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The trip to the madness
that is Mind Body Wallet

Wiki page for
band naturopath

Fighting Words
by Tim Mendham

Stories of James Randi

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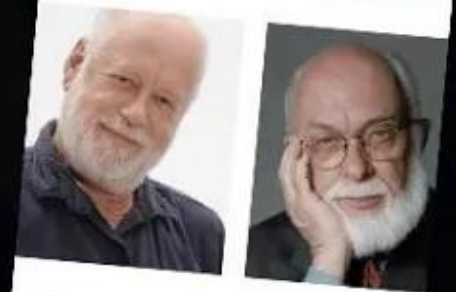


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Notes from the field
A woman with dark hair, smiling, is shown in a video frame. Below the frame is a block of text, likely a transcript or notes from the podcast episode.

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00:00:11,860 --> 00:00:09,110
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:13,940 --> 00:00:11,870
from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:16,860 --> 00:00:13,950
[Music]

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00:00:22,620 --> 00:00:16,870
[Applause]

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00:00:25,300 --> 00:00:22,630
[Music]

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00:00:29,319 --> 00:00:25,310
yes it's the skeptic zone podcast

7
00:00:32,350 --> 00:00:29,329
episode number 575 for the 20th of

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00:00:36,310 --> 00:00:32,360
October 2019 returns saunders here with

9
00:00:40,270 --> 00:00:36,320
you from sunny sunny sydney australia in

10
00:00:42,790 --> 00:00:40,280
fact today there's a street fair in the

11
00:00:46,479 --> 00:00:42,800
suburb of Marrickville which I'll be

12
00:00:49,389 --> 00:00:46,489
going to a bit later on and normally at

13
00:00:51,130 --> 00:00:49,399

these big street fairs you can see the

14

00:00:53,640 --> 00:00:51,140

odd bit of woo here and there and

15

00:00:56,289 --> 00:00:53,650

speaking of seeing woo here and there

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00:00:59,700 --> 00:00:56,299

yesterday Peter Bowditch and I and Lara

17

00:01:03,509 --> 00:00:59,710

Menem with our friends Linden and Daryl

18

00:01:05,910 --> 00:01:03,519

attended the oh yes mind body wallet the

19

00:01:09,429 --> 00:01:05,920

mind-body-spirit festival here at

20

00:01:11,530 --> 00:01:09,439

Darling Harbour in Sydney this wonderful

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00:01:14,640 --> 00:01:11,540

event comes along every six months and

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00:01:19,630 --> 00:01:14,650

it's always worth visiting to see what

23

00:01:22,600 --> 00:01:19,640

new whoo is to do did we find any new

24

00:01:25,090 --> 00:01:22,610

woo well we'll find out at the top of

25

00:01:28,359 --> 00:01:25,100

the show where we report from mind body

26

00:01:30,130 --> 00:01:28,369

wallet following that it's a real

27

00:01:32,559 --> 00:01:30,140

example of the work being done by

28

00:01:34,959 --> 00:01:32,569

guerrilla skepticism on Wikipedia big

29

00:01:37,239 --> 00:01:34,969

shout out to susan gerbic who with a lot

30

00:01:41,770 --> 00:01:37,249

of my friends right now Brian Dunning

31

00:01:43,539 --> 00:01:41,780

banachek and Celestia Ward from squaring

32

00:01:45,819 --> 00:01:43,549

the strange and a whole host of other

33

00:01:47,559 --> 00:01:45,829

skeptics are attending saikhan in Las

34

00:01:49,300 --> 00:01:47,569

Vegas wish I could be there hopefully

35

00:01:52,539 --> 00:01:49,310

we'll get some reports in the coming

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00:01:55,749 --> 00:01:52,549

weeks about that anyway susan gerbic and

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00:01:58,809 --> 00:01:55,759

her team put together a page regarding

38

00:02:00,609 --> 00:01:58,819

naturopath Barbara O'Neil who has been

39

00:02:02,649 --> 00:02:00,619

banned just recently from providing

40

00:02:04,510 --> 00:02:02,659

health services here in Australia and

41

00:02:07,629 --> 00:02:04,520

we're going to look at the wiki page

42

00:02:09,699 --> 00:02:07,639

because it explains exactly why she was

43

00:02:11,920 --> 00:02:09,709

banned and I found this absolutely

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00:02:15,100 --> 00:02:11,930

fascinating that's coming up a bit later

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00:02:17,199 --> 00:02:15,110

on then we have Tim Mendham the editor

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00:02:19,690 --> 00:02:17,209

and executive officer of Australian

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00:02:21,790 --> 00:02:19,700

skeptics reading from an article he

48

00:02:23,260 --> 00:02:21,800

wrote in the magazine the skeptic the

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00:02:26,410 --> 00:02:23,270

journal from Australian skeptics all

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00:02:30,730 --> 00:02:26,420

about free speech this is part one of a

51
00:02:33,550 --> 00:02:30,740
two part series on free speech fighting

52
00:02:34,400 --> 00:02:33,560
words this week fighting words part 1

53
00:02:37,700 --> 00:02:34,410
next week

54
00:02:40,730 --> 00:02:37,710
fighting words part 2 and the round off

55
00:02:43,310 --> 00:02:40,740
the show I report an article that was

56
00:02:47,270 --> 00:02:43,320
written in the weekend Australian

57
00:02:49,190 --> 00:02:47,280
magazine from noted skeptic Philip Adams

58
00:02:51,950 --> 00:02:49,200
here in Australia one of the co-founders

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00:02:56,630 --> 00:02:51,960
or co patrons of the Australian skeptics

60
00:03:00,200 --> 00:02:56,640
he writes about the time James Randi

61
00:03:01,760 --> 00:03:00,210
came to Australia in 1980 well that's

62
00:03:06,050 --> 00:03:01,770
all for me at the moment it's time for

63
00:03:09,290 --> 00:03:06,060

me to open the studio door run down the

64

00:03:12,140 --> 00:03:09,300

hall around the corner then run down the

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00:03:14,660 --> 00:03:12,150

steps oh yes it's a bit complicated run

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00:03:17,840 --> 00:03:14,670

into the kitchen and have a mug of

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00:03:19,790 --> 00:03:17,850

instant soup mmm well I do that I hope

68

00:03:28,640 --> 00:03:19,800

you enjoy the skeptic zone

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00:03:31,580 --> 00:03:28,650

[Music]

70

00:03:42,410 --> 00:03:31,590

[Applause]

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00:03:47,339 --> 00:03:44,759

it's that time once again we're at

72

00:03:50,190 --> 00:03:47,349

darling harbour I'm with the red bag red

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00:03:52,559 --> 00:03:50,200

bag red bag that name is stuck with you

74

00:03:54,929 --> 00:03:52,569

forever hasn't it has use unfortunately

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00:03:57,479 --> 00:03:54,939

but confirm red bag red bag skomal red

76
00:04:00,990 --> 00:03:57,489
bag go red bags comrade bags don't come

77
00:04:03,420 --> 00:04:01,000
more than one man thank you now you and

78
00:04:06,960 --> 00:04:03,430
I have been coming to mind body wallet

79
00:04:09,330 --> 00:04:06,970
for well over a decade I went to the

80
00:04:11,099 --> 00:04:09,340
very first one ever held and it was in

81
00:04:14,099 --> 00:04:11,109
the Park Royal Hotel in Parramatta and

82
00:04:15,539 --> 00:04:14,109
about 50 people turned up yeah yeah I

83
00:04:18,090 --> 00:04:15,549
think the audience they are outnumbered

84
00:04:20,819 --> 00:04:18,100
by the exhibitors and we've seen I mean

85
00:04:23,430 --> 00:04:20,829
we've seen so many things fads come and

86
00:04:24,629 --> 00:04:23,440
go over there the years and years and

87
00:04:25,950 --> 00:04:24,639
years and years we've been coming to

88
00:04:28,020 --> 00:04:25,960

mind body wallet but there are the

89

00:04:29,580 --> 00:04:28,030

evergreens of course yeah I think though

90

00:04:31,560 --> 00:04:29,590

it's definitely improved over the years

91

00:04:33,060 --> 00:04:31,570

in the last mile was he in a manner of

92

00:04:35,820 --> 00:04:33,070

speaking well they're far fewer of the

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00:04:37,800 --> 00:04:35,830

true medical quacks arrived they've

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00:04:39,450 --> 00:04:37,810

almost disappeared I don't particularly

95

00:04:40,260 --> 00:04:39,460

care too much about some of the other

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00:04:42,420 --> 00:04:40,270

people because they're just

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00:04:45,060 --> 00:04:42,430

entertainment normal toilet relaxation a

98

00:04:48,330 --> 00:04:45,070

wave a crystal over your head if their

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00:04:50,040 --> 00:04:48,340

claim they can cure cancer then we've

100

00:04:51,629 --> 00:04:50,050

got to do something about it yeah and

101
00:04:53,370 --> 00:04:51,639
I've heard that here I've heard that

102
00:04:56,700 --> 00:04:53,380
here on more than one occasion this

103
00:04:58,710 --> 00:04:56,710
product XYZ this sloppy group in cure

104
00:05:02,219 --> 00:04:58,720
cancer there was one here who had done

105
00:05:04,650 --> 00:05:02,229
special water that had cancer curing

106
00:05:06,950 --> 00:05:04,660
properties ooh he said it comes from the

107
00:05:10,230 --> 00:05:06,960
pristine Blue Mountains of Sydney who I

108
00:05:12,390 --> 00:05:10,240
said I live in wentworth falls in the

109
00:05:13,890 --> 00:05:12,400
Blue Mountains does that mean I'll never

110
00:05:15,629 --> 00:05:13,900
get cancer and he just shut up and

111
00:05:19,200 --> 00:05:15,639
walked away wouldn't talk to me anymore

112
00:05:20,700 --> 00:05:19,210
well I remember very well about you know

113
00:05:24,839 --> 00:05:20,710

it could have been easily eight years

114

00:05:27,600 --> 00:05:24,849

ago that one of these energy discs and

115

00:05:30,270 --> 00:05:27,610

the woman selling it or on the stand was

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00:05:32,490 --> 00:05:30,280

saying that if you if you put this above

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00:05:35,129 --> 00:05:32,500

a jug of water you can use that water as

118

00:05:36,659 --> 00:05:35,139

sunblock that's probably one of the

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00:05:37,750 --> 00:05:36,669

worst I've heard here yeah that sort of

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00:05:41,020 --> 00:05:37,760

thing really you gotta jump

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00:05:43,150 --> 00:05:41,030

yeah but that's a lot of it's just just

122

00:05:45,610 --> 00:05:43,160

fun guys it's a lot of video i

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00:05:46,960 --> 00:05:45,620

particular care about that everybody's

124

00:05:49,390 --> 00:05:46,970

in total have their opinion and wasting

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00:05:51,490 --> 00:05:49,400

money on things I'm actually impressed

126
00:05:53,920 --> 00:05:51,500
with the town I live in now the Wellness

127
00:05:55,360 --> 00:05:53,930
Center closed when the when the car

128
00:05:59,110 --> 00:05:55,370
impacted closes officer moved out of

129
00:06:01,450 --> 00:05:59,120
town oh there you go but when we used to

130
00:06:03,220 --> 00:06:01,460
walk up the street passed at my like dog

131
00:06:04,810 --> 00:06:03,230
Cody a religion hating dog he's always

132
00:06:06,550 --> 00:06:04,820
growls we walked past the Wellness

133
00:06:09,940 --> 00:06:06,560
Center and obviously since my mood

134
00:06:11,560 --> 00:06:09,950
that's right well it doesn't look too

135
00:06:13,600 --> 00:06:11,570
busy at the moment I mean there is

136
00:06:16,870 --> 00:06:13,610
people milling around where we haven't

137
00:06:19,300 --> 00:06:16,880
gone in yet we haven't yet gone down to

138
00:06:21,160 --> 00:06:19,310

it reminds me of the article you wrote

139

00:06:23,260 --> 00:06:21,170

years ago when we went to see the

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00:06:26,740 --> 00:06:23,270

Australian vaccination network Virgil

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00:06:28,660 --> 00:06:26,750

and Virgil and what was it Virgil and

142

00:06:31,870 --> 00:06:28,670

Dante go down to hospital yes that's

143

00:06:33,970 --> 00:06:31,880

right when when you and I went and that

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00:06:36,010 --> 00:06:33,980

was well over a decade ago when we are

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00:06:38,200 --> 00:06:36,020

in the audience for a Australian

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00:06:41,620 --> 00:06:38,210

vaccination network talk would have been

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00:06:43,300 --> 00:06:41,630

like 2003 easily what I liked about that

148

00:06:46,810 --> 00:06:43,310

but when I wrote the story up

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00:06:49,420 --> 00:06:46,820

I mentioned that we went to the Catholic

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00:06:50,590 --> 00:06:49,430

club rehearsal Catholic America and I

151
00:06:52,570 --> 00:06:50,600
was attacked for being a Catholic

152
00:06:54,190 --> 00:06:52,580
already and then people started ranting

153
00:06:55,660 --> 00:06:54,200
on about pedophiles in the Catholic

154
00:06:57,910 --> 00:06:55,670
Church and then people started listen

155
00:07:00,430 --> 00:06:57,920
hang on wait a minute wait it's a casino

156
00:07:01,960 --> 00:07:00,440
but it's basically folks don't worry

157
00:07:03,550 --> 00:07:01,970
about the name it's basically it was a

158
00:07:06,760 --> 00:07:03,560
club where we could get a beer wasn't it

159
00:07:07,990 --> 00:07:06,770
and decompress after this cuz it was

160
00:07:10,390 --> 00:07:08,000
across the road so we were there for a

161
00:07:12,070 --> 00:07:10,400
beer but I got all these attacks from

162
00:07:13,720 --> 00:07:12,080
these bizarre people none of whom

163
00:07:15,370 --> 00:07:13,730

addressed the actual issue and that

164

00:07:17,830 --> 00:07:15,380

that's the the occasion where I was

165

00:07:21,220 --> 00:07:17,840

called later a Mouseketeer only evil I

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00:07:23,830 --> 00:07:21,230

like pellet right anyway our little

167

00:07:26,590 --> 00:07:23,840

group is growing and I think it's time

168

00:07:30,460 --> 00:07:26,600

we take the plunge we're gonna let's

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00:07:36,470 --> 00:07:30,470

delve let's descend into the pit of his

170

00:07:40,520 --> 00:07:38,690

so we're passing all sorts of things

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00:07:43,250 --> 00:07:40,530

here at the moment with medical

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00:07:46,940 --> 00:07:43,260

intuitive people pretending to be

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00:07:49,550 --> 00:07:46,950

doctors would you hire a plumbing

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00:07:52,040 --> 00:07:49,560

intuitive I wonder or a lawyer who said

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00:07:57,050 --> 00:07:52,050

there were legal intuitive iridology on

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00:07:58,600 --> 00:07:57,060

the other side fab Brown or someone

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00:08:01,490 --> 00:07:58,610

doing eyebrows it's okay

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00:08:07,450 --> 00:08:01,500

Florence King psychic I've encountered

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00:08:15,620 --> 00:08:12,980

glad to get them so we've just I snuck

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00:08:17,600 --> 00:08:15,630

by quickly the organ effects store you

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00:08:19,790 --> 00:08:17,610

had a closer look now these are the

182

00:08:22,100 --> 00:08:19,800

people who sell blocks of resin you plug

183

00:08:24,110 --> 00:08:22,110

into the wall and things that take away

184

00:08:24,800 --> 00:08:24,120

naughty vibrations from your phone and

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00:08:26,900 --> 00:08:24,810

all this other stuff

186

00:08:28,430 --> 00:08:26,910

well my phone definitely has naughty

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00:08:31,250 --> 00:08:28,440

vibrations when it goes off in my pocket

188

00:08:33,350 --> 00:08:31,260

yeah well I did like was that actually

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00:08:37,100 --> 00:08:33,360

nothing called an inner bear in a bear

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00:08:38,450 --> 00:08:37,110

in a nama our bear in a bear teddy bear

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00:08:38,840 --> 00:08:38,460

which protects you of all sorts of

192

00:08:41,450 --> 00:08:38,850

things

193

00:08:43,700 --> 00:08:41,460

oh so shortly the mayor's going to be

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00:08:44,990 --> 00:08:43,710

giving a talk about the dreaded 5g

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00:08:47,540 --> 00:08:45,000

radiation that's going to be coming you

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00:08:48,650 --> 00:08:47,550

know really so I'm going to go along and

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00:08:50,810 --> 00:08:48,660

listen to that because I got the feeling

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00:08:52,370 --> 00:08:50,820

I'm going to be five Jude shortly yeah

199

00:08:54,560 --> 00:08:52,380

we've just been fluoride at briar live

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00:08:56,450 --> 00:08:54,570

so no but the next tip obviously is to

201
00:08:59,900 --> 00:08:56,460
mind-control free fire - things are

202
00:09:01,460 --> 00:08:59,910
looking up I don't think this 5g will go

203
00:09:02,660 --> 00:09:01,470
on for too much longer because it'll be

204
00:09:06,050 --> 00:09:02,670
rolled out and everybody will forget

205
00:09:09,170 --> 00:09:06,060
about it it's the way they also worry so

206
00:09:09,170 --> 00:09:09,180
much about forward rule yeah

207
00:09:14,220 --> 00:09:12,660
or even apartment now let's start a mind

208
00:09:17,240 --> 00:09:14,230
body wallet this year Peter we have the

209
00:09:19,530 --> 00:09:17,250
home show which is twice the size and

210
00:09:21,329 --> 00:09:19,540
it's great I mean these things for your

211
00:09:24,470 --> 00:09:21,339
home right fridges and pools and

212
00:09:27,650 --> 00:09:24,480
furniture and cladding but in

213
00:09:31,079 --> 00:09:27,660

interspersed with bits of blue

214

00:09:31,769 --> 00:09:31,089

we just passed some tumeric wonder drug

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00:09:35,910 --> 00:09:31,779

there

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00:09:40,530 --> 00:09:35,920

what's this bio electronic medicine in

217

00:09:47,579 --> 00:09:40,540

the palm of your hand and so what are we

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00:09:53,110 --> 00:09:51,189

and we've seen one or two chiropractors

219

00:09:54,490 --> 00:09:53,120

in this section we have yes I'm not

220

00:09:55,840 --> 00:09:54,500

quite sure where they come here

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00:09:57,850 --> 00:09:55,850

I also knows that there are several

222

00:09:58,900 --> 00:09:57,860

people here that we watches of like

223

00:10:01,300 --> 00:09:58,910

smart television we're very familiar

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00:10:03,400 --> 00:10:01,310

with these such as the clever range of

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00:10:07,360 --> 00:10:03,410

products at the band billow adjustable

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00:10:08,559 --> 00:10:07,370

mattress the leap into your show when

227

00:10:11,079 --> 00:10:08,569

you're watching something is record hood

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00:10:14,379 --> 00:10:11,089

old late night infomercials they're well

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00:10:16,360 --> 00:10:14,389

represented here well I think it's time

230

00:10:18,129 --> 00:10:16,370

we wind up our little adventure here at

231

00:10:21,759 --> 00:10:18,139

the mind body wallet in the home show

232

00:10:25,809 --> 00:10:21,769

and let's pick up the action again in a

233

00:10:29,830 --> 00:10:25,819

moment where we will be in Chinatown at

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00:10:39,140 --> 00:10:32,949

[Music]

235

00:10:43,790 --> 00:10:41,420

well that's a nice one we didn't make it

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00:10:45,530 --> 00:10:43,800

to the Chinatown after all we've made it

237

00:10:47,240 --> 00:10:45,540

halfway and got distracted by the pump

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00:10:50,090 --> 00:10:47,250

house brewery well are we going to

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00:10:52,010 --> 00:10:50,100

indulge in some nice ale and pub food

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00:10:53,590 --> 00:10:52,020

well I'm having a sniffle I'm heavy

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00:10:56,269 --> 00:10:53,600

Kosciusko

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00:10:58,670 --> 00:10:56,279

seeing the tailor come from is one litre

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00:11:01,250 --> 00:10:58,680

below half as high as the top mikaze us

244

00:11:02,540 --> 00:11:01,260

guarantee one metre what's that it's

245

00:11:05,269 --> 00:11:02,550

over on its eleven hundred and thirty

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00:11:10,550 --> 00:11:05,279

three litres yeah I'm sorry 1113 motors

247

00:11:12,310 --> 00:11:10,560

Oh Kosciusko is twelve hundred a 2,228

248

00:11:15,320 --> 00:11:12,320

so good for those international folks

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00:11:16,880 --> 00:11:15,330

Mount Kosciuszko is our highest mountain

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00:11:20,450 --> 00:11:16,890

in Australia and it's not that really

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00:11:22,490 --> 00:11:20,460

high it's interesting that on the

252

00:11:24,230 --> 00:11:22,500

highest point in oberon there's the

253

00:11:27,650 --> 00:11:24,240

survey marker which means that's the

254

00:11:30,470 --> 00:11:27,660

highest point the council had presumably

255

00:11:33,200 --> 00:11:30,480

have built a 1 metre high pile of dirt

256

00:11:36,050 --> 00:11:33,210

next to it which if you stand at the top

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00:11:37,760 --> 00:11:36,060

of that it's exactly as high as a half

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00:11:39,019 --> 00:11:37,770

high is the highest point in Australia

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00:11:41,750 --> 00:11:39,029

it's cheating a little bit I think

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00:11:43,820 --> 00:11:41,760

anyway so yeah my buddy wallet over for

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00:11:46,579 --> 00:11:43,830

another half year does this every six

262

00:11:49,490 --> 00:11:46,589

months it was more or less the same old

263

00:11:53,540 --> 00:11:49,500

same old same old bad the Scientologists

264

00:11:54,980 --> 00:11:53,550

weren't there so it all just went the no

265

00:11:57,660 --> 00:11:54,990

I don't think I've ever seen alcohol

266

00:11:59,790 --> 00:11:57,670

there but Metatron

267

00:12:02,850 --> 00:11:59,800

health device wasn't there but similar

268

00:12:04,650 --> 00:12:02,860

devices within the domain who used the

269

00:12:06,390 --> 00:12:04,660

computer to detect your allergies and

270

00:12:08,850 --> 00:12:06,400

then searching a cure yeah he wasn't

271

00:12:12,180 --> 00:12:08,860

there yes he wasn't there

272

00:12:14,820 --> 00:12:12,190

yes you're right but there was a sort of

273

00:12:17,940 --> 00:12:14,830

a fresh batch of just general communal

274

00:12:19,950 --> 00:12:17,950

garden psychics there oh I did miss the

275

00:12:21,780 --> 00:12:19,960

happy hi herb man yes he wasn't there

276

00:12:23,570 --> 00:12:21,790

because that was just enormous funder

277

00:12:26,550 --> 00:12:23,580

talk to someone wearing an enormous

278

00:12:27,750 --> 00:12:26,560

multicolored Mad Hatter's hat yes while

279

00:12:29,940 --> 00:12:27,760

trying to tell you he wasn't really

280

00:12:31,650 --> 00:12:29,950

selling you any any illegal drugs they

281

00:12:33,630 --> 00:12:31,660

were just something worked the same way

282

00:12:34,890 --> 00:12:33,640

yeah but he was probably wiped out by

283

00:12:37,920 --> 00:12:34,900

the two people they're selling medicinal

284

00:12:40,290 --> 00:12:37,930

and a cannabis and well yes I saw I did

285

00:12:44,470 --> 00:12:40,300

see that I bought I bought some soap

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00:12:48,260 --> 00:12:44,480

I bought some nice scented fragrant soap

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00:12:53,210 --> 00:12:48,270

lemomy so very fragrant lemon soap and

288

00:12:55,880 --> 00:12:53,220

coffee a scented there's always some

289

00:12:57,470 --> 00:12:55,890

good things to bother there there's

290

00:12:58,700 --> 00:12:57,480

interesting things one thing that hasn't

291

00:13:01,010 --> 00:12:58,710

been there for a long time is the

292

00:13:03,170 --> 00:13:01,020

clothing people right they're very

293

00:13:05,269 --> 00:13:03,180

colorful koubek yes yes they used to

294

00:13:07,040 --> 00:13:05,279

come down from off the north post on it

295

00:13:09,050 --> 00:13:07,050

and they had all these wonderful stuff

296

00:13:10,730 --> 00:13:09,060

made of bamboo fiber and so forth and it

297

00:13:12,860 --> 00:13:10,740

was really nice clothes look good and

298

00:13:15,380 --> 00:13:12,870

reasonably priced I think they probably

299

00:13:16,820 --> 00:13:15,390

pushed out that they came down all the

300

00:13:18,829 --> 00:13:16,830

way spent four days in Sydney with

301

00:13:21,170 --> 00:13:18,839

accommodation and in fact they just

302

00:13:24,440 --> 00:13:21,180

weren't selling enough stuff and I will

303

00:13:27,829 --> 00:13:24,450

say that at one point a friend of Alice

304

00:13:31,010 --> 00:13:27,839

who for the sake of privacy will remain

305

00:13:33,440 --> 00:13:31,020

nameless the doorman came to join us and

306

00:13:37,610 --> 00:13:33,450

she has a very new bob about five months

307

00:13:40,220 --> 00:13:37,620

old and she determined that it wasn't

308

00:13:42,200 --> 00:13:40,230

the best place to be because of the

309

00:13:44,329 --> 00:13:42,210

likelihood of the high number of

310

00:13:47,920 --> 00:13:44,339

unvaccinated people wandering around I

311

00:13:49,820 --> 00:13:47,930

think that if you look at the sort of

312

00:13:50,900 --> 00:13:49,830

clientele the people who go to or

313

00:13:53,780 --> 00:13:50,910

something like a mind-body-spirit

314

00:13:55,160 --> 00:13:53,790

festival I would be reasonable I'd make

315

00:13:56,510 --> 00:13:55,170

a room or bet but there'd be an overlap

316

00:13:58,880 --> 00:13:56,520

with the anti-vaccination people as well

317

00:14:00,410 --> 00:13:58,890

undoubtedly they think they're gonna

318

00:14:01,970 --> 00:14:00,420

believe that they can have their chakras

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00:14:03,140 --> 00:14:01,980

aligned by crystals yeah they're

320

00:14:05,780 --> 00:14:03,150

probably going to believe that they can

321

00:14:07,940 --> 00:14:05,790

have cured as well and bad at that no

322

00:14:10,070 --> 00:14:07,950

don't worry about disease yeah yeah yeah

323

00:14:11,420 --> 00:14:10,080

all right but again I mean it was much

324

00:14:13,370 --> 00:14:11,430

of the same other thing we've seen for

325

00:14:15,530 --> 00:14:13,380

year after year after year a few new

326

00:14:18,440 --> 00:14:15,540

things things come and go it's

327

00:14:22,640 --> 00:14:18,450

interesting to think about it changing

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00:14:25,730 --> 00:14:22,650

after all these years there are some

329

00:14:27,800 --> 00:14:25,740

astrology wasn't big no more terror than

330

00:14:29,780 --> 00:14:27,810

astronomy I don't think I saw this wrong

331

00:14:31,330 --> 00:14:29,790

and certainly terror over a couple of

332

00:14:34,610 --> 00:14:31,340

hours

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00:14:36,920 --> 00:14:34,620

but and also there's obviously the big

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00:14:39,710 --> 00:14:36,930

room full of psychics reading all sorts

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00:14:41,150 --> 00:14:39,720

of different ways so the penance the den

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00:14:43,010 --> 00:14:41,160

the den of psychics the den of

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00:14:45,500 --> 00:14:43,020

scientists that was still there that \$50

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00:14:49,400 --> 00:14:45,510

a reading I'm thinking of book myself a

339

00:14:57,410 --> 00:14:49,410

stand next year our friend Lara join us

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00:14:59,030 --> 00:14:57,420

in oh she bought sick anyway so I've

341

00:15:00,980 --> 00:14:59,040

noticed that the first time we came it

342

00:15:05,830 --> 00:15:00,990

took us all died now we wander through

343

00:15:10,880 --> 00:15:05,840

the place in about two hours oh well

344

00:15:15,290 --> 00:15:10,890

we're about to enjoy our oh yes yes Lara

345

00:15:16,970 --> 00:15:15,300

you felt something all gone energy you

346

00:15:18,680 --> 00:15:16,980

know you sell the things which claim to

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00:15:20,660 --> 00:15:18,690

get rid of harmful electromagnetic

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00:15:22,490 --> 00:15:20,670

radiations and this that the other so

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00:15:24,200 --> 00:15:22,500

obviously they jump on every time

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00:15:27,620 --> 00:15:24,210

there's something new that I think they

351

00:15:29,840 --> 00:15:27,630

can cling to so today they had little

352

00:15:32,180 --> 00:15:29,850

tiny things that you could buy to stick

353

00:15:35,180 --> 00:15:32,190

on your smartwatches on the back of them

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00:15:36,470 --> 00:15:35,190

to protect your wrists from and I assume

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00:15:37,730 --> 00:15:36,480

the rest of your body but to protect

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00:15:39,530 --> 00:15:37,740

your wrists and your body from any

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00:15:43,430 --> 00:15:39,540

harmful electromagnetic waves that are

358

00:15:48,650 --> 00:15:43,440

coming from those device yeah oh yeah

359

00:15:49,850 --> 00:15:48,660

yeah all of those smartwatches I don't

360

00:15:52,220 --> 00:15:49,860

think that they are actually even

361

00:15:54,590 --> 00:15:52,230

emitting any form of harmful

362

00:15:56,450 --> 00:15:54,600

electromagnetic radiations my watch

363

00:15:58,250 --> 00:15:56,460

protectors that's a new one that's a new

364

00:16:00,140 --> 00:15:58,260

one on me there you go yeah yeah the man

365

00:16:01,610 --> 00:16:00,150

who was selling those was also going to

366

00:16:03,650 --> 00:16:01,620

give a talk about the dangers of 5g

367

00:16:05,480 --> 00:16:03,660

radiation yeah from the phones as well

368

00:16:07,160 --> 00:16:05,490

so but humor me back next year with even

369

00:16:10,610 --> 00:16:07,170

bigger even stronger things to protect

370

00:16:13,700 --> 00:16:10,620

you the u 5g phones hi folks

371

00:16:16,670 --> 00:16:13,710

as I've said year after year after year

372

00:16:18,800 --> 00:16:16,680

and people ask me why I keep going to

373

00:16:21,350 --> 00:16:18,810

these things and why other people keep

374

00:16:23,210 --> 00:16:21,360

going well it's to keep up to date with

375

00:16:26,500 --> 00:16:23,220

what's going on it so we know what we're

376

00:16:28,240 --> 00:16:26,510

talking about it's to see what

377

00:16:30,550 --> 00:16:28,250

keep products and being sold to the

378

00:16:33,210 --> 00:16:30,560

general public and to see if we can then

379

00:16:36,610 --> 00:16:33,220

take any action against them so yes

380

00:16:38,860 --> 00:16:36,620

visiting a spirit fair is worthwhile

381

00:16:40,570 --> 00:16:38,870

especially when there's especially when

382

00:16:48,230 --> 00:16:40,580

there's health implications

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00:16:53,699 --> 00:16:51,600

allora ciao mi chiamo profesora de vo

384

00:16:57,060 --> 00:16:53,709

tuvalu incendiary - teleca's sulla

385

00:17:01,199 --> 00:16:57,070

shines para la moda physica de chemica

386

00:17:04,319 --> 00:17:01,209

Volodya astronomia Mathematica atonte

387

00:17:05,610 --> 00:17:04,329

ultra cosy guarda me Zulu tuba

388

00:17:07,470 --> 00:17:05,620

arrivederci

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00:17:09,150 --> 00:17:07,480

hey everyone this is Professor Dave I

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00:17:10,890 --> 00:17:09,160

want to teach you about all kinds of

391

00:17:12,840 --> 00:17:10,900

things regarding science I want to tell

392

00:17:16,260 --> 00:17:12,850

you about physics I want to tell you

393

00:17:18,990 --> 00:17:16,270

about chemistry biology astronomy math

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00:17:20,669 --> 00:17:19,000

and many many more things come check me

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00:17:27,760 --> 00:17:20,679

out on youtube the channel is called

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00:17:45,659 --> 00:17:42,600

[Music]

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00:17:47,130 --> 00:17:45,669

now on last week's show we had a report

398

00:17:50,340 --> 00:17:47,140

from Susan Kovac from guerrilla

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00:17:52,190 --> 00:17:50,350

skepticism on Wikipedia and she was

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00:17:54,389 --> 00:17:52,200

telling us of some of the recent

401
00:17:57,539 --> 00:17:54,399
activities some of the recent work being

402
00:17:59,340 --> 00:17:57,549
done by her editors including working on

403
00:18:01,769 --> 00:17:59,350
the page of a naturopath well that

404
00:18:04,440 --> 00:18:01,779
naturopath happened to be Barbra O'Neill

405
00:18:07,380 --> 00:18:04,450
who were reported there some weeks ago

406
00:18:09,649 --> 00:18:07,390
has been banned here in Australia for

407
00:18:13,380 --> 00:18:09,659
providing health care services and

408
00:18:16,169 --> 00:18:13,390
Susan's very kind she's thanking Mandy

409
00:18:19,560 --> 00:18:16,179
lee noble April hoy and others for

410
00:18:23,159 --> 00:18:19,570
helping get the wiki pedia page together

411
00:18:26,730 --> 00:18:23,169
and she gives us special thanks to dr.

412
00:18:28,980 --> 00:18:26,740
Harriet hall the Skip doc and of course

413
00:18:31,680 --> 00:18:28,990

as longtime skeptic zone listeners know

414

00:18:35,190 --> 00:18:31,690

we regularly run promotions for the

415

00:18:37,830 --> 00:18:35,200

video series by dr. Harriet hall and if

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00:18:39,629 --> 00:18:37,840

you haven't seen those now the thing

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00:18:42,269 --> 00:18:39,639

that I'll do a special link in this

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00:18:44,250 --> 00:18:42,279

week's show notes it's really worth your

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00:18:46,950 --> 00:18:44,260

time to watch those it gives you a great

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00:18:49,379 --> 00:18:46,960

background and understanding into things

421

00:18:52,049 --> 00:18:49,389

like chiropractic homeopathy energy

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00:18:54,360 --> 00:18:52,059

medicine and so on anyway I was very

423

00:18:58,620 --> 00:18:54,370

interested to find out exactly why

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00:19:00,990 --> 00:18:58,630

Barbara O'Neill was a banned from

425

00:19:03,990 --> 00:19:01,000

operating or offering health services

426
00:19:06,990 --> 00:19:04,000
here in Australia and the wikipedia page

427
00:19:08,269 --> 00:19:07,000
put together is comprehensive it says in

428
00:19:10,470 --> 00:19:08,279
part

429
00:19:13,110 --> 00:19:10,480
Barbara O'Neill is an Australian

430
00:19:16,409 --> 00:19:13,120
naturopath and lecturer on health issues

431
00:19:18,659 --> 00:19:16,419
who in 2019 was banned for life by the

432
00:19:21,149 --> 00:19:18,669
New South Wales health care Complaints

433
00:19:24,480 --> 00:19:21,159
Commission H Triple C from providing

434
00:19:26,549 --> 00:19:24,490
free or paid health services the band

435
00:19:28,289 --> 00:19:26,559
followed an H Triple C investigation

436
00:19:30,870 --> 00:19:28,299
which found she lacked any

437
00:19:33,840 --> 00:19:30,880
health-related qualifications a degree

438
00:19:37,139 --> 00:19:33,850

diploma or membership in an accredited

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00:19:40,200 --> 00:19:37,149

health organisation it also found that

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00:19:42,090 --> 00:19:40,210

she provided dangerous unsupported

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00:19:44,909 --> 00:19:42,100

health advice to vulnerable groups

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00:19:47,730 --> 00:19:44,919

this included advising parents to feed

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00:19:50,250 --> 00:19:47,740

their infants raw goat milk or almond

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00:19:53,220 --> 00:19:50,260

milk blended with dates or banana

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00:19:55,640 --> 00:19:53,230

instead of formula and recommending that

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cancer patients for go Kim

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00:20:03,440 --> 00:20:00,060

therapy in favor of baking soda reps and

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00:20:05,120 --> 00:20:03,450

dietary changes it goes on to say she

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00:20:07,580 --> 00:20:05,130

ran the misty mountain health retreat

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00:20:11,690 --> 00:20:07,590

near Kempsey New South Wales with her

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00:20:13,960 --> 00:20:11,700
husband charging clients up to \$3,100

452
00:20:17,650 --> 00:20:13,970
per week for treatments and health

453
00:20:20,600 --> 00:20:17,660
retreats she also provided for fee

454
00:20:24,110 --> 00:20:20,610
telephone consultations according to

455
00:20:26,060 --> 00:20:24,120
O'Neill's website she provided detox

456
00:20:28,700 --> 00:20:26,070
services claiming to aid in recovery

457
00:20:31,910 --> 00:20:28,710
from heart disease diabetes hormonal

458
00:20:34,280 --> 00:20:31,920
imbalance chronic fatigue can Deena

459
00:20:37,490 --> 00:20:34,290
funguses drug addiction cancer heart

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00:20:39,710 --> 00:20:37,500
burn and obesity according to the H

461
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Triple C investigation O'Neill falsely

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claimed to be able to cure cancer and

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00:20:48,650 --> 00:20:45,380

urged patients not to use chemotherapy

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Anil promoted the discredited claim that

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cancer is a fungus she urged her clients

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00:20:56,630 --> 00:20:54,240

to treat their cancer with baking soda

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wraps and claimed without evidence that

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one doctor had cured 90% of his patients

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cancer with baking soda injections

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anti-vaccination views a neo discouraged

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immunization claiming that vaccinations

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are unnecessary in one of her YouTube

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videos she stated that quote children

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00:21:18,880 --> 00:21:16,680

can be naturally vaccinated against

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00:21:21,740 --> 00:21:18,890

tetanus by drinking plenty of water

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00:21:24,230 --> 00:21:21,750
going to bed early not eating junk food

477
00:21:26,480 --> 00:21:24,240
and running around the hills and quote

478
00:21:29,360 --> 00:21:26,490
she further claimed without evidence

479
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that quote neurotoxins in vaccines have

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caused an epidemic of ADHD autism

481
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epilepsy and cot death end quote

482
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Anil has campaigned against the

483
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Australian no jab and no pay Pro

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immunization initiative dietary advice

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on infants O'Neal has recommended that

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parents who are unable to breastfeed

487
00:21:54,910 --> 00:21:52,650
their infant use substitutes besides

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00:21:57,860 --> 00:21:54,920

formula these have an included

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unpasteurized goat milk and a mix of

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almond milk and dates or banana

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co-author of the National Health and

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Medical Research Council's Australian

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infant feeding guidelines professor Jane

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Scott has stated this advice

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00:22:15,110 --> 00:22:12,419

is quote definitely not safe unquote and

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that quote there is a real danger here

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00:22:20,389 --> 00:22:18,240

for infants as these will not support

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healthy growth and development unquote

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there's much more on this page including

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the H Triple C also found that O'Neal

501
00:22:32,810 --> 00:22:30,389
cannot recognize and provide health

502
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advice within the limits of her training

503
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and experience and had not maintained

504
00:22:39,740 --> 00:22:37,320
records of the advice that she had

505
00:22:41,629 --> 00:22:39,750
provided to clients while O'Neal has

506
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claimed to have received diplomas in

507
00:22:47,779 --> 00:22:45,000
naturopathy Nutrition and Dietetics from

508
00:22:51,080 --> 00:22:47,789
two now-defunct organizations the H

509
00:22:54,289 --> 00:22:51,090
Triple C found that she did not have any

510
00:22:58,610 --> 00:22:54,299
health related degree or diploma on

511
00:23:01,129 --> 00:22:58,620
September 24 2019 the H Triple C banned

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00:23:03,049 --> 00:23:01,139
O'Neal for life from providing health

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00:23:05,419 --> 00:23:03,059

services regardless of whether or not

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00:23:07,759 --> 00:23:05,429

she accepted payment for doing so and

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00:23:10,129 --> 00:23:07,769

Age Triple C spokesperson said that

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O'Neal's activities were being monitored

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closely and the prohibition order

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applies in the Australian states of New

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South Wales Victoria Queensland and

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South Australia he also stated quote in

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general if the material is accessible in

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those jurisdictions online then it is

523

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considered to be delivering health

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service in quote and that quote

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00:23:36,320 --> 00:23:33,600

presenting health education in any form

526
00:23:38,769 --> 00:23:36,330
or delivering health services would be a

527
00:23:41,299 --> 00:23:38,779
breach of her prohibition order unquote

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00:23:43,490 --> 00:23:41,309
violating the ban could be punished with

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00:23:46,310 --> 00:23:43,500
a prison sentence of up to six months

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00:23:48,680 --> 00:23:46,320
although of course it seems she has her

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army of supporters because it says here

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00:23:54,649 --> 00:23:51,960
following the decision a petition was

533
00:23:58,070 --> 00:23:54,659
circulated calling for the H Triple C to

534
00:24:01,610 --> 00:23:58,080
reverse its decision as of October 2019

535
00:24:04,220 --> 00:24:01,620
the petition had gained 36,000

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00:24:05,899 --> 00:24:04,230
signatures although she has been banned

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00:24:08,269 --> 00:24:05,909
from providing health advice in

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00:24:11,620 --> 00:24:08,279

Australia O'Neill's website states that

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00:24:15,639 --> 00:24:11,630

quote Barbara O'Neill author educator

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00:24:18,379 --> 00:24:15,649

naturopath and nutritionist retired is

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00:24:21,039 --> 00:24:18,389

available for public speaking to

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00:24:23,130 --> 00:24:21,049

companies community groups or churches

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00:24:25,230 --> 00:24:23,140

outside of Australia

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00:24:27,720 --> 00:24:25,240

and is sure to please those looking for

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00:24:30,360 --> 00:24:27,730

motivation to live a longer healthier

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00:24:32,190 --> 00:24:30,370

and happier life in quote the month

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00:24:34,140 --> 00:24:32,200

following the H triple C's decision

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00:24:37,110 --> 00:24:34,150

O'Neil was scheduled to conduct a

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00:24:39,150 --> 00:24:37,120

wellness program in the United States at

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00:24:42,240 --> 00:24:39,160

a cost of two thousand three hundred and

551
00:24:44,880 --> 00:24:42,250
fifty dollars per person in late 2019

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00:24:47,010 --> 00:24:44,890
O'Neal and her husband's misty mountain

553
00:24:51,300 --> 00:24:47,020
health retreat came under investigation

554
00:24:54,270 --> 00:24:51,310
by the a CMC for alleged breaches to

555
00:24:56,640 --> 00:24:54,280
charity law under it's health promotion

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00:25:00,030 --> 00:24:56,650
charity status the retreat had received

557
00:25:03,180 --> 00:25:00,040
government grants and various tax

558
00:25:06,060 --> 00:25:03,190
concessions in defending its status the

559
00:25:08,760 --> 00:25:06,070
retreat had claimed it had provided diet

560
00:25:11,430 --> 00:25:08,770
exercise and health advice to Indigenous

561
00:25:19,260 --> 00:25:11,440
Australians and people with chronic and

562
00:25:22,620 --> 00:25:19,270
terminal illnesses so there is just a

563
00:25:24,870 --> 00:25:22,630

sampling of the work being done at the

564

00:25:27,930 --> 00:25:24,880

moment by the guerrilla skepticism on

565

00:25:30,150 --> 00:25:27,940

Wikipedia and it's quite impressive that

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00:25:33,180 --> 00:25:30,160

they put all this information together

567

00:25:36,990 --> 00:25:33,190

in one place on Wikipedia and now I know

568

00:25:39,690 --> 00:25:37,000

and you know the reasons why the reasons

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00:25:42,450 --> 00:25:39,700

behind the decision of the H Triple C to

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00:25:43,020 --> 00:25:42,460

ban barber o Neill from providing health

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00:25:53,340 --> 00:25:43,030

advice

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00:25:58,830 --> 00:25:56,890

hi this is Heidi Robertson from the

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00:26:01,710 --> 00:25:58,840

Northern Rivers vaccination supporters

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00:26:04,240 --> 00:26:01,720

we are a group of concerned citizens

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00:26:06,910 --> 00:26:04,250

dedicated to promoting good science and

576
00:26:10,000 --> 00:26:06,920
common sense in our region the far north

577
00:26:11,560 --> 00:26:10,010
coast of New South Wales this area of

578
00:26:14,770 --> 00:26:11,570
famous for its natural beauty and

579
00:26:18,370 --> 00:26:14,780
relaxed lifestyle also has the lowest

580
00:26:19,690 --> 00:26:18,380
rates of vaccination in Australia we are

581
00:26:20,980 --> 00:26:19,700
out to change that

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00:26:23,740 --> 00:26:20,990
by challenging the myths and

583
00:26:25,900 --> 00:26:23,750
misinformation and by providing good

584
00:26:28,780 --> 00:26:25,910
evidence-based information to the

585
00:26:31,210 --> 00:26:28,790
community we'd love for you no matter

586
00:26:36,060 --> 00:26:31,220
where you are in the world to join our

587
00:26:41,440 --> 00:26:36,070
fight please visit our webpage at

588
00:26:42,850 --> 00:26:41,450

wwlp.com folk we also have a link there

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00:26:46,720 --> 00:26:42,860

to our Facebook page

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00:26:49,390 --> 00:26:46,730

tweet us at in our FAQs supporters

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00:26:51,940 --> 00:26:49,400

that's va ex and check us out on

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00:26:55,180 --> 00:26:51,950

Wikipedia by searching for Northern

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00:27:10,399 --> 00:26:55,190

Rivers vaccination supporters thank you

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00:27:12,629 --> 00:27:10,409

[Music]

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00:27:14,490 --> 00:27:12,639

hi I'm Tim Mendham

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00:27:17,539 --> 00:27:14,500

executive officer Australian skeptics

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00:27:20,330 --> 00:27:17,549

and editor of our magazine the skeptic

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00:27:22,649 --> 00:27:20,340

the article I'm reading today is called

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00:27:26,639 --> 00:27:22,659

fighting words and it comes out of the

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00:27:33,810 --> 00:27:26,649

sceptic from June 2019 which is volume

601
00:27:35,700 --> 00:27:33,820
at 39 number 2 you're looking at freedom

602
00:27:37,529 --> 00:27:35,710
of speech and freedom of speech it's an

603
00:27:39,690 --> 00:27:37,539
issue which is often raised by

604
00:27:42,180 --> 00:27:39,700
proponents of alternative medicine

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00:27:44,100 --> 00:27:42,190
survey the anti-vaxxers and a lot of

606
00:27:46,379 --> 00:27:44,110
other people who want to believe they

607
00:27:48,830 --> 00:27:46,389
can express anything they like and not

608
00:27:50,730 --> 00:27:48,840
be criticized or stopped from doing it

609
00:27:52,200 --> 00:27:50,740
the freedom of speech or the long

610
00:27:57,450 --> 00:27:52,210
history and that's what we'll look at

611
00:28:00,419 --> 00:27:57,460
today everyone knows the famous

612
00:28:03,480 --> 00:28:00,429
statement on free speech by the 18th

613
00:28:05,789 --> 00:28:03,490

century French philosopher Voltaire that

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00:28:08,039 --> 00:28:05,799

statement is I disapprove of what you

615

00:28:12,389 --> 00:28:08,049

say that I will defend to the death your

616

00:28:14,820 --> 00:28:12,399

right to say it a Knopf cited quote that

617

00:28:17,249 --> 00:28:14,830

is used to justify the liberalisation of

618

00:28:20,519 --> 00:28:17,259

expression and a view that is typical of

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00:28:23,009 --> 00:28:20,529

enlightenment thinking only like a lot

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00:28:25,619 --> 00:28:23,019

of our understanding of free speech it's

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00:28:29,159 --> 00:28:25,629

wrong the statement was actually written

622

00:28:33,180 --> 00:28:29,169

by Evelyn Beatrice Hall aka FGM talent

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00:28:35,060 --> 00:28:33,190

eyne in 1906 she coined the sentence in

624

00:28:37,499 --> 00:28:35,070

a book called the Friends of Voltaire an

625

00:28:39,690 --> 00:28:37,509

anecdotal biography telling the stories

626
00:28:42,419 --> 00:28:39,700
of ten men who were contemporaries and

627
00:28:44,240 --> 00:28:42,429
Friends of the philosopher sentence

628
00:28:47,639 --> 00:28:44,250
appeared in the chapter entitled

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00:28:50,399 --> 00:28:47,649
helvetius the contradiction about Claude

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00:28:53,430 --> 00:28:50,409
Adrien helvetius author of a book called

631
00:28:55,499 --> 00:28:53,440
on mind or de l'esprit if you want to be

632
00:28:57,990 --> 00:28:55,509
Frenchman and was supposed to indicate

633
00:29:00,240 --> 00:28:58,000
the sort of approach Voltaire may have

634
00:29:02,340 --> 00:29:00,250
had but not what he actually ever said

635
00:29:04,499 --> 00:29:02,350
so anyone who quotes it and says as

636
00:29:06,389 --> 00:29:04,509
Voltaire is wrong you can tell them that

637
00:29:09,180 --> 00:29:06,399
you can tell them to skeptics told you

638
00:29:10,649 --> 00:29:09,190

like the famous love and peace prose

639

00:29:13,560 --> 00:29:10,659

poem desired errata

640

00:29:15,649 --> 00:29:13,570

go placidly amid the noise and haste etc

641

00:29:18,930 --> 00:29:15,659

so interested that first appeared in the

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00:29:20,190 --> 00:29:18,940

1920s but achieved fame in the 1960s and

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00:29:22,229 --> 00:29:20,200

70s

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00:29:25,320 --> 00:29:22,239

when it was proposed by some to be a

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00:29:27,869 --> 00:29:25,330

document for the 17th century like that

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00:29:30,659 --> 00:29:27,879

the Voltaire quote has the imprimatur of

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00:29:32,970 --> 00:29:30,669

a history that it does not deserve and

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00:29:34,609 --> 00:29:32,980

like to see it a writer reality is a lot

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00:29:39,060 --> 00:29:34,619

more complicated than that

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00:29:41,849 --> 00:29:39,070

as is the notion of free speech the

651
00:29:45,239 --> 00:29:41,859
oxford dictionary defines free speech as

652
00:29:48,389 --> 00:29:45,249
the right to express any opinion without

653
00:29:50,849 --> 00:29:48,399
censorship or restraint the Australian

654
00:29:52,889 --> 00:29:50,859
Macquarie dictionary is the less

655
00:29:55,710 --> 00:29:52,899
absolute than that the right to express

656
00:29:58,289 --> 00:29:55,720
oneself and impart one's opinion in

657
00:30:00,899 --> 00:29:58,299
speech or writing or any form of public

658
00:30:02,820 --> 00:30:00,909
media of course dictionaries don't

659
00:30:04,739 --> 00:30:02,830
always live in the real world and it

660
00:30:07,080 --> 00:30:04,749
will be unlikely that any society would

661
00:30:09,320 --> 00:30:07,090
give free rein to any and every

662
00:30:12,119 --> 00:30:09,330
statement by any and every member

663
00:30:15,440 --> 00:30:12,129

regardless of content intent or impact

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00:30:17,879 --> 00:30:15,450

free speech comes at a cost

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00:30:19,710 --> 00:30:17,889

older civilizations have often taken a

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00:30:22,409 --> 00:30:19,720

simplistic view of human rights and free

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00:30:24,419 --> 00:30:22,419

speech basically don't rubbish the ruler

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00:30:26,940 --> 00:30:24,429

and you'll be okay according to the new

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00:30:28,799 --> 00:30:26,950

internationalist China did not develop

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00:30:30,869 --> 00:30:28,809

an idea of rights that were inherent and

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00:30:31,739 --> 00:30:30,879

natural to the individual as had arisen

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00:30:34,739 --> 00:30:31,749

in Western Europe

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00:30:36,960 --> 00:30:34,749

however the ideally organised confusion

674

00:30:39,989 --> 00:30:36,970

society was supposed to provide social

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00:30:42,210 --> 00:30:39,999

welfare and just treatment people were

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00:30:43,919 --> 00:30:42,220

expected to know their place the

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00:30:46,470 --> 00:30:43,929

powerful were expected to behave with

678

00:30:49,289 --> 00:30:46,480

benevolence and found you to do so could

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00:30:52,680 --> 00:30:49,299

result in forfeiture of power on the

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00:30:54,509 --> 00:30:52,690

other side of the world Republican Rome

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00:30:56,549 --> 00:30:54,519

was witness to several cases where

682

00:30:59,070 --> 00:30:56,559

political speech was suppressed by

683

00:31:00,749 --> 00:30:59,080

violence the most infamous case was the

684

00:31:04,940 --> 00:31:00,759

murder of the reformer Tiberius Gracchus

685

00:31:07,259 --> 00:31:04,950

in 133 BCE other leaders of the Senate

686

00:31:09,989 --> 00:31:07,269

however the killing was not done legally

687

00:31:13,379 --> 00:31:09,999

or by the Roman state it was essentially

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00:31:15,810 --> 00:31:13,389

aristocratic mob violence the Republican

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00:31:18,479 --> 00:31:15,820

state never created the legal tools to

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00:31:20,549 --> 00:31:18,489

formally censor political speech this

691

00:31:22,169 --> 00:31:20,559

changed with the arrival in Rome of the

692

00:31:26,669 --> 00:31:22,179

Empress beginning with Caesar Augustus

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00:31:28,680 --> 00:31:26,679

in 27 BCE when supreme power is invested

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00:31:30,720 --> 00:31:28,690

in a single person they tend to be more

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00:31:33,359 --> 00:31:30,730

sensitive to criticism from their

696

00:31:34,060 --> 00:31:33,369

subjects libel and by which we mean

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00:31:36,190 --> 00:31:34,070

libel again

698

00:31:38,860 --> 00:31:36,200

the Emperor or his government was

699

00:31:41,830 --> 00:31:38,870

prosecuted as treason under Augustus and

700

00:31:45,040 --> 00:31:41,840

by all following Emperor's book burning

701
00:31:47,340 --> 00:31:45,050
or people burning was part of the course

702
00:31:50,470 --> 00:31:47,350
and continued well into the Middle Ages

703
00:31:52,690 --> 00:31:50,480
for instance as the Menace of printing

704
00:31:55,570 --> 00:31:52,700
spread more governments attempted to

705
00:31:58,150 --> 00:31:55,580
centralize control the French crown

706
00:32:00,250 --> 00:31:58,160
repressed printing and the printer

707
00:32:04,480 --> 00:32:00,260
Etienne de l'Est was burned at the stake

708
00:32:06,130 --> 00:32:04,490
in 1546 a few years earlier the first

709
00:32:08,950 --> 00:32:06,140
edition of the Catholic churches in

710
00:32:11,020 --> 00:32:08,960
Bexley Brougham prohibit album which is

711
00:32:13,240 --> 00:32:11,030
the list of prohibited books that

712
00:32:16,120 --> 00:32:13,250
appeared 9 Rome but in Catholic

713
00:32:19,330 --> 00:32:16,130

Netherlands in 1529 Venice in 1543 in

714

00:32:20,830 --> 00:32:19,340

Paris in 1551 the church continued to

715

00:32:24,970 --> 00:32:20,840

publish the list until it was

716

00:32:27,340 --> 00:32:24,980

discontinued in 1966 at the peak of its

717

00:32:29,530 --> 00:32:27,350

Empire Venice had rules that punished

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00:32:31,350 --> 00:32:29,540

anyone who criticized not the government

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00:32:34,360 --> 00:32:31,360

but the city-state itself

720

00:32:37,030 --> 00:32:34,370

such was the pride the citizens showed

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00:32:38,590 --> 00:32:37,040

towards La Serenissima no doubt

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00:32:41,620 --> 00:32:38,600

amplified by the city's rather tenuous

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00:32:43,990 --> 00:32:41,630

hold on existence both geopolitically

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00:32:46,870 --> 00:32:44,000

and geologically foreigners who maligned

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00:32:50,290 --> 00:32:46,880

the state were exiled locals were

726

00:32:52,000 --> 00:32:50,300

imprisoned if not murdered while free

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00:32:54,460 --> 00:32:52,010

speech against the Venetian state was

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00:32:57,610 --> 00:32:54,470

outlawed free speech against individuals

729

00:33:01,000 --> 00:32:57,620

for the public was not gossip innuendo

730

00:33:04,060 --> 00:33:01,010

and scheming were a currency in Venice

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00:33:06,940 --> 00:33:04,070

the term imbroglio refers to a part of

732

00:33:08,110 --> 00:33:06,950

the Piazza offset mark square their

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00:33:10,630 --> 00:33:08,120

people gathered to elect their leaders

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00:33:13,540 --> 00:33:10,640

and where they could share the latest

735

00:33:15,400 --> 00:33:13,550

dirty laundry if they weren't gossiping

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00:33:18,790 --> 00:33:15,410

they were accusing others of crimes

737

00:33:21,130 --> 00:33:18,800

by dropping notes into the Boche a Leone

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00:33:22,630 --> 00:33:21,140

in which was sort of post boxes that

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00:33:25,630 --> 00:33:22,640

were scattered around the city with a

740

00:33:28,360 --> 00:33:25,640

slot in the mouth of a lion for the

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00:33:30,910 --> 00:33:28,370

accusatory notes in the 19th century

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00:33:32,800 --> 00:33:30,920

they began a more nuanced approach to

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00:33:35,620 --> 00:33:32,810

free speech and the responsibilities

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00:33:37,180 --> 00:33:35,630

that that entailed the concept extended

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00:33:39,970 --> 00:33:37,190

beyond criticism of the powers that be

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00:33:41,590 --> 00:33:39,980

the monarch government or church to

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00:33:44,560 --> 00:33:41,600

statements that impact on the broader

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00:33:46,240 --> 00:33:44,570

community one of the most influential

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00:33:47,850 --> 00:33:46,250

figures on personal liberties was the

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00:33:50,910 --> 00:33:47,860

English philosopher John Stuart

751

00:33:54,120 --> 00:33:50,920

Mill his book on Liberty which came out

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00:33:56,030 --> 00:33:54,130

1859 addresses the nature and limits of

753

00:33:59,150 --> 00:33:56,040

the power that can be legitimately

754

00:34:02,430 --> 00:33:59,160

exercised by society over the individual

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00:34:04,380 --> 00:34:02,440

his conception of Liberty justified the

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00:34:06,990 --> 00:34:04,390

freedom of the individual in opposition

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00:34:09,359 --> 00:34:07,000

to unlimited state and social control

758

00:34:11,010 --> 00:34:09,369

not to say he always felt that way his

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00:34:12,960 --> 00:34:11,020

concern for Liberty did not extend to

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00:34:15,930 --> 00:34:12,970

all individuals and all societies

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00:34:17,760 --> 00:34:15,940

he stated that despotism is a legitimate

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00:34:20,820 --> 00:34:17,770

mode of government in dealing with

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00:34:23,010 --> 00:34:20,830

barbarians nonetheless for the non

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00:34:25,740 --> 00:34:23,020

barbarians mill opened up a landscape of

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00:34:28,470 --> 00:34:25,750

liberties of expression there also

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00:34:30,599 --> 00:34:28,480

exists the fullest Liberty of professing

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00:34:33,419 --> 00:34:30,609

and discussing as a matter of ethical

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00:34:36,450 --> 00:34:33,429

conviction any doctrine however immoral

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00:34:39,720 --> 00:34:36,460

it may be considered he added if all

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00:34:42,240 --> 00:34:39,730

mankind - one were of one opinion and

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00:34:44,639 --> 00:34:42,250

only one person or of the contrary

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00:34:46,800 --> 00:34:44,649

opinion mankind will be no more

773

00:34:49,590 --> 00:34:46,810

justified in silencing that one person

774

00:34:53,220 --> 00:34:49,600

than he if he had the power will be

775

00:34:55,080 --> 00:34:53,230

justified in silencing mankind he's

776
00:34:57,210 --> 00:34:55,090
talking about absolute freedom of

777
00:34:59,609 --> 00:34:57,220
opinion and sentiment on all subjects

778
00:35:02,250 --> 00:34:59,619
practical or speculative scientific

779
00:35:04,680 --> 00:35:02,260
moral or theological if Liberty of

780
00:35:06,750 --> 00:35:04,690
expression is stifled he says the price

781
00:35:07,859 --> 00:35:06,760
paid is a sort of intellectual

782
00:35:10,650 --> 00:35:07,869
pacification

783
00:35:14,340 --> 00:35:10,660
that sacrifices the entire moral courage

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00:35:16,410 --> 00:35:14,350
of the human mind but he then raises an

785
00:35:18,720 --> 00:35:16,420
issue which is resounded through

786
00:35:21,210 --> 00:35:18,730
philosophical and practical debate on

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00:35:25,560 --> 00:35:21,220
freedom of speech ever since and that's

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00:35:27,690 --> 00:35:25,570

called the harm principle Mills suggests

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00:35:29,700 --> 00:35:27,700

that we need some rules of conduct to

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00:35:32,700 --> 00:35:29,710

regulate the actions of members of a

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00:35:35,130 --> 00:35:32,710

political community the limitation he

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00:35:38,070 --> 00:35:35,140

places on free expression is one very

793

00:35:40,349 --> 00:35:38,080

simple principle which states that the

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00:35:42,870 --> 00:35:40,359

only purpose for which power can be

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00:35:45,330 --> 00:35:42,880

rightfully exercised over any member of

796

00:35:49,859 --> 00:35:45,340

a civilized community against his will

797

00:35:52,290 --> 00:35:49,869

is to prevent harm to others the members

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00:35:53,490 --> 00:35:52,300

own good either physical or moral is not

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00:35:56,099 --> 00:35:53,500

a sufficient warrant

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00:35:58,440 --> 00:35:56,109

he cannot rightfully be compelled to do

801
00:36:00,540 --> 00:35:58,450
or forbear because it will be better for

802
00:36:01,560 --> 00:36:00,550
him to do so because it will make him

803
00:36:03,030 --> 00:36:01,570
happier

804
00:36:05,910 --> 00:36:03,040
because in the opinion of others to do

805
00:36:08,010 --> 00:36:05,920
so would be wise or even right the only

806
00:36:11,760 --> 00:36:08,020
part of the conduct of anyone for which

807
00:36:14,160 --> 00:36:11,770
he is amenable to society is that which

808
00:36:16,110 --> 00:36:14,170
concerns others in the part which merely

809
00:36:19,170 --> 00:36:16,120
concerns himself is in dependencies of

810
00:36:21,320 --> 00:36:19,180
right absolute over himself over his own

811
00:36:24,750 --> 00:36:21,330
body in mind the individual is sovereign

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00:36:27,000 --> 00:36:24,760
in other words free speech is not an

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invitation to as the Oxford Dictionary

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says the right to express any opinions

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without censorship or astray other

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members of society are involved and

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that's part one of this article on free

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speech in next week's we look at the

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20th century and the developed of

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international and global movements for

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free speech

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the skeptic magazine the journal from

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magazine October the 12th 2019 his stage

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name the amazing Randi made him sound

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00:38:15,490 --> 00:38:13,520
like a porn star but James Randi was and

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00:38:18,340 --> 00:38:15,500
remains one of the world's most famous

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magicians a big influence on the likes

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00:38:24,940 --> 00:38:21,920
of Penn & Teller not only because of his

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00:38:27,610 --> 00:38:24,950

technical mastery of the black arts of

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conjuring and illusions but because of

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his work in the banking frauds like

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spoon bender uri geller

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whenever scientists found themselves

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baffled by URI or his ilk they call in

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Canadian American Randy who'd promptly

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00:38:46,830 --> 00:38:43,730

replicate the psychic phenomenon that

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seemed to be occurring in the laboratory

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psychokinesis telepathy distant viewing

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all cons like the goings-on in seances

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or cold readings of odorous Stokes

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or talking to the dead on the telly

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Randee now 91 was a key to the success

852
00:39:13,120 --> 00:39:11,450
of the committee for the scientific

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investigations of claims of the

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paranormal now known as the committee

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00:39:21,370 --> 00:39:18,920
for skeptical inquiry a body with Nobel

856
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laureates by the Dozen alarmed by

857
00:39:26,470 --> 00:39:23,569
everything from psychic surgery to the

858
00:39:29,410 --> 00:39:26,480
fat of ufology dick Smith and I wanted

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00:39:31,509 --> 00:39:29,420
to see a similar body here as the first

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00:39:34,269 --> 00:39:31,519
step in establishing the Australian

861
00:39:36,789 --> 00:39:34,279
skeptics we brought Randy to Australia

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00:39:39,640 --> 00:39:36,799
among our first efforts leader bunking

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00:39:43,390 --> 00:39:39,650

of water divining dig Richard Carlton

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00:39:47,380 --> 00:39:43,400

and I contributed to a large cash price

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00:39:49,779 --> 00:39:47,390

for anyone who could divine water under

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00:39:53,349 --> 00:39:49,789

test conditions the creme de la creme of

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00:39:55,900 --> 00:39:53,359

Oz Devine has tried and utterly failed

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00:39:58,660 --> 00:39:55,910

over the years our prize money grew

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00:40:01,650 --> 00:39:58,670

ready to be won by anyone who could

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00:40:05,049 --> 00:40:01,660

demonstrate any psychic power whatever

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00:40:06,220 --> 00:40:05,059

many tried spoon benders and the rest of

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00:40:09,880 --> 00:40:06,230

the psychic circus

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00:40:11,979 --> 00:40:09,890

nobody won later Randy's us supporters

874

00:40:16,809 --> 00:40:11,989

increased the price to a million dollars

875

00:40:19,470 --> 00:40:16,819

the check remains uncashed but let me

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00:40:21,999 --> 00:40:19,480

describe Randy's demo of psychokinesis

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00:40:25,450 --> 00:40:22,009

moving an object with the power of the

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00:40:26,680 --> 00:40:25,460

mind the day we met in Dick's office he

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00:40:29,380 --> 00:40:26,690

plucked a cigarette

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00:40:33,039 --> 00:40:29,390

I was about to light from my lips dirty

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habit and placed it on Dick's desk then

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00:40:37,660 --> 00:40:35,089

there's a dozen journals and cameramen

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00:40:40,269 --> 00:40:37,670

crowded around Randy he extended

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00:40:44,079 --> 00:40:40,279

vibrating fingers towards my mole burrow

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00:40:46,630 --> 00:40:44,089

and then it began to move up and down

886

00:40:49,479 --> 00:40:46,640

the desk when Randy asked us how to

887

00:40:51,729 --> 00:40:49,489

guess how he'd done it everyone had a

888

00:40:55,390 --> 00:40:51,739

theory mostly involving static

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00:40:57,460 --> 00:40:55,400

electricity no he said while your eyes

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00:40:59,859 --> 00:40:57,470

and camera were on the gap between my

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00:41:03,099 --> 00:40:59,869

fingers and the cigarette I was blowing

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00:41:05,920 --> 00:41:03,109

it simple as that and none of you

893

00:41:09,099 --> 00:41:05,930

trained observers noticed the classic

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00:41:11,829 --> 00:41:09,109

art of misdirection crucial to conjures

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00:41:15,430 --> 00:41:11,839

a second or two of distraction is all

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00:41:17,529 --> 00:41:15,440

Randy needed to blow a cigarette or for

897

00:41:18,109 --> 00:41:17,539

David Copperfield to make the Statue of

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00:41:20,150 --> 00:41:18,119

Liberty

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00:41:23,029 --> 00:41:20,160

disappear right before your eyes and

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00:41:26,620 --> 00:41:23,039

I've seen him do it it's also the basic

901
00:41:30,049 --> 00:41:26,630
tool of political performance distract

902
00:41:30,620 --> 00:41:30,059
dissemble avoid the question change the

903
00:41:32,749 --> 00:41:30,630
subject

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00:41:35,749 --> 00:41:32,759
like a kid flipping cards on a New York

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00:41:38,690 --> 00:41:35,759
City pavement politicians are the

906
00:41:41,210 --> 00:41:38,700
Masters of misdirection we must always

907
00:41:44,089 --> 00:41:41,220
be skeptical of all those who would con

908
00:41:46,970 --> 00:41:44,099
us not only conjurer's like Keller but

909
00:41:50,569 --> 00:41:46,980
also the entrepreneurs evangelists and

910
00:41:52,940 --> 00:41:50,579
influences who want your money and even

911
00:41:55,249 --> 00:41:52,950
more skeptical of the politicians who

912
00:41:58,609 --> 00:41:55,259
want to rule our lives the world

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00:42:00,799 --> 00:41:58,619

champion miss director Trump using

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00:42:02,140 --> 00:42:00,809

outrageous tweets to distract from what

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00:42:06,410 --> 00:42:02,150

he's really up to

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00:42:09,650 --> 00:42:06,420

misdirection made him POTUS so the three

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00:42:14,180 --> 00:42:09,660

lessons from my mo bro 1 join the

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00:42:17,120 --> 00:42:14,190

Australian skeptics to give up smoking 3

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00:42:18,739 --> 00:42:17,130

watch the lips of politicians when

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00:42:22,670 --> 00:42:18,749

they're moving they're probably lying

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00:42:30,049 --> 00:42:22,680

but one thing is absolutely 100% certain

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00:42:32,589 --> 00:42:30,059

they'll be blowing and that was tricks

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00:42:35,420 --> 00:42:32,599

of the trade by Philip Adams who is a

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co-founder of Australian skeptics

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the weekend Australian magazine

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[Applause]

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00:43:13,580 --> 00:43:12,710
hey Richard oh hi Trish hi would you

929
00:43:15,470 --> 00:43:13,590
like a coffee

930
00:43:17,300 --> 00:43:15,480
yeah thanks what are you working on I'm

931
00:43:19,210 --> 00:43:17,310
trying to come up with a new promo to

932
00:43:22,580 --> 00:43:19,220
play on the sceptic zone who's it for

933
00:43:25,310 --> 00:43:22,590
the good thinking Society in the UK you

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00:43:27,080 --> 00:43:25,320
know the oh yeah I know them the guys

935
00:43:29,180 --> 00:43:27,090
who recently chased the homeopaths out

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00:43:31,250 --> 00:43:29,190
of the UK public health system oh did

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00:43:32,420 --> 00:43:31,260
they yeah they campaigned and lobbied

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00:43:35,570 --> 00:43:32,430

government for a while and now you

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00:43:36,920 --> 00:43:35,580

cannot get homeopathy on the NHS so they

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can now spend public money on health

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care that works Yeah right look I'll

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mention that in the promo now their

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website is good thinking Society org and

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that website is a good resource for

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learning more about quackery thanks

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00:43:52,580 --> 00:43:51,660

Trish that gives me something good to

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think about

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[Applause]

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thank you for listening to the skeptic

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zone next week we have fighting words

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part 2 from Tim Mendham and in the

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following weeks even more reports and

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articles that Tim has written in fact

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not long ago he came over here to the

955
00:44:37,370 --> 00:44:34,600
studios and that's where we recorded his

956
00:44:40,170 --> 00:44:37,380
his items and articles from the skeptic

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00:44:42,360 --> 00:44:40,180
also coming up I hope as I said in the

958
00:44:45,150 --> 00:44:42,370
introduction to bring you some reports

959
00:44:48,870 --> 00:44:45,160
and interviews from saikhan going on as

960
00:44:50,760 --> 00:44:48,880
we speak we speak as I record that would

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00:44:53,850 --> 00:44:50,770
be better maybe we can catch up with

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00:44:57,300 --> 00:44:53,860
Brian Dunning and get a report about how

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00:44:59,400 --> 00:44:57,310

the screening of his documentary went

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00:45:01,620 --> 00:44:59,410

this is science friction this is the

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00:45:04,890 --> 00:45:01,630

documentary where scientists and science

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00:45:09,030 --> 00:45:04,900

communicators have been taken out of

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00:45:14,030 --> 00:45:09,040

context in so called documentaries on TV

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00:45:18,330 --> 00:45:14,040

and so on and sometimes they made by

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careful edits to appear to say the exact

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00:45:23,370 --> 00:45:21,520

opposite of what they really did say and

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I can't wait to see that documentary for

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00:45:29,090 --> 00:45:26,020

myself thank you to those people in the

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last week who did in fact chip in at

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skeptic zone TV \$11 to mark the 11 years

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of the skeptic zone thank you very much

976
00:45:42,450 --> 00:45:39,340
you people that's really wonderful that

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00:45:44,550 --> 00:45:42,460
you you did that I'm very grateful and

978
00:45:46,380 --> 00:45:44,560
thank you to the new patreon as I've

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picked up in the last little while great

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to have you on board don't forget if you

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do chip in via patreon there are a

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couple of award levels so if you chip in

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10 dollars or more you know where you

984
00:46:01,890 --> 00:45:58,480
can discover that for yourself at

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skeptic zone TV it's absolutely

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necessary for the continuation of the

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skeptic zone but for this week this is

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Richard Saunders signing off from Sydney

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you've been listening to the skeptic

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