

SATURDAY 31 MAY 2008

SAT 00:00 News and Weather (b00bv6f7)

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

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b00bs1x7)

Bearded Tit

Episode 5

Rory McGrath reads from his comic memoir, a story of love and birdwatching. Twenty-five years on, and Rory and Tori are happily nested. But what happened to JJ?

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bv6f9)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bv6fc)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bv6ff)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00bv6fh)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00bv6fk)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Leslie Griffiths.

SAT 05:45 iPM (b00bzzpl)

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

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00bv6fm)

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

SAT 06:04 Weather (b00bv6fp)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00bv6fr)

Countryside magazine. Elinor Goodman visits Eymet in the Dordogne to find out why so many Brits have decided to make this part of rural France their home.

SAT 06:35 Farming Today This Week (b00bv6ft)

Rural magazine programme with Mark Holdstock.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b00bv6fw)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b00bv6fy)

With Edward Stourton and James Naughtie. Including Sports Desk, Thought for the Day, Weather.

SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b00bv6g0)

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

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00bv6g2)

Wild Britain & Wild Swimming - Mexican Bandit

WILD BRITAIN & WILD SWIMMING

Despite centuries of agriculture and urbanisation, the British Isles do still have their untamed spots. John McCarthy meets two travel writers who have explored them looking for less domesticated locations; Christopher Somerville shares the secret of some places, both remote and not-so-remote, where nature has the upper hand and Daniel Start reveals the best inland sites for swimming in the wild - possibly even as nature intended.

MEXICAN BANDIT

The Sierra Madre Occidental mountain range is a little known part of the world just south of the United States border. It stretches nearly a thousand miles down the west side of Mexico, a rugged landscape populated by tough people, where drug and gun running are part of the way of life. From his home in Tucson, Arizona British journalist, Richard Grant, heard frightening tales of murder and crime in the Chihuahua and Durango regions and resolved to visit them, attracted by the very dangers that scare most tourists away. He recounts his

adventures there including the time when he came to be the subject of a manhunt.

SAT 10:30 1968: Sex, Telly and Britain (b00bv98k)

Episode 1

Miranda Sawyer explores how the popular British culture of 1968 tackled the so-called 'sexual revolution'. Contributors include Germaine Greer, Paul Nicholas and Michael Billington.

SAT 11:00 Talking Politics (b00bv98m)

Political discussion series which sharpens the focus on current ideas and events. With Sheena McDonald.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00bv98p)

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

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00bv98r)

With Paul Lewis. Including features on financial league tables, a rise in the number of complaints to the Financial Ombudsman and reductions in Barclays charges.

SAT 12:30 The News Quiz (b00bqp57)

Series 65

30/05/2008

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz. Panellists include Jeremy Hardy, Sue Perkins, Mark Steel and Hugo Rifkind.

SAT 12:57 Weather (b00bv98t)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News Headlines (b00bv98w)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b00bqp5h)

Eddie Mair chairs the topical debate from Rugby. Panellists include Malcolm Wicks, Nick Herbert, Norman Lamb and Germaine Greer.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00bv98y)

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 (b00bv990)

1968: Let's Murder Vivaldi

New radio production of David Mercer's 1968 play. Monica and Gerald are not happy together. Nor are Ben and Julie. Gerald and Julie decide to try to resolve everything - somehow.

SAT 15:30 Lost Albums (b00bfc6)

Series 2

Denis Wilson: Bambu

Music journalist Pete Paphides reveals the stories and music behind some of the great albums which were never released. He explores a solo album by former Beach Boy Denis Wilson.

SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b00bv992)

With Jane Garvey. Including features on the Northern Ireland peace process, Helen McCrory on Ibsen, Sex in the City star Cynthia Nixon and the merits of skin creams or sunscreens.

SAT 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bv994)

31st May 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Liberal leader Jeremy Thorpe gets married. Thirty-four men, one woman and a dog get ready to set sail from Plymouth.

SAT 17:00 Saturday PM (b00bv996)

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

SAT 17:30 The Bottom Line (b00bv9k8)

Evan Davis presents the business magazine. Entrepreneurs and business leaders talk about the issues that matter to their companies and their customers.

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00bv9kb)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b00bv9kd)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bv9kg)

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

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00bv9kj)

Peter Curran is joined by Alexei Sayle and Johnny Kingdom. Gideon Coe talks to Will Randall. Comedy from Tim Minchin, music from Christine Tobin and Sarah Moule.

SAT 19:00 From Fact to Fiction (b00bv9kl)

Series 4

A Thousand Times

Katie Hims's story looks at the shattering effects of violence on everyone it touches. With Danny Sapani and Kate Ashfield.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00bv9km)

Tom Sutcliffe and guests review the cultural highlights of the week.

SAT 20:00 The Archive Hour (b00bv9kn)

Reith at 60

Episode 2

Laurie Taylor continues his tawl of the BBC archives, exploring 60 years of the Reith Lectures, named in honour of the first director-general of the BBC, Lord Reith.

This second Archive Hour charts the more recent history of this flagship series and reveals how it continued to irk the British tabloid press well into the 1990s.

But is a penchant for provocation a necessary trait of the modern public intellectual? And how could the high-brow Reith Lectures remain relevant in the age of globalised pop culture?

Recalling the unscripted flair of the French poet Jacques Darras, the audio illustrations of mythographer Marina Warner and the piano-playing of composer Daniel Barenboim, the programme reveals how more recent Reith Lecturers shed the formalities of the past.

Critics have pointed out the lack of diversity in the pool of previous lecturers, so as the series enters its eighth decade, Laurie Taylor asks who should be considered worthy of the Reith podium?

SAT 21:00 The Mayor of Casterbridge (b00bfk05)

2. Revelations

Henchard attempts to hold his life together despite painful revelations and the unexpected arrival of someone from his past.

Thomas Hardy's tragic story of a man who spends his life trying to atone for the terrible action that led to the loss of his wife and child.

Dramatised in three parts by Helen Edmundson.

MICHAEL HENCHARD.....John Lynch
ELIZABETH-JANE.....Ruth Wilson
DONALD FARFRAE.....Paul Higgins
LUCETTA.....Emma Fielding
FURMITY WOMAN.....Maggie Steed
SUSAN HENCHARD.....Olwen May
ABEL WHITTLE.....Burn Gorman
JOPP.....Conrad Nelson
SOLOMON LONGWAYS.....Russell Dixon
MOTHER CUXSOM.....Sue Ryding
PHOEBE.....Lorna Lewis

Directed by Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b00bv9ks)

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

SAT 22:15 The Radio 4 Debate from Hay (b00btd6g)

Francine Stock chairs a Hay Festival debate on whether the

international community has failed the people of Burma following Cyclone Nargis.

SAT 23:00 Counterpoint (b00bpc8)
Series 22

2008 Semi-final 1

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz.

The pace hots up as the series enters its semi-final stage, with three of this year's heats winners going into battle for a place in the Final in a few weeks' time. The questions cover every aspect of music - from the classical repertoire to world music, show tunes, film scores, jazz, rock and pop.

Three contestants battle it out: Stephen Banks from Bristol, Brian Davies of Middlesex and Diane Hallagan from Leeds.

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

SAT 23:30 Poetry Please (b00bfk09)

A wide selection of requests in this week's programme. Starting with good ingredients is always advisable, and so we kick off with 'Ratatouille' by Douglas Dunn. Food, however, is less important to the main character in Carol Ann Duffy's poem, 'Elvis's Twin Sister'. Also, listen out for work by the great 16th century poet Pierre de Ronsard, and verse both by, and about Anna Akhmatova

Ratatouille by Douglas Dunn
From: Being Alive (anthology)
Publ: Bloodaxe

I'd like to be a Teabag by Peter Dixon
From: I'd Like to be a Teabag (anthology)
Publ: BBC Books

Idleness by Andrew Young
From: The Poetical Works of Andrew Young
Publ: Secker and Warburg

The Paradox of Time by Pierre de Ronsard, translated by Henry Austin Dobson
From: The Complete Poetical Works of Austin Dobson
Publ: Oxford University Press

Elvis's Twin Sister by Carol Ann Duffy
From: The World's Wife
Publ: Picador

An Immorality by Ezra Pound
From: The Golden Journey (anthology)
Publ: Evans Brothers Ltd

The Paper Smokers by Cesare Pavese, translated by Duncan Bush
From: The Faber Book of 20th Century Italian Poems
Publ: faber

Ironing with Sue Lawley by Pauline Prior-Pitt (This poem only features in the Saturday night edition)
From: Ironing with Sue Lawley
Publ: Spike Press

Diary entry by Anna Akhmatova, translated by D.M. Thomas
From: You Will Hear Thunder
Publ: Secker and Warburg

Akhmatova in Leningrad by Carol Rumens
From: Carol Rumens 1968-2004
Publ: Bloodaxe

Epilogue by Anna Akhmatova, translated by D.M. Thomas
From: You Will Hear Thunder
Publ: Secker and Warburg

An Exequy by Peter Porter
From: Collected Poems – Volume 1
Publ: Oxford University Press

SUNDAY 01 JUNE 2008

SUN 00:00 News and Weather (b00bv0y)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SUN 00:30 The Late Story (b0076yzz)
Dora's Women

Tinkling the Ivories

Readings specially written for Dora Bryan. In Stephen Wyatt's story, Elisa Fortunata, Queen of the Keyboards, recalls the romance and magic of the silent movies.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bv10)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bv12)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bv14)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00bv16)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00bv1b)
The sound of church bells from St Thomas the Martyr, Oxford.

SUN 05:45 For whom the Division Bell Told (b00bg3gc)
Episode 3

Michael Portillo explores the history of the backbench MP. He attempts to find out whether backbenchers always been more interested in keeping their job than changing the world.

SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b00bv1d)
The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00bv1g)
The Chalice of Being

Mark Tully explores former UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld's exhortation that each morning we must hold out the chalice of our being - to receive, to carry, to give back.

SUN 06:35 Living World (b00bv1j)
Salisbury Plain Honey Bees

Honey bees are part of the natural ecology of Salisbury Plain, an area used for training by the British Army and RAF. Lionel Kelleway meets MOD bee expert Chris Wilks.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b00bv1l)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00bv1n)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00bv1q)
Roger Bolton and guests discuss the religious and ethical news of the week.

SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b00bv1s)
Ian McKellen appeals on behalf of The Prostate Cancer Charity. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

SUN 07:58 Weather (b00bv1z9)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00bv1zc)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00bv1zf)
A service from Groomsport Presbyterian Church, Co Down, conducted by Rev Dr Roger Purce. Director of music: John Ekin.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b00bq5m)
A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Lucy Kellaway.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00bv1zh)
News and conversation about the big stories of the week.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00bv1zk)
The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 Desert Island Discs (b00bv1zm)
Lord Woolf

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is the former Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales Lord Woolf. Throughout his career, he has been at the forefront of shaping our justice system. Following the Strangeways riots in 1990 he issued far-reaching reports on penal reform and his part in authorizing the release of James Bulger's killers attracted huge attention. As Master of the Rolls he made an historic judgement allowing Diane Blood to use her dead husband's sperm to have a child.

Lord Woolf's appetite to see justice done was sharpened as a wartime school boy and the only Jew at Fettes College in Edinburgh - he developed an early antipathy towards any perceived unfairness. His school master's contention that being a barrister wasn't the profession for a boy with a stutter only made him more determined to succeed.

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

Favourite track: The Prisoner's Chorus from Fidelio by Ludwig van Beethoven
Book: The Koran
Luxury: A happy photograph of the whole family including the latest grandchildren.

SUN 12:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b00bfqxh)
Series 2

Episode 4

David Mitchell tries to sort facts from fiction. With Alan Davies, Simon Evans, Tony Hawks and Phill Jupitus. From May 2008.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00bv1zp)
Waiters

Sheila Dillon looks at the world of the waiter. From recent revelations about who keeps the money from tips to concerns over standards of service, is this a profession in crisis?

SUN 12:57 Weather (b00bv1zr)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00bv1zt)
A look at events around the world with Shaun Ley.

SUN 13:30 Sex in the City Shanghai Style (b009547x)
Shenshen, a modern young Shanghai woman, explores the new China, a neon-lit world of cocktail bars, designer clothes and exclusive clubs.

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00bv1zw)
Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum. Matthew Biggs, Bunny Guinness and Bob Flowerdew answer questions from gardeners in Suffolk.

SUN 14:45 A Guide to Woodland Birds (b00bv1zy)
Common Warblers

Brett Westwood presents the guide to help identify your local woodland birds.

Brett joins birdwatcher Stephen Moss and wildlife sound recordist Chris Watson in the Forest of Dean to identify the songs of the chiffchaff, the blackcap and the willow garden warblers

Producer: Sarah Blunt

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2008.

SUN 15:00 The Mayor of Casterbridge (b00bv100)
3. The Stranger

Henchard sets about rebuilding his life but then, appearance of a stranger in Casterbridge, threatens to unravel everything.

Conclusion of Thomas Hardy's tragic story of a man who spends his life trying to atone for one terrible action that led to the loss of his wife and child.

Dramatised in three parts by Helen Edmundson.

MICHAEL HENCHARD.....John Lynch
ELIZABETH-JANE.....Ruth Wilson
DONALD FARFRAE.....Paul Higgins
LUCETTA.....Emma Fielding

FURMITY WOMAN.....Maggie Steed
 ABEL WHITTLE.....Burn Gorman
 JOPP.....Conrad Nelson
 NEWSON.....Jonathan Keeble
 SOLOMON LONGWAYS.....Russell Dixon
 CHRISTOPHER CONEY.....David Fielder
 MOTHER CUXSOM.....Sue Ryding
 MARTHA.....Vashti Maclachlan
 PHOEBE.....Lorna Lewis

Directed by Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

SUN 16:00 Bookclub (b00bvc8)
 Jan Morris

Jan Morris joins James Naughtie and readers to talk about her portrait of the city of Venice. The book, simply entitled Venice, was written nearly fifty years ago.

SUN 16:30 Poetry Please (b00bvcdb)

We celebrate the arrival of the outdoor season with a programme recorded last week at the 2008 Guardian Hay Festival. The featured poems reflect something of the borders between Wales and England: the English side is represented by Alfred Noyes and the Welsh poetry chosen from listeners' requests includes work by Dannie Abse, Sheenagh Pugh and RS Thomas. Roger was joined on stage by readers Manon Edwards and Richard Mitchley, and by Gwyneth Lewis who reads some of her own poetry and one by her fellow poet, Christopher Meredith, whose work she particularly admires.

The Birthright by Eiluned Lewis
 From: Anglo-Welsh Poetry 1480-1990
 Publ: seren

The View from the Window RS Thomas
 From: Selected Poems 1946-1968
 Publ: Granada

Wizards by Alfred Noyes
 From: Poetry of the Transition 1850-1914
 Publ: Oxford University Press

All Day it Has Rained by Alun Lewis
 From: The Oxford Book of War Poetry
 Publ: Oxford

Words by Edward Thomas
 From: The Collected Poems of Edward Thomas
 Publ: Oxford

How to Knit a Poem by Gwyneth Lewis
 Not yet published

Memorial Sweater by Gwyneth Lewis
 Not yet published

These two poems only feature in the Saturday night edition
 Knitting Needles by Roger McGough
 Not Yet Published
 Nana's Knitting Needles by Roger McGough
 Not Yet Published

Mother Tongue by Gwyneth Lewis
 From: Keeping Mum
 Publ: Bloodaxe

My Father was Distant by Gwyneth Lewis
 From: Keeping Mum
 Publ: Bloodaxe

This poem only features in the Saturday night edition.
 A Past by Gwyneth Lewis
 From: Keeping Mum
 Publ: Bloodaxe

What Flight Meant by Christopher Meredith
 From: The Meaning of Flight
 Publ: seren

Welsh Love Letter by Michael Burn
 From: Poems as an Accompaniment to a Life
 Pub: Michael Russell

This poem only features in the Saturday night edition.
 Preseli Blue by Caroline Gill
 From: The Lie of the Land
 Publ: Cinnamon Press

Sometimes by Sheenagh Pugh
 From: Selected Poems
 Publ: seren

SUN 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bvcdd)

1st June 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. One of the last public executioners shows his sensitive side. Biafran peace talks collapse.

SUN 17:00 File on 4 (b00bg0f1)

Allan Urry reports from Liverpool. The city is celebrating its status as European Capital of Culture, yet the City Council is the subject of scathing reports by government auditors.

SUN 17:40 From Fact to Fiction (b00bv9kl)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00bvcvg)
 The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b00bvcvj)
 The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bvcdd)
 The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00bvcdd)
 Dominic Arkwright presents a selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00bvcdd)
 Farm Sunday's going well at Brookfield, while the Grundys await their first visitor. Joe visits Brookfield and, seeing how well they're doing, makes out it's the same at Grundys' Field. When Joe reports back, Eddie comes up with a plan - inducement. Eddie goes to Brookfield and gives out vouchers for a cut-price strawberry tea. When Ruth confronts him, he admits their event's a disaster but his plan works and soon they're pulling in the crowds too. Clarrie knows they're making no profit. Eddie's confident they'll make enough promoting the cider club and from the ferret racing.

David's surprised that Brenda and Tom visit the farm, considering they're moving into 1, The Green. They've left Mike and Tony moving stuff in for them, so Brenda's not worried, and their house-warming is next week. Ruth feels a bit too old for this and David jokes that she'd better not be - he's arranged a big bash for her birthday. Ruth insists she wants to celebrate her 40th quietly at home.

As David and Ruth wave off their last visitor, their faith has been restored. The public have left David feeling that they're not doing such a bad job after all.

Episode written by Caroline Harrington.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b00bvcdd)
 Barney Harwood presents the children's magazine. He meets Rick Riordan, author of the fantasy adventures starring demigod Percy Jackson.

SUN 19:45 Afternoon Reading (b007x07y)
 William Trevor - Cheating at Canasta

Folie a Deux

A chance meeting in Paris revives powerful memories of a shared past on an Irish beach. Story collection read by William Trevor.

SUN 20:00 Feedback (b00bqp4s)
 Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b00bqp51)
 John Wilson presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b00bv98r)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00bvb1s)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 In Business (b00bw51z)
 Hot Stuff

Some people think that global warming offers a huge business opportunity for companies who can find new ways of tackling climate change. Peter Day investigates.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b00bvcvdv)
 The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b00bvcddx)
 Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including On Closer Inspection. Marcus Brigstocke meet some of his targets for satire and reassesses his own prejudices.

SUN 23:00 1968 Day by Day Omnibus (b00bvcddz)
 Week ending 1st June 1968

Another chance to look back at the events making the news 40 years ago with John Tusa. Welsh nationalist extremists set off another bomb. Manchester United win the European Cup.

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00bvb1g)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 02 JUNE 2008

MON 00:00 News and Weather (b00bvk1f)
 The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b00bg3g7)
 Boxing - Urban Outcasts

BOXING
 Laurie Taylor is joined by Kasia Boddy, author of Boxing: A Cultural history, and Professor Loïc Wacquant, sociologist, ethnographer and former apprentice boxer to consider the sport's history in terms of race, class, and representation, from bare-knuckle fights to attempts to tame the Kray Twins.

URBAN OUTCASTS
 Loïc Wacquant, Professor of sociology at the University of California-Berkeley, looks at the trend amongst academics and certain commentators for talking about "ghettoisation" in Europe's cities, and questions the idea that our cities are becoming Americanised. He discusses his theory of "advanced marginality", symptoms of which, he says, can be found on both sides of the Atlantic.

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00bvb1b)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bvk1h)
 The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bvk1k)
 BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bvk1m)
 The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00bvk1p)
 The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00bvk1o)
 Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Leslie Griffiths.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00bvk1r)
 News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

MON 05:57 Weather (b00bvk1t)
 The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b00bvk1w)
 With Sarah Montague and Edward Stourton. Including Sports Desk; Weather; Thought for the Day.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b00bv1ly)
 Andrew Marr sets the cultural agenda for the week. Guests include authors Michael Frayn, Alexandra Fuller and Amit Chaudhuri.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00bvt9)

Clean

Episode 1

Katherine Ashenburg's unsanitised history of washing, read by Tamsin Greig. Our obsession with bathing started with the Romans and the Greeks.

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00bvn9b)

Mothers and knife crime; Dawn Landes

Should parents start discussing knives with their children alongside drugs and sex? Plus the growing appeal of vintage clothing, and music from folk singer Dawn Landes.

MON 11:00 After the Floods: The Toll Bar Refugees (b00bvn9d)

Kate Betts follows the lives of the residents of a Doncaster council housing estate after they were forced out of their homes by last year's extreme weather. Fifty of the families decided that rather than be dispersed to surrounding villages, they would take up the council's offer to stay on a nearby caravan site so they could all be together as a community. A year later, some are still left on the caravan park, wondering when their former homes will be ready for them to move back in.

MON 11:30 The Maltby Collection (b00wwj28)

Series 2

Episode 1

With the museum stuck in the past, modernising deputy curator Rod wants to make it sexy. Stars Geoffrey Palmer. From June 2008.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00bvnsb)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

MON 12:57 Weather (b00bvnsd)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b00bvnsj)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

MON 13:30 Counterpoint (b00bvnsj)

Series 22

2008 Semi-final 2

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz.

The pace hots up as the series enters its semi-final stage, with three of this year's heats winners going into battle for a place in the Final in a few weeks' time. The questions cover every aspect of music - from the classical repertoire to world music, show tunes, film scores, jazz, rock and pop.

Three contestants battle it out: Chris Cook from Haslemere in Surrey, Howard Curtis from London and John Tattersall from Todmorden.

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b00bvcdq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b00bvp3b)

Shredder

Bella wants to go to her grave confident that her children will never know what a wicked woman she once was. But not even a shredder can wholly destroy the past. With Gwen Taylor, Stephen Thorne, Avril Elgar, Helen Longworth. Directed by Jane Morgan.

MON 15:00 Money Box Live (b00bvp3d)

Vincent Duggleby and guests answer calls on financial issues.

MON 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00bvq6c)

Spy Stories

The Child Spy

Classic tales of deception and betrayal.

Alphonse Daudet's story, set at the time of the Siege of Paris in 1870, tells of the consequences of a young boy's innocent recruitment into espionage.

Read by Martin Jarvis.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 15:45 Cosmic Quest (b00bvsd2)

Philosopher Scientists

Heather Couper considers Greek philosopher Thales's idea that natural forces, not actions by gods, cause natural disasters. From 2008.

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00bvbpz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

MON 16:30 Beyond Belief (b00bvslb)

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 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bvsvp)

2nd June 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Anti-Vietnam War protests erupt in Delhi. Andy Williams performs in the UK for the first time.

MON 17:00 PM (b00bvsvr)

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

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bvsvt)

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

MON 18:30 The Unbelievable Truth (b00bvsvw)

Series 2

Episode 5

David Mitchell chairs the fibbing quiz. With Graeme Garden, Fred MacAulay, Michael McIntyre and Lucy Porter. From June 2008.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b00bv7v)

Phil's knocked over a plant and is vacuuming the mess when Jennifer and Ruth call. He insists he doesn't need their assistance.

When Adam wants to help, Phil's had enough of people thinking he can't cope on his own, although he is forced to take Adam's advice on emptying the vacuum cleaner. Thanks to a gust of wind Phil still manages to get dust everywhere.

Debbie's in agreement with Matt for a bigger AD unit. Jennifer's worried about the village's reaction but Adam wants to cross that bridge if they come to it.

Jennifer's still hoping Brian will agree to a holiday but Brian insists Adam can't manage harvest without him. Adam tells Jennifer that's rubbish - in fact it would suit him.

It's been two weeks since the hate mail but Alan's still worried about Usha and suggests she spends a few days with Ruth. Ruth suggests the same thing but Usha knows this would be awkward for Ruth.

Ruth tells Alan she's concerned about Usha, which convinces Alan it's time to do something. If Usha won't stay with Ruth, someone should stay with Usha and he thinks he knows who's best. He gets straight on the phone to Satya.

Episode written by Caroline Harrington.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b00bwzv1)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an interview with actor Rupert Everett, whose latest project is a TV documentary about Victorian explorer Sir Richard Burton.

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00bvtf1)

Barbara Pym - Jane and Prudence

Episode 6

Miss Morrow and Miss Doggett are disposing of Constance's things. Jane is keen to satisfy her curiosity. Comedy of rural relationships stars Emma Fielding.

MON 20:00 Seven Days (b00bw51x)

With the Debt Doctors

As the credit crunch bites for small businesses and mortgage payers, Jenny Cuffe spends a week with consultants called in by those facing financial ruin.

MON 20:30 The Learning Curve (b00bvctz)

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

MON 21:00 Frontiers (b00bvtd1)

Medicines for Children

Graham Easton draws on his experience as a doctor and a father to reveal why medicines for children lag behind adults. Many of the drugs that are given to children have never been properly tested on them to make sure they are safe and effective. New European laws, however, are forcing companies to recruit babies and children into trials. The UN government has committed twenty million pounds to kick-start the process.

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b00bvily)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b00bvtdq)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00bvtdq)

National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah, including reports on the Home Secretary's wooing of Labour rebels, the UN's fact-finding trip to Africa, and security issues in East Timor.

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00bvtdq)

Helpless

Episode 6

By Barbara Gowdy, abridged for radio by Lauris Morgan-Griffiths. Nine-year-old Rachel, held in a basement by her abductor Ron, tries to reach the outside world through his girlfriend Nancy. Read by Kathryn Akin.

MON 23:00 Happy Mondays (b00bvtdq)

The Odd Half Hour

Episode 3

Sketch show starring Stephen K Amos, Jason Byrne, Justin Edwards and Katherine Parkinson looking at modern life's pains, large and small.

MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00bvtp5)

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

TUESDAY 03 JUNE 2008**TUE 00:00 News and Weather (b00bvtf2)**

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

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00bvt9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bvtf4)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bvtf6)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bvtf8)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00bvtfb)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00bvtfd)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Leslie Griffiths.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00bvkfg)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

TUE 06:00 Today (b00bvkfj)

With John Humphrys and Edward Stourton. Including Sports Desk, Yesterday in Parliament, Weather, Thought for the Day.

TUE 09:00 The Reith Lectures (b00bvz8s)

Jonathan Spence: Chinese Vistas: 2008

Confucian Ways

Chinese Vistas: In a lecture recorded at the British Library in London, Jonathan Spence reflects on China's most enduring thinker, Confucius. Who was this man, what did he believe in, and what contemporary relevance does his message have, nearly 2,500 years after his death? The Confucian message has survived countless attacks and is being recycled by the Chinese Communist leadership today.

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00bvsc5)

Clean

Episode 2

Katherine Ashenburg's unsanitised history of washing. The major religions had vastly differing views on cleanliness, but did a dirty body necessarily mean a cleaner soul?

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00bvltc)

Ageing with style; TB in Africa; Teenage pregnancy

Alexandra Shulman, editor of British Vogue, on aging with style. Plus the global threat of TB, and the team that provides support for pregnant teenage girls. With Jenni Murray.

TUE 11:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations (b00bvz8v)

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

TUE 11:30 Ahlberg at 70 (b00bv8x)

Janet Ellis meets children's author Allan Ahlberg to reflect on his career and influence.

Allan Ahlberg is an institution in children's literature. Books such as Burglar Bill, Each Peach Pear Plum, The Jolly Postman and Peepo became immediate hits with parents and children and have remained hugely popular ever since.

Ahlberg has been writing children's fiction for over 30 years. His popularity is such that he has sold 17 million copies of his 150-plus titles. His books are regularly in the chart of most-borrowed children's authors, and have been in the top ten every year for the past decade.

Ahlberg was adopted and grew up in the Black Country. At the age of 13 he 'became an intellectual snob and joined three libraries'. On leaving school he worked as a postman, a soldier, a plumber's mate and a gravedigger. It was a superintendent of parks and cemeteries that suggested Allan become a teacher.

He began writing in his 30s when his wife Janet asked him to write something for her to illustrate. He sought 'to produce William Morris books at Penguin prices'.

Janet Ellis read his books to her children. She uses archive, readings and expert opinion to assess Ahlberg's life and work.

TUE 12:00 Call You and Yours (b00bvnp9)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and Peter White.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b00bvnp)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b00bvnpf)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

TUE 13:30 Lost Albums (b00bvz8z)

Series 2

The Devils: Dark Circles

Pete Paphides reveals the stories behind some of the great unreleased albums. Stephen Duffy and Nick Rhodes recorded extraordinary electronic pop before forming Duran Duran in 1978.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00bvt7v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 Drama (b00bvz91)

Girl from Mars

Eleanor's sister Amy disappeared five years ago. She simply walked out of her house and into the records of the 'missing'. Lucy Caldwell's play explores her family's attempts to come to terms with the loss of a daughter and sister.

Eleanor Alana Kerr
Chris Joe Armstrong
Judith Maggie Cronin
James Kieran Lagan
Darryl Andy Moore
Eleanor aged 15 Hannah R Gordon
Eleanor aged 5 Martha Gordon
Amy aged 10 Naomi Fearnon
Jake aged 5 Harry Robinson
Jake aged 15 Connor Williamson
Amy/Air hostess Nikki Doherty
Police officer/Pilot Patrick Fitzsymons
Police officer/Directoy Enq Fo Cullen
Senora Garcia Mary Kelly

Directed by Heather Larmour.

TUE 15:00 Making History (b00bvz93)

A Great Castle at Killingholme

The Search for 'A Great Castle at Killingholme' in North Lincolnshire.

Making History listener Sue McLaren contacted the programme after discovering that the great antiquarian William Stukeley made reference to a village in North Lincolnshire where her ancestors had a substantial home which she has never found.

She told us that her ancestor Admiral Henry Booth built the older part of the Manor at North Killingholme, near the south bank of the river Humber, in about 1482 and the house belonged to the family until it was sold in 1898.

The house is now derelict, despite its grade2* listing. In Stukeley's grand tour of Great Britain, "Itinerarium Curiosum" published in 1724 he writes: "A mile east of Thornton are the ruins of another great castle called Kelingholme". When Sue visited the derelict house that stands on the site of her ancestor's home in 2006 she found that in a wooded area adjacent to it and surrounded by a moat, the ground is very uneven and full of bumps and depressions. Is this Stukeley's castle?

Making History consulted Dr Kevin Leahy, formerly Archaeologist at the North Lincolnshire Museum in Scunthorpe and now the co-ordinator of the Portable Antiquities Scheme there.

TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00bvq5d)

Spy Stories

Parker Adderson, Philosopher

Classic tales of deception and betrayal.

Ambrose Bierce's story describes a surprising encounter between a Confederate general and an oddly carefree spy during the American Civil War.

Read by Stacey Keach.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 15:45 Cosmic Quest (b00bvsc7)

Wheels Within Wheels

Heather Couper reflects on astronomer Ptolemy, who wrote 13 volumes listing over 1000 stars and 48 constellations around AD 150.

TUE 16:00 Law in Action (b00bvz95)

Students Using the Law

Clive Coleman looks at legal issues. He asks why universities and students are using the law on everything from attendance at lectures to what clothes are worn to seminars.

TUE 16:30 A Good Read (b00bvz97)

Trevor Dann and Kate Muir

Sue MacGregor and her guests - Times columnist, Kate Muir and radio guru, Trevor Dann - discuss favourite books by Kumiko Kakehashi, Nicholson Baker and Eleanor Updale.

Montmorency by Eleanor Updale

Publisher: Scholastic Point.

Room Temperature by Nicholson Baker

Publisher: Granta

Letters From Iwo Jima: The Japanese Eyewitness Stories That Inspired Clint Eastwood's Film by Kumiko Kakehashi
Publisher: Phoenix

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

TUE 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bvst8)

3rd June 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Andy Warhol is shot. Peter Sellers and Britt Ekland split up.

TUE 17:00 PM (b00bvstb)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news, presented by Eddie Mair.

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bvstd)

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

TUE 18:30 Clare in the Community (b00zm6g2)

Series 3

The Redcap

Clare has a new student social worker with an army background, which is good as she doesn't have time to toughen up her trainees...

Clare Barker is a social worker with all the politically correct jargon but none of the practical solutions. Award-winning sitcom by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.

Starring Sally Phillips as Clare, Alex Lowe as Brian, Andrew Wincott as Simon, Richard Lumsden as Ray, Gemma Craven as Helen, Ellen Thomas as Irene, Nina Conti as Megan, Mark Straker as Mr Bell, Geraldine McNulty as Colin and Mel Hudson as Peggy.

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00bvt7x)

Phil's pleased to see Shula - at least she doesn't think he can't cope. Shula's considering resigning as churchwarden. Phil doesn't think she should but Shula feels Alan no longer trusts her. She notices the water in the washing machine is bright red but Phil explains he's left a gardening glove in a trouser pocket.

Tony and Pat receive confirmation that if Matt gets planning permission they'd have to move their packhouse elsewhere. There's nowhere vacant locally, and they know the cost of renting commercial property so they've no idea where to go from here. Reassuring Pat that the report is a worst case scenario, Tony knows they need to convince the planning authority that they can't manage without the packhouse.

Usha's dad calls. Satya's told him of her concerns and he's on his way to see her. When he hears of Shula's involvement, he recalls that it was she who called them after the racial attack, and can't understand what's gone wrong. Usha explains how their friendship was shattered when Shula took Richard. Usha's dad feels strongly that Alan's failing to protect her. Privately, to Alan, Usha thinks Satya's set this up. Even though things are tricky, Alan hopes it works in their favour.

Episode written by Caroline Harrington.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00bvt7z)

Arts news and reviews with Mark Lawson, including an interview with writer Michael Bond, who at the age of 82 is about to publish a new Paddington Bear book.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00bwrh2)

Barbara Pym - Jane and Prudence

Episode 7

Miss Morrow makes her play. Comedy of rural relationships stars Susie Blake and Emma Fielding.

TUE 20:00 File on 4 (b00bvz99)

Fran Abrams investigates the financial war against terrorism in

the light of a recent High Court ruling that suspects' assets cannot be frozen.

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00bvz9c)

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

TUE 21:00 All in the Mind (b00bvz9f)

Paranoia - Heroes - Mental Health Act Commission

PARANOIA

Paranoia, the feeling that people are out to get you is often thought of as a symptom of serious mental health problems like schizophrenia, but new research conducted at the Institute of Psychiatry has found that paranoia might be far more common than previously thought. In new research published in the British Journal of Psychiatry Dr Daniel Freeman measured people's paranoia by putting them on a virtual reality underground train journey. Claudia went to the Institute of Psychiatry in London to test the virtual tube ride and to talk to Dr Daniel Freeman.

HEROES

The psychologist Philip Zimbardo is famous for the classic Stanford Prison Experiment when back in 1971 he turned the university basement into a fake prison where the young men playing the guards soon started abusing the people they were told were their prisoners. He showed how much circumstances can distort individual personalities and how given complete control over others, anyone can act as a monster. Now he's turned his attention to promoting positive, even heroic behavior. Through research and education he's wants young people to believe they are all "heroes in waiting". Claudia went to meet Professor Zimbardo in San Francisco and hears from a real, home-grown hero, Andrew Antonio, whose act of heroism helped to save a woman's life.

MENTAL HEALTH ACT COMMISSION

Every year fifteen thousand people are detained in locked unit under the Mental Health Act. Once there they have very few powers and someone has to make sure that these psychiatric units are run properly. At the moment inspectors from the Mental Health Act Commission visit each unit every 18 months and talk to at least four patients there to check on what's really going on. But there are fears that this level of scrutiny won't survive the new Health and Social Care Bill. In the future a new body covering the whole of health care The Care Quality Commission will be responsible for checking on standards in psychiatric units. There are concerns that under the new regime the sorts of abuses that have been uncovered in the past in psychiatric units might not get picked up. Professor Chris Heginbotham who ran the Mental Health Act Commission for England and Wales for 8 years talks to Claudia about his fears.

TUE 21:30 Random Edition (b00byr3m)

The Parliamentary Intelligencer: May 1660

Peter Snow presents a history series in which the stories are provided by archive newspapers. Charles II returns to London, 11 years after his father's execution.

TUE 21:58 Weather (b00bvt7)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00bvt9)

With Robin Lustig. Including the latest on US politics and the Democratic race, plus reports on the Rome food summit and why Britons have lost interest in oranges.

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00bvtpe)

Helpless

Episode 7

By Barbara Gowdy. Both Ron and Nancy are struggling to cope with the reality of what they have done. Read by Kathryn Akin.

TUE 23:00 Mouth Trap (b00bvz9h)

The Pressures of Modern Life

Comedy show looking at the modern woman, offering a mixture of satire and silliness. Written by and starring Katy Brand and Katherine Parkinson.

TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00bvtpf)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Susan Hulme.

WEDNESDAY 04 JUNE 2008

WED 00:00 News and Weather (b00bvkfl)

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

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00bvsc5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bx3rz)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bvkfn)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bvkfq)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00bvkfs)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00bvkfv)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Leslie Griffiths.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00bvkfx)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

WED 06:00 Today (b00bvkfz)

With John Humphrys and Edward Stourton. Including Yesterday in Parliament; Sports Desk; Weather; Thought for the Day.

WED 09:00 Midweek (b00bvzfc)

Lively and diverse conversation.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00bvsc9)

Clean

Episode 3

Katherine Ashenburg's unsanitised history of washing, read by Tamsin Greig. In the 18th century it became fashionable not to wash.

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00bvlft)

Wendy Cope; The life of Hannah More

Poet Wendy Cope on why schoolchildren need to read more poetry. Plus the life of bluestocking philanthropist Hannah More, and how to grow and eat amaranth. With Jenni Murray.

WED 11:00 After The Floods: Hull One Year On (b00bvzff)

...Hull One Year On: Michelle Dewberry revisits her home town of Hull one year after the city was devastated by flooding, in the concluding part of After The Flood.

WED 11:30 Hut 33 (b00w2c91)

Series 2

Yellow

The code-breaking staff are ordered to be vaccinated against yellow fever, but Charles refuses to be injected by an Australian.

Archie is scared of needles and Gordon needs a note from his mum.

James Cary's sitcom set at Bletchley Park - the top-secret home of the Second World War codebreakers.

Charles Robert Bathurst
Archie Tom Goodman-Hill
Minka Olivia Colman
Mrs Best Lill Roughley
Gordon Fergus Craig
Joshua Alex McQueen

With Ben Crowe and Brendon Burns.

Producer: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2008.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00bvnpk)

Consumer news and issues with Liz Barclay and Sheila

McClennon.

WED 12:57 Weather (b00bvnpk)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b00bvnpk)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

WED 13:30 Quote... Unquote (b00bvzfk)

Nigel Rees exchanges quotations and anecdotes with guests Michael Aspel, Ann Leslie, Kate Mosse and John Julius Norwich. The reader is Peter Jefferson.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b00bvt7x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b00bw01g)

The Highest Tide

Jim Lynch's coming-of-age adventure story set on the Pacific Coast, adapted by Rebecca Trick-Walker.

Thirteen-year-old Miles escapes the fallout of his parents' impending divorce by taking his kayak out on the mudflats at night, looking for rare sea creatures to sell to the local aquarium. One night, he comes across a remarkable sight.

Miles Forrest Landis
Florence Katherine Helmond
Angie Missy Yager
Professor Kramer David Selby
Mom Shannon Cochran
TV Reporter Kirsten Potter

Directed by Kate McAll.

WED 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00bvzbw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Sunday]

WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00bvq5h)

Spy Stories

A Double Double-Cross

Five classic tales of deception and betrayal. In Peter Cheyney's story, a beautiful French spy and an affable British Intelligence agent are caught in a web of counter-espionage.

WED 15:45 Cosmic Quest (b00bvsc)

Mathematics of the Sky

Astronomer Heather Couper considers the contribution of the Islamic scholar, poet and mathematician Omar Khayyam.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00bw01j)

Horses - Comfort of Things

HORSES

Dr Joanna Latimer, has co-authored with Lynda Birke, a recent paper Natural relations: horses, knowledge and technology. Their research examines the different ways in which humans relate to horses and their various attitudes towards horses and horsemanship. It throws some light upon the division between the human and the non-human world.

COMFORT OF THINGS

Laurie Taylor is joined by Professor Daniel Miller, anthropologist and the author of a new book entitled The Comfort of Things. They consider the relationship between people and the personal possessions that adorn their homes and explore whether our lust for material objects could be damaging to widely accepted ideals of community spirit.

WED 16:30 All in the Mind (b00bvz9f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bvstg)

4th June 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Scientists are turned away from the UK. De Gaulle is forced to borrow 310 million dollars from the IMF.

WED 17:00 PM (b00bvstj)

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

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bvstl)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

WED 18:30 Double Science (b00bz9zg)
Field Trip

Comedy by Ben Willbond and Justin Edwards about two science teachers at a sixth form college. A trip to look at some wind farms doesn't turn out quite as planned.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b00bvt83)
Helen feels sorry for Oliver. Pat asks about the theory of mineral deficiency in badgers - he has nothing to lose so is laying down mineral licks to see what happens. They're trying the new cheese, which Pat likes, but Oliver's disappointed. He wouldn't want to market it as Sterling Gold. Helen suggests Sterling Silver to keep the brand alive. Oliver's still not keen but agrees to let Helen arrange a tasting.

Clarrie wants to help Pat, so she organises a petition, starting in The Bull. Lillian's not happy but Clarrie tells her she can't avoid what's going on. Lillian insists the dispute's with Borchester Land, not Matt. Oliver has no qualms about signing and allows Clarrie to take the petition to Grey Gables.

Tom and Brenda have agreed Will can show Clarrie and Eddie what he's done to 1, The Green. Clarrie's proud of his achievements but isn't pleased to see Will spoiling George. Will's more worried about Brian, who no longer seems to trust Will. Clarrie compares Brian with Matt and blames it on their wealth. Will knows it's not easy. When the likes of Crawford and Brian call the shots no-one else stands a chance.

Episode written by Caroline Harrington.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b00bvt85)
Presented by Mark Lawson.

Including:

Actor Ben Affleck has co-written and directed his first feature film, *Gone Baby Gone*. The film's release in the UK was postponed by six months because of sensitivities about its subject matter. It deals with the disappearance of a 4-year-old girl in a tough Boston neighbourhood and what happens when the parents hire private detectives to get on the case. Jenny McCartney gives her verdict.

Six female writers are waiting to find out if they have won this year's Orange Broadband Prize for Fiction. The recipient of the prize will be announced later. Front Row has the first interview with the winning author, live from the Royal Festival Hall in London.

Now in its 240th year, the Royal Academy's Summer Exhibition 2008 continues the tradition of displaying a wide range of work by both established and emerging artists in all media including painting, printmaking, photography, sculpture and architecture. With this year's show about to get under way, curator Tracey Emin discusses what it means to her to be a Royal Academician, the moment she first realised she saw things as an artist, and whom she doesn't allow to buy her work.

Nick Harkaway's debut novel *The Gone-Away World* is a post-apocalyptic tale which is difficult to categorise, but has been described by some as fantasy for non-fantasy readers. Harkaway talks about writing the book and why he chose not to adopt the pseudonym of his father, John le Carre.

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00bwrh8)
Barbara Pym - Jane and Prudence

Episode 8

When Fabian hosts a tea party, Prudence hopes she will get to pour the tea. Comedy of rural relationships stars Susie Blake and Emma Fielding.

WED 20:00 Moral Maze (b00bw01n)
Michael Buerk chairs a live debate on the moral questions behind the week's news. Melanie Phillips, Kenan Malik, Michael Portillo and Clifford Longley cross-examine witnesses.

WED 20:45 On Closer Inspection (b00bw01q)
Episode 1

Professional cynic and satirist Marcus Brigstocke is forced to meet some of his political targets and reassess his own prejudices about the character of politicians.

WED 21:00 World On The Move: Great Animal Migrations

(b00bvz8v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

WED 21:30 Midweek (b00bvzfc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b00bvtph)
The latest weather forecast.

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00bvtpk)
With Robin Lustig. Including reports on the UN emergency food aid budget, Barack Obama's attempts to court Jewish American voters, and interest rates in Washington and London.

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00bvtpm)
Helpless

Episode 8

By Barbara Gowdy. Nancy starts to face the facts about Ron. Read by Kathryn Akin.

WED 23:00 Laura Solon - Talking and Not Talking (b00bw01s)
Series 2

Episode 2

Divorcee Carol has a fruit surplus and Adrian is asked to be a Bond girl.

Award-winning comedian Laura Solon's sketch and character comedy series

With Rosie Cavaliero, Ben Moor and Ben Willbond.

Written by Laura Solon.

With additional material by Stephen Carlin, Ben Moor and Charlie Miller.

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2008.

WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00bvtpq)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with David Wilby.

THURSDAY 05 JUNE 2008

THU 00:00 News and Weather (b00bvkg1)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b00bvsc9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bvkg3)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bvkg5)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bvkg7)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00bvkg9)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00bvkgc)
Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Leslie Griffiths.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00bvkgf)
News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

THU 06:00 Today (b00bvkgg)
With John Humphrys and Evan Davis. Including Sports Desk, Yesterday in Parliament, Weather, Thought for the Day.

THU 09:00 In Our Time (b00bw51j)

Lysenkoism

Melvyn Bragg and guests delve into the dark world of genetics under Joseph Stalin in discussing the career of Trofim Lysenko. In 1928, as America lurched towards the Wall Street Crash, Joseph Stalin revealed his master plan - nature was to be conquered by science, Russia to be made brutally, glitteringly modern and the world transformed by communist endeavour. Into the heart of this vision stepped Trofim Lysenko, a self-taught geneticist who promised to turn Russian wasteland into a grain-laden Garden of Eden. Today, Lysenko is a byword for fraud but in Stalin's Russia his outlandish ideas about genetic inheritance and evolution became law. They reveal a world of science distorted by ideology, where ideas were literally a matter of life and death. To disagree with Lysenko risked the gulag and yet he destroyed Soviet Agriculture and damaged, perhaps irreparably, the Soviet Union's capacity to fight and win the Cold War. With Robert Service, Professor of Russian History at the University of Oxford; Steve Jones, Professor of Genetics at University College London; Catherine Merridale, Professor of Contemporary History at Queen Mary, University of London.

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00bvscf)
Clean

Episode 4

Katherine Ashenburg's unsanitised history of washing. Public baths arrived during the Victorian age, narrowing the gap between the great unwashed and the great perfumed.

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00bvltb)
Harassment and stalking law; Male libido

How effective is the law covering harassment? Plus the Coronation of Poppaea discussed, and is it true that men would have sex all the time if possible? With Jenni Murray.

THU 11:00 From Our Own Correspondent (b00bw51l)
BBC foreign correspondents with the stories behind the world's headlines. Introduced by Kate Adie.

THU 11:30 Things Fall Apart: Chinua Achebe's Lament (b00bw51n)
Zina Saro-Wiwa explores the legacy of Africa's first great post-colonial novel. Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* is a novel set at the turn of the century in what is now Nigeria, telling the story of a society which lives close to the rhythms and drumbeats of nature. Fifty years after its publication, the book still enjoys a huge worldwide appeal.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00bvnpq)
Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Peter White.

THU 12:57 Weather (b00bvnpv)
The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b00bvnpw)
National and international news with Martha Kearney.

THU 13:30 Open Country (b00bv6fr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b00bvt83)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b00772gr)
Jim and Tonic

Dan Jamieson's magical modern version of *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* about a trainee gin distiller and his unrequited love.

THU 15:00 Questions, Questions (b00bw51q)
Stewart Henderson answers those niggling questions from everyday life.

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00bv51s)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00bvq5k)
Spy Stories

The Rocking-Horse Spy

Classic tales of deception and betrayal.

By Ted Allbeury.

A chance encounter at the Science Museum leads to subterfuge and a disturbing moral dilemma.

Read by Alfred Molina.

A Jarvis and Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 15:45 Cosmic Quest (b00bvsch)
The Earth Moves

Astronomer Heather Couper considers the impact of Copernicus's idea that the Earth was not at the centre of the universe.

THU 16:00 Bookclub (b00bvd8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b00bw51s)
Telescope - Randomness

E-ELT: The European Extremely Large Telescope
It could be the size of the Royal Albert Hall's dome, but twice as high. It will have a mirror 42 metres in diameter and cost up to 1 billion Euros to build. But just what will the Europe's Extremely Large Telescope allow scientists to do? Quentin Cooper is joined by Professor Michael Merrifield, Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Nottingham and Dr. Mark Swinbank, Institute for Computational Cosmology, University of Durham to find out.

Randomness
Quentin finds out that although science likes to achieve predictable, reliable results, underneath everything we see is actually a world of randomness – where events cannot be predicted only observed and understood after they occur. We underestimate the importance of randomness in our daily lives at our peril. He is joined by Dr. Leonard Mlodinow, Computation and Neural Systems, California Institute of Technology (Caltech), whose new book is *The Drunkard's Walk: How Randomness Rules Our Lives* (Allen Lane). Dr. Mlodinow is co-author of *A Briefer History of Time* with Stephen Hawking and has also been a Hollywood script writer on science fiction series like *Star Trek: The Next Generation*.

THU 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bvstn)
5th June 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Robert Kennedy is shot. Police hold gunman Sirhan Sirhan.

THU 17:00 PM (b00bvstq)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair.

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bvsts)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

THU 18:30 Heresy (b00bw51v)
Series 5

Episode 4

Victoria Coren hosts the show that thinks the unthinkable. With Clive James, Dave Gorman and Mark Steel. From May 2008.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b00bvst7)
Elizabeth's spoken to Phil, who's worried about his washing. Eric, a qualified teacher of dry stone walling, reckons the ha-ha work could be done by trainees in August, and if it's a community project they'll get a grant. Building around the sett solves the badger dilemma. Nigel and Elizabeth interview for Kathy's replacement. Lorna, who's already covering the job, is the best candidate.

Alice helps Adam with the Dinosaur Maze. Adam suggests she and Lajos go in for the single wicket competition, pointing out he'd need an intensive training course. Alice likes the idea!

Ruairi's told Alice about his trip to Ireland. Brian's concerned Ruairi doesn't really understand why he's going and realises how difficult this is for Jennifer. He hopes a day at Ascot will put things right. Jennifer likes the idea but, in front of Adam, she proposes a proper family holiday - and Adam confirms he's ok with harvest.

Alice wants them to sign Clarrie's petition. Adam's all for it but Brian hold back. Alice insists this is his opportunity to admit he

screwed up. Jennifer still doesn't want the development to go ahead but she's with Brian on this and feels it's best to stay out of the argument.

Episode written by Caroline Harrington.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b00bvt89)
Presented by John Wilson.

Including:

The latest opera star to attract huge interest is the 28-year-old Australian-born American soprano Danielle de Niese. Her Sri Lankan-Dutch parents moved from Australia to Los Angeles when it became clear that their daughter had an exceptional singing talent. De Niese is currently performing in Monteverdi's last opera *L'incoronazione di Poppea* at Glyndebourne, and has also just released her debut CD, Handel Arias. She discusses taking on physically challenging roles at a relatively young age and why she turns her back on popular and more lucrative musicals.

Paul Morley discusses *In Memory of My Father and The Savages*, films which centre on the relationship between the main characters and their fathers. Paul himself is the author of *Nothing*, a biographical book reflecting on his own relationship with his father.

John takes a tour of Dumfries House, the 250-year-old Ayrshire mansion that contains a unique set of Chippendale furniture. The house and contents, including a bookcase valued at 10 million pounds, was due to be sold at auction last year. Heritage campaigners, led by Prince Charles, raised 45 million to buy Dumfries House and preserve it as a Georgian time-capsule.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00bwrhg)
Barbara Pym - Jane and Prudence

Episode 9

Miss Doggett needs to be careful what she is looking for. She might just find it. Comedy of rural relationships stars Susie Blake and Emma Fielding.

THU 20:00 Carbon Trading (b00bvtcx)
Mark Gregory investigates the UN's scheme for reducing emissions of global warming gases. He discovers the scheme is fundamentally flawed, with billions of dollars being wasted.

THU 20:30 In Business (b00bqm5s)
Mr Bottom Line

Peter Day talks to David Tweedie, chairman of the International Accounting Standards Board, His job is to keep global capitalism honest in a world of baffling facts and figures.

THU 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00bw521)
The Shipping News

Following the beaching of the MSC Napoli in Lyme Bay last year, Miriam O'Reilly looks at what the shipping industry is doing to prevent another catastrophe for marine birds.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b00bw51j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b00bw523)
The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00bvtrp)
National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00bvtpt)
Helpless

Episode 9

By Barbara Gowdy. During the chaos of a city-wide power cut, Ron has abducted nine-year-old Rachel and installed her in his basement. Read by Kathryn Akin.

THU 23:00 Nebulous (b00bw525)
Series 3

We, Nebulous

Comedy series by Graham Duff, set in the year 2099. Nebulous has been incarcerated in Biros Optimum Security Prison alongside the galaxy's most evil masterminds.

THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00bvtpw)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Robert Orchard.

FRIDAY 06 JUNE 2008

FRI 00:00 News and Weather (b00bvkkg)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b00bvscf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00bvkgm)
The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00bvkgp)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00bvkgr)
The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00bvkgt)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00bvkgw)
Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Leslie Griffiths.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00bvkgy)
News and issues in rural Britain with Mark Holdstock.

FRI 06:00 Today (b00bvkho)
With Sarah Montague and Evan Davis. Including Sports Desk, Yesterday in Parliament, Weather, Thought for the Day.

FRI 09:00 Desert Island Discs (b00bvzbzm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00bvscv)
Clean

Episode 5

Katherine Ashenburg's unsanitised history of washing, read by Tamsin Greig. Americans became obsessed with beauty products in the 20th century.

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00bvltk)
Heidi Holland on Mugabe; Children's football

Heidi Holland on Robert Mugabe's transformation from 'freedom fighter' to dictator. Plus putting the fun back into Children's football, and what next for Hilary Clinton?

FRI 11:00 Papal Ball (b00bw6vh)
On the eve of Euro 2008, writer and comedian Danny Robins visits Rome to discover if the Catholic Church can inject new morality into Italian football.

FRI 11:30 Paul Temple (b00bw6vk)
Paul Temple and the Madison Mystery

Hubert Greene Entertains

Paul's unexpected invitation to the country exposes raw emotions amongst fellow guests, and another body. Adventure by Francis Durbridge stars Crawford Logan.

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00bvnpp)
Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson and Liz Barclay.

Featuring Mike Haley, the OFT director of consumer protection and Graham Sharpe from bookmaker William Hill as the OFT cracks down on horse racing tipster scams.

We talk to mass market and smaller bespoke cake producers about changes in the cake industry and recent innovations, with chief executive of Finsbury Food Group Dave Brooks, production director of Chatwins Trevor Mooney and editor of Food Manufacturer Market Reports Jamie Rice.

In a feature on how the LGA is planning to meet demand for allotments, we speak to Edward Welsh from the Local Government Association and Neil Dixon of the NAG Trust.

As the big public grant-making bodies Arts Council England, English Heritage, Sport England and the Big Lottery Fund are accused of wasting money, we speak to unpaid advisor to the Arts Council Paddy Masefield, chief executive of the Arts Council Alan Davey Lottery Fund chief executive Peter Wanless.

And Germany's biggest-selling newspaper prints a guide to help readers going abroad avoid British tourists.

FRI 12:57 Weather (b00bvnpj)
The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b00bvng0)
National and international news with Shaun Ley.

FRI 13:30 Feedback (b00bw6vm)
Roger Bolton airs listeners' views on BBC radio programmes and policy.

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00bvt87)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b00bw6vp)
Rachel Joyce - Take One Night

By Rachel Joyce.

On the eve of their son's 10th birthday, Alan and Alice start work assembling his present. The only instruction they can find simply says, 'Take one night'.

Alan Robert Bathurst
Alice Felicity Montagu
William Charlie Rowe

Directed by Jeremy Mortimer.

FRI 15:00 Costing the Earth (b00bw521)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Thursday]

FRI 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00bvq5n)
Spy Stories

Risico

Five classic tales of deception and betrayal. James Bond faces a life-and-death situation in Rome, with an attractive young woman involved. Written by Ian Fleming.

FRI 15:45 Cosmic Quest (b00bvscm)
The Imperfect Cosmos

Astronomer Heather Couper looks at Tycho Brahe's realisation that the heavens change - that a planet's orbit could be predicted.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00bw6vr)
Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died.

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00bw6vt)
Francine Stock talks to actor Casey Affleck, who stars in *Gone Baby Gone*, directed by his brother Ben. The thriller was put on hold for British release because of concerns that the film's story-line had parallels with the Madeleine McCann case. Plus, Francine talks to Sergei Bodrov, the director of a new bio-pic about Genghis Khan, *Mongol*, which tries to prove that one of the most ruthless tyrants in the history of the world was not such a bad guy after all.

FRI 16:56 1968 Day by Day (b00bvstv)
6th June 1968

John Tusa looks back at the events making the news 40 years ago. Robert Kennedy dies. The Rolling Stones rewrite a line in *Sympathy for the Devil* to reflect the assassination.

FRI 17:00 PM (b00bvstx)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Carolyn Quinn.

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00bvstz)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

FRI 18:30 The News Quiz (b00bw6vw)
Series 65

Episode 4

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz. Panellists include Francis Wheen, Jeremy Hardy, Simon Evans and Kevin Day.

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00bvt8c)
Matt intends to get his own consultant to look at the possibility of building a larger anaerobic digester. Lilian thinks they'll be drummed out of the village but Matt tells her to rise above it. Even when he experiences the animosity for himself, he still insists that Tony being Lilian's brother is neither here nor there. Lilian's tried to remain neutral but life is very uncomfortable.

Phil confides in Kenton that he's ruined Jill's cream cashmere cardigan in the washing machine. He's decided not to tell her, he'll just get it replaced.

Shula resigns as churchwarden. Alan's sorry to lose her but accepts it's for the best. Usha's worried what her dad will say to people. She's afraid he'll speak his mind too freely. She confides in Ruth, worrying that Satya has sent her father over. Usha thinks Satya's meddling has just made things worse. The only good thing is that it's taken her mind off the racist letter. Alan wonders what he can do to endear himself to Dr Gupta. He resolves to talk to him at the single wicket competition, to see if he can make him crack a smile.

Episode written by Caroline Harrington.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00bvt8f)
Arts news and reviews with Kirsty Lang.

Including a look at a new satirical TV drama by Tony Saint focusing on the young Margaret Thatcher in the 1950s and her determination to get selected for a winnable Tory seat, charting her battle with that traditional bastion of post-war conservatism - the Conservative Party.

American author Siri Hustvedt discusses why she uses part of a memoir her father left her family as part of her new novel *The Sorrows of an American*, which follows a psychiatrist trying to trace aspects of his father's past. She talks about her interest in psychiatry and how she and husband Paul Auster cope with having two novelists in the same household.

Curator Richard Cole discusses one of the world's foremost collections of self-playing musical instruments at the newly re-housed Musical Museum in Brentford, West London, and 75 years after America's first drive-in cinema, Andrew Collins examines the outdoor movie theatre's influence on music, film and culture.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00bwrhl)
Barbara Pym - Jane and Prudence

Episode 10

Mr Manifold comes to the rescue. Comedy of rural relationships narrated by Penelope Wilton, starring Susie Blake and Emma Fielding.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00bw6vy)
Eddie Mair chairs the topical debate from Portsmouth. Panellists include John Denham, David Willetts, Anthony Seldon and Yasmin Alibhai-Brown.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b00bw6w0)
A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Lucy Kellaway.

FRI 21:00 Cosmic Quest Omnibus (b00c73hh)
Wandering Planets and the Centre of the Universe

Omnibus edition of Heather Couper's history of astronomy. The ancient Greeks were the first true scientists, but Copernicus and Kepler laid the foundations of modern astronomy.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b00bvtpy)
The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00bvtq0)
National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig.

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00bvtq2)
Helpless

Episode 10

By Barbara Gowdy. Rachel's detainment ends in a dramatic crisis. Read by Kathryn Akin.

FRI 23:00 A Good Read (b00bvz97)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00bvtq4)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.