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Earthquake Prediction?  
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is all shook up

Tarot on TikTok

Australian Skeptics News  
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TROVE  
Tarot Cards

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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:06,550

[Music]

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00:00:16,830 --> 00:00:09,190

welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:25,269 --> 00:00:23,429

[Music]

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00:00:28,150 --> 00:00:25,279

yes it's the skeptic zone podcast

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00:00:32,549 --> 00:00:28,160

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6  
00:00:34,389 --> 00:00:32,559

for the 26th of september 2021 richard

7  
00:00:36,870 --> 00:00:34,399

saunders coming to you from

8  
00:00:39,190 --> 00:00:36,880

the skeptic zone mobile yes i'm sitting

9  
00:00:43,590 --> 00:00:39,200

in the car in a lineup

10  
00:00:46,470 --> 00:00:43,600

at a local covert 19 testing center

11  
00:00:47,910 --> 00:00:46,480

i am getting a precautionary test simply

12  
00:00:49,190 --> 00:00:47,920

because i've been asked to do a little

13  
00:00:50,950 --> 00:00:49,200

bit of

14

00:00:53,830 --> 00:00:50,960

work in the entertainment industry later

15

00:00:56,229 --> 00:00:53,840

this week wow that's uh that's great to

16

00:00:58,069 --> 00:00:56,239

be able to get a little bit of something

17

00:01:00,470 --> 00:00:58,079

and one of the requirements is a

18

00:01:03,029 --> 00:01:00,480

negative covert test fair enough what a

19

00:01:05,109 --> 00:01:03,039

good idea so i'm lined up

20

00:01:07,190 --> 00:01:05,119

and ahead of me there are about seven

21

00:01:09,030 --> 00:01:07,200

eight nine cars

22

00:01:11,510 --> 00:01:09,040

or i can see a nurse or somebody popping

23

00:01:13,830 --> 00:01:11,520

along the car windows

24

00:01:15,990 --> 00:01:13,840

sort of organizing things at the moment

25

00:01:17,990 --> 00:01:16,000

coming up on this week's show something

26

00:01:20,630 --> 00:01:18,000

a little bit different

27

00:01:23,990 --> 00:01:20,640

in the past week australia had quite an

28

00:01:27,910 --> 00:01:24,000

earthquake uh centered near melbourne

29

00:01:30,230 --> 00:01:27,920

and we're going to uh pick up the story

30

00:01:33,830 --> 00:01:30,240

just after the earthquake when the great

31

00:01:35,350 --> 00:01:33,840

australian prediction crew were meeting

32

00:01:37,590 --> 00:01:35,360

talking about

33

00:01:39,830 --> 00:01:37,600

earthquakes as we spoke about

34

00:01:41,670 --> 00:01:39,840

earthquakes there was an earthquake that

35

00:01:43,030 --> 00:01:41,680

was quite something michelle biggesmar

36

00:01:45,429 --> 00:01:43,040

tells us

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00:01:47,670 --> 00:01:45,439

what it's like to sit through

38

00:01:49,109 --> 00:01:47,680

an earthquake

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00:01:51,429 --> 00:01:49,119

and a big shout out to michelle

40

00:01:52,710 --> 00:01:51,439

biggesmar our reporter in melbourne

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00:01:55,350 --> 00:01:52,720

it's uh

42

00:01:57,670 --> 00:01:55,360

it's not every day you sit there on zoom

43

00:02:00,469 --> 00:01:57,680

and watch somebody shaking in their seat

44

00:02:02,630 --> 00:02:00,479

wondering what's going on

45

00:02:04,709 --> 00:02:02,640

and following that it's a look at tick

46

00:02:05,749 --> 00:02:04,719

tock specifically

47

00:02:07,190 --> 00:02:05,759

tarot

48

00:02:09,350 --> 00:02:07,200

on tick tock

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00:02:11,990 --> 00:02:09,360

could almost be a song couldn't it

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00:02:14,390 --> 00:02:12,000

i uh recently got into tick-tock to have

51  
00:02:16,070 --> 00:02:14,400  
a look to see what's going on

52  
00:02:17,910 --> 00:02:16,080  
as uh

53  
00:02:20,550 --> 00:02:17,920  
as i'd like to know what's sort of going

54  
00:02:23,190 --> 00:02:20,560  
on out there and i discovered many weird

55  
00:02:25,190 --> 00:02:23,200  
things on tick tock of course but lots

56  
00:02:27,350 --> 00:02:25,200  
of people doing tarot card reading so i

57  
00:02:30,070 --> 00:02:27,360  
thought i would investigate that

58  
00:02:31,750 --> 00:02:30,080  
after that it's the australian skeptics

59  
00:02:34,710 --> 00:02:31,760  
newsletter once again

60  
00:02:36,229 --> 00:02:34,720  
read by adrian hill in canada sort of

61  
00:02:38,229 --> 00:02:36,239  
makes sense doesn't it an australian

62  
00:02:40,150 --> 00:02:38,239  
skeptic's newsletter read by a canadian

63  
00:02:42,390 --> 00:02:40,160

but somehow

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00:02:45,190 --> 00:02:42,400

it just works then the round off the

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00:02:48,470 --> 00:02:45,200

show it's tarot cards once again as we

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00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:48,480

dive into the pages of trove and other

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00:02:53,270 --> 00:02:50,400

newspapers from around the world

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00:02:55,910 --> 00:02:53,280

the digital archives and discover what

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00:02:58,710 --> 00:02:55,920

references we can find to tarot cards

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00:03:01,030 --> 00:02:58,720

including a very interesting piece from

71

00:03:03,110 --> 00:03:01,040

here in australia about the history of

72

00:03:06,149 --> 00:03:03,120

tarot cards

73

00:03:09,350 --> 00:03:06,159

oh we're moving forward okay

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00:03:14,550 --> 00:03:12,390

and six seven cars yeah some have gone

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00:03:16,470 --> 00:03:14,560

into the testing center and i'm still

76

00:03:18,869 --> 00:03:16,480

out on the street

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00:03:20,949 --> 00:03:18,879

looks like i'm

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00:03:23,110 --> 00:03:20,959

moving up

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00:03:25,350 --> 00:03:23,120

here all right good

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00:03:27,110 --> 00:03:25,360

oh now i'm

81

00:03:29,350 --> 00:03:27,120

this is happening quicker than i thought

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00:03:31,910 --> 00:03:29,360

this is good i've been waiting in these

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00:03:34,149 --> 00:03:31,920

queues sometimes for over an hour but

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00:03:36,470 --> 00:03:34,159

this morning since i'm early

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00:03:37,910 --> 00:03:36,480

and it's just opened i think i'm going

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00:03:39,910 --> 00:03:37,920

to be through in about 10 minutes so

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00:03:41,350 --> 00:03:39,920

that's really great stay tuned at the

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00:03:43,670 --> 00:03:41,360

end of the episode for more

89

00:03:44,830 --> 00:03:43,680

announcements from me but now it's time

90

00:03:47,190 --> 00:03:44,840

for me to

91

00:03:48,229 --> 00:03:47,200

well sit in the car and get a covered

92

00:03:50,550 --> 00:03:48,239

test

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00:03:56,860 --> 00:03:50,560

while i do that i hope you enjoy

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00:03:56,870 --> 00:04:17,590

[Music]

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00:04:21,590 --> 00:04:19,830

okay we're yeah we're back now we're

96

00:04:23,830 --> 00:04:21,600

we're recording so folks

97

00:04:25,510 --> 00:04:23,840

this is one of those things where you

98

00:04:26,950 --> 00:04:25,520

say what the hell

99

00:04:28,310 --> 00:04:26,960

we are

100

00:04:29,830 --> 00:04:28,320

there's six seven of us doing

101  
00:04:31,270 --> 00:04:29,840  
predictions as we do every week for the

102  
00:04:33,990 --> 00:04:31,280  
great australian psychic prediction

103  
00:04:35,830 --> 00:04:34,000  
project and we were discussing

104  
00:04:38,310 --> 00:04:35,840  
natural disasters and earthquakes and

105  
00:04:40,390 --> 00:04:38,320  
we're all busily researching

106  
00:04:41,749 --> 00:04:40,400  
i think this was happened to do in new

107  
00:04:43,590 --> 00:04:41,759  
zealand so we're looking up to see the

108  
00:04:45,030 --> 00:04:43,600  
historical records for earthquakes in

109  
00:04:46,629 --> 00:04:45,040  
new zealand we're all chatting and

110  
00:04:48,710 --> 00:04:46,639  
suddenly michelle's looking around her

111  
00:04:51,030 --> 00:04:48,720  
room

112  
00:04:52,390 --> 00:04:51,040  
and she just went through

113  
00:04:54,950 --> 00:04:52,400

an earthquake

114

00:04:55,749 --> 00:04:54,960  
in melbourne or an earth tremor

115

00:04:57,909 --> 00:04:55,759  
and

116

00:04:59,749 --> 00:04:57,919  
she's saying not the the room's shaking

117

00:05:02,870 --> 00:04:59,759  
we're thinking ha ha very funny no it

118

00:05:05,350 --> 00:05:03,990  
it's extraordinary that we were

119

00:05:07,510 --> 00:05:05,360  
discussing an earthquake while there was

120

00:05:09,430 --> 00:05:07,520  
an earthquake happening to one of us

121

00:05:12,710 --> 00:05:09,440  
are you okay there michelle

122

00:05:14,710 --> 00:05:12,720  
i am but the crazy thing thought was

123

00:05:16,070 --> 00:05:14,720  
is that it doesn't really happen very

124

00:05:19,189 --> 00:05:16,080  
often in melbourne this is only the

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00:05:22,230 --> 00:05:19,199  
second or third time in my entire life

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00:05:25,029 --> 00:05:22,240

and i actually thought that maybe i was

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00:05:27,270 --> 00:05:25,039

crazy and imagining it and i was looking

128

00:05:30,150 --> 00:05:27,280

around the room because i was thinking

129

00:05:33,110 --> 00:05:30,160

how can i prove this other than i'd feel

130

00:05:36,070 --> 00:05:33,120

it and how can i show everybody on zoom

131

00:05:40,070 --> 00:05:36,080

because this almost can't be it's just

132

00:05:42,310 --> 00:05:40,080

too wild that this room is shaking

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00:05:44,710 --> 00:05:42,320

my cat's expression said it all that

134

00:05:45,830 --> 00:05:44,720

that was reassuring me that i wasn't

135

00:05:48,870 --> 00:05:45,840

crazy

136

00:05:51,749 --> 00:05:48,880

and this i am sitting in a mud brick

137

00:05:52,550 --> 00:05:51,759

room with a brick floor

138

00:05:54,469 --> 00:05:52,560

and

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00:05:56,870 --> 00:05:54,479

it's going to have to take a bit to

140

00:05:58,070 --> 00:05:56,880

shake this room and everything was

141

00:06:01,270 --> 00:05:58,080

shaking

142

00:06:04,390 --> 00:06:01,280

um so while i didn't madly

143

00:06:06,150 --> 00:06:04,400

solve the problem of showing everybody i

144

00:06:08,790 --> 00:06:06,160

just thought i must have a bit of a

145

00:06:10,230 --> 00:06:08,800

sanity check and we looked up

146

00:06:13,110 --> 00:06:10,240

and um

147

00:06:15,909 --> 00:06:13,120

sure enough the reports of

148

00:06:16,870 --> 00:06:15,919

earthquake alerts or it's a tremor yeah

149

00:06:19,350 --> 00:06:16,880

um

150

00:06:21,110 --> 00:06:19,360

coming into melbourne but it's it's not

151  
00:06:23,189 --> 00:06:21,120  
something we

152  
00:06:24,230 --> 00:06:23,199  
commonly feel

153  
00:06:27,270 --> 00:06:24,240  
so

154  
00:06:30,790 --> 00:06:27,280  
bizarre the timing could be not more

155  
00:06:33,590 --> 00:06:30,800  
bizarre it is a lot of large numbers the

156  
00:06:35,990 --> 00:06:33,600  
law of coincidence yeah has to happen

157  
00:06:37,749 --> 00:06:36,000  
and it absolutely that's right i was

158  
00:06:40,309 --> 00:06:37,759  
just about to say that brings home this

159  
00:06:43,270 --> 00:06:40,319  
really good point every now and then in

160  
00:06:45,590 --> 00:06:43,280  
our lives weird weird unbelievable

161  
00:06:47,590 --> 00:06:45,600  
coincidences happen and the fact that we

162  
00:06:50,150 --> 00:06:47,600  
should be discussing earthquakes why one

163  
00:06:52,230 --> 00:06:50,160

of us has an earthquake is exactly one

164

00:06:53,920 --> 00:06:52,240

of those and we're discussing them on a

165

00:06:57,589 --> 00:06:53,930

skeptical podcast

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00:06:59,830 --> 00:06:57,599

[Laughter]

167

00:07:02,150 --> 00:06:59,840

so we're going michelle i doubt it prove

168

00:07:04,070 --> 00:07:02,160

it prove it

169

00:07:06,710 --> 00:07:04,080

so then we googled it and bingo there we

170

00:07:08,230 --> 00:07:06,720

go yep i think michelle gets bonus

171

00:07:11,270 --> 00:07:08,240

skeptical points though for doing a

172

00:07:15,749 --> 00:07:13,510

before she said anything and made all

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00:07:17,670 --> 00:07:15,759

these wild claims and you mentioned that

174

00:07:19,749 --> 00:07:17,680

your your cat did not have a reaction

175

00:07:21,670 --> 00:07:19,759

and you know the fiction is that animals

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00:07:24,390 --> 00:07:21,680

actually perceive these things before

177

00:07:25,990 --> 00:07:24,400

they happen so there that that guy that

178

00:07:28,070 --> 00:07:26,000

got proved wrong

179

00:07:29,510 --> 00:07:28,080

yes

180

00:07:31,430 --> 00:07:29,520

do you need to do a check around your

181

00:07:34,309 --> 00:07:31,440

house michelle is everything all right

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00:07:36,870 --> 00:07:34,319

no no it just was a mild shake but it it

183

00:07:39,990 --> 00:07:36,880

yes my cat did not predict it but had a

184

00:07:41,189 --> 00:07:40,000

very freaked out expression during it as

185

00:07:43,909 --> 00:07:41,199

did i

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00:07:46,309 --> 00:07:43,919

um and we i think looking to each other

187

00:07:49,029 --> 00:07:46,319

for reassurance because it's just too

188

00:07:51,670 --> 00:07:49,039

uncanny and i i

189

00:07:54,390 --> 00:07:51,680

um because we're looking at terry

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00:07:56,469 --> 00:07:54,400

culkins and sarah culkin's

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00:07:59,189 --> 00:07:56,479

predictions about these things and i

192

00:08:01,830 --> 00:07:59,199

happen to know them they're from the

193

00:08:03,909 --> 00:08:01,840

area that i grew up in i think they're

194

00:08:06,309 --> 00:08:03,919

trying to tell me something i think they

195

00:08:08,710 --> 00:08:06,319

are very from the other side like a

196

00:08:13,670 --> 00:08:08,720

position could this be a warning

197

00:08:15,749 --> 00:08:13,680

do not mark my tip predictions wrong

198

00:08:17,110 --> 00:08:15,759

well as will come out in the report one

199

00:08:20,230 --> 00:08:17,120

of the predictions that they made

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00:08:21,270 --> 00:08:20,240

themselves kerry culkins made was that

201  
00:08:22,150 --> 00:08:21,280  
um

202  
00:08:24,150 --> 00:08:22,160  
she

203  
00:08:26,710 --> 00:08:24,160  
made this prediction way back in 2001 or

204  
00:08:28,629 --> 00:08:26,720  
two that anti-gravity devices would be

205  
00:08:29,510 --> 00:08:28,639  
in use so we're still waiting for that

206  
00:08:33,750 --> 00:08:29,520  
one

207  
00:08:36,790 --> 00:08:33,760  
and it was marked by them as correct and

208  
00:08:38,630 --> 00:08:36,800  
they marked it as correct so seriously

209  
00:08:41,110 --> 00:08:38,640  
yes

210  
00:08:42,949 --> 00:08:41,120  
well michelle i'm i'm glad you're okay i

211  
00:08:44,870 --> 00:08:42,959  
i really am please give our love to the

212  
00:08:46,870 --> 00:08:44,880  
skeptical fairy if you see her and we'll

213  
00:08:50,590 --> 00:08:46,880

get back to our predictions

214

00:09:01,190 --> 00:08:50,600

i will thank you

215

00:09:05,030 --> 00:09:03,430

hello this is maynard did you know that

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00:09:08,470 --> 00:09:05,040

you could listen to the skeptic zone on

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00:09:13,110 --> 00:09:08,480

youtube yes i know sounds crazy but it's

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00:09:17,990 --> 00:09:15,670

also you can hear 40 logical fallacies

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00:09:19,430 --> 00:09:18,000

with michelle bigesma and funny sketches

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00:09:22,710 --> 00:09:19,440

with richard saunders and a host of

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00:09:36,850 --> 00:09:24,389

just click on the youtube links on the

222

00:09:47,269 --> 00:09:46,070

[Music]

223

00:09:49,110 --> 00:09:47,279

tick tock

224

00:09:51,269 --> 00:09:49,120

and taro

225

00:09:53,350 --> 00:09:51,279

not the combination of words that uh

226

00:09:54,470 --> 00:09:53,360

might first come to your mind recently

227

00:09:58,710 --> 00:09:54,480

i've

228

00:10:00,470 --> 00:09:58,720

funny cat videos of the skeptic's own

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00:10:02,949 --> 00:10:00,480

cats just for fun

230

00:10:05,509 --> 00:10:02,959

and one little origami video i think

231

00:10:07,670 --> 00:10:05,519

i'll be doing more i noticed lots of uh

232

00:10:09,670 --> 00:10:07,680

very interesting people are on tick tock

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00:10:10,949 --> 00:10:09,680

including dr karl kruszelniski my

234

00:10:13,190 --> 00:10:10,959

friends at the

235

00:10:15,110 --> 00:10:13,200

curiosity show have a tick tock

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00:10:16,870 --> 00:10:15,120

account and they're posting up lots of

237

00:10:19,750 --> 00:10:16,880

videos from

238

00:10:22,790 --> 00:10:19,760

the 70s and the 80s when they had their

239

00:10:23,720 --> 00:10:22,800

science-based show for kids which i used

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00:10:28,389 --> 00:10:23,730

to watch

241

00:10:31,110 --> 00:10:28,399

[Music]

242

00:10:33,190 --> 00:10:31,120

what i'm also noticing on tiktok

243

00:10:36,310 --> 00:10:33,200

and maybe it's the algorithm delivering

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00:10:38,230 --> 00:10:36,320

me things i want to see i'm not sure

245

00:10:40,470 --> 00:10:38,240

are a lot of medical professionals

246

00:10:42,310 --> 00:10:40,480

debunking and denouncing the tick tock

247

00:10:44,150 --> 00:10:42,320

videos put up by anti-vaxxers and

248

00:10:45,590 --> 00:10:44,160

conspiracy theorists

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00:10:46,389 --> 00:10:45,600

but i digress let's get back to the

250

00:10:48,389 --> 00:10:46,399

subject

251  
00:10:50,710 --> 00:10:48,399  
i wanted to talk about originally

252  
00:10:52,550 --> 00:10:50,720  
now i discovered and i'm sure you did

253  
00:10:54,949 --> 00:10:52,560  
too one stage or other when you're using

254  
00:10:56,470 --> 00:10:54,959  
tic toc that there's a little button a

255  
00:10:58,790 --> 00:10:56,480  
little uh button at the top of the

256  
00:11:01,030 --> 00:10:58,800  
screen you press for live

257  
00:11:03,670 --> 00:11:01,040  
and then you can scroll through a series

258  
00:11:05,590 --> 00:11:03,680  
of live videos people there talking to

259  
00:11:07,190 --> 00:11:05,600  
the camera about everything you can

260  
00:11:08,710 --> 00:11:07,200  
possibly imagine

261  
00:11:10,150 --> 00:11:08,720  
lots of people just seem to be staring

262  
00:11:11,509 --> 00:11:10,160  
off into space and once in a while

263  
00:11:12,790 --> 00:11:11,519

they'll look at the camera and keep

264

00:11:14,710 --> 00:11:12,800

going

265

00:11:16,389 --> 00:11:14,720

it's a strange thing

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00:11:19,269 --> 00:11:16,399

but as i was discovering this

267

00:11:22,550 --> 00:11:19,279

interesting aspect of uh social

268

00:11:24,310 --> 00:11:22,560

communications social media

269

00:11:25,990 --> 00:11:24,320

up popped somebody

270

00:11:28,470 --> 00:11:26,000

in the united states

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00:11:29,990 --> 00:11:28,480

doing a tarot card reading so i watched

272

00:11:32,230 --> 00:11:30,000

for a little while

273

00:11:34,389 --> 00:11:32,240

nothing surprising there it's the usual

274

00:11:36,150 --> 00:11:34,399

stock standard sort of stuff and i

275

00:11:37,990 --> 00:11:36,160

scrolled on

276

00:11:40,710 --> 00:11:38,000

next person came up was doing a tarot

277

00:11:42,870 --> 00:11:40,720

card reading hmm all right

278

00:11:44,550 --> 00:11:42,880

next person came up had a little cat

279

00:11:46,790 --> 00:11:44,560

that was fun

280

00:11:48,470 --> 00:11:46,800

then a tarot card reading it was amazing

281

00:11:51,190 --> 00:11:48,480

the more i kept going the more tarot

282

00:11:53,110 --> 00:11:51,200

card readings were presented to me live

283

00:11:55,670 --> 00:11:53,120

and also i noticed that people's

284

00:11:57,670 --> 00:11:55,680

comments are appear on the screen

285

00:11:59,990 --> 00:11:57,680

and the tarot card readers would

286

00:12:01,750 --> 00:12:00,000

invariably say who's next

287

00:12:03,829 --> 00:12:01,760

if you want a reading

288

00:12:06,389 --> 00:12:03,839

do this that on the other and you'll be

289

00:12:09,190 --> 00:12:06,399

next in line and i soon discovered that

290

00:12:12,389 --> 00:12:09,200

in many cases that is if you

291

00:12:14,069 --> 00:12:12,399

pay via whatever means vimeo or whatever

292

00:12:15,430 --> 00:12:14,079

you're next in line or you'll be in the

293

00:12:18,470 --> 00:12:15,440

queue

294

00:12:20,310 --> 00:12:18,480

so i thought i'd play you a few examples

295

00:12:21,430 --> 00:12:20,320

of what i discovered just the other day

296

00:12:23,670 --> 00:12:21,440

at random

297

00:12:26,310 --> 00:12:23,680

going through tick tock and then i might

298

00:12:27,350 --> 00:12:26,320

talk a little bit about using tarot

299

00:12:33,190 --> 00:12:27,360

cards themselves

300

00:12:38,550 --> 00:12:36,150

our first example comes from an account

301  
00:12:40,230 --> 00:12:38,560  
called spiritual tweak

302  
00:12:42,550 --> 00:12:40,240  
susie lee

303  
00:12:45,590 --> 00:12:42,560  
and this

304  
00:12:48,230 --> 00:12:45,600  
had at the time of uh

305  
00:12:56,230 --> 00:12:48,240  
at the time i recorded this snippet

306  
00:13:02,710 --> 00:12:57,269  
okay

307  
00:13:05,990 --> 00:13:04,389  
um you've got

308  
00:13:06,970 --> 00:13:06,000  
the in the past you've got the ten of

309  
00:13:08,230 --> 00:13:06,980  
swords

310  
00:13:11,030 --> 00:13:08,240  
[Music]

311  
00:13:12,710 --> 00:13:11,040  
in the current or present you have the

312  
00:13:14,870 --> 00:13:12,720  
six of wands

313  
00:13:16,470 --> 00:13:14,880

and in the future you have the nine of

314

00:13:17,990 --> 00:13:16,480

pentacles okay

315

00:13:24,629 --> 00:13:18,000

so

316

00:13:26,310 --> 00:13:24,639

or heartbreak yes

317

00:13:28,230 --> 00:13:26,320

i mean it kind of goes hand in hand with

318

00:13:30,230 --> 00:13:28,240

betrayal but you've been stabbed in the

319

00:13:31,509 --> 00:13:30,240

back you've been hurt

320

00:13:33,590 --> 00:13:31,519

and

321

00:13:35,110 --> 00:13:33,600

look kind of left for dead basically on

322

00:13:36,389 --> 00:13:35,120

the shore

323

00:13:39,269 --> 00:13:36,399

and

324

00:13:41,509 --> 00:13:39,279

i love this card in this deck because

325

00:13:43,829 --> 00:13:41,519

the the 10 of swords is always a card

326

00:13:46,790 --> 00:13:43,839

actually of hope because

327

00:13:50,389 --> 00:13:46,800

it's the last um

328

00:13:55,509 --> 00:13:50,399

the last one in the in the suit and

329

00:14:01,030 --> 00:13:57,189

next we have somebody under the account

330

00:14:03,350 --> 00:14:01,040

of healthy tarot one one one and the

331

00:14:05,350 --> 00:14:03,360

amount being requested was

332

00:14:06,710 --> 00:14:05,360

five to fifteen dollars presumably

333

00:14:07,670 --> 00:14:06,720

fifteen dollars gets you a longer

334

00:14:10,310 --> 00:14:07,680

reading

335

00:14:12,470 --> 00:14:10,320

and this account at the time had 81

336

00:14:14,710 --> 00:14:12,480

viewers

337

00:14:16,389 --> 00:14:14,720

nope i'm sorry i got k i got nekoji i

338

00:14:17,670 --> 00:14:16,399

did not get your your payment girl i

339

00:14:18,550 --> 00:14:17,680

promise i was not ignoring you i didn't

340

00:14:20,949 --> 00:14:18,560

get it

341

00:14:22,230 --> 00:14:20,959

carla bree carla bree what have we got

342

00:14:24,150 --> 00:14:22,240

carla bree

343

00:14:26,310 --> 00:14:24,160

four of pentacles balance and stability

344

00:14:28,069 --> 00:14:26,320

right this is really sometimes better

345

00:14:29,590 --> 00:14:28,079

than like the big car the big

346

00:14:31,910 --> 00:14:29,600

manifestation because it does give us

347

00:14:32,710 --> 00:14:31,920

like a a ground level to jump off of

348

00:14:34,710 --> 00:14:32,720

right

349

00:14:36,150 --> 00:14:34,720

that's the really important thing if you

350

00:14:37,750 --> 00:14:36,160

think that you missed a reading and i

351  
00:14:39,430 --> 00:14:37,760  
really am not getting it message me on

352  
00:14:41,750 --> 00:14:39,440  
wherever you sent it venmo cash up

353  
00:14:43,910 --> 00:14:41,760  
whatever message me so i can see it i i

354  
00:14:46,230 --> 00:14:43,920  
am not missing a reading sierra what

355  
00:14:48,470 --> 00:14:46,240  
have we got sierra

356  
00:14:50,710 --> 00:14:48,480  
says the tough part with the way that

357  
00:14:52,710 --> 00:14:50,720  
the apps are set up right sometimes they

358  
00:14:54,389 --> 00:14:52,720  
just don't go through too sierra three

359  
00:14:56,629 --> 00:14:54,399  
of wands in reverse position i wouldn't

360  
00:14:58,069 --> 00:14:56,639  
be afraid of being alone you know i i

361  
00:14:59,189 --> 00:14:58,079  
really think that you're afraid of this

362  
00:15:00,790 --> 00:14:59,199  
and that you're you're going on this

363  
00:15:02,389 --> 00:15:00,800

path that feels really independent maybe

364

00:15:03,910 --> 00:15:02,399

a little bit lonely i would kind of

365

00:15:05,590 --> 00:15:03,920

cherish this sometimes being alone

366

00:15:08,949 --> 00:15:05,600

really helps us understand ourselves

367

00:15:11,110 --> 00:15:08,959

better i like it for you emma

368

00:15:12,310 --> 00:15:11,120

and now we have an account called bc

369

00:15:14,069 --> 00:15:12,320

beachbum

370

00:15:16,269 --> 00:15:14,079

74

371

00:15:21,829 --> 00:15:16,279

and this account at the time had

372

00:15:26,150 --> 00:15:23,590

i might move back to the guardian cards

373

00:15:28,389 --> 00:15:26,160

after this one

374

00:15:29,430 --> 00:15:28,399

nine of ones this is your career card

375

00:15:32,310 --> 00:15:29,440

okay

376

00:15:33,990 --> 00:15:32,320

almost there you can see the finish line

377

00:15:36,470 --> 00:15:34,000

at the last minute

378

00:15:38,550 --> 00:15:36,480

you're faced with another obstacle this

379

00:15:40,949 --> 00:15:38,560

challenge can be seen as a setback or a

380

00:15:43,189 --> 00:15:40,959

test of your character expect the worst

381

00:15:45,509 --> 00:15:43,199

and protect yourself

382

00:15:47,829 --> 00:15:45,519

protect yourself against any formidable

383

00:15:49,030 --> 00:15:47,839

attacks better to be prepared now rather

384

00:15:50,310 --> 00:15:49,040

than later

385

00:15:52,069 --> 00:15:50,320

throughout this journey you have

386

00:15:53,990 --> 00:15:52,079

accumulated experience and gained enough

387

00:15:55,509 --> 00:15:54,000

wisdom to handle anything that is thrown

388

00:15:57,670 --> 00:15:55,519

your way

389

00:15:59,269 --> 00:15:57,680

hmm

390

00:16:01,430 --> 00:15:59,279

now maybe by now you're getting an idea

391

00:16:02,710 --> 00:16:01,440

of how the patter how the

392

00:16:03,749 --> 00:16:02,720

reading

393

00:16:05,350 --> 00:16:03,759

works

394

00:16:07,430 --> 00:16:05,360

what's this one we have a little clip

395

00:16:09,189 --> 00:16:07,440

here from an account called

396

00:16:11,350 --> 00:16:09,199

Im riley

397

00:16:13,990 --> 00:16:11,360

and you'll be pleased to know they had

398

00:16:17,430 --> 00:16:14,000

118 viewers and they

399

00:16:20,150 --> 00:16:17,440

were asking for money via cash app and

400

00:16:23,030 --> 00:16:20,160

vemmo now vm vemmo

401  
00:16:24,629 --> 00:16:23,040  
the vimo it's not available in australia

402  
00:16:29,430 --> 00:16:24,639  
i have heard about it but

403  
00:16:33,800 --> 00:16:31,269  
tammy

404  
00:16:36,150 --> 00:16:33,810  
when will i find a job

405  
00:16:39,189 --> 00:16:36,160  
[Music]

406  
00:16:41,829 --> 00:16:39,199  
when you go look for one

407  
00:16:44,069 --> 00:16:41,839  
when you work on like the balance

408  
00:16:45,509 --> 00:16:44,079  
tammy like finding the job like you need

409  
00:16:47,269 --> 00:16:45,519  
to be balancing

410  
00:16:49,670 --> 00:16:47,279  
what you need and where you need to be

411  
00:16:51,509 --> 00:16:49,680  
living and like your hours like make

412  
00:16:53,110 --> 00:16:51,519  
sure that you are available enough for a

413  
00:16:55,430 --> 00:16:53,120

job

414

00:16:57,670 --> 00:16:55,440  
is jordan

415

00:16:58,870 --> 00:16:57,680  
cheating on me

416

00:17:01,590 --> 00:16:58,880  
is

417

00:17:04,549 --> 00:17:01,600  
jordan cheating on me

418

00:17:06,549 --> 00:17:04,559  
um the lover's reversed that's

419

00:17:08,150 --> 00:17:06,559  
definitely an indication that there's

420

00:17:10,470 --> 00:17:08,160  
definitely some [h\_\_\h] wrong in that

421

00:17:12,230 --> 00:17:10,480  
relationship uh you definitely need to

422

00:17:14,309 --> 00:17:12,240  
talk to them this is also an indication

423

00:17:16,710 --> 00:17:14,319  
that a breakup is imminent

424

00:17:18,069 --> 00:17:16,720  
but the levers is also a good sign you

425

00:17:18,819 --> 00:17:18,079  
know no matter what direction it's

426

00:17:21,189 --> 00:17:18,829

pulled in

427

00:17:23,189 --> 00:17:21,199

[Music]

428

00:17:25,029 --> 00:17:23,199

you definitely need to talk to them

429

00:17:27,350 --> 00:17:25,039

to jordan

430

00:17:29,300 --> 00:17:27,360

hey if i am reading for you please send

431

00:17:30,549 --> 00:17:29,310

me likes tap my face

432

00:17:33,029 --> 00:17:30,559

[Music]

433

00:17:34,390 --> 00:17:33,039

now a brief clip from an account called

434

00:17:35,590 --> 00:17:34,400

spiritual

435

00:17:37,990 --> 00:17:35,600

essence

436

00:17:41,190 --> 00:17:38,000

only 20 viewers at the time

437

00:17:48,310 --> 00:17:41,200

and also asking for money using

438

00:17:53,350 --> 00:17:49,830

i have a grandfather whose name starts

439

00:17:57,750 --> 00:17:54,870

whose grandfather who has a grandfather

440

00:18:00,549 --> 00:17:57,760

that passed their name starts with a g

441

00:18:02,630 --> 00:18:00,559

i guess where it could be a father

442

00:18:04,310 --> 00:18:02,640

i'm really in towards grandfather

443

00:18:08,390 --> 00:18:04,320

i have to sneeze

444

00:18:08,400 --> 00:18:13,510

so we might have had allergies

445

00:18:18,630 --> 00:18:15,190

jean and that's your grandfather your

446

00:18:23,430 --> 00:18:22,150

i like doing mediumship is this your dad

447

00:18:26,390 --> 00:18:23,440

and now here's an example from the

448

00:18:29,590 --> 00:18:26,400

account called hilos hollywood hello

449

00:18:32,150 --> 00:18:29,600

hillios hollywood uh and they had 88

450

00:18:34,070 --> 00:18:32,160

viewers and my little notes saying here

451

00:18:36,390 --> 00:18:34,080

when i was recording this

452

00:18:38,390 --> 00:18:36,400

that uh they were using the cards to

453

00:18:40,150 --> 00:18:38,400

tell a story let's have a listen put

454

00:18:41,510 --> 00:18:40,160

your business out there

455

00:18:43,669 --> 00:18:41,520

alrighty

456

00:18:45,350 --> 00:18:43,679

let's take a look here isaiah now like i

457

00:18:46,870 --> 00:18:45,360

said the moon does have duality so

458

00:18:48,470 --> 00:18:46,880

that's why we can put these cards on

459

00:18:50,549 --> 00:18:48,480

here let's take a closer look at the

460

00:18:52,950 --> 00:18:50,559

moon card over here on this side there

461

00:18:55,190 --> 00:18:52,960

is a tower that tower is topped by a

462

00:18:57,190 --> 00:18:55,200

monk-like figure right there in a dark

463

00:18:59,830 --> 00:18:57,200

robe that is the tower of faith

464

00:19:02,230 --> 00:18:59,840

spirituality or religion across from

465

00:19:04,310 --> 00:19:02,240

that is a higher tower and it's built

466

00:19:06,549 --> 00:19:04,320

very solidly and atop that is a

467

00:19:09,270 --> 00:19:06,559

telescope that's galileo's telescope

468

00:19:11,669 --> 00:19:09,280

actual actually and that is the tower of

469

00:19:14,310 --> 00:19:11,679

science the tower of science is being

470

00:19:16,310 --> 00:19:14,320

guarded by anubis so if you are into

471

00:19:19,110 --> 00:19:16,320

ancient egyptian culture this is

472

00:19:21,510 --> 00:19:19,120

actually a protection for that tower

473

00:19:23,830 --> 00:19:21,520

however nothing can be protected in this

474

00:19:26,390 --> 00:19:23,840

landscape because there is a very scary

475

00:19:28,310 --> 00:19:26,400

crustacean that's coming up from the sea

476

00:19:30,950 --> 00:19:28,320

and about ready to ravage the landscape

477

00:19:33,029 --> 00:19:30,960

and destroy both towers that is a little

478

00:19:34,549 --> 00:19:33,039

a bridge version of the tower card if

479

00:19:36,710 --> 00:19:34,559

you didn't know in traditional tarot

480

00:19:38,310 --> 00:19:36,720

each card does have a story

481

00:19:40,390 --> 00:19:38,320

and that's this one this card is a

482

00:19:42,870 --> 00:19:40,400

warning it's an omen this is the first

483

00:19:44,390 --> 00:19:42,880

omen in traditional tarot

484

00:19:47,190 --> 00:19:44,400

so i think that gives you a flavor i

485

00:19:49,669 --> 00:19:47,200

think you get the idea and um at other

486

00:19:51,270 --> 00:19:49,679

times at random

487

00:19:52,390 --> 00:19:51,280

over

488

00:19:54,150 --> 00:19:52,400

most of the day

489

00:19:55,430 --> 00:19:54,160

even in the wee small hours of the night

490

00:19:57,909 --> 00:19:55,440

i was

491

00:19:59,990 --> 00:19:57,919

looking and discovering that there are

492

00:20:03,190 --> 00:20:00,000

many many many many live

493

00:20:05,350 --> 00:20:03,200

tarot cards going on at any time

494

00:20:07,029 --> 00:20:05,360

at any time on tiktok

495

00:20:08,710 --> 00:20:07,039

and of course most of those come from

496

00:20:11,110 --> 00:20:08,720

the united states although

497

00:20:13,510 --> 00:20:11,120

i didn't notice some uh from australia

498

00:20:17,590 --> 00:20:13,520

and other parts of the world

499

00:20:19,110 --> 00:20:17,600

now why is tarot so popular on tick tock

500

00:20:20,710 --> 00:20:19,120

i think it's the perfect storm here

501  
00:20:22,710 --> 00:20:20,720  
we've got

502  
00:20:24,789 --> 00:20:22,720  
i don't know millions and millions of

503  
00:20:27,350 --> 00:20:24,799  
people using tick-tock at any hour of

504  
00:20:29,830 --> 00:20:27,360  
the day scrolling through

505  
00:20:32,070 --> 00:20:29,840  
and if only a tiny tiny tiny percentage

506  
00:20:34,870 --> 00:20:32,080  
of those people then

507  
00:20:37,990 --> 00:20:34,880  
put in 10 or 20 or 30 or five dollars or

508  
00:20:40,149 --> 00:20:38,000  
whatever it is for a tarot card reading

509  
00:20:42,310 --> 00:20:40,159  
and you can see the appeal for people to

510  
00:20:44,149 --> 00:20:42,320  
keep giving their tarot card readings

511  
00:20:46,549 --> 00:20:44,159  
for their tick-tock audience

512  
00:20:50,070 --> 00:20:46,559  
and i would have to say by looking at um

513  
00:20:51,750 --> 00:20:50,080

many examples that most people

514

00:20:53,590 --> 00:20:51,760

or a good percentage of them it's hard

515

00:20:55,830 --> 00:20:53,600

to say exactly

516

00:20:57,909 --> 00:20:55,840

who are doing the tarot card readings

517

00:21:00,390 --> 00:20:57,919

actually believe it

518

00:21:02,950 --> 00:21:00,400

they actually believe these cards can

519

00:21:04,549 --> 00:21:02,960

give mystical insights and it's very

520

00:21:06,549 --> 00:21:04,559

seductive because the more they do it

521

00:21:08,310 --> 00:21:06,559

the more people pay them attention and

522

00:21:10,549 --> 00:21:08,320

pay them money

523

00:21:12,950 --> 00:21:10,559

now the examples of tarot card reading

524

00:21:15,110 --> 00:21:12,960

we've heard are a good case of

525

00:21:17,510 --> 00:21:15,120

a cold reading

526

00:21:19,590 --> 00:21:17,520

barnum statements

527

00:21:22,870 --> 00:21:19,600

vagaries that sort of thing

528

00:21:26,230 --> 00:21:22,880

and tarot cards lend themselves to this

529

00:21:29,190 --> 00:21:26,240

very well and the reason is because on

530

00:21:31,190 --> 00:21:29,200

each card there is a story

531

00:21:33,590 --> 00:21:31,200

now somebody with a bit of imagination

532

00:21:35,590 --> 00:21:33,600

and some storytelling ability can really

533

00:21:37,510 --> 00:21:35,600

take advantage of this i have a couple

534

00:21:39,190 --> 00:21:37,520

of decks here in front of me i've

535

00:21:41,190 --> 00:21:39,200

collected over the years what's this one

536

00:21:42,789 --> 00:21:41,200

this one is called

537

00:21:45,990 --> 00:21:42,799

simply tarot

538

00:21:48,789 --> 00:21:46,000

wealth love destiny 78 cards

539

00:21:51,190 --> 00:21:48,799

the simply tarot deck consists of 78

540

00:21:53,990 --> 00:21:51,200

richly illustrated cards the major

541

00:21:58,070 --> 00:21:54,000

arcana has 22 cards numbered from 0 to

542

00:22:00,230 --> 00:21:58,080

21 each with a symbolic image and it

543

00:22:02,230 --> 00:22:00,240

comes complete with a book and a dvd

544

00:22:04,230 --> 00:22:02,240

published in 2005

545

00:22:06,390 --> 00:22:04,240

by hinckler books printed in china there

546

00:22:08,390 --> 00:22:06,400

you go and the book lists

547

00:22:11,270 --> 00:22:08,400

all the cards with

548

00:22:13,029 --> 00:22:11,280

instructions on how to lay them out

549

00:22:15,029 --> 00:22:13,039

but the important thing to remember here

550

00:22:16,870 --> 00:22:15,039

i think is that each card

551  
00:22:18,390 --> 00:22:16,880  
as i said before has a picture and these

552  
00:22:20,870 --> 00:22:18,400  
cards in fact

553  
00:22:23,750 --> 00:22:20,880  
have uh not only the picture but a

554  
00:22:26,149 --> 00:22:23,760  
little sentence so let me shuffle these

555  
00:22:29,270 --> 00:22:26,159  
back here

556  
00:22:32,100 --> 00:22:29,280  
what they do exactly on tick tock

557  
00:22:33,510 --> 00:22:32,110  
okay i'm gonna shuffle the deck and

558  
00:22:35,750 --> 00:22:33,520  
[Music]

559  
00:22:39,029 --> 00:22:35,760  
let's have a look at this card

560  
00:22:41,750 --> 00:22:39,039  
the five of pentacles now if i was doing

561  
00:22:44,070 --> 00:22:41,760  
this on tiktok live i'd be now looking

562  
00:22:45,909 --> 00:22:44,080  
studying this card the five of pentacles

563  
00:22:48,310 --> 00:22:45,919

on the card it says

564

00:22:50,149 --> 00:22:48,320

delays around money coming in from the

565

00:22:51,510 --> 00:22:50,159

cold and it shows two people sort of

566

00:22:54,789 --> 00:22:51,520

huddled

567

00:22:57,270 --> 00:22:54,799

by a building looking very sad one man

568

00:22:59,909 --> 00:22:57,280

on crutches and a woman wrapped up

569

00:23:02,630 --> 00:22:59,919

in the snow looking miserable

570

00:23:04,789 --> 00:23:02,640

so you can see the possibilities here it

571

00:23:06,870 --> 00:23:04,799

can go down the line of i know you've

572

00:23:08,630 --> 00:23:06,880

been worried about money lately and

573

00:23:10,070 --> 00:23:08,640

that's only natural because of the

574

00:23:11,669 --> 00:23:10,080

problems you've had

575

00:23:13,110 --> 00:23:11,679

you'll be surprised to know that soon

576  
00:23:15,270 --> 00:23:13,120  
there could be some money coming your

577  
00:23:17,669 --> 00:23:15,280  
way because coming in from the cold this

578  
00:23:20,310 --> 00:23:17,679  
card really describes

579  
00:23:21,990 --> 00:23:20,320  
that things are going to change for you

580  
00:23:25,110 --> 00:23:22,000  
you can see where i'm going here let me

581  
00:23:27,350 --> 00:23:25,120  
pick up another card

582  
00:23:29,030 --> 00:23:27,360  
it's completely at random here stop

583  
00:23:31,350 --> 00:23:29,040  
what's this one

584  
00:23:32,549 --> 00:23:31,360  
[Music]

585  
00:23:33,750 --> 00:23:32,559  
the hermit

586  
00:23:34,830 --> 00:23:33,760  
loneliness

587  
00:23:39,430 --> 00:23:34,840  
unattached

588  
00:23:41,110 --> 00:23:39,440

soul-searching time needed or time done

589

00:23:42,310 --> 00:23:41,120

well this really does relate to you

590

00:23:44,549 --> 00:23:42,320

because

591

00:23:46,630 --> 00:23:44,559

you do need time and every now and then

592

00:23:47,990 --> 00:23:46,640

you need to search your soul

593

00:23:49,350 --> 00:23:48,000

don't worry

594

00:23:51,110 --> 00:23:49,360

i think again you can see where i'm

595

00:23:53,190 --> 00:23:51,120

going here and the people listening will

596

00:23:55,510 --> 00:23:53,200

take it as a personal message

597

00:23:57,990 --> 00:23:55,520

dedicated to them now typically these

598

00:23:59,990 --> 00:23:58,000

readings only go for a couple of minutes

599

00:24:01,430 --> 00:24:00,000

you pay your five dollars or you're 25

600

00:24:03,750 --> 00:24:01,440

you get a couple of minutes reading and

601  
00:24:05,909 --> 00:24:03,760  
then it's the next person on the list

602  
00:24:08,390 --> 00:24:05,919  
and everybody watching keeps watching

603  
00:24:09,830 --> 00:24:08,400  
because they're getting entertainment

604  
00:24:10,789 --> 00:24:09,840  
and if they don't feel entertained they

605  
00:24:13,029 --> 00:24:10,799  
simply

606  
00:24:15,350 --> 00:24:13,039  
flick up their screen and watch the next

607  
00:24:17,269 --> 00:24:15,360  
tarot card reader in action

608  
00:24:20,310 --> 00:24:17,279  
so if you use tick tock maybe you can

609  
00:24:22,950 --> 00:24:20,320  
check that out for yourself and discover

610  
00:24:24,870 --> 00:24:22,960  
the endless range of

611  
00:24:25,909 --> 00:24:24,880  
tarot card readers out there at the

612  
00:24:28,470 --> 00:24:25,919  
moment

613  
00:24:30,390 --> 00:24:28,480

24 hours a day

614

00:24:32,950 --> 00:24:30,400

and getting back to the cards themselves

615

00:24:35,990 --> 00:24:32,960

they're what we call props

616

00:24:39,029 --> 00:24:36,000

it doesn't matter it can be

617

00:24:42,149 --> 00:24:39,039

the stars as in astrology it can be the

618

00:24:45,029 --> 00:24:42,159

lines in your hand for palm reading

619

00:24:46,710 --> 00:24:45,039

also known as flexation creases so your

620

00:24:48,230 --> 00:24:46,720

hand can

621

00:24:51,430 --> 00:24:48,240

flex

622

00:24:53,029 --> 00:24:51,440

it can be the pictures on the cards

623

00:24:55,430 --> 00:24:53,039

and so on

624

00:24:57,830 --> 00:24:55,440

as somebody once said it's the same tune

625

00:24:59,350 --> 00:24:57,840

played on different instruments

626

00:25:01,430 --> 00:24:59,360

but i think with tarot cards as i said

627

00:25:02,950 --> 00:25:01,440

before we've got the perfect storm

628

00:25:05,110 --> 00:25:02,960

we've got a reading

629

00:25:06,870 --> 00:25:05,120

and we've got something for people

630

00:25:10,470 --> 00:25:06,880

to look at

631

00:25:12,789 --> 00:25:10,480

couple of cat videos on tick tock my

632

00:25:14,789 --> 00:25:12,799

tick tock account is called at richard

633

00:25:17,190 --> 00:25:14,799

underscore saunders

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00:25:19,190 --> 00:25:17,200

but i'm quite tempted soon to put up

635

00:25:23,650 --> 00:25:19,200

some more videos

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00:25:45,350 --> 00:25:43,590

[Music]

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00:25:48,230 --> 00:25:45,360

this is kyle from the data skeptic

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00:25:50,470 --> 00:25:48,240

podcast if you're curious about the way

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00:25:53,029 --> 00:25:50,480

data is changing our world topics like

640

00:25:55,430 --> 00:25:53,039

ai and all this craziness with facebook

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00:25:57,830 --> 00:25:55,440

and bots and the twitter storm and how

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00:25:59,430 --> 00:25:57,840

the algorithms that underline that work

643

00:26:01,110 --> 00:25:59,440

and you don't want a technical deep dive

644

00:26:02,549 --> 00:26:01,120

you want it you know in the vernacular

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00:26:03,990 --> 00:26:02,559

in a way that people can understand

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00:26:06,310 --> 00:26:04,000

check us out at data skeptic that's what

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00:26:07,909 --> 00:26:06,320

we try and do i interview advanced

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00:26:09,669 --> 00:26:07,919

professionals in the field who do this

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00:26:12,410 --> 00:26:09,679

sort of research and then i get into

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00:26:14,070 --> 00:26:12,420

interesting projects as well

651  
00:26:15,830 --> 00:26:14,080  
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652  
00:26:17,230 --> 00:26:15,840  
we're a weekly show and you can find us

653  
00:26:29,909 --> 00:26:17,240  
at datasceptic.com

654  
00:26:46,310 --> 00:26:29,919  
[Music]

655  
00:26:48,310 --> 00:26:46,320  
hi this is skeptic zone reporter adrian

656  
00:26:49,990 --> 00:26:48,320  
hill from canada here to read the

657  
00:26:53,029 --> 00:26:50,000  
highlights from the australian skeptics

658  
00:26:54,950 --> 00:26:53,039  
newsletter and this is newsletter number

659  
00:26:57,750 --> 00:26:54,960  
132

660  
00:27:00,630 --> 00:26:57,760  
released on the 21st of september

661  
00:27:02,390 --> 00:27:00,640  
and remember that each story mentioned

662  
00:27:05,000 --> 00:27:02,400  
in the newsletter comes with links for

663  
00:27:07,430 --> 00:27:05,010

further reading when you subscribe

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00:27:09,669 --> 00:27:07,440

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00:27:12,070 --> 00:27:09,679

hi all it says

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00:27:14,310 --> 00:27:12,080

covet is playing an on-again off-again

667

00:27:17,029 --> 00:27:14,320

game with all of us such that it's hard

668

00:27:18,710 --> 00:27:17,039

to plan ahead but whatever the case

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00:27:21,669 --> 00:27:18,720

there will be a skeptic's convention

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00:27:23,510 --> 00:27:21,679

this year more details are now on the

671

00:27:25,590 --> 00:27:23,520

skepticon site

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00:27:28,630 --> 00:27:25,600

skepticon.org

673

00:27:33,830 --> 00:27:31,269

meanwhile settle back with the good news

674

00:27:37,029 --> 00:27:33,840

that 50 percent of americans actually

675

00:27:38,950 --> 00:27:37,039

believe in evolution

676  
00:27:42,149 --> 00:27:38,960  
read on

677  
00:27:43,310 --> 00:27:42,159  
tim mendom okay tim let's have a look at

678  
00:27:44,549 --> 00:27:43,320  
what you have for us

679  
00:27:47,430 --> 00:27:44,559  
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680  
00:27:50,230 --> 00:27:47,440  
australian skeptics news

681  
00:27:51,750 --> 00:27:50,240  
skepticon speaker lineup

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00:27:54,310 --> 00:27:51,760  
speakers so far announced for the

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00:27:57,110 --> 00:27:54,320  
skepticon convention represent a broad

684  
00:27:59,350 --> 00:27:57,120  
range of skeptical topics and locations

685  
00:28:02,710 --> 00:27:59,360  
with speakers from the uk russia

686  
00:28:05,350 --> 00:28:02,720  
australia and new zealand this year's

687  
00:28:07,909 --> 00:28:05,360  
skepticon will be held on november 20th

688  
00:28:10,070 --> 00:28:07,919

to 21st and will be a joint venture

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00:28:13,190 --> 00:28:10,080

between australian and new zealand

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00:28:14,549 --> 00:28:13,200

skeptics held in sydney and wellington

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the convention will feature

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presentations live in person at both

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venues

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streamed between the two countries and

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00:28:24,149 --> 00:28:22,000

from around the world

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00:28:26,389 --> 00:28:24,159

note that of course should the current

697

00:28:29,110 --> 00:28:26,399

situation in sydney regarding covet and

698

00:28:31,110 --> 00:28:29,120

lockdowns continue or if any risks

699

00:28:33,750 --> 00:28:31,120

associated with public gatherings are of

700

00:28:36,230 --> 00:28:33,760

concern then we may be forced to have an

701

00:28:39,029 --> 00:28:36,240

online only convention for the sydney

702

00:28:41,669 --> 00:28:39,039

component a decision will be made soon

703

00:28:44,789 --> 00:28:41,679

hopefully the same won't apply in new

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speakers include professor richard

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00:28:52,549 --> 00:28:49,760

wiseman from london experimental

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psychologist and author of paranormality

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00:28:58,549 --> 00:28:55,919

a scientific look at the supernatural

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00:29:01,149 --> 00:28:58,559

microbiologist associate professor wiles

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from wellington science communicator and

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2021 new zealander of the year

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dr alexander panchan from moscow

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00:29:11,669 --> 00:29:10,000

computation biologist and member of the

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00:29:14,630 --> 00:29:11,679

commission on pseudoscience of the

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russian academy of sciences and author

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of defense against the dark arts a guide

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to the world of paranormal phenomena

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annie mccubbin from sydney actor writer

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director corporate communication

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consultant and author of the 2021 book

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why smart women make bad decisions and

722

00:29:38,710 --> 00:29:36,159

how critical thinking can protect them

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dr paul willis from sydney adjunct

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associate professor in paleontology at

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flinders university and one of

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australia's best-known science

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communicators

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00:29:53,590 --> 00:29:50,720

dr helen patucis harris from wellington

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is co-director of the global vaccine

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00:29:58,710 --> 00:29:56,640

data network former chair of the who

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00:30:01,269 --> 00:29:58,720

global advisory committee on vaccine

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safety and currently shortlisted for the

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nature awards for driving global impact

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dr mark wilson from wellington social

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psychologists looking at the

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psychological foundations of political

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00:30:16,149 --> 00:30:13,440

behavior

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for more details including ticker prices

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they will be available soon but in the

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meantime please register your interest

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so you can receive the latest

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information

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bent spoon nominations

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00:30:29,909 --> 00:30:27,360

nominations are now open for the

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australian skeptics ben spoon award one

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of the least sought-after credits in the

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skeptical world or any world for that

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matter

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and a message to everyone listening in

750

00:30:43,070 --> 00:30:40,000

australia there is still time to get

751

00:30:44,540 --> 00:30:43,080

your nominations in just visit

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00:30:46,310 --> 00:30:44,550

skeptics.com.a you

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[Music]

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evolution now accepted by a majority of

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00:30:54,789 --> 00:30:52,480

americans wow half i wish it was more

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00:30:57,590 --> 00:30:54,799

the u.s national center for science

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education reports quote the level of

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public acceptance of evolution in the

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united states is now solidly above the

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halfway mark according to a new study

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based on a series of national public

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opinion surveys conducted over the last

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35 years

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end quote

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that's roughly 50 support evolution 35

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00:31:23,350 --> 00:31:20,159

percent rejected and 15 don't know

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in comparison a 2013 survey conducted by

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ozpul and the australian academy of

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science found that 80

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00:31:33,029 --> 00:31:31,279

of australians believe in evolution

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00:31:34,950 --> 00:31:33,039

seventy percent believe it is currently

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00:31:36,789 --> 00:31:34,960

occurring ten percent believe in

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00:31:38,149 --> 00:31:36,799

evolution but do not think it is

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00:31:40,310 --> 00:31:38,159

currently occurring

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twelve percent were not sure and nine

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00:31:45,509 --> 00:31:43,360

percent stated that they do not believe

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00:31:46,789 --> 00:31:45,519

in evolution i wonder what it's like in

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00:31:49,509 --> 00:31:46,799

canada

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00:31:50,710 --> 00:31:49,519

hopefully it's like australia

780

00:31:53,990 --> 00:31:50,720

then again

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00:31:56,310 --> 00:31:54,000

in a 2012 poll 69 percent of britain's

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believe that humans evolved from less

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00:32:01,509 --> 00:31:59,519

advanced life forms while 17 believe

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00:32:04,389 --> 00:32:01,519

that god created human beings in their

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00:32:05,990 --> 00:32:04,399

present forms within the last 10 000

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00:32:08,710 --> 00:32:06,000

years

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00:32:11,269 --> 00:32:08,720

alternative treatments for spanish flu

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00:32:13,269 --> 00:32:11,279

100 years ago there were just as many

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00:32:15,590 --> 00:32:13,279

alternative treatments for spanish flu

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as there are now for covet

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00:32:21,029 --> 00:32:17,840

whiskey up your nose anyone

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00:32:24,230 --> 00:32:21,039

un rule may be hurdle for brazil vaccine

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00:32:26,389 --> 00:32:24,240

skeptic bolsonaro

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00:32:29,830 --> 00:32:26,399

brazilian president j.r bolsonaro's

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reluctance to get a coven 19 vaccine is

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a rarity in his country and may

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complicate his plans to attend the

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00:32:38,789 --> 00:32:36,640

coming u.n general assembly where all

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00:32:40,549 --> 00:32:38,799

attendees must be vaccinated to speak at

800

00:32:42,310 --> 00:32:40,559

the gathering

801  
00:32:44,230 --> 00:32:42,320  
the president who was infected with the

802  
00:32:46,630 --> 00:32:44,240  
virus last year told reporters as

803  
00:32:49,269 --> 00:32:46,640  
recently as a week ago that he remains

804  
00:32:51,590 --> 00:32:49,279  
unvaccinated it's not good

805  
00:32:54,389 --> 00:32:51,600  
note that one report that came in today

806  
00:32:57,029 --> 00:32:54,399  
says bolsonaro might be okay for the un

807  
00:32:59,330 --> 00:32:57,039  
assembly but probably won't be allowed

808  
00:33:00,870 --> 00:32:59,340  
into new york restaurants

809  
00:33:03,269 --> 00:33:00,880  
[Music]

810  
00:33:04,310 --> 00:33:03,279  
research for the do your own research

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00:33:07,110 --> 00:33:04,320  
crowd

812  
00:33:09,590 --> 00:33:07,120  
as short only three paragraphs albeit

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00:33:11,669 --> 00:33:09,600

long ones opinion piece on the research

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00:33:14,230 --> 00:33:11,679

that people who do their own research

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haven't researched and that is how the

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00:33:18,789 --> 00:33:16,559

world's largest trial of medication has

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00:33:21,750 --> 00:33:18,799

shown that billions of people have taken

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00:33:24,870 --> 00:33:21,760

covet 19 vaccines and overwhelmingly

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they're totally fine and can get

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microsoft office updated automatically

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i guess that's the chip in the arm

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00:33:37,669 --> 00:33:34,799

the psychic hunt for osama bin laden

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00:33:40,549 --> 00:33:37,679

this story reveals how the cia returned

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00:33:43,909 --> 00:33:40,559

to the good old days of using psychics

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to find particular targets thanks to 911

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a long article but it takes you back

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from the cold war into the age of

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00:33:53,590 --> 00:33:50,399

terrorism

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skiptoid's brian dunning's short video

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gives the lowdown on the conspiracy

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movement with the transcript of the talk

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helpfully printed below the video watch

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or read or watch and read according to

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your preference

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or you can read a longer version by

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dunning along with a lot more on

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conspiracy theories and sovereign

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citizens in the skeptic september 2020

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men's sleep disturbed by waxing moon

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some theories why men sleep is more

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disturbed when the moon is growing in

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brightness and apparently it's worse for

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men than women

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but no mention of werewolves

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the september 2021 issue of the skeptic

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is out digital version print version a

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little longer as the pandemic has

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it has a major feature on some recent

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publications and one old one and the

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in-depth response by skeptics and

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skeptics as to where there might be

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problems plus a whole range of stuff on

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aspects of religion and a whole lot more

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so if you haven't subscribed yet or

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contact the editor if you are not sure

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learn more about our magazine and

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skeptics in action

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if you have any ideas for stories or

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00:35:32,550 --> 00:35:30,160

want to contribute to skeptics

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communications such as the magazine or

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00:35:36,310 --> 00:35:34,640

facebook page or just have something you

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want to get off your chest then you're

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welcome to get in touch

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news leads should be sent to news tips

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skeptics.com.au

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items of interest

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discovery plus online channel ghostober

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not sure if these will be on the local

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discovery streaming service but what you

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have here is a bunch of documentaries on

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paranormal topics

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mainly pretty woo-ish you know like

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ghost hunting etc but the associated

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food network channel features quote

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killer treats that pay homage to

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quintessential 1980s horror slasher

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films

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end quote

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kind of reminds us of the game of scones

902  
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cookbook that came out a while ago

903  
00:36:43,750 --> 00:36:39,599  
the red wedding cake looks particularly

904  
00:36:47,270 --> 00:36:43,760  
appetizing don't think i could eat that

905  
00:36:50,390 --> 00:36:47,280  
get paid to watch scary movies

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00:36:52,630 --> 00:36:50,400  
finance firm finance buzz is offering

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00:36:56,630 --> 00:36:52,640  
one lucky horror aficionado the

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opportunity to watch 13 yes 13

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very differently budgeted scary movies

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to settle whether bigger bucks bring

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bigger scares

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it's only open to applicants based in

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00:37:10,150 --> 00:37:07,599

the united states and at least 18 years

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of age but if you qualify you have until

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september 26 to apply online

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travel tip britain's most haunted

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village

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plucky only two hours from london and

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home to 12 official ghosts and

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00:37:27,910 --> 00:37:25,920

mysterious deathly screams

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official thanks to the guinness book of

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records which seems to have seriously

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veered away from real verifiable records

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the usual candidates you know the pubs

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churches forests etc

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but it also includes a coach and horse

927  
00:37:45,510 --> 00:37:43,760  
riding around the village which actually

928  
00:37:48,069 --> 00:37:45,520  
sounds pretty impressive

929  
00:37:50,630 --> 00:37:48,079  
if true

930  
00:37:53,670 --> 00:37:50,640  
quaka tips australian football league

931  
00:37:55,589 --> 00:37:53,680  
grand final winner i didn't even know

932  
00:37:57,109 --> 00:37:55,599  
what a quack was til i had to read this

933  
00:37:59,829 --> 00:37:57,119  
they're so cute

934  
00:38:01,910 --> 00:37:59,839  
and finally adding to our list of

935  
00:38:04,230 --> 00:38:01,920  
animals that picked the results of

936  
00:38:06,790 --> 00:38:04,240  
football matches a rottenist island

937  
00:38:08,710 --> 00:38:06,800  
quaka is there any other type

938  
00:38:11,190 --> 00:38:08,720

has picked the winner of this saturday's

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00:38:12,950 --> 00:38:11,200

afl grand final

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00:38:15,349 --> 00:38:12,960

spoiler alert

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it's the western bulldogs

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although the video does make you wonder

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if someone put some food in the chosen

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bulldogs guernsey

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thanks again tim and for now this is

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adrian hill signing off

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i'm mick west in my podcast tales from

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00:38:46,230 --> 00:38:44,800

the rabbit hole i have extended

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conversations with people who've been

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involved in conspiracy culture i do this

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00:38:51,510 --> 00:38:50,240  
for a couple of reasons firstly because

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00:38:53,190 --> 00:38:51,520  
it's really interesting these people

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have great stories about how they fell

954  
00:38:56,710 --> 00:38:54,880  
down the conspiracy theory rabbit hole

955  
00:38:58,630 --> 00:38:56,720  
what they did down there and what it was

956  
00:39:00,230 --> 00:38:58,640  
to help them out sometimes i also talk

957  
00:39:01,270 --> 00:39:00,240  
to people who investigate conspiracy

958  
00:39:03,270 --> 00:39:01,280  
theories and they have equally

959  
00:39:05,190 --> 00:39:03,280  
fascinating stories from the other side

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secondly i want to understand how best

961  
00:39:08,230 --> 00:39:06,640  
to prevent the spread of conspiracy

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00:39:09,750 --> 00:39:08,240  
theories and misinformation which is an

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increasing problem in a time when

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alternative media is exploding the best

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way to do this is to communicate

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effectively with the people involved and

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the best way to do that is with a nice

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long chat

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check it out tales from the rabbit hole

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and yes that music means it's time for

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the trove segment the look into the

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historical archives of newspapers

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gazettes magazines and so on

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dating back through the decades and

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centuries from both here in australia

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and internationally

979  
00:40:07,670 --> 00:40:04,319  
our normal reference is the trove

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archives at [trove.nla.gov.au](http://trove.nla.gov.au)

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but we certainly do look further afield

982  
00:40:14,150 --> 00:40:12,319  
at times and today is one of those times

983  
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where we have a bit of a mixture and

984  
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today's topic is

985  
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tarot cards

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and our first reference comes from the

988  
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camera times dated the

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17th of march 1987.

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it's a major event for skeptics no doubt

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ufos in australia nostradamus and

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creation anthropology will be subject to

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rigorous scrutiny by some of australia's

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most

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practiced skeptics at a convention in

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canberra next month

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australian skeptics will hold its annual

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convention at the australian national

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university on april 18th and

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according to the secretary of camera

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skeptics dr william gray will challenge

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some of the nostrums that are supposed

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to be good for all sorts of things dr

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gray said yesterday that australian

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skeptics had about 600 members and it

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was a reaction to social trends

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he said a growing belief in things such

1008  
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as the paranormal in astronomy was due

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to the menacing aspects of science and

1010  
00:41:27,990 --> 00:41:26,160  
technology and people's fear of them

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however science and technology

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00:41:32,710 --> 00:41:30,160  
themselves should not be feared rather

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the idiotic use of them should be

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discouraged

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the idea of the convention was to raise

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public awareness about the importance of

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critical evaluation of quote any kind of

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you butte ideas that come along

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men quote

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papers on creationist anthropology

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nostradamus

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tarot readings

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and the occult and ufos in australia

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would be presented at the convention an

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award of one thousand dollars to the

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journalist who produced the best

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skeptical story of the year would also

1028  
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be presented and australian skeptics

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with mr dick smith and mr philip adams

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had a standing offer of twenty thousand

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dollars for anyone who could demonstrate

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psychic or paranormal power

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under controlled conditions

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and our next little clipping and short

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it is comes from the australian jewish

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tarot readings free tarot card readings

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are available on mondays and tuesdays

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for all interested diners at la bisiklet

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restaurant in york street clairvoyant

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cards

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owner manager stefan offers patrons

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friendly personal service with dinners

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and late suppers available monday to

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saturday here we are you can get a

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dinner and a show of sorts

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and now we head over to the united

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pennsylvania

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and

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joining me in the reading of this item

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is kelly burke

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anybody

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by linda poyden's life

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person's age

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with just that little bit of information

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and some vibes

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jennifer and daughters elizabeth and

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debbie say that they can tell all about

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that person

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the family members give quote full life

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readings and quote by using tarot cards

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and playing cards and by giving psychic

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readings to clients visiting their home

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slash office in south butler

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the ability to read a person is a talent

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that has been passed on to all the

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female members of the family said

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elizabeth who declined giving her last

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name

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jennifer was born with the gift to read

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people elizabeth said she knew she had

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it and that she would be a reader she

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started as a teenager elizabeth said

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she has been giving readings for about

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30 years

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00:44:27,270 --> 00:44:24,480  
she jennifer

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is a true gifted reader who was born

1086  
00:44:30,790 --> 00:44:28,560  
with the gift

1087  
00:44:33,190 --> 00:44:30,800  
that gift has been passed down to both

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her daughters the majority in our family

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will become readers elizabeth said

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when she was just a young girl elizabeth

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said her mother noticed her daughter

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also had the ability

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when i was at a very young age my mother

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discovered it

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00:44:50,550 --> 00:44:48,560

she didn't tell me about it until i was

1096

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11 or 12.

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when i was 14 or 15 i read for a few

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people while my mother witnessed it

1099

00:44:59,430 --> 00:44:57,920

i've been reading for 11 years but i've

1100

00:45:00,630 --> 00:44:59,440

only been reading professionally for

1101  
00:45:02,069 --> 00:45:00,640  
eight years

1102  
00:45:04,710 --> 00:45:02,079  
elizabeth said

1103  
00:45:05,829 --> 00:45:04,720  
she said she knew she had the gift

1104  
00:45:08,150 --> 00:45:05,839  
because

1105  
00:45:09,349 --> 00:45:08,160  
i would have dreams and know that it

1106  
00:45:11,510 --> 00:45:09,359  
happened

1107  
00:45:13,190 --> 00:45:11,520  
and i was able to deal with people

1108  
00:45:15,910 --> 00:45:13,200  
elizabeth said

1109  
00:45:18,950 --> 00:45:15,920  
they have been at their current location

1110  
00:45:21,270 --> 00:45:18,960  
since april elizabeth declined naming

1111  
00:45:22,950 --> 00:45:21,280  
where they worked previously

1112  
00:45:26,150 --> 00:45:22,960  
clients are taken through the family's

1113  
00:45:29,030 --> 00:45:26,160

living room and hallway to a small room

1114

00:45:31,670 --> 00:45:29,040

located just past the kitchen

1115

00:45:34,870 --> 00:45:31,680

the room contains only a small table two

1116

00:45:35,829 --> 00:45:34,880

chairs and a velvet curtain concealing a

1117

00:45:38,630 --> 00:45:35,839

closet

1118

00:45:41,589 --> 00:45:38,640

all that is on the table are a deck of

1119

00:45:43,670 --> 00:45:41,599

tarot cards and a deck of playing cards

1120

00:45:46,390 --> 00:45:43,680

each card has a lot of meaning to it

1121

00:45:49,990 --> 00:45:46,400

elizabeth said she can tell a person's

1122

00:45:51,430 --> 00:45:50,000

past present and self-conscious self

1123

00:45:53,510 --> 00:45:51,440

with the cards

1124

00:45:56,630 --> 00:45:53,520

the psychic readings are obtained simply

1125

00:45:59,430 --> 00:45:56,640

by the client placing his or her hand on

1126

00:46:01,510 --> 00:45:59,440

the table and the reader placing her

1127

00:46:03,430 --> 00:46:01,520

hand on the others

1128

00:46:06,150 --> 00:46:03,440

some people give off such strong

1129

00:46:09,190 --> 00:46:06,160

readings that they do not even need to

1130

00:46:12,069 --> 00:46:09,200

touch the person's hand elizabeth said

1131

00:46:14,950 --> 00:46:12,079

elizabeth points out that she

1132

00:46:16,390 --> 00:46:14,960

her mother and her sister do not predict

1133

00:46:19,190 --> 00:46:16,400

the future

1134

00:46:20,790 --> 00:46:19,200

and it is illegal to read palms where

1135

00:46:22,950 --> 00:46:20,800

they are located

1136

00:46:26,630 --> 00:46:22,960

what they do tell the client is more

1137

00:46:28,550 --> 00:46:26,640

about his or herself elizabeth said

1138

00:46:30,230 --> 00:46:28,560

they come in to try and find out more

1139

00:46:32,230 --> 00:46:30,240  
about themselves and their

1140

00:46:33,750 --> 00:46:32,240  
self-conscious selves

1141

00:46:35,190 --> 00:46:33,760  
elizabeth said

1142

00:46:37,430 --> 00:46:35,200  
we try to help them understand

1143

00:46:38,950 --> 00:46:37,440  
themselves and their loved ones

1144

00:46:41,750 --> 00:46:38,960  
and that helps them deal with their own

1145

00:46:43,910 --> 00:46:41,760  
problems better the client's personality

1146

00:46:45,109 --> 00:46:43,920  
or subconscious mind usually comes out

1147

00:46:47,109 --> 00:46:45,119  
in the readings

1148

00:46:49,190 --> 00:46:47,119  
elizabeth said

1149

00:46:51,829 --> 00:46:49,200  
the majority of the family's clients

1150

00:46:54,230 --> 00:46:51,839  
will come in with a specific problem

1151  
00:46:56,870 --> 00:46:54,240  
that has been bothering them or they are

1152  
00:46:59,510 --> 00:46:56,880  
looking for guidance on a particular

1153  
00:47:02,150 --> 00:46:59,520  
issue elizabeth said but the readers

1154  
00:47:03,750 --> 00:47:02,160  
don't ask what that problem is

1155  
00:47:05,510 --> 00:47:03,760  
that will come out during the reading

1156  
00:47:08,069 --> 00:47:05,520  
elizabeth said if it is about their

1157  
00:47:10,470 --> 00:47:08,079  
personal life or a relationship

1158  
00:47:13,510 --> 00:47:10,480  
if that is the problem at the time that

1159  
00:47:15,750 --> 00:47:13,520  
is what we'll focus on elizabeth said

1160  
00:47:19,510 --> 00:47:15,760  
many people are skeptical at first

1161  
00:47:21,589 --> 00:47:19,520  
elizabeth said when skeptical a person

1162  
00:47:24,549 --> 00:47:21,599  
throws up a block that makes it

1163  
00:47:26,790 --> 00:47:24,559

difficult to give a reading she said

1164

00:47:29,270 --> 00:47:26,800

but she said once the readers tell a

1165

00:47:32,630 --> 00:47:29,280

person something about himself he

1166

00:47:33,910 --> 00:47:32,640

becomes less skeptical and more open to

1167

00:47:37,670 --> 00:47:33,920

readings

1168

00:47:39,270 --> 00:47:37,680

it's amazing how that block goes away

1169

00:47:41,430 --> 00:47:39,280

and the photograph accompanying this

1170

00:47:43,430 --> 00:47:41,440

article is a typical spread of tarot

1171

00:47:45,270 --> 00:47:43,440

cards with some hands presumably those

1172

00:47:47,670 --> 00:47:45,280

of elizabeth

1173

00:47:49,510 --> 00:47:47,680

and a little caption here readings

1174

00:47:51,670 --> 00:47:49,520

through tarot cards above

1175

00:47:54,150 --> 00:47:51,680

and playing cards and through psychic

1176  
00:47:56,710 --> 00:47:54,160  
readings jennifer and her daughters

1177  
00:47:59,030 --> 00:47:56,720  
elizabeth and debbie give their clients

1178  
00:48:02,390 --> 00:47:59,040  
full life readings

1179  
00:48:03,510 --> 00:48:02,400  
and that picture is credited to mark j

1180  
00:48:05,190 --> 00:48:03,520  
mority

1181  
00:48:09,270 --> 00:48:05,200  
and thank you again to kelly burke for

1182  
00:48:11,030 --> 00:48:09,280  
supplying the voice in that story

1183  
00:48:15,750 --> 00:48:11,040  
and finally we have one more piece from

1184  
00:48:16,950 --> 00:48:15,760  
the camera times from 1987 the 21st of

1185  
00:48:19,670 --> 00:48:16,960  
june

1186  
00:48:22,230 --> 00:48:19,680  
written by don laycock

1187  
00:48:24,710 --> 00:48:22,240  
overselling creates a

1188  
00:48:25,670 --> 00:48:24,720

pasteboard imperium

1189

00:48:27,270 --> 00:48:25,680

death

1190

00:48:29,990 --> 00:48:27,280

of the tarot

1191

00:48:32,710 --> 00:48:30,000

by greed by don laycock

1192

00:48:35,670 --> 00:48:32,720

tarot cards are dead killed in the same

1193

00:48:38,150 --> 00:48:35,680

way as many other traditional survivals

1194

00:48:39,510 --> 00:48:38,160

have been killed by greed and

1195

00:48:41,349 --> 00:48:39,520

overselling

1196

00:48:44,549 --> 00:48:41,359

the death of tarot became apparent

1197

00:48:47,030 --> 00:48:44,559

recently when i found some 15 different

1198

00:48:49,589 --> 00:48:47,040

tarot packs going cheap at a canberra

1199

00:48:53,030 --> 00:48:49,599

book sale all of these were distributed

1200

00:48:56,150 --> 00:48:53,040

and copyrighted from a single firm

1201

00:48:59,349 --> 00:48:56,160

us games systems inc

1202

00:49:02,630 --> 00:48:59,359

and all contained introductions and

1203

00:49:05,349 --> 00:49:02,640

instructions by an acknowledged if not

1204

00:49:07,109 --> 00:49:05,359

always historically trustworthy expert

1205

00:49:09,109 --> 00:49:07,119

on tarot cards

1206

00:49:12,630 --> 00:49:09,119

stuart r kaplan

1207

00:49:15,270 --> 00:49:12,640

it was around 1970 that u.s games

1208

00:49:17,750 --> 00:49:15,280

systems and stuart r kaplan got together

1209

00:49:20,069 --> 00:49:17,760

to build a tarot empire

1210

00:49:22,549 --> 00:49:20,079

a third member of the triumvirate was

1211

00:49:24,309 --> 00:49:22,559

the giant swiss card manufacturing firm

1212

00:49:27,910 --> 00:49:24,319

of a g muller

1213

00:49:30,950 --> 00:49:27,920

though other card making monopolies like

1214

00:49:34,630 --> 00:49:30,960

fournier of spain grim mould of france

1215

00:49:36,230 --> 00:49:34,640

and platnick of austria have sometimes

1216

00:49:38,950 --> 00:49:36,240

joined the alliance

1217

00:49:40,630 --> 00:49:38,960

one of the results has been that even

1218

00:49:43,589 --> 00:49:40,640

packs that have been around for

1219

00:49:45,670 --> 00:49:43,599

centuries such as the sicilian tarot

1220

00:49:47,990 --> 00:49:45,680

have become part of this paste board

1221

00:49:52,390 --> 00:49:48,000

imperium and have been

1222

00:49:54,710 --> 00:49:52,400

copyrighted by us games systems to

1223

00:49:56,790 --> 00:49:54,720

understand how this situation arose a

1224

00:49:58,710 --> 00:49:56,800

little history is necessary

1225

00:50:01,270 --> 00:49:58,720

the ultimate origin of playing cards in

1226

00:50:02,710 --> 00:50:01,280

general is still not quite certain but

1227

00:50:05,150 --> 00:50:02,720

lies somewhere

1228

00:50:07,349 --> 00:50:05,160

east of turkey probably in the

1229

00:50:10,230 --> 00:50:07,359

indo-iranian area

1230

00:50:13,349 --> 00:50:10,240

however the first cards that entered

1231

00:50:14,870 --> 00:50:13,359

europa via italy in the last third of

1232

00:50:18,390 --> 00:50:14,880

the 14th century

1233

00:50:21,829 --> 00:50:18,400

came from mam luck egypt with suits of

1234

00:50:25,030 --> 00:50:21,839

scimitars polo sticks cups and coins

1235

00:50:29,030 --> 00:50:25,040

these suit designs rapidly evolved into

1236

00:50:32,390 --> 00:50:29,040

the basic latin suits of swords staves

1237

00:50:35,190 --> 00:50:32,400

which are wands cups and coins with

1238

00:50:37,829 --> 00:50:35,200

subtle but important local variants in

1239

00:50:39,750 --> 00:50:37,839

italy spain and portugal these suits are

1240

00:50:42,750 --> 00:50:39,760

still in use and are the most usual

1241

00:50:46,309 --> 00:50:42,760

suits in traditional tarot packs around

1242

00:50:48,390 --> 00:50:46,319

1435 some 60 years after playing cards

1243

00:50:51,990 --> 00:50:48,400

had become popular in southern europe

1244

00:50:53,430 --> 00:50:52,000

there arose a variant pack with an extra

1245

00:50:56,950 --> 00:50:53,440

court card

1246

00:51:00,069 --> 00:50:56,960

and with 22 tarot trumps

1247

00:51:02,069 --> 00:51:00,079

the major arcana of occultists

1248

00:51:05,190 --> 00:51:02,079

representing common medieval and

1249

00:51:07,750 --> 00:51:05,200

renaissance themes such as death and the

1250

00:51:09,990 --> 00:51:07,760

devil justice and temperance the sun the

1251  
00:51:12,470 --> 00:51:10,000  
moon and the stars the cards were

1252  
00:51:14,390 --> 00:51:12,480  
invented for the game of tarot which

1253  
00:51:16,309 --> 00:51:14,400  
still survives in italy france

1254  
00:51:18,549 --> 00:51:16,319  
switzerland germany austria and

1255  
00:51:20,309 --> 00:51:18,559  
czechoslovakia the place of this

1256  
00:51:22,390 --> 00:51:20,319  
invention was probably the court of

1257  
00:51:25,829 --> 00:51:22,400  
ferrara in italy

1258  
00:51:29,030 --> 00:51:25,839  
although the game was popular very early

1259  
00:51:31,030 --> 00:51:29,040  
among aristocratic circles in milan

1260  
00:51:33,990 --> 00:51:31,040  
bologna and florence

1261  
00:51:37,750 --> 00:51:34,000  
the origin of tarot cards therefore

1262  
00:51:39,750 --> 00:51:37,760  
is no more exotic than the origin of the

1263  
00:51:41,910 --> 00:51:39,760

game of canasta

1264

00:51:44,950 --> 00:51:41,920

for more than 300 years after their

1265

00:51:47,109 --> 00:51:44,960

invention tarot cards were assigned no

1266

00:51:48,630 --> 00:51:47,119

occult significance

1267

00:51:50,470 --> 00:51:48,640

whatever

1268

00:51:52,710 --> 00:51:50,480

in the meantime ordinary playing cards

1269

00:51:55,510 --> 00:51:52,720

developed away from tarot cards with the

1270

00:51:59,190 --> 00:51:55,520

introduction of new suit symbols

1271

00:52:01,510 --> 00:51:59,200

variations of hearts leaves bells roses

1272

00:52:05,190 --> 00:52:01,520

acorns and banners in the

1273

00:52:07,670 --> 00:52:05,200

german-speaking area and from 1480 the

1274

00:52:09,670 --> 00:52:07,680

french simplification into spades clubs

1275

00:52:12,390 --> 00:52:09,680

hearts and diamonds

1276

00:52:15,109 --> 00:52:12,400

the french system soon conquered the

1277

00:52:18,390 --> 00:52:15,119

world because with it went the new

1278

00:52:21,349 --> 00:52:18,400

technology of reproducing standard size

1279

00:52:23,829 --> 00:52:21,359

suit symbols by means of stencils so

1280

00:52:26,150 --> 00:52:23,839

that separate woodcuts did not have to

1281

00:52:28,470 --> 00:52:26,160

be made for each card

1282

00:52:31,270 --> 00:52:28,480

millions of card players around the

1283

00:52:33,829 --> 00:52:31,280

world today have never seen any playing

1284

00:52:34,710 --> 00:52:33,839

cards with suits other than spades clubs

1285

00:52:36,150 --> 00:52:34,720

hearts

1286

00:52:38,870 --> 00:52:36,160

and diamonds

1287

00:52:41,829 --> 00:52:38,880

by the end of the 18th century the latin

1288

00:52:44,309 --> 00:52:41,839

suited cards were already so unfamiliar

1289

00:52:46,470 --> 00:52:44,319

in paris that tarot packs like the

1290

00:52:49,430 --> 00:52:46,480

marseilles tarot were looked on as

1291

00:52:52,230 --> 00:52:49,440

something completely exotic

1292

00:52:53,790 --> 00:52:52,240

around that time a french writer kotti

1293

00:52:56,549 --> 00:52:53,800

kiblin

1294

00:52:59,190 --> 00:52:56,559

concocted a fantastic tale that

1295

00:53:00,870 --> 00:52:59,200

connected tarot cards with egypt and the

1296

00:53:03,190 --> 00:53:00,880

gypsies

1297

00:53:04,309 --> 00:53:03,200

according to the nine completed volumes

1298

00:53:07,270 --> 00:53:04,319

of his work

1299

00:53:10,630 --> 00:53:07,280

le monde primetith published between

1300

00:53:13,030 --> 00:53:10,640

1773 and 1782

1301

00:53:15,030 --> 00:53:13,040

the tarot trumps derived from the

1302

00:53:16,870 --> 00:53:15,040

religious murals of some ancient

1303

00:53:18,630 --> 00:53:16,880

egyptian temple

1304

00:53:21,990 --> 00:53:18,640

with the decline of the egyptian

1305

00:53:24,710 --> 00:53:22,000

civilization the priests had cunningly

1306

00:53:25,589 --> 00:53:24,720

copied the murals as a pack of playing

1307

00:53:27,430 --> 00:53:25,599

cards

1308

00:53:29,990 --> 00:53:27,440

reasoning that their mysteries would

1309

00:53:32,870 --> 00:53:30,000

survive if disguised as a game

1310

00:53:34,870 --> 00:53:32,880

especially if it was a gambling game

1311

00:53:37,750 --> 00:53:34,880

the peoples who preserve the cards were

1312

00:53:42,150 --> 00:53:37,760

supposed to be the gypsies a view that

1313

00:53:44,950 --> 00:53:42,160

rests in an old confusion of gypsies and

1314

00:53:45,990 --> 00:53:44,960

egyptians that is not totally extinct

1315

00:53:48,630 --> 00:53:46,000

today

1316

00:53:51,109 --> 00:53:48,640

in fact gypsies who originate from india

1317

00:53:53,270 --> 00:53:51,119

did not enter europe via asia minor

1318

00:53:55,430 --> 00:53:53,280

until well after ordinary playing cards

1319

00:53:58,230 --> 00:53:55,440

were established in europe and never had

1320

00:54:00,069 --> 00:53:58,240

any association with tarot cards before

1321

00:54:02,549 --> 00:54:00,079

the 20th century

1322

00:54:05,349 --> 00:54:02,559

quote the ghiblians book coincided with

1323

00:54:07,510 --> 00:54:05,359

a parisian vogue for fortune telling

1324

00:54:10,390 --> 00:54:07,520

with ordinary playing cards which was

1325

00:54:12,230 --> 00:54:10,400

successfully exploited by a cartomancer

1326

00:54:14,390 --> 00:54:12,240

named alliet

1327

00:54:17,349 --> 00:54:14,400

whom as etiella

1328

00:54:19,829 --> 00:54:17,359

read the destinies of delighted parisian

1329

00:54:22,710 --> 00:54:19,839

ladies with his own set

1330

00:54:25,750 --> 00:54:22,720

1783 of colorful picture cards based on

1331

00:54:28,630 --> 00:54:25,760

the tarot the first of many tarot packs

1332

00:54:30,069 --> 00:54:28,640

produced arbitrarily for fortune telling

1333

00:54:32,470 --> 00:54:30,079

meditation

1334

00:54:35,030 --> 00:54:32,480

or simply money the occult fantasy was

1335

00:54:39,349 --> 00:54:35,040

taken further by the french occultist

1336

00:54:40,789 --> 00:54:39,359

alphonse louis constant 1810 to 1875

1337

00:54:42,630 --> 00:54:40,799

trading as

1338

00:54:45,030 --> 00:54:42,640

elifas levi

1339

00:54:47,829 --> 00:54:45,040  
and this quote ancient and quote

1340

00:54:51,109 --> 00:54:47,839  
tradition now some 70 years old was

1341

00:54:53,510 --> 00:54:51,119  
picked up and elaborated on by further

1342

00:54:54,950 --> 00:54:53,520  
french and british occultists later in

1343

00:54:56,870 --> 00:54:54,960  
the century

1344

00:55:00,789 --> 00:54:56,880  
two of the founders of the magical order

1345

00:55:03,829 --> 00:55:00,799  
of the golden dawn in 1885 w w westcott

1346

00:55:06,470 --> 00:55:03,839  
and esl mcgregor mathers created most of

1347

00:55:09,270 --> 00:55:06,480  
the now quote accepted in quote

1348

00:55:11,910 --> 00:55:09,280  
correspondence between tarot cards and

1349

00:55:15,670 --> 00:55:11,920  
unrelated systems like astrology and the

1350

00:55:16,789 --> 00:55:15,680  
kabbalah as well as probably inventing

1351

00:55:20,150 --> 00:55:16,799

the quote

1352

00:55:22,390 --> 00:55:20,160

ancient celtic 10 card spread and quote

1353

00:55:25,190 --> 00:55:22,400

method of divination currently favored

1354

00:55:28,630 --> 00:55:25,200

by clairvoyance in the next decades

1355

00:55:32,309 --> 00:55:28,640

there was a spate of new

1356

00:55:36,069 --> 00:55:32,319

quote occult end quote or quote esoteric

1357

00:55:41,670 --> 00:55:36,079

and quote tarots such as those of oswald

1358

00:55:45,430 --> 00:55:41,680

worth 1889 revised 1927 girard encourage

1359

00:55:48,470 --> 00:55:45,440

papas 1909 at least to cowley

1360

00:55:51,190 --> 00:55:48,480

1944 book of toth

1361

00:55:52,309 --> 00:55:51,200

paul foster case 1931 builders of the

1362

00:55:56,870 --> 00:55:52,319

atheium

1363

00:55:59,670 --> 00:55:56,880

and cece zane 1936 egyptian the most

1364

00:56:02,309 --> 00:55:59,680

influential of all however was the

1365

00:56:04,549 --> 00:56:02,319

weight rider pack 1910 designed by

1366

00:56:08,470 --> 00:56:04,559

arthur edward waite a minor member of

1367

00:56:11,190 --> 00:56:08,480

the golden dawn and painted in bad art

1368

00:56:12,950 --> 00:56:11,200

nouveau by an equally minor artist

1369

00:56:16,549 --> 00:56:12,960

called pamela

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coleman smith the waiter rider pack was

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one of whose designs inspired t.s eliot

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00:56:24,470 --> 00:56:22,240

in the wasteland

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00:56:27,190 --> 00:56:24,480

it was also the pack that popularized

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english names for the tarot trumps

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especially the hierophant for the pope

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00:56:36,549 --> 00:56:32,960

and the high priestess for the

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00:56:39,430 --> 00:56:36,559

popes it also reintroduced the idea

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00:56:42,470 --> 00:56:39,440

forgotten since italia of putting

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00:56:44,789 --> 00:56:42,480

symbolic pictures of the ordinary suit

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00:56:45,910 --> 00:56:44,799

cards which make up the bulk of the

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00:56:49,030 --> 00:56:45,920

tarot pack

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00:56:51,670 --> 00:56:49,040

and renamed the coin suits to pentacles

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00:56:54,789 --> 00:56:51,680

other subtle changes included numbering

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the fools as 0

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00:57:00,309 --> 00:56:57,680

and interchanging the order of trump's 9

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00:57:02,630 --> 00:57:00,319

and 11 strength and justice

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00:57:05,910 --> 00:57:02,640

such details allow connoisseurs to

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00:57:09,030 --> 00:57:05,920

identify late occult pacts such as the

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00:57:12,309 --> 00:57:09,040

royal fisma rocking tarot of the 1960s

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claimed to derive from 9th century

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designs preserved in morocco

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as being direct cribs

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of the weight rider pack

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for most of the 20th century however

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00:57:26,789 --> 00:57:24,720

such packs often existed only as

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00:57:29,750 --> 00:57:26,799

ordinary designs or illustrations in

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00:57:32,390 --> 00:57:29,760

books or in small limited editions often

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00:57:34,870 --> 00:57:32,400

handmade circulating among the initiates

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00:57:37,270 --> 00:57:34,880

of occult fraternities

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00:57:40,549 --> 00:57:37,280

meanwhile the traditional game playing

1401  
00:57:43,349 --> 00:57:40,559  
or esoteric tarot packs continued to be

1402  
00:57:45,910 --> 00:57:43,359  
produced by card manufacturers ignorant

1403  
00:57:48,630 --> 00:57:45,920  
of the occult revival

1404  
00:57:52,870 --> 00:57:48,640  
among surviving packs of this kind are

1405  
00:57:56,309 --> 00:57:52,880  
tarot d'isanzon and the italian tarots

1406  
00:57:58,870 --> 00:57:56,319  
of bologna piedmont and sicily

1407  
00:58:01,190 --> 00:57:58,880  
the big change came in 1960 when

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00:58:03,030 --> 00:58:01,200  
university press new york released the

1409  
00:58:05,349 --> 00:58:03,040  
first widely available version of the

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00:58:08,390 --> 00:58:05,359  
weight rider tarot the pack became

1411  
00:58:10,150 --> 00:58:08,400  
popular in the 1960s generation and

1412  
00:58:12,470 --> 00:58:10,160  
anything to do with tarot was a

1413  
00:58:15,990 --> 00:58:12,480

commercial success the crowley book of

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00:58:17,270 --> 00:58:16,000

toth was released in 1969 at about the

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same time

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00:58:25,190 --> 00:58:20,960

predictably enough as new tarot for the

1417

00:58:28,150 --> 00:58:25,200

aquarian age 1968 and the aquarian tarot

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00:58:31,190 --> 00:58:28,160

1970 a weight rider crib

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after us game systems and stuart r

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kaplan got into the act tarot packs

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proliferated out of all recognition some

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of the newly produced tarots were

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00:58:45,030 --> 00:58:42,559

reproductions of traditional packs and

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00:58:47,589 --> 00:58:45,040

represented good value like the reissue

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00:58:50,870 --> 00:58:47,599

of the oldest extent tarot deck the

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00:58:53,190 --> 00:58:50,880

visconti sforza pack of the mid 15th

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00:58:55,990 --> 00:58:53,200

century but most were creations or

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00:58:57,750 --> 00:58:56,000

artists and occultists with more regard

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00:59:00,789 --> 00:58:57,760

for the money-making possibilities of

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00:59:03,589 --> 00:59:00,799

the medium and for historical truth

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the new packs mostly came with booklets

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adding further to the occult myths about

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00:59:11,589 --> 00:59:09,359

the origin of the cards the us games

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00:59:14,630 --> 00:59:11,599

system also produced often in direct

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00:59:17,589 --> 00:59:14,640

sponsorship tarot cards from areas that

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00:59:20,549 --> 00:59:17,599

were never part of the tarot tradition a

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00:59:22,710 --> 00:59:20,559

spanish tarot a japanese tarot a tantric

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00:59:24,789 --> 00:59:22,720

terror a native american tarot a dozen

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00:59:27,750 --> 00:59:24,799

more since the golden dawn was still a

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name to conjure with a golden dawn pack

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was cobbled together around 1977

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followed in 1980 by a hermetic deck

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supposedly incorporating the same occult

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mysteries there has been the fergus hall

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tarot of the witches featured in a james

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00:59:47,349 --> 00:59:44,720

bond film an eastern pack a meditation

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00:59:49,190 --> 00:59:47,359

pack a pop rock pack

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00:59:51,589 --> 00:59:49,200

the results of all this creation of

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00:59:54,230 --> 00:59:51,599

meaningless sets of pretty pictures has

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00:59:57,670 --> 00:59:54,240

been total confusion in the mind of the

1451  
00:59:59,670 --> 00:59:57,680  
consumer and therefore a very natural

1452  
01:00:02,309 --> 00:59:59,680  
consumer resistance

1453  
01:00:04,710 --> 01:00:02,319  
we can look forward to seeing lots of

1454  
01:00:07,990 --> 01:00:04,720  
expensive tarot packs being sold at

1455  
01:00:09,910 --> 01:00:08,000  
discount prices over the next few years

1456  
01:00:12,230 --> 01:00:09,920  
to date there has not been an aboriginal

1457  
01:00:15,670 --> 01:00:12,240  
dream time pack or an australian

1458  
01:00:17,990 --> 01:00:15,680  
colonial or first fleet pack or hawaiian

1459  
01:00:19,750 --> 01:00:18,000  
kahuna pack but these are probably on

1460  
01:00:21,910 --> 01:00:19,760  
the drawing boards right now

1461  
01:00:24,630 --> 01:00:21,920  
to the artists and publishers of such

1462  
01:00:26,309 --> 01:00:24,640  
packs i have a simple message

1463  
01:00:29,270 --> 01:00:26,319

you've missed the boat

1464

01:00:34,710 --> 01:00:29,280

tarot is dead at least as far as the

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01:00:39,510 --> 01:00:37,190

and at the end it says don leycocock is an

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01:00:41,270 --> 01:00:39,520

academic linguist who collects playing

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01:00:43,270 --> 01:00:41,280

cards as a hobby

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01:00:46,230 --> 01:00:43,280

he also creates puzzles and is a member

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01:00:48,230 --> 01:00:46,240

of the act committee of australian

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01:00:53,990 --> 01:00:48,240

skeptics

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01:00:55,589 --> 01:00:54,000

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01:00:56,950 --> 01:00:55,599

and an interesting report to end this

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01:00:58,710 --> 01:00:56,960

section on

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01:01:00,230 --> 01:00:58,720

and what do the tarot cards have in

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store for you

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i think they're telling you

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to go to

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trove.nla.gov.a you run a search

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and you'll never know what you'll find

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01:01:27,990 --> 01:01:26,480

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01:01:30,150 --> 01:01:28,000

thank you for listening to the skeptic's

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01:01:31,349 --> 01:01:30,160

own podcast well my test was done it was

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01:01:33,589 --> 01:01:31,359

very quick

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01:01:35,750 --> 01:01:33,599

a bit uncomfortable but that's okay

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01:01:37,589 --> 01:01:35,760

and i'm heading back to the skeptic zone

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studios to put

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01:01:41,750 --> 01:01:39,920

the edit together for this week's

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episode thank you to those people who

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01:01:48,549 --> 01:01:44,760

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it means the show

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keeps going

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pure and simple without your help

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without your support i couldn't afford

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01:02:02,069 --> 01:01:59,359

to keep doing the skeptic's own podcast

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01:02:05,109 --> 01:02:02,079

every week now for over uh 13 years i

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01:02:08,230 --> 01:02:06,470

coming up on the next episode of the

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01:02:10,069 --> 01:02:08,240

skeptic zone something

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really different really interesting and

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heartwarming in a way

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01:02:18,950 --> 01:02:13,119  
maynard

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01:02:20,470 --> 01:02:18,960  
interviews

1504  
01:02:25,750 --> 01:02:20,480  
his dad

1505  
01:02:29,510 --> 01:02:25,760  
memories of

1506  
01:02:31,750 --> 01:02:29,520  
the last pandemic or should i say

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01:02:34,470 --> 01:02:31,760  
the memories he was

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01:02:36,390 --> 01:02:34,480  
that were around him because he wasn't

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01:02:40,069 --> 01:02:36,400  
quite born with when the last pandemic

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01:02:41,910 --> 01:02:40,079  
was in the 1918 1919 one

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01:02:44,230 --> 01:02:41,920  
but he certainly remembers

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01:02:45,430 --> 01:02:44,240  
bits and pieces from his childhood

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01:02:47,510 --> 01:02:45,440

and it's just great to hear from

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01:02:49,510 --> 01:02:47,520

maynard's dad so that's coming up on

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01:02:51,750 --> 01:02:49,520

next week's episode

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01:02:53,910 --> 01:02:51,760

but for this week as i

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01:02:56,789 --> 01:02:53,920

wait these uh traffic lights and they're

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01:02:59,270 --> 01:02:56,799

about to turn green and

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01:03:01,589 --> 01:02:59,280

here we go for this week

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this is richard saunders signing off

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podcast is an independent production the

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views and opinions expressed on the

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skeptic zone are not necessarily those

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of australian skeptics or any other