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An interview with
Claire Klingenberg



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Rob Palmer
reports from
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Claire Klingenberg



Richard Saunders

TROVE
"UFOs"



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00:00:13,920 --> 00:00:09,049
welcome to the skeptic Zone the podcast

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00:00:16,900 --> 00:00:13,930
from Australia for science and reason

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00:00:23,630 --> 00:00:16,910
[Applause]

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00:00:28,810 --> 00:00:25,070
you're listening to the skeptic Zone

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00:00:31,009 --> 00:00:28,820
episode 738 for the 27th of November

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00:00:32,389 --> 00:00:31,019
2022. I'll look out the window I'm not

7
00:00:33,709 --> 00:00:32,399
going to give you a weather report what

8
00:00:35,930 --> 00:00:33,719
do you think this is a free podcast

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00:00:37,010 --> 00:00:35,940
about weather that may not matter what

10
00:00:38,209 --> 00:00:37,020
are you doing what are you doing I'm

11
00:00:39,889 --> 00:00:38,219
just doing the show for you because you

12
00:00:41,990 --> 00:00:39,899
come on you tell everybody you're going

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00:00:43,670 --> 00:00:42,000

to race downstairs and get some stuff

14

00:00:45,049 --> 00:00:43,680

that you shouldn't and then you'd give

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00:00:47,090 --> 00:00:45,059

them the weather report complain about

16

00:00:49,010 --> 00:00:47,100

the birds and the planes and that's

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00:00:51,650 --> 00:00:49,020

pretty much the show you've heard the

18

00:00:53,990 --> 00:00:51,660

show yeah that is the show folks I'm at

19

00:00:55,310 --> 00:00:54,000

Maynard's International studio for a

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00:00:57,529 --> 00:00:55,320

very important reason we've just

21

00:00:59,569 --> 00:00:57,539

finished filming with the help of

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00:01:03,229 --> 00:00:59,579

Jessica singer Maynard's Christmas

23

00:01:04,549 --> 00:01:03,239

special for 2022. it's been an amazing

24

00:01:06,950 --> 00:01:04,559

production I want to go to the next

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00:01:09,050 --> 00:01:06,960

level so the cruise doubled yeah so

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00:01:12,230 --> 00:01:09,060

that's two normally I'm the crew yeah

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00:01:14,330 --> 00:01:12,240

but we've had two crew this weekend and

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00:01:18,109 --> 00:01:14,340

uh so what can people expect when they

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00:01:20,330 --> 00:01:18,119

tune into maynard.com next weekend well

30

00:01:23,570 --> 00:01:20,340

I'll be uh reading selections from a

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00:01:26,030 --> 00:01:23,580

Teen Magazine from December 1987. uh

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00:01:28,850 --> 00:01:26,040

about the importance of white knee socks

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00:01:30,649 --> 00:01:28,860

what when going out yes oh yeah white

34

00:01:32,450 --> 00:01:30,659

knee socks and brogues apparently with a

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00:01:34,310 --> 00:01:32,460

go and I've got a whole stack of stuff

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00:01:36,310 --> 00:01:34,320

like that for Christmas gift ideas for

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00:01:39,289 --> 00:01:36,320

people white knee socks

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00:01:41,690 --> 00:01:39,299

folks don't miss out on me not a very

39
00:01:44,390 --> 00:01:41,700
mean Odd Christmas special coming up uh

40
00:01:47,149 --> 00:01:44,400
next weekend and that'll be on the third

41
00:01:49,249 --> 00:01:47,159
I think third of December at quarter

42
00:01:50,569 --> 00:01:49,259
past eight the pre-show starts but if

43
00:01:52,490 --> 00:01:50,579
you're going to have a wee and can't be

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00:01:53,690 --> 00:01:52,500
there till 8 30 The Surreal show starts

45
00:01:55,850 --> 00:01:53,700
at 8 30 but it's going to be a lot of

46
00:01:57,830 --> 00:01:55,860
fun people we've got a fire juggler and

47
00:02:00,410 --> 00:01:57,840
Richard made sure the whole thing looks

48
00:02:02,929 --> 00:02:00,420
good we do a real fire juggler it's true

49
00:02:04,850 --> 00:02:02,939
but folks coming up today on the skeptic

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00:02:06,590 --> 00:02:04,860
Zone podcast we have an interview with

51
00:02:09,190 --> 00:02:06,600
Claire Klingenberg who is the president

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00:02:12,650 --> 00:02:09,200
of the European Council of skeptical

53
00:02:15,110 --> 00:02:12,660
organizations how about that wow that

54
00:02:16,729 --> 00:02:15,120
like so does she also run the EU she

55
00:02:21,170 --> 00:02:16,739
runs the whole thing wow she's the

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00:02:23,930 --> 00:02:21,180
Illuminati wow personified wow EU EU and

57
00:02:26,869 --> 00:02:23,940
then after that it's uh the final love

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00:02:29,270 --> 00:02:26,879
Rob Palmer's reports from cycon 2022 in

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00:02:31,850 --> 00:02:29,280
Las Vegas including an interview with

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00:02:34,850 --> 00:02:31,860
our friend Avajit Chanda from India and

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00:02:37,010 --> 00:02:34,860
Thomas Thomas Westbrook from holy

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00:02:38,930 --> 00:02:37,020
Kool-Aid and you interviewed Thomas a

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00:02:40,490 --> 00:02:38,940

couple of years back in Melbourne oh

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00:02:41,509 --> 00:02:40,500

yeah that was a good skepticon there

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00:02:42,949 --> 00:02:41,519

that was a lot of fun we had a great

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00:02:44,270 --> 00:02:42,959

chat that evening with a whole bunch of

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00:02:45,710 --> 00:02:44,280

people now when all these European

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00:02:46,970 --> 00:02:45,720

Skeptics came here they'd get off the

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00:02:49,490 --> 00:02:46,980

plane and they wouldn't talk to anybody

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00:02:51,530 --> 00:02:49,500

unless they all used USBC is that the

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00:02:54,470 --> 00:02:51,540

way they are they're European that's the

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00:02:56,330 --> 00:02:54,480

way they are and we'll get to them get

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00:02:58,729 --> 00:02:56,340

to those people in a moment then to

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00:03:02,089 --> 00:02:58,739

round off the show Trove once again

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00:03:03,770 --> 00:03:02,099

looks at UFOs in Australian newspapers

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00:03:05,750 --> 00:03:03,780

well I showed you an Australian

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00:03:07,729 --> 00:03:05,760

newspaper you were on your visit here

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00:03:09,770 --> 00:03:07,739

that was found under my very house here

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00:03:12,190 --> 00:03:09,780

during its construction it was I think

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00:03:14,990 --> 00:03:12,200

February the 29th

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00:03:17,149 --> 00:03:15,000

1929. it was before the stock market

82

00:03:18,890 --> 00:03:17,159

crash amazing this newspaper has been

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00:03:20,649 --> 00:03:18,900

rolled up under Maynard's International

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00:03:23,449 --> 00:03:20,659

Studios since

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00:03:25,009 --> 00:03:23,459

1929 and there it was yeah

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00:03:27,229 --> 00:03:25,019

who's constructed in the house either

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00:03:28,250 --> 00:03:27,239

used it to wedge some wood or it had

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00:03:29,449 --> 00:03:28,260

fallen out of their pocket because it

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00:03:30,770 --> 00:03:29,459

looked like it had just been rolled up

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00:03:32,449 --> 00:03:30,780

like that bought it that morning and

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00:03:34,729 --> 00:03:32,459

read it and again get rid of it because

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00:03:36,170 --> 00:03:34,739

what about a year or two back when I was

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00:03:38,930 --> 00:03:36,180

here we were up in your ceiling and we

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00:03:41,869 --> 00:03:38,940

found a newspaper from 1940 something 47

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00:03:44,030 --> 00:03:41,879

someone had used it to uh stop a bit of

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00:03:46,430 --> 00:03:44,040

a small leak because it was a very

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00:03:48,050 --> 00:03:46,440

economical way to do that back then

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00:03:50,149 --> 00:03:48,060

instead of replacing a terracotta tiles

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00:03:52,009 --> 00:03:50,159

you just put some straw down with some

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00:03:53,509 --> 00:03:52,019

newspaper and that would absorb it and

101
00:03:55,250 --> 00:03:53,519
by the time it dried out and it rained

102
00:03:56,570 --> 00:03:55,260
again it wouldn't be a problem it's just

103
00:03:58,130 --> 00:03:56,580
the sort of thing that happens here at

104
00:04:01,070 --> 00:03:58,140
Maynard's International studio now

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00:04:03,110 --> 00:04:01,080
talking about our European guests uh the

106
00:04:04,970 --> 00:04:03,120
whole of the ESP podcast and

107
00:04:06,949 --> 00:04:04,980
clerklingenberg were in Sydney over the

108
00:04:09,289 --> 00:04:06,959
week that's just passed running around

109
00:04:10,729 --> 00:04:09,299
looking at all sorts of things we had a

110
00:04:12,830 --> 00:04:10,739
wonderful time we had Skeptics in the

111
00:04:14,330 --> 00:04:12,840
pub and interviews with them and

112
00:04:16,129 --> 00:04:14,340
Skeptics in the pub and little bits and

113
00:04:18,890 --> 00:04:16,139

pieces are coming up over the next few

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00:04:20,449 --> 00:04:18,900

weeks and right now as we speak they're

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00:04:23,030 --> 00:04:20,459

enjoying the company of the Melbourne

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00:04:25,249 --> 00:04:23,040

Skeptics including the skeptical fairy

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00:04:26,390 --> 00:04:25,259

godmother angel from the internet and

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00:04:28,850 --> 00:04:26,400

they're on the way to Canberra aren't

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00:04:31,129 --> 00:04:28,860

they eventually after they leave

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00:04:33,710 --> 00:04:31,139

Melbourne they're going to the Gold

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00:04:34,969 --> 00:04:33,720

Coast in Brisbane then finally ending up

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00:04:38,230 --> 00:04:34,979

in Canberra for the big National

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00:04:40,670 --> 00:04:38,240

Convention uh coming up uh next weekend

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00:04:42,710 --> 00:04:40,680

that's an interesting way to do it I'm

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00:04:45,050 --> 00:04:42,720

coming Australia and end up at Canberra

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00:04:48,170 --> 00:04:45,060

it's really like yeah best you don't

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00:04:50,030 --> 00:04:48,180

send them there first probably probably

128

00:04:51,830 --> 00:04:50,040

not I'm sure they're going to have a

129

00:04:53,330 --> 00:04:51,840

great time we all also like to make look

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00:04:55,490 --> 00:04:53,340

Australians like to make jokes about

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00:04:58,850 --> 00:04:55,500

Canberra it's like any South American

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00:05:01,570 --> 00:04:58,860

making jokes about Brasilia okay yeah

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00:05:04,189 --> 00:05:01,580

it's it's a capital city that's made up

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00:05:06,050 --> 00:05:04,199

I'll buy that yeah anyway it may not now

135

00:05:07,550 --> 00:05:06,060

it's time to run around the corner down

136

00:05:09,830 --> 00:05:07,560

the hall into your kitchen what can we

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00:05:11,990 --> 00:05:09,840

find well I bought you the good stuff

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00:05:14,870 --> 00:05:12,000

last night remember I cracked open a

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00:05:16,850 --> 00:05:14,880

bottle of my for Richard you did we had

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00:05:18,530 --> 00:05:16,860

a bottle of Maui last night is there any

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00:05:20,710 --> 00:05:18,540

left I wonder no look we're going to

142

00:05:24,529 --> 00:05:20,720

take turns sucking on the cork

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00:05:26,270 --> 00:05:24,539

what what look I think I can find

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00:05:28,249 --> 00:05:26,280

another bottle of something out there it

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00:05:31,550 --> 00:05:28,259

might just not be from this house

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00:05:34,570 --> 00:05:31,560

okay while we do that we hope you enjoy

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00:05:37,610 --> 00:05:34,580

the skeptic Zone episode

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00:05:38,689 --> 00:05:37,620

738. let's go where's that champagne uh

149

00:05:40,080 --> 00:05:38,699

look uh we're just going to find someone

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00:06:01,029 --> 00:05:40,090

with an open window

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00:06:03,590 --> 00:06:01,039

[Music]

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00:06:06,469 --> 00:06:03,600

what a day folks what a day it's been I

153

00:06:08,029 --> 00:06:06,479

got up nice and early I thought what am

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00:06:10,249 --> 00:06:08,039

I going to do today I know I'll just go

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00:06:11,810 --> 00:06:10,259

to Sydney airport in case you know you

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00:06:13,909 --> 00:06:11,820

never know what you're going to find I

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00:06:17,510 --> 00:06:13,919

found thousands of some Moen football

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00:06:19,670 --> 00:06:17,520

fans and then I found Claire klingenberg

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00:06:21,830 --> 00:06:19,680

hello Claire hi Richard thank you for

160

00:06:23,270 --> 00:06:21,840

picking me up that was so nice well you

161

00:06:24,650 --> 00:06:23,280

know I turned up at the airport I saw

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00:06:26,510 --> 00:06:24,660

these thousands of people and I thought

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00:06:28,370 --> 00:06:26,520

they must be here for Clear well of

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00:06:30,710 --> 00:06:28,380

course like because I actually did tell

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00:06:32,629 --> 00:06:30,720

Annika that I won a welcome Parade When

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00:06:34,790 --> 00:06:32,639

I arrived here and she said that she

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00:06:36,830 --> 00:06:34,800

will arrange something so you know she

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00:06:39,830 --> 00:06:36,840

came through she came through and there

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00:06:42,710 --> 00:06:39,840

I was it's wonderful to see you I

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00:06:45,830 --> 00:06:42,720

haven't seen you and it's the only time

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00:06:48,050 --> 00:06:45,840

we've met yes New York at Nexus wasn't

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00:06:50,870 --> 00:06:48,060

it yeah yeah on the way here we were

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00:06:58,510 --> 00:06:50,880

trying to remember if it was 2017 or 16

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00:07:03,650 --> 00:07:01,969

now folks believe it or not believe it

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00:07:05,689 --> 00:07:03,660

or not and it just struck me just before

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00:07:07,249 --> 00:07:05,699

the interviewers we were setting up uh

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00:07:08,749 --> 00:07:07,259

we're in the skeptic Zone headquarters

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00:07:10,610 --> 00:07:08,759

this is it this is the heart of the

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00:07:13,730 --> 00:07:10,620

skeptic Zone This Very Room this very

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00:07:16,189 --> 00:07:13,740

studio and you're the first person I've

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00:07:18,409 --> 00:07:16,199

ever interviewed in the studio this is

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00:07:20,510 --> 00:07:18,419

bizarre this is an amazing honor thank

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00:07:22,550 --> 00:07:20,520

you so much I am so happy to open up

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00:07:24,070 --> 00:07:22,560

this new tradition of in-studio

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00:07:26,450 --> 00:07:24,080

interviews

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00:07:29,510 --> 00:07:26,460

look at this wonderful state-of-the-art

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00:07:33,230 --> 00:07:29,520

Studio it's got everything yes yeah very

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00:07:35,809 --> 00:07:33,240

much yeah I mean it's it's uh it has all

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00:07:37,670 --> 00:07:35,819

the studio stuff that you need well it's

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00:07:39,830 --> 00:07:37,680

got coffee yes it has coffee and which

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00:07:41,390 --> 00:07:39,840

is better way amazing it's true that

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00:07:43,010 --> 00:07:41,400

Sydney has amazing coffee it's got

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00:07:44,809 --> 00:07:43,020

coffee and it's got microphones so that

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00:07:46,550 --> 00:07:44,819

that's a good start and the skeptic Zone

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00:07:47,990 --> 00:07:46,560

cats are hiding around the corner

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00:07:49,909 --> 00:07:48,000

somewhere but you did see them when you

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00:07:52,070 --> 00:07:49,919

came in briefly I saw two of the three

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00:07:55,010 --> 00:07:52,080

there's only two there's only two okay

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00:07:57,770 --> 00:07:55,020

okay then I saw two of the two too as

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00:08:00,770 --> 00:07:57,780

they as they ran up ran up the steps yes

201
00:08:02,330 --> 00:08:00,780
but folks and this is true I was showing

202
00:08:03,830 --> 00:08:02,340
clear around the studio and then I said

203
00:08:05,990 --> 00:08:03,840
let's let's go down the steps and have

204
00:08:07,909 --> 00:08:06,000
some Vegemite toast so absolutely and we

205
00:08:09,890 --> 00:08:07,919
did you can find proof on a mature's

206
00:08:11,330 --> 00:08:09,900
Facebook that we did have a tomatoes

207
00:08:13,610 --> 00:08:11,340
together

208
00:08:16,490 --> 00:08:13,620
I'm pleased the first thing that you've

209
00:08:18,529 --> 00:08:16,500
eaten in Australia is Vegemite clear

210
00:08:20,150 --> 00:08:18,539
you'll uh come all the way over here

211
00:08:21,170 --> 00:08:20,160
from the Czech Republic you're here for

212
00:08:23,749 --> 00:08:21,180
the Australian Skeptics National

213
00:08:26,570 --> 00:08:23,759

Convention of course in um Canberra in

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00:08:28,909 --> 00:08:26,580

uh a week yes it's close yes but this is

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00:08:30,950 --> 00:08:28,919

your very first visit to Australia yeah

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00:08:32,810 --> 00:08:30,960

wow yeah and so we're going to also be

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00:08:36,469 --> 00:08:32,820

in the Gold Coast we're going to be in

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00:08:38,930 --> 00:08:36,479

Melbourne and you'll also see us in cam

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00:08:41,510 --> 00:08:38,940

well in Cambria and here in Sydney so

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00:08:42,949 --> 00:08:41,520

we're trying to be in as many places as

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00:08:45,829 --> 00:08:42,959

we can manage within this time frame

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00:08:48,110 --> 00:08:45,839

it's a busy time yes very busy time and

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00:08:49,970 --> 00:08:48,120

folks Claire will also be the guest of

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00:08:52,610 --> 00:08:49,980

Dr Carl kurzoniski in a couple of days

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yeah yeah two days from now yeah in two

226
00:08:57,290 --> 00:08:55,500
days we're going to the ABC to record a

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00:09:01,070 --> 00:08:57,300
segment for Dr Carl that's very exciting

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00:09:02,329 --> 00:09:01,080
and then that uh and this will be all

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00:09:03,829 --> 00:09:02,339
the past for the listeners of course

230
00:09:05,750 --> 00:09:03,839
because this show goes out after this is

231
00:09:07,430 --> 00:09:05,760
all happening but as the listeners know

232
00:09:09,410 --> 00:09:07,440
who were there at Skeptics in the pub it

233
00:09:10,790 --> 00:09:09,420
was a big night yes but it hasn't

234
00:09:12,470 --> 00:09:10,800
happened yet it hasn't happened yet but

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00:09:14,810 --> 00:09:12,480
I can tell you it's going to be awesome

236
00:09:16,970 --> 00:09:14,820
we're going to have a lot of fun we're

237
00:09:18,850 --> 00:09:16,980
uh we're going to and we're going to

238
00:09:21,110 --> 00:09:18,860

meet each other

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00:09:22,910 --> 00:09:21,120

and it's just going to be an all-around

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00:09:24,650 --> 00:09:22,920

interesting event well I know you had a

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00:09:26,750 --> 00:09:24,660

good time I mean you're projecting from

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00:09:28,070 --> 00:09:26,760

the future yes but like what else are

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00:09:30,230 --> 00:09:28,080

you supposed to do as a skeptic I mean

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00:09:32,870 --> 00:09:30,240

we have to like someone has to do the

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00:09:35,570 --> 00:09:32,880

psychics job right that's right very

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00:09:37,910 --> 00:09:35,580

very good now you are oh there's another

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00:09:39,290 --> 00:09:37,920

plan how about that normally I don't

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00:09:43,070 --> 00:09:39,300

record it this time of the day you can

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00:09:44,930 --> 00:09:43,080

tell why but it doesn't matter now uh so

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00:09:48,170 --> 00:09:44,940

yes you're from the Czech Republic we

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00:09:50,269 --> 00:09:48,180

haven't met before and you are very

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00:09:52,550 --> 00:09:50,279

involved in the skeptical movement how

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00:09:54,829 --> 00:09:52,560

did that all start for you

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00:09:56,870 --> 00:09:54,839

Okay so

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00:09:59,090 --> 00:09:56,880

it's

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00:10:02,030 --> 00:09:59,100

like I get like more involved in the

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00:10:04,790 --> 00:10:02,040

skeptic woman in 2015 I was sort of

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00:10:06,650 --> 00:10:04,800

involved since 2013.

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00:10:11,389 --> 00:10:06,660

um so I know compared to a lot of you

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00:10:16,370 --> 00:10:14,389

um so I started with the chick

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00:10:18,530 --> 00:10:16,380

paranormal challenge being involved

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00:10:22,310 --> 00:10:18,540

there as kind of a screening of the

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00:10:25,370 --> 00:10:22,320

participants and then in 2015

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00:10:26,870 --> 00:10:25,380

um the Czech Skeptics Club was given uh

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00:10:30,590 --> 00:10:26,880

the honor to organize the European

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00:10:32,210 --> 00:10:30,600

Skeptics Congress and because I was one

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00:10:34,730 --> 00:10:32,220

of the few people who had some

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00:10:36,769 --> 00:10:34,740

experience with organizing large skills

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00:10:39,350 --> 00:10:36,779

events I was asked if I could you know

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00:10:41,269 --> 00:10:39,360

step in and help and because of that

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00:10:42,769 --> 00:10:41,279

that kind of forced me more into the

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00:10:45,949 --> 00:10:42,779

skeptic world to actually learn more

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00:10:48,170 --> 00:10:45,959

about Skeptics as a whole as a movement

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00:10:49,910 --> 00:10:48,180

and understand what it is exactly they

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00:10:52,790 --> 00:10:49,920

do because before I was more kind of on

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00:10:55,730 --> 00:10:52,800

the periphery and I realized that I

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00:10:59,569 --> 00:10:55,740

found my home and I found my people and

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00:11:01,730 --> 00:10:59,579

it was a really an amazing feeling of

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00:11:05,389 --> 00:11:01,740

discovering people that kind of think

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00:11:06,410 --> 00:11:05,399

like you or and where you don't have to

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00:11:08,329 --> 00:11:06,420

like

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00:11:10,310 --> 00:11:08,339

put a disclaimer before everything you

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00:11:12,590 --> 00:11:10,320

say and it just you can just have a nice

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00:11:14,810 --> 00:11:12,600

open conversations with everyone so yeah

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00:11:19,870 --> 00:11:14,820

I mean I'm very help happy that I joined

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00:11:23,750 --> 00:11:22,009

they don't tell people that until after

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00:11:26,389 --> 00:11:23,760

they join you yeah yeah exactly exactly

288

00:11:30,490 --> 00:11:26,399

but so that and I kind of progressed

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00:11:33,290 --> 00:11:30,500

through uh through on doing this and um

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00:11:34,550 --> 00:11:33,300

who was used to be the president of the

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00:11:36,889 --> 00:11:34,560

European Council of scripture

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00:11:39,829 --> 00:11:36,899

organizations was stepping down he and

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00:11:41,990 --> 00:11:39,839

amadio asked me if I was would will

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00:11:43,850 --> 00:11:42,000

would you know try to step in and

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00:11:45,769 --> 00:11:43,860

bringing some new blood and some new

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00:11:48,650 --> 00:11:45,779

fresh ideas

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00:11:51,590 --> 00:11:48,660

um I was very excited too I had no idea

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00:11:53,509 --> 00:11:51,600

how much work we was going to be

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00:11:56,449 --> 00:11:53,519

um but I'm still very excited to be in

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00:11:57,889 --> 00:11:56,459

this position and to try to slowly but

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00:12:00,110 --> 00:11:57,899

surely

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00:12:04,009 --> 00:12:00,120

um keep working at making you know

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00:12:05,569 --> 00:12:04,019

Europe uh more skeptical yeah and you

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00:12:07,190 --> 00:12:05,579

know one of the things that never

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00:12:09,350 --> 00:12:07,200

crossed my mind when I started doing

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00:12:11,329 --> 00:12:09,360

this is every now and then you find

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00:12:12,949 --> 00:12:11,339

yourself on the other other part of the

308

00:12:15,829 --> 00:12:12,959

world other side of the world to do

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00:12:18,650 --> 00:12:15,839

skeptical Outreach yeah yeah yeah and

310

00:12:21,590 --> 00:12:18,660

like that that part of like knowing that

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00:12:23,509 --> 00:12:21,600

you have Skeptics all over the world is

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00:12:25,730 --> 00:12:23,519

is just amazing like when you travel you

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00:12:27,410 --> 00:12:25,740

can even if you're traveling for other

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00:12:29,389 --> 00:12:27,420

unrelated reasons so you can still

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00:12:31,550 --> 00:12:29,399

contact your the local group or try to

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00:12:33,590 --> 00:12:31,560

figure out if there is a local group and

317

00:12:35,630 --> 00:12:33,600

at least go for a coffee with someone or

318

00:12:37,430 --> 00:12:35,640

for a beer whatever you prefer and and

319

00:12:39,530 --> 00:12:37,440

that's just nice to like have a

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00:12:41,569 --> 00:12:39,540

touchstone everywhere you go and the

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00:12:43,269 --> 00:12:41,579

conventions folks I can't tell you how

322

00:12:45,410 --> 00:12:43,279

important the conventions are because

323

00:12:47,389 --> 00:12:45,420

there's the criticism are you just

324

00:12:49,310 --> 00:12:47,399

preaching converted but my my comeback

325

00:12:51,829 --> 00:12:49,320

to that as well okay every now and then

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00:12:53,870 --> 00:12:51,839

for a weekend or two every year so what

327

00:12:55,730 --> 00:12:53,880

we deserve it we deserve it and we

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00:12:58,550 --> 00:12:55,740

deserve to to be with our own people

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00:13:00,230 --> 00:12:58,560

yeah and and as you say we don't have to

330

00:13:01,790 --> 00:13:00,240

spend half an hour explaining us what's

331

00:13:03,590 --> 00:13:01,800

a skeptic oh you don't believe oh no

332

00:13:05,810 --> 00:13:03,600

here we go again and not just that but

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00:13:08,870 --> 00:13:05,820

also especially now I mean being a

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00:13:10,550 --> 00:13:08,880

skeptic you uh or in publicly uh being

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00:13:12,650 --> 00:13:10,560

an active skeptic or a skeptic activist

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00:13:14,750 --> 00:13:12,660

whatever you prefer to call it means

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00:13:17,750 --> 00:13:14,760

that you will get a lot of hate mail you

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00:13:20,050 --> 00:13:17,760

will get uh threats of bodily harm

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00:13:23,269 --> 00:13:20,060

um or worse and

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00:13:26,509 --> 00:13:23,279

just to have the ability to kind of go

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00:13:28,190 --> 00:13:26,519

into a safe space and to go among people

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00:13:30,410 --> 00:13:28,200

where you feel absolutely comfortable

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00:13:33,110 --> 00:13:30,420

and absolutely happy I think we deserve

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00:13:36,769 --> 00:13:33,120

that because we do go through a lot of

345

00:13:39,470 --> 00:13:36,779

crap when we work so this it's it's a

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00:13:40,730 --> 00:13:39,480

nice relief it it's true I mean I think

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00:13:42,230 --> 00:13:40,740

it's good for our mental health again

348

00:13:43,730 --> 00:13:42,240

because we don't have to spend all this

349

00:13:45,410 --> 00:13:43,740

time trying to explain to somebody who

350

00:13:47,449 --> 00:13:45,420

can't understand or won't understand or

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00:13:49,670 --> 00:13:47,459

is antagonistic and we do that enough

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00:13:51,230 --> 00:13:49,680

right we do that enough and and you know

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00:13:54,889 --> 00:13:51,240

this is something we we need to do and

354

00:13:58,550 --> 00:13:54,899

it's good to do but to to to relax and

355

00:14:00,850 --> 00:13:58,560

and just enjoy life for a brief yeah now

356

00:14:03,110 --> 00:14:00,860

tell me about now I've seen this online

357

00:14:06,050 --> 00:14:03,120

you you're saying that you know you

358

00:14:07,190 --> 00:14:06,060

spread skepticism in in Europe and in

359

00:14:09,530 --> 00:14:07,200

the last couple of years you found

360

00:14:11,329 --> 00:14:09,540

yourself in Germany and uh to help

361

00:14:13,910 --> 00:14:11,339

conduct water dividing tests now water

362

00:14:16,190 --> 00:14:13,920

dividing water dowsing is close to my

363

00:14:18,110 --> 00:14:16,200

heart yes so I actually wasn't there to

364

00:14:20,810 --> 00:14:18,120

conduct it myself it was a German a

365

00:14:23,690 --> 00:14:20,820

group the German group who reconnects

366

00:14:25,190 --> 00:14:23,700

them but they were very kind to uh call

367

00:14:26,569 --> 00:14:25,200

in the Paranormal challenge team from

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00:14:27,829 --> 00:14:26,579

the Czech Republic for us to be able to

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00:14:29,810 --> 00:14:27,839

observe how they conduct their

370

00:14:33,370 --> 00:14:29,820

experiment so that was very lovely to go

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00:14:36,110 --> 00:14:33,380

to vote's book and to see uh Dr a wolf

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00:14:38,509 --> 00:14:36,120

who conducts these experiments in Martin

373

00:14:41,090 --> 00:14:38,519

Manor who's there as well uh connecting

374

00:14:43,610 --> 00:14:41,100

these experiments and just kind of see

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00:14:46,129 --> 00:14:43,620

um the methodology that they kind of use

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00:14:48,530 --> 00:14:46,139

and if I remember correctly

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00:14:50,410 --> 00:14:48,540

um they did

378

00:14:53,509 --> 00:14:50,420

um a bucket's test

379

00:14:55,910 --> 00:14:53,519

it was in a lecture whole it was yeah it

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00:14:58,850 --> 00:14:55,920

was in a lecture hall it was a bucket

381

00:15:01,790 --> 00:14:58,860

test where uh the gentleman would go

382

00:15:04,250 --> 00:15:01,800

into the room and either the bucket was

383

00:15:07,910 --> 00:15:04,260

with water it was with water and plus

384

00:15:10,430 --> 00:15:07,920

what I really liked was that

385

00:15:12,350 --> 00:15:10,440

um they had interested students there as

386

00:15:14,509 --> 00:15:12,360

well so it would be

387

00:15:18,230 --> 00:15:14,519

the prep group would have some students

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00:15:20,389 --> 00:15:18,240

then the group with uh with the

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00:15:23,629 --> 00:15:20,399

gentleman would have some students in

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00:15:25,069 --> 00:15:23,639

them uh as well so then and then we'd

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00:15:26,870 --> 00:15:25,079

like took a break and this students

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00:15:28,370 --> 00:15:26,880

switched over so they could see the both

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00:15:31,310 --> 00:15:28,380

sides of the double-blinded experiment

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00:15:33,230 --> 00:15:31,320

so that was really really lovely to

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00:15:34,910 --> 00:15:33,240

integrate students like this and we

396

00:15:37,189 --> 00:15:34,920

actually went to do a similar thing now

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00:15:38,870 --> 00:15:37,199

with the center for paranormal research

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00:15:41,509 --> 00:15:38,880

that we're building on earth of Prague

399

00:15:43,550 --> 00:15:41,519

to make sure that we have students from

400

00:15:47,150 --> 00:15:43,560

psychology especially students from of

401
00:15:48,650 --> 00:15:47,160
medicine very much uh integrated within

402
00:15:50,810 --> 00:15:48,660
the process that we do because

403
00:15:52,129 --> 00:15:50,820
unfortunately the fact that you are a

404
00:15:53,710 --> 00:15:52,139
medical doctor doesn't always mean that

405
00:15:55,550 --> 00:15:53,720
you don't fall for

406
00:15:57,290 --> 00:15:55,560
pseudomedicine so this way we want to

407
00:15:59,750 --> 00:15:57,300
make sure that they kind of get

408
00:16:01,910 --> 00:15:59,760
inoculated very early that's very true

409
00:16:03,829 --> 00:16:01,920
and and I love doing those tests I mean

410
00:16:04,790 --> 00:16:03,839
we don't do them very often not as often

411
00:16:06,470 --> 00:16:04,800
as I thought

412
00:16:08,210 --> 00:16:06,480
Skeptics would do them when I first

413
00:16:09,889 --> 00:16:08,220

joined I thought you know oh they must

414

00:16:11,389 --> 00:16:09,899

go out all the time to test people that

415

00:16:13,189 --> 00:16:11,399

doesn't happen very often because it's

416

00:16:15,829 --> 00:16:13,199

really hard sometimes to to get people

417

00:16:17,810 --> 00:16:15,839

to come to be tested yeah it's it's you

418

00:16:19,430 --> 00:16:17,820

have so many people who come to be

419

00:16:21,350 --> 00:16:19,440

tested until they figure out that they

420

00:16:23,870 --> 00:16:21,360

have to be tested yes

421

00:16:25,610 --> 00:16:23,880

yes like to the point where I I I'm

422

00:16:27,410 --> 00:16:25,620

maybe some of you probably heard me tell

423

00:16:29,930 --> 00:16:27,420

this story before but I I just can't

424

00:16:31,310 --> 00:16:29,940

believe that it happened we were meeting

425

00:16:32,870 --> 00:16:31,320

with this gentleman because we always do

426
00:16:34,730 --> 00:16:32,880
these interviews at the beginning before

427
00:16:37,189 --> 00:16:34,740
we conduct the experiments before we

428
00:16:38,810 --> 00:16:37,199
like we even planned them and he was

429
00:16:40,790 --> 00:16:38,820
telling us all the wonderful things he

430
00:16:42,889 --> 00:16:40,800
could do and when we explained okay so

431
00:16:44,930 --> 00:16:42,899
what what would be your idea of an

432
00:16:46,430 --> 00:16:44,940
experiment design he said well you know

433
00:16:48,829 --> 00:16:46,440
what let me call my wife and she'll

434
00:16:50,030 --> 00:16:48,839
explain she'll tell you that I do what I

435
00:16:51,530 --> 00:16:50,040
do and we don't have to do the

436
00:16:55,610 --> 00:16:51,540
experiment because she'll just vouch for

437
00:16:57,170 --> 00:16:55,620
me and I was and he was like he didn't

438
00:16:58,370 --> 00:16:57,180

have like even pause he like immediately

439

00:17:00,410 --> 00:16:58,380

started dialing his wife he was

440

00:17:02,210 --> 00:17:00,420

absolutely like serious and he just like

441

00:17:06,049 --> 00:17:02,220

shoved the phone at us and she was like

442

00:17:08,870 --> 00:17:06,059

yeah yeah he can do that okay like wow

443

00:17:10,189 --> 00:17:08,880

and to me honestly like I know that like

444

00:17:12,110 --> 00:17:10,199

if you live with someone for a long time

445

00:17:14,390 --> 00:17:12,120

whatever they can do does not maybe

446

00:17:16,549 --> 00:17:14,400

impress you as much but I if you could

447

00:17:17,990 --> 00:17:16,559

do what the guy said he could I think

448

00:17:19,549 --> 00:17:18,000

his wife would have been a little bit

449

00:17:23,030 --> 00:17:19,559

more impressed and would not have such a

450

00:17:24,230 --> 00:17:23,040

dismissive tone but you know maybe just

451
00:17:25,850 --> 00:17:24,240
that's just something they have to work

452
00:17:27,949 --> 00:17:25,860
out in couples counseling or something

453
00:17:30,110 --> 00:17:27,959
but nonetheless uh he did not then

454
00:17:32,870 --> 00:17:30,120
submit to an experiment but we you have

455
00:17:34,610 --> 00:17:32,880
all these people who claim that they had

456
00:17:36,890 --> 00:17:34,620
they need that they can do wonderful

457
00:17:39,669 --> 00:17:36,900
things but when they figure out oh I

458
00:17:42,289 --> 00:17:39,679
have to show you okay never mind then

459
00:17:44,510 --> 00:17:42,299
yeah this has been a situation too

460
00:17:47,029 --> 00:17:44,520
experience lots of people are writing to

461
00:17:48,470 --> 00:17:47,039
say I can do this this and this and then

462
00:17:50,330 --> 00:17:48,480
yeah they're somewhat surprised when

463
00:17:52,789 --> 00:17:50,340

well okay we need to set up a proper

464

00:17:54,350 --> 00:17:52,799

test and and of course you probably

465

00:17:56,029 --> 00:17:54,360

found the same thing when people do the

466

00:17:58,190 --> 00:17:56,039

test they will always find a reason to

467

00:18:00,230 --> 00:17:58,200

why the test was not good yeah or

468

00:18:02,510 --> 00:18:00,240

something like that so for Dad we we

469

00:18:04,310 --> 00:18:02,520

kind of stop at every stage of the test

470

00:18:06,289 --> 00:18:04,320

and have them sign paperwork that up to

471

00:18:09,049 --> 00:18:06,299

this point everything has gone according

472

00:18:11,330 --> 00:18:09,059

to plan exactly and of course at the end

473

00:18:13,310 --> 00:18:11,340

they still make comments but we have all

474

00:18:15,169 --> 00:18:13,320

the paperwork and all their signatures

475

00:18:17,750 --> 00:18:15,179

they make it very clear that from our

476

00:18:19,370 --> 00:18:17,760

end we really did the best we could we

477

00:18:20,990 --> 00:18:19,380

offered them the best conditions that we

478

00:18:23,750 --> 00:18:21,000

could they agreed with them they

479

00:18:25,510 --> 00:18:23,760

continued on giving consent till the end

480

00:18:28,490 --> 00:18:25,520

so we're good

481

00:18:31,130 --> 00:18:28,500

and it really and I I stress this point

482

00:18:33,289 --> 00:18:31,140

often is that when we Skeptics no matter

483

00:18:34,730 --> 00:18:33,299

where we are in the world we do set up a

484

00:18:39,110 --> 00:18:34,740

test for somebody's paranormal ability

485

00:18:42,230 --> 00:18:39,120

uh it's it's fair it's honest it's it

486

00:18:44,750 --> 00:18:42,240

gives them every chance we're not out to

487

00:18:48,289 --> 00:18:44,760

create a fake test or cheat them or Rob

488

00:18:51,230 --> 00:18:48,299

them or or belittle them it's you claim

489

00:18:54,650 --> 00:18:51,240

to do this great we really want you to

490

00:18:56,930 --> 00:18:54,660

yeah to do yeah and that actually goes

491

00:18:58,730 --> 00:18:56,940

back to like when you said that you were

492

00:19:01,909 --> 00:18:58,740

thinking that Skeptics go out all the

493

00:19:03,590 --> 00:19:01,919

time uh that's the reason why we don't

494

00:19:05,029 --> 00:19:03,600

go out all the time to test because all

495

00:19:07,130 --> 00:19:05,039

these tests take so much time and

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00:19:09,470 --> 00:19:07,140

preparation so you can't really go out

497

00:19:12,289 --> 00:19:09,480

every week to do conduct them because

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00:19:14,570 --> 00:19:12,299

you have everyone has a specific ability

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00:19:15,890 --> 00:19:14,580

everyone has specific conditions that

500

00:19:17,630 --> 00:19:15,900

they need

501
00:19:20,330 --> 00:19:17,640
um not not every skeptic organization

502
00:19:21,950 --> 00:19:20,340
has a a venue where they can do the

503
00:19:24,289 --> 00:19:21,960
tests whenever they want they it's

504
00:19:26,270 --> 00:19:24,299
because after all we are all or most of

505
00:19:27,830 --> 00:19:26,280
us are volunteers so we always have to

506
00:19:33,350 --> 00:19:27,840
figure out a venue that you know is

507
00:19:35,750 --> 00:19:33,360
within the budget of zero and so so I

508
00:19:37,789 --> 00:19:35,760
mean that's like I am I know I've like

509
00:19:40,070 --> 00:19:37,799
been mentioning but I'm so happy that we

510
00:19:42,049 --> 00:19:40,080
are now that we got this the space that

511
00:19:44,450 --> 00:19:42,059
we got from our government to conduct

512
00:19:47,930 --> 00:19:44,460
these tests because before we also had

513
00:19:51,049 --> 00:19:47,940

to like find underground spaces and and

514

00:19:53,630 --> 00:19:51,059

um or use like some uh

515

00:19:55,789 --> 00:19:53,640

even we we did a couple of tests in this

516

00:19:59,270 --> 00:19:55,799

like hotel that has this second world

517

00:20:00,770 --> 00:19:59,280

war uh bunker so now we're really happy

518

00:20:02,810 --> 00:20:00,780

that we have our own space that we're

519

00:20:04,310 --> 00:20:02,820

working on and we of course invite

520

00:20:06,169 --> 00:20:04,320

everyone from Europe or even everyone

521

00:20:08,210 --> 00:20:06,179

from the world if you want to come and

522

00:20:09,409 --> 00:20:08,220

do your test there we will be very happy

523

00:20:11,510 --> 00:20:09,419

to host you

524

00:20:14,990 --> 00:20:11,520

can't wait to visit yeah yes I'll come

525

00:20:16,970 --> 00:20:15,000

and do a test I can I can uh predict the

526
00:20:19,070 --> 00:20:16,980
future with Vegemite toast or something

527
00:20:20,930 --> 00:20:19,080
like that yes well I mean that would be

528
00:20:22,610 --> 00:20:20,940
an awesome ability even just like the

529
00:20:24,350 --> 00:20:22,620
experiment part right because there's

530
00:20:25,610 --> 00:20:24,360
some that's another thing like a lot of

531
00:20:27,890 --> 00:20:25,620
people think when you say oh I do

532
00:20:30,409 --> 00:20:27,900
paranormal experience they think oh that

533
00:20:32,450 --> 00:20:30,419
is so exciting not really not really

534
00:20:35,990 --> 00:20:32,460
because like a lot of it is just like

535
00:20:37,130 --> 00:20:36,000
sitting for hours and just recording

536
00:20:40,850 --> 00:20:37,140
okay a

537
00:20:43,130 --> 00:20:40,860
or B yeah or yes or no and it just yeah

538
00:20:44,390 --> 00:20:43,140

it is not as much fun as you would think

539

00:20:47,450 --> 00:20:44,400

it would be

540

00:20:49,970 --> 00:20:47,460

but nevertheless it's quite important so

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00:20:51,650 --> 00:20:49,980

Claire it's it's um I can't tell you how

542

00:20:53,510 --> 00:20:51,660

happy I am to see you after all these

543

00:20:54,770 --> 00:20:53,520

years because we do communicate on

544

00:20:57,230 --> 00:20:54,780

online of course but there's nothing

545

00:20:59,090 --> 00:20:57,240

like in person in person exactly and

546

00:21:02,390 --> 00:20:59,100

here you are in the skeptic Zone Studios

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00:21:04,070 --> 00:21:02,400

and just before you go honestly with all

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00:21:05,450 --> 00:21:04,080

your skepticism and your honesty and

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00:21:07,549 --> 00:21:05,460

your integrity what did you think of

550

00:21:09,409 --> 00:21:07,559

Vegemite does no I actually really liked

551
00:21:11,270 --> 00:21:09,419
it honestly I did

552
00:21:12,830 --> 00:21:11,280
um I don't think I could have do a

553
00:21:14,630 --> 00:21:12,840
bigger layer but that just generally I

554
00:21:17,570 --> 00:21:14,640
don't like big layers of stuff on toast

555
00:21:19,190 --> 00:21:17,580
but I think just the combination with

556
00:21:20,630 --> 00:21:19,200
the bread and The Buttery was really

557
00:21:23,330 --> 00:21:20,640
really good

558
00:21:38,450 --> 00:21:23,340
great to see you and thank you thank you

559
00:21:42,470 --> 00:21:40,850
hello this is Maynard did you know that

560
00:21:45,950 --> 00:21:42,480
you could listen to the skeptic Zone on

561
00:21:49,870 --> 00:21:45,960
YouTube yes I know sounds crazy but it's

562
00:21:55,370 --> 00:21:52,909
also you can hear 40 logical fallacies

563
00:21:56,870 --> 00:21:55,380

with Michelle bigasma and funny sketches

564

00:21:59,870 --> 00:21:56,880

with Richard Saunders and a host of

565

00:22:01,909 --> 00:21:59,880

other Skeptics foreign

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00:22:11,980 --> 00:22:01,919

just click on the YouTube links on the

567

00:22:19,190 --> 00:22:16,570

[Music]

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00:22:23,450 --> 00:22:19,200

scicon is over we just had the Sunday

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00:22:25,970 --> 00:22:23,460

paper session and that was organized in

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00:22:28,250 --> 00:22:25,980

part by Natalia posternak who a

571

00:22:30,230 --> 00:22:28,260

skeptical choir readers may know that I

572

00:22:32,149 --> 00:22:30,240

did a video interview of before the

573

00:22:34,070 --> 00:22:32,159

conference and she did not mention that

574

00:22:35,990 --> 00:22:34,080

she was going to be the recipient of an

575

00:22:38,390 --> 00:22:36,000

award so tell us about that well

576

00:22:42,289 --> 00:22:38,400

actually I didn't know at that time oh

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00:22:45,529 --> 00:22:42,299

serious serious yeah I found out

578

00:22:46,390 --> 00:22:45,539

recently and actually Barry said that he

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00:22:52,190 --> 00:22:46,400

was

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00:22:54,529 --> 00:22:52,200

tell me or make a surprise out of it and

581

00:22:57,110 --> 00:22:54,539

I said I would never never forgive you

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00:22:59,570 --> 00:22:57,120

if you made it a surprise because then I

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00:23:02,210 --> 00:22:59,580

would never have the right makeup or

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00:23:04,370 --> 00:23:02,220

clothes to come up on stage and get the

585

00:23:06,830 --> 00:23:04,380

awards so thank you for letting me know

586

00:23:09,409 --> 00:23:06,840

and then of course he he decided to let

587

00:23:11,390 --> 00:23:09,419

me know so that I could prepare a thank

588

00:23:13,010 --> 00:23:11,400

you speech and all that so a little

589

00:23:14,870 --> 00:23:13,020

presentation about yourself that's very

590

00:23:17,810 --> 00:23:14,880

nice and so this is an award that cycon

591

00:23:20,570 --> 00:23:17,820

gives out or CSI it gives out every year

592

00:23:21,950 --> 00:23:20,580

to a deserving individual who what's

593

00:23:24,830 --> 00:23:21,960

their write-up on it do you remember how

594

00:23:28,430 --> 00:23:24,840

it's stated like is is a significant

595

00:23:31,130 --> 00:23:28,440

contributor to critical thinking and and

596

00:23:34,850 --> 00:23:31,140

skepticism so congratulations like that

597

00:23:37,010 --> 00:23:34,860

that's right and also Natalia is Carlos

598

00:23:40,010 --> 00:23:37,020

orsi uh tell everyone who you are please

599

00:23:42,669 --> 00:23:40,020

oh well I'm Carlos arsi I am a Brazilian

600

00:23:45,710 --> 00:23:42,679

journalist I am the chief editor of

601
00:23:47,570 --> 00:23:45,720
Brazilian online magazine castan de

602
00:23:49,610 --> 00:23:47,580
sense which is something like the

603
00:23:52,370 --> 00:23:49,620
Brazilians Capital Inquirer more or less

604
00:23:54,710 --> 00:23:52,380
and I am Natalia's husband and I carry

605
00:23:57,049 --> 00:23:54,720
her luggage around

606
00:24:02,770 --> 00:23:57,059
and she makes jokes about me when she's

607
00:24:08,990 --> 00:24:05,390
that's very good

608
00:24:11,330 --> 00:24:09,000
so so I've met you guys before at pre in

609
00:24:13,070 --> 00:24:11,340
the olden days before the pandemic and

610
00:24:14,990 --> 00:24:13,080
now it's been some years so what do you

611
00:24:17,450 --> 00:24:15,000
think is the difference do you see any

612
00:24:19,850 --> 00:24:17,460
difference in either the subject matter

613
00:24:22,909 --> 00:24:19,860

or the presentations for the for the

614

00:24:24,350 --> 00:24:22,919

conference or attitude of attendees what

615

00:24:28,070 --> 00:24:24,360

do you think about that

616

00:24:31,130 --> 00:24:28,080

I was glad to see younger attendees this

617

00:24:33,470 --> 00:24:31,140

time and I think it's a good sign maybe

618

00:24:35,930 --> 00:24:33,480

we're finally reaching out to to a

619

00:24:38,390 --> 00:24:35,940

younger community of Skeptics and and we

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00:24:41,690 --> 00:24:38,400

need to because we need to to train the

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00:24:44,230 --> 00:24:41,700

next generation of Skeptics so uh I I

622

00:24:46,730 --> 00:24:44,240

was glad to see more young people around

623

00:24:48,169 --> 00:24:46,740

so this is interesting I just did an

624

00:24:49,490 --> 00:24:48,179

interview people who said they were

625

00:24:50,990 --> 00:24:49,500

surprised there weren't as many young

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00:24:53,090 --> 00:24:51,000

people as last time so this is one of

627

00:24:54,409 --> 00:24:53,100

these perceptual things yep they saw

628

00:24:55,610 --> 00:24:54,419

something different than you did maybe

629

00:24:57,289 --> 00:24:55,620

they saw a different group of people

630

00:24:58,610 --> 00:24:57,299

probably will know what that's about

631

00:25:01,250 --> 00:24:58,620

that's interesting so what do you think

632

00:25:04,130 --> 00:25:01,260

so I don't know about the age question I

633

00:25:06,890 --> 00:25:04,140

I really think that I noticed more

634

00:25:09,770 --> 00:25:06,900

younger people than I had noticed before

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00:25:11,390 --> 00:25:09,780

but maybe just perceptro what I thought

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00:25:13,390 --> 00:25:11,400

really interesting is that the

637

00:25:16,250 --> 00:25:13,400

presentations most of the presentations

638

00:25:19,430 --> 00:25:16,260

pointed towards them optimistic Outlook

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00:25:21,590 --> 00:25:19,440

about skepticism and critical thinking I

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00:25:23,090 --> 00:25:21,600

mean Naomi rescue said oh can we save

641

00:25:25,549 --> 00:25:23,100

science and she conclude that science

642

00:25:29,870 --> 00:25:25,559

doesn't need save yes after all first

643

00:25:32,510 --> 00:25:29,880

things and even Joe sinski that was very

644

00:25:34,730 --> 00:25:32,520

he ended telling that we can't do

645

00:25:36,529 --> 00:25:34,740

something about about these problems I

646

00:25:39,230 --> 00:25:36,539

think that you know it can be perceptual

647

00:25:41,690 --> 00:25:39,240

because it was two years since the last

648

00:25:44,269 --> 00:25:41,700

convention and the memories got fuzzy

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00:25:45,769 --> 00:25:44,279

but I felt that even if we were

650

00:25:48,169 --> 00:25:45,779

obviously three years actually three

651
00:25:51,769 --> 00:25:48,179
years we skipped too yeah yeah so it's a

652
00:25:53,330 --> 00:25:51,779
long time and that it seems less it was

653
00:25:56,210 --> 00:25:53,340
very reality based of course because

654
00:25:59,390 --> 00:25:56,220
this is the skeptical movement but the

655
00:26:02,149 --> 00:25:59,400
reality was tempered by some

656
00:26:03,649 --> 00:26:02,159
evidence-based optimism and and in days

657
00:26:08,450 --> 00:26:03,659
like these with

658
00:26:11,029 --> 00:26:08,460
all the stuff around us the vaccine the

659
00:26:14,149 --> 00:26:11,039
vaccine exit and see lots of science

660
00:26:16,250 --> 00:26:14,159
denial and crazy people in high places

661
00:26:19,010 --> 00:26:16,260
and all of that I think that's optimism

662
00:26:19,909 --> 00:26:19,020
is refreshing and that's not just in the

663
00:26:22,070 --> 00:26:19,919

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664

00:26:24,590 --> 00:26:22,080

not at all well we're not that

665

00:26:26,510 --> 00:26:24,600

optimistic in Brazil right now but let's

666

00:26:28,789 --> 00:26:26,520

say we'll have a few more days

667

00:26:31,669 --> 00:26:28,799

before the election lots of hope so this

668

00:26:33,830 --> 00:26:31,679

was the first time that you got to have

669

00:26:35,269 --> 00:26:33,840

some input to the Sunday papers in

670

00:26:38,330 --> 00:26:35,279

Italian right so could you tell us like

671

00:26:40,430 --> 00:26:38,340

exactly what your role was yeah so Ray

672

00:26:44,090 --> 00:26:40,440

asked me if I could co-host the Sunday

673

00:26:46,390 --> 00:26:44,100

papers with him and he wanted to to make

674

00:26:50,149 --> 00:26:46,400

it more academic and more International

675

00:26:54,529 --> 00:26:50,159

and and I said yes of course and because

676

00:27:00,830 --> 00:26:58,190

and so we tried to make it more academic

677

00:27:03,710 --> 00:27:00,840

we wanted to bring more Scholars and

678

00:27:05,630 --> 00:27:03,720

professors and grad students to the

679

00:27:07,970 --> 00:27:05,640

Sunday papers so how did I get selected

680

00:27:10,610 --> 00:27:07,980

because you're amazing and we can say

681

00:27:13,190 --> 00:27:10,620

you know it's just such a good job that

682

00:27:15,830 --> 00:27:13,200

you're doing but no it it wasn't about

683

00:27:17,630 --> 00:27:15,840

being exclusive for academics but we

684

00:27:20,090 --> 00:27:17,640

wouldn't we wanted to attract more

685

00:27:21,830 --> 00:27:20,100

Scholars and more academics because we

686

00:27:23,930 --> 00:27:21,840

think it's important to get critical

687

00:27:27,289 --> 00:27:23,940

thinking out there in schools and

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00:27:29,990 --> 00:27:27,299

colleges and universities so there's uh

689

00:27:32,990 --> 00:27:30,000

were people that were kind of out of out

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00:27:34,850 --> 00:27:33,000

of the Raider at cycon and have said

691

00:27:36,830 --> 00:27:34,860

well let's try to get them into the

692

00:27:38,930 --> 00:27:36,840

Sunday papers and see if people are

693

00:27:40,430 --> 00:27:38,940

teaching about critical thinking so how

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00:27:43,130 --> 00:27:40,440

did you reach out to these people to get

695

00:27:45,470 --> 00:27:43,140

them we actually changed the the

696

00:27:48,289 --> 00:27:45,480

announcement a bit of this and the of

697

00:27:50,330 --> 00:27:48,299

the call for papers so we we change the

698

00:27:52,909 --> 00:27:50,340

call for papers a bit to accommodate

699

00:27:56,029 --> 00:27:52,919

that we were willing to take more

700

00:27:57,649 --> 00:27:56,039

scholarly papers and papers of people

701
00:27:59,169 --> 00:27:57,659
who were trying to teach critical

702
00:28:01,730 --> 00:27:59,179
thinking

703
00:28:03,409 --> 00:28:01,740
vessel Outreach to particular people

704
00:28:05,750 --> 00:28:03,419
they just happened to see it and it was

705
00:28:07,190 --> 00:28:05,760
more welcoming so exactly well it was

706
00:28:09,230 --> 00:28:07,200
very nice and you're going to be

707
00:28:10,390 --> 00:28:09,240
involved in the next year it seemed from

708
00:28:13,549 --> 00:28:10,400
what I've read

709
00:28:16,490 --> 00:28:13,559
I'm going to continue and we'll and

710
00:28:18,769 --> 00:28:16,500
we're hoping to also include uh we don't

711
00:28:21,409 --> 00:28:18,779
know if a special session or into the

712
00:28:23,510 --> 00:28:21,419
Sunday papers but we started a group of

713
00:28:26,750 --> 00:28:23,520

professors who teach critical thinking

714

00:28:29,029 --> 00:28:26,760

and we try we want to build something

715

00:28:31,610 --> 00:28:29,039

over session so that they could they can

716

00:28:33,649 --> 00:28:31,620

show their results next year so let's

717

00:28:35,930 --> 00:28:33,659

see how that goes excellent all right

718

00:28:37,310 --> 00:28:35,940

well thank you both for all you do and

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00:28:40,070 --> 00:28:37,320

it was great seeing you here again this

720

00:28:43,430 --> 00:28:40,080

year thank you

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00:28:45,169 --> 00:28:43,440

I have run into someone whose voice may

722

00:28:46,850 --> 00:28:45,179

be familiar to skeptic Zone listeners

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00:28:48,470 --> 00:28:46,860

because I don't remember if you were

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00:28:50,210 --> 00:28:48,480

interviewed on the show but I remember

725

00:28:50,930 --> 00:28:50,220

at least hearing the promos for your

726

00:28:53,570 --> 00:28:50,940

podcast

727

00:28:55,850 --> 00:28:53,580

introduce yourself hey Rob thanks so

728

00:28:58,010 --> 00:28:55,860

much for having me on uh this is Abhijit

729

00:29:01,370 --> 00:28:58,020

from the rationable podcast and the

730

00:29:03,710 --> 00:29:01,380

rational YouTube channel etc etc etc so

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00:29:05,630 --> 00:29:03,720

uh thanks so much for having me on I'm

732

00:29:07,490 --> 00:29:05,640

all the way from India right absolutely

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00:29:10,730 --> 00:29:07,500

well how long is that flight to get here

734

00:29:13,430 --> 00:29:10,740

it's a it's about a 20 almost a 20 hour

735

00:29:15,049 --> 00:29:13,440

flight with a five hour layover in

736

00:29:16,970 --> 00:29:15,059

London

737

00:29:20,230 --> 00:29:16,980

um I won't complain anymore about my six

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00:29:22,610 --> 00:29:20,240

hour flight to New Jersey you better not

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00:29:25,549 --> 00:29:22,620

so now that the conference is over was

740

00:29:28,070 --> 00:29:25,559

it worth the trip oh absolutely every

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00:29:29,330 --> 00:29:28,080

single minute was brilliant I just love

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00:29:31,010 --> 00:29:29,340

being back here and meeting everyone

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00:29:32,330 --> 00:29:31,020

again so what do you think of the

744

00:29:34,310 --> 00:29:32,340

differences by the way I've been asking

745

00:29:36,710 --> 00:29:34,320

that question for people who have been

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00:29:38,029 --> 00:29:36,720

here pre-pandemic and now the one do you

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00:29:39,830 --> 00:29:38,039

see any difference in the subject matter

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00:29:41,750 --> 00:29:39,840

or like the type of people who've

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00:29:43,430 --> 00:29:41,760

attended what do you think so I have

750

00:29:45,649 --> 00:29:43,440

noticed that there have been a lot of

751
00:29:49,549 --> 00:29:45,659
younger people who have joined us this

752
00:29:51,710 --> 00:29:49,559
time I'm I'm at an 18 year old I saw

753
00:29:53,529 --> 00:29:51,720
another a couple of like high school

754
00:29:56,470 --> 00:29:53,539
students are just getting into college

755
00:29:59,870 --> 00:29:56,480
younger faces definitely always welcome

756
00:30:02,690 --> 00:29:59,880
and I also invited my friend over who is

757
00:30:05,090 --> 00:30:02,700
a budding skeptic and she's uh she

758
00:30:07,010 --> 00:30:05,100
hasn't been to a psychon before but she

759
00:30:10,430 --> 00:30:07,020
also loved every minute from America

760
00:30:12,230 --> 00:30:10,440
yeah so she stays around New Jersey so

761
00:30:13,310 --> 00:30:12,240
um might have been on my flight could

762
00:30:16,490 --> 00:30:13,320
have been

763
00:30:18,889 --> 00:30:16,500

so uh she uh so she also loved it that's

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00:30:21,409 --> 00:30:18,899

Liz she actually designed the logo for

765

00:30:23,450 --> 00:30:21,419

my uh for my website and everything for

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00:30:26,630 --> 00:30:23,460

my for the for rationable so she's a

767

00:30:29,149 --> 00:30:26,640

designer so all you uh people out there

768

00:30:32,630 --> 00:30:29,159

being science communicators and Skeptics

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00:30:34,549 --> 00:30:32,640

if you want a logo made look up Liz I'll

770

00:30:36,470 --> 00:30:34,559

uh or just let me know I'll put you in

771

00:30:37,850 --> 00:30:36,480

touch with her anyway so

772

00:30:39,769 --> 00:30:37,860

um you know there's a little bit more

773

00:30:42,230 --> 00:30:39,779

diversity that I have noticed as well

774

00:30:44,950 --> 00:30:42,240

which is always welcome and but of

775

00:30:47,810 --> 00:30:44,960

course the most important thing is

776

00:30:50,690 --> 00:30:47,820

at least in almost every presentation it

777

00:30:53,149 --> 00:30:50,700

seems to be the kovit does seem to be

778

00:30:55,789 --> 00:30:53,159

mentioned at least once it's hard to

779

00:30:58,730 --> 00:30:55,799

ignore that exactly but it's uh it's

780

00:31:01,690 --> 00:30:58,740

been totally lovely and I got to meal

781

00:31:05,710 --> 00:31:01,700

meet Neil deGrasse Tyson

782

00:31:08,810 --> 00:31:05,720

add a meal which is the VIP lunch

783

00:31:10,789 --> 00:31:08,820

out for that oh absolutely I mean I

784

00:31:13,389 --> 00:31:10,799

couldn't I couldn't miss that up on

785

00:31:16,070 --> 00:31:13,399

behalf of CFI we thank you

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00:31:17,570 --> 00:31:16,080

because I've I've been a huge fan of his

787

00:31:20,330 --> 00:31:17,580

for a very long time he's a great

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00:31:21,950 --> 00:31:20,340

inspiration and I've thanks to him I've

789

00:31:24,310 --> 00:31:21,960

been trying to figure out how to add

790

00:31:26,450 --> 00:31:24,320

more humor into my

791

00:31:29,029 --> 00:31:26,460

communication skills I even took a

792

00:31:31,669 --> 00:31:29,039

comedy Workshop over a weekend wow

793

00:31:34,070 --> 00:31:31,679

trying to make my podcast funnier I

794

00:31:36,230 --> 00:31:34,080

don't know if it's helped you're not

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00:31:38,149 --> 00:31:36,240

saying Neil did that to be funny did he

796

00:31:39,649 --> 00:31:38,159

take comedy workshops oh he just gets

797

00:31:41,450 --> 00:31:39,659

comedians on the show that's what he

798

00:31:43,310 --> 00:31:41,460

does I don't I don't necessarily know

799

00:31:46,149 --> 00:31:43,320

any comedians I can get on my show but

800

00:31:48,830 --> 00:31:46,159

including Leanne Lord who has exceeded

801
00:31:49,970 --> 00:31:48,840
exactly I heard that last time that I

802
00:31:52,850 --> 00:31:49,980
really would have loved to come last

803
00:31:56,570 --> 00:31:52,860
time but I had just gotten married that

804
00:31:59,990 --> 00:31:56,580
year and I was flush out of cash so

805
00:32:02,330 --> 00:32:00,000
couldn't be done yeah but I didn't know

806
00:32:03,470 --> 00:32:02,340
that covert was coming but uh if that

807
00:32:05,029 --> 00:32:03,480
was the case I would have probably

808
00:32:06,830 --> 00:32:05,039
thought wise

809
00:32:09,470 --> 00:32:06,840
and this time I did sit for the Sunday

810
00:32:11,810 --> 00:32:09,480
papers uh at least I managed to go

811
00:32:13,310 --> 00:32:11,820
through quite a few last time

812
00:32:15,289 --> 00:32:13,320
unfortunately just having conversations

813
00:32:16,750 --> 00:32:15,299

outside the hall I managed to miss quite

814

00:32:19,130 --> 00:32:16,760

a few of them

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00:32:22,430 --> 00:32:19,140

do that so did you happen to catch mine

816

00:32:24,529 --> 00:32:22,440

yes absolutely I did in fact I think

817

00:32:25,970 --> 00:32:24,539

Richard had told me about this quite a

818

00:32:28,850 --> 00:32:25,980

while back but for some reason or the

819

00:32:31,370 --> 00:32:28,860

other I couldn't participate and now I

820

00:32:33,649 --> 00:32:31,380

am so thoroughly upset that I missed the

821

00:32:35,029 --> 00:32:33,659

whole thing great to have you on all

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00:32:36,409 --> 00:32:35,039

those Zoom talk I'm not sure if the

823

00:32:38,750 --> 00:32:36,419

timing would have worked out for India

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00:32:41,269 --> 00:32:38,760

though it's okay I'm a weird timing

825

00:32:43,130 --> 00:32:41,279

person anyway but I could have I I would

826
00:32:44,269 --> 00:32:43,140
have loved to bring in I've ever been in

827
00:32:45,649 --> 00:32:44,279
The Learning Experience for me too

828
00:32:48,889 --> 00:32:45,659
because I would love to bring in some

829
00:32:51,049 --> 00:32:48,899
Indian fortune tellers and psychics so

830
00:32:52,970 --> 00:32:51,059
here's your chance we we talked about

831
00:32:55,789 --> 00:32:52,980
this needs to be replicated in other

832
00:32:57,769 --> 00:32:55,799
places absolutely right India is a huge

833
00:32:59,570 --> 00:32:57,779
population there must be a huge number

834
00:33:01,669 --> 00:32:59,580
of Sears or whatever it's called

835
00:33:03,110 --> 00:33:01,679
absolutely I'm quite sure that would be

836
00:33:04,970 --> 00:33:03,120
really interesting for someone to put

837
00:33:07,310 --> 00:33:04,980
all the time in like Richard Saunders to

838
00:33:09,230 --> 00:33:07,320

in Australia to do in India I'm not

839

00:33:11,450 --> 00:33:09,240

saying you have to do it but maybe it

840

00:33:14,690 --> 00:33:11,460

gives me yeah keep that percolating yes

841

00:33:16,549 --> 00:33:14,700

absolutely I will poke a little way okay

842

00:33:19,250 --> 00:33:16,559

all right great meeting you this year

843

00:33:21,409 --> 00:33:19,260

and in person for the first time and I'm

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00:33:23,029 --> 00:33:21,419

uh I'm hoping to see you again in a

845

00:33:24,710 --> 00:33:23,039

future second the pleasure was all mine

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00:33:27,350 --> 00:33:24,720

thanks so much Rob

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00:33:28,850 --> 00:33:27,360

scicon is over and I have one more

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00:33:32,210 --> 00:33:28,860

person I want to do an interview with

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00:33:34,610 --> 00:33:32,220

this is Thomas Westbrook who I met

850

00:33:36,289 --> 00:33:34,620

previously at scicon in the days before

851
00:33:38,149 --> 00:33:36,299
the pandemic and I was glad to see him

852
00:33:40,250 --> 00:33:38,159
here again introduce yourself to the

853
00:33:42,289 --> 00:33:40,260
skeptic Zone listeners in case they

854
00:33:46,009 --> 00:33:42,299
don't know who you are

855
00:33:47,930 --> 00:33:46,019
I am a YouTuber I am a full-time content

856
00:33:50,630 --> 00:33:47,940
creator creating videos

857
00:33:52,370 --> 00:33:50,640
debunking all kinds of pseudoscience and

858
00:33:54,169 --> 00:33:52,380
paranormal stuff but I don't go in it

859
00:33:56,509 --> 00:33:54,179
too debunk it I go into explore and

860
00:33:59,269 --> 00:33:56,519
learn and figure out how stuff works and

861
00:34:01,130 --> 00:33:59,279
if people are being taken advantage of

862
00:34:03,110 --> 00:34:01,140
or given a run for their money with all

863
00:34:05,269 --> 00:34:03,120

kinds of snake oil and what have you

864

00:34:06,529 --> 00:34:05,279

then I try to shine a light on it and

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00:34:09,169 --> 00:34:06,539

what's your channel name it's called

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00:34:11,570 --> 00:34:09,179

holy Kool-Aid and you have kind of a

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00:34:14,329 --> 00:34:11,580

stool roll you you talk about religious

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00:34:16,669 --> 00:34:14,339

issues and I like those videos too but

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00:34:18,950 --> 00:34:16,679

the ones I really love because it's my

870

00:34:21,710 --> 00:34:18,960

topic of choice is helping people

871

00:34:25,550 --> 00:34:21,720

understand the con artists that psychic

872

00:34:27,950 --> 00:34:25,560

and medium SAR right yes I a while back

873

00:34:31,849 --> 00:34:27,960

I remember stumbling across some videos

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00:34:34,849 --> 00:34:31,859

that James Randy had put out and seeing

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00:34:37,310 --> 00:34:34,859

the way that he tested and and actually

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00:34:38,869 --> 00:34:37,320

took these claims and tested if there

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00:34:40,430 --> 00:34:38,879

was anything to them and set these

878

00:34:41,750 --> 00:34:40,440

controls in place to figure out like is

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00:34:43,609 --> 00:34:41,760

it actually real or is that there's

880

00:34:46,190 --> 00:34:43,619

something else that's going on

881

00:34:48,470 --> 00:34:46,200

and that that fascinated me because it

882

00:34:50,089 --> 00:34:48,480

at the time I thought maybe there was

883

00:34:52,430 --> 00:34:50,099

some type of paranormal power or

884

00:34:54,409 --> 00:34:52,440

something that they're tapping into and

885

00:34:57,530 --> 00:34:54,419

one by one these people were coming up

886

00:35:00,770 --> 00:34:57,540

short and so I wanted to know okay if

887

00:35:02,690 --> 00:35:00,780

they are fooling so many people how are

888

00:35:05,690 --> 00:35:02,700

they doing it right just how are they

889

00:35:06,950 --> 00:35:05,700

doing this and I stumbled across a

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00:35:08,690 --> 00:35:06,960

number of different techniques that they

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00:35:11,810 --> 00:35:08,700

were using but I also there were things

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00:35:14,870 --> 00:35:11,820

that people weren't talking about very

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00:35:18,410 --> 00:35:14,880

much like certain patterns that

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00:35:19,670 --> 00:35:18,420

I figured just by watching a ton of

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00:35:21,349 --> 00:35:19,680

their videos back to back you know you

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00:35:23,329 --> 00:35:21,359

see one and it kind of looks impressive

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00:35:25,130 --> 00:35:23,339

and then you watch another one and

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00:35:26,810 --> 00:35:25,140

another one and it looks like it's the

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00:35:29,329 --> 00:35:26,820

reading the same script right different

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00:35:31,970 --> 00:35:29,339

people and different times different

901
00:35:33,650 --> 00:35:31,980
audiences and yet it's the same script

902
00:35:35,150 --> 00:35:33,660
they're following and you also see what

903
00:35:37,250 --> 00:35:35,160
they do and how they react when they get

904
00:35:38,690 --> 00:35:37,260
a hit and when they get a mess and how

905
00:35:40,069 --> 00:35:38,700
they gloss over the things really quick

906
00:35:42,109 --> 00:35:40,079
and you don't even catch it the first

907
00:35:43,609 --> 00:35:42,119
time but then you go back and watch them

908
00:35:46,250 --> 00:35:43,619
again and again and you start seeing

909
00:35:47,569 --> 00:35:46,260
that oh hey in this case they gotta hit

910
00:35:48,829 --> 00:35:47,579
right away and it looked incredible but

911
00:35:50,930 --> 00:35:48,839
then this next time they pulled the

912
00:35:53,390 --> 00:35:50,940
exact same trick and the person's like

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00:35:54,890 --> 00:35:53,400

uh and they immediately jump to the next

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00:35:56,630 --> 00:35:54,900

question or they twist it a little bit

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00:35:58,370 --> 00:35:56,640

and the amazing thing about this to me

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00:36:00,650 --> 00:35:58,380

Thomas is most of these things you're

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00:36:02,990 --> 00:36:00,660

watching on television and they have and

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00:36:05,210 --> 00:36:03,000

they're edited right they show they only

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00:36:08,150 --> 00:36:05,220

show you the best of what happened you

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00:36:10,130 --> 00:36:08,160

don't even see the awful fails and

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00:36:12,470 --> 00:36:10,140

that's why that's why when I when I'm

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00:36:13,970 --> 00:36:12,480

creating videos that are that the First

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00:36:16,370 --> 00:36:13,980

videos the first three videos in my

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00:36:19,190 --> 00:36:16,380

series exposing so I kicks are a

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00:36:21,470 --> 00:36:19,200

compilation of cringe fails and almost

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00:36:24,770 --> 00:36:21,480
without fail when I go to find those

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00:36:26,150 --> 00:36:24,780
types of videos I do not go to the

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00:36:28,609 --> 00:36:26,160
videos that are put out by the psychics

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00:36:30,170 --> 00:36:28,619
themselves I'm not going to the the

930
00:36:31,490 --> 00:36:30,180
videos that are produced by them and

931
00:36:32,750 --> 00:36:31,500
edited by them to make it look

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00:36:34,069 --> 00:36:32,760
incredible because I know that they're

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00:36:37,490 --> 00:36:34,079
they're going to trim out that stuff

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00:36:39,650 --> 00:36:37,500
right right but if I go to a a live

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00:36:42,530 --> 00:36:39,660
recording or something where you know

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00:36:44,690 --> 00:36:42,540
some news anchor is talking to them or

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00:36:46,790 --> 00:36:44,700
they're going on a show and making a

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00:36:48,470 --> 00:36:46,800

prediction or they're doing a cold

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00:36:50,810 --> 00:36:48,480

reading to an audience and it's just the

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00:36:52,430 --> 00:36:50,820

whole thing unedited live then I know

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00:36:54,050 --> 00:36:52,440

that there might be something there or

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00:36:56,630 --> 00:36:54,060

if they're making prophetic predictions

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00:36:59,569 --> 00:36:56,640

psychic predictions about the future and

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00:37:00,589 --> 00:36:59,579

the moment there they think oh yeah I'm

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00:37:02,210 --> 00:37:00,599

just going to make this prediction and

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00:37:04,550 --> 00:37:02,220

then they might go back and mine that

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00:37:05,990 --> 00:37:04,560

prediction for all of the hits and then

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00:37:07,730 --> 00:37:06,000

put all those hits on their website

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00:37:10,130 --> 00:37:07,740

absolutely I go back and I watch those

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00:37:11,210 --> 00:37:10,140

two three four five years later and I go

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00:37:13,190 --> 00:37:11,220
through and I look at all the things

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00:37:14,450 --> 00:37:13,200
that they got wrong because no one else

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00:37:16,970 --> 00:37:14,460
is looking at those no one else is going

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00:37:19,130 --> 00:37:16,980
back and sifting through it and and

955
00:37:20,390 --> 00:37:19,140
showcasing it and so when I put all of

956
00:37:22,550 --> 00:37:20,400
that together then I show people hey

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00:37:24,589 --> 00:37:22,560
these these people if they really had

958
00:37:27,890 --> 00:37:24,599
psychic abilities you'd think that they

959
00:37:29,390 --> 00:37:27,900
would be you know preventing 911 right

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00:37:31,069 --> 00:37:29,400
rather than just after the fact saying

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00:37:32,750 --> 00:37:31,079
well I said that there'd be a you know

962
00:37:34,310 --> 00:37:32,760
some type of attack in New York or

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00:37:36,109 --> 00:37:34,320

something you know before and of course

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00:37:37,250 --> 00:37:36,119

that would cause a Time Paradox right if

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the information was coming from the

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00:37:40,430 --> 00:37:38,579

future to them that there had been an

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00:37:43,569 --> 00:37:40,440

attack and they they prevented and where

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00:37:46,250 --> 00:37:43,579

did that information come from

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the psychic realm seeing all possible

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paths the akashic record so that is

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correct so maybe every prediction

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psychic Clairvoyant people always make

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is correct but it's about an alternate

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reality something from the Multiverse

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I'd say that that's where you start

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getting into the realm of

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unfalsifiability right and it's like

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okay what is the use of this if your

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success rate is is no better than 11 as

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I presented from the Australian

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prediction project and it's it's nuts

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it's you know you look at these claims

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and you look at their failure rate and

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it's like if people

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didn't want to believe you know some

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people are desperate to believe or

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they're looking for something and

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there's confirmation bias at play but

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you strip that away and you just

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00:38:36,710 --> 00:38:34,859

objectively look at it and it all falls

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apart and that's what I aim to highlight

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I am to showcase the tricks and

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hopefully

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safe Safeguard people against a lot of

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these con artists that are doing a lot

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00:38:48,410 --> 00:38:46,320

of harm and you do a damn good job of it

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00:38:50,329 --> 00:38:48,420

I have to highly recommend your channel

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00:38:53,270 --> 00:38:50,339

um so let me ask you about your

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00:38:56,390 --> 00:38:53,280

impression of this conference your most

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00:39:00,650 --> 00:38:56,400

memorable talks that you attended

1001
00:39:02,390 --> 00:39:00,660
um I I really enjoyed Neil's talk and

1002
00:39:03,170 --> 00:39:02,400
getting to meet Neil deGrasse Tyson for

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00:39:07,609 --> 00:39:03,180
sure

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00:39:08,710 --> 00:39:07,619
I also I I piff the Magic Dragon is

1005
00:39:11,329 --> 00:39:08,720
always fun

1006
00:39:14,210 --> 00:39:11,339
although I'm not sure if he's more

1007
00:39:16,310 --> 00:39:14,220
comedy or more magic show but it's an

1008
00:39:20,329 --> 00:39:16,320
interesting unique mix yeah my favorite

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00:39:22,910 --> 00:39:20,339
thing about these conferences is coming

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00:39:24,349 --> 00:39:22,920
out and meeting all the people and I've

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00:39:26,750 --> 00:39:24,359
heard that from a lot of people saying

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that just to mingle and and network with

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00:39:30,829 --> 00:39:29,040

like-minded individuals to realize that

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00:39:32,089 --> 00:39:30,839

I'm not alone I'm not going crazy that

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00:39:34,310 --> 00:39:32,099

there's other people out there who are

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also frustrated by all of the the woo

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00:39:38,630 --> 00:39:36,660

and the the all like alt medicine and

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00:39:40,910 --> 00:39:38,640

the fake news and the snake oil and the

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Paranormal claims and it's it's nice to

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know that there's other people who are

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00:39:46,670 --> 00:39:43,859

pushing back against it and trying to

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fight for truth yeah and it's more

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necessary than ever since the events of

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the last couple of years yeah well and

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and you know what you're doing here what

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you're doing with with skeptical

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Inquirer is like incredibly important

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and you guys are doing incredible work

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00:40:02,390 --> 00:40:01,260

thank you and thanks for your time and

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00:40:04,010 --> 00:40:02,400

I'm so glad to have met up with you

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00:40:04,630 --> 00:40:04,020

again this year thank you see you again

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in the future

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[Music]

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well that was the final part of my

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series from scicon 2022 I hope you

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enjoyed listening to the interviews as

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much as I enjoyed doing them by the way

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prior to the conference I did video

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interviews with 12 of the speakers

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including Neil deGrasse Tyson and Penn

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Gillette all of those are available in

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my skeptical Inquirer online column and

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now that scicon is over I'll also be

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publishing several follow-up articles

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about the conference

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you're interested in those or any of my

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other work look for the link to my

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00:40:44,700 --> 00:40:42,119

column in the show notes until next time

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this is Rob Palmer

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you know it's time once again to look to

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the sky is look to the skies in hopes

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who knows in hopes of spotting a flying

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saucer well we don't hear that term

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anymore a UFO

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also a bit out of data UAP something in

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the sky but in fact we'll gaze to the

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archives at Trove at

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uh newspaper reports have been made over

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the decades

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now we've looked in the archives many

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times for references to UFOs but

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bluntly there are many references there

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are many references I mean we're going

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back many many decades so you can

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imagine during both the UFO flaps over

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the last decades the 1950s and the 1970s

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and more recently there's there's one

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maybe it just simmers but every now and

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then it bubbles up and then it simmers

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down I don't know anyway we're going to

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00:42:26,230 --> 00:42:22,200

start by going way back to the era of

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00:42:30,420 --> 00:42:26,240

the first UFO flap first UFO

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00:42:32,950 --> 00:42:30,430

Mania way back in the 1950s

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00:42:35,810 --> 00:42:32,960

[Music]

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00:42:38,329 --> 00:42:35,820

and we have a report from the barrier

1079

00:42:41,770 --> 00:42:38,339

daily truth printed in broken Hill New

1080

00:42:46,430 --> 00:42:41,780

South Wales on the 30th of May in 1950.

1081

00:42:50,390 --> 00:42:46,440

another Flying Saucer debunked Lismore

1082

00:42:53,150 --> 00:42:50,400

May 29 the two weeks old Flying Saucer

1083

00:42:56,030 --> 00:42:53,160

mystery in the Lismore District was

1084

00:42:59,450 --> 00:42:56,040

solved this morning when a saucer was

1085

00:43:02,930 --> 00:42:59,460

identified as an aircraft a strange

1086

00:43:05,329 --> 00:43:02,940

object appeared in the sky at 7 45 a.m

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00:43:10,089 --> 00:43:05,339

about the same time as on previous

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00:43:13,010 --> 00:43:10,099

occasions see Hetherington of Bora Ridge

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00:43:15,650 --> 00:43:13,020

looked at the object through a telescope

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00:43:19,730 --> 00:43:15,660

and discovered it was the morning

1091

00:43:23,510 --> 00:43:19,740

newspaper plane coming from Casino

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00:43:25,430 --> 00:43:23,520

mainly is more in Casino being cities in

1093

00:43:28,130 --> 00:43:25,440

the North Coast region of New South

1094

00:43:29,990 --> 00:43:28,140

Wales and yes I guess if a strange

1095

00:43:32,870 --> 00:43:30,000

object appeared at the same time every

1096

00:43:35,750 --> 00:43:32,880

day it might be worth investigating

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00:43:39,829 --> 00:43:35,760

and now we'll go forward for years and

1098

00:43:42,770 --> 00:43:39,839

in this case today we are going to read

1099

00:43:44,410 --> 00:43:42,780

these stories in chronological order so

1100

00:43:47,870 --> 00:43:44,420

we go to the year

1101
00:43:50,089 --> 00:43:47,880
1954 on the 8th of January it was

1102
00:43:54,890 --> 00:43:50,099
published in the Sydney Morning Herald

1103
00:43:58,190 --> 00:43:54,900
flying saucers no longer a mystery and it

1104
00:44:01,430 --> 00:43:58,200
says by a special correspondent I wonder

1105
00:44:03,730 --> 00:44:01,440
what that means and as you'll hear I

1106
00:44:05,450 --> 00:44:03,740
don't know if this is

1107
00:44:07,370 --> 00:44:05,460
entirely

1108
00:44:09,950 --> 00:44:07,380
serious

1109
00:44:13,910 --> 00:44:09,960
the latest issue of the Australian

1110
00:44:17,750 --> 00:44:13,920
Flying Saucer magazine reports that the

1111
00:44:21,349 --> 00:44:17,760
saucer pace is increasing in tempo

1112
00:44:23,690 --> 00:44:21,359
in an editorial the magazine says it is

1113
00:44:26,690 --> 00:44:23,700

high time that the Australian government

1114

00:44:29,930 --> 00:44:26,700

took more than a superficial interest in

1115

00:44:33,349 --> 00:44:29,940

the subject for reasons that are as

1116

00:44:36,230 --> 00:44:33,359

obvious to us as to Washington and

1117

00:44:39,050 --> 00:44:36,240

equally as vital the editor points out

1118

00:44:41,450 --> 00:44:39,060

that the Australian Flying Saucer Bureau

1119

00:44:42,890 --> 00:44:41,460

has officially requested from the

1120

00:44:45,710 --> 00:44:42,900

Department of Air

1121

00:44:49,370 --> 00:44:45,720

copies of photographs of the Port

1122

00:44:53,510 --> 00:44:49,380

Moresby flying missile taken on August

1123

00:44:54,950 --> 00:44:53,520

30 by Mr T C Durie Deputy Regional

1124

00:44:57,589 --> 00:44:54,960

director of the civil aviation

1125

00:45:00,710 --> 00:44:57,599

Department in Port Moresby and Port

1126
00:45:03,470 --> 00:45:00,720
Moresby being up in Papua New Guinea the

1127
00:45:06,290 --> 00:45:03,480
magazine also lists 18 sightings of

1128
00:45:09,109 --> 00:45:06,300
flying saucers since July in Australia

1129
00:45:11,349 --> 00:45:09,119
New Zealand and the Pacific Islands it

1130
00:45:15,109 --> 00:45:11,359
records the information of a civilian

1131
00:45:19,550 --> 00:45:15,119
sourcer investigation Society in New

1132
00:45:23,569 --> 00:45:19,560
Zealand and it says that the mystery of

1133
00:45:26,630 --> 00:45:23,579
the Flying Saucer is no longer a mystery

1134
00:45:29,270 --> 00:45:26,640
the journal adds the source is already

1135
00:45:32,270 --> 00:45:29,280
known but any information about it is

1136
00:45:35,390 --> 00:45:32,280
being withheld by orders from a higher

1137
00:45:38,569 --> 00:45:35,400
source we advise those engaged in source

1138
00:45:41,690 --> 00:45:38,579

of work to please be very cautious

1139

00:45:43,849 --> 00:45:41,700

nine countries now have official

1140

00:45:47,030 --> 00:45:43,859

organizations investigating flying

1141

00:45:49,910 --> 00:45:47,040

sources in America a number of sighting

1142

00:45:52,069 --> 00:45:49,920

stations with batteries of high-speed

1143

00:45:54,530 --> 00:45:52,079

cameras have been established in

1144

00:45:56,870 --> 00:45:54,540

strategic positions particularly near

1145

00:45:59,210 --> 00:45:56,880

Atomic plants where sources have been

1146

00:46:02,450 --> 00:45:59,220

frequently reported the Australian

1147

00:46:04,670 --> 00:46:02,460

Institute of Applied psychology recently

1148

00:46:09,710 --> 00:46:04,680

described repeated sightings of flying

1149

00:46:12,290 --> 00:46:09,720

sources as not so much mass hysteria as

1150

00:46:14,990 --> 00:46:12,300

collective illusion others have

1151

00:46:18,170 --> 00:46:15,000

described flying sources as spots in

1152

00:46:21,190 --> 00:46:18,180

front of the eyes red blood Corps

1153

00:46:25,550 --> 00:46:21,200

puzzles inside the eyes

1154

00:46:28,690 --> 00:46:25,560

cobwebs flying high meteors flying high

1155

00:46:33,230 --> 00:46:28,700

distant headlights Venus the percities

1156

00:46:36,470 --> 00:46:33,240

balloons ionized air unionized air cold

1157

00:46:39,950 --> 00:46:36,480

air and hot air causing refraction at

1158

00:46:42,230 --> 00:46:39,960

certain levels and just hot air but

1159

00:46:43,790 --> 00:46:42,240

whether hot air or cold air millions of

1160

00:46:46,490 --> 00:46:43,800

words are pouring off the printing

1161

00:46:48,890 --> 00:46:46,500

presses about flying sources among the

1162

00:46:52,370 --> 00:46:48,900

newest contributions are three books

1163

00:46:55,609 --> 00:46:52,380

flying sources have landed by Desmond

1164

00:46:58,750 --> 00:46:55,619

Leslie and George adamski flying saucers

1165

00:47:01,790 --> 00:46:58,760

by Donald H Menzel professor of

1166

00:47:05,809 --> 00:47:01,800

astrophysics at Harvard University and

1167

00:47:08,270 --> 00:47:05,819

life and the universe by Earl Nelson the

1168

00:47:12,349 --> 00:47:08,280

authors of flying saucers have landed

1169

00:47:17,510 --> 00:47:12,359

state that they would prefer to use the

1170

00:47:22,730 --> 00:47:17,520

ancient names for Sky disks such as cars

1171

00:47:25,250 --> 00:47:22,740

Celestial vimanus and fiery chariots for

1172

00:47:27,790 --> 00:47:25,260

a curtain razor the authors of flying

1173

00:47:32,450 --> 00:47:27,800

sources have landed take us back to ad

1174

00:47:34,849 --> 00:47:32,460

1290 to the community of violent Abbey

1175

00:47:38,329 --> 00:47:34,859

Yorkshire according to an old manuscript

1176

00:47:40,970 --> 00:47:38,339

discovered at amplethorpe Abbey in

1177

00:47:42,430 --> 00:47:40,980

January 1953 a flying saucer passed over

1178

00:47:44,809 --> 00:47:42,440

Yorkshire

1179

00:47:47,089 --> 00:47:44,819

663 years ago

1180

00:47:48,829 --> 00:47:47,099

a translation of that part of the

1181

00:47:51,890 --> 00:47:48,839

manuscript dealing with the flying

1182

00:47:55,250 --> 00:47:51,900

sources says cook the sheep from Wilfred

1183

00:47:58,130 --> 00:47:55,260

and roasted them on the Feast of Simon

1184

00:48:01,250 --> 00:47:58,140

and Jude but when Henry the Abbott was

1185

00:48:03,470 --> 00:48:01,260

about to say grace John one of the

1186

00:48:06,530 --> 00:48:03,480

Brethren came in and said there was a

1187

00:48:09,589 --> 00:48:06,540

great portent outside then they all ran

1188

00:48:12,589 --> 00:48:09,599

out and lo a large round silver thing

1189

00:48:15,050 --> 00:48:12,599

like a disc flew slowly over them and

1190

00:48:18,650 --> 00:48:15,060

excited the greatest Terror

1191

00:48:21,290 --> 00:48:18,660

where at Henry the ab immediately cried

1192

00:48:23,809 --> 00:48:21,300

that Wilfred was an adulterer

1193

00:48:25,609 --> 00:48:23,819

the author's next exhibit is an old

1194

00:48:29,630 --> 00:48:25,619

print showing the startled inhabitants

1195

00:48:32,270 --> 00:48:29,640

of Devon gazing skywards at the neat

1196

00:48:35,870 --> 00:48:32,280

v-shaped formation of dark elliptical

1197

00:48:38,450 --> 00:48:35,880

objects rather like tadpoles with fins

1198

00:48:41,630 --> 00:48:38,460

or maybe streaming exhausts that passed

1199

00:48:44,569 --> 00:48:41,640

over Devon in 1804 these things are not

1200

00:48:46,670 --> 00:48:44,579

meteors Northern Lights or comets the

1201

00:48:49,309 --> 00:48:46,680

authors claim they are dark solid

1202

00:48:53,089 --> 00:48:49,319

objects flying in formation in broad

1203

00:48:55,670 --> 00:48:53,099

daylight the next step is into the 17th

1204

00:48:59,030 --> 00:48:55,680

and 18th century galleries of the flying

1205

00:49:01,250 --> 00:48:59,040

Saucy Museum where we are introduced to

1206

00:49:05,150 --> 00:49:01,260

an assembly of spacecraft of many

1207

00:49:07,849 --> 00:49:05,160

different shapes Hues and to sizes a few

1208

00:49:11,089 --> 00:49:07,859

of these claim the author can be glibly

1209

00:49:12,710 --> 00:49:11,099

dismissed as meteors Aurora or other

1210

00:49:15,109 --> 00:49:12,720

natural phenomena

1211

00:49:18,170 --> 00:49:15,119

Professor Menzel says most flying

1212

00:49:20,870 --> 00:49:18,180

sources have proved to be extraneous

1213

00:49:22,970 --> 00:49:20,880

objects like newspapers

1214

00:49:26,390 --> 00:49:22,980

newspapers

1215

00:49:28,750 --> 00:49:26,400

balloons and distant airplanes others

1216

00:49:32,930 --> 00:49:28,760

have been Searchlight or automobile

1217

00:49:37,550 --> 00:49:32,940

Reflections on a thin layer of cloud or

1218

00:49:39,829 --> 00:49:37,560

Haze our position as the professor is a

1219

00:49:42,650 --> 00:49:39,839

little like that of the policeman Who

1220

00:49:45,410 --> 00:49:42,660

coming home late one night saw a dim

1221

00:49:49,130 --> 00:49:45,420

figure ahead of him in the hall

1222

00:49:53,329 --> 00:49:49,140

he called hands up as he reached for his

1223

00:49:57,470 --> 00:49:53,339

gun he saw his antagonist also reach for

1224

00:49:59,510 --> 00:49:57,480

his gun so he quickly fired just as his

1225

00:50:03,230 --> 00:49:59,520

opponent fired back at him

1226
00:50:06,290 --> 00:50:03,240
to the accompaniment of crashing glass

1227
00:50:08,870 --> 00:50:06,300
he had seen his own image in the ball

1228
00:50:11,230 --> 00:50:08,880
mirror in spite of Professor Menzel's

1229
00:50:13,990 --> 00:50:11,240
debunking nine International

1230
00:50:16,730 --> 00:50:14,000
organizations are requesting eyewitness

1231
00:50:19,730 --> 00:50:16,740
accounts of the sighting of flying

1232
00:50:21,710 --> 00:50:19,740
sources accompanied by affidavits and

1233
00:50:25,849 --> 00:50:21,720
pictures if possible

1234
00:50:27,710 --> 00:50:25,859
footnote Professor Menzel's advisors if

1235
00:50:29,930 --> 00:50:27,720
you see a flying saucer you should turn

1236
00:50:32,270 --> 00:50:29,940
your head from side to side note it up

1237
00:50:35,150 --> 00:50:32,280
and down take off your glasses clean

1238
00:50:37,550 --> 00:50:35,160

them and replace them move towards the

1239

00:50:40,490 --> 00:50:37,560

sorcerer and see if it seems to evade

1240

00:50:41,450 --> 00:50:40,500

move away and see if it seems to follow

1241

00:50:45,589 --> 00:50:41,460

you

1242

00:50:48,049 --> 00:50:45,599

stoop down climb a tree note carefully

1243

00:50:50,950 --> 00:50:48,059

what happens and then repeat your

1244

00:50:52,490 --> 00:50:50,960

sequence so there we go some

1245

00:50:54,950 --> 00:50:52,500

some

1246

00:50:56,950 --> 00:50:54,960

interesting advice all the way back

1247

00:51:01,730 --> 00:50:56,960

there in uh

1248

00:51:04,130 --> 00:51:01,740

1954 and again that was um credited to a

1249

00:51:06,829 --> 00:51:04,140

special correspondent I wonder what the

1250

00:51:09,230 --> 00:51:06,839

story behind that is now leaping forward

1251
00:51:13,750 --> 00:51:09,240
some years into the next decade into the

1252
00:51:17,530 --> 00:51:13,760
1960s and that uh fabulous year of 1965

1253
00:51:22,370 --> 00:51:17,540
in the Canberra times on the 8th of July

1254
00:51:25,250 --> 00:51:22,380
UFO Antarctic mystery object Santiago

1255
00:51:26,589 --> 00:51:25,260
Wednesday Australian Associated Press

1256
00:51:29,569 --> 00:51:26,599
reuter

1257
00:51:32,930 --> 00:51:29,579
scientists at Argentine British and

1258
00:51:35,809 --> 00:51:32,940
Chilean Antarctic bases have reported an

1259
00:51:38,390 --> 00:51:35,819
unusual Celestial body hovering on the

1260
00:51:41,630 --> 00:51:38,400
horizon and sending geomagnetic

1261
00:51:43,730 --> 00:51:41,640
instruments wild the Chilean Air Force

1262
00:51:47,030 --> 00:51:43,740
said yesterday a British station

1263
00:51:50,089 --> 00:51:47,040

reported the object was yellowish red

1264

00:51:52,190 --> 00:51:50,099

varying to green and zipped about the

1265

00:51:54,890 --> 00:51:52,200

Horizon for about 10 minutes their

1266

00:51:57,290 --> 00:51:54,900

observations were confirmed by Argentine

1267

00:52:00,230 --> 00:51:57,300

and Chilean scientists on the following

1268

00:52:02,569 --> 00:52:00,240

day the Chilean Air Force command

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00:52:04,910 --> 00:52:02,579

yesterday published a report from the

1270

00:52:08,030 --> 00:52:04,920

Chilean station saying the object had

1271

00:52:11,470 --> 00:52:08,040

been seen twice in a fortnight 10 color

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00:52:14,390 --> 00:52:11,480

photographs have been taken of it 1965

1273

00:52:17,930 --> 00:52:14,400

Antarctic mystery objects

1274

00:52:21,290 --> 00:52:17,940

and finally we end up in the 1970s 1976

1275

00:52:26,030 --> 00:52:21,300

on the 9th of June and this comes to us

1276
00:52:30,710 --> 00:52:26,040
from the King Island news UFO info sort

1277
00:52:33,049 --> 00:52:30,720
then that's spelled s-o-u ght so they

1278
00:52:36,170 --> 00:52:33,059
are seeking UFO info

1279
00:52:38,450 --> 00:52:36,180
our society is interested to learn that

1280
00:52:41,450 --> 00:52:38,460
a king Island Man recently reported

1281
00:52:44,329 --> 00:52:41,460
citing an unidentified flying object

1282
00:52:47,450 --> 00:52:44,339
this baffling phenomenon which for

1283
00:52:50,030 --> 00:52:47,460
nearly 30 years has defined a convincing

1284
00:52:51,890 --> 00:52:50,040
explanation is now coming under close

1285
00:52:55,609 --> 00:52:51,900
scrutiny in scientific circles

1286
00:52:58,069 --> 00:52:55,619
particularly in America and France the

1287
00:53:01,370 --> 00:52:58,079
scientific world after years of

1288
00:53:03,650 --> 00:53:01,380

skepticism is now beginning to realize

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00:53:08,089 --> 00:53:03,660

that the best sightings provide evidence

1290

00:53:10,549 --> 00:53:08,099

of a genuinely unknown phenomenon and a

1291

00:53:13,549 --> 00:53:10,559

worldwide data collection that work has

1292

00:53:17,510 --> 00:53:13,559

been established in America by Dr J

1293

00:53:20,150 --> 00:53:17,520

Allen heineck a professional astronomer

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00:53:22,849 --> 00:53:20,160

who for many years was the leading

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00:53:26,450 --> 00:53:22,859

civilian consultant to the U.S Air Force

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00:53:29,329 --> 00:53:26,460

in its Project Blue Book investigations

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00:53:33,589 --> 00:53:29,339

this data collecting organization known

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00:53:36,650 --> 00:53:33,599

as the center for UFO studies has

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00:53:39,290 --> 00:53:36,660

requested all organizations like ours in

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00:53:42,230 --> 00:53:39,300

Australia to assist by sending the

1301
00:53:45,770 --> 00:53:42,240
centers computerized Data Bank details

1302
00:53:48,770 --> 00:53:45,780
of cases occurring in this country

1303
00:53:50,329 --> 00:53:48,780
the center has at its disposal highly

1304
00:53:54,109 --> 00:53:50,339
qualified experts in the physical

1305
00:53:58,010 --> 00:53:54,119
sciences and some Clues to the nature of

1306
00:54:00,950 --> 00:53:58,020
the origin of UFO manifestations May

1307
00:54:03,170 --> 00:54:00,960
begin to emerge from expert analysis of

1308
00:54:06,650 --> 00:54:03,180
a large volume of information from

1309
00:54:09,549 --> 00:54:06,660
eyewitnesses we would urge any of your

1310
00:54:11,930 --> 00:54:09,559
readers who might have made such

1311
00:54:15,109 --> 00:54:11,940
unexplainable observations to contact

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00:54:17,930 --> 00:54:15,119
our society the American study relies

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for its information on the testimony of

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supply us with an account of their

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experience maybe giving important

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00:54:29,089 --> 00:54:26,700

details which could help to elucidate

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the mystery many witnesses to these

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00:54:33,829 --> 00:54:31,380

phenomena are understandably reluctant

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00:54:35,870 --> 00:54:33,839

to make their experiences known for fear

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00:54:38,630 --> 00:54:35,880

of becoming the target for ridicule

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00:54:41,089 --> 00:54:38,640

however we can assure anyone supplying

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00:54:44,329 --> 00:54:41,099

us with information that no unwanted

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publicity will result and that their

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00:54:50,690 --> 00:54:48,000

evidence will be taken seriously your

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sincerely Ray W Fisher honorary

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00:55:02,049 --> 00:54:54,119
secretary Victorian UFO research Society

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foreign

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UFOs being reported in the Australian

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press over the decades and I know we've

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00:55:16,870 --> 00:55:15,599
covered this topic many times before and

1333
00:55:22,010 --> 00:55:16,880
we will

1334
00:55:25,849 --> 00:55:23,990
well yes it is one of the classics of

1335
00:55:28,250 --> 00:55:25,859
skepticism investigating reports that

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aliens in spacecraft

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from other worlds are zipping around our

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atmosphere and sometimes even into the

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and well not So Much Anymore the The

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Craze that seems to have died out

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00:55:46,190 --> 00:55:43,319

probably

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to a very large extent anyway crop

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circles

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00:55:53,030 --> 00:55:49,800

there's around about the late 90s into

1346

00:55:55,010 --> 00:55:53,040

the early 2000s I think stretching maybe

1347

00:55:57,890 --> 00:55:55,020

a bit longer that was the Heyday of crop

1348

00:55:59,510 --> 00:55:57,900

circles you really don't hear much about

1349

00:56:01,190 --> 00:55:59,520

them anymore

1350

00:56:04,010 --> 00:56:01,200

but whether you like to look up crop

1351
00:56:06,290 --> 00:56:04,020
circles or UFOs or whatever the case may

1352
00:56:08,870 --> 00:56:06,300
be there are many happy hours waiting

1353
00:56:11,170 --> 00:56:08,880
for you of research and interest at

1354
00:56:13,309 --> 00:56:11,180
Trove at

1355
00:56:17,270 --> 00:56:13,319
trove.nla.gov dot a u type in your

1356
00:56:20,120 --> 00:56:17,280
search because you never know what you

1357
00:56:20,130 --> 00:56:35,349
[Music]

1358
00:56:38,870 --> 00:56:36,710
thank you

1359
00:56:40,370 --> 00:56:38,880
[Applause]

1360
00:56:42,230 --> 00:56:40,380
well Richard I'm getting you a pair of

1361
00:56:44,809 --> 00:56:42,240
white knee socks for Christmas thanks

1362
00:56:47,150 --> 00:56:44,819
Maynard I got you a Astro Boy t-shirt

1363
00:56:49,490 --> 00:56:47,160

yeah it's a good one too it's it's made

1364

00:56:51,290 --> 00:56:49,500

out of cotton and everything only the

1365

00:56:53,690 --> 00:56:51,300

best for you may know what a great show

1366

00:56:55,250 --> 00:56:53,700

that was and coming up over the next few

1367

00:56:57,890 --> 00:56:55,260

weeks we have more interviews from our

1368

00:57:01,670 --> 00:56:57,900

guests from the European Skeptics

1369

00:57:03,109 --> 00:57:01,680

podcast the real ESP experience and if

1370

00:57:04,849 --> 00:57:03,119

you want to drop in on the on the

1371

00:57:07,130 --> 00:57:04,859

Christmas show on the 3rd of December

1372

00:57:09,109 --> 00:57:07,140

it's at 8 15.

1373

00:57:11,510 --> 00:57:09,119

australianist in whatever time it is

1374

00:57:12,829 --> 00:57:11,520

here and uh look get in the chat room

1375

00:57:13,970 --> 00:57:12,839

and say hello to Richard he might be

1376

00:57:16,490 --> 00:57:13,980

there and you can tell him how much you

1377

00:57:20,390 --> 00:57:16,500

like his camera work you can uh just go

1378

00:57:22,190 --> 00:57:20,400

to twomenon.com for more details and may

1379

00:57:24,230 --> 00:57:22,200

not as ever I'd like to thank those

1380

00:57:27,170 --> 00:57:24,240

wonderful patrons and PayPal supporters

1381

00:57:28,970 --> 00:57:27,180

who keep the show going look this this

1382

00:57:30,589 --> 00:57:28,980

show doesn't get made for nothing you

1383

00:57:32,450 --> 00:57:30,599

know I know Richard's always a bit you

1384

00:57:35,569 --> 00:57:32,460

know he's a bit too polite but come on

1385

00:57:37,430 --> 00:57:35,579

hit the tin people I mean it's look even

1386

00:57:39,470 --> 00:57:37,440

whatever what if it's just the lowest

1387

00:57:41,150 --> 00:57:39,480

amount every month and you get this high

1388

00:57:43,430 --> 00:57:41,160

quality show coming I mean who else is

1389

00:57:46,130 --> 00:57:43,440

going to read old newspapers to you

1390

00:57:48,049 --> 00:57:46,140

yeah that's right who else will read old

1391

00:57:50,210 --> 00:57:48,059

newspapers especially the ones we find

1392

00:57:52,490 --> 00:57:50,220

under your house yeah exactly so it's

1393

00:57:54,770 --> 00:57:52,500

all coming your way so come on get in

1394

00:57:56,990 --> 00:57:54,780

the group I mean really if if you if you

1395

00:57:59,030 --> 00:57:57,000

don't participate in something you can't

1396

00:58:00,950 --> 00:57:59,040

always expect it to be there next week

1397

00:58:02,510 --> 00:58:00,960

people I'm talking about next week next

1398

00:58:06,950 --> 00:58:02,520

week the Trove segment and old

1399

00:58:12,829 --> 00:58:09,490

uh the UFO

1400

00:58:15,770 --> 00:58:12,839

Illuminati no no look I'm look I've uh

1401
00:58:17,690 --> 00:58:15,780
he only died a few years ago yes and he

1402
00:58:20,210 --> 00:58:17,700
was a very interesting character and

1403
00:58:23,870 --> 00:58:20,220
I've uh I listened to a lot of UFO

1404
00:58:26,510 --> 00:58:23,880
podcasts of various sorts and uh there's

1405
00:58:29,210 --> 00:58:26,520
a lot of respect for Stanton

1406
00:58:31,010 --> 00:58:29,220
um but also uh who they thought it was

1407
00:58:32,030 --> 00:58:31,020
fairly fixed in his ideas sometimes too

1408
00:58:34,010 --> 00:58:32,040
yeah

1409
00:58:37,430 --> 00:58:34,020
um and look he was a big believer in

1410
00:58:39,109 --> 00:58:37,440
Roswell he certainly was and we

1411
00:58:40,730 --> 00:58:39,119
referenced that next week in the Trove

1412
00:58:43,970 --> 00:58:40,740
segment so something to look forward to

1413
00:58:45,950 --> 00:58:43,980

cool okay but look at the you keep go

1414

00:58:48,710 --> 00:58:45,960

it'll be engineer Ancient Aliens before

1415

00:58:50,630 --> 00:58:48,720

long Richard oh oh now you've given me

1416

00:58:53,030 --> 00:58:50,640

an idea you have given me an idea for a

1417

00:58:55,549 --> 00:58:53,040

future Trove okay yeah you've been

1418

00:58:58,910 --> 00:58:55,559

listening to the Eric Von daniken show

1419

00:59:00,829 --> 00:58:58,920

but for this week this is Maynard and

1420

00:59:07,490 --> 00:59:00,839

Richard signing off from Maynard's

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00:59:13,809 --> 00:59:09,230

you've been listening to the skeptic

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