

# LEEDS SKEPTICS IN THE PUB

February 2011

# THIS MONTH

- ✿ Mark Edon
- ✿ British Centre for Science Education
- ✿ Creationism



## Deception

Caught Lying to MPs  
Bogus Credentials  
Hiding The Evidence  
Religious Neutrality  
Smear Campaigns  
More Deception

## Atheism

Secularist Campaigning  
Theocracy!  
Evangelical Hatred  
Richard Dawkins  
Ex-Members Speak  
Slip-ups

## Membership

Leadership  
Roger Stanyard  
Michael Brass  
Ian Lowe  
Brian Jordan  
Ex-Members Speak  
Current Committee  
Wider Membership

## Incompetence

Educational Knowledge  
No Science Educators  
Research Quality  
Leeds University

Miscellaneous Articles

## BCSE Revealed

About  
Verdict of Others  
Intimidation  
Campaigns

# "BCSE: Revealed" - Welcome

This website exists to show you the activities and deceptions of the self-proclaimed "British Centre for Science Education". Have you come across this group? Do you want to know who they are?

The evidence presented on this website tells a clear and damning story. I am confident that after reviewing the evidence on it, you will agree that the truth is clear. The BCSE are a fraudulent group of religiously-motivated con-men with whom no reputable scientist or educator would want to ever have anything to do with. In particular:

1. The BCSE is a "Centre for Science Education" which contains no actual science educators. Science teachers, lecturers, professors: none.
2. None of its leaders are employed either as scientists or educators at all. They are mainly IT workers and businessmen.
3. Almost all of the BCSE's core leadership have been exposed as dogmatic atheists. Those who aren't atheists share, for their own reasons, a commitment to oppose historic Christianity.
4. The BCSE's own website is characterised by gross slurs, innuendos and fact-free slander-mongering.
5. The BCSE's basic agenda is not to promote science in general, but to silence any questioning of a purely materialistic approach to reality. Instead of reasoned arguments, slander and intimidation are their basic tools.
6. The BCSE does not take part in any actual promotion of science or science education; its sole activity is political campaigning. Their aim is to



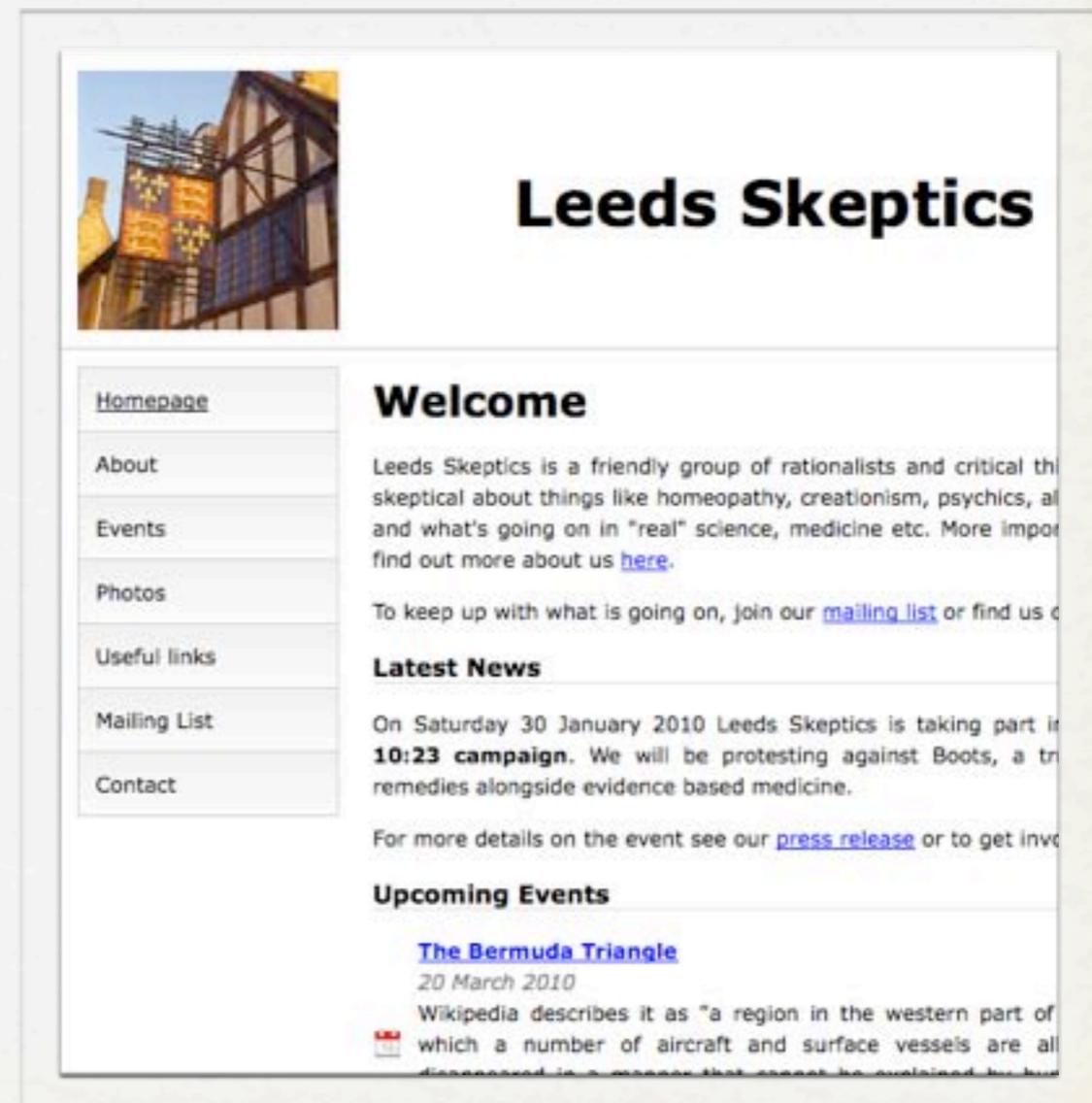
# UPCOMING DATES

- ✿ Saturday 19 March
- ✿ “Climate Change”
- ✿ Pauline Neale
- ✿ 16 April 2011
- ✿ 21 May 2011



# KEEP IN TOUCH

- ✿ Website,  
LeedsSkeptics.org
- ✿ Mailing list
- ✿ Facebook group
- ✿ Twitter.com/  
LeedsSkeptics
- ✿ Now on Meetup.com as  
well!



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Leeds Skeptics website. At the top left is a photograph of a building with a sign that says 'Leeds Skeptics'. To the right of the photo is the title 'Leeds Skeptics' in a bold, black font. Below the photo is a navigation menu with links for 'Homepage', 'About', 'Events', 'Photos', 'Useful links', 'Mailing List', and 'Contact'. The main content area features a 'Welcome' section with a paragraph of text and a link to 'here'. Below that is a 'Latest News' section with a heading and a paragraph of text. At the bottom is an 'Upcoming Events' section with a heading and a link to 'The Bermuda Triangle' dated '20 March 2010'. A small YouTube icon is visible next to the event title.

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**Welcome**

Leeds Skeptics is a friendly group of rationalists and critical thinkers who are skeptical about things like homeopathy, creationism, psychics, and what's going on in "real" science, medicine etc. More important news and events find out more about us [here](#).

To keep up with what is going on, join our [mailing list](#) or find us on Facebook

**Latest News**

On Saturday 30 January 2010 Leeds Skeptics is taking part in the **10:23 campaign**. We will be protesting against Boots, a traditionalist, and their remedies alongside evidence based medicine.

For more details on the event see our [press release](#) or to get involved see our [Facebook page](#)

**Upcoming Events**

[The Bermuda Triangle](#)  
20 March 2010

Wikipedia describes it as "a region in the western part of the North Atlantic Ocean in which a number of aircraft and surface vessels are all reported to have disappeared in a manner that cannot be explained by current theories of aviation and maritime navigation."

# LOCAL EVENTS

- ❁ HSoWY is meeting on Thursday 10 March, “Humanist Chaplains - For and Against”
- ❁ Leeds Salon, Wednesday 23 February, “What is the future of Leeds?”



# PERSPECTIVE

- ✿ Running every Wednesday at 7pm
- ✿ At the Cosmopolitan Hotel on Lower Briggate
- ✿ Christianity, Humanism and Paganism



# ENQUIRY 2011

- ✿ April 16-17th,  
Edinburgh
- ✿ Prof Richard Wiseman
- ✿ Prof Paul Braterman
- ✿ Robin Ince



# REASON WEEK

- ✿ 7 - 11 March
- ✿ Marquee on campus
- ✿ Dr Antony Lempert
- ✿ Andrew Copson
- ✿ Sea of Faith
- ✿ Much, much more...





BEFORE THE REAL  
NEWS...

## Bad habit: Nun dubbed 'Sister Internet' kicked out of religious order... for spending too much time on Facebook

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For its millions of users all over the globe, Facebook is a fun and harmless way to make new friends and catch up with old ones.

However for Spanish nun Maria Jesus Galan, her online activity on the social networking site ended up costing her job - and her home.

Sister Maria was apparently asked to leave the religious order where she has resided in seclusion for 35 years because she spent too much time on the website, it has been reported.



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▶ **Robert De Niro gets an**



## The tantalising proof that belief in God makes you happier and healthier

By TOM KNOX

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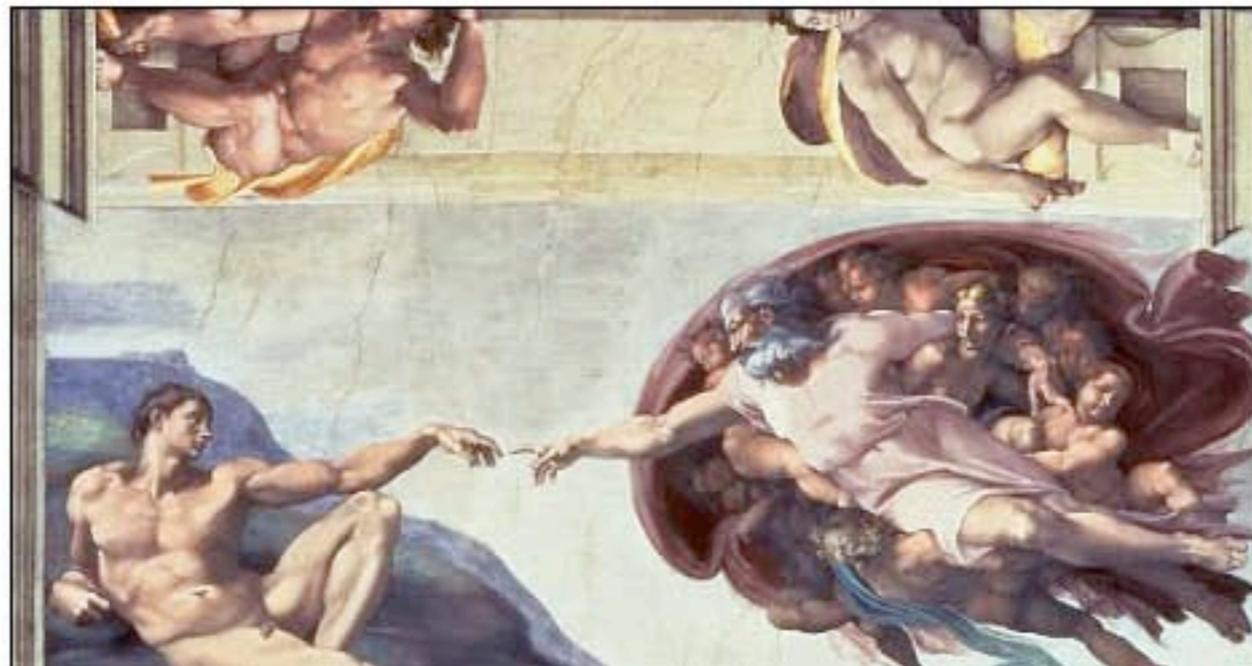
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God has had a tough time over the past few years. On TV, in newspapers and on the internet, the debate as to whether faith has any relevance in a sceptical modern world has been as ubiquitous as it has been vigorous.

And it has been pretty clear which side is the most splenetic.

From Richard Dawkins' powerful atheist polemics to Christopher Hitchens' public derision of the Roman Catholic Tony Blair and Stephen Hawking's proclamation that the universe 'has no need for God', it seems that unbelievers have had the dwindling faithful on the run.

Or have they?



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▶ **Robert De Niro gets an eyeful of Monica**



## How the demise of the shark has led to our oceans becoming packed with sardines



In the last 100 years, the number of small fish - such as pilchards, herrings, anchovies, sprats and sardines - has more than doubled, according to a study.

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## People who speak two languages are 'better at multi-tasking and less likely to develop Alzheimer's'



New research has shown that bilingual people do better in mental challenges and are more skilled at multi-tasking than those who have just one tongue.

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## Out of this swirled: Spiral galaxy's newborn stars come to life in stunning Hubble image



This incredible image of NGC 2841 reveals a majestic disc of dust lanes dotted with stars. A bright cusp of starlight marks the centre of the galaxy.

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## Secrets of hibernating bears 'could save lives' of stroke and heart attack victims



The creatures slow down their metabolic rate by a staggering 75 per cent to sleep through half the year without food, water or even an urgent visit to the woods.

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## Built by Mature Workers: BMW opens car plant where all employees are aged over 50

## Battle of the Broadbands: AT&T beats Verizon in iPhone 3G speed test



After 106,000 broadband tests on website Speedtest.net, AT&T has been crowned America's fastest iPhone provider.

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## Scientists treat OCD by placing a 'pacemaker' in the skull to deliver an electrical current to the brain



By inserting electrodes through the skull doctors have been able to ease the symptoms of the mental condition for more than 50 people.

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## Men chat more than women do - but when girls talk, it's worth listening to!



A review of 56 studies into male and female communication discovered that 24 concluded men used more words per day - while only two said it was women.

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## New species of seahorse found... after sitting in a museum for more than a decade

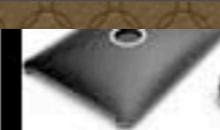


The creature was caught in 1995 in waters off Australia and taken to a local museum. But it went unnoticed until 2006 when a staff member realised it was unusual.

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## Best of both! The white rice with all the benefits of brown

Scientists have refined the milling



that first struggle to find a use for... Admittedly, that was my first thought when Vogel's iPad wall mount landed on my desk.

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## Samsung Galaxy Tab



Samsung's tablet PC is a lot more compact than the iPad and boasts some impressive features - but still fails to outshine its rival

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## Altec Lansing's Octiv 202 dual dock



Now this is handy - not only can I charge my iPhone and listen my iPod at one and the same time but I can also do so on a unit that fits neatly into a corner.

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## Nokia C6-01 smartphone



Not to be confused with the similarly-titled C6, the C6-01 enters the crowded smartphone arena at the lower end, and is priced accordingly.

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## Polar CS500 Cycling Computer



The Polar CS500 Cycling Computer is a nifty piece of gear aimed at 'ambitious cyclists' who want to improve their performance.

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## WOWee One Portable Speaker



The WOWee One is a portable speaker for a laptop, notebook or MP3 player that turns any flat surface into a speaker.

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By [FIONA MACRAE](#)

Last updated at 8:16 AM on 18th February 2011

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It might leave the man in your life lost for words – if, that is, you can stop him talking long enough to tell him.

Contrary to popular belief, men talk more than women, research has found.

But when women do speak, it's worth listening – because they use more varied and thoughtful language than men.



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All talk? Men talk more than women - but when women do the talking its worth

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