the great prediction project

137

00:07:03,820 --> 00:07:01,509

that's it all right

138

00:07:05,800 --> 00:07:03,830

I'm very busy here in Melbourne today

139

00:07:09,189 --> 00:07:05,810

now I've come to Melbourne because the

140

00:07:12,570 --> 00:07:09,199

state library here in Melbourne has back

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00:07:15,939 --> 00:07:12,580

issues of a magazine called new idea

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00:07:18,640 --> 00:07:15,949

which I guess I believe would have been

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00:07:21,129 --> 00:07:18,650

vaguely or generally categorized under

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00:07:23,320 --> 00:07:21,139

the women's interest group of magazines

145

00:07:26,290 --> 00:07:23,330

although these days I'm not sure if

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00:07:27,999 --> 00:07:26,300

that's a term you would you would use I

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00:07:29,920 --> 00:07:28,009

think you get the idea either other

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00:07:32,770 --> 00:07:29,930

magazines like this include the

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00:07:36,640 --> 00:07:32,780

Australian Women's Weekly Woman's Day

150

00:07:39,159 --> 00:07:36,650

magazine mega serve various others over

151

00:07:41,350 --> 00:07:39,169

the years but these magazines are the

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00:07:43,089 --> 00:07:41,360

sort of magazine that have predictions

153

00:07:45,909 --> 00:07:43,099

psychic predictions psychic columns

154

00:07:47,890 --> 00:07:45,919

every every issue has a psychic two or

155

00:07:51,460 --> 00:07:47,900

three circuit columns but every now and

156

00:07:54,670 --> 00:07:51,470

then they will predict things and we've

157

00:07:56,170 --> 00:07:54,680

gone way back to issues in 1999 and

158

00:08:00,010 --> 00:07:56,180

we're going right through the years to

159

00:08:02,110 --> 00:08:00,020

the present day it's a better solid

160

00:08:04,420 --> 00:08:02,120

three-day job two of us poring over

161

00:08:08,920 --> 00:08:04,430

hundreds upon hundreds of issues of the

162

00:08:10,450 --> 00:08:08,930

magazine and extracting the pages well

163

00:08:13,180 --> 00:08:10,460

photographing the pages with the

164

00:08:15,969 --> 00:08:13,190

predictions for my card on the machine

165

00:08:18,070 --> 00:08:15,979

here to get out and then it's a matter

166

00:08:19,990 --> 00:08:18,080

of looking at those predictions trying

167

00:08:22,490 --> 00:08:20,000

to make sense of them putting them into

168

00:08:27,190 --> 00:08:22,500

the spreadsheet and

169

00:08:31,610 --> 00:08:27,200

when we go hello up here yeah all right

170

00:08:33,560 --> 00:08:31,620

this escalator I must say I'm very

171

00:08:35,000 --> 00:08:33,570

impressed of the State Library of

172

00:08:37,040 --> 00:08:35,010

Victoria I think it's a wonderful place

173

00:08:39,770 --> 00:08:37,050

it's a good for research and know the

174

00:08:41,690 --> 00:08:39,780

old building very historic yeah and all

175

00:08:42,860 --> 00:08:41,700

you have to do is go online which is

176  
00:08:46,070 --> 00:08:42,870  
quite easy oh we've got someone coming

177  
00:08:49,760 --> 00:08:46,080  
up and put in the magazines you're

178  
00:08:52,460 --> 00:08:49,770  
requesting in this case the new idea the

179  
00:08:54,500 --> 00:08:52,470  
year and the months and so on and ten

180  
00:08:56,600 --> 00:08:54,510  
minutes later they just appear magically

181  
00:08:59,270 --> 00:08:56,610  
on a shelf we collect them and start

182  
00:09:02,320 --> 00:08:59,280  
pouring through them it's a good system

183  
00:09:04,640 --> 00:09:02,330  
but this is certainly a long project I

184  
00:09:08,540 --> 00:09:04,650  
originally thought this project would

185  
00:09:10,370 --> 00:09:08,550  
just take me last year to do yeah but as

186  
00:09:12,590 --> 00:09:10,380  
the project went on and hundreds and

187  
00:09:15,290 --> 00:09:12,600  
hundreds of predictions came in through

188  
00:09:19,470 --> 00:09:15,300

lots of research yeah it's turning into

189

00:09:23,210 --> 00:09:21,300

we're just coming up the escalators here

190

00:09:26,130 --> 00:09:23,220

at Melbourne central train station

191

00:09:29,460 --> 00:09:26,140

beneath a glorious historical shock

192

00:09:32,550 --> 00:09:29,470

tower which is now enclosed under a huge

193

00:09:35,830 --> 00:09:32,560

glass dome it's quite impressive it's

194

00:09:42,880 --> 00:09:41,140

oh well on to the library we've worked

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00:09:45,160 --> 00:09:42,890

our way up to the street level here

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00:09:48,420 --> 00:09:45,170

there goes a Melbourne tram right in

197

00:09:50,800 --> 00:09:48,430

front of it and there it is

198

00:09:54,310 --> 00:09:50,810

directly across from the State Library

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00:09:59,170 --> 00:09:54,320

of Victoria beautifully beautiful

200

00:10:01,930 --> 00:09:59,180

glorious sunny day here in Melbourne yes

201  
00:10:04,030 --> 00:10:01,940  
for the police oh yeah the police here

202  
00:10:05,530 --> 00:10:04,040  
see the Sun perks to be your skipped if

203  
00:10:14,470 --> 00:10:05,540  
you get to do strange things like come

204  
00:10:16,120 --> 00:10:14,480  
to Melbourne to do research I can come

205  
00:10:18,900 --> 00:10:16,130  
to Melbourne anyway this is Swanson

206  
00:10:21,700 --> 00:10:18,910  
street with parsley on our crossing over

207  
00:10:27,690 --> 00:10:21,710  
we're holding up the trams earlier all

208  
00:10:35,100 --> 00:10:29,640  
Steve's just pointing out a work of art

209  
00:10:37,680 --> 00:10:35,110  
to me here it looks like a sunken plinth

210  
00:10:39,020 --> 00:10:37,690  
yeah right into the pavement it all

211  
00:10:42,660 --> 00:10:39,030  
right

212  
00:10:46,110 --> 00:10:42,670  
let's walk past the statue this statue

213  
00:10:47,730 --> 00:10:46,120

over here the dragon son George and the

214

00:10:52,650 --> 00:10:47,740

dragon statues there's a Joan of Arc

215

00:10:58,140 --> 00:10:52,660

statue which is odd there you go

216

00:10:59,550 --> 00:10:58,150

a surplus Joan of Arc statute or what

217

00:11:01,920 --> 00:10:59,560

are we going to do with this Joan of Arc

218

00:11:04,130 --> 00:11:01,930

statue oh it's the Australians that's

219

00:11:07,500 --> 00:11:04,140

right

220

00:11:10,080 --> 00:11:07,510

and okay we're walking up the main steps

221

00:11:12,810 --> 00:11:10,090

here now off the street up into the

222

00:11:18,350 --> 00:11:12,820

library it's off there's a giant statue

223

00:11:24,120 --> 00:11:18,360

of Sir Edmund berry very impressive no

224

00:11:27,390 --> 00:11:24,130

no the looking man some more steps Joan

225

00:11:31,810 --> 00:11:27,400

of Arc is on our right and some George

226

00:11:38,260 --> 00:11:34,030

we're walking now under the giant

227

00:11:46,780 --> 00:11:38,270

columns to enter the front door of the

228

00:11:56,440 --> 00:11:46,790

library here we go into the through the

229

00:12:05,640 --> 00:11:56,450

glass door okay not many ppl just open

230

00:12:10,600 --> 00:12:08,640

into the Information Center which is the

231

00:12:16,030 --> 00:12:10,610

where they have the tables in the

232

00:12:17,440 --> 00:12:16,040

research area here we are it's not too

233

00:12:23,140 --> 00:12:17,450

many people here at the moment which is

234

00:12:35,139 --> 00:12:23,150

good and let's see if we can find a good

235

00:12:39,800 --> 00:12:37,670

yeah tables fine in fact why don't we

236

00:12:44,540 --> 00:12:39,810

take that far table over there it's near

237

00:12:47,050 --> 00:12:44,550

where the magazines are anyway and right

238

00:12:55,030 --> 00:12:47,060

oh good we've got a table to themselves

239

00:12:57,050 --> 00:12:55,040

if I walk back here to the shelf nothing

240

00:13:01,009 --> 00:12:57,060

nothing no they're not waiting for it

241

00:13:01,370 --> 00:13:01,019

are these them Roberts here it is found

242

00:13:09,009 --> 00:13:01,380

it

243

00:13:13,120 --> 00:13:09,019

these two volumes they're huge volumes

244

00:13:20,090 --> 00:13:13,130

bound and leather of all the back issues

245

00:13:26,750 --> 00:13:20,100

of the new idea magazine so here we go

246

00:13:34,689 --> 00:13:26,760

let's see ah so this one at random I've

247

00:13:42,199 --> 00:13:39,199

so the process is you open the magazine

248

00:13:43,579 --> 00:13:42,209

you go straight to the front page you

249

00:13:45,949 --> 00:13:43,589

look at the front page to see if there's

250

00:13:48,319 --> 00:13:45,959

anything on it that says something along

251  
00:13:51,340 --> 00:13:48,329  
the lines of the psychic predictions for

252  
00:13:55,490 --> 00:13:51,350  
the year or something Sting's

253  
00:13:58,610 --> 00:13:55,500  
okay more yet and then go to the index

254  
00:14:01,699 --> 00:13:58,620  
page so here we are index page is about

255  
00:14:04,670 --> 00:14:01,709  
three or four pages in and quickly

256  
00:14:06,759 --> 00:14:04,680  
scanning the whole index if anything

257  
00:14:10,160 --> 00:14:06,769  
jumping out like psychic predictions or

258  
00:14:11,480 --> 00:14:10,170  
are UFOs or monsters or anything like

259  
00:14:13,370 --> 00:14:11,490  
that we have a look at that page

260  
00:14:17,139 --> 00:14:13,380  
otherwise it's straight to the back

261  
00:14:19,790 --> 00:14:17,149  
section which is normally after page 100

262  
00:14:22,400 --> 00:14:19,800  
here in the index that says your spirit

263  
00:14:23,780 --> 00:14:22,410

psychic answers and weekly stars and

264

00:14:26,629 --> 00:14:23,790

it's always worth looking at that

265

00:14:29,389 --> 00:14:26,639

quickly for sometimes predictions for

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00:14:33,259 --> 00:14:29,399

celebrities pop up there other things

267

00:14:37,330 --> 00:14:33,269

like that and once we find something we

268

00:14:42,880 --> 00:14:39,580

labeled so we know who made the

269

00:14:44,860 --> 00:14:42,890

prediction and when and so on and so on

270

00:14:50,230 --> 00:14:44,870

well Steve we've got a day's work ahead

271

00:14:58,200 --> 00:14:50,240

of us you ordered the 1945 Omega zero

272

00:15:01,740 --> 00:15:00,700

well we're a couple of hours into it

273

00:15:05,200 --> 00:15:01,750

this morning

274

00:15:08,110 --> 00:15:05,210

not not too many things are coming up

275

00:15:11,530 --> 00:15:08,120

the odd prediction here and there and

276  
00:15:14,100 --> 00:15:11,540  
the odd story involving psychics but one

277  
00:15:16,470 --> 00:15:14,110  
of the current

278  
00:15:17,690 --> 00:15:16,480  
people contributing to the issues in

279  
00:15:22,170 --> 00:15:17,700  
where are we

280  
00:15:23,910 --> 00:15:22,180  
2007 of new idea looking at is a an

281  
00:15:24,329 --> 00:15:23,920  
astrologer by the name of Karen Moore

282  
00:15:27,560 --> 00:15:24,339  
gold

283  
00:15:30,720 --> 00:15:27,570  
and most of this stuff's pretty

284  
00:15:32,910 --> 00:15:30,730  
lightweight I suppose Scorpio for

285  
00:15:35,240 --> 00:15:32,920  
example you'll have to think on your

286  
00:15:38,460 --> 00:15:35,250  
feet respond in the moment and avoid

287  
00:15:40,710 --> 00:15:38,470  
trying to plan too far ahead with an

288  
00:15:43,350 --> 00:15:40,720

unusual undertaking or issue with your

289

00:15:46,170 --> 00:15:43,360

children this sort of stuff very um

290

00:15:48,269 --> 00:15:46,180

nondescript but she does make celebrity

291

00:15:49,829 --> 00:15:48,279

predictions but uh most of them are

292

00:15:54,509 --> 00:15:49,839

unusable because they're they're more

293

00:16:00,170 --> 00:15:54,519

like personality readings really here's

294

00:16:04,040 --> 00:16:00,180

a good example this is from August 2007

295

00:16:09,180 --> 00:16:04,050

her predictions from Michael Jackson

296

00:16:12,690 --> 00:16:09,190

intense obsessive erratic secretive born

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00:16:13,560 --> 00:16:12,700

on August 29th 1958 Michael Jackson has

298

00:16:15,389 --> 00:16:13,570

a horoscope

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00:16:17,639 --> 00:16:15,399

that's a blend of extreme elements

300

00:16:21,090 --> 00:16:17,649

reflecting the complexity originality

301  
00:16:24,389 --> 00:16:21,100  
and contradictions in his nature he has

302  
00:16:27,030 --> 00:16:24,399  
flashes of genius and grand visions but

303  
00:16:30,389 --> 00:16:27,040  
reality and imagination also become

304  
00:16:35,650 --> 00:16:30,399  
blurred his gentle moon in Pisces really

305  
00:16:40,230 --> 00:16:38,080  
so I'm not even going to bother adding

306  
00:16:42,490 --> 00:16:40,240  
that to the catalogue because that's

307  
00:16:44,140 --> 00:16:42,500  
what can you do with them it's

308  
00:16:47,230 --> 00:16:44,150  
completely vague but that's a problem

309  
00:16:48,010 --> 00:16:47,240  
with a lot of these so-called

310  
00:16:54,480 --> 00:16:48,020  
predictions

311  
00:17:00,580 --> 00:16:56,710  
contrary to popular belief not all

312  
00:17:02,320 --> 00:17:00,590  
libraries are quiet this one seems to

313  
00:17:03,940 --> 00:17:02,330

tolerate a certain amount of talking and

314

00:17:05,590 --> 00:17:03,950

noise which is okay it's not too

315

00:17:07,900 --> 00:17:05,600

distracting there's a tour guide in here

316

00:17:09,400 --> 00:17:07,910

at the moment so the two of God is

317

00:17:12,880 --> 00:17:09,410

busily telling everybody about the

318

00:17:16,329 --> 00:17:12,890

wonders of the library just looking

319

00:17:18,220 --> 00:17:16,339

through all these magazines and of

320

00:17:20,199 --> 00:17:18,230

course one of the regular features under

321

00:17:23,280 --> 00:17:20,209

the psychics and clairvoyant directory

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00:17:29,170 --> 00:17:23,290

section really adds the paid advertising

323

00:17:32,800 --> 00:17:29,180

for mostly almost exclusively I think

324

00:17:35,680 --> 00:17:32,810

dial-up psychic lines absolute soul

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00:17:38,880 --> 00:17:35,690

secrets 24 hours for your convenience

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00:17:41,940 --> 00:17:38,890

psychic readings with Archangel Michael

327

00:17:44,290 --> 00:17:41,950

yeah it's pretty exclusive in them

328

00:17:48,570 --> 00:17:44,300

destinies spiritual psychics

329

00:17:54,600 --> 00:17:52,600

although the word psychic is spelt

330

00:17:56,770 --> 00:17:54,610

psychic with an apostrophe s at the end

331

00:18:04,090 --> 00:17:56,780

international world-class psychic

332

00:18:10,500 --> 00:18:08,380

melissa's and genuine psychics but she's

333

00:18:16,150 --> 00:18:10,510

letting us know they're genuine

334

00:18:19,180 --> 00:18:16,160

Christopher's angelic mediums another

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00:18:21,580 --> 00:18:19,190

one's psychic secrets unbelievable

336

00:18:25,810 --> 00:18:21,590

from only a dollar 95 a minute well it's

337

00:18:27,730 --> 00:18:25,820

more expensive than that now here's

338

00:18:33,090 --> 00:18:27,740

another one current top 10 clairvoyance

339

00:18:38,049 --> 00:18:35,830

holy videos it's all there

340

00:18:39,700 --> 00:18:38,059

a break-in now our study our research

341

00:18:41,409 --> 00:18:39,710

brings us to the top level of the

342

00:18:43,870 --> 00:18:41,419

library which is much bigger than I

343

00:18:46,149 --> 00:18:43,880

thought delivery's huge where they have

344

00:18:48,970 --> 00:18:46,159

on display here behind this glass

345

00:18:50,320 --> 00:18:48,980

cabinet is the actual armor worn by

346

00:18:53,830 --> 00:18:50,330

Ritter red Kelly

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00:18:56,590 --> 00:18:53,840

Ned Kelly Kelly is the actual armor worn

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00:18:59,320 --> 00:18:56,600

by Ned Kelly Ned Kelly's our right in

349

00:19:02,470 --> 00:18:59,330

front of us with a boot yeah hurry one

350

00:19:04,570 --> 00:19:02,480

here to hop he had to he he was

351  
00:19:09,340 --> 00:19:04,580  
certainly caught on up and we can see

352  
00:19:13,600 --> 00:19:09,350  
where the armor has bullet marks from

353  
00:19:20,200 --> 00:19:17,080  
it's it's quite interesting to see this

354  
00:19:21,580 --> 00:19:20,210  
suit Obama because being Australian you

355  
00:19:23,560 --> 00:19:21,590  
sort of know about this all your life

356  
00:19:26,720 --> 00:19:23,570  
Ned Kelly any suit of armor but to see

357  
00:19:33,440 --> 00:19:30,560  
an unexpected surprise here in the

358  
00:19:37,380 --> 00:19:33,450  
Melbourne the State Library of Victoria

359  
00:19:42,270 --> 00:19:39,390  
it's many hours later it's nearly 6

360  
00:19:44,010 --> 00:19:42,280  
o'clock in the evening of us count of

361  
00:19:45,510 --> 00:19:44,020  
how many issues we've gone through we've

362  
00:19:48,030 --> 00:19:45,520  
ordered all the remaining ones we need

363  
00:19:50,370 --> 00:19:48,040

on a trolley and there are many to go

364

00:19:56,280 --> 00:19:50,380

through yet we're somewhere in the

365

00:19:58,260 --> 00:19:56,290

middle of the 2011 at the moment and we

366

00:20:02,370 --> 00:19:58,270

noticed that now this magazine new idea

367

00:20:04,230 --> 00:20:02,380

of hired Alison devar and John Edward to

368

00:20:06,260 --> 00:20:04,240

give advice and they also have a destiny

369

00:20:09,539 --> 00:20:06,270

page and this is an interesting one

370

00:20:12,240 --> 00:20:09,549

wills and Kate lines don't lie it's all

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00:20:13,380 --> 00:20:12,250

about their palm prints well I suppose

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00:20:17,580 --> 00:20:13,390

they waive enough so they've got

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00:20:20,460 --> 00:20:17,590

photographs see the different psychics

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00:20:22,230 --> 00:20:20,470

come and go from the magazine or their

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00:20:25,110 --> 00:20:22,240

column gets short small or the smaller

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00:20:27,289 --> 00:20:25,120

they finally vanish you know yeah and

377

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some come for a few issues and disappear

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00:20:45,890 --> 00:20:35,460

it's interesting and the survey I

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have met a ghost and we go done for the

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day

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00:20:53,280 --> 00:20:51,870

same the same doorway under the same

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columns

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00:21:00,060 --> 00:20:58,990

the sun's going down son George and Joan

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00:21:03,810 --> 00:21:00,070

of Arc are still there and the

386

00:21:05,910 --> 00:21:03,820

skateboard is a skating bastard so it's

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00:21:07,830 --> 00:21:05,920

not bad being skeptical research Steve

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00:21:09,720 --> 00:21:07,840

it's interesting first good fun you get

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00:21:12,540 --> 00:21:09,730

some nice places in Melville and have a

390

00:21:15,570 --> 00:21:12,550

nice lunch and look looks who new idea

391

00:21:18,360 --> 00:21:15,580

magazine read all about Tom Cruise and

392

00:21:22,140 --> 00:21:18,370

Nicole Kidman and Prince William and

393

00:21:23,940 --> 00:21:22,150

Kate and Camilla in northern normal what

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00:21:26,130 --> 00:21:23,950

I see there's only about twenty or

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00:21:29,640 --> 00:21:26,140

thirty people who ever figure in it the

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00:21:30,720 --> 00:21:29,650

same people come round and round I think

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00:21:33,360 --> 00:21:30,730

they're the people they know the phone

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00:21:35,100 --> 00:21:33,370

numbers off I think you're right and now

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00:21:37,590 --> 00:21:35,110

it's time to go home and crack open a

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00:21:39,630 --> 00:21:37,600

nice bottle bread I reckon yeah to the

401  
00:21:44,560 --> 00:21:39,640  
strains of mark who's the busker hello

402  
00:21:44,570 --> 00:22:12,019  
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403  
00:22:19,139 --> 00:22:16,109  
dr. Harriet Hall MD no into thousands as

404  
00:22:22,259 --> 00:22:19,149  
the skeptic a retired family physician

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00:22:24,329 --> 00:22:22,269  
and former Air Force flight surgeon she

406  
00:22:26,029 --> 00:22:24,339  
writes about medicine so-called

407  
00:22:29,899 --> 00:22:26,039  
complementary and alternative medicine

408  
00:22:32,999 --> 00:22:29,909  
science pakery and critical thinking

409  
00:22:35,249 --> 00:22:33,009  
Harriet now has a free course a series

410  
00:22:38,609 --> 00:22:35,259  
of 10 video lectures on science-based

411  
00:22:40,619 --> 00:22:38,619  
medicine and alternative medicine the

412  
00:22:42,749 --> 00:22:40,629  
videos and an accompanying course guide

413  
00:22:47,549 --> 00:22:42,759

can be found by following the link at

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00:22:52,189 --> 00:22:47,559

skeptic info or by visiting web brandy

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00:22:55,939 --> 00:22:52,199

org slash educational - modules dot

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00:22:58,169 --> 00:22:55,949

html' topics covered in the series are

417

00:22:59,579 --> 00:22:58,179

science-based medicine vs.

418

00:23:03,199 --> 00:22:59,589

evidence-based medicine

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00:23:06,479 --> 00:23:03,209

what is Kam chiropractic acupuncture

420

00:23:09,269 --> 00:23:06,489

homeopathy naturopathy and herbal

421

00:23:11,999 --> 00:23:09,279

medicine energy medicine miscellaneous

422

00:23:14,969 --> 00:23:12,009

alternatives pitfalls in research and

423

00:23:16,489 --> 00:23:14,979

science based medicine in the media and

424

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politics

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Harriett covers each topic in a

426

00:23:24,599 --> 00:23:21,339

matter-of-fact no-nonsense way that

427

00:23:26,700 --> 00:23:24,609

shorter educate and entertain skeptic

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dot info

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you might remember last week I told you

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00:23:53,990 --> 00:23:51,840

of the project by the Australian

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skeptics to digitize and publish all the

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back issues of the magazine the skeptic

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the journal from Australian skeptics

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quite a long process I really started

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way back in 2001 when I digitized many

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issues that were available then for

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something called the great skeptic CD

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all very new and cutting stuff way back

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in 2001 and here is a little news item

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that's just appeared on the skeptics our

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website at skeptics comdataís you

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skeptic magazine back issues online and

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00:24:32,930 --> 00:24:30,390

free Australian skeptics has digitized

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all the back issues of the skeptic

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magazine going back to its first issue

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in 1981 and these are now available for

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free download from the magazine page of

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the Australian skeptics website the only

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exceptions are the most recent four

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issues which are kept exclusively for

451  
00:24:54,760 --> 00:24:52,770  
subscribers although sample articles for

452  
00:24:57,649 --> 00:24:54,770  
even those issues are also available

453  
00:24:59,810 --> 00:24:57,659  
this is the result of a concerted effort

454  
00:25:01,880 --> 00:24:59,820  
by Australian skeptics Inc and we

455  
00:25:04,730 --> 00:25:01,890  
believe that offering complete back

456  
00:25:08,480 --> 00:25:04,740  
issues of virtually the entire run of a

457  
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skeptical publication for free is unique

458  
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in the skeptical community

459  
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richardsaunders committee member and

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00:25:16,520 --> 00:25:14,520  
former president of Australian skeptics

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who was instrumental in digitizing the

462  
00:25:21,799 --> 00:25:19,080  
printed issues along with current

463  
00:25:23,630 --> 00:25:21,809

president Iran's again quote the

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magazine is the second oldest

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english-speaking skeptical magazine in

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the world in quote Saunders says it's

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funny to quote myself quote it was a

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pretty basic production in the first

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years with literally cut and paste

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photocopy by a dedicated crew of

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volunteers we're happy to say that the

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process has improved dramatically over

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these through increasingly sophisticated

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publishing technology cleaning up or the

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printing and production imperfections of

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those early issues has been a long

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process in some cases it meant finally

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new copies of the photography and

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clippings that we use

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there's illustrations which has been a

481

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time-consuming job

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albeit a labor of love in quota readers

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can now see how these skeptical movement

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in Australia has developed over four

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decades as reflected in the pages of the

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magazine from health and medicine to

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psychics and clairvoyance Yowies cults

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pseudoscience and the paranormal there

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is a wealth of information in the 144

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issues now available in addition to the

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individual issues there are two

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compendium publications in the beginning

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and the second coming which collated

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articles from the first ten years of the

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skeptic according to a number of themes

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each of which is available separately of

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course the skeptic continues to be

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published every quarter and readers can

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subscribe to coming new issues via our

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online shop although you will have to

501  
00:27:05,380 --> 00:27:03,169  
and as I mentioned last week what I've

502  
00:27:10,610 --> 00:27:05,390  
done is I've put all those back issues

503  
00:27:12,560 --> 00:27:10,620  
on my iPad on a recent flight down to

504  
00:27:16,159 --> 00:27:12,570  
Melbourne I was able to sit back and

505  
00:27:30,710 --> 00:27:16,169  
just dump through many many articles and

506  
00:27:33,169 --> 00:27:30,720  
stories the skeptic magazine the journal

507  
00:27:35,600 --> 00:27:33,179  
from Australian skeptics subscribe

508  
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online to the world's second oldest

509  
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skeptical magazine visit WWF XCOM 2 and

510  
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click the publication's link you can

511  
00:27:51,110 --> 00:27:47,820  
also find there over 30 years on back

512  
00:27:59,440 --> 00:27:51,120  
issues free to download the skeptic

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on my recent trip to Melbourne I took

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time out to interview dr. Steve Roberts

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for many years continuing the Australian

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skeptic spokesman on matters revolving

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around UFOs and strange phenomena like

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that and we chatted about his UFO

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experiences over the years I took the

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opportunity to interview dr. Steve for

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an archival project the Australian

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skeptics are doing at the moment where

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we video prominent members of the

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organisation to get on record their

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thoughts and opinions and their

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recollections of the early days of the

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organisation following that I'll read

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out the item we discovered from the

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truth magazine

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way back in 1989 but here's dr. Steve

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Roberts yeah other people claimed that

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how can somebody be an expert on

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something that is unknown but yeah I

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mean I look I was a UFO believer when I

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was a kid I'll fess up on this I thought

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there was something going on I believed

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I have respect for books and you can get

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UFO books you could at the time you

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00:29:29,980 --> 00:29:27,560

certainly can't now and I thought if

541

00:29:32,790 --> 00:29:29,990

some of you did book it's true and I

542

00:29:35,860 --> 00:29:32,800

thought there's something happening and

543

00:29:39,580 --> 00:29:35,870

if you don't chase up the legends too

544

00:29:41,680 --> 00:29:39,590

far you can believe that the problem was

545

00:29:43,300 --> 00:29:41,690

we had a really group at my university

546

00:29:44,680 --> 00:29:43,310

that was studying this

547

00:29:47,440 --> 00:29:44,690

we still got hold of all the UFO

548

00:29:51,730 --> 00:29:47,450

sightings that we got all of the video

549

00:29:54,280 --> 00:29:51,740

archives of UFO sightings and well first

550

00:29:57,220 --> 00:29:54,290

are for six years of archives to be

551  
00:29:59,530 --> 00:29:57,230  
there's about that much paper Connie so

552  
00:30:01,990 --> 00:29:59,540  
where's the rest of it well that's it

553  
00:30:04,480 --> 00:30:02,000  
that's what there is it's not this whole

554  
00:30:07,570 --> 00:30:04,490  
UFO store he comes on a hundred

555  
00:30:11,470 --> 00:30:07,580  
sightings that which were easier clearly

556  
00:30:12,670 --> 00:30:11,480  
just garbage fuzzy fuzzy lights or funny

557  
00:30:15,810 --> 00:30:12,680  
feeling or something

558  
00:30:18,190 --> 00:30:15,820  
the some had some guts in them

559  
00:30:19,930 --> 00:30:18,200  
but some though none of the famous

560  
00:30:21,730 --> 00:30:19,940  
sightings in there that came up later on

561  
00:30:24,430 --> 00:30:21,740  
you had this interest long before you

562  
00:30:25,840 --> 00:30:24,440  
came to Australia oh yeah yeah I was 15

563  
00:30:28,090 --> 00:30:25,850

you know I thought there's something

564

00:30:30,640 --> 00:30:28,100

going on so we thought we'd study it we

565

00:30:32,490 --> 00:30:30,650

got to get a uni as I saying the big

566

00:30:34,870 --> 00:30:32,500

mistake was we looked at the evidence

567

00:30:36,250 --> 00:30:34,880

the first wasn't much evidence the

568

00:30:39,010 --> 00:30:36,260

secondly what there was was not very

569

00:30:41,680 --> 00:30:39,020

good and we went to some UFO meetings of

570

00:30:43,390 --> 00:30:41,690

the UFO research Association there's

571

00:30:47,290 --> 00:30:43,400

some strange people at these meetings

572

00:30:50,350 --> 00:30:47,300

and we all became skeptical you know we

573

00:30:51,790 --> 00:30:50,360

want to start with they had a boat could

574

00:30:53,560 --> 00:30:51,800

see the Loch Ness monster we had a film

575

00:30:56,950 --> 00:30:53,570

with it it's fairly plausible this film

576

00:30:59,200 --> 00:30:56,960

team Dinsdale and we saw we saw the film

577

00:31:01,060 --> 00:30:59,210

it could be the Loch Ness monster a

578

00:31:03,820 --> 00:31:01,070

number of questions arise you know what

579

00:31:06,010 --> 00:31:03,830

does it eat and he's there more than one

580

00:31:09,340 --> 00:31:06,020

you know and why haven't we got other

581

00:31:11,380 --> 00:31:09,350

films and you know and so on but could

582

00:31:14,200 --> 00:31:11,390

this be something else what is the

583

00:31:16,180 --> 00:31:14,210

object really to them to being awesome

584

00:31:20,350 --> 00:31:16,190

basically closer they can really do you

585

00:31:22,180 --> 00:31:20,360

think there was a lot but yeah we became

586

00:31:25,780 --> 00:31:22,190

skeptical was long before skeptics were

587

00:31:27,490 --> 00:31:25,790

invented so when I hear a UFO sighting

588

00:31:30,250 --> 00:31:27,500

you think well is that there is it more

589

00:31:32,980 --> 00:31:30,260

likely that there are aliens flying

590

00:31:35,169 --> 00:31:32,990

around the earth doing things or more

591

00:31:42,070 --> 00:31:35,179

like that somebody just misinterpreted

592

00:31:43,810 --> 00:31:42,080

what you saw and yeah so I think to be

593

00:31:45,640 --> 00:31:43,820

skeptical of UFOs you have to learn all

594

00:31:47,590 --> 00:31:45,650

the stories you know there was a

595

00:31:49,930 --> 00:31:47,600

sighting in Windlesham forest in 1980

596

00:31:52,180 --> 00:31:49,940

you have to know what that was and where

597

00:31:55,330 --> 00:31:52,190

it was and what it was like and what the

598

00:31:57,280 --> 00:31:55,340

inspiration is the the wacko story of it

599

00:32:00,430 --> 00:31:57,290

and the you know the believer story and

600

00:32:02,350 --> 00:32:00,440

the scientific fact of it you know the

601  
00:32:04,870 --> 00:32:02,360  
Jimmy Carter saw you further this is

602  
00:32:06,880 --> 00:32:04,880  
true there's an explanation which is is

603  
00:32:09,610 --> 00:32:06,890  
not well known but whose manipulation of

604  
00:32:12,040 --> 00:32:09,620  
what he saw and used to learn all that

605  
00:32:14,470 --> 00:32:12,050  
and when you talk these people they it's

606  
00:32:15,340 --> 00:32:14,480  
like talking to get about creationism so

607  
00:32:17,110 --> 00:32:15,350  
what about this one

608  
00:32:18,669 --> 00:32:17,120  
you know what about this so do you have

609  
00:32:20,080 --> 00:32:18,679  
to know all these i well that was that

610  
00:32:22,810 --> 00:32:20,090  
was a hoax oh that was somebody was

611  
00:32:24,370 --> 00:32:22,820  
identifying that was something I want

612  
00:32:27,090 --> 00:32:24,380  
this one oh I don't know about that one

613  
00:32:29,220 --> 00:32:27,100

oh you don't know about that one oh well

614

00:32:31,260 --> 00:32:29,230

got the upper edges you see this is

615

00:32:33,330 --> 00:32:31,270

proof as you foes and you don't know

616

00:32:36,510 --> 00:32:33,340

you know you get sunk no Skipton

617

00:32:38,909 --> 00:32:36,520

burglars all betray me stuff that's how

618

00:32:41,010 --> 00:32:38,919

I became the UFO expert it's not long

619

00:32:44,700 --> 00:32:41,020

after you joined the Australian skeptics

620

00:32:48,210 --> 00:32:44,710

in Canberra in Melbourne you were called

621

00:32:50,130 --> 00:32:48,220

upon by the skeptics to represent them

622

00:32:53,070 --> 00:32:50,140

when the media came calling

623

00:32:54,810 --> 00:32:53,080

um yeah other other people did as well

624

00:32:57,750 --> 00:32:54,820

Colleen Kay the professor of astronomy

625

00:33:00,000 --> 00:32:57,760

he was active in that William Blake of

626

00:33:01,380 --> 00:33:00,010

Hamlet Barry Williams could handle it he

627

00:33:04,140 --> 00:33:01,390

depends which town you're in and Barry's

628

00:33:07,440 --> 00:33:04,150

in Sydney Connie Kay was in Newcastle I

629

00:33:09,720 --> 00:33:07,450

was in Melbourne I was like on to tell

630

00:33:11,340 --> 00:33:09,730

you a couple of times and was called up

631

00:33:14,490 --> 00:33:11,350

a couple of times or eventually got

632

00:33:16,649 --> 00:33:14,500

passed to me when you first stories now

633

00:33:21,120 --> 00:33:16,659

just you can interpret each one as they

634

00:33:23,610 --> 00:33:21,130

come in you know very very very indeed

635

00:33:25,200 --> 00:33:23,620

now because could people have mobile

636

00:33:28,110 --> 00:33:25,210

phones with cameras in them or mobile

637

00:33:38,159 --> 00:33:28,120

phones and that just killed it now the

638

00:33:40,440 --> 00:33:38,169

other day you know one truth here and

639

00:33:44,669 --> 00:33:40,450

which was really a trashy magazine

640

00:33:46,860 --> 00:33:44,679

horse-racing and pornography and and

641

00:33:57,539 --> 00:33:46,870

what's he called a hysterical news you

642

00:34:00,750 --> 00:33:57,549

know aliens ate my baby and you called

643

00:34:03,720 --> 00:34:00,760

him because there was a crop circle yeah

644

00:34:07,620 --> 00:34:03,730

all right um there was a fad for crop

645

00:34:09,270 --> 00:34:07,630

circles in Britain 19 1989 and a few

646

00:34:11,159 --> 00:34:09,280

before that not many but he got bigger

647

00:34:14,399 --> 00:34:11,169

and bigger in there someone 1990 was

648

00:34:16,340 --> 00:34:14,409

huge and it got even huger only in

649

00:34:19,080 --> 00:34:16,350

Wiltshire in Britain which is hilly and

650

00:34:20,430 --> 00:34:19,090

hot and dry and has crops which in

651  
00:34:22,560 --> 00:34:20,440  
August which is the height of the summer

652  
00:34:24,270 --> 00:34:22,570  
the crops standing you can bend the

653  
00:34:26,430 --> 00:34:24,280  
stores over easily and make a pattern in

654  
00:34:27,480 --> 00:34:26,440  
it and then go up a hill nearby and look

655  
00:34:29,580 --> 00:34:27,490  
at it

656  
00:34:32,190 --> 00:34:29,590  
fill these circles were appearing

657  
00:34:34,200 --> 00:34:32,200  
nephrite in the center the farmer gets

658  
00:34:35,609 --> 00:34:34,210  
apoplectic but until he realized he

659  
00:34:38,940 --> 00:34:35,619  
could put up a sign that says see the

660  
00:34:40,139 --> 00:34:38,950  
crop circle five quid and he gets more

661  
00:34:45,000 --> 00:34:40,149  
money than the crop is

662  
00:34:47,250 --> 00:34:45,010  
a for having to harvest it and yeah

663  
00:34:48,839 --> 00:34:47,260

there were a crop circle fans Colin

664

00:34:49,440 --> 00:34:48,849

Andrews noticing noticeable you're still

665

00:34:51,389 --> 00:34:49,450

out there

666

00:34:53,849 --> 00:34:51,399

still trying to believe in them you know

667

00:34:55,919 --> 00:34:53,859

and um eventually till all made and

668

00:34:56,909 --> 00:34:55,929

confess to forging most of them and

669

00:34:59,130 --> 00:34:56,919

other people copied

670

00:35:01,260 --> 00:34:59,140

there's at least 20 groups in prison now

671

00:35:05,089 --> 00:35:01,270

I think making crop circles they meet in

672

00:35:07,650 --> 00:35:05,099

the same pub probably a fight stars and

673

00:35:11,430 --> 00:35:07,660

what appeared in Australia I mean we all

674

00:35:16,289 --> 00:35:11,440

like our own story so this is 1989 lady

675

00:35:19,200 --> 00:35:16,299

no idea it was in the town in the Mallee

676  
00:35:22,079 --> 00:35:19,210  
in western Victoria match EU there were

677  
00:35:23,670 --> 00:35:22,089  
five or 12 five circles that appeared

678  
00:35:26,490 --> 00:35:23,680  
the Ottomans at five it appeared there

679  
00:35:28,500 --> 00:35:26,500  
was a picture of the farmer standing in

680  
00:35:30,690 --> 00:35:28,510  
one of them which was about the size of

681  
00:35:31,710 --> 00:35:30,700  
half the size in this room about you

682  
00:35:33,599 --> 00:35:31,720  
know four meters across

683  
00:35:36,720 --> 00:35:33,609  
there's ten feet across yes right yeah

684  
00:35:37,950 --> 00:35:36,730  
standing in that and um it's looking

685  
00:35:39,240 --> 00:35:37,960  
like other night could have just do

686  
00:35:42,000 --> 00:35:39,250  
business and somebody doing a u-turn

687  
00:35:44,250 --> 00:35:42,010  
with a foil quad bike or something or

688  
00:35:48,900 --> 00:35:44,260

them so he just made it for a long it

689

00:35:51,839 --> 00:35:48,910

was just a service the organ said there

690

00:35:53,640 --> 00:35:51,849

were five and also that farm would seen

691

00:35:55,700 --> 00:35:53,650

a bright yellow light and also water had

692

00:35:57,690 --> 00:35:55,710

gone be seen from the farmers water tank

693

00:36:01,289 --> 00:35:57,700

they said that to be two years before

694

00:36:03,269 --> 00:36:01,299

the yellow light was six weeks later and

695

00:36:05,180 --> 00:36:03,279

water goes missing you know I thought I

696

00:36:07,289 --> 00:36:05,190

thought that tank was full was empty now

697

00:36:09,150 --> 00:36:07,299

maybe somebody left the tap on and

698

00:36:11,940 --> 00:36:09,160

didn't fess up to it it happens a lot on

699

00:36:13,769 --> 00:36:11,950

farms you know but you make an article

700

00:36:16,859 --> 00:36:13,779

out of it and I saw this in the truth or

701

00:36:18,870 --> 00:36:16,869

his brought to my attention and I rang

702

00:36:21,089 --> 00:36:18,880

them up and said well it's just um you

703

00:36:22,650 --> 00:36:21,099

know nothing to shout about really you

704

00:36:24,960 --> 00:36:22,660

know there's no evidence except the

705

00:36:27,089 --> 00:36:24,970

circle that it was a UFO not you know

706

00:36:33,299 --> 00:36:27,099

UFO lands on farms the headline is

707

00:36:37,049 --> 00:36:33,309

saying yeah all over the front page yeah

708

00:36:38,400 --> 00:36:37,059

and why I said well it no it was a UFO

709

00:36:40,650 --> 00:36:38,410

it could just be somebody else you

710

00:36:42,809 --> 00:36:40,660

contacted the reporter yeah

711

00:36:44,609 --> 00:36:42,819

John Pinckney right who was famous for

712

00:36:47,460 --> 00:36:44,619

digging up stories like this just joined

713

00:36:49,109 --> 00:36:47,470

the truce at the time and the UI doctor

714

00:36:49,650 --> 00:36:49,119

said well what would Steven moments know

715

00:36:52,259 --> 00:36:49,660

about

716

00:36:54,210 --> 00:36:52,269

you've never made it for circle in fact

717

00:36:56,309 --> 00:36:54,220

I have so I didn't bother replying to

718

00:36:57,870 --> 00:36:56,319

all this I say well I've seen it you

719

00:36:59,490 --> 00:36:57,880

haven't you've never made one you know

720

00:37:02,430 --> 00:36:59,500

the way you say it could be done what I

721

00:37:06,630 --> 00:37:02,440

have you know that a yr give you know it

722

00:37:08,490 --> 00:37:06,640

sells newspapers I tell ya that came and

723

00:37:11,099 --> 00:37:08,500

went that story but I saw the farmer

724

00:37:13,740 --> 00:37:11,109

come to a convention of crop circle fans

725

00:37:15,509 --> 00:37:13,750

are four hundred people in a new Colin

726

00:37:18,660 --> 00:37:15,519

Andrews giving a talk and the farm

727

00:37:20,640 --> 00:37:18,670

owners of females 14 ARF everyone was

728

00:37:21,420 --> 00:37:20,650

seated the farmer who'd been flown down

729

00:37:24,779 --> 00:37:21,430

from the Mallee

730

00:37:26,670 --> 00:37:24,789

to Melbourne and wined and dined came in

731

00:37:29,099 --> 00:37:26,680

very attractively coiffed and made-up

732

00:37:31,650 --> 00:37:29,109

wearing a fur comes and he could sense

733

00:37:33,120 --> 00:37:31,660

the vivint's in the room as if the Queen

734

00:37:35,579 --> 00:37:33,130

of England had come either which was a

735

00:37:37,200 --> 00:37:35,589

similar experience and she was treated

736

00:37:40,079 --> 00:37:37,210

with enormous respect because he had

737

00:37:41,940 --> 00:37:40,089

this crop circle on her farm and I did

738

00:37:43,380 --> 00:37:41,950

say to officer like if you like I can

739

00:37:45,900 --> 00:37:43,390

give you the name and address of the man

740

00:37:47,700 --> 00:37:45,910

who made your crop circle so you know no

741

00:37:49,049 --> 00:37:47,710

I'd rather not find that out and so you

742

00:37:50,670 --> 00:37:49,059

know I like things the way they are

743

00:37:59,759 --> 00:37:50,680

thinking I like the fur coats and the

744

00:38:03,630 --> 00:37:59,769

the front seat you know still popular

745

00:38:06,150 --> 00:38:03,640

for a while but when do you think is the

746

00:38:08,220 --> 00:38:06,160

do you notice the decline in the

747

00:38:10,019 --> 00:38:08,230

popularity in reporting doesn't really

748

00:38:11,299 --> 00:38:10,029

tie in that closely with mobile phones

749

00:38:15,900 --> 00:38:11,309

yeah

750

00:38:19,019 --> 00:38:15,910

1993 onwards mobile phones available to

751  
00:38:20,849 --> 00:38:19,029  
the common man phones in cars in 1990

752  
00:38:24,210 --> 00:38:20,859  
the phone was so big you couldn't

753  
00:38:26,160 --> 00:38:24,220  
measure in the car and we have one at

754  
00:38:29,279 --> 00:38:26,170  
work there's a heavy briefcase 20

755  
00:38:31,740 --> 00:38:29,289  
kilograms with the phone in it and then

756  
00:38:34,920 --> 00:38:31,750  
1993 they began to be phoned you could

757  
00:38:36,450 --> 00:38:34,930  
actually carry on your person okay and

758  
00:38:39,140 --> 00:38:36,460  
there's an advert for it might else to

759  
00:38:41,700 --> 00:38:39,150  
us and so somebody in a field with a UFO

760  
00:38:43,799 --> 00:38:41,710  
and he had a phone and they were saying

761  
00:38:45,390 --> 00:38:43,809  
quick tell somebody yeah and that's

762  
00:38:47,759 --> 00:38:45,400  
that's a key the phenomena just died

763  
00:38:49,470 --> 00:38:47,769

overnight you know because on suddenly

764

00:38:50,490 --> 00:38:49,480

people had these phones they couldn't

765

00:38:53,370 --> 00:38:50,500

take pictures but you could bring

766

00:38:56,019 --> 00:38:53,380

somebody up and say on you know mum is a

767

00:38:57,970 --> 00:38:56,029

UFO and thought my head now

768

00:38:59,680 --> 00:38:57,980

or whatever come here quick or something

769

00:39:01,299 --> 00:38:59,690

and then of course later they had

770

00:39:04,089 --> 00:39:01,309

cameras on the phone so now everybody

771

00:39:07,390 --> 00:39:04,099

has a camera yeah a new photo just died

772

00:39:10,089 --> 00:39:07,400

out you know I mean you're not contacted

773

00:39:13,180 --> 00:39:10,099

anymore by media about you like I am but

774

00:39:14,859 --> 00:39:13,190

there's no usually though you photos we

775

00:39:16,990 --> 00:39:14,869

suddenly sets fire to a garbage bag you

776

00:39:19,150 --> 00:39:17,000

you take the the garbage sack and set

777

00:39:21,339 --> 00:39:19,160

hold it upside down set for the bottom

778

00:39:23,829 --> 00:39:21,349

it'll fill the hot air and float off

779

00:39:26,230 --> 00:39:23,839

there's your UFO yeah gets in the media

780

00:39:29,650 --> 00:39:26,240

no the one I remember you didn't comment

781

00:39:33,160 --> 00:39:29,660

on was ten twelve years ago was the

782

00:39:34,839 --> 00:39:33,170

beverage you ever yeah no just just for

783

00:39:39,490 --> 00:39:34,849

the sake of reminding people yeah that

784

00:39:41,019 --> 00:39:39,500

story that was in January 2004 January

785

00:39:45,400 --> 00:39:41,029

anyway which is the height of summer

786

00:39:47,920 --> 00:39:45,410

down here and somebody it's only one of

787

00:39:50,200 --> 00:39:47,930

the council engineers has to go out of

788

00:39:52,510 --> 00:39:50,210

the year and photograph the level

789

00:39:54,519 --> 00:39:52,520

crossing working okay they take a film

790

00:39:56,500 --> 00:39:54,529

when the train comes showing the booms

791

00:39:58,870 --> 00:39:56,510

come up and down showing all the lights

792

00:40:00,370 --> 00:39:58,880

flashing and they then have a record

793

00:40:01,870 --> 00:40:00,380

that the crossing was working on that

794

00:40:02,740 --> 00:40:01,880

day every year we used to go and film

795

00:40:05,829 --> 00:40:02,750

the level crossing

796

00:40:07,870 --> 00:40:05,839

boom working and their views filming is

797

00:40:13,359 --> 00:40:07,880

boom going up and down mm-hmm

798

00:40:16,539 --> 00:40:13,369

the cross goes this UFO and yeah I was a

799

00:40:19,630 --> 00:40:16,549

JP and I have the original picture so

800

00:40:22,510 --> 00:40:19,640

sublease now suddenly I have the

801  
00:40:25,120 --> 00:40:22,520  
original Seminole evidence myself you

802  
00:40:26,589 --> 00:40:25,130  
know I have the JPEG picture and that's

803  
00:40:28,870 --> 00:40:26,599  
all there is you know cuz normally get a

804  
00:40:30,160 --> 00:40:28,880  
copy of a copy of a copy and you think

805  
00:40:31,690 --> 00:40:30,170  
well the originals gonna be better but

806  
00:40:33,609 --> 00:40:31,700  
no I've actually got the original and

807  
00:40:37,120 --> 00:40:33,619  
there is a black object flying with a

808  
00:40:40,329 --> 00:40:37,130  
little white tail yeah now if you go

809  
00:40:42,760 --> 00:40:40,339  
there the height of the summer and you

810  
00:40:48,250 --> 00:40:42,770  
interview people they're always doing

811  
00:40:49,720 --> 00:40:48,260  
that yeah and lo and behold a fly goes

812  
00:40:51,819 --> 00:40:49,730  
in front of the camera and that's that's

813  
00:40:54,579 --> 00:40:51,829

why the UFOs out of focus and the level

814

00:40:56,349 --> 00:40:54,589

crossings in focus and the the size all

815

00:40:58,599 --> 00:40:56,359

matches up everything is right for a fly

816

00:41:01,180 --> 00:40:58,609

about three feet from the lens

817

00:41:02,410 --> 00:41:01,190

going across and of course your face is

818

00:41:04,779 --> 00:41:02,420

behind the camera so you actually

819

00:41:06,549 --> 00:41:04,789

wouldn't see it you will see that the

820

00:41:07,710 --> 00:41:06,559

fly the guy said at the time you didn't

821

00:41:08,940 --> 00:41:07,720

see anything

822

00:41:11,480 --> 00:41:08,950

but when he looked at the photograph

823

00:41:13,710 --> 00:41:11,490

they must like the OD at the photo so

824

00:41:16,290 --> 00:41:13,720

what is the story what's the backstory

825

00:41:18,359 --> 00:41:16,300

of the sighting you know for every UFO

826

00:41:20,849 --> 00:41:18,369

picture you have this UFO picture and

827

00:41:22,920 --> 00:41:20,859

there's gotta be a story say well did

828

00:41:24,720 --> 00:41:22,930

you see it did you hear the noise or

829

00:41:27,440 --> 00:41:24,730

other people there what were you doing

830

00:41:29,579 --> 00:41:27,450

while you taking photographs in the sky

831

00:41:33,120 --> 00:41:29,589

did you have to go and get the camera

832

00:41:34,380 --> 00:41:33,130

what is the story it's kind of odd that

833

00:41:35,550 --> 00:41:34,390

just when you've got the camera video

834

00:41:41,910 --> 00:41:35,560

and you're pointing it at the sky

835

00:41:44,520 --> 00:41:41,920

oh you phone comes across you know so it

836

00:41:48,240 --> 00:41:44,530

filled a spot on the news otherwise it's

837

00:41:50,520 --> 00:41:48,250

Man Bites Dog or you know laser scan

838

00:41:56,790 --> 00:41:50,530

with the Australian cricketer polishers

839

00:41:58,500 --> 00:41:56,800

cricket ball in short of New Zealand you

840

00:41:59,970 --> 00:41:58,510

phones are cute and no one's ever been

841

00:42:01,950 --> 00:41:59,980

harmed by a UFO

842

00:42:03,660 --> 00:42:01,960

I had duck tees say they haven't no

843

00:42:05,970 --> 00:42:03,670

one's being killed by you phone nobody's

844

00:42:14,880 --> 00:42:05,980

flown an airplane into a skyscraper

845

00:42:18,750 --> 00:42:14,890

because of you folks yeah that's all

846

00:42:20,700 --> 00:42:18,760

very bucolic unfortunate of skipper's

847

00:42:22,559 --> 00:42:20,710

has become nasty in later years because

848

00:42:25,500 --> 00:42:22,569

there's nastier targets than flying

849

00:42:26,910 --> 00:42:25,510

saucers and astrologers but my mother

850

00:42:30,510 --> 00:42:26,920

miss those days anyway that was that

851  
00:42:30,670 --> 00:42:30,520  
yeah gonna be bad news they'll force

852  
00:42:32,700 --> 00:42:30,680  
[Music]

853  
00:42:34,740 --> 00:42:32,710  
[Applause]

854  
00:42:38,770 --> 00:42:34,750  
[Music]

855  
00:42:44,650 --> 00:42:38,780  
from the weekend truth newspaper dated

856  
00:42:47,339 --> 00:42:44,660  
the 16th of December 1989 scared

857  
00:42:52,329 --> 00:42:47,349  
Ozzy family tells truths John Pinkley

858  
00:42:56,410 --> 00:42:52,339  
UFO lands on farm world exclusive photos

859  
00:42:59,200 --> 00:42:56,420  
a giant UFO lifts this mysterious circle

860  
00:43:01,780 --> 00:42:59,210  
of flattened wheat and four others like

861  
00:43:04,240 --> 00:43:01,790  
it on a western Victorian farm according

862  
00:43:07,390 --> 00:43:04,250  
to frightened locals they tell of

863  
00:43:12,790 --> 00:43:07,400

sightings sounds and terrified livestock

864

00:43:14,859 --> 00:43:12,800

full story more photos inside in fact

865

00:43:18,760 --> 00:43:14,869

this is the front page of the newspaper

866

00:43:21,579 --> 00:43:18,770

only cost a dollar 20 and the picture

867

00:43:24,390 --> 00:43:21,589

shows our lady standing on the edge of a

868

00:43:29,380 --> 00:43:24,400

crop circle which is about 4 meters in

869

00:43:32,920 --> 00:43:29,390

diameter we turn to page 4 UFO landing

870

00:43:36,309 --> 00:43:32,930

mystery sheep panicked by eerie light in

871

00:43:39,160 --> 00:43:36,319

the fields exclusive report by John

872

00:43:42,640 --> 00:43:39,170

Hinckley three frightened farmers

873

00:43:44,710 --> 00:43:42,650

believe a gigantic UFO landed last week

874

00:43:48,400 --> 00:43:44,720

on their Victorian week property a

875

00:43:50,589 --> 00:43:48,410

pattern of five perfect circles in which

876

00:43:53,230 --> 00:43:50,599

unbroken wheat stalks swirl

877

00:43:57,039 --> 00:43:53,240

anti-clockwise have been found on the

878

00:43:59,559 --> 00:43:57,049

9,000 hectare farm West Park run by Max

879

00:44:02,950 --> 00:43:59,569

and Nancy jolly and their son Stuart

880

00:44:06,549 --> 00:44:02,960

aged 29 the startling discovery comes

881

00:44:09,630 --> 00:44:06,559

only four weeks after the family's 700

882

00:44:12,760 --> 00:44:09,640

sheep were panicked by a huge yellow

883

00:44:16,120 --> 00:44:12,770

object pulsating above the paddocks in

884

00:44:18,910 --> 00:44:16,130

western Victoria's Mally region first to

885

00:44:21,339 --> 00:44:18,920

notice the uncanny quote landing rings

886

00:44:24,640 --> 00:44:21,349

end quote where Jali's neighbors Brian

887

00:44:26,349 --> 00:44:24,650

Finch and Austin grace quote they'd

888

00:44:29,230 --> 00:44:26,359

brought in an international combine

889

00:44:31,599 --> 00:44:29,240

harvester onto our property to strip

890

00:44:34,210 --> 00:44:31,609

wheat and quote Nancy jolly told me

891

00:44:36,250 --> 00:44:34,220

quote sitting in an elevated de cabin

892

00:44:37,870 --> 00:44:36,260

about five meters above the ground they

893

00:44:41,589 --> 00:44:37,880

spotted what everyone else had missed

894

00:44:43,870 --> 00:44:41,599

two large swirled circles of wheat about

895

00:44:46,630 --> 00:44:43,880

three meters in diameter surrounded by

896

00:44:49,660 --> 00:44:46,640

three smaller circles each of about one

897

00:44:53,200 --> 00:44:49,670

meter obviously something exerting

898

00:44:55,210 --> 00:44:53,210

colossal forces set down there outside

899

00:44:58,030 --> 00:44:55,220

the circles you can scratch dirt up with

900

00:45:02,260 --> 00:44:58,040

your fingers but inside the ground is

901  
00:45:05,380 --> 00:45:02,270  
increasingly compressed like cement the

902  
00:45:08,140 --> 00:45:05,390  
weight appears to be woven almost like a

903  
00:45:11,800 --> 00:45:08,150  
straw basket the stalks are quite

904  
00:45:15,250 --> 00:45:11,810  
amazingly undamaged with the grain fully

905  
00:45:18,040 --> 00:45:15,260  
matured in the heads which suggests the

906  
00:45:20,350 --> 00:45:18,050  
landing might have occurred sometime

907  
00:45:24,100 --> 00:45:20,360  
last week in quote the mind-blowing

908  
00:45:26,590 --> 00:45:24,110  
circles discovery climaxes two years of

909  
00:45:30,010 --> 00:45:26,600  
mystery and fear for the jolly family in

910  
00:45:33,520 --> 00:45:30,020  
November 1987 following sightings of

911  
00:45:37,750 --> 00:45:33,530  
eerie aerial lights Nancy found that the

912  
00:45:40,510 --> 00:45:37,760  
farm houses 40,000 liter water tank had

913  
00:45:42,250 --> 00:45:40,520

been totally drained overnight quote we

914

00:45:46,350 --> 00:45:42,260

haven't a clue what happened and quota

915

00:45:50,050 --> 00:45:46,360

she said quote all we know is someone or

916

00:45:54,340 --> 00:45:50,060

something took every drop of our water

917

00:45:57,370 --> 00:45:54,350

main quota in 1981 I investigated

918

00:46:00,010 --> 00:45:57,380

several similar cases of UFO related

919

00:46:03,190 --> 00:46:00,020

water disappearances all were in

920

00:46:06,370 --> 00:46:03,200

northern Victoria in December 1988

921

00:46:09,220 --> 00:46:06,380

stuart jolly was shocked from sleep by a

922

00:46:13,650 --> 00:46:09,230

shattering noise outside his bedroom

923

00:46:16,870 --> 00:46:13,660

window subheading berserk quote I

924

00:46:20,560 --> 00:46:16,880

thought the racket would puncture my

925

00:46:23,290 --> 00:46:20,570

eardrums and quote he recalled it was

926

00:46:25,630 --> 00:46:23,300

like the scream of jet engines revving

927

00:46:29,410 --> 00:46:25,640

up and down with the shrilling of

928

00:46:32,560 --> 00:46:29,420

thousands of cicadas mixed in my dog

929

00:46:35,080 --> 00:46:32,570

would normally have been on the spot and

930

00:46:38,080 --> 00:46:35,090

barking but he seemed to have shot

931

00:46:40,810 --> 00:46:38,090

through and just for international

932

00:46:43,630 --> 00:46:40,820

listeners shot through means disappeared

933

00:46:45,880 --> 00:46:43,640

more or less or run away I rushed

934

00:46:49,900 --> 00:46:45,890

outside but saw nothing the racket

935

00:46:51,610 --> 00:46:49,910

seemed to be coming from empty sky the

936

00:46:53,620 --> 00:46:51,620

jollies endured an even more bizarre

937

00:46:56,470 --> 00:46:53,630

brush with the unknown in August this

938

00:46:58,210 --> 00:46:56,480

year quote about nine o'clock one night

939

00:46:59,490 --> 00:46:58,220

I heard a commotion and went out to see

940

00:47:02,250 --> 00:46:59,500

what was happening

941

00:47:05,670 --> 00:47:02,260

in quotes Stuart said quote the trouble

942

00:47:07,770 --> 00:47:05,680

was centered on a sheep panic our 700

943

00:47:11,099 --> 00:47:07,780

ewes and lambs had gone berserk

944

00:47:14,820 --> 00:47:11,109

they were dashing around and bleating in

945

00:47:17,099 --> 00:47:14,830

total panic and then I saw why hovering

946

00:47:19,020 --> 00:47:17,109

above the paddock was a huge yellow

947

00:47:22,050 --> 00:47:19,030

light that seemed to be pulsating at

948

00:47:24,330 --> 00:47:22,060

first I thought someone was spotlighting

949

00:47:27,150 --> 00:47:24,340

our sheep but then I realized the light

950

00:47:31,080 --> 00:47:27,160

was far too big for that also it was

951  
00:47:34,260 --> 00:47:31,090  
making a weird high-pitched noise like

952  
00:47:38,580 --> 00:47:34,270  
the blades of a helicopter with its

953  
00:47:41,250 --> 00:47:38,590  
engines off and slowing I'd never seen

954  
00:47:42,990 --> 00:47:41,260  
sheep go wild in that way before if a

955  
00:47:44,630 --> 00:47:43,000  
dog had been threatening them they

956  
00:47:47,730 --> 00:47:44,640  
simply would have huddled together

957  
00:47:50,339 --> 00:47:47,740  
reasonably calm and disciplined but this

958  
00:47:51,990 --> 00:47:50,349  
mob were stumbling all over the paddock

959  
00:47:55,470 --> 00:47:52,000  
I could see it was the light and the

960  
00:47:57,750 --> 00:47:55,480  
noise that were driving them crazy after

961  
00:48:01,050 --> 00:47:57,760  
a few more minutes of chaos the light

962  
00:48:03,390 --> 00:48:01,060  
started to move foolishly perhaps I got

963  
00:48:05,370 --> 00:48:03,400

into the car to chase it but before I

964

00:48:08,339 --> 00:48:05,380

could start up it vanished behind the

965

00:48:12,390 --> 00:48:08,349

pine trees quote we went out with

966

00:48:15,030 --> 00:48:12,400

torches and again that means flashlights

967

00:48:18,870 --> 00:48:15,040

we went out with torches and were amazed

968

00:48:21,150 --> 00:48:18,880

to find a wedged tailed eagle with a

969

00:48:24,050 --> 00:48:21,160

wingspan of about two metres stumbling

970

00:48:28,109 --> 00:48:24,060

around in the paddock seemingly in shock

971

00:48:30,300 --> 00:48:28,119

and this is the story that Steve Roberts

972

00:48:33,720 --> 00:48:30,310

who just heard saw in the truth

973

00:48:38,670 --> 00:48:33,730

newspaper and contacted the reporter and

974

00:48:43,230 --> 00:48:38,680

a few days later in fact on December the

975

00:48:46,070 --> 00:48:43,240

23rd there was a follow up again we have

976  
00:48:50,640 --> 00:48:46,080  
the same picture of the crop circle and

977  
00:48:54,750 --> 00:48:50,650  
the headline skeptic UFO proof hasn't

978  
00:48:56,970 --> 00:48:54,760  
cropped up story by Ricky Turner flatten

979  
00:48:59,099 --> 00:48:56,980  
crop circles found recently in a

980  
00:49:00,980 --> 00:48:59,109  
Victorian wheat crop could have been

981  
00:49:04,530 --> 00:49:00,990  
made by a man or men with a stick

982  
00:49:06,690 --> 00:49:04,540  
according to Australian sceptics Stephen

983  
00:49:09,000 --> 00:49:06,700  
Roberts Melbourne UFO spokesman for

984  
00:49:12,490 --> 00:49:09,010  
Australian skeptics contacted truth

985  
00:49:14,680 --> 00:49:12,500  
after our world exclusive story reported

986  
00:49:17,050 --> 00:49:14,690  
possible UFO activity that has

987  
00:49:20,170 --> 00:49:17,060  
frightened farmers in western Victoria's

988  
00:49:22,900 --> 00:49:20,180

Maui district now a report featured

989

00:49:25,350 --> 00:49:22,910

pictures of large circles of wheat

990

00:49:29,020 --> 00:49:25,360

flattened in an anti-clockwise direction

991

00:49:31,050 --> 00:49:29,030

possibly where a craft landed and told

992

00:49:34,390 --> 00:49:31,060

of water tanks mysteriously emptied

993

00:49:37,090 --> 00:49:34,400

wheat farmers Max and Nancy jolly and

994

00:49:39,820 --> 00:49:37,100

their son Stuart believed a gigantic UFO

995

00:49:42,580 --> 00:49:39,830

landed on their 9,000 hectare property

996

00:49:45,130 --> 00:49:42,590

earlier this month and claimed the

997

00:49:48,010 --> 00:49:45,140

landing climaxes two years of UFO

998

00:49:50,320 --> 00:49:48,020

activity in the area in August this year

999

00:49:53,410 --> 00:49:50,330

sheep on the farm were terrified by a

1000

00:49:56,260 --> 00:49:53,420

large orb of yellow light that hovered

1001  
00:49:59,410 --> 00:49:56,270  
above them before speeding off in

1002  
00:50:02,320 --> 00:49:59,420  
November 1987 following sightings of

1003  
00:50:05,620 --> 00:50:02,330  
eerie aerial lights nancy jolly found

1004  
00:50:09,910 --> 00:50:05,630  
the farm houses 40,000 liter water tank

1005  
00:50:12,790 --> 00:50:09,920  
had totally drained quote nonsense

1006  
00:50:16,180 --> 00:50:12,800  
end quote said mr. Robertson melbourne

1007  
00:50:19,240 --> 00:50:16,190  
computer systems analyst with a PhD in

1008  
00:50:22,480 --> 00:50:19,250  
chemistry quote water doesn't get sucked

1009  
00:50:25,570 --> 00:50:22,490  
up by UFOs and it only disappears from a

1010  
00:50:26,860 --> 00:50:25,580  
tank when somebody steals it or the tank

1011  
00:50:29,860 --> 00:50:26,870  
springs a leak

1012  
00:50:32,650 --> 00:50:29,870  
what would a spacecraft do with

1013  
00:50:35,560 --> 00:50:32,660

thousands of gallons of water a water

1014

00:50:39,160 --> 00:50:35,570

propelled spacecraft I don't think so

1015

00:50:41,170 --> 00:50:39,170

where's the hard evidence of a UFO there

1016

00:50:43,660 --> 00:50:41,180

have been so many of these circle

1017

00:50:46,540 --> 00:50:43,670

markings found that surely there would

1018

00:50:48,820 --> 00:50:46,550

be some hard evidence by now the thing

1019

00:50:51,550 --> 00:50:48,830

that makes these marks has never seen

1020

00:50:54,490 --> 00:50:51,560

we widely believe these strange circles

1021

00:50:57,400 --> 00:50:54,500

are made by men men with a stick and

1022

00:51:00,810 --> 00:50:57,410

even the largest ones could have easily

1023

00:51:03,690 --> 00:51:00,820

been made in about half an hour in quote

1024

00:51:06,550 --> 00:51:03,700

mr. Robert said claims of UFO activity

1025

00:51:09,640 --> 00:51:06,560

gained credence because quote people

1026  
00:51:12,550 --> 00:51:09,650  
really want to believe in UFOs I would

1027  
00:51:14,680 --> 00:51:12,560  
like to believe in UFOs and make contact

1028  
00:51:17,380 --> 00:51:14,690  
with other beings myself but until there

1029  
00:51:19,270 --> 00:51:17,390  
is some hard evidence and a fuzzy

1030  
00:51:22,120 --> 00:51:19,280  
photograph or a patch of ground that

1031  
00:51:24,790 --> 00:51:22,130  
anyone could have trampled just isn't

1032  
00:51:26,020 --> 00:51:24,800  
good enough we have to conclude the

1033  
00:51:29,710 --> 00:51:26,030  
obvious

1034  
00:51:31,900 --> 00:51:29,720  
there are no UFOs end quote and we have

1035  
00:51:36,730 --> 00:51:31,910  
a reply by the original reporter Pinkley

1036  
00:51:38,890 --> 00:51:36,740  
it says Pinkley how would you know truth

1037  
00:51:41,590 --> 00:51:38,900  
writer John Pinkley Australia's most

1038  
00:51:44,680 --> 00:51:41,600

famous UFO investigator has challenged

1039

00:51:48,060 --> 00:51:44,690

mr. Roberts or anyone else to duplicate

1040

00:51:51,850 --> 00:51:48,070

the circles found in Jolly's wheat farm

1041

00:51:55,360 --> 00:51:51,860

quote it can't be done by humans because

1042

00:51:57,550 --> 00:51:55,370

you can't bend wheat over like that when

1043

00:52:00,670 --> 00:51:57,560

it comes close to harvest and quote mr.

1044

00:52:03,760 --> 00:52:00,680

pink we said quote the stalks snap and

1045

00:52:06,520 --> 00:52:03,770

that is the amazing thing with all these

1046

00:52:09,310 --> 00:52:06,530

circles not a single stalk is ever

1047

00:52:12,310 --> 00:52:09,320

snapped we have proven it can't be done

1048

00:52:14,800 --> 00:52:12,320

unlike mr. Roberts we have taken the

1049

00:52:17,530 --> 00:52:14,810

trouble to study these circles and to

1050

00:52:20,170 --> 00:52:17,540

conduct some tests and quote mr. pink

1051

00:52:21,760 --> 00:52:20,180

Lee said there have been dozens of

1052

00:52:24,340 --> 00:52:21,770

similar circles turning up all over

1053

00:52:27,300 --> 00:52:24,350

Victoria and reports from all over the

1054

00:52:33,440 --> 00:52:27,310

world of huge amounts of stored water

1055

00:52:39,339 --> 00:52:36,140

and that story originally published in

1056

00:52:44,960 --> 00:52:39,349

the truth newspaper now defunct in

1057

00:52:48,200 --> 00:52:44,970

December 1989 and this was discovered as

1058

00:52:50,539 --> 00:52:48,210

we were conducting research at the State

1059

00:52:54,109 --> 00:52:50,549

Library of Victoria and this was all

1060

00:52:56,600 --> 00:52:54,119

coming off the archives of microfilm a

1061

00:53:10,170 --> 00:52:56,610

great yarn from years ago

1062

00:53:14,200 --> 00:53:12,549

hi this is Ben Radford and this is

1063

00:53:16,390 --> 00:53:14,210

Pascual Romero from the squaring the

1064

00:53:18,220 --> 00:53:16,400

strange podcast every week my co-host

1065

00:53:20,650 --> 00:53:18,230

and I cast a skeptical eye at a

1066

00:53:22,599 --> 00:53:20,660

different topic monsters ghosts demons

1067

00:53:24,670 --> 00:53:22,609

mysteries and even current events are

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00:53:26,739 --> 00:53:24,680

dissected and discussed with a fun

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00:53:28,239 --> 00:53:26,749

unscripted and skeptical take that

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00:53:30,819 --> 00:53:28,249

you're sure to enjoy find this is

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00:53:38,290 --> 00:53:30,829

squirting strange calm iTunes or on your

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00:53:38,300 --> 00:53:48,480

[Music]

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00:53:53,050 --> 00:53:50,710

thank you for listening to the skeptic

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00:53:55,150 --> 00:53:53,060

zone and a big big thank you to dr.

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00:53:58,540 --> 00:53:55,160

Steve Roberts and his wife Barbara for

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00:54:00,609 --> 00:53:58,550  
having me stay over in their house and a

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00:54:03,250 --> 00:54:00,619  
big THANK YOU to Steve especially for

1078  
00:54:05,680 --> 00:54:03,260  
coming in with me every day our to the

1079  
00:54:08,050 --> 00:54:05,690  
library to help me with this research

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00:54:11,800 --> 00:54:08,060  
between the two of us had meant we got

1081  
00:54:13,450 --> 00:54:11,810  
through everything doubly quick I guess

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00:54:15,520 --> 00:54:13,460  
I would have been there for many more

1083  
00:54:17,319 --> 00:54:15,530  
days to get through everything but with

1084  
00:54:20,290 --> 00:54:17,329  
Steve Roberts by my side getting through

1085  
00:54:20,980 --> 00:54:20,300  
these issues of the magazine we we got

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00:54:22,690 --> 00:54:20,990  
the job done

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00:54:24,810 --> 00:54:22,700  
which meant thumbing through the

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00:54:27,700 --> 00:54:24,820

magazine look at the content pages and

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00:54:32,670 --> 00:54:27,710

photographing the articles in question

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00:54:37,720 --> 00:54:32,680

and in the end we had in the order of

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00:54:39,550 --> 00:54:37,730

240 items that we archived now they have

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00:54:41,890 --> 00:54:39,560

to be put into a spreadsheet and

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00:54:44,859 --> 00:54:41,900

analyzed and well the project goes on

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00:54:48,880 --> 00:54:44,869

and as I mentioned last week I might be

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00:54:52,359 --> 00:54:48,890

I might be asking for help is some time

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00:54:55,839 --> 00:54:52,369

this year from listeners to help with

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00:54:58,120 --> 00:54:55,849

that project stay tuned but for this

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00:55:04,720 --> 00:54:58,130

week this is Richard Saunders signing

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00:55:06,790 --> 00:55:04,730

off from Sydney Australia you've been

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production reviews and opinions

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expressed on the skeptic zone are not

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necessarily those of Australian skeptics