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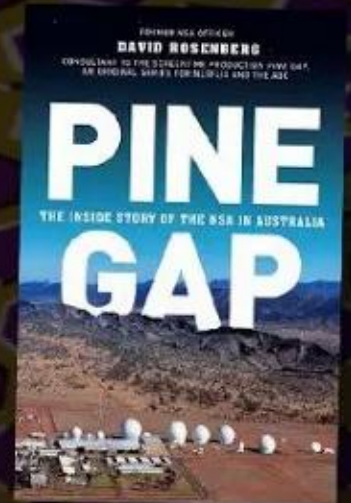


Skepticon 2018
Trivia Night

Maynard with...

Mandy-Lee Noble
Beth Darlington
Dr Sue Blackmore
Jo Benhamu
Dr Pamela Gay
Kirsten Banks
Dr Karl
Jane Hansen

Pine Gap Book Launch
with David Rosenberg



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00:00:03,470 --> 00:00:02,000
hi I'm Yvette Dawn's from ah aka the

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00:00:11,959 --> 00:00:03,480
sigh babe and you're listening to me on

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00:00:14,839 --> 00:00:11,969
the sceptic zone welcome to the skipped

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00:00:16,260 --> 00:00:14,849
exam the podcast from Australia for

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00:00:18,330 --> 00:00:16,270
science and reason

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00:00:27,940 --> 00:00:18,340
[Music]

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00:00:34,280 --> 00:00:30,620
yes it's the skeptic zone podcast

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00:00:37,070 --> 00:00:34,290
episode number 522 for the 21st of

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00:00:40,100 --> 00:00:37,080
October 2018 richardsaunders here with

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00:00:42,979 --> 00:00:40,110
you from Sydney Australia lightning and

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00:00:45,229 --> 00:00:42,989
thunder and rain and hail and cats and

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00:00:49,640 --> 00:00:45,239
dogs and puddles and everything last

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00:00:52,729 --> 00:00:49,650

week has been wet but it did not oh no

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00:00:55,130 --> 00:00:52,739

it did not dampen the skeptic on last

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00:00:56,780 --> 00:00:55,140

weekend in fact the way that was okay

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00:00:59,329 --> 00:00:56,790

it's sort of rained a little bit and

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00:01:00,259 --> 00:00:59,339

then it was sort of okay what a huge

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00:01:03,680 --> 00:01:00,269

success

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00:01:05,270 --> 00:01:03,690

skeptic on was the the the positive

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00:01:07,940 --> 00:01:05,280

comments for organizing that and putting

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00:01:10,160 --> 00:01:07,950

that together and bringing out those

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00:01:12,440 --> 00:01:10,170

special guests flowing back to the

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00:01:14,930 --> 00:01:12,450

Australian skeptics have been just

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00:01:17,810 --> 00:01:14,940

terrific it's a very nice compliments

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00:01:19,580 --> 00:01:17,820

coming back to me thank you very much I

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00:01:22,460 --> 00:01:19,590

gave a couple of presentations more

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00:01:26,210 --> 00:01:22,470

about that in the coming weeks in fact

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00:01:29,690 --> 00:01:26,220

we're gonna kick off today with a report

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00:01:32,780 --> 00:01:29,700

from a nod at skeptical trivia which was

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00:01:36,770 --> 00:01:32,790

the kickoff event the leading event for

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00:01:39,800 --> 00:01:36,780

skeptic on 2018 oh wow that was fun that

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00:01:44,180 --> 00:01:39,810

was fun really lots of people playing

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00:01:45,800 --> 00:01:44,190

trivia and Maynard tonight running

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00:01:48,770 --> 00:01:45,810

around at the pub with his microphone

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00:01:51,050 --> 00:01:48,780

chats - skeptic zone reporter mandy lean

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00:01:53,690 --> 00:01:51,060

Noble one of the vice presidents of

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00:01:56,630 --> 00:01:53,700

Australian skeptics joke Ben amou former

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00:01:58,820 --> 00:01:56,640

skeptic zone reporter Beth Darlington

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00:02:01,550 --> 00:01:58,830
from access paranormal who was a guest

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00:02:04,490 --> 00:02:01,560
of the convention another guest dr. sue

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00:02:08,210 --> 00:02:04,500
Blackmore was there Kirsten banks yet

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00:02:09,949 --> 00:02:08,220
another guest and dr. Pamela gay all

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00:02:14,119 --> 00:02:09,959
these people were rubbing shoulders at

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00:02:16,190 --> 00:02:14,129
the trivia night then after that I read

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00:02:20,000 --> 00:02:16,200
out the winners of the Australian

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00:02:22,520 --> 00:02:20,010
skeptics annual awards including the

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00:02:25,250 --> 00:02:22,530
bent spoon award and the inaugural Barry

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00:02:26,960 --> 00:02:25,260
Williams award for skeptical journalism

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00:02:28,789 --> 00:02:26,970
now of course Barry Williams was a

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00:02:31,670 --> 00:02:28,799
longtime member of the Australian

51
00:02:34,460 --> 00:02:31,680
skeptics a former president and editor

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00:02:37,250 --> 00:02:34,470
of the skeptic magazine who sadly died

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00:02:38,190 --> 00:02:37,260
in January this year and we decided to

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00:02:41,339 --> 00:02:38,200
have an

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00:02:44,040 --> 00:02:41,349
ward in his honor now it's giving out no

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00:02:48,020 --> 00:02:44,050
secrets to say that the journalist Jane

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00:02:50,610 --> 00:02:48,030
Hansen won the award and following the

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00:02:53,910 --> 00:02:50,620
the reading of the report about the

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00:02:54,750 --> 00:02:53,920
awards may not interviews Jane Hansen on

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00:02:56,820 --> 00:02:54,760
today's show

61
00:02:59,759 --> 00:02:56,830
then it's the first interview from

62
00:03:02,610 --> 00:02:59,769
skeptic on itself with dr. Kyle Cruz on

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00:03:06,030 --> 00:03:02,620

whiskey and dr. Carl tells may not how

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00:03:08,490 --> 00:03:06,040

to handle all those awkward questions at

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00:03:11,160 --> 00:03:08,500

dinner parties and around off the show

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00:03:14,100 --> 00:03:11,170

no may not never never takes a break

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00:03:16,830 --> 00:03:14,110

these microphones always by his side

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00:03:20,069 --> 00:03:16,840

in fact Maynard and I went to the book

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00:03:23,220 --> 00:03:20,079

launch of the book by David Rosenberg

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00:03:25,949 --> 00:03:23,230

about Pine Gap because this has just

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00:03:28,350 --> 00:03:25,959

been released as a miniseries here in

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00:03:30,690 --> 00:03:28,360

Australia and of course Pine Gap which

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00:03:33,180 --> 00:03:30,700

is the joint intelligence gathering

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00:03:34,860 --> 00:03:33,190

facility in Australia between the United

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00:03:37,830 --> 00:03:34,870

States and Australia it's of great

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00:03:40,259 --> 00:03:37,840

interest to conspiracy theorists who

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00:03:44,789 --> 00:03:40,269

think no end of things are going on

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00:03:47,370 --> 00:03:44,799

there from aliens being bred to secret

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00:03:49,250 --> 00:03:47,380

well obviously secrets but they love it

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00:03:53,190 --> 00:03:49,260

it's sort of like the Australia

81

00:03:54,809 --> 00:03:53,200

Australian version of area 51 but what a

82

00:03:56,910 --> 00:03:54,819

fun time that was to attend a book

83

00:03:59,879 --> 00:03:56,920

launch have a glass of champagne and a

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00:04:02,550 --> 00:03:59,889

few cheese biscuits and listen to David

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00:04:05,970 --> 00:04:02,560

Rosenberg now before we get stuck into

86

00:04:09,300 --> 00:04:05,980

the show one of the many highlights for

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00:04:13,819 --> 00:04:09,310

me while at the convention was on the

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00:04:16,920 --> 00:04:13,829

Saturday evening pre-dinner drinks I

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00:04:20,879 --> 00:04:16,930

arranged with my friends at the ESP

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00:04:22,950 --> 00:04:20,889

podcast to do a live video hookup at two

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00:04:26,640 --> 00:04:22,960

QED in Manchester

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00:04:30,750 --> 00:04:26,650

so why people were lined up to register

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00:04:32,969 --> 00:04:30,760

to get into QED people in Australia were

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00:04:34,500 --> 00:04:32,979

milling around having pre-dinner drinks

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00:04:37,710 --> 00:04:34,510

and I was running around with my iPad

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00:04:39,779 --> 00:04:37,720

with the video on Qantas Burkman work

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00:04:42,600 --> 00:04:39,789

from the ESP was running around with his

98

00:04:44,850 --> 00:04:42,610

phone I think with the video on so folks

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00:04:47,880 --> 00:04:44,860

in Sydney were able to chat and wave to

100

00:04:50,219 --> 00:04:47,890

folks in Manchester at both conventions

101
00:04:51,240 --> 00:04:50,229
that was a lot of fun and thank you to

102
00:04:53,820 --> 00:04:51,250
pontus for helping

103
00:04:56,310 --> 00:04:53,830
put all that together but now it's time

104
00:04:59,700 --> 00:04:56,320
for me to run downstairs and inspired by

105
00:05:03,690 --> 00:04:59,710
Yvette dancer on the sigh babe have a

106
00:05:06,250 --> 00:05:03,700
nice piece of sushi while I do that I

107
00:05:13,800 --> 00:05:06,260
hope you enjoy the skeptic zone

108
00:05:18,709 --> 00:05:13,810
[Music]

109
00:05:29,209 --> 00:05:23,600
years may not spooky action at the

110
00:05:30,649 --> 00:05:29,219
distance it's the beginning of a weekend

111
00:05:31,850 --> 00:05:30,659
of huffing and puffing and rushing and

112
00:05:33,649 --> 00:05:31,860
crushing and walking around as the

113
00:05:35,329 --> 00:05:33,659

biggest skeptical event on the national

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00:05:37,759 --> 00:05:35,339

calendar takes place it's skeptic on

115

00:05:39,379 --> 00:05:37,769

Sydney that's right but skeptics from

116

00:05:41,269 --> 00:05:39,389

all over the world and all over the

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00:05:42,679 --> 00:05:41,279

bathroom will be coming to see what's

118

00:05:43,879 --> 00:05:42,689

going on and we're having our first

119

00:05:44,989 --> 00:05:43,889

event for the whole thing this is

120

00:05:47,149 --> 00:05:44,999

usually the night that's the biggest one

121

00:05:49,819 --> 00:05:47,159

last year who could forget we had the

122

00:05:52,219 --> 00:05:49,829

guys from cognitive dissidence on the

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00:05:53,839 --> 00:05:52,229

scathing atheist on is a huge night and

124

00:05:56,029 --> 00:05:53,849

was absolutely packed so that's why

125

00:05:57,619 --> 00:05:56,039

we're doing two levels of the

126
00:05:59,449 --> 00:05:57,629
meet-and-greet which is the Occidental

127
00:06:01,939 --> 00:05:59,459
hotel where we normally have the the

128
00:06:03,319 --> 00:06:01,949
mighty skeptics in the pub so what we're

129
00:06:04,879 --> 00:06:03,329
going to be doing tonight is on this

130
00:06:07,850 --> 00:06:04,889
first level where I am there's gonna be

131
00:06:09,469 --> 00:06:07,860
a trivia contest and the level above is

132
00:06:10,999 --> 00:06:09,479
where the hardcore drinkers will be and

133
00:06:12,499 --> 00:06:11,009
people will sort of oscillate between

134
00:06:14,929 --> 00:06:12,509
the two like the use of The Skeptical

135
00:06:15,979 --> 00:06:14,939
word there oscillate and of course a new

136
00:06:18,979 --> 00:06:15,989
world I've discovered which I'm really

137
00:06:20,509 --> 00:06:18,989
getting into nimman vidiian we'll find

138
00:06:23,779 --> 00:06:20,519

out what that is later you name them

139

00:06:25,040 --> 00:06:23,789

Gideon's you cuz you hang around the bar

140

00:06:28,339 --> 00:06:25,050

and who should we bump into who we got

141

00:06:29,929 --> 00:06:28,349

here okay Mandy how do you feel what

142

00:06:31,459 --> 00:06:29,939

what is the big what it's a hot tip for

143

00:06:35,149 --> 00:06:31,469

this weekend as far as the skeptical

144

00:06:37,989 --> 00:06:35,159

thing what are you here to see probably

145

00:06:40,879 --> 00:06:37,999

looking forward to Richard Saunders

146

00:06:42,379 --> 00:06:40,889

doing his talk he still makes it all up

147

00:06:45,920 --> 00:06:42,389

you know

148

00:06:48,589 --> 00:06:45,930

I've no doubt and are you doing a talk

149

00:06:51,320 --> 00:06:48,599

this weekend no I'm one that got you

150

00:06:52,670 --> 00:06:51,330

here what didn't I do it well I came on

151
00:06:55,820 --> 00:06:52,680
my own steam this year and I'm looking

152
00:06:57,439 --> 00:06:55,830
forward to having to break it okay and

153
00:07:02,420 --> 00:06:57,449
now you're hanging around these

154
00:07:03,980 --> 00:07:02,430
skeptical foyer out the front where the

155
00:07:05,629 --> 00:07:03,990
thing is spending a week in amounts of

156
00:07:07,850 --> 00:07:05,639
like-minded people with some interesting

157
00:07:09,740 --> 00:07:07,860
debate yes yes people who are interested

158
00:07:12,920 --> 00:07:09,750
in having conversations about skeptical

159
00:07:18,499 --> 00:07:12,930
things sometimes are short on the ground

160
00:07:19,790 --> 00:07:18,509
out there sometime thank you oh look

161
00:07:20,719 --> 00:07:19,800
there's race many special guests have

162
00:07:22,580 --> 00:07:20,729
flown in from all over the country

163
00:07:24,170 --> 00:07:22,590

mothers people would be Joe great to

164

00:07:28,459 --> 00:07:24,180

have you here from Melbourne I'm a nod

165

00:07:31,249 --> 00:07:28,469

nice to see that fabulous suit look this

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00:07:32,510 --> 00:07:31,259

was given to me by Jim Ferguson you you

167

00:07:33,709 --> 00:07:32,520

would have you would have seen this suit

168

00:07:35,809 --> 00:07:33,719

on don't leave home without your

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00:07:37,399 --> 00:07:35,819

toothbrush okay the only two remaining

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00:07:38,659 --> 00:07:37,409

suits that are any good are the red one

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00:07:39,080 --> 00:07:38,669

and the blue one and you gave them both

172

00:07:41,570 --> 00:07:39,090

to me

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00:07:43,070 --> 00:07:41,580

I remember that suit actually yes this

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00:07:45,469 --> 00:07:43,080

suit is giving away prizes but not

175

00:07:46,879 --> 00:07:45,479

tonight the skeptic there's Richard said

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00:07:49,219 --> 00:07:46,889

there's a cash prize for trivia but he

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00:07:52,040 --> 00:07:49,229

didn't say how much I'm saying it's a

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00:07:53,209 --> 00:07:52,050

lazy 5 knowing the skeptics and so

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00:07:55,010 --> 00:07:53,219

what's the big skeptical issue that's

180

00:07:58,329 --> 00:07:55,020

been burning your butt off over the past

181

00:08:03,920 --> 00:07:58,339

year since we last spoke to you probably

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00:08:07,879 --> 00:08:03,930

really bothering me probably the last

183

00:08:10,700 --> 00:08:07,889

time I spoke to you I was still you know

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00:08:12,079 --> 00:08:10,710

I work in cynical research I remember

185

00:08:13,790 --> 00:08:12,089

giving you a prize or something when I

186

00:08:15,439 --> 00:08:13,800

hosted a dinner last year didn't you win

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00:08:17,779 --> 00:08:15,449

something skeptical or you came up to

188

00:08:19,909 --> 00:08:17,789

speaking was like hey no I came out a prize

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00:08:21,260 --> 00:08:19,919

oh okay I haven't won any prizes

190

00:08:23,689 --> 00:08:21,270

although I have to give them out to

191

00:08:26,290 --> 00:08:23,699

other people know the thing that's

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00:08:28,850 --> 00:08:26,300

really bothering me at the moment is

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00:08:32,719 --> 00:08:28,860

cancer patients being taken advantage of

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00:08:35,509 --> 00:08:32,729

by various proponents of dubious

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00:08:36,980 --> 00:08:35,519

therapies in Australia our regulations

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00:08:38,300 --> 00:08:36,990

are a bit tighter so are they going

197

00:08:39,439 --> 00:08:38,310

overseas to do this well they're

198

00:08:41,490 --> 00:08:39,449

slipping between the cracks of our

199

00:08:43,409 --> 00:08:41,500

regulations here

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00:08:45,090 --> 00:08:43,419

they ask some look I think they still

201
00:08:46,920 --> 00:08:45,100
very much are going overseas so you know

202
00:08:52,680 --> 00:08:46,930
we still see patients going over to

203
00:08:55,560 --> 00:08:52,690
Texas or to Mexico and and so on but the

204
00:08:58,860 --> 00:08:55,570
sort of thing I'm seeing more of it's

205
00:09:01,290 --> 00:08:58,870
not necessarily you know people going

206
00:09:03,960 --> 00:09:01,300
off and having some you know alternative

207
00:09:05,160 --> 00:09:03,970
therapy outside of oncology I'm talking

208
00:09:06,840 --> 00:09:05,170
about people who are you know

209
00:09:09,690 --> 00:09:06,850
potentially still having conventional

210
00:09:11,130 --> 00:09:09,700
science based treatments but who are

211
00:09:13,230 --> 00:09:11,140
then going off and having sort of

212
00:09:16,260 --> 00:09:13,240
supportive treatments from naturopaths

213
00:09:18,240 --> 00:09:16,270

or you're going to go into clinics who

214

00:09:20,430 --> 00:09:18,250

are taking advantage of their illness

215

00:09:23,640 --> 00:09:20,440

not necessarily offering to directly

216

00:09:26,340 --> 00:09:23,650

cure them but you know selling them all

217

00:09:27,860 --> 00:09:26,350

manner of supplements and you know

218

00:09:30,870 --> 00:09:27,870

offering them things that that really

219

00:09:33,180 --> 00:09:30,880

kind of don't make sense in terms of the

220

00:09:34,530 --> 00:09:33,190

disease they have and confusing them the

221

00:09:36,780 --> 00:09:34,540

thing the thing that I'm incredibly

222

00:09:38,370 --> 00:09:36,790

passionate about is actually about

223

00:09:41,340 --> 00:09:38,380

health information it's about how we

224

00:09:43,050 --> 00:09:41,350

educate people so that they understand

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00:09:46,410 --> 00:09:43,060

what's happening to them so that they

226

00:09:48,540 --> 00:09:46,420

are better able to kind of sift through

227

00:09:50,520 --> 00:09:48,550

all of the the huge amounts of

228

00:09:52,020 --> 00:09:50,530

information that are thrown at them and

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00:09:54,720 --> 00:09:52,030

I think one of the things that happened

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00:09:56,460 --> 00:09:54,730

so often with you know these these

231

00:09:58,590 --> 00:09:56,470

practitioners is that they've been boos

232

00:10:03,270 --> 00:09:58,600

or people with information at a time and

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00:10:04,650 --> 00:10:03,280

they're really vulnerable and booking

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00:10:06,600 --> 00:10:04,660

job Polly talked to you over the weekend

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00:10:09,180 --> 00:10:06,610

well and welcome welcome thanks he may

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00:10:13,720 --> 00:10:11,680

Richard's been hosting the first round

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00:10:15,670 --> 00:10:13,730

of skeptical questions here at skeptical

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00:10:18,220 --> 00:10:15,680

trivia when the great questions was how

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00:10:20,980 --> 00:10:18,230

far in astronomical units is Earth from

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00:10:24,130 --> 00:10:20,990

the Sun how far in astronomical units is

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00:10:28,470 --> 00:10:24,140

Earth from the Sun the answer coming up

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00:10:30,810 --> 00:10:28,480

later in the show flowers answering them

243

00:10:33,600 --> 00:10:30,820

questions answering our questions one of

244

00:10:35,820 --> 00:10:33,610

our questions what sphere it is the

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00:10:38,130 --> 00:10:35,830

lowest part of the atmosphere what

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00:10:43,290 --> 00:10:38,140

sphere is the lowest part of the

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00:10:45,150 --> 00:10:43,300

atmosphere well it's always to get the

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00:10:46,830 --> 00:10:45,160

air of bitterness that comes over team

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00:10:47,970 --> 00:10:46,840

that come in second last and here's a

250

00:10:49,440 --> 00:10:47,980

team that came second they've got

251
00:10:51,660 --> 00:10:49,450
nothing how do you feel of being pitted

252
00:10:52,590 --> 00:10:51,670
the post trivia newton-john so tell me

253
00:10:59,280 --> 00:10:52,600
how do you feel about being a

254
00:11:00,750 --> 00:10:59,290
disappointing loser I'll say I'm

255
00:11:02,610 --> 00:11:00,760
everyone else in the team reckons you

256
00:11:04,290 --> 00:11:02,620
didn't even contribute anything I did I

257
00:11:06,060 --> 00:11:04,300
did I contributed unique a Garen but

258
00:11:08,190 --> 00:11:06,070
they didn't write it down Sputnik I got

259
00:11:11,190 --> 00:11:08,200
Sputnik I got yeah she's giving answers

260
00:11:12,510 --> 00:11:11,200
you didn't write it down more to say

261
00:11:16,680 --> 00:11:12,520
don't anyone say anything

262
00:11:18,060 --> 00:11:16,690
I got Universal Serial bus ah well you

263
00:11:20,400 --> 00:11:18,070

came pretty close it what do you blame

264

00:11:22,460 --> 00:11:20,410

your loss the fact that Jamie and Brad

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00:11:25,050 --> 00:11:22,470

ditched us before the end I blame them

266

00:11:28,140 --> 00:11:25,060

yes exactly and the one that knew all

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00:11:29,970 --> 00:11:28,150

the political questions yes we blame

268

00:11:31,890 --> 00:11:29,980

them so it's their fault that's really

269

00:11:36,510 --> 00:11:31,900

well congratulations on coming second

270

00:11:38,610 --> 00:11:36,520

anyway the tribute has already been on

271

00:11:39,930 --> 00:11:38,620

folks and everyone's been done pretty

272

00:11:41,610 --> 00:11:39,940

excited by the trivia there there was

273

00:11:43,920 --> 00:11:41,620

some controversial questions maybe about

274

00:11:45,240 --> 00:11:43,930

Colin Baker's partner that was one of

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00:11:47,130 --> 00:11:45,250

the other ones other one was what's the

276

00:11:49,440 --> 00:11:47,140

highest mountain in the universe which

277

00:11:50,580 --> 00:11:49,450

of course uh opposite me up but some

278

00:11:52,650 --> 00:11:50,590

people that would know that they're but

279

00:11:53,730 --> 00:11:52,660

a Hoover got here at Darlington of

280

00:11:55,620 --> 00:11:53,740

access colonel

281

00:11:57,780 --> 00:11:55,630

and it goes you'll be on a panel which

282

00:11:59,730 --> 00:11:57,790

is running on Sunday morning I am very

283

00:12:01,140 --> 00:11:59,740

excited and slightly scared well well

284

00:12:03,270 --> 00:12:01,150

that's the one that's all about cryptids

285

00:12:04,530 --> 00:12:03,280

and ghosties and things like that but I

286

00:12:06,210 --> 00:12:04,540

wouldn't say there were many people who

287

00:12:08,820 --> 00:12:06,220

are believers in that sort of thing here

288

00:12:09,780 --> 00:12:08,830

no no I'm amongst very very different

289

00:12:11,550 --> 00:12:09,790

people but also at the same time

290

00:12:13,140 --> 00:12:11,560

fabulous people mmm

291

00:12:16,320 --> 00:12:13,150

so what is the question you're most

292

00:12:18,690 --> 00:12:16,330

afraid of I don't know yet I think when

293

00:12:20,280 --> 00:12:18,700

it gets asked you'll find out I'm still

294

00:12:21,690 --> 00:12:20,290

working that one out good imagine me

295

00:12:22,590 --> 00:12:21,700

something I why do you bother with that

296

00:12:24,030 --> 00:12:22,600

hoey

297

00:12:25,860 --> 00:12:24,040

maybe something like that that's a

298

00:12:27,210 --> 00:12:25,870

normal question - alright yeah I get

299

00:12:28,830 --> 00:12:27,220

asked that all the time and why do you

300

00:12:31,470 --> 00:12:28,840

bother with that some would go hoey

301

00:12:33,660 --> 00:12:31,480

it fascinates me it just fascinates me

302

00:12:35,340 --> 00:12:33,670

it fascinates the possibility of a

303

00:12:37,170 --> 00:12:35,350

possibility of an afterlife

304

00:12:38,580 --> 00:12:37,180

at the same time being quite logical

305

00:12:41,090 --> 00:12:38,590

about the fact that you know as it

306

00:12:43,980 --> 00:12:41,100

stands with science at the point in time

307

00:12:45,750 --> 00:12:43,990

there is no proof of it but but people

308

00:12:47,910 --> 00:12:45,760

have these experiences I still think

309

00:12:50,910 --> 00:12:47,920

it's quite intriguing so for me again so

310

00:12:52,560 --> 00:12:50,920

what do you think English Victorians

311

00:12:53,940 --> 00:12:52,570

were so obsessed with them because they

312

00:12:55,410 --> 00:12:53,950

had a broom up their bum and it made

313

00:12:57,990 --> 00:12:55,420

them get you know they could they could

314

00:13:01,260 --> 00:12:58,000

speculate about wild stuff a bit more or

315

00:13:02,370 --> 00:13:01,270

not I love your analogy they were pretty

316

00:13:05,460 --> 00:13:02,380

uptight I mean just look at the

317

00:13:07,740 --> 00:13:05,470

buildings they built very very uptight

318

00:13:09,900 --> 00:13:07,750

buildings very uptight jokes I think I

319

00:13:11,610 --> 00:13:09,910

think um because there's a lot of there

320

00:13:14,040 --> 00:13:11,620

was a lost civil war going on in people

321

00:13:15,420 --> 00:13:14,050

people's relatives went over facing

322

00:13:17,010 --> 00:13:15,430

limit came back and they were trying to

323

00:13:18,120 --> 00:13:17,020

find reasons as to try and find out what

324

00:13:19,830 --> 00:13:18,130

happened so they're like well let's go

325

00:13:22,620 --> 00:13:19,840

contact the dead I think a lot of

326

00:13:24,720 --> 00:13:22,630

mediums not necessarily true mediums

327

00:13:26,370 --> 00:13:24,730

were actually trying to you know

328

00:13:27,780 --> 00:13:26,380

obviously find ways in which these

329

00:13:29,070 --> 00:13:27,790

people could actually try and contact

330

00:13:30,630 --> 00:13:29,080

their loved ones so I think there's a

331

00:13:31,860 --> 00:13:30,640

bit of that going on at that time but

332

00:13:34,560 --> 00:13:31,870

yeah I think that's how can a ball it's

333

00:13:36,510 --> 00:13:34,570

parked out you're probably right there

334

00:13:38,040 --> 00:13:36,520

and because how did you go in the trivia

335

00:13:40,410 --> 00:13:38,050

how did you go in the trivia contest we

336

00:13:42,720 --> 00:13:40,420

just had downstairs what we were mid

337

00:13:44,190 --> 00:13:42,730

range but a couple of paranormal

338

00:13:45,720 --> 00:13:44,200

questions I was able to help out with a

339

00:13:48,390 --> 00:13:45,730

team which I felt very privileged to be

340

00:13:49,950 --> 00:13:48,400

able to I'm like I know you knew the

341

00:13:51,840 --> 00:13:49,960

answer to the uri geller question which

342

00:13:53,640 --> 00:13:51,850

was critics thought that he was spending

343

00:13:55,200 --> 00:13:53,650

the spoon with the lasers coming out of

344

00:13:58,440 --> 00:13:55,210

his watch and of course the answer was

345

00:14:00,240 --> 00:13:58,450

his belt buckle which would have been

346

00:14:01,800 --> 00:14:00,250

technically not possible at the time I

347

00:14:04,110 --> 00:14:01,810

don't think you could add a battery for

348

00:14:05,550 --> 00:14:04,120

a laser that small I'm still not

349

00:14:08,420 --> 00:14:05,560

technically possible as far as I'm

350

00:14:13,199 --> 00:14:10,620

have you ever heard Yuri Geller's album

351

00:14:14,910 --> 00:14:13,209

no I haven't have you um yes I have I

352

00:14:17,100 --> 00:14:14,920

have a copy of it in fact he has Maxine

353

00:14:18,930 --> 00:14:17,110

nightingales singing one track on it

354

00:14:21,769 --> 00:14:18,940

with him it's a little bit of the word

355

00:14:24,840 --> 00:14:21,779

ponderous comes to mind

356

00:14:26,699 --> 00:14:24,850

top indulgent comes to mind the tracks

357

00:14:28,380 --> 00:14:26,709

are on YouTube just have a listen listen

358

00:14:31,050 --> 00:14:28,390

doc just google you Rogalla his

359

00:14:32,550 --> 00:14:31,060

self-titled album which was 1774 or

360

00:14:36,569 --> 00:14:32,560

something oh that's a gatefold out my of

361

00:14:39,090 --> 00:14:36,579

course at the vinyl it's great right in

362

00:14:40,650 --> 00:14:39,100

that odd way in that it's opposite to

363

00:14:43,829 --> 00:14:40,660

Grave with something to help clean the

364

00:14:45,360 --> 00:14:43,839

house with yes now what is know we like

365

00:14:47,970 --> 00:14:45,370

lifestyle keepers here on the skeptic

366

00:14:50,280 --> 00:14:47,980

zone so how do you relax and get into

367

00:14:51,509 --> 00:14:50,290

the mood to do your your panel you're

368

00:14:53,940 --> 00:14:51,519

going to be doing how do you get into

369

00:14:55,319 --> 00:14:53,950

the zone so to speak to do the skeptic

370

00:14:56,730 --> 00:14:55,329

and face them down there like you will

371

00:14:58,769 --> 00:14:56,740

be on Sunday morning what's your tip for

372

00:15:00,360 --> 00:14:58,779

the listener out there how they can you

373

00:15:02,130 --> 00:15:00,370

know steel themselves as a difficult

374

00:15:04,530 --> 00:15:02,140

task just remember why you're there

375

00:15:05,850 --> 00:15:04,540

remember why you're invited and enjoy it

376

00:15:07,110 --> 00:15:05,860

enjoy the fact that there are people

377

00:15:08,190 --> 00:15:07,120

that are going to want to hear from you

378

00:15:09,810 --> 00:15:08,200

there's other people that want to hear a

379

00:15:11,610 --> 00:15:09,820

different opinion and at the same time

380

00:15:13,620 --> 00:15:11,620

being ready to to be challenged as well

381

00:15:14,819 --> 00:15:13,630

I think that's important yeah if we can

382

00:15:19,079 --> 00:15:14,829

take that into the whole weekend thank

383

00:15:21,569 --> 00:15:19,089

you I'm here with some major skeptical

384

00:15:23,850 --> 00:15:21,579

people we've got Kirsten Banks and

385

00:15:25,110 --> 00:15:23,860

Pamela gate yeah it's so great to be

386

00:15:27,090 --> 00:15:25,120

talking to you how can I ask you do you

387

00:15:28,319 --> 00:15:27,100

actually produce your own podcasts or do

388

00:15:31,560 --> 00:15:28,329

you just record and get someone to play

389

00:15:35,250 --> 00:15:31,570

with it afterwards I hire an audio

390

00:15:37,829 --> 00:15:35,260

editor I no shame in that I just don't

391

00:15:41,519 --> 00:15:37,839

have the ears to do it it's a magical

392

00:15:46,160 --> 00:15:41,529

skill I do not have is our I advanced up

393

00:15:51,389 --> 00:15:48,840

we also have don't have one photographer

394

00:15:52,439 --> 00:15:51,399

who she might just learn it yes so what

395

00:15:55,019 --> 00:15:52,449

is the big challenge for you this

396

00:15:58,620 --> 00:15:55,029

weekend be time for me is speaking

397

00:16:04,470 --> 00:15:58,630

slowly I get too excited and I speak so

398

00:16:11,380 --> 00:16:09,390

that's nothing a jeering sorry

399

00:16:12,520 --> 00:16:11,390

what's your way to get into the zone

400

00:16:13,810 --> 00:16:12,530

when you've got to present to people at

401
00:16:15,400 --> 00:16:13,820
a conference or is that just completely

402
00:16:17,680 --> 00:16:15,410
natural - because you've done so many

403
00:16:19,780 --> 00:16:17,690
times have a lot I think the thing I

404
00:16:22,000 --> 00:16:19,790
have to worry about is my students say

405
00:16:23,560 --> 00:16:22,010
professor voice it's when someone asks

406
00:16:26,440 --> 00:16:23,570
me a question I've been asked so many

407
00:16:30,340 --> 00:16:26,450
times I have a rote answer and I just go

408
00:16:32,290 --> 00:16:30,350
into the well actually and it's like not

409
00:16:35,740 --> 00:16:32,300
mansplaining not woman splaining is

410
00:16:37,420 --> 00:16:35,750
Professor splaining yeah so that's a

411
00:16:39,760 --> 00:16:37,430
tough one to stop I need to avoid that

412
00:16:40,960 --> 00:16:39,770
that's my goal and now you're very good

413
00:16:42,400 --> 00:16:40,970

at delivering things on time because

414

00:16:44,170 --> 00:16:42,410

lectures were a certain length so you

415

00:16:47,020 --> 00:16:44,180

say you start talking fast towards the

416

00:16:50,280 --> 00:16:47,030

end I try to avoid that I try to make

417

00:16:53,350 --> 00:16:50,290

sure that my lectures are self-contained

418

00:16:55,120 --> 00:16:53,360

I've aired in both directions though

419

00:16:57,670 --> 00:16:55,130

many people worry about running too long

420

00:17:01,510 --> 00:16:57,680

I actually once finished in 40 minutes

421

00:17:04,630 --> 00:17:01,520

for a 55-minute talk that has lasted as

422

00:17:06,690 --> 00:17:04,640

a moment of devastation and vamping all

423

00:17:08,980 --> 00:17:06,700

right so you had 20 minutes of questions

424

00:17:12,640 --> 00:17:08,990

mostly at 20 minutes of being terrified

425

00:17:14,230 --> 00:17:12,650

I was a graduate student oh it would've

426

00:17:16,090 --> 00:17:14,240

been a tough one to time - because you

427

00:17:18,040 --> 00:17:16,100

hadn't done it before yeah exactly and

428

00:17:20,590 --> 00:17:18,050

every talk has to be given the first

429

00:17:23,050 --> 00:17:20,600

time once and that that's always a scary

430

00:17:25,390 --> 00:17:23,060

moment and I have to admit every talk

431

00:17:27,850 --> 00:17:25,400

I've given at a sceptical event or at am

432

00:17:31,000 --> 00:17:27,860

has been the first time I've given that

433

00:17:33,190 --> 00:17:31,010

talk so here's to see what happens on

434

00:17:34,750 --> 00:17:33,200

Sunday I'll probably about to talk to

435

00:17:36,610 --> 00:17:34,760

both you a few times over the over the

436

00:17:38,620 --> 00:17:36,620

weekend but one question before you both

437

00:17:40,690 --> 00:17:38,630

on the astronomical side of things now

438

00:17:41,710 --> 00:17:40,700

people are often going on UFOs and

439

00:17:43,180 --> 00:17:41,720

people would bring that up with you all

440

00:17:45,370 --> 00:17:43,190

the time I still have an issue with the

441

00:17:46,780 --> 00:17:45,380

the the poll of Neptune that's a

442

00:17:49,210 --> 00:17:46,790

straight line thing that's up there it's

443

00:17:50,530 --> 00:17:49,220

gotta be person made it's a square on

444

00:17:52,360 --> 00:17:50,540

the top of the thing but we'll get to

445

00:17:53,920 --> 00:17:52,370

that later but so when people bring up

446

00:17:56,040 --> 00:17:53,930

your phones with you how do you normally

447

00:17:59,170 --> 00:17:56,050

what is it the quick answer with them

448

00:18:01,900 --> 00:17:59,180

then unidentified I'm fine with alien

449

00:18:03,910 --> 00:18:01,910

not so much and you know the military is

450

00:18:06,640 --> 00:18:03,920

better at keeping secrets the scientists

451

00:18:08,830 --> 00:18:06,650

so anyone that says NASA's lying is

452

00:18:11,139 --> 00:18:08,840

wrong and anyone who doesn't think the

453

00:18:12,609 --> 00:18:11,149

military built it is also probably wrong

454

00:18:14,769 --> 00:18:12,619

okay and what have you filled those

455

00:18:16,859 --> 00:18:14,779

questions God I get those questions all

456

00:18:20,680 --> 00:18:16,869

the time

457

00:18:22,810 --> 00:18:20,690

my biggest answer is what is the UFO and

458

00:18:23,979 --> 00:18:22,820

unidentified flying object

459

00:18:25,329 --> 00:18:23,989

look at that flashing thing moving

460

00:18:28,239 --> 00:18:25,339

through the sky that's what we call jet

461

00:18:29,320 --> 00:18:28,249

star both very good answers

462

00:18:30,810 --> 00:18:29,330

you could probably flatten them with

463

00:18:33,430 --> 00:18:30,820

budget saying that the extra-terrestrial

464

00:18:35,079 --> 00:18:33,440

hypothesis is just one and that you

465

00:18:37,659 --> 00:18:35,089

recommend they read the book called UFOs

466

00:18:37,989 --> 00:18:37,669

reframing the debate that's actual title

467

00:18:40,599 --> 00:18:37,999

of it

468

00:18:42,759 --> 00:18:40,609

it's full of essays from people that non

469

00:18:44,259 --> 00:18:42,769

scientists and it's basically a whole

470

00:18:45,820 --> 00:18:44,269

bunch of range of offers of what they

471

00:18:46,950 --> 00:18:45,830

might be and that'll keep them busy

472

00:18:49,989 --> 00:18:46,960

enough so you can leave the room

473

00:18:53,109 --> 00:18:49,999

excellent I fully believe in doing

474

00:18:55,299 --> 00:18:53,119

things like people asking me about hey

475

00:18:57,940 --> 00:18:55,309

look over my theory about debating

476

00:19:01,739 --> 00:18:57,950

Einstein if I could find two of those

477

00:19:04,029 --> 00:19:01,749

and put them together that maybe the

478

00:19:06,399 --> 00:19:04,039

perpetual motion machine I found many

479

00:19:07,690 --> 00:19:06,409

physicists that have a box of crank mail

480

00:19:09,070 --> 00:19:07,700

they get and they just keep that over

481

00:19:11,619 --> 00:19:09,080

the years do keep that stuff where you

482

00:19:13,599 --> 00:19:11,629

go I better not I have to admit I keep

483

00:19:16,599 --> 00:19:13,609

it in case any of them like become

484

00:19:18,489 --> 00:19:16,609

creepers later but also sometimes it's

485

00:19:20,589 --> 00:19:18,499

just fun to use with students who are

486

00:19:21,299 --> 00:19:20,599

like now no one would think oh yeah they

487

00:19:25,060 --> 00:19:21,309

do

488

00:19:26,889 --> 00:19:25,070

book might be an answer for those people

489

00:19:29,320 --> 00:19:26,899

definitely something to think about I

490

00:19:30,609 --> 00:19:29,330

definitely been liberated actually lots

491

00:19:32,859 --> 00:19:30,619

of ideas I'm it goes from everything

492

00:19:35,680 --> 00:19:32,869

from a religious one like demons through

493

00:19:37,180 --> 00:19:35,690

to multiverse time travel stuff like

494

00:19:39,099 --> 00:19:37,190

that so gives lots of options that are

495

00:19:42,369 --> 00:19:39,109

is well equally as valid for the proof

496

00:19:43,899 --> 00:19:42,379

we've got under the extra register cool

497

00:19:45,219 --> 00:19:43,909

sounds fun I'll have to find it and

498

00:19:47,979 --> 00:19:45,229

actually read it I'm very interested

499

00:19:49,389 --> 00:19:47,989

yeah thanks for chatting to us I'll

500

00:19:50,889 --> 00:19:49,399

check you over the weekend now drink up

501
00:19:52,539 --> 00:19:50,899
or whatever you've there is a non

502
00:19:54,789 --> 00:19:52,549
skeptical I'm not skeptical about what

503
00:19:56,919 --> 00:19:54,799
you're drinking what is that this is a

504
00:19:59,360 --> 00:19:56,929
hazelnut martini and it may be the best

505
00:20:03,290 --> 00:19:59,370
choice I made today

506
00:20:06,440 --> 00:20:03,300
oh the answers earth is one astronomical

507
00:20:11,290 --> 00:20:06,450
unit away from the Sun and the

508
00:20:17,540 --> 00:20:14,120
aliens are probing people and mutilating

509
00:20:19,700 --> 00:20:17,550
cows 9/11 was an inside job

510
00:20:23,120 --> 00:20:19,710
I'm the oppa to clean up my athlete's

511
00:20:25,610 --> 00:20:23,130
foot vaccines cause autism little

512
00:20:28,580 --> 00:20:25,620
sausage the clematis lawn is definitely

513
00:20:30,950 --> 00:20:28,590

real we all have friends and family who

514

00:20:32,990 --> 00:20:30,960

believe these things and much more well

515

00:20:34,850 --> 00:20:33,000

if you're a rational thinker who is

516

00:20:36,440 --> 00:20:34,860

tired of arguing on social media and

517

00:20:37,520 --> 00:20:36,450

never getting anywhere we have a

518

00:20:39,530 --> 00:20:37,530

solution for you

519

00:20:41,990 --> 00:20:39,540

join the guerrilla skepticism on

520

00:20:44,390 --> 00:20:42,000

wikipedia team and we will teach you how

521

00:20:46,490 --> 00:20:44,400

to add reliable scientific and skeptical

522

00:20:49,460 --> 00:20:46,500

information to the world's number-one

523

00:20:51,410 --> 00:20:49,470

source of information Wikipedia we write

524

00:20:53,960 --> 00:20:51,420

new articles and improve existing ones

525

00:20:56,120 --> 00:20:53,970

we remove pseudoscience paranormal and

526

00:20:58,310 --> 00:20:56,130

augment claims substituting the actual

527

00:21:00,980 --> 00:20:58,320

facts and we operate in many languages

528

00:21:03,320 --> 00:21:00,990

we've already reached tens of millions

529

00:21:05,330 --> 00:21:03,330

of people searching for information but

530

00:21:08,420 --> 00:21:05,340

as you can imagine we can never do

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00:21:11,030 --> 00:21:08,430

enough so please join us all you need is

532

00:21:13,070 --> 00:21:11,040

a PC a Facebook account and the desire

533

00:21:15,140 --> 00:21:13,080

to help educate the planet in fact

534

00:21:18,920 --> 00:21:15,150

you'll be educating the world while you

535

00:21:22,700 --> 00:21:18,930

sleep clock ticked us T is Oh W team at

536

00:21:27,480 --> 00:21:22,710

gmail.com guerrilla skepticism the time

537

00:21:35,120 --> 00:21:27,490

is now music by purple planet calm

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Australian skeptics National Convention

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2018 skeptic on awards and this comes to

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us from WWC optics Khamenei you

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Mendham a bad day for Sarah Australian

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skeptics inks notorious bent spoon award

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has gone to social-media influencer

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Sarah's day who promotes questionable

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natural health remedies via her vast

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network of followers the bent spoon

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awarded to the proponent of the most

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preposterous piece of pseudo scientific

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or paranormal

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piffle of the year with past winners

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including Pete paleo Evans the CSIRO s

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head Larry Marshall the ABC the pharmacy

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00:22:29,700 --> 00:22:26,139

Guild of Australia the University of

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00:22:33,539 --> 00:22:29,710

Wollongong and a psychic dentist Sarah

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00:22:36,029 --> 00:22:33,549

Stevenson aka Sarah's day picked up the

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00:22:38,430 --> 00:22:36,039

2018 bent spoon for spreading

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00:22:41,009 --> 00:22:38,440

misinformation about health via her

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00:22:44,750 --> 00:22:41,019

online following of over 1 million

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00:22:47,250 --> 00:22:44,760

people made up of largely young women

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00:22:50,120 --> 00:22:47,260

Stevenson has no qualifications in

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health but promotes herself as quote a

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holistic health & fitness youtuber end

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00:22:58,680 --> 00:22:55,600

quote via a YouTube channel blog and

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00:23:02,100 --> 00:22:58,690

podcast on the 26th of April 2018

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Sarah's day posted on Instagram quote I

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did it i reversed by cervical dysplasia

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00:23:10,529 --> 00:23:08,230

encode claiming successful treatment of

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her precancerous condition through a

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regime of quote the power of natural

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medicine food lifestyle changes and

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prayer in quote and that she quote made

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a conscious effort every day to cure her

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cervix banquet the vast majority of

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cervical anomalies are caused by the

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human papilloma virus HPV and the Cancer

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Council of Australia states that quote

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00:23:40,049 --> 00:23:37,809

there is no evidence that there is

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00:23:42,149 --> 00:23:40,059

anything the woman can do in terms of

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diet and lifestyle that promotes

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regression in quote quote to suggest you

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00:23:48,899 --> 00:23:47,470

can heal your cervix with positive

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00:23:51,899 --> 00:23:48,909

thoughts and greens

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00:23:53,940 --> 00:23:51,909

smoothies is not only narcissistic it's

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00:23:56,099 --> 00:23:53,950

also dangerous to recommend other women

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00:23:58,320 --> 00:23:56,109

should do the same thing in quote said

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Australian skeptics president Alethea

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Dean quote it's admirable to promote a

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00:24:07,169 --> 00:24:04,179

healthy lifestyle but believing you've

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00:24:11,060 --> 00:24:07,179

healed your cervical dysplasia naturally

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is not grounded in reality in quote a

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00:24:16,409 --> 00:24:13,179

dishonorable mention went to the

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Therapeutic Goods Administration TGA and

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the Australian Government for enshrining

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00:24:24,960 --> 00:24:21,970

pseudo medical indications into

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legislation including quote balanced

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aggravated vanta up raise lift shrunken

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middle Chee moisten dryness in the

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triple burner and disinhibitor more

601
00:24:43,649 --> 00:24:41,139
positive achievements were also noted

602
00:24:46,109 --> 00:24:43,659
with the inaugural Barry Williams award

603
00:24:49,349 --> 00:24:46,119
for skeptical journalism going to Jane

604
00:24:51,149 --> 00:24:49,359
Hansen reporter for News Corp who has

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00:24:53,460 --> 00:24:51,159
written extensively on the

606
00:24:56,849 --> 00:24:53,470
anti-vaccination n anti-flu ride

607
00:24:58,919 --> 00:24:56,859
movements fad diets and quack cures the

608
00:25:01,560 --> 00:24:58,929
thread for net for the promotion of

609
00:25:04,379 --> 00:25:01,570
reason was given to dr. Ian Musgrave

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00:25:07,019 --> 00:25:04,389
senior lecturer in pharmacology at the

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00:25:09,509 --> 00:25:07,029
University of Adelaide who has been a

612
00:25:12,089 --> 00:25:09,519
long-standing and effective science

613
00:25:14,149 --> 00:25:12,099

communicator in the area of pharmacology

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00:25:17,999 --> 00:25:14,159

and provides a voice of reason in

615

00:25:20,599 --> 00:25:18,009

challenging quote Kim phobia unquote

616

00:25:23,190 --> 00:25:20,609

other winners on the night included

617

00:25:25,019 --> 00:25:23,200

longtime New South Wales skeptics

618

00:25:28,109 --> 00:25:25,029

committee member Martin Hadley and

619

00:25:30,960 --> 00:25:28,119

immediate past-president Iran Segev both

620

00:25:34,049 --> 00:25:30,970

of whom were awarded a life membership

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00:25:36,239 --> 00:25:34,059

the winners were announced at the formal

622

00:25:37,680 --> 00:25:36,249

dinner on October 13th for the

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00:25:41,779 --> 00:25:37,690

Australian skeptics National Convention

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00:25:45,060 --> 00:25:41,789

which this year was held in Sydney and

625

00:25:49,619 --> 00:25:45,070

it's interesting to note that on the

626
00:25:54,440 --> 00:25:49,629
comments section of that webpage under

627
00:25:57,509 --> 00:25:54,450
the title of a Sarah's day follower

628
00:26:00,389 --> 00:25:57,519
someone has written I hope you realize

629
00:26:02,720 --> 00:26:00,399
that she has disclaimer in her videos

630
00:26:05,239 --> 00:26:02,730
and post that she is not special

631
00:26:07,279 --> 00:26:05,249
in these fields she is simply just

632
00:26:10,099 --> 00:26:07,289
sharing what has worked for her

633
00:26:12,460 --> 00:26:10,109
personally clearly you're mixing words

634
00:26:14,810 --> 00:26:12,470
and making horrible blogpost about

635
00:26:19,639 --> 00:26:14,820
someone who doesn't deserve it

636
00:26:23,149 --> 00:26:19,649
hate gets ya nowhere buddy and the reply

637
00:26:25,099 --> 00:26:23,159
from Tim Mendham disclaimers do not

638
00:26:27,590 --> 00:26:25,109

excuse enthusiastic endorsement of

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00:26:29,899 --> 00:26:27,600

nonsense particularly for someone with

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00:26:33,009 --> 00:26:29,909

such a large following and another

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00:26:37,129 --> 00:26:33,019

comment written by somebody called sigh

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00:26:39,649 --> 00:26:37,139

it's pi GH disclaimers don't excuse

643

00:26:41,690 --> 00:26:39,659

putting dangerous misinformation out

644

00:26:44,269 --> 00:26:41,700

there how about I promote drinking

645

00:26:47,560 --> 00:26:44,279

bleach but add a disclaimer that it may

646

00:26:51,820 --> 00:26:47,570

not work for everyone

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00:26:54,379 --> 00:26:51,830

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00:26:55,519 --> 00:26:54,389

okay I'm here right in the back of the

649

00:26:56,810 --> 00:26:55,529

room now which is interesting there's

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00:26:58,729 --> 00:26:56,820

plenty of room back here but we got

651
00:27:01,039 --> 00:26:58,739
Jaden Hansen from The Sunday Telegraph

652
00:27:02,659 --> 00:27:01,049
ah right and look how are things in the

653
00:27:04,249 --> 00:27:02,669
print media well before we get into what

654
00:27:05,810 --> 00:27:04,259
you've been doing them you've been there

655
00:27:08,119 --> 00:27:05,820
a while how do you think it's changed

656
00:27:10,639 --> 00:27:08,129
recently is it tough oh we are because

657
00:27:13,440 --> 00:27:10,649
we're up against lots of social media

658
00:27:16,650 --> 00:27:13,450
outlets that have no

659
00:27:18,930 --> 00:27:16,660
over here over heads and also know that

660
00:27:20,790 --> 00:27:18,940
contract with the truth that's true and

661
00:27:22,560 --> 00:27:20,800
that's where you guys come into that

662
00:27:23,850 --> 00:27:22,570
must get really annoying for you when

663
00:27:25,320 --> 00:27:23,860

you just say that person just made that

664

00:27:26,640 --> 00:27:25,330

stuff up and no one's ever got no

665

00:27:28,350 --> 00:27:26,650

editors gonna be wrapping them over the

666

00:27:31,410 --> 00:27:28,360

knuckles for yeah well also gives me a

667

00:27:32,430 --> 00:27:31,420

story to write doesn't know and in fact

668

00:27:33,390 --> 00:27:32,440

that's what I'm here to talk to you

669

00:27:34,440 --> 00:27:33,400

about because I believe you've been

670

00:27:36,180 --> 00:27:34,450

writing some things about the

671

00:27:37,680 --> 00:27:36,190

anti-vaccination movement in Australia

672

00:27:39,090 --> 00:27:37,690

or what angle you've been taking and

673

00:27:41,330 --> 00:27:39,100

what have you found out well I'm

674

00:27:44,490 --> 00:27:41,340

actually born and bred and Mullumbimby

675

00:27:46,920 --> 00:27:44,500

so ground zero which is Merrill's

676
00:27:48,990 --> 00:27:46,930
trapping ground Merrill Dory who's you

677
00:27:51,300 --> 00:27:49,000
know from America but has you know she

678
00:27:53,640 --> 00:27:51,310
set up in the nineteen nineties and set

679
00:27:54,990 --> 00:27:53,650
up the avian and it's always been a

680
00:27:58,800 --> 00:27:55,000
thorn in my side

681
00:28:00,540 --> 00:27:58,810
I remember watching in 2009 Toni

682
00:28:04,500 --> 00:28:00,550
McCaffrey and Dave McAfee had just lost

683
00:28:05,880 --> 00:28:04,510
their daughter Donna and Merrill Tori

684
00:28:07,680 --> 00:28:05,890
were they were on the Sunday night

685
00:28:09,480 --> 00:28:07,690
program and Merrill Dory was on the

686
00:28:11,010 --> 00:28:09,490
Sunday night program and I was sitting

687
00:28:14,010 --> 00:28:11,020
there watching it and Mike Monroe let

688
00:28:15,780 --> 00:28:14,020

Merrill Dory just rabbit on about her

689

00:28:19,500 --> 00:28:15,790

conspiracy theories with it and he did

690

00:28:22,440 --> 00:28:19,510

not pick her up and I thought we even

691

00:28:24,750 --> 00:28:22,450

Denise research and I thought we we the

692

00:28:28,590 --> 00:28:24,760

media cannot let people like that come

693

00:28:31,950 --> 00:28:28,600

and spread such rubbish without checking

694

00:28:35,550 --> 00:28:31,960

it so in my mind there in was born

695

00:28:36,750 --> 00:28:35,560

no jab no play so I started working with

696

00:28:38,670 --> 00:28:36,760

The Sunday Telegraph of my fabulous

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00:28:41,490 --> 00:28:38,680

deputy editor Claire Harvey and I

698

00:28:44,040 --> 00:28:41,500

decided that we needed to set up a

699

00:28:46,770 --> 00:28:44,050

campaign that just attacked the lies

700

00:28:48,750 --> 00:28:46,780

with truth just facts facts facts and

701
00:28:50,080 --> 00:28:48,760
also challenged the government to raise

702
00:28:51,820 --> 00:28:50,090
the bar

703
00:28:52,870 --> 00:28:51,830
we'll find a way for the government to

704
00:28:56,800 --> 00:28:52,880
the race because they weren't doing

705
00:28:58,240 --> 00:28:56,810
anything no race bar what can we look at

706
00:29:00,310 --> 00:28:58,250
for the government to do to raise the

707
00:29:02,470 --> 00:29:00,320
bar on vaccinations so we know we found

708
00:29:06,640 --> 00:29:02,480
that the Public Health Act could perhaps

709
00:29:09,340 --> 00:29:06,650
look at enrollment into child care

710
00:29:12,190 --> 00:29:09,350
centers that they and and we challenged

711
00:29:15,790 --> 00:29:12,200
the New South Wales health to change the

712
00:29:17,080 --> 00:29:15,800
laws of abatement people had to prove

713
00:29:19,390 --> 00:29:17,090

that they got the information from the

714

00:29:22,930 --> 00:29:19,400

doctor not from dr. Google and that's

715

00:29:25,540 --> 00:29:22,940

where no job no placed our life so now

716

00:29:26,920 --> 00:29:25,550

but that and did they was their reaction

717

00:29:28,600 --> 00:29:26,930

that you were trying to do some smear

718

00:29:29,410 --> 00:29:28,610

campaign and your thing was like you

719

00:29:31,330 --> 00:29:29,420

said you're just telling your truth

720

00:29:35,320 --> 00:29:31,340

there and did they treat that as not

721

00:29:37,600 --> 00:29:35,330

that where they put you in the

722

00:29:44,320 --> 00:29:37,610

conspiracy were you in the big someone

723

00:29:45,850 --> 00:29:44,330

yeah she with Meryl or Vienna her chance

724

00:29:47,800 --> 00:29:45,860

to go back and forth with her directly

725

00:29:50,740 --> 00:29:47,810

at all I have emailed her a couple of

726

00:29:58,890 --> 00:29:50,750

times she doesn't answer the questions

727

00:30:04,660 --> 00:30:01,120

anyway so block e block block that's

728

00:30:05,920 --> 00:30:04,670

what I do now we have been talking about

729

00:30:07,420 --> 00:30:05,930

this you think it's good to preemptively

730

00:30:08,980 --> 00:30:07,430

block people so if you see a really

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00:30:10,930 --> 00:30:08,990

annoying person on Twitter you can go oh

732

00:30:12,280 --> 00:30:10,940

I want nothing to do them and rock block

733

00:30:13,720 --> 00:30:12,290

them preemptively before they haven't

734

00:30:16,090 --> 00:30:13,730

done anything to you you know what I

735

00:30:19,450 --> 00:30:16,100

think professor Robert boy said don't

736

00:30:22,960 --> 00:30:19,460

engage because everything you say gets

737

00:30:25,690 --> 00:30:22,970

turned arithmetic um another blog post

738

00:30:27,940 --> 00:30:25,700

for her that Jane actually said this to

739

00:30:29,830 --> 00:30:27,950

me because she's deprived of oxygen now

740

00:30:32,380 --> 00:30:29,840

because the journalists don't want to

741

00:30:34,030 --> 00:30:32,390

talk to her because we we don't you know

742

00:30:36,430 --> 00:30:34,040

we don't do that false balancing thing

743

00:30:39,010 --> 00:30:36,440

we don't need to go to a nutter and say

744

00:30:40,570 --> 00:30:39,020

hey you know as the old saying is the

745

00:30:42,610 --> 00:30:40,580

journalists somebody tells you it's

746

00:30:44,080 --> 00:30:42,620

raining somebody tells you it's sunny

747

00:30:45,520 --> 00:30:44,090

you don't write both sides you stick

748

00:30:48,490 --> 00:30:45,530

your head out the window and you see the

749

00:30:50,649 --> 00:30:48,500

truth yes so we we listen to the

750

00:30:54,159 --> 00:30:50,659

scientific world we listen to

751

00:30:55,539 --> 00:30:54,169

the medical experts we don't go to the

752

00:30:57,909 --> 00:30:55,549

Nutter and say what do you think about

753

00:30:59,470 --> 00:30:57,919

that that's true you said that on 60

754

00:31:00,639 --> 00:30:59,480

minutes that's what fired you up but

755

00:31:01,870 --> 00:31:00,649

what do you think is the most egregious

756

00:31:04,180 --> 00:31:01,880

thing about the anti-vaccination

757

00:31:07,570 --> 00:31:04,190

movement generally but they're dangerous

758

00:31:09,789 --> 00:31:07,580

they're really dangerous I mean they

759

00:31:12,100 --> 00:31:09,799

actually break up families which one of

760

00:31:14,379 --> 00:31:12,110

the stories that I entered into one of

761

00:31:20,399 --> 00:31:14,389

the awards tonight was about chase

762

00:31:24,009 --> 00:31:20,409

Walker who was born with epilepsy and

763

00:31:25,779 --> 00:31:24,019

Cine Walker had you know accepted this

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00:31:28,090 --> 00:31:25,789

fact in the first 12 months of his life

765

00:31:30,879 --> 00:31:28,100

he had seizures within minutes of him

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00:31:33,190 --> 00:31:30,889

being born she wills her

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00:31:34,659 --> 00:31:33,200

quadriplegia child into a faxed movie

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00:31:36,519 --> 00:31:34,669

showing somewhere on the Sunshine Coast

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00:31:39,159 --> 00:31:36,529

or somewhere and the anti-vaccine

770

00:31:41,590 --> 00:31:39,169

movement pounced on her and all of a

771

00:31:45,759 --> 00:31:41,600

sudden her accepted fact about her child

772

00:31:48,940 --> 00:31:45,769

had become their vaccine injured poster

773

00:31:50,619 --> 00:31:48,950

boy and then the medical cannabis people

774

00:31:54,070 --> 00:31:50,629

jumped on board and so lots of this

775

00:31:57,399 --> 00:31:54,080

child he's taken off his champion he's

776

00:31:59,470 --> 00:31:57,409

total nutrition he's being fed organic

777

00:32:01,749 --> 00:31:59,480

you know mashed banana with cannabis oil

778

00:32:03,639 --> 00:32:01,759

the whole thing he loses 25% of his body

779

00:32:05,980 --> 00:32:03,649

weight which can kill a child of course

780

00:32:07,629 --> 00:32:05,990

so the doctors brought him back into

781

00:32:09,759 --> 00:32:07,639

hospital and she abducted him from

782

00:32:11,440 --> 00:32:09,769

hospital and them any vaccine people

783

00:32:13,180 --> 00:32:11,450

saying it's what conspiracy blardy

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00:32:14,230 --> 00:32:13,190

blardy blar and at the end of the day

785

00:32:16,629 --> 00:32:14,240

she's lost her child

786

00:32:19,940 --> 00:32:16,639

they've lost custody so they have

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00:32:22,280 --> 00:32:19,950

actively destroyed an entire family

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00:32:25,640 --> 00:32:22,290

I don't want to be mean to cine and Mark

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00:32:27,070 --> 00:32:25,650

but they were vulnerable people who

790

00:32:30,230 --> 00:32:27,080

weren't you know particularly

791

00:32:32,510 --> 00:32:30,240

scientifically literate and the only

792

00:32:34,550 --> 00:32:32,520

vaccine pre gaydar looking for a poster

793

00:32:36,460 --> 00:32:34,560

child and they found it in him because

794

00:32:40,010 --> 00:32:36,470

there aren't many vaccine injured people

795

00:32:42,920 --> 00:32:40,020

and they absolutely destroyed that

796

00:32:44,510 --> 00:32:42,930

family it is powerful stuff is it

797

00:32:46,160 --> 00:32:44,520

difficult to keep addition to this

798

00:32:47,800 --> 00:32:46,170

because it's hard not to take personally

799

00:32:49,640 --> 00:32:47,810

when you see this happening to people

800

00:32:50,870 --> 00:32:49,650

how do you just suit yourself as a

801
00:32:53,870 --> 00:32:50,880
journalist could you have to a little

802
00:32:55,850 --> 00:32:53,880
bit or else you'll be taking it finds my

803
00:32:57,530 --> 00:32:55,860
passion but the more hate blogs they

804
00:32:59,960 --> 00:32:57,540
write about me the more I want to just D

805
00:33:01,460 --> 00:32:59,970
in and you know just throw facts that it

806
00:33:03,080 --> 00:33:01,470
just throw factors that affect that

807
00:33:04,700 --> 00:33:03,090
that's a great quote throw facts at it

808
00:33:06,080 --> 00:33:04,710
look thank you very much for coming onto

809
00:33:10,110 --> 00:33:06,090
and joining us and have a good evening

810
00:33:10,120 --> 00:33:26,510
[Music]

811
00:33:26,520 --> 00:33:33,779
[Applause]

812
00:33:38,669 --> 00:33:38,039
I rented oh hi Trish hi would you like a

813
00:33:40,080 --> 00:33:38,679

coffee

814

00:33:42,389 --> 00:33:40,090

yeah thanks what are you working on I'm

815

00:33:43,619 --> 00:33:42,399

trying to come up with a new promo to

816

00:33:46,950 --> 00:33:43,629

play on the skeptic zone

817

00:33:49,560 --> 00:33:46,960

who's it for the good thinking Society

818

00:33:51,479 --> 00:33:49,570

in the UK you know these oh yeah I know

819

00:33:53,159 --> 00:33:51,489

them the guys who recently chased the

820

00:33:55,889 --> 00:33:53,169

homeopaths out of the UK Public Health

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00:33:57,359 --> 00:33:55,899

System oh did they yeah they campaigned

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00:33:59,729 --> 00:33:57,369

and lobbied government for a while and

823

00:34:01,830 --> 00:33:59,739

now you cannot get homeopathy on the NHS

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00:34:03,869 --> 00:34:01,840

so they can now spend public money on

825

00:34:06,389 --> 00:34:03,879

health care that works Yeah right look

826

00:34:10,950 --> 00:34:06,399

I'll mention that in the promo now their

827

00:34:12,809 --> 00:34:10,960

website is good thinking society org and

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00:34:15,270 --> 00:34:12,819

that website is a good resource for

829

00:34:16,770 --> 00:34:15,280

learning more about quackery thanks

830

00:34:21,669 --> 00:34:16,780

Trish that gives me something good to

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00:34:21,679 --> 00:34:28,779

[Music]

832

00:34:32,389 --> 00:34:31,309

look dr. Kovac we liquor so now you're

833

00:34:33,829 --> 00:34:32,399

rushing off to Adelaide which is a

834

00:34:36,460 --> 00:34:33,839

fairly rash thing to do in the first

835

00:34:39,649 --> 00:34:36,470

place why going there talking to

836

00:34:42,349 --> 00:34:39,659

intensive care nurses and there's a

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00:34:44,119 --> 00:34:42,359

whole different field intensive care is

838

00:34:47,690 --> 00:34:44,129

such a radical thing to do to somebody

839

00:34:48,799 --> 00:34:47,700

that a week in intensive care takes a

840

00:34:51,169 --> 00:34:48,809

year out of your life it takes you a

841

00:34:53,899 --> 00:34:51,179

year to recover because they're

842

00:34:56,029 --> 00:34:53,909

basically pouring liquids and foods into

843

00:34:57,079 --> 00:34:56,039

you keeping you alive and taking stuff

844

00:34:59,750 --> 00:34:57,089

out of you they're doing the breathing

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00:35:01,400 --> 00:34:59,760

for you all you're doing is keeping your

846

00:35:03,500 --> 00:35:01,410

brain and heart running and they've

847

00:35:05,180 --> 00:35:03,510

provided the background so we're not

848

00:35:07,519 --> 00:35:05,190

very good at mimicking what the body

849

00:35:08,930 --> 00:35:07,529

does the rationale do easily and so it

850

00:35:10,460 --> 00:35:08,940

takes a huge toll on you I'm talking to

851

00:35:12,380 --> 00:35:10,470

those guys so they're the ones that

852

00:35:15,289 --> 00:35:12,390

smoke and drink a lot those noses aren't

853

00:35:17,630 --> 00:35:15,299

they traditionally they do because

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00:35:19,789 --> 00:35:17,640

that's the really high stress stuff it

855

00:35:21,440 --> 00:35:19,799

is a high stress area I will actually

856

00:35:24,319 --> 00:35:21,450

ask them this question to see if this is

857

00:35:26,539 --> 00:35:24,329

a true data point or not it was not

858

00:35:27,799 --> 00:35:26,549

think that in that area of hospital that

859

00:35:29,000 --> 00:35:27,809

would be the one that would be the most

860

00:35:31,519 --> 00:35:29,010

stressful they're the ones you see

861

00:35:32,809 --> 00:35:31,529

puffing quickly outside I will go and

862

00:35:34,039 --> 00:35:32,819

see how many I'll see puffing outside

863

00:35:35,690 --> 00:35:34,049

and look the one question because you do

864

00:35:36,980 --> 00:35:35,700

have to go is you mentioned there that

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00:35:38,660 --> 00:35:36,990

you're at a dinner party you're a guest

866

00:35:41,240 --> 00:35:38,670

at someone's place and someone made a

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00:35:42,740 --> 00:35:41,250

obviously false statement and you were

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00:35:44,599 --> 00:35:42,750

put in a difficult position by your wife

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00:35:46,880 --> 00:35:44,609

for all the skeptics listening that just

870

00:35:49,010 --> 00:35:46,890

want to jump in there and barrel the

871

00:35:50,690 --> 00:35:49,020

people down how did you handle it with a

872

00:35:52,760 --> 00:35:50,700

suggestion for them doing the same well

873

00:35:55,160 --> 00:35:52,770

I was going to be irrational and try and

874

00:35:56,240 --> 00:35:55,170

engage him in discussion and a small

875

00:35:57,980 --> 00:35:56,250

part of me in the background knew

876
00:35:59,539 --> 00:35:57,990
something changing thing is you've got

877
00:36:00,440 --> 00:35:59,549
to create an awkward atmosphere and

878
00:36:03,650 --> 00:36:00,450
we're going to end up with a he-said

879
00:36:05,779 --> 00:36:03,660
he-said she-said she-said thing then my

880
00:36:08,690 --> 00:36:05,789
wife she's obviously short and then my

881
00:36:11,150 --> 00:36:08,700
wife started gently nudging me kicking

882
00:36:14,150 --> 00:36:11,160
me bashing me on the leg and I realized

883
00:36:15,680 --> 00:36:14,160
I'm being irrational yeah I can't think

884
00:36:18,140 --> 00:36:15,690
straight because I'm in this emotional

885
00:36:21,620 --> 00:36:18,150
state she is an outsider I will follow

886
00:36:23,299 --> 00:36:21,630
her lead and basically if I did okay she

887
00:36:25,069 --> 00:36:23,309
didn't kick me too hard and if I start

888
00:36:26,480 --> 00:36:25,079

getting the wrong past he did and the

889

00:36:29,150 --> 00:36:26,490

pathway we chose turned out to be

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00:36:33,049 --> 00:36:29,160

perfect for this situation which was at

891

00:36:33,510 --> 00:36:33,059

a dinner party where the Clara denialist

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00:36:38,730 --> 00:36:33,520

was

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00:36:41,250 --> 00:36:38,740

just a blow in once and it would be

894

00:36:44,670 --> 00:36:41,260

really impolite to everybody to create a

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00:36:48,000 --> 00:36:44,680

bad vibe so I just said one thing which

896

00:36:50,220 --> 00:36:48,010

was you are scientifically incorrect and

897

00:36:52,890 --> 00:36:50,230

changed the subject because nothing I

898

00:36:54,390 --> 00:36:52,900

could do would change his mind would

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00:36:55,740 --> 00:36:54,400

bring him to the light I was he still

900

00:36:58,260 --> 00:36:55,750

trying to have the argument so you just

901
00:37:00,210 --> 00:36:58,270
you just took that same path no he

902
00:37:02,520 --> 00:37:00,220
backed off very quickly he dropped in a

903
00:37:06,450 --> 00:37:02,530
few comments and each time he did my

904
00:37:08,370 --> 00:37:06,460
wife kicked me and I just smiled and

905
00:37:10,020 --> 00:37:08,380
said nothing and other people picked up

906
00:37:11,820 --> 00:37:10,030
the conversation and it just sort of

907
00:37:13,260 --> 00:37:11,830
drifted away it was a far more pleasant

908
00:37:15,330 --> 00:37:13,270
evening

909
00:37:17,490 --> 00:37:15,340
and I didn't waste time on somebody

910
00:37:19,170 --> 00:37:17,500
whose brain could not be changed so make

911
00:37:21,120 --> 00:37:19,180
your thoughts known and then just be

912
00:37:22,920 --> 00:37:21,130
polite and and change the subject if

913
00:37:25,050 --> 00:37:22,930

they did yeah yeah it's not gonna change

914

00:37:26,760 --> 00:37:25,060

if you look at what happened would have

915

00:37:27,960 --> 00:37:26,770

happened a few hours later they'd all

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00:37:29,070 --> 00:37:27,970

gone down a different pathway would have

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00:37:32,520 --> 00:37:29,080

had an argument it would be an

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00:37:34,020 --> 00:37:32,530

unpleasant and be unhappy and his mind

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00:37:35,820 --> 00:37:34,030

wouldn't have been changed this way was

920

00:37:37,830 --> 00:37:35,830

still at the same path it's the same

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00:37:39,360 --> 00:37:37,840

endpoint but we had a happier ending you

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00:37:42,950 --> 00:37:39,370

feel the same way about arguing on line

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00:37:46,140 --> 00:37:42,960

just a few things are as useless as that

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00:37:49,350 --> 00:37:46,150

arguing on line often you're arguing

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00:37:53,850 --> 00:37:49,360

against roles what you can do is just

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00:37:57,270 --> 00:37:53,860

stick to the facts the moment they

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00:37:59,280 --> 00:37:57,280

started generating into rudeness I'm

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00:38:01,440 --> 00:37:59,290

mute them but so long as they're polite

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00:38:03,330 --> 00:38:01,450

I'm cool if they're a troll let them

930

00:38:05,730 --> 00:38:03,340

crawl away if they're if they are in

931

00:38:08,340 --> 00:38:05,740

fact genuinely troll if they're a bot

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00:38:10,170 --> 00:38:08,350

I'll just block them but I did like to

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00:38:12,840 --> 00:38:10,180

try to keep the lines open and because

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00:38:16,220 --> 00:38:12,850

it's not just them it's their family at

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00:38:18,210 --> 00:38:16,230

home they might have children or parents

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00:38:20,040 --> 00:38:18,220

thanks for your time today we'll see you

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00:38:21,180 --> 00:38:20,050

here tomorrow enjoy Adil ever got Lauren

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00:38:23,610 --> 00:38:21,190

to come up now so I'll get out of the

939

00:38:28,490 --> 00:38:23,620

way oh hi dr. Lauren bye

940

00:38:31,320 --> 00:38:28,500

[Music]

941

00:38:34,470 --> 00:38:31,330

the skeptic magazine the journal from

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00:38:36,690 --> 00:38:34,480

Australian skeptics subscribe online to

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the world's second oldest skeptical

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00:38:45,180 --> 00:38:42,190

magazine visit WWF XCOM au and click the

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00:38:49,590 --> 00:38:45,190

publication's link you can also find

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00:38:52,740 --> 00:38:49,600

there over 30 years on back issues free

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00:38:59,780 --> 00:38:52,750

to download the skeptic magazine from

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00:39:19,329 --> 00:39:14,829

those secretive may not here in the

950

00:39:20,920 --> 00:39:19,339

audience for the Rosenberg and

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00:39:23,259 --> 00:39:20,930
surrounded by people who work with him

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00:39:25,509 --> 00:39:23,269
at Pine Koala was there and that people

953
00:39:28,239 --> 00:39:25,519
of interest to UM know more about it to

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00:39:30,370 --> 00:39:28,249
do with the TV show and goods a

955
00:39:31,719 --> 00:39:30,380
philippic nipson decent piece of

956
00:39:33,400 --> 00:39:31,729
information if the hot goes on there

957
00:39:35,380 --> 00:39:33,410
I've been reading up on it and I've

958
00:39:36,670 --> 00:39:35,390
learned a lot more and it's one of those

959
00:39:38,200 --> 00:39:36,680
things where the more you read about it

960
00:39:41,950 --> 00:39:38,210
you don't know much you get very

961
00:39:45,190 --> 00:39:41,960
confused very quickly but I'm going to

962
00:39:49,450 --> 00:39:45,200
give it a go I've got some big words to

963
00:39:52,360 --> 00:39:49,460

use like ich along and transient which

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00:39:56,720 --> 00:39:52,370

are the names of programs see how I go

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00:39:59,490 --> 00:39:56,730

[Music]

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00:40:00,990 --> 00:39:59,500

you can see how busy the room is and I

967

00:40:02,730 --> 00:40:01,000

thought I'd play but in the game of see

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00:40:05,010 --> 00:40:02,740

if I could swap the spook see things

969

00:40:08,160 --> 00:40:05,020

like spies or operatives here and um

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00:40:10,350 --> 00:40:08,170

honestly again how would you know it

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00:40:13,890 --> 00:40:10,360

could be like someone who truly obvious

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00:40:15,720 --> 00:40:13,900

with an overcoat and a slouch hat or the

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00:40:17,160 --> 00:40:15,730

person who looks at the mom obvious

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00:40:19,620 --> 00:40:17,170

could be the one or there could be no

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00:40:23,720 --> 00:40:19,630

one here or everyone could be as

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00:40:26,960 --> 00:40:23,730

beautiful it's a fun game to play

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00:40:29,270 --> 00:40:26,970

I reckon the dark God with the cardigan

978

00:40:37,130 --> 00:40:29,280

yeah the guy with the cardigan he's got

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00:40:39,140 --> 00:40:37,140

secrets good evening everyone my name is

980

00:40:41,000 --> 00:40:39,150

Liam clock and it's my pleasure to

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00:40:43,280 --> 00:40:41,010

welcome all of you here tonight to

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00:40:46,010 --> 00:40:43,290

launch the book client gap the inside

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00:40:46,819 --> 00:40:46,020

story of the NSA in Australia written by

984

00:40:58,329 --> 00:40:46,829

David Rosenberg

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00:41:03,950 --> 00:41:02,180

have any questions about the book about

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00:41:06,079 --> 00:41:03,960

about the TV series anything you've

987

00:41:07,760 --> 00:41:06,089

always wanted to know because because if

988

00:41:09,500 --> 00:41:07,770

you answer the questions that I might be

989

00:41:11,510 --> 00:41:09,510

able to give you an answer yes an

990

00:41:12,950 --> 00:41:11,520

innovator hello Richard Saunders from

991

00:41:15,859 --> 00:41:12,960

the Australian skeptics one of the

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00:41:18,230 --> 00:41:15,869

things that we get put to us quite a lot

993

00:41:20,900 --> 00:41:18,240

at conspiracy theorists and I kid you

994

00:41:23,359 --> 00:41:20,910

not one of them conspiracies is mind gap

995

00:41:31,370 --> 00:41:23,369

is a secret base for aliens to create

996

00:41:33,170 --> 00:41:31,380

closed Road laws what did you encounter

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00:41:38,000 --> 00:41:33,180

these sort of crazy conspiracies when

998

00:41:40,880 --> 00:41:38,010

you are working there never heard of the

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00:41:41,960 --> 00:41:40,890

UFO research society New South Wales you

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00:41:44,870 --> 00:41:41,970

have our research society

1001

00:41:47,539 --> 00:41:44,880

yes I was asked to give a talk at at

1002

00:41:49,760 --> 00:41:47,549

that particular organizations and I did

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00:41:51,230 --> 00:41:49,770

that because I you know we all respect

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00:41:53,450 --> 00:41:51,240

people as the pupils opinions and what

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00:41:54,740 --> 00:41:53,460

and what and what they want to do so

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00:41:56,000 --> 00:41:54,750

they gave me a long list of questions

1007

00:41:58,840 --> 00:41:56,010

exactly like that

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00:42:01,060 --> 00:41:58,850

yeah how many aliens is

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00:42:03,880 --> 00:42:01,070

have been to Pine Gap is it isn't it

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00:42:05,680 --> 00:42:03,890

isn't an alien landing site how far

1011

00:42:07,480 --> 00:42:05,690

underground that because the facility

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00:42:12,460 --> 00:42:07,490

goes and is it used in high powered

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00:42:15,640 --> 00:42:12,470

weapons so I barely disappointed the

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00:42:17,590 --> 00:42:15,650

audience I have to say because I

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00:42:19,060 --> 00:42:17,600

couldn't confirm that Pine Gap had

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00:42:20,860 --> 00:42:19,070

aliens or that we were involved in any

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00:42:22,570 --> 00:42:20,870

kind of high-power weapons testing it

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00:42:23,080 --> 00:42:22,580

simply mean that's not happening fine

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00:42:25,690 --> 00:42:23,090

daddy

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00:42:27,520 --> 00:42:25,700

as I tell people the satellites the Pine

1021

00:42:29,710 --> 00:42:27,530

Gap uses the antennas are all pointing

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00:42:40,230 --> 00:42:29,720

down towards Earth trying to find

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00:42:44,560 --> 00:42:42,610

the coffers got Dave signing my copy of

1024

00:42:46,450 --> 00:42:44,570

at Pine Gap it's a very exciting thing

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00:42:48,010 --> 00:42:46,460

and I've got my I've got my notes I've

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00:42:49,720 --> 00:42:48,020

got here which are all been like

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00:42:50,920 --> 00:42:49,730

incredibly superseded by what I've been

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00:42:53,050 --> 00:42:50,930

listening to but that it is quite

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00:42:54,580 --> 00:42:53,060

interesting about to kind of say okay do

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00:42:55,720 --> 00:42:54,590

you think they called it five eyes and

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00:42:56,920 --> 00:42:55,730

kept New Zealand in there because they

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00:42:59,230 --> 00:42:56,930

didn't want a group that's called four

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00:43:01,150 --> 00:42:59,240

eyes that sounds like it's a better name

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00:43:02,410 --> 00:43:01,160

does rather than four eyes we had to

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00:43:04,180 --> 00:43:02,420

find a fifth in New Zealand was a good

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00:43:05,860 --> 00:43:04,190

choice that's true that's true and I

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00:43:07,420 --> 00:43:05,870

suspect the whole aliens thing is a

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00:43:08,950 --> 00:43:07,430

disinformation thing to throw people

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00:43:10,630 --> 00:43:08,960

right off the path of what's going on

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00:43:12,520 --> 00:43:10,640

because you were saying that you can

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00:43:13,960 --> 00:43:12,530

recharge the batteries on nuclear

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00:43:16,180 --> 00:43:13,970

submarines but it's just a communication

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00:43:17,860 --> 00:43:16,190

it's a long low frequency communication

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00:43:19,330 --> 00:43:17,870

you're not charging any batteries

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00:43:22,360 --> 00:43:19,340

we're not charging any batteries the

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00:43:24,160 --> 00:43:22,370

Pine Gap I can tell you that there's

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00:43:26,020 --> 00:43:24,170

anyone looking there was no pushback

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00:43:27,850 --> 00:43:26,030

tonight there was no-one going boo get

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00:43:29,950 --> 00:43:27,860

off Australian soil booed none of that

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00:43:33,310 --> 00:43:29,960

now we're all good friends here actually

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00:43:34,780 --> 00:43:33,320

and yeah I I did say earlier that I do

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00:43:36,430 --> 00:43:34,790

believe that the partnership that the

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00:43:39,640 --> 00:43:36,440

friendship the alliance is bigger than

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00:43:41,260 --> 00:43:39,650

one person regardless of who is in

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00:43:43,420 --> 00:43:41,270

office I think the bigger picture always

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00:43:44,980 --> 00:43:43,430

has to be seen there and and the

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00:43:47,290 --> 00:43:44,990

Alliance goes back very very far is very

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00:43:48,550 --> 00:43:47,300

very strong and hopefully it will hope

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00:43:50,950 --> 00:43:48,560

hopefully it will just continue in that

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00:43:52,630 --> 00:43:50,960

in that their respect and there was the

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00:43:53,860 --> 00:43:52,640

question ask if you thought there was

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00:43:55,240 --> 00:43:53,870

something going on the government's

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00:43:57,760 --> 00:43:55,250

doing something bad is there any

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00:43:58,960 --> 00:43:57,770

mechanism to go or hey can we do that

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00:44:01,090 --> 00:43:58,970

but I would think that would be like you

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00:44:02,980 --> 00:44:01,100

feel given the launch codes you just

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00:44:04,810 --> 00:44:02,990

push the launch codes you don't go is

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00:44:06,910 --> 00:44:04,820

this a genuine order you don't question

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00:44:08,740 --> 00:44:06,920

orders is it like that in the

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00:44:10,060 --> 00:44:08,750

intelligence community right I know

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00:44:11,350 --> 00:44:10,070

that's the way it is in the military

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00:44:12,910 --> 00:44:11,360

because in the military if you don't

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00:44:15,190 --> 00:44:12,920

follow orders then people die so you

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00:44:17,560 --> 00:44:15,200

really you really have to do that we are

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00:44:18,850 --> 00:44:17,570

collecting intelligence everyone of

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00:44:20,440 --> 00:44:18,860

course does have their own opinion but

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00:44:22,750 --> 00:44:20,450

when we all sign up we know that when

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00:44:25,780 --> 00:44:22,760

we're here we're here to do a job we get

1079

00:44:27,820 --> 00:44:25,790

tasks to do work in finding particular

1080

00:44:30,070 --> 00:44:27,830

signals and we and we do that like I

1081

00:44:31,300 --> 00:44:30,080

said Pine Gap is not an offensive base

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00:44:33,820 --> 00:44:31,310

at all it doesn't have any kind of

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00:44:35,410 --> 00:44:33,830

offensive capability whatsoever wouldn't

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00:44:37,600 --> 00:44:35,420

communications with drones be routed

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00:44:39,430 --> 00:44:37,610

through that not at all not at all no no

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00:44:41,590 --> 00:44:39,440

that would give Pine Gap and all an

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00:44:42,790 --> 00:44:41,600

offensive capability and that I believe

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00:44:44,320 --> 00:44:42,800

would not be acceptable to the

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00:44:46,089 --> 00:44:44,330

Australian government I'd also also

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00:44:49,329 --> 00:44:46,099

don't think that it would be acceptable

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00:44:52,059 --> 00:44:49,339

for for this this this particular

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00:44:55,809 --> 00:44:52,069

facility simply simply because it would

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00:44:57,729 --> 00:44:55,819

be it would be such a change in these in

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00:45:00,789 --> 00:44:57,739

the protocol that's existed at Pine Gap

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00:45:02,920 --> 00:45:00,799

to simply be a passive eavesdropping

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00:45:04,630 --> 00:45:02,930

facility basically you satellites to

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00:45:06,279 --> 00:45:04,640

collect signals passively but not

1098

00:45:08,739 --> 00:45:06,289

transmit anything that might indicate

1099

00:45:10,839 --> 00:45:08,749

any kind of a weapon scape any members

1100

00:45:13,630 --> 00:45:10,849

of the mall said hang an atoll in Tonga

1101
00:45:15,759 --> 00:45:13,640
I haven't met any whether they're there

1102
00:45:17,319 --> 00:45:15,769
or not okay we'll have to wait maybe

1103
00:45:19,329 --> 00:45:17,329
that maybe maybe they visit our Springs

1104
00:45:21,339 --> 00:45:19,339
and congratulations on getting a TV

1105
00:45:23,200 --> 00:45:21,349
series about Pine Gap which you've

1106
00:45:24,719 --> 00:45:23,210
described as a geopolitical thriller so

1107
00:45:28,359 --> 00:45:24,729
it's like an episode of Columbo is it

1108
00:45:30,160 --> 00:45:28,369
pathetical love though if some guy comes

1109
00:45:32,019 --> 00:45:30,170
and goes one more thing at the end and

1110
00:45:33,309 --> 00:45:32,029
if Columbia had satellites that would

1111
00:45:35,349 --> 00:45:33,319
that that's that that's what that story

1112
00:45:36,609 --> 00:45:35,359
would be okay and one more time what's

1113
00:45:38,380 --> 00:45:36,619

your favorite website we should go and

1114

00:45:40,329 --> 00:45:38,390

read some stuff that we can even learn

1115

00:45:41,620 --> 00:45:40,339

as much as is in this book is pretty

1116

00:45:44,109 --> 00:45:41,630

good business somewhere else that you

1117

00:45:45,579 --> 00:45:44,119

could like you know the confessions of

1118

00:45:47,950 --> 00:45:45,589

an economic hitman would you recommend

1119

00:45:49,359 --> 00:45:47,960

that book I haven't read that one but I

1120

00:45:50,829 --> 00:45:49,369

heard it was pretty good so I do

1121

00:45:52,390 --> 00:45:50,839

recommend it but but if you do want to

1122

00:45:55,509 --> 00:45:52,400

know more about Pine Gap my website is

1123

00:45:56,620 --> 00:45:55,519

Pine Gap book.com go there Thank You

1124

00:45:56,829 --> 00:45:56,630

Devereaux's we're getting good luck with

1125

00:46:02,420 --> 00:45:56,839

it

1126
00:46:06,660 --> 00:46:05,010
so how's this go as far as a book launch

1127
00:46:10,410 --> 00:46:06,670
goes is this a good crowd for book

1128
00:46:12,089 --> 00:46:10,420
launch yeah it is to go turnout everyone

1129
00:46:14,160 --> 00:46:12,099
seemed very interested and the questions

1130
00:46:16,260 --> 00:46:14,170
were not as challenging as I would have

1131
00:46:18,299 --> 00:46:16,270
expected given the dynamic nature of the

1132
00:46:19,890 --> 00:46:18,309
topic and I thought people to go food

1133
00:46:21,660 --> 00:46:19,900
porn gap there was none of that going on

1134
00:46:23,250 --> 00:46:21,670
no I guess the people that would have

1135
00:46:26,579 --> 00:46:23,260
read the book and supported the author

1136
00:46:29,309 --> 00:46:26,589
would be fairly you know to the benefits

1137
00:46:31,380 --> 00:46:29,319
of because here it better red than dead

1138
00:46:32,849 --> 00:46:31,390

is it like man it's like a lot of people

1139

00:46:35,069 --> 00:46:32,859

think it's an uphill push to sell books

1140

00:46:37,260 --> 00:46:35,079

these days but not know it depends

1141

00:46:39,089 --> 00:46:37,270

doesn't it especially I think the way to

1142

00:46:41,130 --> 00:46:39,099

go is engaging with the community so a

1143

00:46:43,529 --> 00:46:41,140

bookstore has a book club on tonight an

1144

00:46:45,900 --> 00:46:43,539

external event one in here high teas

1145

00:46:48,420 --> 00:46:45,910

authors and book launches and I think

1146

00:46:49,680 --> 00:46:48,430

that kind of if you engage the community

1147

00:46:51,450 --> 00:46:49,690

in different literary events I think it

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00:46:54,120 --> 00:46:51,460

makes books more more of a feature as

1149

00:46:56,430 --> 00:46:54,130

part of a societal aspect rather than

1150

00:46:57,930 --> 00:46:56,440

just a one-off you know so what's it

1151
00:47:00,539 --> 00:46:57,940
like when there's a poetry night he does

1152
00:47:04,620 --> 00:47:00,549
get a bit bare a wearing does it well

1153
00:47:05,849 --> 00:47:04,630
berries I run the French literature yo

1154
00:47:08,309 --> 00:47:05,859
you gotta come with the baguettes and

1155
00:47:12,000 --> 00:47:08,319
the whole caboodle Aaron's poodle so you

1156
00:47:14,160 --> 00:47:12,010
know Wow so if you have a French poetry

1157
00:47:15,990 --> 00:47:14,170
night that must be insane I'll put it to

1158
00:47:17,880 --> 00:47:16,000
the the guy that runs our unspoken words

1159
00:47:20,460 --> 00:47:17,890
poetry group ever and back and see if

1160
00:47:22,109 --> 00:47:20,470
far they might wanna do a collab done a

1161
00:47:23,250 --> 00:47:22,119
good job he ready to see so many people

1162
00:47:25,140 --> 00:47:23,260
he could actually use the bigger space

1163
00:47:26,190 --> 00:47:25,150

good year well sometimes yeah we

1164

00:47:28,019 --> 00:47:26,200

consider having the mezzanine level

1165

00:47:29,000 --> 00:47:28,029

taking the books off the cooking section

1166

00:47:33,440 --> 00:47:29,010

and

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00:47:34,940 --> 00:47:33,450

or go books no thank you very much I'm

1168

00:47:36,980 --> 00:47:34,950

talking with the only person who had an

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00:47:39,470 --> 00:47:36,990

eBay coupe we've got here Dennis right

1170

00:47:41,480 --> 00:47:39,480

but and and Dennis are you you wouldn't

1171

00:47:43,010 --> 00:47:41,490

be a big fan of Pine Gap or you think

1172

00:47:45,500 --> 00:47:43,020

it's a necessary evil what do you think

1173

00:47:47,060 --> 00:47:45,510

no I'm a big fan of David and I'm gonna

1174

00:47:49,040 --> 00:47:47,070

look forward to reading the book I think

1175

00:47:51,230 --> 00:47:49,050

that yes we do need to have some levels

1176
00:47:54,200 --> 00:47:51,240
of surveillance it's a shame when these

1177
00:47:56,630 --> 00:47:54,210
surveillance don't actually do their job

1178
00:47:59,420 --> 00:47:56,640
and we have the instances night 911

1179
00:48:01,160 --> 00:47:59,430
leading to Wars which continue on today

1180
00:48:03,230 --> 00:48:01,170
what's a free kick what's a great

1181
00:48:04,520 --> 00:48:03,240
website where you think we can learn it

1182
00:48:11,780 --> 00:48:04,530
with sing stuff and go to is there one

1183
00:48:13,580 --> 00:48:11,790
that your favorite The Guardian I'm

1184
00:48:15,580 --> 00:48:13,590
talking to someone who worked with David

1185
00:48:18,410 --> 00:48:15,590
what was what does he like to work with

1186
00:48:21,260 --> 00:48:18,420
he was a disabled make up no he was a

1187
00:48:21,740 --> 00:48:21,270
disembodied voice on my headphones oh

1188
00:48:25,220 --> 00:48:21,750

really

1189

00:48:26,840 --> 00:48:25,230

he'd go wake up mate no no I mean I

1190

00:48:29,750 --> 00:48:26,850

would just hear him occasionally when he

1191

00:48:33,349 --> 00:48:29,760

when he punched on oh I would hear him

1192

00:48:34,580 --> 00:48:33,359

in the headphones but I wouldn't know at

1193

00:48:37,400 --> 00:48:34,590

the beginning when I started working

1194

00:48:39,260 --> 00:48:37,410

there who this guy was and so when you

1195

00:48:41,270 --> 00:48:39,270

would go home working at Alice Springs

1196

00:48:42,680 --> 00:48:41,280

at Pine Gap wouldn't you be kind of

1197

00:48:44,390 --> 00:48:42,690

taking the work home with you and

1198

00:48:47,180 --> 00:48:44,400

thinking about things at night or could

1199

00:48:49,099 --> 00:48:47,190

you turn off easily from it that was a

1200

00:48:50,420 --> 00:48:49,109

good part about it shift work you can

1201
00:48:52,030 --> 00:48:50,430
just switch off because you've handed

1202
00:48:54,580 --> 00:48:52,040
off to somebody else

1203
00:48:56,020 --> 00:48:54,590
there enough that that's cool and I was

1204
00:48:57,880 --> 00:48:56,030
asking you earlier is it like being in

1205
00:48:59,500 --> 00:48:57,890
combat where there's a lot of boredom

1206
00:49:01,300 --> 00:48:59,510
and then intense bits but you said

1207
00:49:04,150 --> 00:49:01,310
there's intense but to go on for hours

1208
00:49:05,800 --> 00:49:04,160
sometimes no it's uh it was just

1209
00:49:10,090 --> 00:49:05,810
interesting the whole time there was

1210
00:49:13,140 --> 00:49:10,100
just it was just ongoing the days went

1211
00:49:16,960 --> 00:49:13,150
very quickly so you had tasks to do and

1212
00:49:19,780 --> 00:49:16,970
that they just disappeared or the night

1213
00:49:22,180 --> 00:49:19,790

disappeared and what's it like living in

1214

00:49:25,900 --> 00:49:22,190

Alice anyway I was really good

1215

00:49:28,600 --> 00:49:25,910

I've been Telus before I didn't I

1216

00:49:30,250 --> 00:49:28,610

thought it was a boring town when I went

1217

00:49:32,410 --> 00:49:30,260

there the first time because I wasn't

1218

00:49:34,120 --> 00:49:32,420

working anywhere else just tourists but

1219

00:49:37,330 --> 00:49:34,130

when I started working we made friends

1220

00:49:39,220 --> 00:49:37,340

straight away the induction that I had

1221

00:49:44,140 --> 00:49:39,230

at Pine Gap I made instant friends and

1222

00:49:46,960 --> 00:49:44,150

then from that paid heaps of sport heaps

1223

00:49:49,570 --> 00:49:46,970

of friends so it was good it was it was

1224

00:49:51,820 --> 00:49:49,580

a lot of camaraderie we went out in the

1225

00:49:54,580 --> 00:49:51,830

desert we had bonfires together as a

1226
00:49:59,030 --> 00:49:54,590
crew it was really good I'll let you say

1227
00:49:59,040 --> 00:50:16,250
[Music]

1228
00:50:22,370 --> 00:50:18,750
thank you for listening to the skeptic

1229
00:50:24,120 --> 00:50:22,380
zone and as this show goes out to air

1230
00:50:26,640 --> 00:50:24,130
the air

1231
00:50:30,060 --> 00:50:26,650
the Internet's the web the world wide

1232
00:50:31,980 --> 00:50:30,070
web in your ears right now in Las Vegas

1233
00:50:33,420 --> 00:50:31,990
it's psych on the committee for

1234
00:50:35,850 --> 00:50:33,430
skeptical inquiry are having their

1235
00:50:38,460 --> 00:50:35,860
annual convention am so sorry friends

1236
00:50:41,400 --> 00:50:38,470
and and colleagues I can't be there this

1237
00:50:44,160 --> 00:50:41,410
year I love going to cycle had a blast

1238
00:50:46,530 --> 00:50:44,170

last year was lots of fun I hope it's a

1239

00:50:48,840 --> 00:50:46,540

big success I'm very sorry to have

1240

00:50:51,570 --> 00:50:48,850

missed it this year it just came a

1241

00:50:56,390 --> 00:50:51,580

little bit too close timewise butted

1242

00:50:59,280 --> 00:50:56,400

against skeptic on here in Sydney and

1243

00:51:01,410 --> 00:50:59,290

jet lag is not my friend so I didn't

1244

00:51:04,080 --> 00:51:01,420

feel I could go there and be on my game

1245

00:51:07,470 --> 00:51:04,090

next year and in fact next year I've

1246

00:51:11,040 --> 00:51:07,480

been asked to go to Dragon Con in

1247

00:51:13,350 --> 00:51:11,050

Atlanta Georgia who knows I'd love to do

1248

00:51:16,740 --> 00:51:13,360

that's been many years since I've been

1249

00:51:19,230 --> 00:51:16,750

there my ever lasting thanks to the

1250

00:51:21,390 --> 00:51:19,240

people who subscribe to the skeptics

1251
00:51:25,170 --> 00:51:21,400
owned by patreon or PayPal at skeptic

1252
00:51:30,060 --> 00:51:25,180
zone TV and owing to your generosity

1253
00:51:32,730 --> 00:51:30,070
I've just in the last week purchased

1254
00:51:34,710 --> 00:51:32,740
another piece of equipment some of you

1255
00:51:37,760 --> 00:51:34,720
may be familiar with the zoom range of

1256
00:51:42,240 --> 00:51:37,770
microphones I've purchased a zoom h6

1257
00:51:44,760 --> 00:51:42,250
which is a nice bit of kit which allows

1258
00:51:47,910 --> 00:51:44,770
me to have multiple microphone inputs

1259
00:51:50,670 --> 00:51:47,920
and record from lots of sources so I'll

1260
00:51:53,340 --> 00:51:50,680
be using that for more interviews and so

1261
00:51:55,770 --> 00:51:53,350
forth but the only reason I can do this

1262
00:51:58,890 --> 00:51:55,780
and supply equipment to my reporters and

1263
00:52:01,320 --> 00:51:58,900

pay for things and their behalf from

1264

00:52:04,940 --> 00:52:01,330

time to time is because of your

1265

00:52:07,890 --> 00:52:04,950

generosity and if there was nobody

1266

00:52:11,340 --> 00:52:07,900

chipping in to the show even if it's

1267

00:52:14,190 --> 00:52:11,350

just \$5 a month from patreon there would

1268

00:52:15,540 --> 00:52:14,200

be no skeptic zone but I encourage you

1269

00:52:17,400 --> 00:52:15,550

all especially those people listening in

1270

00:52:18,990 --> 00:52:17,410

the United States because the dollar is

1271

00:52:22,680 --> 00:52:19,000

really strong against the Australian

1272

00:52:23,130 --> 00:52:22,690

dollar to sign up with patreon \$5 a

1273

00:52:27,269 --> 00:52:23,140

month

1274

00:52:30,120 --> 00:52:27,279

is such a small thing to ask really

1275

00:52:33,239 --> 00:52:30,130

if enough people do it then it means a

1276

00:52:33,779 --> 00:52:33,249

lot here at the skeptic zone but for

1277

00:52:35,729 --> 00:52:33,789

this week

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00:52:40,969 --> 00:52:35,739

this is Richard Saunders signing off

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00:52:47,179 --> 00:52:43,499

you've been listening to the skeptic

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00:52:52,620 --> 00:52:47,189

zone podcast please visit our website at

1281

00:52:55,169 --> 00:52:52,630

WWDC be honest contacts and to access

1282

00:52:58,769 --> 00:52:55,179

the bat catalog of episodes going back

1283

00:53:02,429 --> 00:52:58,779

to 2008 you can follow the skeptic zone

1284

00:53:04,829 --> 00:53:02,439

podcast on twitter at skeptic zone visit

1285

00:53:08,189 --> 00:53:04,839

our facebook page or leave a review on

1286

00:53:11,549 --> 00:53:08,199

itunes you can also support the skeptic

1287

00:53:13,919 --> 00:53:11,559

zone via patreon or PayPal the skeptic

1288

00:53:15,870 --> 00:53:13,929

zone podcast is an independent

1289

00:53:18,059 --> 00:53:15,880

production reviews and opinions

1290

00:53:20,219 --> 00:53:18,069

expressed on the skeptic zone are not

1291

00:53:23,150 --> 00:53:20,229

necessarily those of Australian skeptics

1292

00:53:34,069 --> 00:53:23,160

or any other skeptical organization

1293

00:53:37,650 --> 00:53:36,630

it's hard to believe the conventions

1294

00:53:40,380 --> 00:53:37,660

over but I'm here

1295

00:53:43,920 --> 00:53:40,390

back here at Madame frou frou and yes

1296

00:53:47,730 --> 00:53:43,930

hello crooner hi Richard I know she

1297

00:53:49,290 --> 00:53:47,740

knows what's coming here we go on this

1298

00:53:51,599 --> 00:53:49,300

lovely County you've just cleaned up got

1299

00:53:55,650 --> 00:53:51,609

the UH the dice ready to go whoa

1300

00:53:58,349 --> 00:53:55,660

where did you roll it for us please I

1301

00:54:03,109 --> 00:53:58,359

know you have to roll it oh it's pretty

1302

00:54:07,819 --> 00:54:03,119

good there for you to roll no she's just

1303

00:54:11,640 --> 00:54:07,829

shaking it in there

1304

00:54:13,740 --> 00:54:11,650

lucky number four lucky number four okay

1305

00:54:16,310 --> 00:54:13,750

one more time she's rolling it around in

1306

00:54:25,620 --> 00:54:24,060

it's one again one so four one yep and

1307

00:54:31,440 --> 00:54:25,630

roll it around this is last one folks

1308

00:54:33,680 --> 00:54:31,450

for one end and four again thank you