

**SATURDAY 05 APRIL 2008**

**SAT 00:00 News and Weather (b009pckc)**

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

**SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b009m2js)**

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter

Episode 5

The Making of Mr Hai's Daughter: Seeta Indrani reads from Yasmin Hai's account of her assimilation into the English way of life. 5/5: What has become of Yasmin's father's dream?

**SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pckf)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pckh)**

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 (b009pckk)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b009pckm)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009pckp)**

Daily prayer and reflection from Wales with Rev Craig Gardiner.

**SAT 05:45 Fish Tales (b00776g2)**

The Carp

Chris Yates explores the traits of some of Britain's coarse fish. Aided by Paul Whitehouse, Chris ponders the carp's reputation as the wildest of freshwater fish.

**SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b009pckr)**

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

**SAT 06:04 Weather (b009pckt)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 06:07 Open Country (b009pckw)**

Longwood Community Forest

Countryside magazine.

Caroline Saarl travels to Longwood Community Forest to meet some of the Ceredigion Young Carers taking time out from their stressful lives to learn about having fun in the outdoors.

**SAT 06:35 Farming Today This Week (b009pcky)**

Issues of the week for the food chain and the countryside, presented by Mark Holdstock.

**SAT 06:57 Weather (b009pcl0)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 07:00 Today (b009pcl2)**

With James Naughtie and Sarah Montague. Including Sports Desk at 7.25am, 8.25am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am; Weather at 7.57am.

**SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b009pcl4)**

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Presenter Fi Glover is joined by writer Nick Hornby. Featured poet is Matt Harvey.

**SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b009pcl6)**

Narrow Boat - Sicily

**NARROW BOAT**

Sandi Toksvig meets Terry and Monica Darlington, a couple who shipped their narrow boat to the United States and sailed with their dog Jim, the whippet, down the Intra Coastal Waterway to the Gulf of Mexico. The 1,100 mile journey was the first time a narrow boat had sailed in the US. Swapping rusty bicycle wheels and old umbrellas for alligators and tornados made for a very eventful trip.

**SICILY**

After a thirty three year gap Food writer Matthew Fort returned to Sicily travelling on a scooter called Monica. He shares anecdotes from his trip and describes some of its culinary delights.

**SAT 10:30 This Are 2-Tone (b009pdfz)**

Back in the 1980s bands like the Specials, the Beat, Madness and the Selecter created a new sound born from a blend of punk, reggae and ska.

Phill Jupitus investigates the social importance of 2 Tone music in Britain.

Featuring:

Pauline Black  
Neville Staple  
Ranking Roger  
Woody Barson  
Mike Barson  
Les Black  
Jerry Dammers

Producer: Geoff Bird

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2008.

**SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b009pdg1)**

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Steve Richards.

**SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b009pdg3)**

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

**SAT 12:00 Money Box (b009pdg5)**

Paul Lewis with news from the world of personal finance plus advice for those trying to make the most of their money. Including reports on developments in the mortgage market.

**SAT 12:30 The Now Show (b009n4by)**

Series 23

Episode 5

Comedy sketches and satirical comments from Steve Punt, Hugh Dennis and the team including Mitch Benn, Laura Shavin and Jon Holmes.

**SAT 12:57 Weather (b009pdg7)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 13:00 News Headlines (b009pdg9)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b009n4c0)**

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Cardiff. Panellists include Rhodri Morgan, Cheryl Gillan, Evan Harris and Helen Mary Jones.

**SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b009pdgc)**

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

**SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b0076y9f)**

Shell Shocked

Shell Shocked: Gregory Burke's moving story of two brothers who are separated in the trenches of the First World War and whose lives take very different paths.

**SAT 15:30 Music Feature (b009mr81)**

Angelic Voices

Jeremy Summerly takes a look at the history of the boy choristers who have sung the daily liturgy in English cathedrals and collegiate churches for fourteen hundred years.

**SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b009pdgf)**

Highlights of this week's Woman's Hour with Jane Garvey. Including features on sexual honesty, Joan Crawford and Bette Davis, older women and alcohol and music hall stars.

**SAT 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pdgh)**

5th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Riots rage in America following the death of Dr Martin Luther King. Barbara Castle becomes Minister of Labour and the BBC is accused of television fakery.

**SAT 17:00 Saturday PM (b009pdgk)**

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

**SAT 17:30 iPM (b009pdgm)**

Eddie Mair presents the weekly interactive current affairs magazine featuring online conversation and debate.

**SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b009pdgp)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 17:57 Weather (b009pdgr)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009pdgt)**

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

**SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b009pdgw)**

Clive Anderson is joined by Donal MacIntyre, Henry Naylor and Bernard Cribbins, who is appearing in Doctor Who. Gideon Coe talks to John Bryant about marathon running.

**SAT 19:00 Profile (b009pdh0)**

Gordon Farquhar assesses the form of Comte Jacques Rogge and asks if he is strong enough to smooth the path of the Olympic torch as it makes its way to Beijing.

**SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b009pdh2)**

Salman Rushdie's The Enchantress of Florence, Son of Rambow

Son of Rambow

Set in 1980s Britain this film is the story of two boys - the innocent Will Proudfoot who has been brought up by Plymouth brethren and has never watched television or seen a film, and the tearaway, lawless Lee Carter, whose ambition is to make a film with his brother's video recorder. When the naïve Will sees a pirated copy of Rambo: First Blood he is swept away by it and joins forces with Will to make their own action adventure film, Son of Rambow.

The Enchantress of Florence

Salman Rushdie's new book spans the worlds of the Mughal emperor Akbar the Great and Renaissance Florence. It begins with the arrival at Akbar's court of a fair, young European traveller dressed in a multi-coloured leather coat. The stranger claims to be a relation to Akbar and the tale he has to tell begins to obsess the whole imperial capital.

The Enchantress of Florence is published by Jonathan Cape.

Contains Violence

Created by David Rosenberg, a founder member of Shunt, Contains Violence takes place in an office block across the square from the Lyric Theatre in Hammersmith. The audience, seated on the theatre's roof terrace, are provided with binoculars and headphones to immerse themselves in the stories taking place in the windows opposite. The story that unfolds concerns a female in one office and a man in another office on a different floor. They appear to be having a relationship, but we are not sure. It seems likely that a violent act will be committed before the drama is played out.

Contains Violence is at The Lyric Hammersmith in London until April 26.

Guest Choice

Kit Davis has watched the 1983 film The Big Chill every year since it came out and she explains what it means to her. The film is an ensemble movie, directed by Lawrence Kasdan and starring Tom Berenger, Glenn Close, Jeff Goldblum, William Hurt, Kevin Kline, Mary Kay Place, Meg Tilly and JoBeth Williams.

Howard Hodgkin

The Gagosian Gallery in London presents an exhibition of new paintings by the leading British painter Howard Hodgkin. It is the artist's first show of new work in London since 1999.

**SAT 20:00 Archive on 4 (b009pdh4)**

Giving Way to a New Era

4 Extra Debut. John Sergeant and Tony Benn look back at some of the momentous occasions captured by BBC broadcasting after cameras were introduced to the Commons. From April 2008.

**SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b009lwnq)**

Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour

Episode 2

Mr Sponge's Sporting Tour: Scott Cherry's dramatisation of RS Surtees's picaresque romp. 2/2: It becomes obvious that Soapey isn't the only one who should be in the dock.

**SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b009pdh6)**

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

**SAT 22:15 Bringing Up Britain (b009mtcm)**

Series 1

Episode 1

Mariella Frostrup hosts a debate about parenting with families, experts and policy-makers. At the heart of the debate is a story of a family whose experiences raise relevant issues.

**SAT 23:00 Counterpoint (b009rrxy)**

Series 22

2008 Heat 2

The general knowledge music quiz chaired by Paul Gambaccini, with three more contestants answering questions on all aspects of music.

The second heat of the 2008 series comes from the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester, with contestants from Scotland and the north of England.

This week's competitors are Diane Hallagan from Leeds, Peter Marks from Dumfriesshire, and James Merryweather from Kyle of Lochalsh.

**SAT 23:30 Fred's Archive (b009lwnv)**

Joan Bakewell explores the unique archive of Fred Hunter. Back in the 1960s, Fred borrowed a tape recorder and began to record some of the great poets of his time.

**SUNDAY 06 APRIL 2008**

**SUN 00:00 News and Weather (b009pg2k)**

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

**SUN 00:30 Opening Lines (b0076z3g)**

Series 8

How Michael Stays Young

Series showcasing cutting-edge contemporary writing. 3/5: How Michael Stays Young, by Elizabeth Sarkany. When Michael's marriage falls apart, Carolyn indulges in a fantasy.

**SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pg2m)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pg2p)**

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 (b009pg2r)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b009pg2t)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b009pg2w)**

The sound of church bells from St Giles in the Oxfordshire village of Horspath.

**SUN 05:45 Profile (b009pdh0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b009pg2y)**

The latest national and international news.

**SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b009pg30)**

Adjoa Andoh considers how the act of befriending someone in need can change lives.

**SUN 06:35 On Your Farm (b009pgkn)**

Country magazine. Adam Henson visits a Cornish family farm where daffodils are exported to the flower markets of Holland.

**SUN 06:57 Weather (b009pgkq)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b009pgks)**

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

**SUN 07:10 Sunday (b009pgkv)**

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

**SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b009pgkx)**

Felicity Kendal appeals on behalf of Target TB. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

**SUN 07:58 Weather (b009pgkz)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b009pgl1)**

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

**SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b009pgl3)**

Apostle to the Gentiles

Apostle to the Gentiles: In preparation for the 2000th anniversary of the birth of St Paul, Gregory Collins leads a service from the Basilica of St Paul's outside the Walls in Rome.

**SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b009n4c2)**

Terminal Terminal

Clive James gets hot under the collar at the prospect of mobile phones on planes but shares his joy over the disastrous opening of Heathrow's Terminal 5 – and tells us why it's the most fun he's had since the night the Millennium Dome opened.

**SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b009pgl5)**

News and conversation about the big stories of the week with Paddy O'Connell.

**SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b009pgl7)**

The week's events in Ambridge.

**SUN 11:15 The Reunion (b009pgl9)**

Sue MacGregor presents the series which reunites a group of people intimately involved in a moment of modern history. 1/5: She gathers together five Bletchley Park code-breakers.

**SUN 12:00 The Write Stuff (b009md8r)**

Series 11

John Grisham

James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness, flanked by captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh with guests Mark Billingham and Jane Thynne. The author of the week and subject for pastiche is John Grisham and the reader is Beth Chalmers.

**SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b009phtt)**

Food and Music

Sheila Dillon explores the connection between two of life's greatest pleasures - food and music. What do international stars, from rock groups to operatic tenors, eat before a performance? She meets a Chinese flautist who owes his life to combining a passion for food with a gift for music.

**SUN 12:57 Weather (b009phtw)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b009phty)**

A look at events around the world.

**SUN 13:30 A Nasty Case of the Vapours (b0082dzp)**

Vivienne Parry explores the lives, deaths and immune systems of heroines of English literature through the eyes of modern medicine. She takes an unusual look at great British novels by distinguishing plot devices from real medicine, finding out much about Victorian depiction of illness in the process.

**SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b009phv0)**

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum. John Cushnie, Bunny Guinness and Pippa Greenwood are guests of Rowen Garden Club in Conwy, Wales.

**SUN 14:45 Tony Hawks Gets Lost in the Afternoon (b007j8cy)**

How do we manage to lose things we held in our hands only minutes ago? Neuroscientists and psychologists suggest it may be more complicated than we think. From May 2007.

**SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b009phv3)**

A Dance to the Music of Time

Sex

A Dance to the Music of Time: Michael Butt's dramatisation of Anthony Powell's series of novels. 1/6: Sex. Nick Jenkins and his friends make life difficult for Kenneth Widmerpool.

**SUN 16:00 Bookclub (b009phv5)**

Simon Armitage

Poet Simon Armitage joins James Naughtie and readers to discuss his translation of the Middle English epic Sir Gawain and the Green Knight.

**SUN 16:30 Voices at 40 (b009phv7)**

Judith Palmer celebrates the fortieth anniversary of Voices, a series of anthologies that revolutionised the way that poetry was presented in the classroom in the late 1960s.

**SUN 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pj5z)**

6th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Cliff Richard aims for the top spot in the Eurovision Song Contest, Sammy Davis Jnr pleads for the rioting to stop in America and the ocean liner Queen Elizabeth is sold.

**SUN 17:00 Inside the British Council (b009mr8c)**

Emily Maitlis explores the workings of the British Council as the organisation approaches its 75th anniversary.

**SUN 17:40 Profile (b009pdh0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b009pj61)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 17:57 Weather (b009pj63)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009pj65)**

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

**SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b009pj67)**

Peggy Reynolds presents a selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

**SUN 19:00 The Archers (b009pj69)**

Pat drops a present off for George, who's having his birthday party a day early. Eddie and Clarrie agree that everyone's enjoying the party but Clarrie's worried about Will. His behaviour is over the top and she insists that Eddie speaks to him. Will says he made a mistake which put George at risk and he doesn't want to talk about it but he admits that he's worried George doesn't understand what's going on. Will can't really understand it either. He thought Nic liked George and wanted them to be a proper family. Eddie tries to reassure Will that he's done the right thing and George will be ok.

Jolene's happy to look after Jamie at The Bull during the court case. Kathy's got over last week's wobble and is ready to get on with it. This is her chance to see Taylor punished. Pat's driving Kathy and Kenton to Bournemouth. Kenton's happy that she's there to give Kathy more support but Kathy's really grateful for all Kenton's support.

With Jamie settled in at the Bull, it's obvious that Kenton and Sid are feeling the strain. Kathy seems to be calmest of them all. She's ready to roll.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

#### SUN 19:15 Go4it (b009pj6c)

Kirsten O'Brien presents the children's magazine. Children in the Isle of Man discuss issues connected with smoking. Izzy, star of CBBC show The Smokehouse, offers advice.

#### SUN 19:45 Just William Strikes Again (b00776jg)

William's Brilliant Plan

Classic stories by Richmal Crompton, adapted by Martin Jarvis. Can William save himself and the Outlaws from a fate worse than a thousand deaths?

#### SUN 20:00 The Message (b009n418)

Jenni Murray and guests in conversation about how current media trends affect our lives.

#### SUN 20:30 Last Word (b009n4bt)

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

#### SUN 21:00 Money Box (b009pdg5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

#### SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b009pgkx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

#### SUN 21:30 Analysis (b009n3wf)

The Wrong Road to a Warmer World

The Wrong Road to a Warmer World: Kenan Malik asks whether we are approaching climate change and how to combat it from the wrong direction.

#### SUN 21:58 Weather (b009pj6f)

The latest weather forecast.

#### SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b009pj6h)

Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including at 1 0.45pm From Trotsky to Respect: A History of the Socialist Workers' Party (1/2).

#### SUN 23:00 1968 Day by Day Omnibus (b00bfdff)

Week ending 6th April 1968

Another chance to look back at the events making the news 40 years ago with John Tusa.

Lyndon Johnson signals the end to his presidency and riots sweep across America following the assassination of civil rights leader Dr Martin Luther King.

#### SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b009pg30)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

### MONDAY 07 APRIL 2008

#### MON 00:00 News and Weather (b009pmpk)

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

#### MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b009mtch)

Cities and Ethnicities

#### CITIES AND ETHNICITIES

Last week Laurie Taylor travelled to Marseille to find out how the city's ethnic diversity helped it to escape the race riots that scarred much of the rest of France. Can lessons be learnt from France's most diverse city? And how successful is the British model of multi-culturalism? Laurie Taylor is joined by four experts on ethnic diversity, Professor Tariq Modood, Professor Sophie Watson, Professor Lola Young (Baroness Young of Hornsey) and Ted Cattle to discuss race, immigration and

ethnicity in our cities and to debate the relative merits of multicultural and assimilatory approaches to migrant cultures.

#### MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b009pg2w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

#### MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pmpm)

The latest shipping forecast.

#### MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pmpj)

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.

#### MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b009pmpr)

The latest shipping forecast.

#### MON 05:30 News Briefing (b009pmpt)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

#### MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009pmpw)

Daily prayer and reflection from Wales with Rev Craig Gardiner.

#### MON 05:45 Farming Today (b009pmpy)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

#### MON 05:57 Weather (b009pmq0)

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

#### MON 06:00 Today (b009pmq2)

With Evan Davis and Edward Stourton. Including Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

#### MON 09:00 Start the Week (b009pp24)

Andrew Marr sets the cultural agenda for the week. Guests are author Lisa Jardine, cellist Stephen Isserlis, BBC presenter Dan Cruickshank and Lord David Owen.

#### MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b009ppjg)

Kate Summerscale - The Suspicions of Mr Whicher

Episode 1

Deborah Findlay reads from Kate Summerscale's account of a Victorian murder case that gripped the nation.

1/5. On a summer night in 1860, a gruesome murder takes place in a remote Georgian country house. The household reverberates with shock, not least because it seems the murderer is still among them. Jack Whicher of Scotland Yard, the most celebrated detective of his day, is called to the scene. With only an inept local police force to help him, he faces an unenviable task.

#### MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009pq8w)

Norma Winstone; Ovarian cancer screening

British jazz legend Norma Winstone on how the jazz world has changed for women. Plus, Australian author Alexis Wright, and ovarian cancer screening debated.

#### MON 11:00 Policing the Landlords (b009pr2f)

Navid Akhtar investigates attempts to protect tenants from unscrupulous landlords as an expansion in the private rented sector has led to a rise in illegal evictions and harassment.

#### MON 11:30 Dixon of Dock Green (b0076spq)

Series 1

Rock Rattle and Roll

Ted Willis's classic TV series, dramatised by Sue Rodwell. 5/6: Rock Rattle and Roll. The theft of a football rattle provides a perfect excuse for a weekend away for Andy and Mary.

#### MON 12:00 You and Yours (b009pr6n)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and John Waite.

#### MON 12:57 Weather (b009pr6q)

The latest weather forecast.

#### MON 13:00 World at One (b009pr6s)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

#### MON 13:30 Counterpoint (b009przm)

Series 22

2008 Heat 3

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz, covering the whole musical spectrum from the classics to jazz, stage and film music, rock and pop.

Three contestants battle it out - Graham Bandy from Woking, Chris Cook from Haslemere and Brian Thorne from Blandford.

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

#### MON 14:00 The Archers (b009pj69)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

#### MON 14:15 Drama (b009przj)

The Walrus and the Terrier

The Walrus and the Terrier: When journalist James Cameron visited Nobel Prize winner Albert Schweitzer in Gabon in 1953, he was shocked by what he found.

#### MON 15:00 Money Box Live (b009przj)

Paul Lewis 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 Afternoon Reading (b009psnk)

What I Learned from the Metaphysical Poets

Rock of Eye

WHAT I LEARNED FROM THE METAPHYSICAL POETS is a series of specially commissioned short stories which take their inspiration from the life and work of the seventeenth century poets John Donne, George Herbert and Andrew Marvell.

The first story in the series, "Rock of Eye" by Iain F MacLeod, is inspired by John Donne's poem "A Valediction: Forbidden Mourning". In it, an elderly Savile Row tailor comes face to face with a lost love and is forced to confront a painful event from his past. The reader is Paul Young.

The other writers in the series are Helen Dunmore, Ruth Thomas, Joe Dunthorne and Michele Roberts.

The producer is Kirsteen Cameron.

#### MON 15:45 Inheritance (b00804dk)

My Wooden Headed Brother

James Maw presents a series on life-changing inheritances. 1/5: My Wooden Headed Brother. Ventriloquist Peter Brough's dummy Archie Andrews was a radio and TV star of the 1950s.

#### MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b009phtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

#### MON 16:30 More or Less (b009py61)

Understanding Drug Trials - Lucky Numbers

Understanding Drug Trials

Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) anti-depressants work little better than placebo according to a recent analysis of published and unpublished drugs trials.

The pharmaceutical companies have been accused of publishing the results of those trials that demonstrated the most positive results. But is that really true? And is part of the problem our own inability to understand the statistics?

Lucky Numbers

Our reporter Ruth Alexander looked at why so many of us attach special properties to certain numbers. Mathematician Marcus du Sautoy explains its Pythagorean roots and why we are predisposed to look for numerical patterns.

Plus, was a Treasury minister really correct to say the rich have been getting poorer since Labour came to power? And do the number of people living outnumber the dead?

**MON 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pycm)**

7th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Palm Sunday is declared a day of mourning for Martin Luther King as rioting continues in America. Motor racing hero Jim Clark dies.

**MON 17:00 PM (b009pycp)**

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

**MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009pycr)**

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

**MON 18:30 The Write Stuff (b009rjdh)**

Series 11

Jonathan Swift

James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness, flanked by captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh with guests Peter Kemp and Andrew Davies. The author of the week and subject for pastiche is Jonathan Swift and the reader is Beth Chalmers.

**MON 19:00 The Archers (b009q1vf)**

It's day one of Taylor's rape trial. Kathy takes the stand while Pat and Kenton wait anxiously in the witnesses room. Kenton wishes he could be in there with Kathy - he can't bear the thought of what she's going through. Pat tries to keep Kenton calm.

Kathy copes well with the questioning from the prosecutor, who appreciates how difficult it is for Kathy to publicly admit that Taylor raped her. But the defence lawyer questions Kathy harshly, determined to prove that Kathy was a free agent who turned to Taylor and confided in him. Accusing Kathy of making up the rape, the barrister puts forward a strong case in Taylor's defence. Kathy buckles under her intense questioning, as she attempts to prove that everything Kathy says is a cover story.

The cross-examination takes it out of Kathy and she leaves the courtroom convinced she's messed up. Pat and Kenton try to assure he she hasn't blown it but Kathy feels sure she's been through all this for nothing - the defence made it sound like everything she said was untrue. Claire's got to face them tomorrow and Kathy's let her down. She only hopes that Claire can do better.

**MON 19:15 Front Row (b009q1vh)**

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson.

**MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009q1vk)**

Lucia's Progress

Episode 1

EF Benson's classic comedy, dramatised by John Peacock. 1/5: Whilst Georgie goes into hiding, Lucia approaches her fiftieth birthday, determined to make her mark on history.

**MON 20:00 Nationalise It! (b009q219)**

Will Hutton talks to Tony Benn, Jacques Attali and others who debate the role of nationalisation in the postwar reconstruction of Europe.

**MON 20:30 Crossing Continents (b009ssvg)**

Uzbekistan

Uzbekistan: Natalia Antelava asks whether the radical Ilkhom Theatre founded by Mark Weil can survive without its director after Weil was stabbed to death in the street last year.

**MON 21:00 Africalab (b009q21c)**

Episode 2

Hugh Levinson asks whether science and technology can provide the key to ending under-development in Africa. 2/2: He asks what sort of research the scientists should conduct.

**MON 21:30 Start the Week (b009pp24)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**MON 21:58 Weather (b009q2nl)**

The latest weather forecast.

**MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b009q2nn)**

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig.

**MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009q2nq)**

Mister Pip

Episode 6

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 6/10: Despite the tensions on the island and his wife's illness, Mr Watts continues with his commitment to teach the children.

**MON 23:00 Films for a New India (b008m7zl)**

Episode 2

2/2. Hardeep Singh Kohli explores the world of Indian independent cinema, whose gritty themes and realism contrast sharply with escapist Bollywood.

**MON 23:30 Ruth Rendell's The Fever Tree (b0077111)**

The Fever Tree

Murderous crime thriller, dramatised by Yvonne Antrobus. 1/3: The Fever Tree. Ford and Tricia travel to a South African nature reserve to try to patch up their awful marriage.

**TUESDAY 08 APRIL 2008****TUE 00:00 News and Weather (b009pmq4)**

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

**TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b009ppjg)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

**TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pmq6)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pmq8)**

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 (b009pmqb)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b009pmqd)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009pmqg)**

Daily prayer and reflection from Wales with Rev Craig Gardiner.

**TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b009pmqj)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

**TUE 06:00 Today (b009pmql)**

With Evan Davis and Edward Stourton. Including Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

**TUE 09:00 On the Ropes (b009q4wp)**

Shy Keenan

John Humphrys talks to successful people who have weathered storms in their careers.

He meets Shy Keenan, who recalls how she survived over a decade of child abuse and now campaigns to prevent paedophiles from preying on youngsters.

**TUE 09:30 Team Spirit (b009q4wr)**

Episode 4

A girls' football squad in Bishop's Lydeard has learnt how to work as a unit. Presented by Claudia Hammond. From April 2008.

**TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b009ppjj)**

Kate Summerscale - The Suspicions of Mr Whicher

Episode 2

Deborah Findlay reads from Kate Summerscale's account of a Victorian murder case that gripped the nation.

2/5. Certain that the local police's chief suspect is innocent, Whicher begins to piece together the family history of those at Road Hill House. Before long, he uncovers a web of deception and concealment going back decades. Finally, convinced that his instincts are correct, he makes an arrest that shocks disbelieving locals.

**TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009pq8y)**

Historian Katie Hickman; Modern motherhood

Historian Katie Hickman on why she writes novels rather than academic papers. Plus, how the role of mothers has changed over the last generation, and boat life examined.

**TUE 11:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b009q4wt)**

Great Animal Migrations: Philippa Forrester and Brett Westwood present the series following the movement and migration of animals across the planet.

**TUE 11:30 The Pain of Laughter: The Last Days of Kenneth Williams (b009q4ww)**

Episode 1

Rob Brydon explores the complex character of Kenneth Williams, a gifted and articulate performer at odds with his public persona. Kenneth's inner circle of friends offer an insight into his passions and private world, revealing an intelligent and spiritual man grappling with his declining career and health.

Contributors include Gyles Brandreth, Michael Whittaker, Michael Anderson, Peter Cadley, Robert Chidell, Paul Richardson and Angela Chidell.

**TUE 12:00 Call You and Yours (b009pr6v)**

Consumer news and issues with John Waite and Peter White.

**TUE 12:57 Weather (b009pr6x)**

The latest weather forecast.

**TUE 13:00 World at One (b009pr6z)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**TUE 13:30 Hip-Hop China-Style (b009jg3c)**

Hip-hop artists in Beijing are unearthing forgotten parts of the Chinese language and traditional instruments. Stephen Armstrong explores this very distinctive fusion of East and West and examines the different generational responses to this music.

**TUE 14:00 The Archers (b009q1vf)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

**TUE 14:15 Drama (b00773dg)**

Daybreak

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By Tom Ray.

A week after his wife and teenage sweetheart of fourteen years has left him, Phil wakes up one morning to find that the sun has not risen. When she comes back with a van to collect her cherished wardrobe, he is forced to reveal his extraordinary secret.

Phil ..... Marshall Lancaster

Lisa ..... Lorraine Coady

Directed by Kate Chapman.

**TUE 15:00 Making History (b009q4wy)**

Murmansk Mutiny

The Murmansk Mutiny

Alan Wenham contacted Making History after discovering that his grandfather, Leonard, served in the Royal Marines at around the time at around the time of the Murmansk Mutiny of 1919. Could Leonard have been involved? Making History consulted Major (Retired) Mark Bentinck, the Royal Marines historian, at the Naval Historical Branch.

**TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009psnp)**  
What I Learned from the Metaphysical Poets

Get Lost

WHAT I LEARNED FROM THE METAPHYSICAL POETS: continuing our series of short stories inspired by the lives and work of the seventeenth century poets John Donne, George Herbert and Andrew Marvell.

"GET LOST" by Michéle Roberts, read by Joanna Tope.

George Herbert's poem "Prayer" provides the inspiration for tonight's story, in which a woman - grieving the death of her mother - walks for miles through the empty Sunday streets of London, before coming to rest in All Saints Place, a peaceful public garden surrounded by a square of eighteenth century houses.

Michéle Roberts is the author of twelve highly acclaimed novels, including DAUGHTERS OF THE HOUSE which won the WHSmith Literary Award and was shortlisted for the Booker Prize (1992). Half-English and Half-French, she is an acclaimed poet and short story writer with several collections of both in print.

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

**TUE 15:45 Inheritance (b0080w71)**  
Byron's Gondolier

James Maw presents a series on life-changing inheritances. 2/5: Byron's Gondolier. Claudia discovered that a ring belonged to a distant ancestor who was Lord Byron's manservant.

**TUE 16:00 Word of Mouth (b009q4x0)**

Michael Rosen presents the series that takes a close look at the words we use, where they come from and how we play with them. He investigates why we sometimes find it hard to say what we mean or mean what we say.

**TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b009s75h)**  
Series 15

Charles Bukowski

Series of biographical discussions with Matthew Parris.

Writer and comedy star Rhona Cameron champions Charles Bukowski, citing the enormous influence his writing had on her adolescence.

**TUE 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pyct)**  
8th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Hanoi and Washington enter into talks, a Boeing 707 plane crashes at Heathrow and archaeological excavations at Silbury Hill commence.

**TUE 17:00 PM (b009pycw)**

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

**TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009ppyq)**

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

**TUE 18:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b008crmm)**  
Series 4

The Wrong Fleece

Ed has had the kind of idea a writer gets perhaps once in a lifetime. Unfortunately, he can't remember where he put it. Stars Christopher Douglas. From November 2007.

**TUE 19:00 The Archers (b009q1vm)**

Aware that Nic gave up her home and benefits to move in with him, Will tries to give her some money. Nic reminds him that she never wanted his money but she wants to get something straight. She's sorry she hit George. Maybe she wasn't as understanding as she is with her own children but it had genuinely never happened before, no matter what anybody says. She realises that but it's too late now. Will's touched when she gives him a birthday present for George.

Kathy talks things through with Jacqui, who thinks there are similarities which are good for the prosecution. Having heard

Claire's evidence, Kathy's glad she didn't fight back when Taylor raped her.

Kenton believes Sid's a strong witness but Pat's worried he might believe in Kathy just a bit too passionately.

Sid's anxious about giving evidence but states categorically that he knows Kathy well enough to know everything she's said is true. Under cross-examination Sid admits to hitting Taylor, insisting he just wanted him out of the village. The defence lawyer questions whether Sid's too fond of Kathy to consider that Taylor might be innocent? Her final question leaves Sid with no option but to agree that Taylor never admitted to committing this rape.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**TUE 19:15 Front Row (b009q1vp)**

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an interview with George Clooney, whose new film Leatherheads is set in the world of American football in the 1920s.

**TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009q1vr)**

Lucia's Progress

Episode 2

EF Benson's classic comedy, dramatised by John Peacock. 2/5: With Mapp and Lucia running against each other in the council elections, loyalties are divided.

**TUE 20:00 Tax Me If You Can (b009q4x2)**

Allan Urry visits Liechtenstein, a tiny Alpine principality currently reeling from the unwelcome attentions of tax authorities in Germany and Britain.

**TUE 20:40 In Touch (b009q4x4)**

Peter White with news and information for the blind and partially sighted.

**TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b009q4x6)**

Herpes Viruses

Dr Mark Porter investigates health issues of the day.

**TUE 21:30 On the Ropes (b009q4wp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**TUE 21:58 Weather (b009q2ns)**

The latest weather forecast.

**TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b009q2nv)**

With Robin Lustig. Including reports on the continuing credit crisis, calls for US troop withdrawal from Iraq to be frozen and why food riots are spreading around the world.

**TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009q2nx)**

Mister Pip

Episode 7

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 7/10: After his wife's death, Mr Watts continues with his project to help the children save their fragments of Pip's story.

**TUE 23:00 The Arts and How They Was Done (b00777b4)**

How Puccini Done Madame Butterfly

The National Theatre of Brent reveals mysteries behind the tragic opera. Stars Patrick Barlow. From May 2007.

**TUE 23:30 Ruth Rendell's The Fever Tree (b007715d)**

The Dreadful Day of Judgement

Series of murderous crime thrillers, dramatised by Yvonne Antrobus. 2/3: The Dreadful Day of Judgement. Three lost souls find themselves clearing up an abandoned graveyard.

**WEDNESDAY 09 APRIL 2008**

**WED 00:00 News and Weather (b009pmqq)**

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

**WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b009ppjj)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

**WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pmqs)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pmqv)**

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 (b009pmqx)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**WED 05:30 News Briefing (b009pmqz)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009pmr1)**

Daily prayer and reflection from Wales with Rev Craig Gardiner.

**WED 05:45 Farming Today (b009pmr3)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

**WED 06:00 Today (b009pmr5)**

With James Naughtie and Evan Davis. Including Sports Desk at 6.25am, 7.25am, 8.25am; Weather at 6.05am, 6.57am, 7.57am; Thought for the Day at 7.48am.

**WED 09:00 Midweek (b009q5t4)**

Lively and diverse conversation.

**WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b009ppji)**

Kate Summerscale - The Suspicions of Mr Whicher

Episode 3

Deborah Findlay reads from Kate Summerscale's account of a Victorian murder case that gripped the nation.

3/5. Whicher's prime suspect Constance Kent is brought before the judge at Temperance Hall to face questions about the murder of her younger brother Saville. After a convincing performance by her defence team, Whicher's case seems to be crumbling. With the release of both Constance and the local police's suspect, nursemaid Elizabeth Gough, the truth seems as elusive as ever.

**WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009ppq9)**

The life of poet Joan Easdale; Sexism in the City

Celia Robertson on her grandmother, the poet Joan Easdale. Plus, wildlife artist Pollyanna Pickering, and the challenge of tackling sexism in the city.

**WED 11:00 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.

**WED 11:30 No Commitments (b016c7c0)**

Series 9

Ill of the Dead

There is a death in the family and the ripples from Victoria's insecurities flow outward. With Angela Thorne. From January 2003.

**WED 12:00 You and Yours (b009pr71)**

Consumer news and issues with John Waite and Sheila McClelland.

**WED 12:57 Weather (b009pr73)**

The latest weather forecast.

**WED 13:00 World at One (b009pr75)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**WED 13:30 The Music Group (b009q6tc)**

Series 2

## Episode 1

Comedian, broadcaster and GP Dr Phil Hammond asks each of three guests to play the track of their choice for the delight or disdain of the others.

Poet Benjamin Zephaniah, writer Lynn Barber and comedian Arthur Smith discuss such diverse subjects as a musical desire to sleep with common people and a joyful Parisian explosion.

**WED 14:00 The Archers (b009q1vm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 14:15 Drama (b007712j)**  
Hard Frosts in Florence

Hard Frosts in Florence: By David Pownall, specially written for the late Paul Scofield. A troubled Michelangelo returns to Florence to view his statue of David for the last time.

**WED 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b009phv0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Sunday]

**WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009rhjz)**  
What I Learned from the Metaphysical Poets

## Instant Fires

WHAT I LEARNED FROM THE METAPHYSICAL POETS: continuing our series of short stories inspired by the lives and work of the seventeenth century poets John Donne, George Herbert and Andrew Marvell.

"INSTANT FIRES" by Joe Dunthorne, read by Jessica Harris.

Young novelist Joe Dunthorne's short story brilliantly evokes the preoccupations of seventeen year old Anna. Blazing with the confidence of youth - and the burgeoning instincts of the woman she will become - Anna is bemused by the attention paid to her by her English teacher, Mr Ashford, but not so distracted that she fails to notice the Head Boy's attempts to woo her using updated lines from Andrew Marvell's poem "To His Coy Mistress": "Girl, I'm thinking a half-term on your thighs, double maths on your neck, a lunch-hour to each of your teeth."

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

**WED 15:45 Inheritance (b0081fkd)**  
Matthew's Tank

James Maw presents a series on life-changing inheritances. 3/5. Matthew's Tank. Matthew Kiln bought a Second World War tank and took it to Normandy in memory of his father.

**WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b009q6tf)**  
Pets as Kin - India and Spirituality

## PETS AS KIN

Researchers looking into people's support groups and family networks were surprised to find that people kept mentioning their pets; twenty three per cent of the participants put their pets as part of the network of 'people' who helped them out. Professor Nickie Charles is co-author of a paper My Family and Other Animals. Pets as Kin; she explains the recent findings about the relationship between the British and their pets.

## INDIA and SPIRITUALITY

India is one of the world's fastest growing economies, with burgeoning cities and modernising technology. Perhaps surprisingly religion is growing as well. Laurie Taylor is joined by Professor Meera Nanda the author of a new book entitled God and Globalisation in India and Professor Nigel Harris, author of The Return of Cosmopolitan Capital to discuss the apparent paradox of the simultaneous rise of scientific modernity and traditional religiosity.

**WED 16:30 Case Notes (b009q4x6)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pyd0)**  
9th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Martin Luther King's funeral takes place. Ducek's Czechoslovakian government publish their statement of intent. Labour details the forthcoming Race Relations Bill and a glass car is seen on the streets of London.

**WED 17:00 PM (b009pyd2)**

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

**WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009pyd4)**

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

**WED 18:30 Look Away Now (b009q6th)**  
Series 2

## Episode 2

Garry Richardson presents a topical sports comedy show. With Laurence Howarth, Richie Webb, Dave Lamb, Mark Evans, Katherine Jakeways and special guests.

**WED 19:00 The Archers (b009q1w0)**

Pat explains the court procedures to Nigel while Kenton's giving his evidence. Nigel can't wait to get it over with. They make small talk, discussing Abbie's homecoming and Lewis doing the plans for Mike's conversion.

Kenton gives the prosecutor a clear account of his relationship with Kathy, and how she eventually told him what had happened to her. The defence makes out the change in Kathy's behaviour was due to Kenton leaving her to visit his ex-wife but Kenton strongly denies this and defends Kathy.

Pat tells the prosecution how badly Kathy was affected by the rape, and explains that Taylor had left her in such a terrible state she couldn't even seek justice. Pat then responds strongly to the tough defence questioning to justify why Kathy has now found the strength to come forward - to help another woman.

Kenton's impressed with Pat's evidence. If Nigel's as good as her, there'll be nothing to worry about. But Nigel finds it hard going with the defence questioning. He just hopes the prosecution do to Taylor what the defence has done to them.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**WED 19:15 Front Row (b009q1vw)**

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson.

**WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009q1vy)**

Lucia's Progress

## Episode 3

EF Benson's classic comedy, dramatised by John Peacock. 3: As the Mapp-Flints fall on hard times, Lucia offers a solution and finds herself caught up in an archeological discovery.

**WED 20:00 Bringing Up Britain (b009q6tk)**

Series 1

## Episode 2

Mariella Frostrup hosts a debate about parenting with families, experts and policy-makers. When a teenager's behaviour is out of control is it acceptable to tell him to leave home?

**WED 20:45 From Trotsky to Respect (b00b1fk9)**

Episode 1

Geoffrey Wall looks at the history of the Socialist Workers Party. 1/2: He talks to members past and present and asks how well a Marxist party is surviving in the 21st century.

**WED 21:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b009q4wt)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 21:30 Midweek (b009q514)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**WED 21:58 Weather (b009q2nz)**

The latest weather forecast.

**WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b009q2p1)**

With Robin Lustig. With reports on possible repercussions of further protests against China's Olympics; and how Zimbabwe's neighbours are reacting to delayed election results.

**WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009q2p3)**

Mister Pip

## Episode 8

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 8/10: When the rebel fighters arrive in the village, Mr Watts draws them into the wonderful world of storytelling.

**WED 23:00 Poets' Tree (b00slxyx)**

Episode 2

Islington poet Paul Hamilton meets a fruit linguist, and visits a young offenders institute to demonstrate the rehabilitative powers of poetry.

Poetry magazine spoof with Kevin Eldon and Stewart Lee.

With Olivia Colman and Peter Serafinowicz.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2008.

**WED 23:15 Dr Pfeffer's Lonely Hearts Club (b00774st)**

The Mayor of Lyon

By Jake Oldershaw and Craig Stephens.

A series of late night musical comedies featuring poignant songs of romance, mystery and horror. Enter a strange building down a dark back street and be taken on a journey to meet the enigmatic Dr Pfeffer for a unique rendez-vous.

Doors open onto busy French roads and rejected lovers storm along corridors. Dr Pfeffer is found sitting in a French cafe and his song is a poignant story of a woman longing for love.

The MC ..... Simon Munnelly  
Dr Pfeffer ..... Jake Oldershaw  
Man ..... Saikat Ahamed  
Woman ..... Alison Carney

Music composed by Derek Nisbet.  
Director Kate Chapman.

**WED 23:30 Ruth Rendell's The Fever Tree (b007719q)**

Thornapple

Murderous crime thrillers dramatised by Yvonne Antrobus. 3/3: Thornapple. James's interest in poisons is purely scientific. If only everyone else felt the same way.

**THURSDAY 10 APRIL 2008****THU 00:00 News and Weather (b009pmr9)**

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

**THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b009ppj1)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

**THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pmrc)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pmrf)**

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 (b009pmrh)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**THU 05:30 News Briefing (b009pmrk)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009pmrm)**

Daily prayer and reflection from Wales with Rev Craig Gardiner.

**THU 05:45 Farming Today (b009pmrp)**

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

**THU 06:00 Today (b009pmrr)**

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

**THU 09:00 In Our Time (b009q7zm)**

The Norman Yoke

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss 'the Norman Yoke' – the idea that the Battle of Hastings sparked years of cruel oppression for the Anglo Saxons by a Norman ruling class. 'Norman saw on English oak, On English neck a Norman yoke; Norman spoon in English dish, And England ruled as Normans wish.' Taken from Sir Walter Scott's novel 'Ivanhoe', these words encapsulate the idea of 'the Norman Yoke' – that the Battle of Hastings sparked the cruel oppression of Anglo-Saxon liberties by a foreign ruling class. Certainly, William the Conqueror proclaimed his power in great castles and cathedrals, turned the church upside down and even changed the colour of scribal ink. But was it really such a terrible time for the Anglo Saxons or was the idea of beastly Norman oppressors and noble Saxon sufferers invented later to shore up the idea of Englishness? With Sarah Foot, Regius Professor of Ecclesiastical History at Christ Church, Oxford; Richard Gameson, Professor in the Department of History at Durham University; Matthew Strickland, Professor of Medieval History at the University of Glasgow.

**THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b009ppjn)**

Kate Summerscale - The Suspicions of Mr Whicher

Episode 4

Deborah Findlay reads from Kate Summerscale's account of a Victorian murder case that gripped the nation.

4/5. Constance Kent confesses to the murder. After a short trial, the death sentence is passed, but Queen Victoria spares her life. It is only after the trial that Constance's motives begin to come to light, and the case is by no means satisfactorily concluded.

**THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009pq93)**

Fertility treatment; Artist Joanna Kane

Why is fertility treatment in the UK 'the least safe in Europe'? Plus, artist Joanna Kane on resurrecting forgotten faces, and what are the pleasures and pitfalls of the home dye?

**THU 11:00 Crossing Continents (b009mvj2)**

Illegal Logging in the Siberian Taiga

Illegal Logging in the Siberian Taiga: Lucy Ash visits an area in Siberia where the vast forests are being cut down, frequently illegally, to meet China's surging demand for wood.

**THU 11:30 1968: It's Not Just about the Music (b009q7zr)**

Joe Queenan looks back at 40 years of Rolling Stone magazine. Founded by college drop-out Jan Wenner, who still remains the driving force behind it, the publication became the voice of its generation and has retained its iconic status with later generations.

Joe meets Jan Wenner, still the driving force behind the magazine, and also talks to writers Griel Marcus and Joe Klein.

**THU 12:00 You and Yours (b009pr77)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

**THU 12:57 Weather (b009pr79)**

The latest weather forecast.

**THU 13:00 World at One (b009pr7e)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**THU 13:30 Open Country (b009pckw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

**THU 14:00 The Archers (b009q1w0)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 14:15 Drama (b009q88s)**

Tarzan of the Antirrhinums

Tarzan of the Antirrhinums: Comedy by Lavinia Murray. Tarzan emerges from the bushes and announces that he will save Marx's failing garden centre from financial ruin.

**THU 15:00 Questions, Questions (b009q88v)**

Stewart Henderson answers those niggling questions from everyday life.

**THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b009pgkx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

**THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009psp0)**

What I Learned from the Metaphysical Poets

The Tiny and the Light

By Ruth Thomas.

A funny and profound story on the nature of transience and permanence, tonight's story, by the acclaimed poet and novelist Ruth Thomas, takes its inspiration from John Donne's poem "The Blossom".

A week before moving house, Anna finds distraction from packing by arranging and rearranging the furniture in her daughter's doll's house: "procrastination in miniature".

Reader: Cara Kelly

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

**THU 15:45 Inheritance (b0082c3w)**

Nana Quajo the First

James Maw presents a series on life-changing inheritances. 4/5. Nana Quajo the First. TV producer Humphrey Barclay inherited a village in Ghana and became their first white chief.

**THU 16:00 Bookclub (b009phv5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

**THU 16:30 Material World (b009q88x)**

Humans and Crops - Rosalind Franklin

Humans and Crops

How is DNA analysis and radio carbon dating helping bioarchaeologists understand when and where farming first started and the kinds of crops our ancestors grew? Quentin Cooper is joined by Professor Glynis Jones from the Department of Archaeology at the University of Sheffield and by Professor Huw Jones from the National Institute of Agricultural Botany in Cambridge to find out.

Rosalind Franklin

Material World will be shedding light on the woman who has been called by some 'the dark lady of DNA'. It is 50 years since the death of Rosalind Franklin, the woman who made a major contribution to the discovery of the structure of DNA. Quentin meets Nobel laureate Sir Aaron Klug who worked with Rosalind Franklin in the 1950s to discuss her life, legacy and incredible contribution to science and medicine.

**THU 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pyd6)**

10th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

The TUC ignores the government pay ceilings and accusations of racism are levelled at London Transport.

**THU 17:00 PM (b009pyd8)**

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

**THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009pydb)**

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

**THU 18:30 Banter (b009q8m5)**

Series 3

Episode 2

Andrew Collins hosts the show in which guests are invited to offer their definitive top threes. Guests include Richard Herring and Russell Howard.

**THU 19:00 The Archers (b009q1vt)**

Ruth tells David that Jill has ordered Phil's 'light bucket' telescope at last. Fortunately Phil had marked a couple in a catalogue so Jill just picked the most expensive one.

Usha's wearing a beautiful engagement ring. They're planning a harvest wedding at St Stephen's and Rachel has agreed to take the service. Usha's only dread is that nobody will be there, although she hasn't entirely given up hope of Satya coming. Ruth insists the church will be packed with all her friends. Alan plans to tell the congregation at next week's AGM.

It's time for Taylor to take the stand. Taylor's adamant that his relationship with Kathy was above board and the sex was consensual. He's got an excuse for everything - his name changes, how he came back to Ambridge to talk to Kathy to find out why she was spreading this terrible lie, how he always seems to be unlucky in love. The prosecutor works hard to highlight the similarities in Claire and Kathy's circumstances and to wear Taylor down, calling him an inadequate man who preys on vulnerable women. Eventually it seems to work and Taylor loses control. Banging the dock, he shouts out that he hasn't done anything. They're evil lying bitches.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**THU 19:15 Front Row (b009q1w2)**

Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang, including an interview with the New Zealand writer Lloyd Jones, whose novel Mister Pip was nominated for the Man Booker Prize last year.

**THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009q1w4)**

Lucia's Progress

Episode 4

EF Benson's classic comedy, dramatised by John Peacock. 4: Lucia reaches the end of her excavations and begins to see the fruits of her political endeavours.

**THU 20:00 Investigation (b009q8m7)**

Series 4

Episode 3

Simon Cox investigates the drug problem in our prisons. He explores the smuggling techniques used by prisoners, inmates and even prison officers.

**THU 20:30 Analysis (b009q8m9)**

China's Eco-warriors

Mukul Devichand meets China's eco-warriors in Beijing and asks how the rest of the world should understand the significance of their activism.

**THU 21:00 Leading Edge (b009q8mc)**

Hydrogen Biofuels

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Geoff Watts examines a revolutionary process announced this week at the American Chemical Society meeting, for converting plant sugars into hydrogen, which could see sugar powered batteries for portable laptops and sugar fuel cells for vehicles within a decade.

Super strong squid beaks

How does the squid without any bones use its sharp tip to rip into prey without hurting itself? Insights into the extraordinary properties of squid beaks could lead to better medical implants and new ways of bonding materials.

The brain circuitry in drug addiction

New research uncovers the type of changes in the brain that occur with repeated use of metamphetamines. The work offers new insights into addiction-related behaviours such as drug craving and relapse. It could have big effects on the way we treat and manage drug addiction to a range of substances in the future.

Phoenix on Mars

As the Phoenix spacecraft – en route to the icy north pole of Mars – nears its journey's end, Geoff Watts finds out whether this latest probe to visit the red planet, and the first probe to make contact with watery ice, will settle the debate about life on Mars.

**THU 21:30 In Our Time (b009q7zm)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**THU 21:58 Weather (b009q2p5)**

The latest weather forecast.

**THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b009q2p7)**

With Mishal Husain. We hear from an award-winning Chinese singing phenomena, and look at the latest developments in the Zimbabwean presidential elections.

**THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009q2p9)**

Mister Pip

Episode 9

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 9/10: The Rambos have left in the night, leaving the village to wonder what spooked them.

**THU 23:00 Look Away Now (b009q6th)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

**THU 23:30 Rocking Scots (b007gsr0)**  
Episode 1

1/2. Midge Ure returns to his native Glasgow to explore his musical roots, from his tenement upbringing to joining the short-lived boy band Slik in the 1970s. He assesses Scotland's contribution to rock and pop music during the 1960s and 70s, from Lulu to Alex Harvey. Contributors include Maggie Bell, Eddi Reader and Jim Diamond.

#### FRIDAY 11 APRIL 2008

**FRI 00:00 News and Weather (b009pmrt)**  
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

**FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b009ppjn)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b009pmrw)**  
The latest shipping forecast.

**FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b009pmry)**  
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 (b009pms0)**  
The latest shipping forecast.

**FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b009pms2)**  
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b009pms4)**  
Daily prayer and reflection from Wales with Rev Craig Gardiner.

**FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b009pms6)**  
News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

**FRI 06:00 Today (b009pms8)**  
Presented by James Naughtie and Sarah Montague.

Including:

Will the Serious Fraud Office re-open its criminal investigation into payments by the arms company BAE to Saudi Arabia? Former Attorney General Lord Lyell and Menzies Campbell comment on yesterday's high court ruling.

Could this be the return of Silvio Berlusconi? Europe Editor Mark Mardell reports on the run-up to the Italian elections.

Health Correspondent Adam Brimelow reports on a novel treatment for Alzheimer's disease.

One of Britain's most liberal local papers is publishing ads for the BNP.

Thought for the Day with Chief Rabbi Sir Jonathan Sacks.

A controversial method of creating DNA profiles has been given the all-clear by experts.

Post offices could affect the outcome of next month's local elections.

US President George W Bush plans to freeze the withdrawal of US troops from Iraq. With UN Special Representative for Iraq Staffan de Mistura.

**FRI 09:00 The Reunion (b009pg19)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

**FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b009ppjq)**  
Kate Summerscale - The Suspicions of Mr Whicher

Episode 5

Deborah Findlay reads from Kate Summerscale's account of a Victorian murder case that gripped the nation.

5/5. Only in 1928, with the arrival of an anonymous letter from Sydney, do the real events at Road Hill House back in 1860 finally come to light.

**FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b009pq95)**  
Forced marriages; Frank Cadogan Cowper's muse

How best to prevent forced marriages and honour-based violence in the UK? Plus, Valerie Tarantolo, Frank Cadogan Cowper's muse, and vibrators in history.

**FRI 11:00 Monsieur le Maire (b009q9hl)**  
Susan Marling meets Ken Tatham, the only English mayor in France, and follows his campaign for re-election.

**FRI 11:30 The Casebook of Inspector Steine (b009q9hn)**  
On the Road

Comedy drama series by Lynne Truss set in 1950s Brighton.

A day out in a singular vintage car turns out to be highly eventful, thanks to a certain cockney charlady.

Inspector Steine ..... Michael Fenton Stevens  
Sergeant Brunswick ..... John Ramm  
Mrs Groyne ..... Sam Spiro  
Constable Twitten ..... Matt Green.

**FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b009pr7f)**  
Consumer news and issues with John Waite and Liz Barclay.

**FRI 12:57 Weather (b009pr7h)**  
The latest weather forecast.

**FRI 13:00 World at One (b009pr7k)**  
National and international news with Shaun Ley.

**FRI 13:30 The Message (b009q9hq)**  
Jenni Murray and guests in conversation about how current media trends affect our lives.

**FRI 14:00 The Archers (b009q1vt)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 14:15 Drama (b009q9hs)**  
Series 1

Mural

by Nick Warburton. Part 2: Mural. In an idiosyncratic restaurant deep in the Fens the ancient proprietor, Warwick, can't help interfering in the kitchen. He is driving his son mad. Until his grandson suggests they give the old man a project.

Warwick Hedges.....Trevor Peacock  
Jack Hedges.....Sam Dale  
David.....Chris Pavlo  
Fay.....Liza Sadovy  
Marcia.....Kate Buffery  
Zofia.....Helen Longworth  
Samuel.....John Rowe

Director Claire Grove.

**FRI 15:00 Ramblings (b009q9hv)**  
Walking through Time

Wales - Cardiff

Walking through Time: Clare Balding explores routes with connections to the past. 3/5: She walks along a stretch of coastline near Cardiff, the site of the proposed Severn Barrage.

**FRI 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b009psp2)**  
What I Learned from the Metaphysical Poets

Taken in Shadows

By Helen Dunmore

A painted portrait, depicting the charismatic beauty of John Donne, inspires this short story by a mistress of the form.

Reader: Emma Fielding.

Produced by Kirsteen Cameron.

**FRI 15:45 Inheritance (b0084gn7)**  
A Case of Pickled Penguins

James Maw presents a series on life-changing inheritances. 5/5: A Case of Pickled Penguins. Judy Skelton inherited a book given to her grandfather by Captain Robert Falcon Scott.

**FRI 16:00 Last Word (b009q9hx)**  
Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

**FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b009q9hz)**  
In a special edition, Francine Stock follows the production of Mike Leigh's new film Happy-Go-Lucky from the perspective of its producer, Simon Channing-Williams.

**FRI 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b009pydd)**  
11th April 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago.

Militant German student leader Rudi Dutschke survives an assassination attempt. America's Civil Rights Bill is signed by President Lyndon B Johnson, and the leader of Biafra speaks out.

**FRI 17:00 PM (b009pydg)**  
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Including Weather at 5.57pm.

**FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b009pydj)**  
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

**FRI 18:30 The Now Show (b009rx9g)**  
Series 23

Episode 6

Comedy sketches and satirical comments from Steve Punt, Hugh Dennis and the team including Mitch Benn, Laura Shavin and Jon Holmes.

**FRI 19:00 The Archers (b009q1w6)**  
Elizabeth's called by the defence. She answers the questions truthfully and although Kenton's not impressed Kathy thinks she did well under the circumstances. The prosecutor's cross-questioning gives Elizabeth an opportunity to set the record straight. It's almost over. After the judge's summing up, the jury go out and the wait begins. Kathy can't believe that now it just comes down to who the jury believe.

Sid finds Jolene in quite a state. She's talked to Phil and Jill about the trial, not realising that they knew nothing about it. They just thought everyone had gone down as character witnesses - and didn't even know Kenton had gone. They were shocked but, worse than that, they were hurt that Kenton hadn't told them. Sid comforts Jolene, pointing out that it's not her fault, but it's no consolation for her. Jolene wants to warn Kathy and Kenton but Sid doesn't want to disturb them while they're waiting for the verdict.

Kathy calls to say the jury can't reach a verdict today so everyone's been sent home. Kathy's on her way back, but Sid still doesn't think it's the right time to tell her that Phil and Jill know.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

**FRI 19:15 Front Row (b009q1w8)**  
Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang, including a look at the music of Mali-born kora player Toumani Diabate.

**FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b009q1wb)**  
Lucia's Progress

Episode 5

EF Benson's classic comedy dramatised by John Peacock. 5/5: Floods hit Tilling and the Mapp-Flints find themselves again at the mercy of Lucia. Georgie makes an unexpected proposal.

**FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b009q9j3)**  
Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Harrogate. Panellists include Alan Johnson, William Hague, John Sentamu



and Shirley Williams.

**FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b009q9j5)**

Right on the Money

Clive James turns his attention to the Royal Mail's decision to redesign the coinage. The old coins, he says, did nothing except tell you what they were worth - and what's the point in that!

**FRI 21:00 Friday Drama (b00771nd)**

Talking to Strangers

Talking to Strangers: Comedy by Charlotte Jones. A perennially shy man sets himself a challenge - to switch off his mobile phone, disregard his email and put aside his iPod.

**FRI 21:58 Weather (b009q2pc)**

The latest weather forecast.

**FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b009q2pf)**

Robin Lustig reports from Milan ahead of the Italian elections, and Mishal Husain in London has the latest on the Zimbabwean election crisis and a report on food shortages.

**FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b009q2ph)**

Mister Pip

Episode 10

Mister Pip, by Lloyd Jones. 10/10: Matilda has escaped from the war-torn island and is on her way home to her father in Australia.

**FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b009s75h)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

**FRI 23:30 Rocking Scots (b007j27y)**

Episode 2

2/2. Midge Ure returns to his native Glasgow to explore his musical roots, from his tenement upbringing to joining the short-lived boy band Slik in the 1970s. The 80s and 90s saw a new generation of Scottish artists gain self-confidence in their national identity.

Contributors include Jim Kerr from Simple Minds, Sharleen Spiteri from Texas, Ricky Ross of Deacon Blue and Proclaimers twins Charlie and Craig Reid.