

SATURDAY 24 JANUARY 2009

SAT 00:00 Midnight News (b00gsj7n)

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

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b00h6y33)

Bluebird

Coming Home

Gemma Arterton reads Vesna Maric's account of coming to Britain as a 16-year-old asylum seeker, after fleeing the conflict in Bosnia in 1992.

Vesna receives a letter from the Home Office that will decide her fate.

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gsj7q)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gsj7s)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service. BBC Radio 4 resumes at 5.20am.

SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gsj7v)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00gsj7x)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00gsj7z)

Daily prayer and reflection with Elaine Duncan of the Scottish Bible Society.

SAT 05:45 Art Made in China (b008th9h)

Episode 4

Roger Law investigates the extraordinary boom in contemporary Chinese art.

He uncovers the Beijing art scene and finds that production is on an industrial scale.

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00gsj81)

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

SAT 06:04 Weather (b00gsj8b)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00gsj8d)

Countryside magazine. Matt Baker finds out about the role of Morris Dancing in the life of the Cotswolds.

SAT 06:30 Farming Today This Week (b00gsj8g)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b00gsj8j)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b00gsj8l)

Presented by Sarah Montague and Edward Stourton.

Mark Simpson explains plans to pay compensation to the families of all those killed in Northern Ireland's Troubles.

Iain Watson discusses President Obama's first phone call to Gordon Brown.

Yesterday in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.

Former MP Tony Benn explains why he will attend a protest against the BBC's decision not to broadcast an appeal for aid for the people of Gaza.

Paddy Ashdown fears the lives of young people on the front line are being wasted because the government has no plan for Afghanistan.

Jack Izzard visits Lewes, where locally-produced banknotes have become part of everyday life.

Thought for the day with the Rev Bob Marshall.

Tom Feilden and stem cell expert Chris Mason discuss the

decision by US regulators to allow stem cell clinical trials.

Former Northern Ireland First Minister Lord Trimble discusses the proposals to pay compensation to the families of all those killed in Northern Ireland's Troubles.

Former newspaper editors Charles Moore and Kelvin Mackenzie discuss the return of Jonathan Ross after his 12-week suspension from the BBC.

President Obama has asked the Pentagon to plan for 'a responsible military drawdown from Iraq.' Jonny Dymond examines how the changes have been felt in Baghdad.

Banker Sir George Cox and journalist Alex Brummer discuss if the men in charge of the banks are responsible for the downturn.

International Development Secretary Douglas Alexander discusses the BBC's decision not to broadcast an appeal for aid for the people of Gaza.

Chris Morris reflects on the slums of Mumbai as depicted in the film Slumdog Millionaire.

Handel experts Tatty Theo and Dr David Vickers discuss if recently discovered cantatas can be credited to Handel.

SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b00gsj8n)

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Presenter Clare Balding is joined by artist Anthony Frost. With poetry from Matt Harvey.

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00gsj8q)

From Northern Ireland to South Africa - Shetland

FROM NORTHERN IRELAND TO SOUTH AFRICA

John McCarthy is joined by author Tim Ecott whose recent book *Stealing Water* describes his teenage years in Johannesburg. Tim's parents were eager to leave Northern Ireland and start a new life in South Africa but things didn't work out as planned. Tim shares his childhood journey from one divided part of the world to another. He gives us a glimpse of a South African story we hear little of - the poor white experience - and tells John how he feels about Johannesburg now and about his experiences when he returned as an adult.

SHETLAND

Shetland is an archipelago of over 100 islands, only 15 of which are inhabited. Crime writer Ann Cleeves talks about the joys of the scattered islands - the people, the culture and Shetland history. Some of Anne's successful crime novels are set there and since visiting as a student and meeting her husband there, she's become a regular Shetland visitor and traveller.

SAT 10:30 Burns the Brand (b00gsj8s)

Comedian Fred MacAulay attempts to quantify the value of Robert Burns to the British economy, as Scotland celebrates the 250th anniversary of the poet's birth.

He explores how Burns-related brands are being marketed both in Britain and abroad, visits Burns's birthplace and speaks to tourism bosses about the investment in Burns tourism and how new funding will allow a rebranding of Burns's key tourist attraction. He also hears from Scotland's First Minister, Alex Salmond, about the use of Burns in Homecoming Scotland 2009, a new initiative to encourage expat Scots to make a return visit their homeland.

SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b00gsn3)

A look behind the scenes at Westminster with Peter Osborne.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00gsn5)

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

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00gsn7)

Paul Lewis with the latest news from the world of personal finance.

The insurer Standard Life has offered compensation to investors in one of its funds that lost 5 per cent of its value, who had been led to believe that their money was safe. The UK is officially in recession, but what does that mean for our personal finances and what we can do to protect ourselves? As the banks pull back on lending, should local authorities step in to help small businesses? Plus the tax returns deadline looms large.

SAT 12:30 The News Quiz (b00gs3x7)

Series 67

Episode 3

Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz, with panellists Andy Hamilton, Jeremy Hardy, Danielle Ward and Fred MacAulay.

SAT 12:57 Weather (b00gsn9)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News (b00gsnxc)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b00gs3x9)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Chudleigh, Devon. The panel are the health minister Ben Bradshaw, shadow health secretary Andrew Lansley, Liberal Democrat spokesman on culture, media and sport Don Foster and the chair of the Charity Commission, Dame Suzi Leather.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00gsnxf)

Jonathan Dimbleby takes listeners' calls and emails in response to this week's edition of Any Questions?

SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b0076ysl)

Quartermaine's Terms

Simon Gray's funny and moving play is set in a school for teaching English to foreigners in the 1960s. It deals with the concerns of seven teachers over several years and in particular the progress of Quartermaine, a lonely man and ineffective teacher.

St John Quartermaine Michael Palin

Anita Manchip Francesca Faridany

Mark Sackling James Fleet

Eddie Loomis Clive Francis

Derek Meadle Andrew Lincoln

Henry Windscape David Yelland

Melanie Garth Harriet Walter

Directed by Maria Aitken.

SAT 16:00 Weekend Woman's Hour (b00gsp22)

Highlights of this week's Woman's Hour programmes with Jane Garvey. Including highlights of the special programme on feminism, the art of ceilidh dancing with the Belle Star Band, the merits of northern versus southern parents, girls school closures in Pakistan at the hands of the Taliban and author Wendy Holden on her new novel, *Beautiful People*, a satire on celebrity and the excesses of Hollywood.

SAT 17:00 PM (b00gsp24)

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

SAT 17:30 iPM (b00gsp26)

The weekly interactive current affairs magazine featuring online conversation and debate.

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00gsp28)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b00gsp2b)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gsp2d)

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

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00gsp2g)

Peter Curran presents an eclectic mix of conversation, comedy and music.

SAT 19:00 Profile (b00gsp2j)

George Mitchell

Chris Bowlby profiles George Mitchell, President Obama's newly-appointed Middle East envoy.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00gsp2l)

Valkyrie, Every Good Boy Deserves Favour and The Weight of a Mustard Seed

Guests:

Novelist, Linda Grant

Writer and music journalist, Paul Morley

Historian, Dominic Sandbrook

On this week's Saturday Review, Tom and his guests explore life under the heel of tyrants – and what it takes to overthrow them.

In Valkyrie, Tom Cruise plays Colonel Claus Schenk Graf von Stauffenberg, the leader of the 'July 20' plot to kill Hitler, marginalise the SS and seize power. Bryan Singer's film shows just how close von Stauffenberg and his co-conspirators, played by the likes of Bill Nighy, Kenneth Branagh and Eddie Izzard, came to changing the course of history. But does it shed much light on why they did it?

Valkyrie is on general release from Friday 23 January, certificate 12A.

Generation Kill is the new TV drama from David Simon and Ed Burns, the writers behind the much-lauded HBO series The Wire. It's a close-up portrait of US Marines at the sharp end of the invasion which overthrew Saddam Hussein in 2003. The series' fly-on-the-warts-and-all verisimilitude is drawn from a book by Rolling Stone reporter Evan Wright, who was embedded with the troops. But does it have anything new to tell us about the ousting of Iraq's dictator?

The first episode of Generation Kill is on the FX channel on Sundays at **10pm** from 25 January.

Meanwhile, another journalist tries to make sense of life under the Saddam regime itself. In The Weight of a Mustard Seed, Wendell Steavenson unpicks the moral tangles involved in trying to build a career in the service of the despot, as experienced by Saddam's military commanders and their families.

The Weight of a Mustard Seed is published by Atlantic Books.

The panel go to see a rare revival of Tom Stoppard and André Previn's 1977 play, Every Good Boy Deserves Favour, about a Soviet political prisoner incarcerated in a psychiatric hospital.

SAT 20:00 Archive on 4 (b00gst61)
Nations of the Cross

End of the Line

Alan Dein hears true stories from those who live around London's King's Cross station.

Long before the railways, King's Cross was an area known for licentiousness, poverty and despair. But once it became one of the capital's transport hubs it increasingly attracted the lost, the lonely and those with nowhere else to go.

SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b00gq4nd)
Arnold Bennett - The Grand Babylon Hotel

Episode 1

Murder mystery by Arnold Bennett, adapted in two parts by Chris Harrald.

American tycoon Theodore Racksale buys Europe's most exclusive hotel on a whim, but is warned by the seller that he will live to regret it. Soon, a mysterious death occurs and Theodore and his daughter Nella find themselves in danger in their own hotel.

Theodore Racksale John Sessions
Nella Racksale Matti Houghton
Aribert Joe Kloska
Jules Richard Katz
Miss Spencer Fenella Woolgar
Felix Babylon Stephen Greif
Reginald Dimmock Gunnar Cauthery
Miss Ferguson Jill Cardo
Servant Inam Mirza.

SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b00gsp71)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

SAT 22:15 Unreliable Evidence (b00grsdw)
Family Courts

Clive Anderson presents the series analysing the legal issues of the day.

The family courts stand accused by some of operating in a conspiracy of silence and failing to deliver justice. Will the government's decision to open the courts to the media improve the situation or simply lead to the sensitive personal details in divorce and child custody cases being exposed in the tabloids?

SAT 23:00 Brain of Britain (b00gqzw3)

Robert Robinson chairs the perennial general knowledge contest.

SAT 23:30 Poetry Please (b00gq532)
Roger McGough introduces listeners' requests. Actress Lindsay Duncan reads Keats's erotic and magical poem The Eve of St Agnes.

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY 2009

SUN 00:00 Midnight News (b00gsp98)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

SUN 00:30 The Late Story (b007qzxy)
Bottled Air

Soggy Bottom Baby

Five short stories by writer and comedian Ian Macpherson, describing life with Florette, a radical, feminist, menopausal poet.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gspcj)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gspcl)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gspcn)
The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00gspcq)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00gspcs)
The sound of bells from Sheffield Cathedral.

SUN 05:45 Profile (b00gsp2j)
[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b00gsv3t)
The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00gsv3w)
The Science Test

Mark Tully considers the purpose and scope of science. What are the big questions that it can and cannot answer? If science can tell us 'what' and 'how', can it not tell us 'why'?

SUN 06:35 On Your Farm (b00gsv3y)
Elinor Goodman talks to a leading English pig farmer about bacon, slurry, foreigners and celebrity chefs.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b00gsv40)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00gsv42)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00gsv44)
Roger Bolton discusses the religious and ethical news of the week. Moral arguments and perspectives on stories, both familiar and unfamiliar.

SUN 07:55 Radio 4 Appeal (b00gsv46)
Send a Cow

Paul Heiney appeals on behalf of Send a Cow. Donations: Freepost BBC Radio 4 Appeal. Credit cards: Freephone 0800 404 8144.

SUN 07:58 Weather (b00gsv48)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00gsv4b)
The latest news headlines. Including a look at the papers.

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00gsv4d)
Stand Up to Hatred

A service for Holocaust Memorial Sunday on the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, from St Martin-in-the-Fields, London, led by Rev Nicholas Holtam with Rabbi Lionel Blue. Director of music: Andrew Earis.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b00gs3xc)
A weekly reflection on a topical issue from Harold Evans.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00gsv4g)
News and conversation about the big stories of the week with Paddy O'Connell.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00gsv4j)
The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 Desert Island Discs (b00gsv4i)
Alan Sillitoe

Kirsty Young's castaway this week is the writer Alan Sillitoe. 50 years ago his debut novel Saturday Night and Sunday Morning captured the truth and brutality of post war working class life. It was a world he knew intimately - he grew up in the tight, terraced streets of Nottingham and, from a very young age, harboured an ambition to escape.

As a child, he read voraciously and knew he wanted to explore the world. During the war he was a navigator in Malaya but, when he returned to Britain, he was shocked to be told he had contracted tuberculosis. As he convalesced in hospital he started writing and, once he had been discharged, his disability pension gave him the security to sustain him while he pursued his career. When Saturday Night and Sunday Morning was published, critics said his was a more authentic voice than D H Lawrence's. But the extraordinary reviews made scant impact on Alan Sillitoe - he says he had developed a healthy scorn for the opinions of critics - but he remains grateful, he says, to the book that brought him security and which has allowed him the freedom to write throughout his life.

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

Favorite track: Le Ca Ira by Edith Piaf
Book: The Air Publication 1234 (RAF Manual)
Luxury: A communications receiver (receiving only).

SUN 12:00 Just a Minute (b00grd29)
Series 54

Episode 4

Nicholas Parsons chairs the devious word game with panellists Paul Merton, Clement Freud, Josie Long and Julian Clary.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00gsv4n)
Pigs

What are the forces that have enabled cheap pork to flood UK supermarkets? Sheila Dillon finds out.

SUN 12:57 Weather (b00gsv4q)
The latest weather forecast.

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00gsv4s)
A look at events around the world with Brian Hanrahan.

SUN 13:30 Our First Plural City (b00fhr72)
Tim Whewell reports from the city of Leicester, which in the next few years is predicted to become Europe's first 'plural city', where no one group is in a majority.

He explores the 'Leicester Model' of successful race relations, and the way in which different ethnic communities coexist alongside a dwindling inner-city white population. Tim finds out where the power lies in the government of the city and how the multicultural fabric of the city will fare as the newer arrivals jostle with the white and Asian communities in a time of looming recession.

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00gs3kz)
Peter Gibbs chairs the popular horticultural forum.

Bob Flowerdew, Bunny Guinness and Matthew Biggs answer the questions posed by gardeners in Norfolk.

Including the Gardeners' Question Time gardening weather

forecast.

SUN 14:45 A View Through a Lens (b00gsv4v)

Series 1

Poyang Lake

Wildlife cameraman John Aitchison offers a personal view of life as he finds himself in isolated and often dangerous locations across the globe filming wildlife.

3/3. POYANG LAKE - Having set up his hide at the edge of Poyang Lake in China, John waits for dawn and watches the birds nearby as he reflects on everyday miracles like feathers, boatmen and Chinese worms!

Producer Sarah Blunt.

SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b00gsv4x)

Arnold Bennett - The Grand Babylon Hotel

Episode 2

Murder mystery by Arnold Bennett, adapted in two parts by Chris Harrald.

Having bought Europe's most exclusive hotel, American tycoon Theodore Racksole is thrown in to a world of intrigue, espionage and murder.

Theodore Racksole John Sessions
Nella Racksole Matti Houghton
Aribert Joe Kloska
Jules Richard Katz
Miss Spencer Fenella Woolgar
Felix Babylon Stephen Greif
Prince Eugen Stephen Critchlow
Reginald Dimmock Gunnar Cauthery
Hazzell Jonathan Tafler
Miss Ferguson Jill Cardo
Tomkins Inam Mirza
Emperor Malcolm Tierney
Sampson Levi Chris Pavlo.

SUN 16:00 Open Book (b00gsvw5)

Charles Elton on Mr Toppit

Mariella Frostrup talks to Charles Elton about his novel Mr Toppit, which concerns the dubious legacy of a children's book that becomes successful only after the death of its author.

SUN 16:30 Poetry Please (b00gsvw7)

Presented by Roger McGough. To celebrate the 250th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, John Mackay reads some of his greatest poems, as requested by listeners. Lia Williams reads other listeners' requests, including poems by ASJ Tessimond, Liz Lochhead and Lotte Kramer.

Afton Water by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

A Red, Red Rose by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

John Anderson, My Jo by Robert Burns
From the CD Eddi Reader Sings the Songs of Robert Burns
Rough Trade
RTRADECD097

Is there, for Honest Poverty, or A Man's A Man for A' That' by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

Ae Fond Kiss by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

Now Westlin Winds by Robert Burns
From the CD Handful of Earth by Dick Gaughan
Topic TSCD 419

Holy Willie's Prayer by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

Lassie Lie Near Me by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

Warming Her Pearls by Carol Ann Duffy
From Carol Ann Duffy – Selected Poems
Penguin

The Sick Rose by William Blake
From Songs of Innocence and Experience
Oxford University Press

To a Haggis by Robert Burns
From The Poetical Works of Robert Burns
Bracken Books / Senate

Auld Lang Syne by Robert Burns
Performed by the Rowallan Consort

SUN 17:00 File on 4 (b00grqml)

The UK's Insolvency Laws

Julian O'Halloran examines Britain's insolvency laws and asks whether weaknesses in regulation and enforcement are being exploited by some company directors to unfairly dispose of debts.

SUN 17:40 Profile (b00gsp2j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00gsvw9)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b00gsvwc)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gsvwf)

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

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00gsvwh)

Peter White introduces his selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00gsvwk)

Jill and Jennifer are concerned at how busy Alan's going to be now he's got the other churches too. Alan assures them he likes a challenge, and he's getting some support from the church warden. asks after Shula, who wasn't at the service, and Jill makes the excuse that Shula's busy at the stables. Alan knows about this - it was the reason she gave him for not being able to take the occasional service at one of the other churches.

Jill calls on Shula. Although she does appear busy today, Jill tries to get her to open up. But Shula's not giving anything away.

Brian still can't understand Tom's stubbornness. Jennifer's fed up with Brian's bad mood and thinks it's time Brian offered Tom some kind of concession. If Tom's determined not to budge, he should call the supermarket deal off.

Brian still believes he can make Tom see sense but, in the Bull, Tom would rather leave than accept a drink from him. David notices the atmosphere between them but Brian insists it's just a bit of a spat that'll sort itself out.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b00gsvwm)

Children's magazine. Barney Harwood is joined by gadget geek Jason Bradbury to talk about robots and how life would not be the same without them. And Natalie Barrass catches up with TV presenter Richard Hammond at London's Science Museum for a chat about enjoyable experiments, scintillating science and his new CBBC show Blast Lab.

SUN 19:45 Opening Lines (b007tdln)

Series 9

The Perfect Fit

Series showcasing cutting-edge contemporary writing.

The purchase of an exquisite pair of dance shoes offers hope to a troubled young couple.

By Julie-Ann Rowell, read by Emily Chennery.

SUN 20:00 More or Less (b00gs3kx)

Fertility Figures - Credit Crunch Maths - Statistical Significance - Recession

Fertility Figures
The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority has the world's largest database on artificial insemination. But how does the HFEA make all this information useful to anxious couples considering having IVF treatment?

To find out Tim Harford speaks to Lisa Jardine, chair of the HFEA and Helen Joyce the education correspondent for the Economist and mathematician, who has had IVF treatment herself.

Credit Crunch Maths

How did the derivatives market grow to the value of \$150 trillion?

Continuing with our credit crunch series, Paul Wilmott returns to explain how the value of the global derivatives market could possibly be three times that of the world economy - a figure amounting to \$150 trillion.

Statistical Significance

Professor Steve Ziliak, economist and co-author of 'The Cult of Statistical Significance' discusses the mathematical tool for separating random from real effects.

He explains to us why the misunderstanding of statistical significance has led to bad government policy making and how one particularly famous brewery employed the technique to improve the pints we enjoy today.

Recession

How exactly is a recession defined?

Its official - the UK is in recession, defined by the second consecutive quarter of negative growth that was announced today.

But why do we define recession this way and how is negative growth calculated? To find out we speak to Martin Weale, director of the National Institute for Economic and Social Research.

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b00gs3x3)

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died. The programme reflects on people of distinction and interest from many walks of life, some famous and some less well known.

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b00gsnx7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00gsv46)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 In Business (b00gs0kp)

Now That the Party's Over

As the dust begins to settle on the catastrophic business events of 2008, Peter Day looks at what has changed and finds out how to cope with the future.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b00gsvwp)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b00gsvwr)

Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster with Carolyn Quinn. Including The Few.

SUN 23:02 The Film Programme (b00gs3x5)

Francine Stock talks to Gus Van Sant, the director of Milk, which stars Sean Penn as Harvey Milk, California's first openly gay elected official. Francine also talks to Peter Morgan, writer of The Deal, The Queen and Frost/Nixon.

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00gsv3w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 26 JANUARY 2009

MON 00:00 Midnight News (b00gswf4)

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

MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b00grs04)

Hole in the Wall - Victorian Light

HOLE IN THE WALL

Vikras Swarup, the author of the novel which inspired the movie Slum Dog Millionaire, recently revealed he was inspired by the Hole in the Wall project in Delhi which installed a computer in a Delhi slum. The project leader behind that Hole in the Wall experiment, Sugata Mitra, who is currently Professor of Educational Technology at Newcastle University, reveals how children teach themselves how to use digital

technology.

VICTORIAN LIGHT

Imagine the impact of gaslight on the once dark nights of Victorian Britain. "As I walk about the streets by night, endless and always suggestive intercommunications take place between me and the trusty, silent, ever watchful gas. Gas to teach me; gas to counsel me; gas to guide my footsteps, not over London flags, but through the crooked ways of unseen life and death", that was George Augustus Sala in 1859.

Laurie Taylor is joined by Chris Otter, assistant professor of Modern European History at the Ohio State University, and Lynda Nead, Professor of History of Art at Birkbeck, University of London, to discuss the political history of gas, how did people react? What affect did its yellow hue have on the ambitions of police and government?

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00gspcs)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gswt3)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gsxt9)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gsxvs)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00gsxx0)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00gsxyt)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00gtdlq)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

MON 05:57 Weather (b00gvgge)

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b00gtdng)

Presented by John Humphrys and James Naughtie.

John Fassentfelt of the Magistrates' Association discusses the reclassification of cannabis.

Chris Guinness of the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees describes the suffering in Gaza.

Jonah Fisher reports on how one woman has grown so frustrated with the lack of action on the humanitarian crisis in Zimbabwe that she has taken matters into her own hands.

Suren Surendiran, of the British Tamils Forum, says that Tamils will continue to fight in Sri Lanka.

Robert Peston discusses how Corus will cut 3500 jobs worldwide, including more than 2500 in the UK. MP Denis MacShane explains what the impact will be.

Wyre Davis reports on the proposed tidal barrage at the Severn estuary.

Thought for the day with the Canon David Winter.

Hugh Colver, a consultant involved in lobbying, and the Labour peer Baroness Kennedy discuss the world of lobbying.

Mark Thompson, director general of the BBC, explains the decision not to broadcast an appeal for aid to Gaza by the Disasters Emergency Committee.

Andrew Gimson of the Daily Telegraph and John Purcell of executive headhunters Purcell & Company discuss who might become head of the Metropolitan Police.

Steelmaker Corus is cutting 2,500 British jobs. Chris Buckler speaks to workers at their plant in Teesside.

MP Alan Campbell says cannabis has been reclassified to protect the public.

Dr Derek Yach and Dr Geoff Rayner discuss if unhealthy food can be better regulated.

A farmer tells how he sabotaged Wales' GM-free status by secretly planting GM maize.

Former head of the Charities' Commission, Geraldine Peacock, and Daniel Hannan of the Daily Telegraph discuss the BBC's decision not to broadcast the DEC charity appeal for aid to Gaza.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b00gvvgf)

Andrew Marr sets the cultural agenda for the week. His guests include actor Pete Postlethwaite, who discusses playing Lear, and Jonah Goldberg on his new book Liberal Fascism.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00gtdp7)

The Tall Man

Episode 1

By Chloe Hooper, read by Kerry Fox.

One morning in 2004 in Palm Island, home to one of Australia's largest Aboriginal communities, Cameron Doomadgee swore at policeman Christopher Hurley. Forty minutes later, he lay dead in a watch-house cell.

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00gtfwl)

Susie Orbach on bodies; Imelda May

Psychotherapist Susie Orbach on the price we are paying for the pursuit of perfection. Plus, are women workers more at risk in the recession? And singer Imelda May performs live.

MON 11:00 Dad's Police Force (b00gvvggh)

Exploring the work of volunteers who have been recruited to work in rural police stations that would otherwise face closure.

MON 11:30 Says on the Tin (b00gvhvx)

Healthcare

Comedy by Christopher William Hill.

Elliott makes a film to encourage US investment in the NHS, explaining that 'where there's pain, there's gain'.

Elliott Thurber Michael Brandon

Esther Finn Samantha Bond

Hannah Walker Pippa Haywood

Zadie Joannah Tincey

Baz Inam Mirza

Ted Malcolm Tierney

Carl Jonathan Tafler

Moses Stephen Critchlow

Film Director Janice Acquah

Hospital Exec Dan Starkey

Other Parts played by Stephen Critchlow, Jonathan Tafler, Dan Starkey, Gunnar Cauthery and Donna Hughes.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00gtgfg)

Presented by Julian Worricker.

Concern is increasing that some motorists are exploiting the rules to stop parking authorities and police catching up with them for transport offences.

Comedian Steve Punt considers how the recession is being used as an excuse for all sorts of problems.

While parts of the gambling industry complain they're being hard-hit by the recession one woman tells us how easy it is to get hooked.

Public sector projects developed under Private Finance Initiatives are being delayed. We speak to Tim Pearson of the PPP forum and Professor Allyson Pollock.

The Society of London Theatres says attendances and box office takings hit their highest recorded levels in 2008. We speak to David Benedict, the theatre critic with the international entertainment magazine, Variety.

New rules which come into effect in April should make it easier for the 150,000 UK households which rely on Liquefied Petroleum Gas for their heating to change their suppliers allowing meaningful competition for the first time.

An MP claims some retailers in England and Wales won't accept Scottish currency so has proposed a bill to ensure they do. So what is 'legal tender' anyway? David Mundell MP and Brian Capon: Assistant Director of the British Bankers' Association discuss.

MON 12:57 Weather (b00gtgfg)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b00gtglb)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

MON 13:30 Quote... Unquote (b00gvhxx)

Nigel Rees chairs the popular quiz involving the exchange of quotations and anecdotes. With guests Sir Richard Eyre, Ken Follett, Bonnie Greer and John Simpson.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b00gsvwk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b00gvjpp)

Cancer Tales

By Nell Dunn, based on the real-life experiences of cancer patients and those close to them. Three separate stories unfold of people learning 'how to be' with someone with a life-threatening illness.

Clare Laura Fitzpatrick

Mary Dona Croll

Penny Kerry Owen

Marilyn Rachel Lewis

Rebecca Polly Naylor

Other parts played by Robert Hickson and Julien Ball.

Directed by Marilyn Harris.

MON 15:00 Archive on 4 (b00gst61)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 on Saturday]

MON 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00gtlx2)

The Passing of the Dead

David Reynolds tells the story of the American Civil War which began 150 years ago this month.

Episode 6: 'The Passing of the Dead': The end of the Civil War and the assassination of Abraham Lincoln.

Previously broadcast on 26 January, 2009, as part of David Reynolds' 90 part series on the history of America.

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00gsv4n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

MON 16:30 Beyond Belief (b00gvjpd)

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

MON 17:00 PM (b00gtlzy)

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

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gtmp6)

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

MON 18:30 Just a Minute (b00gvjpp)

Series 54

Episode 5

Nicholas Parsons chairs the devious word game. The panellists are Paul Merton, Liza Tarback, Gyles Brandreth and Sue Perkins. Episode first broadcast on 26th January 2009.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b00gtlgt)

Jill's concerned for her bees. She's heard of people losing whole colonies and doesn't think she'd have the heart to start again if that happened. Phil knows there's something else bothering her and eventually Jill admits she's concerned for Shula. Phil thinks Jill's reading too much into the business with Alan and Usha.

Usha falls while running. Ruth takes her to get it x-rayed and asks David to check on a cow that calved this afternoon.

Pip's eager to help on the farm. She's also been reading about ways to improve wildlife and bird numbers and thinks they could be doing more. David points out they're in farming to provide food and to make a living. It's all about finding a balance. They check on the calf. Ruth was right to be concerned. It has mastitis, possibly E. coli. David calls Alistair but knows he needs to use antibiotics immediately. With Pip's help he's able to inject into the calf's jugular.

Alastair arrives and does what he can. It's a case of waiting to see if the calf improves overnight. He tells Pip that, whatever happens, she did a fine job.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b00gtmq3)

Presented by Kirsty Lang.

Professor Hermione Lee discusses the film version of Richard Yates's classic novel, Revolutionary Road, starring Kate Winslet and Leonardo DiCaprio.

The acclaimed biographer and novelist Edmund White has published *Rimbaud: The Double Life of a Rebel*, in which he explores the rebellious nature of the young man and his destructive relationship with fellow poet Paul Verlaine. Edmund White discusses the two controversial figures and their colourful life.

In his biography of Buddy Holly, writer John Gribbin argues that it wasn't just the musician's songwriting and performing skills which were lost on 'the day the music died', but also Holly's pioneering studio recording techniques, as heard in a 'lost' single of Buddy Holly's which Gribbin uncovered.

Actor Ian McDiarmid plays a gay Catholic priest in a stage version of Andrew O'Hagan's novel *Be Near Me*. Ian explains to Kirsty Lang why he was drawn to the story and to the character of Father Anderton, and also about the vastly different role as Denis Thatcher in the forthcoming TV drama, *Margaret*.

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00gthny)

The Child in Time

Stolen

Dramatisation of the novel by Ian McEwan.

Stephen Lewis takes his three-year-old daughter Kate on a trip to the supermarket while his wife Julie has a well-deserved lie-in. Then Kate disappears and Stephen and Julie's comfortable life changes forever.

Stephen Jamie Glover
Julie Zara Turner
Kate Ray Dowland
Policeman Richard Sinnott
Shopper Maggie Fox
Mandy Balvinder Sopal

Directed by Gary Brown.

MON 20:00 The Tiger Takes Guard (b00gvjrs)

Episode 1

Psychoanalyst and former England captain Mike Brearley travels to India to explore the vibrant and complex relationship between the nation's economic development and its love of cricket.

India has come to follow cricket with a verve and intensity that would have amazed, and possibly dismayed, the Victorian adventurers who first brought the game to its shores. As a national sport, Indian cricket has no parallel. There may be more money in American basketball and as much passion in Brazilian soccer. But two things distinguish this sport in India that are unmatched anywhere else on the globe. The first is the numbers, with 500 million people taking part in the game. The second is history, and the way in which India's national identity and its economic and social life is so bound up in it.

Mike examines the impact of the Indian Premier League, which is poised to change the face of the game, and how Indian dominance in the boardrooms of the sport relates to its past as a colonial property and future as an economic power.

MON 20:30 Crossing Continents (b00db3b9)

Confessions of an LA Gangster

Michael Montgomery explores some extraordinary recordings made by Rene Enriquez. A former leader in one of America's most violent gangs, the Mexican Mafia, Enriquez is serving 20 years to life in California for murder. Since being incarcerated, however, he has become a police informant.

MON 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00gvjrv)

Energy Use High

Miriam O'Reilly investigates the government's school building programme. She hears that unnecessarily complicated 'green features' are being built into some new schools, hampering teachers from getting on with the job of teaching and in some cases causing schools to use up to three times more energy than

ones that were built ten, 20 and even 100 years ago.

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b00gvvgf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b00gvfqm)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00gvftb)

National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah. South African Archbishop claims 'passive genocide' in Zimbabwe, Radovan Karadzic's daughter claims his innocence and have the Tamil Tigers been defeated by the Sri Lankan army?

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00gvfvy)

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Episode 1

Emilia Fox, Ben Crowe, Stewart Clapp and Sian Thomas read from Mary Ann Shaffer's novel set in the aftermath of WWII.

Writer and columnist Juliet Ashton's passion for reading leads to a correspondence with the members of a Guernsey book club who were sustained throughout the German occupation by the books they read and the friendships they formed.

MON 23:00 With Great Pleasure (b00cmb2l)

Mark Kermode

Film critic Mark Kermode draws upon some of his favourite haunting fiction, including extracts from William Peter Blatty's novel *The Exorcist*, plus F Scott Fitzgerald's American classic *The Great Gatsby*.

Other writers include - Shirley Jackson, William Peter Blatty and Pat Barker.

And Mark's grandfather recites TE Brown's poem *Betsy Lee* in his Manx accent.

Readers: Amelia Bullmore and Demetri Goritsas

Producer: Mark Smalley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2008.

MON 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00gvfxw)

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

TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2009

TUE 00:00 Midnight News (b00gsw67)

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

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00gtdp7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gswsp)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gsxs2)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gsxtc)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00gsxvv)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00gsxx2)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00gtdjv)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill.

TUE 06:00 Today (b00gtdls)

Presented by James Naughtie and John Humphrys.

MDC spokesman Nelson Chamisa says a power sharing deal in Zimbabwe has not been reached.

Dan Whitworth explains how online social networks can be used to target gang crime.

James Westhead reports on the troubles facing colleges to raise the funds needed to rebuild.

Nigel Edwards, policy director at the NHS Confederation, discusses his concerns over the 12bn pound computer system.

Former ambassador to Iran Sir Richard Dalton discusses if the US and Iran can engage in meaningful communication.

Helen O'Hara discusses the rewards of an Oscar nomination.

Thought for the day with the Chief Rabbi Sir Jonathan Sacks.

Nick Robinson explains the rules that govern peers' behaviour. Lord Goodhart discusses political lobbying.

Jack Izzard visits Llanwrn Steelworks to explore the state of the industry.

Ross Walker of the RBS and Tony Woodley of Unite discuss if taxpayers' money should be used to subsidise industry.

Aleem Maqbool reports on the ceasefire in Gaza.

Former lawyers Clive Anderson and Bob Marshall-Andrews MP discuss the depiction of lawyers in literature and on screen.

Further Education Minister Sion Simon says queues have formed due to increased demand for school redevelopment.

Barbara Plett reports on suspected militant attacks on schools in Pakistan.

Anthony Romero of the American Civil Liberties Union discusses measures taken by the Obama administration.

Arthur Smith explains why he will still enjoy a kebab despite health advice.

The Earl of Onslow discusses if there is any truth in the allegations that four Labour peers were happy to negotiate fees from undercover reporters posing as businessmen in return for help in advancing their interests in Parliament.

TUE 09:00 Taking a Stand (b00gvr74)

Jimmy Lai

Jimmy Lai was smuggled from China to Hong Kong by boat at the age of 12. He worked his way up from child labourer to become the owner of Giordano, one of the best-known clothing retailers in Asia. But Tiananmen Square was a turning point for him, when he supported the protestors, financially and politically. Since 1989, he has become one of the most outspoken advocates for greater democracy in China. His stand has forced him to sell the company he started and he is no longer allowed to return to the mainland.

TUE 09:30 Darwin: My Ancestor (b00gvrhk)

Episode 1

Writer and poet Ruth Padel investigates the qualities of her great great grandfather Charles Darwin and attempts to discover the man behind the science.

Ruth explores how Darwin developed the sense of wonder and curiosity about nature which would be so crucial to his work. She investigates how important his childhood collecting was to him and asks how his enthusiasm developed into a scientific understanding of the world around him. Among her interviewees are Darwin's biographer Janet Browne, geologist Richard Fortey, writer and fellow Darwin descendant Randal Keynes and Darwin scholar Gillian Beer.

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00h5z0y)

The Tall Man

Episode 2

By Chloe Hooper, read by Kerry Fox.

Senior Sergeant Christopher Hurley had the reputation of being dedicated to the Aboriginal communities he served in. But the tall, blue-eyed, charismatic police officer was the chief suspect in the death of Cameron Doomadgee.

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00gthg3)

Penelope Leach on child care; Adult acne

Child psychologist Dr Penelope Leach on some of her key

findings in child care. Plus cook Lindsey Bareham's tips on soup-making, and the causes and treatments of adult acne.

TUE 11:00 Britain's Atlantis (b00gw18s)

Archaeologist Francis Pryor travels from the far north of Orkney, around the North Sea coast to the Isle of Wight and the Bristol Channel, chronicling some of the most recent knowledge and discoveries of what the land around mainland Britain was like before it was submerged by the melting ice at the end of the last Ice Age.

TUE 11:30 M Is for Maxwell Knight (b00h30nq)

Writer and historian Christopher Lee tells the story of the popular 1950s radio and television naturalist Maxwell Knight, who led a secret existence as an MI5 spy runner. He discovers what it was about this quietly spoken and gentle man that made him such a successful spymaster and inspired Ian Fleming to use him as a model for the character of M in his James Bond novels.

TUE 12:00 You and Yours (b00gtg97)

Call You and Yours

Presented by Julian Worricker.

Should the government help out the gambling industry, which claims it is struggling to survive?

Walk into most seaside amusement arcades and you will sense problems; the gambling industry says it's an area that needs help in the current economic climate, and the government has now agreed that stakes and prizes on some fruit machines can be raised. But how can the right balance be struck? Can you give financial help to the world of gambling while at the same time protecting those for whom it can become an addiction?

With guests:

Brigid Simmonds - British Industry and Sport in Leisure
Liz Karter - Counsellor with GamCare.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b00gtgf5)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b00gtgl0)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

TUE 13:30 Take Two (b00h30yr)

Series 2

Walter Becker and Donald Fagen

Richard Coles presents a discussion series looking at collaborations between two musicians.

Richard analyses the partnership between Walter Becker and Donald Fagen, who formed the band Steely Dan in 1971. He is joined by author Brian Sweet and music journalist David Hepworth to analyse how the collaboration between Becker and Fagen developed and what effect it had on the popular music of the time. The programme also features extracts of some of the band's music and archives of interviews given by the band members over the years.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00gtlgt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 McLevy (b00nhsg9)

Series 5

To Keep Him Honest

With big bets on a champion boxing bout, the local crooks keep Edinburgh's Victorian detective a busy man. Stars Brian Cox.

TUE 15:00 Home Planet (b00h316p)

Richard Daniel and the team discuss listeners' questions about the environment and the natural world.

TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00h31lm)

Murder She Thought - Series 2

Domestic Violence

A pleasant, reasonable woman wants to find the perfect husband. Trouble is, she's had several and none has proved acceptable. So what do you do when divorce isn't an option?

Award-winning Hollywood actress Glenna Headley reads Cathy Ace's tale.

Director: Martin Jarvis

A Jarvis & Ayres Production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00gtlwm)

Dead States, New Birth

David Reynolds tells the story of the American Civil War and its aftermath

Episode 7: 'Dead States, New Birth': The North attempts to force change upon the South.

Previously broadcast on 27 January, 2009, as part of David Reynolds 90 part history of America.

TUE 16:00 Law in Action (b00h33cp)

The Future of the Legal Profession

Clive Coleman investigates the future of the legal profession, faced with the twin threats of new technology and the credit crunch. Will the familiar figure of the high street solicitor disappear, to be replaced by clever software that can draft complex documents, and by offshore lawyers working in India?

TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b00h33cy)

Series 17

Margot Fonteyn

4 Extra Debut. Horticulturalist Rachel de Thame chooses ballerina, Margot Fonteyn. With Matthew Parris and Meredith Daneman. From January 2009.

TUE 17:00 PM (b00gtlyw)

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

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gtmww)

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

TUE 18:30 Broken Arts (b00h33h9)

Episode 3

David Quantick and company poke fun at the ridiculous in popular culture. Featuring a guest appearance from Gilbert and Sullivan and special correspondents Dan Maier, Richie Webb, Jane Lamcraft and Margaret Cabourn-Smith.

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00gtlgh)

It looks as if the calf will make a full recovery. Ruth praises Pip for being such a star last night. David thinks she was absolutely fantastic. They're very proud, but Pip modestly declares she just did what any farmer would do

Fallon's keen to see the flat above the shop. Susan shows her round and Fallon's impressed - she can even see how one room could be turned into a recording studio.

Brian sounds Maurice out and asks how he'd feel if he was offered more hours. Maurice is interested, although surprised that Tom hasn't mentioned a possible production increase. Brian quickly points out this is his side of the business and it's probably best not to bother Tom with it.

Brian has a similar word with Hannah. She agrees to think about the possibility of doing a few extra hours once she's back at college. Brian knows how stressed Tom's been lately and suggests it's probably best not to mention any of this to him. It would be dreadful to raise his hopes and then disappoint him if things don't go to plan. Hannah agrees - and wishes she had an uncle as thoughtful as Brian.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00gtmps)

Presented by Mark Lawson.

With the news of the death of American novelist John Updike, Front Row hears from writers William Boyd and Elaine Showalter and from John Updike himself talking to Mark in October 2008 in New York.

Architect and campaigner George Ferguson reviews Andrea Palladio: His Life and Legacy, an exhibition of the sixteenth-century Italian architect's work showing at the Royal Academy in London.

East London-born actor Eddie Marsan has the leading role in the comedy film Faintheart, which revolves around one man who takes his battle re-enactment group a little too seriously for his family's comfort. Eddie talks to Mark about being a working-

class actor, the importance of versatility and improvising with Mike Leigh.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00gthqs)

The Child in Time

A Time Apart

Dramatisation of the novel by Ian McEwan.

Stephen and Julie try to come to terms with their loss. Stephen still searches for Kate, but Julie seems to have withdrawn into herself. Will their relationship survive?

Stephen Jamie Glover
Julie Zara Turner
Thelma Janice McKenzie
Charles Toby Hadoke

Directed by Gary Brown.

TUE 20:00 File on 4 (b00h33hc)

Using Surrogate Mothers

Jon Manel finds out if the law is keeping pace with the increasing numbers of British couples who are having children using surrogate mothers, both in Britain and abroad.

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00h33hf)

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

TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b00h33hh)

Appendicitis

Dr Mark Porter examines the diagnosis and treatment of appendicitis and talks to doctors to discover how they decide when it is time to remove the appendix. The appendix can cause a serious medical emergency - peritonitis - if it ruptures, and surgery to remove it is one of the commonest procedures in UK hospitals. But deciding when the organ needs to be taken out is not easy. The symptoms of appendicitis can be similar to other conditions such as urinary tract infections and gastroenteritis. Mark talks to doctors about how they diagnosis appendicitis, sometimes including using scanning, and then how they decide to go ahead and operate. He also discovers how it is particularly difficult to detect the condition in young children, and asks if a high fibre diet can prevent appendicitis.

TUE 21:30 Taking a Stand (b00gvr74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 21:58 Weather (b00gvfq8)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00gvft2)

National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah. Including reports on the government's moves to help the car industry, a new American strategy on Afghanistan and compensation for victims of Northern Ireland's Troubles.

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00h310m)

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Episode 2

Emilia Fox, Ben Crowe and Stewart Clapp read from Mary Ann Shaffer's novel set in the aftermath of WWII.

Juliet's literary tour is interrupted by a clash with a journalist who is determined to create a story out of her brief wartime engagement. In the meantime, she receives a letter from a Guernsey farmer, named Dawsey Adams, who found her name and address in a secondhand book.

TUE 23:00 Weird Tales (b00x4gb2)

Series 1

Out of the Depths by Melissa Murray

When Martha discovers her sister Grace has been trying past-life regression to break a cycle of abusive relationships, she decides it is time for them to return to a place from their past.

Travelling to Cornwall, they are forced to confront demons. But which sister needs to be free and what will it cost?

Written by Melissa Murray.

Series of four chilling dramas inspired by Lovecraft's stories of

magical rites and forbidden lore.

Martha Elizabeth Berrington
Grace Naomi Frederick
Lovecraft Stephen Hogan
Tom Ed Gaughan
Therapist Caroline Guthrie
Vicar Jonathan Tafler

Producer: Pam Marshall

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2009.

TUE 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00gvmc)

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

WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY 2009

WED 00:00 Midnight News (b00gsw69)

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

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00h5z0y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gswsr)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gsxs4)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gsxtf)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00gsxxv)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00gsxx4)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00gtdjx)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

WED 06:00 Today (b00gtdlv)

Presented by Sarah Montague and Edward Stourton.

Former Church of Ireland Primate Lord Eames discusses proposals to offer 12000 pounds to families of those killed in the Troubles.

Justin Webb reports on the problems with US Congress putting politics aside to help the economy.

Science Minister Lord Drayson and Prof Marcus du Sautoy discuss if science is elitist.

Prof Peter Hennessy and Michael Howard MP discuss if cabinet minutes should be made public.

US novelist John Updike has died. From the archives, he reads his sonnet Jesus and Elvis.

Prof Tim Lenton explains what can be done to curb the effects of climate change.

Thought for the day with the Rt Rev Tom Butler.

Ken Livingstone and Brian Paddick discuss the appointment of Sir Paul Stephenson as Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police.

Angus Stickler examines what has changed in Belfast since the Good Friday agreement. Historian Paul Bew discusses if the proposal to compensate the families of victims is a fair recognition of the pain suffered in the Troubles.

Novelists John Banville and Philip Hensher pay tribute to the writer John Updike.

Chair of the Commons Treasury Committee John McFall says bank lending is not resuming quickly enough.

A major humanitarian crisis is unfolding in northern Sri Lanka, with a quarter of a million people trapped by the fighting, the Red Cross says. Chris Morris reports.

Dr Catherine Douglas and dairy farmer Graham Carter discuss if befriending cattle can lead to higher milk yields.

Tom Feilden reports on the steep decline in the number of bees.

Robert Peston examines the mood at the annual World Economic Forum.

Former Navy officer Lewis Page and Commodore Mike Mansergh discuss new Navy warships.

WED 09:00 Midweek (b00h33k3)

Lively and diverse conversation with Libby Purves and guests.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00h5z10)

The Tall Man

Episode 3

By Chloe Hooper, read by Kerry Fox.

The hidden history of pain and violence that dominates the aboriginal community of Palm Island. How could the white police force maintain law and order amongst the alcohol-induced aggression and despair?

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00gthg5)

Graham Norton on musicals; Hula hooping

Graham Norton on his role in the musical La Cage aux Folles. Plus hula hooping, author Kathleen Kent on the Salem witch hunts, and the Law Lords ruling on nursing.

WED 11:00 The Most Godless Town in Britain (b00h33k1)

Jolyon Jenkins follows the work of a missionary sent by the Church of England to 'redeem' the residents of the Shropshire town of Telford, which has the lowest per capita church attendance in Britain.

Mark Berry, from the Church Mission Society, hopes to tap into the huge number of people who now describe themselves as 'spiritual but not religious', and sets out to compete with reiki healers, gong therapists and the local football club for the town's attentions.

WED 11:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00h34d1)

Series 4

Coach Trip

Spoof reminiscences of a former variety star. Count Arthur Strong is an expert in everything from the world of entertainment to the origins of the species, all false starts and nervous fumbling, poorly concealed by a delicate sheen of bravado and self-assurance.

After an attempted coach trip to Bridlington goes terribly wrong, Arthur decides the only way out of a sticky situation is to go 'native'.

With Steve Delaney, Mel Giedroyc, Dave Mounfield and Alastair Kerr.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00gtg99)

Presented by Winifred Robinson.

Shari Vahl reports on the growing evidence that large numbers of internet sites are being registered using Olympic symbols, which could mislead the public into thinking they are official sites.

Seven out of ten GP surgeries in England now offer extended opening hours. You and Yours discuss the pros and cons.

Tesco has opened a store in Manchester which claims to have a 70% smaller carbon footprint than a standard store of the same size. Among the features are lights that dim when it brightens up outside.

Chris Haworth visits the eco-friendly Tesco supermarket in Manchester.

Citizens or consumers: which does democracy need more? That question will be debated at a public meeting in London organised by the Hansard Society. Prof John Tomaney and one of the speakers, Tony Travers, discuss.

Mark Holdstock meets Dr Stuart Burgess, the government's advisor on rural affairs, in a rural community that sorted out broadband for itself. We also hear from technology expert Bill Thompson.

How environmentally friendly are Agas? You and Yours investigates.

WED 12:57 Weather (b00gtgf7)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b00gtgl2)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

WED 13:30 The Media Show (b00h34d3)

Steve Hewlett presents a topical programme about the fast-changing media world.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b00gtlgt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b007yd2g)

Dreaming in English

By John Godber and Jane Thornton.

Since emigrating from Poland, Magda has made a good life for herself in Hull. But now her brother is coming to stay and she faces problems.

Dan Robert Angell
Priest/Jim David Barrass
Raf Rad Kaim
Magda Natasha Radski
Suzie Amy Thompson
Woman Jane Thornton

Directed by Mary Ward-Lowery.

WED 15:00 Money Box Live (b00h34d5)

Vincent Duggleby takes listeners' questions on renting and letting. He is joined by a panel of experts: John Socha, vice chairman of the National Landlords Association, Hayley Rowley of Citizens Advice and Vivien Gambling of the Housing Law Practitioners Association and Lambeth Law Centre.

WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00h31rj)

Murder She Thought - Series 2

Portrait of an Unknown Man

Do you know that weird feeling when the eyes of a portrait seem to follow you around the room? This gothic tale takes the experience several steps further.

Miriam Margolyes reads Elizabeth Morgan's gothic tale.

Director: Martin Jarvis
A Jarvis & Ayres Production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00gtlwp)

Reunion but not Reconstruction

A history of America, written and presented by David Reynolds.

Episode 8: 'Reunion but not Reconstruction': Former slaves enjoy a brief period of political equality in the South.

Previously broadcast on 28 January, 2009 as part of David Reynolds' 90 part series on the history of America.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00h34d7)

Post Soviet Death Rates - Prisoners' Partners

POST SOVIET DEATH RATES

After 1991 when Boris Yeltsin stood on top of a tank and successfully resisted a coup in Soviet Russia, the country sped towards capitalism. Optimism was unleashed as shares in state industries suddenly became available the following year and many people swiftly became rich. However, for many others in Eastern Europe and the Soviet block, that optimism was unfulfilled as the era brought chaos and uncertainty.

A new study published in the Lancet argues that mass privatisation led to large rises in mortality, the swifter the pace of privatisation the higher the rate of premature death. Laurie Taylor discusses this controversial new report with two of its co-writers, Martin McKee and David Stuckler, and explores the human cost of rapid economic change.

PRISONERS' PARTNERS

Megan Comfort, talks about her new book called Doing Time Together: Love and Family in the Shadow of Prison - a study of

women who have husbands or boyfriends incarcerated in San Quentin prison. The study shows that in many cases, such women actually find that this incarceration improves the quality of their relationship.

WED 16:30 Case Notes (b00h33hh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 17:00 PM (b00gtlyy)
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Plus Weather.

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gtmny)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by Weather.

WED 18:30 Justin Moorhouse - The Big Am I (b00h34d9)
About to become a dad for a second time, Manchester's Justin Moorhouse has a nagging doubt he may not have got it right the first time round.

Mixing stand-up and sketches and aided by a great comedy cast, Justin asks himself a big question - am I a good dad?

Written and performed by Justin Moorhouse with additional material by Jim Poyser.

Also featuring John Thomson, Steve Edge and Janice Connolly.

Producer: Ben Walker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2009.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b00gtlgk)
Neil's doing a job for Alan, and is surprised to find Shula in church. Sensing she needs time to herself, he offers to come back later.

Susan wants to plan their silver wedding anniversary next month. Neil suggests a cosy night in with a take-away. Susan wishes he could be a bit more enthusiastic.

Kenton's concerned for Shula and is worried that Alistair took a night off from his Gamblers Anonymous meeting last week. Later, Kenton remembers why Ryan seemed familiar to him. He'd met him playing poker some time ago and recalls Ryan getting aggressive when he lost a large amount of money. Kenton wants to tell Alistair but Kathy doesn't agree. Ryan's probably sorting himself out, so Kenton should keep it to himself.

Tom doesn't think he can work with Brian any longer. He needs somebody who'll buy Brian out. Brenda suggests Matt Crawford. Tom reminds Brenda of the hell Matt's put his family through. Brenda knows what Matt's like, but insists he would make a good silent partner. The thought of Brian's face if Matt was to be his new business partner is a sweet sounding prospect. Tom begins to think Brenda might be right.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b00gtmpv)
Presented by Mark Lawson.

Mark speaks to Irish playwright and novelist Sebastian Barry, author of *The Secret Scripture* and winner of the Costa Book of the Year award.

Mrs Affleck is the title of Samuel Adamson's new play on at the National Theatre in London. Claire Skinner stars in a passionate tale of obsessive love, set in 1950s England, which was inspired by Ibsen's *Little Eyolf*. Sos Eltis reviews the play, which is directed by the co-creator of *War Horse*, Marianne Elliott.

London-based thriller writer Dreda Say Mitchell reviews two new crime thrillers on TV, *Moses Jones*, written by playwright Joe Penhall, follows the wave of violence triggered by the discovery of a bizarrely-mutilated boy in the Thames. *Whitechapel* is also set in contemporary London; where the police are hunting a killer carrying out copycat Jack the Ripper murders.

Arts Council England has decided today not to continue annual funding for The Public, West Bromwich's troubled arts centre. Arts Council Chief Executive Alan Davey explains the decision and The Public's Project Director David Clarke responds.

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00gths4)
The Child in Time

He Remembers What Suits Him

Dramatisation of the novel by Ian McEwan.

Julie has moved out to grieve alone. Stephen tries to find some equilibrium in his life, but struggles to cope alone. Then one day, on his way to see Julie, he has a strange experience.

Stephen Jamie Glover
Julie Zara Turner
Mr Lewis Rob Pickavance
Mrs Lewis Maggie Fox

Directed by Gary Brown.

WED 20:00 Unreliable Evidence (b00h34dc)
Banks and the Law

Clive Anderson presents the series analysing the legal issues of the day.

Is the public interest sufficiently protected by the current laws and regulations controlling the behaviour of banks and other financial institutions? Are new, tougher laws needed in the current economic climate?

WED 20:45 The Few (b00h360y)
Episode 1

Andrew Keen uncovers the new elites of the digital age. He seeks out the new few, that small group of rich and powerful people who are now using their success as Silicon Valley entrepreneurs to reshape the world according to their philosophical ideals, economic interests and ideas of democracy.

WED 21:00 State of Mind (b00h3610)
Happiness in a Pill?

Claudia Hammond tells the story of mental health care in the UK from the 1950s to the present day and explores, with the help of listeners' testimonies, how treatment and understanding of mental illness has changed over the past 50 years.

Prescriptions for anti-depressants have risen and now one in six of us experiences depression or anxiety. But instead of a pill, some would simply like to talk. Claudia visits Canterbury Christ Church University to meet some of the first trainee mental health advisers who are part of the government's new Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) initiative.

She also asks whether it is the stresses of modern life that cause us to experience depression or anxiety and whether, bombarded by marketing that tells us we can have it all, our expectations of happiness have become unrealistic.

WED 21:30 Midweek (b00h33k3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b00gvfqb)
The latest weather forecast.

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00gvft4)
National and international news and analysis with Jane Hill. Including reports on the growing violence in Nigeria, the IMF's grim analysis of the UK economy, the Congress vote on President Obama's rescue package and did Goya paint the Giant?

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00h310p)
The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Episode 3

Sian Thomas, Jim Norton, Emilia Fox and Clare Corbett read from Mary Ann Shaffer's novel, set in the aftermath of the Second World War.

Juliet Ashton is commissioned to write an article exploring the benefits and pleasures of reading, and hopes to recount some of the adventures of the Guernsey Literary Society that she has been hearing about in letters from Dawsey Adams. In the meantime, a glamorous American publisher arrives in London and besieges her with flowers.

WED 23:00 Nick Mohammed in Quarters (b00h3612)
Episode 2

Energetic sketch comedy from Nick Mohammed. With guests Anna Crilly and Colin Hout.

WED 23:15 The Correspondent (b00grtmx)

Series 2

Tom Gets Lonely

Bittersweet comic monologue, performed by Tom Allen.

WED 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00gvxfx)
News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with David Wilby.

THURSDAY 29 JANUARY 2009

THU 00:00 Midnight News (b00gsw6c)
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4, followed by weather.

THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b00h5z10)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gswsv)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gsxs6)
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gsxth)
The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00gsxvz)
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00gsxx6)
Daily prayer and reflection with Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00gtldz)
News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

THU 06:00 Today (b00gtldx)
Presented by John Humphrys and Edward Stourton.

Chair of the Public Accounts Committee Edward Leigh says literacy and numeracy targets will not be reached.

Simon Cox examines how lawyers are making money from ransom negotiations.

Tim Franks visits some residents of the Gaza Strip who have started the process of reconstruction.

Prof Sara Arber explains how sleep restriction can damage health.

Barnardo's chief executive Martin Narey explains his view that the current preference for keeping families together is putting vulnerable children in danger.

Graham Satchell interviews Jane Rabagliati of the Deer Initiative about whether a cull is a necessary evil.

Evan Davis reports from the World Economic Forum and asks whether the meeting can help 'reshape the post-crisis world'.

Thought for the day with the writer Rhidian Brook.

Stephen Chittenden speaks to teens in Cambridge about their attitude to alcohol and England's chief medical officer Sir Liam Donaldson explains why guidelines have become necessary.

Skills Secretary John Denham and English teacher Phil Beadle discuss targets for literacy and numeracy.

Chris Morris reports on UN concerns that a humanitarian crisis is taking place in Sri Lanka.

Benjamin Zander, conductor of the Boston Philharmonic, talks to Evan Davis about his attempt to lift the mood at the World Economic Forum.

Sarah Campbell examines the problems surrounding a new academy in Carlisle.

Karen Allen reports on the troops completing 'unfinished business' in Eastern Congo.

Evan Davis speaks to Stephen Roach, Chairman of Morgan Stanley's Asia operations, about whether China will help the West in the financial crisis.

Prof John Curtis, of the British Museum, says stupidity caused the destruction of Babylon.

THU 09:00 In Our Time (b00h3650)

Swift's A Modest Proposal

Melvyn Bragg and guests discuss one of the most brilliant and shocking satires ever written in English – Jonathan Swift's A Modest Proposal. Masquerading as an attempt to end poverty in Ireland once and for all, a Modest Proposal is a short pamphlet that draws the reader into a scheme for economic and industrial horror. Published anonymously but written by Jonathan Swift, A Modest Proposal lays bare the cruel presumptions, unchecked prejudice, the politics and the poverty of the 18th century, but it also reveals, perhaps more than anything else, the character and the mind of Swift himself. With John Mullan, Professor of English at University College London; Judith Hawley, Professor of 18th Century Literature at Royal Holloway, University of London and Ian McBride, Senior Lecturer in the History Department at King's College London.

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00h5z12)

The Tall Man

Episode 4

By Chloe Hooper, read by Kerry Fox.

The confusing legal processes baffle the community's attempts to understand how Cameron Doomadgee died of massive 'internal injuries'.

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00gthg7)

Income inequalities after divorce; Virginie Despentes

Why do women fare worse after divorce? Plus controversial French writer Virginie Despentes on prostitution and pornography, and jazz pianist Judy Carmichael plays live.

THU 11:00 From Our Own Correspondent (b00h3652)

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

THU 11:30 The Morricone Affair (b00f6518)

Sir Christopher Frayling presents a tribute to the renowned Italian film score composer Ennio Morricone. With contributions from Goldfrapp, Chris Rea, Nitin Sawhney, Anne Billson and Andrew Paresi. From 2008.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00gtg9c)

Presented by Winifred Robinson.

British Gas defend the level of their recent price cut. We speak to Phil Bentley, the managing director of British Gas and Ann Robinson from the price comparison website USwitch.

MPs and Peers in the All Parliamentary Group on Dementia are holding an investigation into whether professional carers looking after people with the condition have the right skills to do the job. Jeremy Wright, Conservative MP for Rugby and Kenilworth, chairs the group.

At different times in our history our leaders have pressed home this idea that we will earn our future prosperity in new and wonderful ways. But have we really invented our way out of trouble? And if we have, can we do it again today?

Has council-funded public art had its day? Fiona Clampin reports.

Light bulbs using very low energy and emitting very bright light are a British development from scientists at Cambridge University. One of them is Professor Colin Humphreys.

Adam Leach, from market intelligence company Ovum, analyses the 2009 mobile phone market.

Jason Burke reports on French protestors staging 'flash' picnics in supermarkets.

THU 12:57 Weather (b00gtgf9)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b00gtg14)

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

THU 13:30 Costing the Earth (b00gvjrv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Monday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b00gtlgh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b00h369x)

Cavity

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By Sean Grundy

Kirsty is having an affair with a married man, Adrian. When his wife Lucy returns unexpectedly from a business conference Kirsty hides in the attic. In a panic, she falls down the back of the attic into the cavity wall. A story then unfolds which combines the domestically mundane with the utterly bizarre.

A strange but funny story about sex, betrayal, the housing market and a love triangle that follows its own surreal logic.

Cast:

Kirsty - Ingrid Oliver
Adrian - Julian Rhind-Tutt
Lucy - Kerry Godliman
Sandra - Hayley Doherty
Estate Agent - Jim Howick
Dan the Cavity Man / Matt - Paul Mundell
Jemma - Deirdre Mullins

Director: Alison Crawford.

THU 15:02 Open Country (b00gsljd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00gsv46)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00h31r1)

Murder She Thought - Series 2

Box

A young assistant in a bookshop is having a problem with a strange admirer. But is he really a stalker?

Then, he leaves a package for her in the shop...

Joanne Whalley reads Zeba Kalim's tale.

Director: Martin Jarvis

A Jarvis & Ayres production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00gtlwr)

New South, Old Ways

David Reynolds tells the story of the American Civil War and its aftermath

Episode 9: 'New South, Old Ways': The birth of segregation.

Previously broadcast on 29 January, 2009 as part of David Reynolds' 90 part history of America.

THU 16:00 Open Book (b00gsvv5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b00h36jy)

Morphic Fields - Social Evolution

Morphic Fields

In 1981 Rupert Sheldrake published the first edition of his book "A New Science of Life". It challenged the orthodox assumptions of science, suggesting that there exists in nature a sort of collective memory pervading physical and biological systems which he called Morphic Resonance.

The idea met with considerable hostility from conventional scientists. The then editor of Nature described the book as "the best candidate for burning there has been for many years." More than 25 years later, Sheldrake claims that his ideas have not been disproved.

Far from it, he says, there is more evidence than ever. So there's a new, substantially revised and extended edition of the book. Is it still a good candidate for the bonfire?

Quentin discusses the claims and criticisms of the theory with Rupert Sheldrake and Prof Bernard Carr, a physicist and cosmologist from Queen Mary College University of London.

Social Evolution

The human body has evolved over many millions of years. But how has the human mind evolved, and do these changes

influence the way we behave today?

These questions are the basis of evolutionary psychology – a science that's less than 20 years old but has the potential to change the way we organise society. Researchers suggest that our prehistoric ancestors evolved the ability to talk, trust others, feel jealousy and live in groups because of pressures in their ancient environment.

But evolutionary psychology isn't all about the past. Professors Mark van-Vugt from the University of Kent and Robin Dunbar from the University of Oxford join Quentin Cooper to discuss the ways we can apply this knowledge to the problems of today. They explain why the tax man has to be heavy-handed, what the number 150 has to do with our social networks and the best way to get people to care about the environment.

THU 17:00 PM (b00gtlz0)

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

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gtmp0)

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

THU 18:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00f3wq3)

Series 5

Educating Peter

Comedy series by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

Ed Reardon, author, pipe smoker, consummate fare-dodger and master of the abusive email, attempts to survive in a world where the media seems to be run by idiots and lying charlatans.

Jaz yearns to return to the thrilling intimacy of small space work so suggests that Ed revive one of his old stage shows. So Educating Peter finds itself on stage and Ed finds he has a success on his hands.

Ed Reardon Christopher Douglas

Actress Rachel Atkins

Olive Stephanie Cole

Felix John Fortune

Ray Simon Greenall

Jaz Philip Jackson

Pearl Rita May

Frank Geoffrey McGivern

Ping Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Young Actor Tom Price

Stan Geoffrey Whitehead.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b00gtlgm)

Alistair's surprised to see Ryan at the Stables. He offers him coffee and is pleased to learn that Ryan's doing well in his job. Ryan really appreciates Alistair's support and hopes his life will turn out as well as Alistair's seems to be.

Joe's been asking Ed about the mineral lick. Ed's pleased that Oliver thinks they've got nothing to lose by carrying on with it. Oliver's decided that Helen should produce Sterling Gold cheese again and Mike's milk orders are up. So everyone's in a good mood and looking forward to tonight's celebratory do. Oliver and Caroline have invited everyone who's had a part to play in Grange Farm. Even Neil gets an invite when he drops Mike off. Neil confides in Mike that he's secretly planning to whisk Susan off to London for their wedding anniversary.

Oliver thanks everyone for their support and commitment during the recent difficult times. Now that they're getting back on track, Ed takes the opportunity to talk to Oliver about his hopes that they can expand the herd. Oliver's taken back by this. He'd not considered expanding, but sensing Edward's disappointment he agrees to think about it.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b00gtmpx)

Presented by Mark Lawson.

Mark talks to John Lasseter, film director and Chief Creative Officer of Pixar and Disney Animation Studios, whose latest animation, Bolt, tells the story of a dog who believes he has superpowers.

Mark talks to William Mival from the Royal College of Music about his involvement in the Sound of Perfume project and asks Jeremy Sumner from the Royal Academy of Music to run his ear and his nose over the results.

Writers Jesse Armstrong and Sam Bain discuss their sitcom, The Old Guys, which follows the often sexually-frustrated lives of two men in their late sixties.

Kevin Spacey returns to the stage of the Old Vic theatre in London to direct Richard Dreyfuss in the world premiere of *Complicit*, a play by Joe Sutton about the choices facing a Pulitzer prize-winning journalist in the current political climate. Writer Justin Cartwright reviews.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00gkts3)
The Child in Time

It Will Give Faith to Her Existence

Dramatisation of the novel by Ian McEwan.

Stephen and Julie still live apart. Stephen has not given up hope of finding Kate, who would have been six years old now, and imagines that he sees her everywhere.

Stephen Jamie Glover
Julie Zara Turner
Charles Toby Hadoke
Chloe Balvinder Sopal
Headmaster Richard Sinnott

Directed by Gary Brown.

THU 20:00 Investigation (b00h36y6)
Series 6

Episode 3

Simon Cox investigates modern-day piracy. He talks to some of those involved, reveals the extent of the British connection to the modern kidnap and ransom business and discovers that, far from its popular recent associations with the Somali coast, much of the negotiations to free seized ships actually take place in the world's maritime law capital, London.

THU 20:30 In Business (b00h37x5)
Down Japan

After Japan's property bubble burst in 1990, the country was pitched into 10 years of economic depression, from which the world's second largest economy may not yet have fully recovered. Peter Day asks what the rest of the world can learn from the now familiar-sounding Japanese experience.

THU 21:00 Leading Edge (b00h37x7)
Childhood Stress

The Effects of Childhood Stress on the Immune System
Elizabeth Shirtcliff of the University of New Orleans in this week's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences writes how children who have been physically abused, or suffered severe deprivation in their infancy show long term damage to their immune systems. She discusses her findings on the programme.

Genes and Social Networks

Some people tend to the "life-and-soul-of-the-party" types while others remain the wallflowers. Researcher James Fowler at the University of San Diego has discovered that where we are in a social network depends to some extent on our genes.

The Aurora Borealis

The Aurora Borealis is one of the world's great spectacles. These sheets of flickering light, high in the Earth's atmosphere, have become an established tourist attraction. Astronomer Chris Lintott recently crossed the Arctic Circle to see the Northern lights and discovered the science behind them.

Fifty Years of Pheromones

Its 50 years since the discovery of pheromones. Pheromones are chemical signals like airborne hormones, by which insects communicate their presence to each other. Tracey Logan reports on the potential value of pheromones to agriculture - and on their possible role in other human affairs:

Battlefield Archaeology

Alan Birkbeck and Dr Tony Pollard of Glasgow University are carrying out eighteenth century forensics. They are recreating ballistically what happened at the Battle of Culloden in 1746, when the Jacobites were defeated by Government troops. To do this they have built their own cannon.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b00h3650)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b00gvfqd)
The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00gvft6)
With Robin Lustig. Reports on the UN warning of a

humanitarian crisis in Sri Lanka, plus a disgraced Illinois governor makes one last plea against impeachment.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00h310r)
The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Episode 4

Ann Beach, Emilia Fox, Sian Thomas and Jim Norton read from Mary Ann Shaffer's novel set in the aftermath of the Second World War.

The members of the book club learn of Juliet's interest in them and their wartime experiences, and their letters begin to reach her Chelsea flat.

THU 23:00 Recorded for Training Purposes (b00h37x9)
Series 3

Episode 4

Sketch show about modern communication, media noise and contemporary obsessions.

With Ben Willbond, Dominic Coleman, Ingrid Oliver, Rachel Atkins, Lewis Macleod and Julie Mayhew.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2009.

THU 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00gvfxh)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with David Wilby.

FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2009

FRI 00:00 Midnight News (b00gsw6f)

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

FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b00h5z12)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00gswsx)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00gsws8)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00gswxtk)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00gswxw1)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00gswxx9)

Daily prayer and reflection with Rabbi Dr Naftali Brawer.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00gtdk1)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

FRI 06:00 Today (b00gtdlz)

Presented by Sarah Montague and Edward Stourton.

Workers at Honda's UK base and Collette Hume discuss the four month closure of the plant.

Consultant haematologist Dr Steve Schey says a new drug extends the life of patients by three years.

Nicola Stanbridge visits the lighthouse in Cumbria that composer Ailis Ni Riain has turned into a piece of performance art.

Business editor Robert Peston reports from the World Economic Summit.

Media expert Peter Bazalgette discusses what will be watched on television and computer screens in three years' time.

The Sri Lankan army is pressing ahead with its advance against the Tamil Tigers. Chris Morris reports.

Hospital managers want to exorcise a spirit in a Derby hospital, the Sun reports. Benedictine monk Dom Anthony Sutch explains how one would carry out an exorcism.

Thought for the day with the Right Reverend Lord Harries of Pentregarth.

Evan Davis talks to HSBC head Stephen Green about the future of globalised banking.

Derek Simpson, of Unite, says that some sub-contractors will not consider employing UK workers under any circumstances.

Authors William Boyd and A.L. Kennedy discuss the concept of the flawed literary masterpiece.

Sir Christopher Frayling discusses his time as chairman of the Arts Council and his valedictory lecture at the Royal Institute of Architects.

Alastair Kirkwood, managing director of NFL UK, and Stefan Szymanski, professor of economics at Cass Business School, discuss if big sporting events offer anything more than light relief from the doom and gloom of the economy.

Correspondent David McMillan and Scotland correspondent Colin Blane explain the current tension in workforces around the country.

FRI 09:00 Desert Island Discs (b00gsv4l)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00h5z14)
The Tall Man

Episode 5

By Chloe Hooper, read by Kerry Fox.

Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley stands trial for assault and manslaughter. The public galleries in the courtroom divide neatly into those who are white and those who are black.

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00gthg9)
Virtual games; Services for abused women

Jenni Murray debates the merits of virtual games as opposed to real games. Plus the lack of council services for abused women, and the place of snow in children's literature.

FRI 11:00 City Messengers: Still Pedalling? (b00h383y)

Documentary that revisits a group of London cycle couriers first encountered in a programme in the summer of 2008, to find out how they are faring in the current economic climate. Each day, couriers Will and Nhatt Attack still face the perils of the road, but now have to consider new hazards and changes in working practices.

In Manhattan, couriers reflect on how the economic downturn has affected them, too.

FRI 11:30 The Castle (b00h3840)
Series 2

Be Sure to Wear Some Flowers in Your Visor

Hie ye to "The Castle", a rollicking sitcom set way back then, starring James Fleet ("The Vicar Of Dibley", "Four Weddings & A Funeral") and Neil Dudgeon ("Life Of Riley")

In this episode, Sir John decides to raise money by holding a rock festival in the grounds of Woodstock... Let's hear it for kicking sounds from the electric lute, new-fangled hummous from the Levant and much disapproval from Pope Innocent the Vith!

Cast:

Sir John Woodstock James Fleet
Sir William De Warene Neil Dudgeon
Lady Anne Woodstock Montserrat Lombard
Cardinal Duncan Jonathan Kydd
Lady Charlotte Ingrid Oliver
Master Henry Woodstock Steven Kynman
Merlin Lewis Macleod

Written by Kim Fuller with additional material by Paul Alexander
Music by Guy Jackson

Produced and directed by David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00gtg9f)
Presented by Peter White.

Which events should be on the protected "crown jewels" list? We speak to former BBC director general Greg Dyke.

journalist Owen Gibson and Tim Lamb of the Central Council of Physical Recreation.

UK Sport is unapologetic about putting the lion's share of the Olympic pot of money into sports which will win the most medals. We speak to John Latin Dyson of British Shooting.

When you buy a cheap CD on the internet it may have been sent from the UK to the Channel Islands and then posted all the way back – just to avoid VAT. Melanie Abbott reports.

If you bought a pack of Wiltshire cured bacon, can you be sure the meat comes from Wiltshire? We speak to Helen Ferrier from the National Farmers Union and Andrew Opie of the British Retail Consortium about food labelling.

Self-appointed "professional complainer" Jasper Grierson offers hints and tips on making effective complaints.

Greg Dyke gives us his views on the licence fee, the future of public service broadcasting, the salaries of leading presenters and the debate over taste and decency.

Assyrian wine has only been made for domestic consumption so far, but which other countries could soon be coming up with new products? We speak to wine expert Jasper Corbett.

FRI 12:57 Weather (b00gtgfc)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b00gtgl6)

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

FRI 13:30 Feedback (b00h3842)

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

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00gtlgm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b007y7gk)

On the Field

By Annie Caulfield.

Craig has joined the army to get away from football, but somehow the game has followed him all the way to Basra. Has he got what it takes to be a hero?

Craig Daniel Abelson
Mahmoud Paul Chahidi
Limping Ibrahim Hassan Calaph
Padre Alan Coveney
Julie Sheila Hannon
Laundry Ibrahim Stephan Kalipha
Hamilton Chris New
Sergeant Billy Jonjo O'Neill
Dave Freddy White

With Mike Ingham as himself.

Directed by Mary Ward-Lowery.

FRI 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00h3844)

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum.

Bunny Guinness, John Cushnie and Pippa Greenwood answer the questions posed by gardeners in North Yorkshire.

Including the Gardeners' Question Time gardening weather forecast.

FRI 15:45 America, Empire of Liberty (b00gtlwt)

War and Memory

David Reynolds tells the story of the American Civil War and its aftermath

Episode 10: 'War and Memory': How the Civil War became etched on the American consciousness for generations to come.

Previously broadcast on 30 January, 2009, as part of David Reynolds' 90 part history of America.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00h389m)

Matthew Bannister presents the obituary series, analysing and celebrating the life stories of people who have recently died. The programme reflects on people of distinction and interest from many walks of life, some famous and some less well known.

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00h389p)

The Spanish star Penelope Cruz talks about working with Woody Allen and being re-united with Javier Bardem.

The film-maker Kim Longinotto discusses the work that cemented her reputation as 'the greatest documentary classicist working in Britain today'.

Designer Ken Adam and actor Steve Berkoff recall working with Stanley Kubrick on his adaptation of Thackeray's novel Barry Lyndon, and Andrew Dominik, director of The Assassination Of Jesse James By The Coward Robert Ford discusses its influence on his western.

FRI 17:00 PM (b00gtlz2)

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

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00gtmp2)

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

FRI 18:30 The News Quiz (b00h389r)

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Sandi Toksvig chairs the topical comedy quiz, with panellists Jeremy Hardy, Francis Wheen, Sue Perkins and David Mitchell.

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00gtlgp)

Tom seeks out Helen to talk to her about the situation with Brian. He's very unhappy. He's done some market research with his customers to see how they'd feel if the sausages he was selling were organic. The results were pretty much what he was expecting, with the price being clearly important. He and Brenda have been talking about getting another backer, so he can buy Brian out. Helen is robust. Tom should have the courage that Pat and Tony had all those years ago. He should buy Brian out and bring the pigs back to Bridge Farm.

Oliver has a serious conversation with Caroline. He explains about Ed wanting to expand the business and admits he can't raise enough enthusiasm. When Caroline tells him how much she'd welcome increased support running Grey Gables, it gives him food for thought.

Susan tells Jolene about Neil's idea for a take-away and a DVD to celebrate their silver wedding anniversary. Jolene tells her to get on and organise a surprise party instead. Susan can have it at the Bull Upstairs and Jolene will give her a good deal. Susan loves the idea. She can't wait to see Neil's face.

Episode written by Carole Simpson Solazzo.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00gtmpz)

Presented by John Wilson.

John reports from Esfahan, the former capital of Iran, as British Museum director Neil MacGregor negotiates the loan of treasures for the exhibition Shah 'Abbas: The Remaking Of Iran.

Following on from his exhibition of works from China, Charles Saatchi latest collection is of contemporary art works from the Middle East. Rebecca Wilson of the Saatchi Gallery and Iranian artist Tala Madani reflect on the themes and issues featured in the work of over 20 artists from across the region.

Documentary maker Norma Percy talks about Iran and the West in three hour-long films for television, marking the 30th anniversary of the Islamic revolution led by Ayatollah Khomeini. Programme One looks at the first decade after the revolution. Programme Two examines terrorism, including the Hezbollah kidnappings of westerners in the 1980s. Programme Three looks at the modern day relationship between the US and Iran and the nuclear negotiation struggles.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00gtkt6)

The Child in Time

She Was A Lovely Girl

Dramatisation of the novel by Ian McEwan.

Stephen has to deal with the loss of one life and the beginning of another.

Stephen Jamie Glover
Julie Zara Turner
Thelma Janice McKenzie
Mrs Lewis Maggie Fox.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00h389t)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Sutton Coldfield. On the panel are the former home secretary David Blunkett, shadow minister for community cohesion Baroness Sayeeda Warsi, chair of UK Sport Sue Campbell and associate editor of The Daily Telegraph Simon Heffer.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b00h389w)

Harry Evans wonders whether the term 'banker' will ever be restored to its former prestige.

FRI 21:00 America, Empire of Liberty Omnibus (b00h3h2h)

White and Black

Omnibus edition of the series charting the history of America, written and presented by David Reynolds.

The post-Civil War years, during which the North attempts to impose racial equality on the South. It is ultimately unsuccessful, and the seeds of segregation are sown.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b00gvfgq)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00gvft8)

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including reports on the MDC's declaration that it will go into government with Robert Mugabe and, as President Obama says that the recession is deepening, will protectionism make things worse? Plus how to fake your own death.

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00h310t)

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Episode 5

Stewart Clapp, Sian Thomas, Emilia Fox and Ben Crowe read from Mary Ann Shaffer's novel, set in the aftermath of Second World War.

Wealthy American publisher Markham V Reynolds continues to wine and dine Juliet around London. At the same time, her correspondents in Guernsey grow in number and she begins to learn more about Elizabeth McKenna, the charismatic figure who brought them all together.

FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b00h33cy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Today in Parliament (b00gvfxk)

News, views and features on today's stories in Parliament with Mark D'Arcy.