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So two dollars for the paper. First thing that springs to my eyes and it's gone up, hasn't it?

Mm.

Since I've - Yellow card puts target on McCaw's back. Right. Usually the sport's on the back page but yeah, I'm not really a, a rugby person. Hearing sculptures for city revealed. World-renowned British sculptor Antony Gormley has discounted two identical sculptures for Christchurch hoping they will play a part in the city's healing. Discounted? First I was thinking it should say discredited. But he's - it's on discount.

Oh.

Art.

He sold them cheaper.

Gormley's creation has been revealed as a cast iron human figure standing delicately on the surface of the Avon River in Christchurch's city centre. It will be the first art work created for New Zealand by Gormley, known for his monumental Angel of the North sculpture in Britain and smaller human-scale statues in dramatic natural landscapes and cities. So I don't know any of his work.

I don't either.

Yeah.

But it sounds interesting, um, I think of those, um, I quite like those sculptures of people under water. Have you ever seen that? There's like I think in China they have like - or is it Japan - like people in suits and submerged under the ocean.

Ooh.

I think it's quite cool. I like diving so, um, that'd be pretty cool. Um, yeah, so the permanent work called Stay will be installed in the river near the corner of Gloucester Street and Cambridge Terrace this week as part of the Scape Public Art Festival. It is one of a matching pair coming to the city. The second will be installed in the cloisters of the Arts Centre's north quadrangle early next year. So does that mean the cloisters is open? I heard the Arts, the Arts Centre is opening up now.

Oh.

That's great.

Have you been through there?

When I was younger but not -

Yeah?

Only to the cheesemonger.

Um, yeah, oh here, let's skip to the bit about the discount. We've been asked by the artist, because of his generosity in terms of the discount he's provided us, to not disclose the price. He has given us a very significant contribution because it is Christchurch.

Mm.

So charity, it's charity work for the - CERA said its contribution to the purchase price was commercially sensitive but Council said its contribution was five hundred and two thousand five hundred dollars. So CERA said it's, ah, sensitive and the Council's disclosed it.

[LAUGHTER]

Gromley did, ah, Gormley did not visit Christchurch for the commission -

Oh.

But spoke to experts and art curators in the city to find two suitable sites. He wanted a natural environment, yeah, okay, therapeutic potential of art, objectifying a moment of pleasure or pain. The challenge was to find the location or language to carry this potential, mm, mm, mm. Yeah so that's a bit strange.

Yeah, it's kind of crazy to make such a big sculpture in a place that you've never seen.

Yeah, he's never visited it.

Nah.

Um, and so this, I guess this is computer gen-, oh, it is, here it says here, computer generated image. I don't know. Cool.

[LAUGHTER]

Bit of a mixed bag isn't it?

Yeah.

There's this other weird thing they've got like twin towers, ah, a bit of twisted metal hanging in the river and now they've got a rusty block type sculpture, um, mm. It's very sort of brutalist isn't it, I don't.

Ah-huh.

Is that what we want? Well better than, is it better than

nothing? I don't know.

[LAUGHTER]

Yeah.

It's cool, I guess it draws peoples' eyes. It's something like that, if you put something like that in a natural surrounding then you can sometimes appreciate the natural surrounding a bit better. Because otherwise you just wouldn't look at it.Toddler's death suspicious. This is on the inside page. Benedict Daleon becomes tearful when he remembers his two year old daughter's cheeky smile, big brown eyes and long black hair. Normally a healthy toddler, Bea was rushed to hospital after suffering a seizure at a rural property in Southland in April 2012 - this was a long time ago.

Oh.

Ah, and now, so now they're calling it suspicious. Died several days later, life support switched off. Detective's been out. Toddler suffered a skull fracture.

Mm.

Yeah. But there's so much of that, kids getting harmed, isn't there?

Yeah.

Full on. Ah, it's only one early morning. A group of bleary eyed Cantabrians left the comfort of home to watch the All Blacks Rugby World Cup opener, so that was Argentina, they won. What was interesting though is, I'm not really that keen, but, um, Japan beat South Africa.

Yeah.

So -

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

That's the only time I'd like get excited about rugby is like when a underdog does, you know, really upsets everyone's.

Right.

I mean I, oh anyway I won't comment too much, I don't mind when the All Blacks lose personally, I think it's good to see peop- peoples' reactions. Punter misses out on a one million - on one million dollars but gets trip to the Rugby World Cup final. Russell Walker will need a passport for the first time in his life. The twenty two year old has never left New Zealand. It's not uncommon is it? Um, blah, blah, yeah, TAB, oh, I don't condone gambling. Ah, Council's ongoing changes costly. Christchurch City Council spent more than one million dollars cutting jobs before new chief executive Karlene Edwards arrived and started her own restructuring plan. Last month Edwards announced the plan to cut sixty jobs on top of a restructure carried out by the Council's acting chief executive, Jane Parfitt, late 2013. Um, Parfitt spent one point twelve million dollars restructuring the organisation after the departure of controversial chief executive Tony Marryatt. Hm. It started at the top with the chief executive team. The restructure was questioned at the time because it seemed likely whoever became the permanent chief executive would want to make their own changes but both Parfitt and mayor Lianne Dalziel argued the time was right. Yeah. New chief executive will obviously want to look at things, Dalziel, yeah, is saying. Wellington consultants Martin Jenkins were paid three hundred and twenty eight thousand nine hundred and forty eight dollars for their advice. So it's one point twenty three million dollars- oh, net savings of one point twenty three million dollars but it cost one point twelve million dollars. Oh, I guess it pays off over time, but it did, who are they getting rid of? Disestablishing one hundred and seventy five roles and creating one hundred and fiftenn new positions. So that's sixty jobs gone. But that means laying - there's, yeah I wonder if they lay off one hundred and seventy five people and then they have to re-apply for new positions.

I think so, right, I feel like we read about that somewhere.

Did ya?

Yeah.

Oh yeah, you would've had all the background from the past week. Um, which is a way of cutting peoples' wages.

Oh.

Because legally you can't give a person a lower wage, you can't say, oh I'm gonna redu-, you can only give people pay rises. Um, so the only way of getting around that is to disestablish their, um, position and then create a new position which they then have to apply for.

At a lower pay.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

Yeah, what's that thing I was reading, um, oh, oh, that's right, that's in Australia - have you, do you follow Australian politics at all?

No, I don't do, maybe you do Fiona?

Not very much. I mean -

There's a whole thing, um, I mean well Abbott is gone -

Mm-hmm.

So that's pretty huge, it's amazing, but um, the opposition leader is an ex-union guy and obviously the, the right wing parties aren't that keen on the unions and, um, what they've, they've managed to dig up a lotta dirt

on the Labour leader and when he was, there was a heap of, um, dodgy union stuff going on with kickbacks and whatnot, and they've found that he was, um, you know leader of one of the most powerful unions at the time and, um, so what's happening is the union - even though they're meant to, if you sign up to a union they're meant to have your back as a worker -

Yeah.

But they were also giving advice to employers and, um, there was this one specially dodgy thing where I think he, they, the union got paid heaps of donations and, um, it allowed for a, some kind of factory to basically disestablish all the, um, all the roles and then everyone had to reapply as an independ-, independent contractor.

Contractor, yeah.

Oh.

Yeah, um, which - the reason they were giving was health and safety, that there is a certain amount of accidents, so the way to, I guess limit the liability of the employer, but also they're saying, well actually it's meaning that people take more responsibility for safety and then there's a whole heap of other protocols.

Yeah.

So it makes it safer. But what it meant was that people then, um, didn't have job security, cos there was no longer an obligation to pay them certain hours, and I think they took a pay cut as well.

Oh.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

And these are people that are paying their union fees, you know.

Yeah.

Oh, yeah.

Every year, hoping that it's gonna help them and it didn't. Anyway that sounds a similar sort of thing but I doubt that they're gonna be taking on, or they might be taking on contractors.

I think, I've - somebody else said that.

Mm.

That's an interesting point though.

Look at their smiles.

[LAUGHTER]

They're like passport photos.

Yeah.

You can't show your teeth in the photo.

Well it's like the mouth is smiling but then the eyes are - oh, she looks kinda happy.

Yeah, she looks-

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

That's, that's a quite, that's cos she's probably watching a rugby game or something but this one it, Karlene Edwards, mmm. North Canty farms still in drought.

Eeee.

Yeah. What's the summer gonna be like?

Cripes.

EI - what are they? EI Nino, EI Ninyo.

EI Nino.

Yeah. Apparently Australia's gonna get hit really bad.

Ooh.

News in brief. Trial by jury. A seventeen year old is denying his alleged role in the violent robbery of Christchurch liquor store and has elected trial by jury. Okay. 17 year old. Ah, alleged victim of, aah, of the injuring charge is a man whose car was allegedly unlawfully taken and used for the robbery. Briggs admitted charges of unlawfully taking the three thousand dollar car, driving while forbidden on the day of the robbery. Okay. All right. Good luck getting out of that.Fire investigation. Fire that left a family suffering from smoke inhalas-, inhalation started in a bedroom. S-, when was that? September fourteen. Fire crews called to the house. Christchurch Hospital, minor smoke, um, mm. Actually my partner she knew I think someone's mother died in a fire or was sev-, no, was severely burnt. It's amazing how many things are in the paper but then how many things aren't you know.

Yeah.

Eh. Like these kids getting hurt, like there have been so many that, I mean, yeah. A lot doesn't get in the paper. Killed by a train. A man has been struck and killed by a freight train on the Kapiti Coast.

Mm.

Wheelchair-bound man was hit -

Ooh.

At Paraparaumu station shortly before eleven thirty am. Early indications are he's fallen off the platform, investor Mike - inspector Mike Coleman said it was believed he

was killed instantly. Jeepers. A wheelchair guy fell off the platform.

Sounds pretty crazy.

Yeah. Never thought of that really, how a pr-, like a pram or a wheelchair can just easily fall off the edge.

Yeah.

Hmm. There was that boy that got - oh that was in Aussie as - no, where was that? That was an Aussie boy in the States just recently got killed by a train. Did you hear about that?

No, no, what was it?

Um, how did I read about that? It was probably online somehow, um, boy - he was quite young. I think they must've moved with his fam-, I thought it was like an exchange thing but his mum was over there as well. Him and his girlfriend were posing for a photo on the -

Yeah.

On the train track.

Nasty.

With another friend, so someone else was taking the photo and, um, they, th-, that's right the cover - oh, I must've been reading the Sydney morn-, Sydney Morning Herald and, um, they showed the photo, it was like moments after this he died and so they were, um, went to some you know, they thought it was a picturesque location on the train track, took the photo -

Yeah.

And then train came - the two, the girl and her friend went one way, jumped one way, he jumped the other but the train clipped him.

Ooh.

Ooh.

But that's like, they're saying oh it's cos, um, they move so fast and you can't judge how fast they're going, you think you have more time but -

Mm-hmm.

It must be going pretty fast.

Yep.

I remember playing on the train track as a kid in, in Opawa and we'd go, there'd be a railroad bridge and we'd jump down when the trains go over you know and jump in under the bridge -

Ooh.

And um, you know, I always thought you might get sucked up under the wheels but, um -

Far out.

They must've been going way slower those trains.

Yeah.

Well they, yeah they do I guess in residential areas they go pretty slow and then.

Yeah.

And which area is that? Opawa?

Oh, just through the tunnel.

Oh good.

Just yeah, not, not far away. So it'll be the same tracks that, that coal trains come to Lyttelton -

Ooh.

And they go through the tunnel and then just a wee bit further.

Do they go underneath the tunnel or - cos when you're driving through you can't see any trains.

Mmm.

Are the trains underneath it or above?

Um, the train, ah.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

I think it's above the cars.

Yeah.

Yeah, good question. Um, I d-, I've, I've known but I forget -

Yeah, yeah.

What it is exactly.

It's in that same opening.

You don't see it.

Yeah.

It's in the same tunnel but it, um - it must be below. Yeah, it must be below the cars because yeah you can see it down, further down so yeah it's just, yeah, below the, the road.

Yeah. Interesting.

Yeah. Yeah.

Fraser has a baby. Kinga-, Kiwi singer-songwriter Brooke Fraser.

Oh.

Named the child Dylan Wilde. I don't know Brooke Fraser.Oh, Kim Dotcom case underway. Big smile. Okay.

[LAUGHTER]

Internet entrepreneur Kim Dotcom's long awaited extradition hearing finally began on Monday but if things go his way the trial could be thrown out. Okay. I don't need to read much more on that. You can sorta wait for the next instalment. Mm. There's quite a cool vice doco -

Yeah.

With Kim Dotcom, have you watched that one?

Mm-hmm, I can't – I watched it a while ago so I can't remember, yeah.

I think it's a guy from the States comes over it, I think he's, yeah, he's American and -

Yeah.

He's like a big kid eh?

Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Yeah.

He's got a sinister side but, yeah.

Yeah. Probably.

But there was also like a sixty Minutes on him.

Yeah.

Ah, covered his employee relations.

Okay.

But it was all kind of super interesting around when he started the political campaign right, it was like really wild.

Mm.

So wild it's crazy.

Yeah I don't know what his motivations are. But, um, oh, it's always good to have people like that sort of, um, stirring the pot.

Totally. The pirate.

Yeah.

Tryna.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

I mean everyone's downloading stuff aren't they you know, um.

Right.

So it's interesting to have a sort of, um, a voice for that.

Mm-hmm.

Mm.

Sex offender's Jekyll and Hyde personality. Former ambulance paramedic who sexually assaulted patients in the back of ambulance.

Oooh.

I don't think we need to read much more on that. Injured boy makes progress. A bit of positivity. Invercargill boy injured at school by a stake is showing signs of improving. The ten year old was still in critical condition in Dunedin, recovering slowly, removed a blood clot from his brain and was in an induced coma. What happened to him? Mm it was, ah, yeah, it doesn't say. Oh, there's no ill will between the families of the boys. The boys were friends at school, there was no malice. So how, where does it say? The b-, ah, mm. I don't know. Scumbag predators. Scumbag predator's career over. A primary school teacher's career, admitted grooming, oh my God. Heart attack patient told to catch bus. Oh, that'd be right. Admitted to Palmerston North Hospital after chest pain, um, spent two days in hospital having a heart – after having a heart attack was transferred to Wellington Hospital three days later. Was told by staff to leave on a Thursday but the problem was his family were not able to pick him up until Saturday. He said there had been no discussion about how to get home. All right. She says the bus leaves at two o'clock.

Oh.

It'll be twenty four dollars. Greens oppose Glory-, Gloriavale funding. Mmm. Gloriavale. 2012 documentary Gloriavale – do you know about these guys?

No.

Based in Haupiri, inland from Greymouth. I think these are the Cooperites which I have a interest in cos they're, um, in c-, they're doing ah, like EQC repairs and, and that sorta thing.

Mm.

So they're a religious group. They do this, you know have all the scarves on their heads and wear sorta home-made clothes and that sorta thing.

Yeah.

Yeah, there's a few funny stories. So remote West Coast religious group, Victorian era schooling. So I don't know if this is the same outfit but, um, Gloriavale funding, someone wants to fund them, government funding. They always, they get tax write-offs as well.

Yeah.

Cos they're religious. Dairy deal. Support for flag change waning, well no wonder. You know have you been reading much about that? The flag?

A little bit.

Yeah, just kinda.

Kinda?

It's -

Basically they wanna do a flag change, peop-, some, you know there's been certain people want it or I don't know if there's -

Mm.

They should, if they did a poll – I didn't sign up to a poll but, um, then they, all the flags were hand-picked by the National government, the options and so.

Right.

Crazy.

Mmm.

No-one really seems to like the ones that have been picked, right.

Yeah exactly.

Right.

Why not just put them all up and people can vote. Right.

Yeah, including the old flag.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

All right. That's, that's, um, democracy thought isn't it? It's not really democracy. Here we go, the world news. Diversity debate dogs Republicans. Diversity debate dogs Republicans. Ah, leading Republican presidential candidate says he does not believe a Muslim should be elected to United States' top office. Of course they say that. I'm not too interested in American politics. Refugee crisis needs unified action – Merkel. Europe must act together and take on responsibility. Germany can't shoulder this task alone. Mmm. The European Un-, I reckon the European Union's gonna fall apart.

Sorta seems like it.

Mm.

Yeah. No, it's very idealistic. It's like having a world government. It's not, yeah, it just doesn't work. Iran UN nuke boss went to suspect bomb site. United Nations nuclear watchdog investigated the, investigating whether Iran carried out work related to developing a nuclear bomb. Yeah. That's always the, yeah, that's a never-ending story. Atheist ordered to attend blessing. This is a good one. Pope Francis and Cuba's Presidentia-, President, Raoul Castro, during their meeting in Havana, Cuba yesterday. Under the gaze of Che Guevera, whose giant image overlooks the Plaza de la Revolucion in Havana, Pope Francis delivered blessings to thousands of Cubans, many of whom it turned out were avowed atheists who had been ordered to attend by the government, their bosses or their schools.

Oh.

Yuccies take scissors to beards. Beards, everyone's going – I just shaved my beard off.

[LAUGHTER]

It's, ah, mine never got to that point but, um, people, ah, they love it eh. Love talking about the beards.

[LAUGHTER]

That's the thing.

Yeah, I just saw a friend, gay friend on Facebook post something about, I can't remember what they were called. Ah, it was like a, what, what is it, um, the um, like a horoscope, your ah, star signs represented by gay guys with beards, but they got a name, over.

Yeah.

Bears.

Hm?

Bears.

No, not bears.

Okay.

They're like a, I think they're like a, um, um, what do you call those, the cool kids now? With the tight jeans and -

Hipsters.

Yeah, like hipster bearded gays.

Aaaah.

I'm not sure but.

Okay.

Yeah.

[LAUGHTER]

Yeah, bears, I think bears are out. Bears are, are not cool anymore. Fish exports soar as domestic demand wanes. Look at that bluefin tuna head.

Whoa.

That's huge, eh.

That's so big.

Have you been to Japan?

Mm.

Mm, I haven't.

Did you like it? Pretty different. I haven't been but, um. App exposes kids to hackers. So ah, security researchers say they found critical weakness in a South Korean government mandated child surveillance app.

[LAUGHTER]

Safety rule may kill refugee offer. Demonstrators marched through Westminster earlier this month calling for British Prime Minister David Cameron to take in more refugees. The government has agreed to take in 20,000 refugees over the next four years. What have we got, the picture it's got a protest, Swap Cameron for a Million Refugees.

[LAUGHTER]

Oh, and Cameron – what's this thing, is this a hoax like Cameron like having sex with a pig's head or?

What?

Whoa, sounds crazy.

We haven't heard about that.

It was on, um, I saw it, ah, people posting on, on Facebook, um, but I think it was like these satirical, um, new sites. But I don't know if it's like what the guys – have you seen that, um, mini-series Black Mirror? You heard of it?

Mm-mm, it's TV?

Yeah. Yeah, it's a British, it's like I think there's five episodes and each one is very different, I think it's different writers and directors but the whole thing, the whole thing has got a, um, it's meant to be sorta present day based on, um, technology sort of advances and, oh, a-, actually it's a little some of them, there are, they're a bit futuristic but there's one which is um, it's kinda like Yes Minister or something but it's about the British government -

Yeah.

And there's a terrorist kidnap, kidnap someone, posts it, like puts it up online -

Yep.

And then they-, the, the, their demand is that the Prime Minister has sex with a pig -

Mmmm.

Wow.

On live, you know, broadcast to everyone, otherwise they're gonna kill the, it's like someone's daughter, like um, a duchess or, or something you know.

Oh.

And then just the whole momentum that builds with everyone like people are sort of horrified and disgusted but they're really, they're like -

Engaged.

You know really interested in seeing what, what happens, you know.

[LAUGHTER]

Yeah.

So I just think of that when this -

Right.

It's very similar to this having sex with a pig's head but apparently ah, he did it you know in his sort of, um, college you know boys club college sort of -

Fraternity or something.

Yeah.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

Ah.

I dunno.

Yeah.

We'll see.

Perhaps.

Those Brits.

It's not in the, it's not in The Press though.

[LAUGHTER]

Um, yeah. You could. Okay. Now we're into the classifieds, entertainment. A sort of, oh yeah, it's a sort of arts section. Have a wee flick. See if anything get, grabs my attention. Is this – so much for the death zone, we're still up here after seven years and the Labour party's still snowed in at base camp, haha.

[LAUGHTER]

What? Some of these comics, eh, you're like it's like w-, you have to hunt around the page to see what on earth they could be referring to.

Yeah, yeah, yeah.

But that's like you, that's Everest isn't it? And it's the National party on the, mm. So what is that? They're, they're still in power and but so they've reached the top of the mountain and they've got like candles and wine and TV so well they're just saying that they're, they're doing well. Yeah. This article's about how John Key like feels good about the progress that he's made.

Yeah.

And so I think they're saying like well we're coming to our second term -

Mm.

So it's normally that's when a New Zealand government term's over.

Mm.

But they're saying, well we're doing pretty good and they're still like there's no clear leader.

Yeah, yeah, they're nowhere near um, yeah.

Being able to put, um to, to top us off, I think that's what it'll be. That's crazy. But I mean I used to be hard, you know a hard out Labour supporter.

Yeah.

And, um, you know side, side with the Greens now and I, I wonder whether the Greens should be just, um, teeing up with National, you know. Um, their policies, you know, in theor-, historically don't line up but, Labour's just like there's just no momentum behind them at all is there?

Yeah.

And, um, rather it's like if you can't beat, beat them join them -

Mmm.

So I mean the, the good thing about – you just need someone and at least you got, I mean it's just a crazy system the political system here but, um, well most places, cos you don't get what you vote for.

Mm-hmm. Right.

You know for, in my, in my mind if forty percent of people vote for Labour and fifty percent vote for National and then ten percent vote for something else you should, I don't know how the government would work but the government should be made up of that you know.

Right. Mm-hmm.

Not National and then another coupla parties that got one percent of the votes-

Mm-hmm.

You know just cos, oh we, we can grab them in – it doesn't make any sense you know and hardly anyone voted for those people, why would, why should they have a voice?

Mm.

Um, although they should get one percent of the voice. But, you know, if the Greens are getting, you know, four or five percent is, um, why not jump in with National and at least keep, keep them in check a bit more.

Mm.

There's recently, um, like quantitative data that, um, that the sustainable option was, um, was also matched the bottom line. Like there was this you know like that's often been the problem is -

Mm.

They couldn't like prove -

Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

That being sustainable was cost effective.

Yeah, exactly, mm.

That was like a huge coup for marketing departments.

Mm.

Was like actually it's the cost-effective way which you know what I mean?

Yeah.

So it's like almost like -

Yep.

Solid.

It's like depends on the Greens, ah what the big agenda is.

Yeah. Look at that. Look at all the sun there.

Mm.

[LAUGHTER]

Like if, is, is it their agenda helping, you know, I mean it's like a very c-, um, as you said very complicated but it's an interesting thing.

All the south. All up the West Coast.

Yeah. We're not in the right place right now, huh?

Yeah I started to think that way when there was, um, mm, cos I'm involved with Greenpeace and -

No. Look at that – snow.

Yeah.

Eew.

-Ah, I was watching a, um.

There's been snow on Mt, Mt Herbert, like all through the weekend and yesterday.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

Ooh.

Up on, there was, yeah, there was a, a debate on stage or not a deba-, a like a presentation and -

I hadn't been able to see it today cos it's so foggy.

Yeah.

Right.

Um, it was basically, ah, you know, one person from each party was up there getting questioned by a panel of sort of environmentalists you know -

Mm. But, yeah. It's, um, I wonder what summer's gonna be like.

Yeah.

Yeah. Droughty drought.

And, and different people from the audience and, um, yeah it was actually National were, it was like they were agreeing -

Yeah well that's what you'd think but then people are, what I've also heard is that, um, it's just gonna be very changeable.

Right.

Yeah.

With, with the Greens -

Um, so you would, yeah. Well, time will tell but.

Right.

It'll be rain, it'll be dry, it'll be.

On you know a lotta things and then I was thinking, oh actually like from an environal-, environmental point of view it's -

Yeah like wind, wind just constantly swinging.

Yeah.

Right.

They don't hav-, there's not that much further for them to come to sorta start to turn so.

One direction then the next direction then the next direction like it -

Right.

Right.

Everyone loves National because they think, oh they're business minded and -

- in, um, no real stable -

Right.

Like Auckland.

You know, that's who we need to run the country.

Yeah.

[UNINTELLIGIBLE]

Right.

Yeah. Well I haven't spent that much time up there to see you know what it does long term but it's just really windy here, eh?

You know, ah, but not everyone loves them but the people who do love them, that gen-, generally seems to be what they're thinking.

Yeah.

Right.

Mm.

So. I would never vote for them but.

Lotsa wind and changeable. It's hard to get into a, a real rhythm.

Yeah.

Mmm.

Um, yeah. I can't believe how popular they are, eh?

Because yeah, it's just constantly changing. Hmm. No that's, that's it, isn't it?

Yeah. Yeah.

Thank you so much. That was great.

But it was crazy like how did Abbott get into power?

Yeah, thank you very much.

Yeah.

Absolutely insane.

Yeah.

Oh, policy based on locking people up in detention centres.

Yeah.

It's insane.

Yeah.

That's who got into power like some real angry racist.

Yeah.

Sexist.

Mm-hmm.

His previous, you know the last thing you saw him doing was saying, um, ban the bitch or so, you know or like, oh.

Yeah. It's crazy huh.

Yeah.

It's really crazy.

All right.

Well it is an important thing for your business, eh.

Yeah, yep. The weather. And the tides, and the swell.

Mm.

There's some surf so I'm gonna be nipping off for a wave, um, after my next meeting.

Awesome.

Mm.