

Dumb Fixity:

Question / Issue:	objects - ascribing meaning - superstition and mental health -
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Participants:	Harry Harrison Amy Davis Richard Lazzell .

Discussion & Recommendations/Discoveries:

- when radiators not + near to a transmitter they can pick up a signal
 > so a radio broadcast can go thru' the radiator
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 psychotics - believing objects have power + communicate w us
- like police radio thru a PA system
- Harry - not worry too much about fact -
 ascribing objects power
- 'Golf Balls' - German artist -
 Andreas Slaminski - golf ball in a space
 - narrative attached to the object
 - how the object got into that space -
- emotional attachment to objects -
 sense of loss - we need the physical object to project onto - "a trophy"

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Cart

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- Swap David Beckham's boots for new boots
- \rightarrow art \rightarrow ascribing \rightarrow activating objects -
- Superstitions - green and upturn shoes - bad luck to the house.
- Festing superstitions.
- The narrative activates the object -
- Superstition - symbolic \rightarrow what if?
- (mind) - projects onto objects
- arrangements - gravity linked
- The objects are removed from the idea
- controlling objects - protective
- Sports + superstitions:
getting ready in the right order - routine -

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- 4 leaf clover in his shoe.
- Duchamp's SS c's of air - narrative attached to the air -
- narrative activating an object.
- fictitious + objects.
- objects free you
- object tie you down
- all in your mind what these objects do.
- meaning / value attached to objects,
- losing + finding objects - reinvigorate them?
- objects accrue meaning
• Ryan Gander
Plates brought back from Greece now what to do with them



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- fetishism: - generate it
we make it
- do artists do this well?
- there's more to it than this.
- "Jimmy Saville" - the unluckiest thing
to say when canoeing
- conceptualism - how far removed
can the unfortunate outcome
be from the superstition?