

SATURDAY 19 JANUARY 2008**SAT 00:00 News and Weather (b008pclj)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b008p61v)

I Found my Horn

Episode 5

I Found My Horn: Nicholas Boulton reads from Jasper Rees's account of resuming his horn-playing after 22 years. Abridged by Penny Leicester (5/5).

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pckl)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pcli)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pctm)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b008pcn)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b008pcpl)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Johnston McKay.

SAT 05:45 Songs Everlasting (b007yp4m)

Series 1

Bugeilio'r Gwenith Gwyn

Bryn Terfel explores iconic Welsh songs. 3/3: Bugeilio'r Gwenith Gwyn. This 18th-century folk song describes the love affair between Wil Hopcyn and Ann Thomas, Maid of Cefn Ydfa.

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b008pcqw)

The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SAT 06:04 Weather (b008pcqw)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b008pcqx)

Countryside magazine. Helen Mark visits the Dumfriesshire town of Sanquhar. She goes dog sledding and hears of Robbie Burns's close association with the town.

SAT 06:35 Farming Today This Week (b008pcqy)

Rural magazine programme.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b008pcqz)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b008pcr0)

With Sarah Montague and John Humphrys. Including Yesterday in Parliament at 7.20am; Sports Desk at 7.25am, 8.25am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am; Weather at 7.57am.

SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b008pcr1)

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Presenter Fi Glover is joined by Nitin Sawhney.

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b008pcr2)

Congo Brazzaville - Blind Travel

CONGO BRAZZAVILLE AND BLIND TRAVEL

The Republic of Congo, often called Congo Brazzaville to distinguish it from its neighbour the Democratic Republic of Congo on the southern side of the Congo River, is a country not much visited by tourists.

Despite a civil war ending as the new century started, peace has brought little in the way of infrastructure for visitors and it is only intrepid travellers who venture up the rivers to observe the wildlife like forest elephants, gorillas and chimpanzees.

John McCarthy talks to two women this week on Excess

Baggage who have had very different experiences of this fascinating but little known land. One is an aid worker involved in humanitarian relief in the wake of the war and the other, one of the first tourists to visit the reserves that have now been set up to conserve the local wildlife.

John also meets the man behind a travel company which links up the visually impaired with sighted partners to go on trips to far flung destinations. Once there they experience activities that appeal to the senses other than sight: cooking, dancing, music and more active pastimes like para-gliding and sky jumping – as well forming bonds that last much longer than the holiday.

SAT 10:30 Scrum Down? (b008pcr3)

John Inverdale investigates the dark area of the rugby scrum and asks whether it should be abolished for health and safety reasons.

SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b008pcr4)

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Jackie Ashley.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b008pcr5)

BBC foreign correspondents with the stories behind the world's headlines. Introduced by Kate Adie.

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b008pcr6)

Paul Lewis with the latest news from the world of personal finance plus advice for those trying to make the most of their money.

SAT 12:30 The News Quiz (b008p6b9)

Series 64

Episode 2

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz. Panellists are Fred Macaulay, Jeremy Hardy, Francis Wheen and Phill Jupitus.

SAT 12:57 Weather (b008pcr7)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News Headlines (b008pcr8)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b008p6bb)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs a topical discussion from Ashtead, Surrey. Panellists include David Steel, Frank Field, Francis Maude and Mary Beard.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b008pcr9)

Listeners' calls and emails in response to this week's edition of Any Questions? Call 08700 100 444 [calls from land lines cost no more than 8p a minute].

SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b008pcrb)

The Tennis Court

By Jonathan Smith

Sam and Arthur Greenwood confide in each other about everything. But in 1943 Sam is posted to India with the 14th Army while his brother, a haemophiliac, remains at home in Kent. In April 1944 the Japanese Army surround the British forces in the small hilltop town of Kohima and, as the two sides face each other across the tennis court at the back of the Deputy District Commissioner's bungalow, Sam is haunted by a secret he has not shared with Arthur.

Sam Dan Stevens
Arthur Jot Davies
Mother Celia Imrie
Lettie Jasmine Hyde
Pearce Thomas Arnold
Penny Cressida Trew
Tom Martin T. Sherman

Producer/director: Bruce Young.

SAT 15:30 Soul Music (b008nz60)

Series 6

Finlandia

Jean Sibelius's glorious orchestral work was adopted by the Finnish people as a symbol of its fight for independence from Russia, and well over 100 years later it is still regarded as Finland's second national anthem.

Its popularity is international, both in orchestral form and also in shorter form as the Finlandia Hymn.

Featuring Sibelius's great-grandson Jaakko Ilves and conductor John Storgards.

Series about music that makes the hairs stand up on the back of our necks.

Producer: Karen Gregor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b008pcrc)

Highlights of this week's Woman's Hour programmes with Jane Garvey.

SAT 17:00 Saturday PM (b008pcrn)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news, plus the sports headlines.

SAT 17:30 Tracing Your Roots (b0089j4v)

Series 2

Episode 5

4/4. Sally Magnusson presents a series exploring the practice of researching family history. Resident genealogist Nick Barratt offers insider tips and ideas.

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b008pctq)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b008pctq)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008pcr)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b008pcrs)

An eclectic mix of conversation, comedy and music. Peter Curran is in the chair with Paul McKenna. Guests include Timothy West, Susannah York, Emma Freud and Jocelyn Jee Esien.

SAT 19:00 Profile (b008pcrt)

Daniel Day-Lewis

Profile of one of Britain's leading actors, Daniel Day-Lewis, who has just won a Golden Globe for his portrayal of a ruthless oil prospector in There Will Be Blood.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b008pcrv)

Chris Rock – No Apologies, Stephen King's Duma Key, No Country For Old Men

No Country For Old Men

The latest blood soaked film from the Coen brothers: an adaptation of Cormack McCarthy's book No Country for Old Men.

Duma Key

Stephen King's latest novel uncovers the strange powers of Edgar Freemantle, who lost an arm and gained a bad limp after a building site accident. His post traumatic rages cause his wife to leave him so he goes to Florida and takes up painting. His paintings, however, seem to make things happen.

Duma Key is published by Hodder and Stoughton

Afrika! Afrika!

This circus spectacular draws on the talents of performers from all across the continent and the African diaspora.

Afrika! Afrika! continues at the former Millennium Dome, now called the O2, and runs until 19 April

Scenes from a Marriage

Trevor Nunn's production of Ingmar Bergman's play, which explores why a man and wife once happy to be married to each other start to long for separate lives.

Scenes from a Marriage runs at the Belgrade Theatre in

Coventry until 2 February

Chris Rock – No Apologies

The low down on the American stand up comic.

SAT 20:00 The Archive Hour (b0076zt4)

Same Time, Same Place, Next Year

Malcolm Taylor, the English Folk Dance and Song Society's librarian, follows archivist Doc Rowe, who has been returning to the same places at the same time for more than 40 years to record, photograph and film annual events such as the Obby Osses dancing through the streets of Padstow on May Day, the Burry Man of South Queensferry on the second Friday in August and the building of the Penny Hedge in Whitby on Ascension Eve.

SAT 21:00 Edith Wharton - The Age of Innocence (b008nec3)

Episode 2

Despite Newland Archer's marriage to May, he is still obsessed with thoughts of Ellen Olenska.

Conclusion of Edith Wharton's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel about a passionate life-long love affair which breaks all the rules of the restrictive high society of 1870's New York.

Newland Archer Ryan McCluskey
Ellen Olenska Susan Lynch
May Welland ... Kellie Bright
Augusta Welland Lorelei King
Sillerton Jackson/Riviere Kerry Shale
Julius Beaufort Conrad Nelson
Lawrence Martin T Sherman

Dramatised by Jane Rogers.

Director: Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b008pctw)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SAT 22:15 Moral Maze (b008nzwq)

Michael Buerk chairs a debate on the moral questions behind the week's news. Melanie Phillips, Ian Hargreaves, Claire Fox and Clifford Longley cross-examine witnesses.

SAT 23:00 The Garden Quiz (b008nw9w)

Episode 2

Anna Ford chairs a quiz to find the best all-round amateur garden expert in the country.

SAT 23:30 Poetry Please (b008nec5)

The readers are Bonnie Hurren and John Mackay

Clock a Clay by John Clare
From: The Faber Book of Beasts
Publ: Faber

Buzzard by Matthew Barton
Overall winner of the BBC Wildlife Magazine Poetry Competition

The God of Love by George MacBeth
From: Selected Poems
Publ: Enitharmon Press

Bats by Jennifer Heath-Brown
Winner of the 12-14 year old category in the BBC Wildlife Magazine Poetry Competition

A Narrow Fellow in the Grass by Emily Dickinson
From: The Rattle Bag
Publ: faber

Snake by DH Lawrence
From: The Love Poems of DH Lawrence
Publ: Kyle Cathie Ltd

The Horses of Meaning by Eiléan Ní Chuilleanáin
From: The Girl Who Married the Reindeer
Publ: Gallery Press

The Fish by Elizabeth Bishop
From: Complete Poems
Publ: Chatto & Windus

The Starlings in George Square by Edwin Morgan
From: Collected Poems
Publ: Carcanet

Flying Crooked by Robert Graves
From: Collected Poems
Publ: Cassell

SUNDAY 20 JANUARY 2008**SUN 00:00 News and Weather (b008pdq3)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SUN 00:30 Shorts (b0076x77)

Series 6

The Dizzy

Stories from Scottish writers. 2/5: The Dizzy, by Patrick Prior. A young man realises his date isn't coming and decides to take matters into his own hands. Read by John Kieilty.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pdq4)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pdq5)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pdq6)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b008pdq7)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b008pdq8)

The sound of church bells from St Mary's in Ilmington, Warwickshire.

SUN 05:45 Profile (b008pctt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b008pdq9)

The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b008pdqb)

The Good, the Bad and the Dirty

The Good, the Bad and the Dirty: Mark Tully meditates on the realities and contradictions of our relationship with dirt. Are our attitudes to dirt innate or culturally determined?

SUN 06:35 On Your Farm (b008pdqc)

Country magazine. Caz Graham visits a halibut farmer in Scotland, who once set up a fish farm in the Iraqi desert.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b008pdqd)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b008pdqf)

The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b008pdqg)

Roger Bolton and guests discuss the religious and ethical news of the week.

SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b008pdqh)

Archbishop Desmond Tutu appeals on behalf of Tools for Self Reliance. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

SUN 07:58 Weather (b008pdqj)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b008pdqk)

The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b008pdql)

A service marking the centenary of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity from the Church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs, Cambridge.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b008p6bc)

A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Prof David Cannadine.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b008pdqm)

News and conversation about the big stories of the week.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b008pdqn)

The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 Desert Island Discs (b008pdqp)

Rory Stewart

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is the former diplomat, traveller and writer, Rory Stewart. His life has been part establishment convention, part wild adventure. He went to Eton, Oxford and then joined the Foreign Office, but along the way spent part of his childhood running wild in the jungles of Malaysia. He was based in Kosovo during the Nato campaign and, at the age of 29, turned up in Iraq and volunteered to help in the rebuilding work. He ended up running one of the provinces. He remains fiercely critical of the war and has written a well-received book about his experiences there.

The event that has changed his outlook on life was the decision he made to walk 6,000 miles across Asia. It took the best part of two years and throughout the journey he relied on the hospitality of villagers to give him food and shelter. Now he spends most of his time in Kabul where he has set up a charity to support traditional Afghan crafts, but he says his next move is to return to Britain where he wants to understand more about how our society works and attempt, he says, to 'normalise' himself.

[Taken from the original programme material for this archive edition of Desert Island Discs]

Favourite track: Die Forelle by Franz Schubert

Book: A parallel text of the Bhagvad Gita

Luxury: A ceramic bowl from the village of Istalif in Afghanistan.

SUN 12:00 Just a Minute (b008ny1h)

Series 52

Episode 2

Nicholas Parsons chairs the devious word game from Stratford-upon-Avon. Panellists are Gyles Brandreth, Clement Freud, Graham Norton and Phill Jupitus.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b008pdqq)

Iconic Brands

Every store cupboard has them, staples like Heinz Tomato Ketchup, Colman's Mustard, Lea & Perrins, Marmite and Tate & Lyle's Golden Syrup that are a 'must have' for even the most prestigious chef. The Food Programme' examines the enduring appeal and versatility of these iconic brands - all of which have provided essential culinary support for over a hundred years.

Sheila Dillon talks to social historian, Christina Hardymont, author of Slice of Life: the British Way of Eating since 1945 about the background of some of these brands.

She also visits Lea & Perrins factory in Worcester and talks to Tony Deaking, company archivist and to Quality manager, Jenny Cope.

Sheila talks to Sue Fudge at Fudges Bakery in Stalbridge in Dorset to view production of savoury biscuits and flapjacks that incorporate some of the branded products.

Food writer, cook and journalist Nigel Slater, along with chef and food writer, Paul Hartley joins Sheila in the studio to taste some of the biscuits and to sample some recipes prepared by Paul and drawn from Paul's recipe books that incorporate the branded products.

SUN 12:57 Weather (b008pdqr)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b008pdqs)

A look at events around the world.

SUN 13:30 Are Horoscopes Rubbish? (b0084cy8)

Ian McMillan looks at horoscopes and their popularity. Why are we still enraptured with the thought that our destiny is planned out in the heavens, even when nobody believes it?

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b008pdqt)

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum. Anne Swithinbank, Bob Flowerdew and Bunny Guinness are guests of Kingston Horticultural Society in Surrey.

SUN 14:45 Wide Awake at Bedtime (b008pf5c)
Episode 3

During a nocturnal visit to the Eureka! Museum for Children in Halifax, the programme investigates a giant brain.

SUN 15:00 Saturday Drama (b008tnsp)
That Uncertain Feeling

Kingsley Amis's satire on life and culture in a Welsh seaside town in the 1950s presents a portrait of married life which is as sharp and funny today as when it was written.

SUN 16:00 Open Book (b008pf5f)

Eoin Colfer, Novels in translation, Books about China, and Public School Novels

Eoin Colfer

Mariella talks to the children's novelist Eoin Colfer, author of the bestselling Artemis Fowl series. His new book, Airman, set in an alternative history on a fictional island kingdom off the coast of Ireland, tells the story of a boy who learns to fly. Eoin tells Mariella about his interest in early science fiction, and reveals how he uses his books to settle childhood scores with his brothers.

Novels in translation

This week, more than 500 literary figures put their signatures to a letter protesting about Arts Council England's decision to cut funding to two small publishers specialising in foreign literature in translation. Mariella is joined by Tom Tivnan of The Bookseller to find out why publishing translated fiction is such an expensive business, and discuss whether public funding is the way forward.

The Reading Clinic

The journalist and author Jonathan Fenby offers some recommendations of novels and non-fiction to a teenage reader interested in books about China.

Public School Novels

Open Book looks at the history of the public school novel, from the birth of the genre in the 1850s to the present day, talking to Peter Kemp and Gregory Norminton, whose new book, Serious Things, is a dark thriller set in a fictional boys' boarding school.

SUN 16:30 Poetry Please (b008pf5g)

The Master Speed by Robert Frost
From: The Poetry of Robert Frost
Publ: Cape

Rising Five by Norman Nicholson

From: Selected Poems 1940-1982
Publ: faber and faber

Fingers in the Door by David Holbrook

From: The New Poetry
Publ: Penguin

The Dreaming Bean by Katherine Pierpoint

From: Truffle Beds
Publ: faber and faber

Recipe for a Salad by Reverend Sydney Smith.

From: The Faber Book of Useful Verse
Publ: faber and faber

I Remember, I Remember by Thomas Hood

From: Everyman's Book of Evergreen Verse
Publ: Everyman

I See You Dancing, Father by Brendan Kennelly

From: Familiar Strangers
Publ: Bloodaxe Books

His Father, Singing by Leslie Norris

From: Collected Poems
Publ: seren

Poem by Hugh Sykes-Davies

From: English and American Surrealist Poetry
Publ: Penguin

The Way Through the Woods by Rudyard Kipling

From: The Definitive edition of Kipling's Verse
Publ: Hodder & Stoughton

Getting Older by Elaine Feinstein

From: Collected Poems and Translations
Publ: Carcanet

The Bath by Harry Graham

From: A Century of Humorous Verse 1850-1950
Publ: J.M. Dent & Sons Ltd

The Confirmation by Edwin Muir

From: Collected Poems

Publ: faber and faber

So Many Different Lengths of Time by Brian Patten

From: armada
Publ: Flamingo

SUN 17:00 Ball and Chains (b008nz65)

Henry Bonsu investigates the growing numbers of young African footballers who are lured to Europe by unscrupulous clubs and agents, only to find themselves exploited and discarded.

SUN 17:40 Profile (b008pctt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b008pf5h)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b008pf5j)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008pf5k)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b008pf5l)

Clare Balding presents a selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b008pf5m)

Taylor sees Jamie outside April Cottage. Jamie recognises him as "Owen" and innocently chats away, even telling him that Kenton has moved in. Taylor knows there's nobody home right now and tries hard to persuade Jamie to let him in, insisting it'll be a nice surprise for Kathy. Jamie senses something's wrong and feels frightened. Just as Taylor gets more forceful, Elizabeth drives by and sees what's going on. Without hesitation, she jumps out and whisks Jamie into her car, telling Taylor not to come near her.

Joe hears that Nigel has bought a hay wagon and comes to offer him the benefit of his experience. Nigel's just telling Kathy about it when Elizabeth turns up with Jamie and explains what's happened. Seeing the panic in Kathy, Jamie guesses this is the man she's helping to put in prison. Nigel looks after Jamie while Elizabeth and Kathy call the police. Elizabeth knows how awful it is, but feels at least the police will know he really is stalking Kathy. Kathy's just mortified that Taylor got so close to Jamie. Kathy knows that Kenton will do his best to protect them both, but she knows how warped Taylor is, and wishes the police knew where he was.

Episode written by Adrian Flynn.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b008pf5n)

Barney Harwood presents the children's magazine. He talks to children from Essex who gave writer Ben Myers ideas for his new book. David McFetridge visits Live Theatre in Newcastle.

SUN 19:45 More Untold Stories (b007718r)

Thora Hird

Alan Bennett reads extracts from Untold Stories, his book of essays and diaries. 1/4: Thora Hird. Alan describes a radio monologue he wrote and recorded for the much-loved actress.

SUN 20:00 Feedback (b008p6b5)

Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b008p6b7)

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b008pcr6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b008pdqh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 In Business (b008p50n)

All Join In

All Join In: Social networks such as Facebook, LinkedIn, Bebo

and YouTube are revolutionising the way people use the internet. Peter Day asks how businesses need to respond.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b008pf5p)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b008pf5q)

Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including at 1 0.45pm Politically Charged.

SUN 23:00 Final Curtain (b00777bb)

John Godber takes a last look around Bretton Hall College in West Yorkshire. The college, which specialised in arts in education, closed this summer.

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b008pdqb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 21 JANUARY 2008

MON 00:00 News and Weather (b008pqq6)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b008nzwp)

Wealthy Irish and Sandwiches

WEALTHY IRISH AND SANDWICHES

The Republic of Ireland has experienced enormous change since 1970, change which has brought an almost completely unexpected wave of prosperity. Ireland used to be a poor country but according to the Bank of Ireland there are now 30,000 Euro millionaires – that in a population of only 5 million. This week Laurie explores how the culture of Ireland has been affected by this change of fortunes and will be asking what it did in order to let the good times roll in. The historian Roy Foster has said that after centuries of misfortune, the Irish finally got lucky. He, along with the Financial Times Ireland Correspondent, John Murray Brown discuss the wealth of the Irish.

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b008pdq8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pqq7)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pqq8)

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MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pqq9)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b008pqqb)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b008pqf3)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Johnston McKay.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b008pqgc)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

MON 05:57 Weather (b008pqgd)

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b008pqgf)

With Edward Stourton and James Naughtie. Including Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.5 7am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b008pqk6)

Andrew Marr sets the cultural agenda for the week. Guests include David King, until recently the government's Chief Scientific Adviser.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b008qlzq)

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby

Episode 1

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby. Peggy Orenstein's account of her long journey to motherhood (1/5).

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b008psvf)

Escaping a Cult; Author Xiaolu Guo; Expert Witnesses

Carolyn Jessop's true story of escaping from a radical cult. Plus, author Xiaolu Guo on growing up in communist China, and can experts in child protection cases get it wrong?

MON 11:00 The Divine Detective (b008psw4)

Tom Mangold visits Newark, New Jersey, where he meets a presbyterian minister and self-ordained seeker of justice.

MON 11:30 The Stanley Baxter Playhouse (b008psw5)

Series 2

Flying Down to Greenock

Series of comic plays starring Stanley Baxter.

By Michael Chaplin.

A centenarian Glaswegian, making his first ever flight, remembers life during the blitz over Clyde-side.

James Stanley Baxter
Isabel Patricia Kerrigan

Directed by Marilyn Imrie.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b008ptgk)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and Peter White.

MON 12:57 Weather (b008ptgl)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b008ptgm)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

MON 13:30 The Garden Quiz (b008ptgn)

Episode 3

Anna Ford chairs a quiz to find the best all-round amateur garden expert in the country.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b008pf5m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b008ptgp)

Unexpected Vonnegut: Who Am I This Time?

Unexpected Vonnegut: Who Am I This Time? Adaptation of Kurt Vonnegut's short story about a shy office worker who lives his life through the characters he plays as an amateur actor.

MON 15:00 Money Box Live (b008ptml)

Vincent Duggleby and guests answer calls on financial issues. Listeners can call 08700 100 444 from 1.30pm until 3.30pm [calls from land lines cost no more than 8p a minute].

MON 15:30 Original Shorts (b008pvmt)

Series 3

Dad's Chair

New short stories by well-known authors.

Rob Green's compelling tale of an eccentric family bereavement.

Read by Nicholas Lyndhurst.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 15:45 Backstreet Business (b008pvmv)

Episode 1

Nicola Heywood Thomas visits small businesses.

Situated on an estate in Cardiff, Deryck Howell's company produces survival equipment, tested in the world's toughest conditions.

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b008pdqq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

MON 16:30 Beyond Belief (b008pwdd)

Ernie Rea explores the place of faith in today's world, teasing out the hidden and often contradictory truths behind the experiences, values and traditions of our lives.

MON 17:00 PM (b008qqhx)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including at 5.57pm Weather.

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008qqhy)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

MON 18:30 Just a Minute (b008pwj6)

Series 52

Episode 3

Nicholas Parsons chairs the devious word game from King's Lynn. Panellists are Gyles Brandreth, Janey Godley, Tony Hawks and Kit Hesketh-Harvey.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b008px3k)

Carl's surveying the potential biodigester site. It's going well. Carl's ready to move on to Brookfield with David when Eddie appears and does his best to discover what's going on.

As Kenton drops Jamie at The Bull, Kathy keeps herself busy at home. Seeing Eddie outside gives her an opportunity to take the rubbish out, and to ask him about Clarrie's keep fit classes. But Eddie's in a hurry and drives off just as Kathy steps outside, unaware that Taylor's waiting in the bushes. Kathy panics as Taylor grabs her and calmly declares that he knows she's all alone. He gets more and more threatening but to Kathy's relief Kenton returns just as Taylor's insisting Kathy makes a phone call to say she'd made everything up. As Kathy cries out to Kenton, Taylor makes a run for it, with Kenton chasing after him.

Taylor gives Kenton the slip but hands himself in at Borchester police station. He admits confronting Kathy and they arrest him. Kathy knows Taylor's being clever by giving himself up but, as she re-lives her ordeal, she realises how nasty it could have been. Kenton holds her tightly and assures her she's safe. Taylor can't touch her now.

Episode written by Adrian Flynn.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b008px3l)

Arts news and reviews with John Wilson.

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b008px3m)

A Concise Chinese-English Dictionary for Lovers

Episode 1

...Dictionary for Lovers. Xiaolu Guo's romantic comedy. 1/5: When Zhuang Xiao Qiao arrives in London to study English she finds herself lonely and confused in the big foreign city.

MON 20:00 Document (b008px3n)

Operation Safe Haven

Operation Safe Haven: In 1948, a representative of the airline KLM asked Swiss police to ease travel restrictions for Germans travelling to Argentina. Mike Thomson investigates.

MON 20:30 The Learning Curve (b008px3p)

Libby Purves presents a guide to the world of learning, with practical advice, features and listeners' views.

MON 21:00 Fascinating Deaths (b0076xtp)

The West Runton Elephant

The West Runton Elephant: Jessica Holm investigates the mysterious death of a mammoth about 700,000 years ago on the Norfolk coast.

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b008pqk6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b008py07)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b008py08)

National and international news with Ritula Shah. Including reports on the falls in stock markets around the world, the Gaza blockade, and the lure of independent publishers.

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b008py09)

The Truth Commissioner

Episode 1

The Truth Commissioner: By David Park, abridged by Neville Teller. 1/10: Following the South African model, a Truth Commissioner is appointed to the new Northern Ireland.

MON 23:00 Quote... Unquote (b008v9w8)

Nigel Rees exchanges quotations and anecdotes with guests. The reader is Peter Jefferson.

MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b008py0b)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Sean Curran.

TUESDAY 22 JANUARY 2008**TUE 00:00 News and Weather (b008pjlp)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b008qlzq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pqf4)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pqf5)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pqf6)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b008pqf7)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b008pqf8)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Johnston McKay.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b008pqf9)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

TUE 06:00 Today (b008pqfb)

With Sarah Montague and James Naughtie. Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Yesterday in Parliament at 6.45am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

TUE 09:00 The City: Is the Party Over? (b008pyp9)

Greg Wood reports on the effect of the credit crunch on the City. Is the party over for one of Britain's major industries, and will the rest of the nation pick up the bill?

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b008qnkl)

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby

Episode 2

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby. Peggy Orenstein's account of her long journey to motherhood (2/5).

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b008prpk)

Simone de Beauvoir

Feminists Michele Roberts and Kate Smurthwaite discuss the legacy of Simone de Beauvoir. They are joined by close friend Claudine Monteil and French journalist Agnes Poirier.

TUE 11:00 A Life With ... (b0076zqf)

Series 3

Fruit Fly

Julian Hector visits New York to meet fruit fly expert Max Levitan, whose long-term studies reveal indicators of how a species can adapt to changes in climate conditions.

TUE 11:30 Zine Scene (b008pygw)
Episode 2

Jarvis Cocker explores the history of fanzines, small publications designed and produced by devotees of popular phenomena.

He looks at contemporary DIY publications, including a comic strip diary from Brighton called Morgenmuffel and the regional-based zines Mercy and Go! Zinemakers and historians, including Dave Haslam, Liz Naylor, Roger Sabin and Teal Triggs, explain the survival of paper-based fanzines in the age of the internet.

TUE 12:00 Call You and Yours (b008pt3q)
Consumer news and issues with John Waite and Peter White.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b008pt3r)
The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b008pt3s)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

TUE 13:30 Soul Music (b008pygx)
Series 6

Tainted Love

Originally a Motown song written by Ed Cobb and recorded by Gloria Jones, Tainted Love became famous on the UK's Northern Soul scene in the late 1970s.

It was heard by Marc Almond and Dave Ball who later became Soft Cell, and recorded a classic version.

Featuring:

Mark Ravenhill
Peter Christopherson
Ray Harris
Russ Winstanley
Alan King
Dave Ball
Mike Thorne
Danny McNamara
Nev Fountain

Series about pieces of music with a powerful emotional impact.

Producer: Sara Conkey

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b008px3k)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 Drama (b00771h2)
The Scarlet Pimpernel of the Vatican

The Scarlet Pimpernel of the Vatican: Robin Glendinning's drama explores the remarkable post-war friendship that developed between a Nazi war criminal and a Vatican priest.

TUE 15:00 Home Planet (b008pzg4)
Richard Daniel and the team discuss listeners' questions about the natural world and our impact on it.

TUE 15:30 Original Shorts (b008pvmw)
Series 3

Blue Afternoon

New short stories by well-known authors.

Julia Stoneham's moving account of an uneasy sibling relationship, brought to an unusual conclusion in Manhattan.

Read by Martin Jarvis.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 15:45 Backstreet Business (b00d5w3g)
Episode 2

Nicola Heywood Thomas visits small businesses.

In the Cotswolds village of Long Compton, David Law is part of a network of off-the-beaten-track companies creating beautiful musical instruments.

TUE 16:00 Law in Action (b008pzg5)
Clive Coleman takes his weekly look at the legal issues in the news.

TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b008pzg6)
Series 14

Katherine Mansfield

Series of biographical discussions with Matthew Parris.

6/7. Children's author Jacqueline Wilson nominates short story writer Katherine Mansfield for greatness. She is joined by biographer Prof Angela Smith to assess the impact of Mansfield's brilliant but tragically short career.

TUE 17:00 PM (b008pwgg)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including at 5.57pm Weather.

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008pwgh)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

TUE 18:30 Miranda Hart's House Party (b008pzg7)
Episode 4

Miranda Hart serves up a cocktail of stand-up, sketches, song and dance, aided and abetted by Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Bridget Christie and Kim Wall.

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b008pwmm)
Lilian takes Jack round the shoot but he's having a bad day and Lilian realises how difficult he can be.

Bert's got time on his hands. Ruth wonders what he's up to but it seems he just needs to talk something over with David. He's concerned that Freda's piling on the pounds and he thinks she should join Clarrie's slimming club when it starts. But he really wants to quiz David over the chap he saw him talking to yesterday. Realising this is Bert's aim, David quickly dismisses it as unimportant.

Nic wishes Will could come shopping but his afternoon off was cancelled due to Thursday's shoot. He offered her some money but she insisted she was fine. With the children now in bed, she wants to talk about money, and get an arrangement sorted out. She tells Will how she's tried to get the children fixed up from charity shops, and when Will tells her that's not necessary, she's relieved to hear him say they need a proper system. But it's not quite what she was expecting. Will's system is simple; if she needs money all she has to do is ask. Nic hides her disappointment.

Episode written by Adrian Flynn.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b008pwmm)
Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including news of the Oscar nominations which are announced today.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b008pwmp)
A Concise Chinese-English Dictionary for Lovers

Episode 2

...Dictionary for Lovers. Xiaolu Guo's romantic comedy. 2/5: Z's lonely life in London changes when she is captivated by the smile of an Englishman.

TUE 20:00 File on 4 (b008pzg8)
Lord Laming's inquiry into the death of Victoria Climbié and subsequent report called for a major reform of the way child abuse cases are handled, but how much has changed?

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b008pzg9)
Peter White with news and information for the blind and partially sighted.

TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b008pzgb)
Metabolic Syndrome

Dr Mark Porter investigates health issues of the day. He looks

at Metabolic Syndrome, which can be a precursor to diabetes and heart disease.

TUE 21:30 The City: Is the Party Over? (b008pyp9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 21:58 Weather (b008px4y)
The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b008px4z)
National and international news with Ritula Shah. Including reports on interest rate cuts in America, Israeli action in Gaza and David Shukman on the fear of flooding in Tuvalu.

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b008pxzp)
The Truth Commissioner

Episode 2

The Truth Commissioner: By David Park, abridged by Neville Teller. 2/10: Truth Commissioner Henry Stanfield is surprised to learn that a witness knows his estranged daughter Emma.

TUE 23:00 Hopes and Desires (b00773tc)
Series 2

Battersea Triangle

By Michael Butt. When Dougie meets the passive and adoring India, his problems seem to be over. Or are they just beginning?

TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b008pxzq)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Susan Hulme.

WEDNESDAY 23 JANUARY 2008

WED 00:00 News and Weather (b008pjlq)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b008qnkl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pqfc)
The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pqfd)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pqff)
The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b008pqfg)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b008pqfh)
Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Johnston McKay.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b008pqfj)
News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

WED 06:00 Today (b008pqfk)
With John Humphrys and James Naughtie. Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Yesterday in Parliament at 6.45am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

WED 09:00 Midweek (b008pzl8)
Lively and diverse conversation.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b008qnk5)
Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby

Episode 3

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to

Have a Baby. Peggy Orenstein's account of her long journey to motherhood (3/5).

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b008prpl)
Time Off Work to Care; Haifa Zangana; Author Tess Gerritsen

How open are employers to staff arranging work around their adult caring responsibilities? Plus, Haifa Zangana on imprisonment in Iraq, and author Tess Gerritsen on childhood fever.

WED 11:00 Random Edition (b008pzp1)
The Glasgow Herald, January 4, 1936.

Peter Snow presents a history series in which the stories are provided by archive newspapers.

Charles Lindbergh arrives in the UK, searching for peace and quiet in the aftermath of the murder of his son. Two Cape of Good Hope stamps incorrectly coloured fetch an unheard-of sum at an auction. In Australia, a campaigning society has petitioned federal Prime Minister Joseph Lyons concerning the appalling treatment of aboriginal peoples in police custody.

WED 11:30 Clare in the Community (b008pzyz)
Series 4

A Game Of Two Slavs

The overbearing social worker gets boyfriend Brian caught up in a hostage situation! Starring Sally Phillips. From January 2008.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b008pt3t)
Consumer news and issues with Sheila McLennon and John Waite.

WED 12:57 Weather (b008pt3v)
The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b008pt3w)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

WED 13:30 Quote... Unquote (b008v7f1)
Nigel Rees exchanges quotations and anecdotes with guests. The reader is Peter Jefferson.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b008pwmm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b008pzz1)
In a Bamboo Grove

In a Bamboo Grove: Judith Adams's dramatisation of the famous short story by Japanese author Ryunosuke Akutagawa. There are three very different accounts of a violent death.

WED 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b008pdqt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Sunday]

WED 15:30 Original Shorts (b008pvmx)
Series 3

Sarah

New short stories by well-known authors.

Actress Gemma Jones reads her own heartfelt story of an impoverished young 1880s farm girl who lives a surprising fantasy life.

WED 15:45 Backstreet Business (b008pxsy)
Episode 3

Nicola Heywood Thomas visits five small businesses. Byron George of Llanelli repairs false teeth in a workshop attached to his house.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b008q04k)
Culture of Apocalypse -Politics of the Veil

CULTURES OF APOCALYPSE
A CNN Poll found that 20% of Americans – nearly 60 million people - believe the Apocalypse will take place in their lifetime. In his new book *Have a Nice Doomsday: Why Millions of Americans Are Looking Forward to the End of the*

World, Nicholas Guyatt claims that the growing constituency of Apocalyptic Christians have influenced American Foreign Policy, particularly in the Middle East; and also suggests that we should worry because the 'end of days' is not something they wish to avoid, but something they positively welcome. Laurie Taylor is joined by Nicholas Guyatt and religious commentator Martin Palmer to debate the issue.

POLITICS OF THE VEIL

In March 2004, after fifteen years of debate over the wearing of the hijab, all 'conspicuous' signs of religious affiliation were outlawed in French public schools. The Government claimed that it had done so in order to protect the secularism upon which the French Republic was based and to integrate Muslims into French society. A number of the law's supporters saw the headscarf, or the "veil" as it came to be called, as a means of oppression and believed the legislation would emancipate the girls from an Islamic patriarchal imposition. But Joan Wallach Scott in her book *Politics of the Veil* claims that the controversy over the wearing of the veil in France is due to the country's failure to integrate its former colonial subjects as full citizens. Professor Wallach Scott argues that the outlawing of the veil in public schools in France was a racist act and merely a means of avoiding the real issues facing modern France's multicultural society.

WED 16:30 Case Notes (b008pzgb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 17:00 PM (b008pwgj)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at 5.57pm.

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008pwgk)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

WED 18:30 Bleak Expectations (b00d7jpx)
Series 1

A Youth Utterly Crooked

Young Pip must thwart his evil guardian's plans. Mark Evans's Dickensian spoof stars Richard Johnson. From August 2007.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b008pwmq)
Jill's been unsuccessful in getting all the specific ingredients Phil wants for his authentic oriental meal, and things are hotting up in the kitchen. Kenton and Kathy have cried off due to Kathy's illness. Elizabeth tells David it's just a bug and is grateful to Nigel for changing the subject when David tells her Ruth thinks it might be more serious. Everyone makes an effort to assure Phil the meal was good. Phil knows it was far from his best but blames it on the wrong ingredients.

After another productive meeting with Annabelle, Matt suggests a drink after work to update her on the skylark problem. He tells her how he impressed Pip with his plans to do something positive for the skylarks, and how eager she was to be on the team monitoring this year's plots for skylarks. Annabelle tells him that's not enough but he assures her he's got more up his sleeve.

Lilian's not happy when Matt strolls in late, stinking of wine. He insists he's been talking business all evening but Lilian wants to know who with. He's totally evasive but finally admits that Annabelle was around briefly. But that's all he's revealing - he's got another full day tomorrow so now he wants to get to sleep.

Episode written by Adrian Flynn.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b008pwmr)
Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including a reassessment of the life and work of Herbert von Karajan as the centenary of the maestro's birth approaches.

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b008pwms)
A Concise Chinese-English Dictionary for Lovers

Episode 3

...Dictionary for Lovers. Xiaolu Guo's romantic comedy. 3/5: Z enters a new world of sex, freedom and self-discovery but, separated by a language barrier, there are difficulties.

WED 20:00 Moral Maze (b008q04l)
Michael Buerk chairs a debate on the moral questions behind the week's news. Ian Hargreaves, Claire Fox, Michael Portillo and Clifford Longley cross-examine witnesses.

WED 20:45 Politically Charged (b008q04m)
The Spycatcher Trial

Clive Anderson recalls dramatic legal cases which caused controversy and left their mark on politics, the law and the individuals involved. 1/3: The Spycatcher Trial.

WED 21:00 Inside Intuition (b007w2w3)
"The only real, valuable, thing is intuition" was not the advice of an agony aunt or New Age guru, but Albert Einstein. But what is intuition and when should we use it?

Neuroscientist and intuition sceptic Dr Mark Lythgoe, tries to find out where these 'gut feelings' come from.

Mark's journey takes him to Bingham Farmer's Market, near Nottingham, for a jam tasting experiment and into a London wine bar, for an evening of speed dating.

Contributors:

David Myers
Tony O'Hagan
Eugene Sadler-Smith
Jeremy Lewis
Sarah McCarthy
Professor Richard Wiseman
Tammy Van Der Merwe
Jon Smith

Producer: Michelle Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2007.

WED 21:30 Midweek (b008pzl8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b008px50)
The latest weather forecast.

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b008px51)
News and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including reports on new EU limits for carbon emissions, keeping the lights on in South Africa and the problems of governing Italy.

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b008pxzr)
The Truth Commissioner

Episode 3

The Truth Commissioner: By David Park, abridged by Neville Teller. 3/10: Henry is dealing with the disappearance of Connor Walshe, but finds that Emma has an interest in the case.

WED 23:00 The Eliza Stories (b0077147)
Series 2

Eliza Returns

By Barry Pain, adapted by Jonathan Dryden Taylor. 1/4: Eliza Returns. Eliza's husband remembers the days when he was instructing his playful young wife in the ways of the world.

WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b008pxzs)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with David Wilby.

THURSDAY 24 JANUARY 2008

THU 00:00 News and Weather (b008pjlr)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b008qnk5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pqfl)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pqfm)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pqfn)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b008pqfp)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b008pqfq)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Johnston McKay.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b008pqfr)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

THU 06:00 Today (b008pqfs)

With John Humphrys, James Naughtie. Sports Desk **6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am**; Yesterday in Parliament **6.45am, 8.31am**; Weather **6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am, 8.58am**; Thought for the Day **7.48am**.

THU 09:00 In Our Time (b008q0sp)

Plate Tectonics

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss how the science of plate tectonics revolutionised our understanding of the planet on which we live. America is getting further away from Europe. This is not a political statement but a geological fact. Just as the Pacific is getting smaller, the Red Sea bigger, the Himalayas are still going up and one day the Horn of Africa will be a large island. This is the theory of plate tectonics, a revolutionary idea in 20th century geology that claimed the continents of Earth were dancing to the music of deep time. A dance of incredible slowness, yet powerful enough to throw up the mountains and pour away the oceans. Plate tectonics, the idea that the earth's surface moved on a carpet of molten magma, constituted a genuine scientific revolution in geology. It explained why mountains appeared and why earth quakes occurred; it explained the curious distribution of fossils across the globe and finally solved the age old conundrum of why continents such as Africa and South America appeared to fit together like a giant jigsaw puzzle. Plate tectonics has made geologists, and many more besides, profoundly re-think what the Earth was, how it worked and how it related to all the things in it. With Richard Corfield, Visiting Senior Lecturer in Earth Sciences at the Open University; Joe Cann, Senior Fellow in the School of Earth and Environment at the University of Leeds; Lynne Frostick, Director of the Hull Environment Research Institute and Professor of Physical Geography at the University of Hull

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b008qnk6)

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby

Episode 4

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby. Peggy Orenstein's account of her long journey to motherhood (4/5).

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b008prpm)

Egg Sharing Ethics; Louise Page; Retired and Co-Habiting

What are the ethics behind women sharing their eggs in return for cheap IVF treatment? Plus, Louise Page on her play *Salonika*, and would you live with your mates after retiring?

THU 11:00 From Our Own Correspondent (b008q0sq)

BBC foreign correspondents with the stories behind the world's headlines. Introduced by Kate Adie.

THU 11:30 Freedom Song (b008q0sr)

Tony Phillips tells the story of a memorable performance.

On 9th April 1939, 75,000 concert-goers heard African-American contralto Marian Anderson give a solo recital at the Lincoln Memorial. Across America, millions more listened to the live radio broadcast. Yet Anderson was a victim of racism, barred from Constitution Hall, the largest indoor location in Washington DC, because of her colour.

Contributors include historian John Hope Franklin, concert organiser Dorothy Height, Prof Allan Keiler, soprano Barbara Hendricks and Harry Belafonte.

Music includes Schubert's *Liebesbotschaft* and *Ave Maria*.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b008pt3x)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

THU 12:57 Weather (b008pt3y)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b008pt3z)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

THU 13:30 Open Country (b008pcqx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b008pwmj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b008q0ss)

The Nearside

The Nearside, by Jeff Young. On an apparently normal day in Tenby, the domestic and the universal collide when a small part of the planet is temporary changed by cosmic events.

THU 15:00 Traveller's Tree (b008q0st)

Series 3

Episode 2

Fi Glover presents the holiday magazine with insider tips from listeners and travel experts. The team take on a challenge to dream up an out-of-the-ordinary family-sized experience.

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b008pdqh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Original Shorts (b008pvmy)

Series 3

Love among the Lobelias

New short stories by well-known authors.

Robert Shearman's persuasive fantasy portrays Old Nick, the devil, in the guise of a romantic novelist.

Read by Mark Gatiss.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 15:45 Backstreet Business (b008pxsz)

Episode 4

Nicola Heywood Thomas visits small businesses. Ronnie Scott works alone in an ageing Edinburgh workshop, repairing bowls which have lost their bias.

THU 16:00 Open Book (b008pf5f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b008q0sv)

Talking Bacteria - Self Healing Materials

Talking Bacteria

Bacteria can do the seemingly extraordinary and talk to each other. How they communicate to regulate numbers, decide when is the best time to attack a host's immune system or even see off rivals. Quentin finds out why listening in on their chemical chatter could provide new ways of tackling superbugs like MRSA. Quentin is joined by David Spring from the Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge and Steve Diggle from The University of Nottingham Quorum Sensing Research Group.

Self Healing Materials

Quentin Cooper enters the world of the minuscule to find out how materials that can sense damage from everyday wear and tear and heal themselves. Taking inspiration from the way blood flows around the body and how plants get water researchers are finding ways to look into the nano voids in materials to engineer planes and cars that can heal themselves. Quentin is joined by Ian Bond from the Department Aerospace Engineering at Bristol University and Frank Jones from the Department of Engineering Materials at Sheffield University.

THU 17:00 PM (b008pwgl)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair.

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008pwgm)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

THU 18:30 Down the Line (b012f9j0)

Series 3

Communications and Technology

The problems of technology and communication on Gary Bellamy's phone-in. Stars Rhys Thomas and Felix Dexter. From January 2008.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b008pwmj)

Lynda's had a response from Borseshire Wildlife Trust. Matt informs her that The Echo has also taken up the skylark story and Lynda assumes they're also going to be critical of Matt's actions. She's completely thrown when she reads about Matt's love of the skylark and his plan to create new skylark plots.

Eddie tells Kathy about Clarrie's slimming club but today it's Kathy who's in a hurry. Elizabeth's surprised that Kathy's back already. Kathy's friendlier with Elizabeth now, which enables Elizabeth to tell Kathy how awful she feels at the thought she might be helping Taylor. Kathy now understands, and thanks Elizabeth for her quick-thinking actions to protect Jamie on Sunday. Elizabeth's just glad she had the chance to do so.

Eddie's fed up of Bert's moaning but his ears prick up when Bert mentions the goings-on at Home Farm and Brookfield. Pip told Bert about the anaerobic digester before she remembered she wasn't supposed to say anything. Eddie can't understand why it's hush hush - you'd think they'd want everyone to know about it if it's such a good thing. Bert agrees. They reckon something must be up and wonder what they've got to hide.

Episode written by Adrian Flynn.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b008pwmv)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b008pwmw)

A Concise Chinese-English Dictionary for Lovers

Episode 4

...Dictionary for Lovers. Xiaolu Guo's romantic comedy. 4/5: Z's English is getting better the longer she lives with her Englishman. But this doesn't mean communication is easier.

THU 20:00 Fixing Families (b007vh5h)

Nick Baker joins workers of the Dundee Families Project on a unique and controversial scheme to help families whose antisocial behaviour has brought them to the verge of eviction.

THU 20:30 In Business (b008q0sx)

Monopoly Money

Monopoly Money: The European Union Competition Commission has become a global force in controlling how multinational companies behave. Commissioner Neelie Kroes talks to Peter Day.

THU 21:00 Costing the Earth (b008q0sy)

Carbon Labelling

Carbon Labelling: A new label on supermarket food will reveal how much carbon was emitted during its manufacture. Tom Heap tries to make sense of some of the possible dilemmas.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b008q0sp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b008px52)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b008px53)

National and international news with Robin Lustig. Including reports on the fallout from Peter Hain's resignation and major losses at Societe Generale, France's second largest bank.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b008pxst)

The Truth Commissioner

Episode 4

The Truth Commissioner: By David Park, abridged by Neville Teller. 4/10: The disappearance of Connor Walsh during the Troubles is being investigated.

THU 23:00 Pick Ups (b008q0sz)

Series 1

Episode 3

Mike and Linda meet dates Andrew and Teri at a unique restaurant, with mixed results. Taxi company sitcom stars John Thomson. From January 2008.

THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b008pxzv)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Robert Orchard.

FRIDAY 25 JANUARY 2008

FRI 00:00 News and Weather (b008pjls)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b008qnk6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b008pqft)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b008pqfv)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service for a selection of news and current affairs, arts and science programmes. BBC Radio 4 resumes at **5.20am**.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b008pqfw)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b008pqfx)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b008pqfy)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Johnston McKay.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b008pqfz)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

FRI 06:00 Today (b008pqg0)

With John Humphrys and Carolyn Quinn. Sports Desk at **6.25am**, **7.25am**, **8.25am**; Yesterday in Parliament at **6.45am**; Weather at **6.05am**, **6.57am**, **7.57am**; Thought for the Day at **7.48am**.

FRI 09:00 Desert Island Discs (b008pdqp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b008qnk7)

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby

Episode 5

Waiting for Daisy: The True Story of One Couple's Quest to Have a Baby. Peggy Orenstein's account of her long journey to motherhood (5/5).

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b008prpn)

Director Vicky Jewson; Singer Elizabeth Cook; Maternity Services

Director Vicky Jewson on Lady Godiva, local support and owing a lot to Nicholas Parsons. Plus, singer Elizabeth Cook on women with balls, and the provision of maternity services.

FRI 11:00 The Funny Thing About Muslims (b007qwzz)

Sarfraz Manzoor explores the view that Muslims lack a sense of humour.

Writer and broadcaster Sarfraz Manzoor, himself a practising Muslim, talks to Muslim comics, comedy writers and scholars about what makes their fellow believers laugh.

How far can Muslim humour go about their faith? How does it compare to the way other religions and cultures laugh at themselves? And what subjects - if any - are off-limits?

Producer: Mohini Patel.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

FRI 11:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b018sqp3)
Series 3

2001: A Space Idiocy

Arthur's mobile phone lines get crossed, and his hospital radio show sparks disaster. Stars Steve Delaney. From January 2008.

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b008pt40)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

FRI 12:57 Weather (b008pt41)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b008pt42)

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

FRI 13:30 Feedback (b008qj32)

Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b008pwm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b008qj33)

Have your Cake

Bitter Chocolate Cake

Have Your Cake: Series of plays about a cake-making club. 1/6: Bitter Chocolate Cake, by Nicola Baldwin. Tess and Maggie help their neighbour Sabina cook a cake with a difference.

FRI 15:00 Costing the Earth (b008q0sy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Thursday]

FRI 15:30 Original Shorts (b008pvmz)

Series 3

Not in Front of Jack Hawkins

New short stories by well-known authors.

Christopher Matthew's perceptive tale of past and present, in which memory plays tricks at a celebratory memorial service.

Read by Martin Jarvis.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 15:45 Backstreet Business (b008pxt0)

Episode 5

Nicola Heywood Thomas visits five small businesses. Peter Nardi invents conjuring tricks and produces the equipment for them at his workshop in Kent.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b008qj34)

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b008qj35)

Francine Stock talks to Johnny Depp and Tim Burton about their bloodthirsty musical Sweeney Todd. Paul Haggis talks about In the Valley of Elah, his controversial new film.

FRI 17:00 PM (b008pwgn)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at **5.57pm**.

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b008pwgp)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

FRI 18:30 The News Quiz (b008qj36)

Series 64

Episode 3

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz. Panellists are Andy Hamilton, Jeremy Hardy, Simon Evans and Sue Perkins.

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b008pwmx)

Knowing Brian's already made provisions for Ruairi, David's surprised to learn that Brian wants to change his will, clearly wanting Ruairi to have the same options as Adam and Debbie with regard to Home Farm. The biggest surprise to David is that Brian hasn't spoken to them, nor Jennifer, to discuss this. Brian admits he's using David as a sounding board. Ruth's surprised at how he's going about it.

Ruth and David seem to have everything sorted for when Ruth has her operation. Suddenly it's all starting to seem very real to Ruth but she's determined to go through with it - it's just the waiting she's tired of.

Matt rings Annabelle to make sure she reads the feature in The Echo. Annabelle makes a special call at Matt's office to congratulate him, praising his handling of the situation. Matt acknowledges that it was Annabelle who made him take the threat seriously, and invites her to lunch. She's too busy for lunch, but is easily persuaded to have dinner with him. She wants to get changed first though and when Matt suggests they make it an occasion, Annabelle doesn't hesitate.

Episode written by Adrian Flynn.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b008pwm)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, who is joined by Scottish novelist Andrew O'Hagan to discuss the writings of Robert Burns.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b008pwmz)

A Concise Chinese-English Dictionary for Lovers

Episode 5

...Dictionary for Lovers. Xiaolu Guo's romantic comedy. 5/5: Z learns that, in the West, love does not always mean the same as in China.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b008qj37)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs a topical discussion from Bristol. Panellists include Theresa Villiers, John McFall, Quentin Letts and Graham Sheffield.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b008qj38)

A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Prof David Cannadine.

FRI 21:00 Friday Drama (b008qj6f)

Bloody Sunday: Scenes from the Saville Inquiry

Episode 2

Bloody Sunday: Scenes from the Saville Inquiry. Part two of the dramatic reconstruction focuses on the testimony of soldiers and ends with a former member of the Official IRA.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b008px54)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b008px55)

Robin Lustig hosts a special edition of the programme discussing 'British Values', with Michael Wills, David Willetts, Joan Smith, Salma Yacoub and Neal Ascherson.

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b008pxzw)

The Truth Commissioner

Episode 5

The Truth Commissioner: By David Park, abridged by Neville Teller. 5/10: Fenton, who recruited Connor Walsh as an informer, is told that he is to appear before the Commission.

FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b008pzg6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b008pxzx)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Sean Curran.