SATURDAY 04 APRIL 2009

SAT 00:00 Midnight News (b00jff0l)

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

SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b00jbky1)

The Old Boys' Network

Episode 5

Tim Pigott-Smith reads the journal kept by Dr John Rae during his years as the headmaster of Westminster School from 1970 to 1986.

Dr Rae wonders whether he is as well qualified for the job as a colleague who is reputed to have killed a man with his bare hands when he was a member of the Special Operations Executive in the Second World War.

SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00jff0n)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00.jff0q)

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

SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00jff0s)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00jff0v)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00jff0x)

Daily prayer and reflection with the Archbishop of Wales, Rev Dr Barry Morgan.

SAT 05:45 The Estuary (b008kf0n)

Episode 1

Peter France narrates an extraordinary story of life on the Wash as the tides and the seasons change, set against a backdrop of sounds recorded on location by Chris Watson.

At low tide, the vast expanses of mud which stretch almost as far as the eye can see are a magnet for migratory birds.

SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00jgq3n)

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

SAT 06:04 Weather (b00jgq3q)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00jgq3s)

Three hundred years ago, Abraham Darby fired up his furnace in Coalbrookdale, Shropshire. It was the spark that lit the Industrial Revolution. Darby's technological leap would allow iron to be manufactured on an enormous scale, opening the door to the creation of the machines, factories, trains and ships that made the modern world.

Helen Mark visits the original foundry, joins in an archaeological dig on the site, hears how the Aga company keeps the gorge's traditions alive and meets a contemporary artist inspired by the tough life of the original ironworkers.

SAT 06:30 Farming Today (b00jgq3v)

Farming Today This Week

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith, with a debate on the future of the Royal Show.

SAT 06:57 Weather (b00jgq3x)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 07:00 Today (b00jgtfh)

Presented by James Naughtie and John Humphrys.

Rob Watson reports on the summit used to mark the 60th anniversary of NATO.

Danny Shaw reports on the comments of Lord Hoffman regarding the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg.

Political correspondent Terry Stiasny reports on claims that

charities should be compensated for investments in Icelandic banks.

Med Hughes of the Association of Chief Police Officers and social psychology lecturer Dr Clifford Stott discuss if too much 'heavy force' was used during the G20 demonstrations.

Richard Galpin reports on the millions of Russian workers who have been laid off or sacked in recent months.

Preparations in North Korea for a satellite launch are complete and lift-off will take place "soon", state media have reported. Correspondent Roland Buerk reports on claims that it is a covert missile test. Aidan Foster-Carter, an expert in North Korean politics, discusses the launch.

It is 500 years since Henry VIII ascended to the throne of England. Reporter Nicola Stanbridge visits Hampton Court to watch preparations for celebrations to mark the occasion.

Thought for the Day with the Reverend Bob Marshall, an Anglican priest.

John McFall MP and Cllr Richard Kemp discuss if charities who lost deposits with Icelandic banks should be compensated.

The European Court of Human Rights is going beyond its jurisdiction and trying to create a 'federal law of Europe', a senior British judge says.

Lord Falconer and Stephen Hockman QC discuss the role of the European Court of Human Rights.

A gunman has killed 13 people after taking dozens hostage in the US state of New York. Reporter Matthew Price examines the attack.

Arts correspondent Rebecca Jones reports on the recent trend of giving British television dramas the Hollywood treatment.

Defence secretary John Hutton discusses the call for more troops and funds to be committed by European countries in Afghanistan.

Science correspondent Tom Feilden talks to author Mike McCarthy about why the UK might have to say goodbye to the cuckoo.

Former boxing champion Barry McGuigan discusses the career of US boxer Jack Johnson.

Former foreign secretaries Sir Malcolm Rifkind and Lord Owen discuss how much will change in the aftermath of the G20 summit.

SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b00jgv15)

With Fi Glover.

In the week that Madonna failed in her attempt to adopt a second child from Malawi, Fi meets a single man who successfully adopted two children.

Fi's studio guest is stem cell guru Professor Anthony Hollander who led the development of the first ever tissue engineered windpipe.

Plus an 'I Was There' memory from a Saturday Live listener who watched the trial of Nelson Mandela, the Inheritance Tracks of Oscar-winning actor Roberto Benigni, one Liverpool fan's experience of the Heysel Stadium disaster in 1985 and Susan Richardson as our studio poet.

SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00jgv17)

Sandi Toksvig explores the back streets of old Paris with the help of writer Gillian Tindall, the author of Footprints in Paris - A few streets, a few lives. Her exploration revives 200 years of history through the lives of real individuals who inhabited some of Paris oldest streets in the Latin Quarter.

The programme also uncovers an obscure corner of British military history involving Belize, HMS Ark Royal and Buccaneer fighter bombers through author Rowland White's Pheonix Squadron.

SAT 10:30 Eyes Down on Clubland (b00jgv1b)

With working men's clubs on the verge of extinction, Dave Spikey, who co-wrote and appeared in the comedy Phoenix Nights, charts their history. He examines their social, cultural and political impact and celebrates those that continue to bring life to communities on the margins of 21st-century Britain.

SAT 11:00 The Week in Westminster (b00jgv1d)

After a week when the world's leaders descended on London to clear a path out of the world economic crisis, do we now have one?

And away from all the talk of global financial institutions, tax havens and monetary stimulus, can it give the British economy a jolt, and with it a jolt to the Prime Minister's political position?

Here, the former Treasury ministers, Geoffrey Robinson for Labour and John Maples for the Conservatives, and the Liberal Democrat Treasury spokesman Jeremy Browne, debate how far the deal gives us what we need.

Also in the programme:

- * Sheila Gunn, Press Secretary to John and Norma Major, and Fiona Millar, who spent years working for Cherie Blair, on what the wives do at summits.
- * Tony Wright, who chairs the Public Administration Select Committee, and Marta Andreasen, the EU whistleblower and now UKIP Treasurer, on expenses and leaking
- * And Baroness Estelle Morris on which reports Ministers read, and which they don't.

SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00jgv1g)

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

SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00jgv1j)

Paul Lewis with the latest news from the world of personal finance. Including reports on the steps taken by the Pension Service after its helpline and e-forecast system collapsed.

Plus a look at the implications of the deal struck to rescue Dunfermline Building Society and claims that surveyors are now undervaluing many properties, making it impossible for some buyers to agree a price with a seller.

SAT 12:30 The Now Show (b00jf47y)

Series 27

Episode 5

Comedy sketches and satirical comments from Steve Punt, Hugh Dennis and the team including Mitch Benn, Laura Shavin, Ion Holmes and Alun Cochrane

SAT 12:57 Weather (b00jgv1l)

The latest weather forecast.

SAT 13:00 News (b00jgv1n)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b00jf480)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in Stafford. He is joined by secretary of state for communities and local government Hazel Blears, shadow secretary of state for innovation, universities and skills David Willetts, Liberal Democrat deputy leader Vince Cable and executive editor and columnist at the London Evening Standard Anne McElvoy.

SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00jgv1q)

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

SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b00jgv1s)

Lambeth Palace

Dark comedy by Christopher William Hill imagining the politics behind the scenes in the run-up to the selection of a fictional Archbishop of Canterbury. How far will an ultra-Establishment conservative and a barely-believing liberal go to win the top job in the Church of England?

Michael Lombard Alex Jennings
David Channing Geoffrey Whitehead
Grace Lombard Phoebe Nicholls
Patrick Latimer Murray Melvin
Alicia Latham Susan Jameson
Simon Brooker Philip Fox
Anthony Taylor Sam Dale
Russell Graves Stephen Hogan
Claudia Caroline Guthrie
Robin Jonathan Tafler
Cardinal Daeneker Malcolm Tierney

Seb Benjamin Askew

Jade Lizzy Watts

With Kirsty Wark and Jonathan Dimbleby as themselves.

Other parts played by Janice Acquah, Matt Addis and Paul Rider.

Directed by Mary Peate.

SAT 15:30 Ken Clarke's Jazz Greats (b00jcltr) Series 7

Milt Jackson

Ken Clarke MP profiles great jazz musicians of the 20th

Milt Jackson, known as 'Bags', was the first vibraphone player to perform in the bebop style of jazz. He was spotted at the age of 22 by Dizzy Gillespie and given a place in his band. His reputation grew from there, and he is perhaps best known for helping to bring jazz to a new concert-going audience during his 20-plus years as a member of the Modern Jazz Quartet.

Vibraphone player Anthony Kerr sets Ken straight on Jackson, who he admits to having overlooked as a teenage jazz fan.

SAT 16:00 Woman's Hour (b00jgv1v)

Weekend Woman's Hour

Weekend Woman's Hour with Jane Garvey.

With all the doom and gloom around, Jane asks what is happiness, how do we get it and do women feel responsible for keeping their families happy?

There's music from Lea De Laria, and are you guilty of dressing your partner?

Two ten-year-olds dance the cha-cha in the studio as part of a new educational initiative to get children back on the dance

Plus why girls with autism are being misdiagnosed, and we ask whether history has been reworked and feminised, as some claim.

SAT 17:00 PM (b00 jgv1x)

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

SAT 17:30 iPM (b00jff0z)

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

SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00jgv1z)

The latest shipping forecast.

SAT 17:57 Weather (b00jgv21)

The latest weather forecas

SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00jgv23)

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

SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00jgv25)

Presented by Clive Anderson

Marking the 500th anniversary of Henry VIII's accession to the throne, historian Dr David Starkey chats to Clive about his Channel 4 biography, Henry: Mind of a Tyrant, and guestcurating the British Library's exhibition Henry VIII: Man and

Having penned comedy favourites such as Father Ted and Black Books, Graham Linehan talks about his Emmy award-winning sitcom The IT Crowd.

As a former society editor, Stephanie Theobald was one of the 'in' crowd. She describes how her time hanging out with the movers and shakers of the art world inspired her latest novel, A Partial Indulgence.

Gideon Coe stirs up some adolescent angst as he talks to standup comedian Rufus Hound, presenter of Radio 4's My Teenage Diary, in which top comedians revisit their formative years by opening up their diaries.

Irrereverent comedy from Canadian Pete Johansson, who, having toured the world and appeared on US primetime televison, peddles his wares in the Loose Ends studio.

With music from the twice Mercury Prize-nominated nancunian band Doves

Plus a saunter into the unique world of cabaret and melody that is Lonely Drifter Karen, playing This World is Crazy from their debut Grass is Singing.

SAT 19:00 Profile (b00jgv27)

Mary Ann Sieghart profiles Zaha Hadid, the world's leading female architect.

Workers have begun installing the roof on the Aquatics Centre for the 2012 London Olympics, the boldest British design yet by Hadid. But like the rest of Hadid's career, the wave-shaped building has not been without controversy - and it's projected to cost three times its original budget.

Iraq-born Hadid is known around the world, yet in Britain she is perhaps better known for designs that haven't been built - such as the Cardiff Bay Opera House.

SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00jgv29)

Let the Right One In, Jez Butterworth's Parlour Song, and The Genius and the Goddess by Jeffrey Meyers

Tom Sutcliffe is joined by biographer Kathryn Hughes, historian Tristram Hunt and vicar and philosopher Giles Fraser in reviewing the week's cultural highlights

Let the Right One In is a film set in a drab Swedish suburb in winter, telling the unsettling tale of Oskar, an overlooked and bullied boy from a broken home who lives mainly in his own head. That is until he meets Eli the waif-like, peculiar girl next door. Eli doesn't go to school, never feels the cold and smells a little strange. Will our guests find this film a successful interpretation of the vampire story?

The magnificence and splendour of Baroque, one of the most opulent styles of the 17th and 18th centuries, is the subject of the Victoria and Albert museum's spring exhibition. An art of ostentatious display designed to showcase power and wealth.

Also on the programme Jez Butterworths new play Parlour Song, a black comedy exploring deceit, paranoia and murderous desire, as the spirit of the Blues lands in leafy suburbia. But does the comedy and despair work together?

And King Henry VIII is the subject of a new television series to mark the 500th anniversary of his accession, as Dr. David Starkey travels across Europe to investigate documentation that reveals the inner life of Henry

SAT 20:00 Archive on 4 (b00ikw55)

From Midpoint to Endpoint - Talking With John Updike

Mark Lawson traces the career of John Updike from 1969. after he had been pictured on the cover of Time magazine and brought to international recognition by his best-selling novel Couples, to a final interview recorded months before Updike's death in January 2009.

Mark draws on his own interviews with Updike - including the one made in October 2008 which proved to he his last - and appearances on programmes including With Great Pleasure and Arena, and the writer's readings of his own stories and memoirs. Updike talks about writing, sex, death, God, golf and American presidents from Hoover to Obama.

Including tributes from his son David and editors from his publishers Knopf and the New Yorker magazine speaking at an event from the New York Public Library.

SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b00jc440)

Something Fresh

First of a two-part dramatisation of PG Wodehouse's 1915

Two imposters infiltrate Blandings Castle, intent on recovering a valuable scarab which the dotty Lord Emsworth has unknowingly acquired from a dyspeptic American millionaire.

Ashe Ioan Gruffudd Joan Helen McCrory

J Preston Peters Hector Elizondo Earl of Emsworth Martin Jarvis

Aline Peters Andrea Bowen George Emerson James Frain

Baxter Jared Harris

Beach Morgan Sheppard

Mrs Twemlow Jill Gascoine

Miss Willoughby Joanne Whalley The Hon Freddie Matthew Wolf

Mr Judson Darren Richardson

Adams Kenneth Danziger

Jones/Ferris/Porter Alan Shearman

All the maids Moira Quirk

Wodehouse Ian Ogilvy

Directed by Martin Jarvis.

SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b00jgv3z)

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

SAT 22:15 Decision Time (b00jd6xv)

The BBC's Political Editor Nick Robinson shines a light on the process by which controversial decisions are reached behind closed doors in Whitehall. With a panel of inside experts, he examines the problems that future governments will face and hear the arguments about how they might be resolved.

SAT 23:00 Counterpoint (b00jcgx9)

Series 23

2009 Heat 4

From London, Paul Gambaccini hosts the music quiz with contestants from Kent, Surrey and the Isle of Wight. From

SAT 23:30 Lost Voices (b00j5ttf)

Rosemary Tonks: The Poet Who Vanished

Poet Brian Patten explores the life and work of lesser-known or forgotten poets.

Rosemary Tonks published two slim volumes of poetry and a clutch of novels and then, towards the end of the 1970s, disappeared from public life. Brian explores the operatic drama of her work, which was hugely influenced by Rimbaud and Baudelaire, and shares his enthusiasm with other contemporary

SUNDAY 05 APRIL 2009

SUN 00:00 Midnight News (b00jgzj6)

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

SUN 00:30 Lent Talks (b00jd6xx)

Six well-known figures explore ideas of the absence of God from their own perspective.

Frank Field MP reflects on a society that chooses to root its moral behaviour apart from God.

SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00jgzj8)

The latest shipping forecast

SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00 igzib)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00jgzjd)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00jgzjg)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00igzii)

The sound of bells from St Nicholas's Church, Leeds in Kent.

SUN 05:45 Profile (b00jgv27)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b00jgzjl)

The latest national and international news.

SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00jgzjn)

Hospitality

For Palm Sunday, Mark Tully explores the deeper spiritual meaning of hospitality, with Jean Vanier, founder of the L'Arche community for adults with learning disabilities.

SUN 06:35 On Your Farm (b00jgzjq)

Sir Donald Curry has been an insider during the events that

have brought significant change to the British countryside and food and farming industries over the past two decades. He saw at first hand the tragedy of mad cow disease - young people dying because they'd eaten British beef, infected with a mysterious cattle brain disease and a livestock industry quarantined by the rest of the world. Then came the 2001 outbreak of foot and mouth disease which cost taxpayers £8billion and set in train a rural revolution of which Sir Donald was the architect. He gives Steve Peacock his insights into this, and more, for this week's On Your Farm.

SUN 06:57 Weather (b00jgzjs)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00jgzjv)

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

SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00jgzjx)

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 (b00jgzjz) SOS Sahel

Valerie Singleton appeals on behalf of SOS Sahel.

A donation of 15 pounds could train a water committee in Sudan enabling a community to share precious water - helping to preserve peace. If you are a UK taxpayer, please provide SOS Sahel with your full name and address so they can claim the Gift Aid on your donation - worth another 25 percent. Online and phone donation facilities are not currently available to listeners without a UK postcode.

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SUN 07:58 Weather (b00jgzk1)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00jgzk3)

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

SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00jgzk5)

Journey into Hearing

Observing Lent through the senses.

A service for Palm Sunday live from Upper Clapton United Reformed Church in Hackney, London

The preacher is Rev John Macaulay.

Directors of Music: Nneoma Chima and Sam White.

SUN 08:50 A Point of View (b00if483)

After years of watching late-night porn in anonymous hotel rooms - for research - its purpose is clear, says Clive James: to keep one's mind off sex while one's partner is absent.

SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00jgzk7)

News and conversation about the big stories of the week with

Stories include the First Lady's visit to Elizabeth Garrett Anderson College, a look at some legendary expenses incurred by reporters, and a special report from a theme park in Florida based on the bible.

Guests are Anita Harris, Mark Borkowski and Alain De Botton.

SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00jgzk9)

The week's events in Ambridge.

SUN 11:15 The Reunion (b00ih1f1)

Sue MacGregor presents the series which reunites a group of people intimately involved in a moment of modern history

She brings together some of the original members of the

National Theatre to remember its birth in 1963 under artistic director Laurence Olivier. Her guests are Sir Michael Gambon, Sir Derek Jacobi, Dame Maggie Smith, Dame Joan Plowright and Bill Gaskill.

A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 12:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b00jcgxh) Series 3

David Mitchell hosts the game show in which panellists are encouraged to tell lies. With Simon Evans, Tony Hawks, Milton Jones and Johnny Vaughan.

SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00jh46t)

Sheila Dillon finds out how the 2012 Olympics is already changing food in Britain. Thousands of construction workers have arrived in east London and there are ambitous plans for their meal breaks.

SUN 12:57 Weather (b00ih46w)

The latest weather forecast

SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00ih46v)

A look at events around the world with Shaun Ley.

Discussing President Obama's big speech on nuclear nonproliferation and his ambition for a nuclear-free world as the North Koreans test a missile.

Plus, as campaigners against 'rain tax' prepare to take their case to Downing Street, reports from a church where the water bill has increased by a factor of 10 and a village hall which could be driven out of business.

SUN 13:30 The Royal Show in Crisis (b00k175r) Episode 1

Tom Heap gains exclusive access in the battle to save The Royal

Britain's most prestigious agricultural event has been the showcase for the farming industry for 160 years, but the Royal show hasn't made a profit in more than two decades. It's been the victim of foot and mouth, atrocious weather and bluetongue.

Tom has been following the team at its home in Stoneleigh Park in Warwickshire as they try to ensure that the 2009 show will once more establish the Royal as a premier event. But in April the plug was pulled and the Royal Agricultural Society announced 2009 would be the last event.

SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00jf47q)

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum

Bob Flowerdew, Chris Beardshaw and Bunny Guinness answer questions posed by gardeners on the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire border

Anne Swithinbank and Matthew Biggs return to the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew in its 250th year, with a visit to the Temperate House.

Including the Gardeners' Question Time gardening weather forecast.

SUN 14:45 Ankle High History (b00ih470) Episode 3

Scotland has a lost archaeological history - the ruins of thousands of townships and buildings which have never been recorded on any map, yet which tell the tale of life in a period of dramatic change. Mark Stephen follows attempts to uncover those stories before the buildings fade from the landscape.

Along the shores of Loch Tay are the remains of byrehouses. the sort of buildings in which the majority of Scots once lived. Mark hears the story of how these homes came to be abandoned, as a rural way of life disappeared.

Producer Monise Durrani.

SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b00jh472)

Something Fresh

Episode 2

Second of a two-part dramatisation of PG Wodehouse's 1915 comic novel.

The rivalry between Ashe and Joan to secure the precious scarab is becoming intense. The obsessive Baxter is in hot pursuit and Lord Emsworth keeps a shotgun beside him in case of midnight marauders.

Ashe Ioan Gruffudd Joan Helen McCrory Baxter Jared Harris Earl of Emsworth Martin Jarvis J Preston Peters Hector Elizondo The Hon Freddie Matthew Wolf George Emerson ... James Frain Aline Peters Andrea Bowen Beach Morgan Sheppard Mr Judson Darren Richardson Colonel Mant Kenneth Danziger Wodehouse Ian Ogilvy

Directed by Martin Jarvis.

SUN 16:00 Bookclub (b00jh474)

Andrew Motion

As he prepares to leave the post, Andrew Motion talks to James Naughtie about his 10 years as Poet Laureate. He discusses his collection Public Property, which was the first to be published after he became Poet Laureate. Some of the poems were written to mark or celebrate events or people. Others reveal some of his own strongest influences - the countryside, his upbringing and his parents as well as poets he most admires, including Wordsworth, Keats, Ted Hughes and Philip Larkin.

SUN 16:30 Lost Voices (b00ih476)

Series 1

Dom Moraes: The Double Exile

Poet Brian Patten explores the life and work of lesser-known or forgotten poets

Born in India, educated at Oxford, admirer of Auden and Spender and a youthful resident of low Soho dives the life of the beautiful Dom Moraes was in itself poetical. Brian finds in Moraes' work the melancholy of a man who never quite belonged either in India or England.

SUN 17:00 File on 4 (b00 icrax)

Who stole my house?

Shari Vahl investigates the extent to which inadequate safeguards to property rights in Britain might be contributing to the theft of millions of pounds, as criminals 'steal' houses from under the noses of homeowners by exploiting the way Land Registry information is made available

File on 4 hears from victims living in mortgage-free homes who have been targeted by criminal gangs.

SUN 17:40 Profile (b00 igv27)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00jh478)

The latest shipping forecast.

SUN 17:57 Weather (b00jh47b)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00ih47d)

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

SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00jh47g)

Liz Barclay introduces her selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00jcvw0)

Jill laments the news that this year's Royal Show will be the last. She goes on to talk to Ruth about David's idea of a reunion of old NFU friends for Phil's birthday, but she wants to vet the list of names first. Phil made many friends, but he made some enemies too! They decide to make up a list of invitees.

Ruth helps Jill with the beehives. One of the colonies is so weak it will have to be combined with one of the stronger hives. Jill thinks the NFU reunion's a good idea but she'd better vet the list of names first - Phil made a lot of friends, but he made some enemies too!

Helen and Annette go skating at Felpersham and reminisce about the time they went with Greg - he'd been so happy that day. Back at the flat they look through old photographs. Helen enquires about Annette's plans, suggesting it might be a good idea for Annette to stay at her grandmother's whilst she looks for a job. Annette seems reluctant to ring her Gran.

Later Annette tells Helen that her Gran's got things on, so she can't accommodate Annette until the end of the week. Helen says she's welcome to stay with her until then - it'll be nice for them to spend some time together.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

SUN 19:15 Go4it (b00jh47j)

Barney Harwood spotlights ice, snow sleighs and polar bears as he finds out about life in the Arctic. Glenn Morris from Arctic Voice talks Barney through survival in sub-zero temperatures, and Barney hears from Glaitness School in Orkney, which has twinned with a school in the Arctic with the help of BBC World Class. Pupils have been finding out what it's like to go to school surrounded by ice and snow.

As a British team begins a trek to discover how quickly the ice in the Arctic is melting, Tarquin Cooper explains the impact of climate change on one of the coldest places on Earth.

SUN 19:45 Afternoon Reading (b008nwjw)

Portraits of East Anglia

Days of Rest

Specially commissioned stories by local authors, inspired by paintings of the East Anglian landscape. Recorded in front of an audience in Halesworth, Suffolk, the readings are introduced by Neil Innes.

On a beautiful summer Sunday, Jules is paying a visit to see Gran in her Suffolk care home. But it's not long before her London employers track her down.

By Jill Laurimore, read by Rachel Atkins.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 20:00 Feedback (b00jf3hn)

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

SUN 20:30 Last Word (b00jf47s)

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

SUN 21:00 Money Box (b00jgv1j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00jgzjz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

SUN 21:30 In Business (b00jdnsn)

Europe on the Edge

Peter Day reports from Spain, Hungary, Ireland and Iceland on the heavy strains being felt by those countries on the fringes of Europe which boomed when they were new recruits to the EU. In the current economic crisis, however, they are now under heavy pressure, along with the Eurozone and the whole European Union.

SUN 21:58 Weather (b00jh47l)

The latest weather forecast.

SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b00jh47n)

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

SUN 23:02 The Film Programme (b00if47v)

Francine Stock talks to writer and director Richard Curtis. He is returning to the director's chair for the first time since Love Actually for his latest offering, The Boat That Rocked, a comedy about pirate radio in the 1960s. Musician Neil Brand get his teeth into John Williams's score for Jaws and the unique movies of Jean-Pierre Melville are discussed by Rupert Wyatt, director of British prison drama The Escapist.

SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00jgzjn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

MONDAY 06 APRIL 2009

MON 00:00 Midnight News (b00jctq5)

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

MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b00jd6rc)

Communism as a Religion - Cultural Capitalism

Laurie Taylor discusses what is being called the re-Stalinisation of Russia on today's Thinking Allowed. According to exiled Russian academic Michail Ryklin, Putin's Russia is turning the clock back and rehabilitating the most famous demon of the Soviet Union.

In a new book, he claims that although the Soviet Union proclaimed itself an aethist state, communism functioned as its religion, and when faith faded it was replaced by mass terror. But now memories of the terror and bloodshed have receded and Stalin is being reclaimed.

Tony Bennett, professor of sociology at the Open University and director of the ESRC Centre for Research on Socio-Cultural Change, and Dr Elizabeth Silva, senior lecturer of the Faculty of sociology at the Open University, are the authors of Culture, Class and Distinction, a book described as the most sophisticated mapping of British cultural practices and preferences ever undertaken. They talk about art and the social origins of artistic taste.

MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00jgzjj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00jctrq)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00jctvr)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00jctt2)

The latest shipping forecast.

MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00jcv3m)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00jcv40)

Daily prayer and reflection with the Archbishop of Wales, Rev Dr Barry Morgan.

MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00jcv7p)

After 160 years, 2009 sees the final Royal Show at Stoneleigh in Warwickshire. Charlotte Smith examines what the Royal's demise might mean for other agricultural shows. The events are attended by six million people annually, but with the Royal Show going and the recession in full swing, will that continue? plus, the beginning of a week-long investigation into the chances of Blue Tongue disease hitting our shores in 2009, with a visit to the first farm in the UK to suffer the virus in 2007.

MON 05:57 Weather (b00jh4f3)

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

MON 06:00 Today (b00jh4h9)

Presented by John Humphrys and Evan Davis.

Hazel Smith, Professor of Security and Resilience at Cranfield University, discusses the threat of North Korea's rocket launch.

An earthquake has struck central Italy with an epicentre about 90 kilometres north-east of Rome. Agostino Miozzo, a spokesman for Italy's Civil Protection agency, discusses how thousands of people could be left homeless.

Evan Davis talks to three MPs about steps which may be taken to raise tax or cut public spending.

Mary Bousted of the Association of Teachers and Lecturers says teachers suffer widespread aggression from parents.

Tim Smith, chief executive of the FSA, visits Burger King and explains how menus will display calorie counts.

Dickie Fields from Keep Britain Tidy warns how postal workers could face fines for dropping rubber bands.

Mike Thomson reports on how the liberation of Paris in August 1944 was carried out without black French soldiers.

Thought for the day with Reverend Dr Giles Fraser, Vicar of

Foreign Office Minister Bill Rammell discusses why North Korea has launched a rocket capable of carrying a nuclear warhead

At least 20 people have died in a powerful earthquake that has struck central Italy. Teacher Anna-Maria Spennati explains what has happened to the town of L'Aquila, and seismologist Dr Roger Musson discusses the likely effects.

Shadow Chancellor George Osborne examines the UK's IFS deficit figures.

Professor Bob Nerem, one of the world's leading stem cell scientists, says he sees the Obama presidency as a new era for this area of science.

North America Editor Justin Webb gives an insight into President Obama's visit to Turkey.

The last person to have to sort out such a big fiscal problem was Norman Lamont in his 1993 budget. The former chancellor Lord Lamont discusses what such fiscal tightening is like.

Duncan Kennedy reports on the devastation caused by the earthquake in Italy.

Professor Denis Dutton and a senior lecturer in philosophy, Nigel Warburton, discuss humanity's love of art.

MON 09:00 Start the Week (b00jh4f5)

Andrew Marr talks to former minister in the post-war Iraqi government Ali Allawi and actor-playwright Wallace Shawn. Plus Marina Hyde on how celebrities turn political and Lewis Wolpert on the secret life of cells. Wolpert maintains that for their size, cells are the most complex objects in the universe.

MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00jhck3)

Sisters of Sina

Episode 1

By Janet Soskice. The true story of the two sisters who discovered one of the earliest known copies of the Bible on Mount Sinai in 1892. Read by Stella Gonet

A Pier Productions production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00jcvfv)

Maureen Lipman; Juice; Single children families

Actor and comedian Maureen Lipman on her varied career. Plus, music from Juice, an all-girl a cappella trio; and how does being an only child affect us?

$\it MON\,11:00$ The Price of a Pint of Milk (b00jhfx6)

Following Derrick Weaver, who has been a milkman in Birmingham for 44 years, as he makes his deliveries around the Harborne area of the city. His day starts at 2.15am when he loads his float at the depot, and he delivers milk until 10.30am. On the way he has been known to be chased by poodles, asked to change old peoples' light bulbs and even find the odd corpse.

MON 11:30 Hazelbeach (b0088nnw)

Series 1

Gardening

Ronnie has a devious idea to get Nick's ex-girlfriend back. What could possibly go wrong?

Caroline and David Stafford's comedy stars Jamie Forman as Ronnie Hazelbeach.

Ronnie Jamie Foreman

Nick Paul Bazely

Chloe Tracy Wiles James John Dougall

Harry Simon Treves

Producer: Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2007.

MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00jcvqc)

Presented by Julian Worriker.

The Soil Association's organic market report says consumers who are committed to buying organic products are appearing to stay loyal. Reporter Simon Parkes is at the launch of the report.

Passengers trying to claim back Air Passenger Duty are being hit by administration charges of up to four times the value of the original tax. Which? Holiday highlighted the problem and we speak to Head of Research, Rochelle Turner.

Local authority waiting lists have been rising year on year but with the recession taking hold, it is predicted that many more people will need social housing. Clare Garrod is one person on the social housing waiting list. She explains how she ended up without a home after her marriage broke down. Also with David Orr, Chief Executive of the National Housing

Can rural communities survive an influx of second home owners and how best can the new arrivals live alongside the locals? Kevin Mousley speaks to Paul Rouse, the former chairman of the Association of Second Home owners, asking him for his reaction to the claim that second home owners are over-running pretty rural communities to their detriment.

If the government sticks to its current plans, there will be no cigarettes or other tobacco products on display from 2011 in larger shops and from 2013 in smaller shops. We speak to James Lowman from the Association of Convenience Stores and Prof Gerard Hastings.

Sainsbury's have renamed Pollack 'Colin' - French for cooked pollack - in a bid to promote the fish as a sustainable alternative to cod. It is also getting new packaging inspired by the artist Jackson Pollack, and designed by Wayne Hemingway, the founder of fashion label Red or Dead. We speak to Fred Normandale, President of the National Federation of Fishermen's Organisations.

Looking at the significance and history of the working lunch, from the provision of food for Victorian mill hands to the works canteen, to the increasingly common practice of lunch being taken at our desks.

MON 12:57 Weather (b00icvs5)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 13:00 World at One (b00jcvv1)

With Martha Kearney. Including news of the Italian earthquake, analysis from Cape Town of the decision to drop all corruption charges against the ANC's presidential candidate Jacob Zuma and the Welsh First Minister Rhodri Morgan discusses plans to support the car industry.

MON 13:30 Counterpoint (b00ihg36) Series 23

From Manchester, chairman Paul Gambaccini hosts the music quiz spanning every era.

With Alan Douglas of Worcestershire, Lesley Ford from Newcastle and John Keir from Kirkaldy in Fife.

Producer Paul Bajoria.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009.

MON 14:00 The Archers (b00icvw0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

MON 14:15 Drama (b007ycm8) Rachel Joyce - Feather

By Rachel Joyce.

Fern believes in magic, Father Christmas and the Tooth Fairy. She is collecting feathers because they can make wishes come true, and Fern has a very big and important wish.

Fern Maisie Cowell Lucy Claire Price

Flyn Shaun Dooley Lloyd Jot Davies Grandma Richenda Carey

Sam Rachel Bavidge

Cayleigh Morgan Gayle

Directed by Tracey Neale.

MON 15:00 Archive on 4 (b00 ikw55)

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 on Saturday]

MON 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's Men of Fashion (b00jcvz5)

Henry VIII - The King Must Wear Gold

Tracing male peacockery through the ages - how clothes symbolised power, philosophy, taste, sexuality and personal

MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00jh46t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

MON 16:30 Click On (b00jhp58)

Series 4

Episode 5

Clare English finds out how new technology can help preserve the very old. She visits the Cutty Sark to discover how computer modelling is playing an important role in the ship's

MON 17:00 PM (b00jd5bm)

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

MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00icwm8)

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

MON 18:30 The Unbelievable Truth (b00jhp5b) Series 3

Episode 3

David Mitchell hosts the game show in which panellists are encouraged to tell lies and compete to see how many items of truth they are able to smuggle past their opponents.

With Lucy Porter, Chris Addison, Clive Anderson and Graeme

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 19:00 The Archers (b00jcvvh)

Lilian's agreed to look after Jack so Peggy can have an important meeting with Tom. Peggy's negotiated a good deal for Brian's share of the business. Tom agrees, it's a better deal than Brian would have ever offered him. Peggy reveals that she rather enjoyed being a business woman again. She wants an end to all the feuding. They both need to remember they're members of the same family. Lilian suddenly announces that she's had a call from a very anxious Matt.

It's no wonder Matt sounded so shaken. He's had a visit from Chalkman. Unhappy with the way their last phone call ended, he tells Matt he understands why he went to the police, but now they've got to work together. It would be best if Matt withdrew his statement. Matt can't do that and advises Chalkman to go to the police himself. It's not Chalky's style. He reminds Matt to watch his back before enquiring after the 'lovely Lilian'.

Matt's relieved to see that Lilian's ok. He tells her that Chalky's back, large as life and twice as nasty. Lilian thinks Matt ought to tell the police but he refuses. It could do more harm than good. Lilian's just going to have to trust him on this one.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

MON 19:15 Front Row (b00 ittf6)

Nobel prize-winning writer Wole Soyinka talks about his play, Death and the King's Horseman, currently at the National Theatre in London.

Novelist William Boyd reviews Truffaut's The 400 Blows 50 vears on.

In his latest audio diary as a judge of the Art Fund Prize, artist Grayson Perry reports from his visit to find the best museum and gallery in the UK.

The creator of TV series Bodies, Jed Mercurio, talks about his new novel about JFK. American Adulterer

MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00 icvhg) Restless

Episode 1

Dramatisation of William Boyd's thriller.

When Ruth visits her mother, Sally, at her country cottage, she embarks on a dark, dangerous journey into the past.

. Eileen Atkins Sally/Eve Ruth Fenella Woolgar

Hamid Akbar Kurtha Jochen Gene Goodman Veronica Lizzy Watts

Directed by Marc Beeby

MON 20:00 Document (b00jhp5d)

Mike Thomson presents the series using documentary evidence to throw new light on past events.

Mike investigates why black African soldiers, who had shed their blood for France and formed two thirds of Charles de Gaulle's Free French army, were denied the glory of liberating

Documents written in the lead up to the liberation indicate just how far the Allies went to ensure that the troops marching into the capital were white. The Tiralleurs Senegalais - soldiers from West Africa who had signed up to fight for France - were turned away from the capital, stripped of their uniforms and made to languish in holding camps before being shipped back to their own countries.

MON 20:30 Crossing Continents (b00idb6f)

The Kingdom of Kids

Bill Law reports from Swaziland, a country laid waste by poverty and AIDS. Impoverished children, with the help of surviving adults and local NGOs, are learning how to read and write in informal schools. In a country with a falling population and an economy in freefall, the children of Swaziland, against all the odds, are battling for their future and taking control of their own fates.

MON 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00jhp5g)

Antarctic Treaty

Tom Heap reports on the Antarctic Treaty, a unique but littleknown beacon of global co-operation which has kept the soldiers at bay and the scientists in harness on the continent for the last 50 years.

It has survived Cold War tension, the Falklands war and rapacious fishing to emerge as a textbook study of how diplomacy can avoid conflict. But can it rebuff the pressures of the next 50 years, with tourists, bio-prospectors and energy companies all scouring the planet for scarce resources?

MON 21:30 Start the Week (b00 ih4f5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 21:58 Weather (b00jcwp2)

The latest weather forecast.

MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00jhp5z)

National and international news and analysis with Ritula Shah

Including reports on the rising death toll in the Italian earthquake, shock in Pakistan over the flogging of a teenage girl and new priorities for US defence spending.

Plus, why we need to scratch an itch, the challenges for the ANC as charges against its president, Jacob Zuma, are dropped, and the under-reported war in Sri Lanka.

MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00jcwtm) The Post Office Girl

Emma Gregory reads Stefan Zweig's reworking of the Cinderella story, set in post-First World War Austria.

Christine, who once enjoyed a comfortable middle-class existence, finds herself reduced to poverty and forced to work as a low-ranking official in the local post office. Then one day, out of the blue, a telegram arrives from her rich American aunt.

MON 23:00 Off the Page (b00ihp61)

Dominic Arkwright chairs the discussion programme.

MON 23:30 What a Carve Up! (b0076qlg) Episode 1

1991: After a chance meeting on a train, novelist, Michael Pearce is commissioned to write the family history of the powerful, wealthy and ruthless Winshaw family.

But whenever he feels stressed, Pearce turns again and again to view a clip of his favourite film, What A Carve Up!

Robert Bathurst stars in Jonathan Coe's wickedly funny, black comedy, inspired by the immorality, greed, corruption and ambition of 1980s Britain - adapted by David Nobbs (The Fall and Rise of Reginald Perrin).

Coe's cult 1994 fictional novel was inspired after he watched the old British comedy horror film, What A Carve Up! (1961) starring Sid James, Kenneth Connor and Shirley Eaton. Coe opted to borrow both the film's title and the theme of a family - as a way of exposing foul play in the British Establishment and the excesses and evils of all aspects of Thatcherite Britain during the 80s and early 90s.

Michael Robert Bathurst Fiona Fiona Allen Hortensia/Tabitha Flaminia Cinque Mortimer Charlie Higson Alice Lucy Punch Pyles Jeff Rawle Michael's Mum Geraldine McNulty Lawrence/Waiter Gus Brown

Producer: Lucy Armitage

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TUESDAY 07 APRIL 2009

TUE 00:00 Midnight News (b00ictp4)

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

TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00jhck3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00jctq7)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00jctt4)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service

TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00 ictrs)

The latest shipping forecast.

TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00jctvt)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00jcv3p)

Daily prayer and reflection with the Archbishop of Wales, Rev Dr Barry Morgan.

TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00 icv5m)

News and issues in rural Britain. Anna Hill asks if enough is being done by farmers and the government to protect herds and flocks from bluetongue.

TUE 06:00 Today (b00jcv7r)

Presented by John Humphrys and Evan Davis.

Massive doses of tranquillisers and other drugs that were given to residents of a children's home in the 1970s and 1980s could lead to them having children with birth defects, the BBC has learned. Shadow Children's Minister Tim Loughton discusses the Today programme's investigation.

Correspondent Peter Hunt reports on the second Irish Republic budget in six months as the economy contracts sharply

Jan Griffith describes the remarkable story of her pet dog Sophie Tucker.

A man burned terribly in a fire is being given a new face and two new hands in an extraordinary transplant operation. Professor Peter Butler says a face transplant could happen in the UK within a year.

Correspondent Dominic Hughes reports from the city of L'Aquila following the devastating Italian earthquake.

Somali pirates have seized a British-owned cargo ship and a Taiwanese ship, maritime officials say. Commander Gerry Northwood discusses the seizure.

Arts correspondent Lawrence Pollard talks to the men from Abba, Benny Anderson and Bjorn Ulvaeus, about 10 years of their stage show Mamma Mia! and if there is any chance of a comeback tour.

Thought for the day with Canon Dr Alan Billings

Dr Palitha Kohona, Permanent Secretary to the Sri Lankan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, discusses why Sri Lanka's government has rejected calls for a ceasefire.

Hundreds of girls heavily sedated in UK care homes during the 1970s and 1980s may be at risk of having children with birth defects, the BBC has found. Reporter Angus Stickler explains the evidence he found from a group of former care home

Home Secretary Jacqui Smith discusses her role in the expenses row, and apologises for what was done, saying it was a bad mistake, but wished it had been brought to her attention earlier.

Steve Rolles, head of research at Transform, says the current policy of drug prohibition is not cost effective.

The Ukraine is marking the bicentenary of the great Ukrainian writer Mikola Hohol. Russia is marking the 200th anniversary of the birth of the great Russian writer Nikolai Gogol. Correspondent Gabriel Gatehouse considers which country should be celebrating his birthday

Young public speaker Benedict Townsend and Lord Digby Jones, chairman of the Speakers Trust, discuss what makes a good public speaker.

Niall Dickson, chairman of the health charity the King's Fund, discusses to what extent drugs should be relied on by medical professionals.

TUE 09:00 Britishness (b00ihpi3)

Episode 2

Matthew d'Ancona explores the meaning of 'Britishness'. With contributions from composer Nitin Sawhney, the Archbishop of Canterbury and some Welsh rugby fans.

TUE 09:30 The Prime Ministers (b00jhpj5) Series 1

Stanley Baldwin

BBC Political Editor Nick Robinson explores how Britain's prime ministers have used their power, responded to the challenges of their time and made the job what it is today.

Stanley Baldwin, who led Britain between the world wars and was the first prime minister to master radio.

TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00 ihcm5)

Sisters of Sinai

By Janet Soskice. The true story of the two sisters who discovered one of the earliest known copies of the Bible on Mount Sinai in 1892. Read by Stella Gonet.

Having returned from a trip to Jerusalem, the twins are separated for the first time in their lives when Margaret meets and marries James Gibson. But Agnes puts her spare time to good use by learning Arabic in preparation for their next adventure.

A Pier Productions production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00jpfg7)

Imogen Cooper; Jayne Anne Phillips; Abortion in Spain

Musician Imogen Cooper on the solitary life of a solo pianist. Plus, American author Javne Anne Phillips on Lark and Termite; and plans to relax the laws on abortion in Spain.

TUE 11:00 Hitting the Buffers (b00c11h1)

Gareth Mitchell looks at our need for speed in different areas of modern life and asks what is stopping us from getting faster. Promises of quicker and more comfortable travel seem to have disappeared in the push towards greener transport. But does greener mean slower? And have faster speeds become elusive for both technological and financial reasons?

Gareth travels to El Mirage dry lake bed in the Californian desert, where 'hot rodding' was born, and to the Estorick Gallery in London which houses the UK's largest collection of Futurist art, the early-20th century movement that expressed a love of speed.

TUE 11:30 Black Screen Britain (b00ihpi7)

Reclaiming Our Image

Burt Caesar presents two programmes exploring how British film and television drama from the 1950s to the 1970s portrayed the lives of African-Caribbean immigrants.

2: Reclaiming Our Image

Burt Caesar charts the landmark screen dramas such as Pressure, Empire Road and Burning an Illusion which presented an alternative view of black lives in Britain during the 1970s.

Producer Mukti Jain Campion

A Culture Wise Production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 12:00 You and Yours (b00jcvn9)

Call You and Yours

Consumer news and issues with Julian Worricker, who looks at how rural communities can survive the influx of second home owners, with concerns over the rise in 'ghost villages'. Can new arrivals live alongside the locals? Some welcome the extra work the newcomers bring, while others are simply resentful.

TUE 12:57 Weather (b00jcvqf)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 13:00 World at One (b00jcvs7)

National and international news with Martha Kearney. Including the latest developments in the Italian earthquake, as rescuers continue to search for earthquake survivors and a review of President Obama's trip to Europe, as it ends in Turkey. Will he be able to deliver on the many things he has promised? Plus, after a parliamentary committee makes serious criticisms, is the BBC's profit making Worldwide arm out of control?

TUE 13:30 Hallelujah (b00jhpp8)

Composer Jocelyn Pook celebrates the music and meaning of the word Hallelujah through history and creates a new composition inspired by the word. This exuberant exclamation of joy and gratitude has survived the passage of centuries, transcending the barriers of language, religion and culture, and has inspired composers and songwriters from the Psalms through Monteverdi Handel Vivaldi Nick Cave and Leonard

Featuring contributions from composer Julian Anderson and singer-songwriter kd lang.

TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00jcvvh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

TUE 14:15 Drama (b008gzlk)

Witness: Five Plays from the Gospel of Luke

The Galileans make the long journey south to the heart of their nation. But their triumphant arrival is full of danger? and

Over the Easter season, Nick Warburton's five plays reimagine Jesus's story through the eyes of those who witnessed it.

JesusTom Goodman-Hi	II
PeterPeter Firth	
JudasPaul Hilton	
CaiaphasRobin Soans	
A Rich ManSimon Trev	ves
A PhariseeAlex Lanipe	kun
MarthaJoannah Tincey	
ZacchaeusSam Dale	
TempterPeter Marinker	r
WomanAnna Bengo	
LawyerSam Pamphilon	
ChildSkye Bennett	

Music by David Pickvance. Director: Jonquil Panting

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

TUE 15:00 Making History (b00jm3fg)

Vanessa Collingridge presents the series exploring ordinary people's links with the past.

Could a listener's hotel in North Wales once have been the court of the 13th-century Welsh leader Llewellyn the Great? Plus listeners caught up in the expulsions from Idi Amin's Uganda in 1972 revisit their personal experiences, and medicine historian Dr Elizabeth Hurren lifts the lid on the grim history of the undertaker.

TUE 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00jhvcs)

The Burying of Joe Bloggs

Shirley May

One of three specially-commissioned stories by Frances Fyfield examining the life of the deceased, from the perspectives of those who knew - or thought they knew - him best: his first love, his wife, and his trusted and shadowy lawyer.

Joe Bloggs, or JB, or Joseph Benedict is dead: 'What a pity.' But he was a very different man to each of them, and similarly, the nature of that pity is very different.

Shirley May met Joe at an East End funeral and lived with him for ten years before 'he went and married someone else'. He was a man of secrets and 'junk', but in her heart she never really let him go. The week before he died he sent her a key through the post, but the key to what?

Readers: Sophie Stanton, Liza Ross and Hugh Ross

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's Men of Fashion (b00jcwg1)

The Stuart Kings - The Crisis in Fashion

The radiant clothing at the court of King Charles I, sumptuously painted by Anthony Van Dyck, but showing tensions of the age.

TUE 16:00 Word of Mouth (b00jhvk8)

Michael Rosen examines spelling. With a revival of interest in spelling bees, the ability to spell 'properly' is again becoming synonymous with having a good education. But do spelling reformers have a point when they say that irregular spelling is responsible for anything from teenage pregnancy to the high prison population?

Michael also considers the politics of spelling and why computer spell-checkers do not seem to help people with dyslexia.

TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b00jhvhn)

Series 18

Napoleon Bonaparte

Matthew Parris presents the biographical series in which his guests choose someone who has inspired their lives.

Television and radio presenter Stuart Hall discusses his lifelong hero, Napoleon Bonaparte. Is he one of the greatest figures in European history or a ruthless dictator, driven only by the desire for power?

TUE 17:00 PM (b00jd5b9)

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

TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00jcwkf)

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

TUE 18:30 Heresy (b00jhvn6)

Series 6

4 Extra Debut, Victoria Coren hosts the show that thinks the unthinkable. With David Baddiel, Germaine Greer and Rufus Hound. From April 2009.

TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00jcvv3)

Tom and Brian discuss a handover date for moving the pigs over to Bridge Farm. Tom thinks it shouldn't take longer than a month. They agree not to fight old battles. All's well that ends well, thanks to Peggy.

Council officials are inspecting the site for the wetland system at Bridge Farm. Tony wonders why Helen's brought Annette with her. He's suspicious of Annette's plans - how long does she intend to stay in Ambridge? Annette picks up on Tony's coolness towards her but Helen assures her that he's probably just tense about the meeting. Helen's cross with Tony for making Annette feel unwelcome - it's none of his business how long Annette chooses to stay with her.

Matt's worried about Lilian going out riding on her own. There are some dodgy characters about. Whilst out, a motorbike

speeds past her three times. Matt's concerned. It could have spooked the horse, causing it to throw her. He asks Lilian if she managed to get a look at the driver or the bike's number plate, but she didn't get the chance given the speed he was doing. Matt tells Lilian she needs to be more careful in the future.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00icwmb)

Novelist Margaret Drabble discusses her book The Pattern in the Carpet: A Personal History with Jigsaws, which is part memoir, and part an exploration of her own fascination with jigsaw puzzles.

Larushka Ivan-Zadeh reviews new Swedish film Let the Right One In, about a 12-year-old boy who falls for a girl next door who turns out to be a vampire

A visit to the Handel House Museum at 25 Brook Street in London's Mayfair. The 250th anniversary of Handel's death is being marked by a new exhibition - Handel Reveal'd, offering new insights into the composer's character and personal life. John Wilson paid a visit with conductor Christopher Hogwood CBE and crime writer and Handel fan, Ruth Rendell.

Music writer Barney Hoskyns on his biography of US singersongwriter Tom Waits - which was written without any contributions from the notoriously private artist.

TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00ipfgb) Restless

Episode 2

Dramatisation of William Boyd's thriller.

Ruth learns more about her mother's recruitment as a British spy. Meanwhile her own past is catching up with her.

Sally/Eve Eileen Atkins Ruth Fenella Woolgar Lucas Romer Adrian Lukis Hamid Akbar Kurtha Teacher Philip Fox

Directed by Marc Beeby.

TUE 20:00 The New Scramble for Africa (b00jhxmk)

Mike Wooldridge reports on the quiet economic inroads into Africa being made by India. He asks if we are witnessing a modern-day scramble for Africa as India, along with the world's other most populous country, China, seriously compete with each other to engage resource-rich Africa. If so, what will be the consequences for the continent as a whole and will it benefit or be damaged by this competition?

A Ruth Evans production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00ihxmm)

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

Richard de Costobadie is visually impaired. Having tried to hide his deteriorating eyesight for many years he has now decided to carry a white cane. Richard Prvor, who heads the sensory loss team for Cornwall social services, and Dr Rowena Forbes, a university administrator, offer their advice and experiences

TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b00jhxmp) Occupational Health

Dr Mark Porter explores men's health in the workplace and how even the threat of redundancy can make you ill.

Mark visits the Olympic venue for London 2012 to talk to doctors and construction workers about the importance of having on-site facilities. He also hears how cab drivers on Merseyside are giving tips on stopping smoking and becoming more healthy by eating five portions of fruit and veg per day. Also, how the Metropolitan Police are managing the stress levels of their officers.

TUE 21:30 Britishness (b00jhpj3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

TUE 21:58 Weather (b00 icwnt)

The latest weather forecast.

TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00jhxmr)

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including the latest news on the earthquake in Italy, President

Obama's arrival in Iraq, RBS job losses and the Irish government's emergency budget

TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00jcwzz)

The Post Office Girl

Episode 2

Emma Gregory reads Stefan Zweig's reworking of the Cinderella story, set in post-WWI Austria.

A silk dress, a new hairstyle and make-up transform poor, shy Christine into a beautiful, confident young woman. A new life, full of possibilities, seems to beckon.

TUE 23:00 Arturart (b00jhxmt)

Modern Arturart - Post-Modern Then Email-Modern

Arthur Smith presents a series of three comedy lectures on different aspects of Art.

Arthur continues his journey through the history of western representation and arrives at its most glorious flowering - his own work. With contributions from Miriam Elia, Phil Nice, Arnold Brown, Ian MacPherson and Simon Munnery.

TUE 23:30 What a Carve Up! (b0076qpl)

1991: Biographer Michael Pearce's attempt to research the powerful Winshaw family proves challenging

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WED 00:00 Midnight News (b00jctp6)

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

WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00jhcm5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00jctq9) The latest shipping forecast.

WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00jctt6)

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WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00jctrv)

The latest shipping forecast.

WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00ictvw)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00jcv3r)

Daily prayer and reflection with the Archbishop of Wales, Rev Dr Barry Morgan.

WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00jcv5p)

News and issues in rural Britain with Anna Hill. A new survey of dairy farmers suggests that so many will leave the industry over the next 20 years that we will have to import half of our milk. Is the age of British cheese coming to an end?

WED 06:00 Today (b00jcv7t)

Presented by James Naughtie and Edward Stourton.

Agostino Miozzo, spokesman for Italy's Civil Protection Agency, discusses the plan for rebuilding after the earthquakes.

Reporter Jack Izzard visits the London suburb of Bexleyheath to discover how businesses are dealing with the recession.

Father Paul Mason and National Secular Society president Terry Sanderson discuss who should pay for hospital chaplains.

Professor Ian Gilmore of the Alcohol Health Alliance and Gavin Partington, spokesman for the Wine and Spirit Trade Association, discuss if increasing the cost of alcohol would curb binge drinking.

Home affairs editor Mark Easton discusses Oxfam's new report about the recession and poverty in the UK.

Sir Charles Mackerras describes how, after 60 years as a conductor, he still finds something new in every score.

Thought for the day with Brian Draper, associate lecturer at the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity.

Economists Howard Archer and Andy Brough discuss if the economy is already beginning to recover.

Correspondent Rory MacLean, Liberal Democrat Justice spokesman David Howarth and Peter Smyth, chairman of the Metropolitan Police Federation, discuss controversial footage of police at the G20 protests.

Cabinet Office minister Liam Byrne and Jill Kirby, of the Centre for Policy Studies, debate whether charities have become too similar to political lobby groups.

Social worker Joanna Nicolas and Deputy Children's Commissioner Sue Berelowitz discuss if children are now more violent.

Writer Seth Grahame-Smith discusses how he went about rewriting Jane Austen's classic Pride and Prejudice - with zombies.

Colette Aram, 16, was found strangled in a field near Keyworth in Nottinghamshire 25 years ago. Flora Watkins reports on the police announcement that they have arrested a man in connection with the case.

Professor John Hills discusses the history of dealing with poverty during a recession.

Did football change forever on May 26 1989, when Arsenal faced Liverpool needing to win by two goals in order to take the league title? Author Jason Cowley discusses if this game marked the end of an era with sports writer Colin Shindler.

WED 09:00 Midweek (b00jhxq4)

CONOR WOODMAN

Conor Woodman is a former City Economist. He decided to quit his job, sold his flat, and set off to trade his way around the world, returning to the early profit motivation of traders over three thousand years ago. He attempts to trade camels in the Sudan, coffee in Zambia and surfboards to Mexico, all with the aim of doubling his money.

Around the World in 80 Trades is published by MacMillan. A four part Channel 4 series begins on Thursday 9th April at **1 0pm**.

HELEN KONGAI

Helen Kongai is a Ugandan farmer who received a cow and training in sustainable agriculture from the Send a Cow initiative after the death of her husband. Since then she has become their Agricultural Development Officer for Eastern Uganda and is visiting the UK to help promote a new project Grow it Global, which is designed to encourage schoolchildren in the UK visiting farms and learning about sustainable farming.

BILLY OCEAN

Billy Ocean started out as a tailor on Savile Row before going on to become the most successful British black male artist of all time with hits like Caribbean Queen and When the Going Gets Tough. But after worldwide success, he decided to give it all up to spend more time with his family. He's now back with his first album in fifteen years Because I Love You on the Aqua Music label.

MICHAEL WOOD

Michael Wood is the historian and broadcaster who has spent

more than twenty years making compelling journeys into the past, bringing history alive for a generation of readers and viewers. He is the author of several highly praised books on English history including In Search of the Dark Ages, and over 80 documentaries including In the Footsteps of Alexander the Great and The Story of India. He is giving a talk at the Royal Geographical Society - The Search for Shangri-La – a journey through Tibet to Mt Kailash and Tsaparanga on 22nd April in aid of the Spiti Projects.

WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00jhdf8)

Sisters of Sinai

Episode

By Janet Soskice. The true story of the two sisters who discovered one of the earliest known copies of the Bible on Mount Sinai in 1892. Read by Stella Gonet.

After the untimely death of both their husbands, the twins head to the monastery at Mount Sinai. While working in the library, Agnes stumbles upon a hidden palimpsest - one ancient document written on top of another.

A Pier Productions production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00jpg35)

Carole King; Alice Powell

Singer and songwriter Carole King on her extraordinary life and career. Plus, Alice Powell, the youngest ever driver in the Formula Renault Championships.

WED 11:00 The Unknown Face (b00jhy03)

Novelist Louise Welsh investigates the enduring fascination with the Inconnue de la Seine, a plaster death mask, reputedly that of a young woman whose body was pulled from the River Seine in the late-19th century.

For 50 years she has been the face of the mannequin known as Resusci Anne on which over 300 million people have learnt the life-saving skills of resuscitation. She has also inspired generations of writers and artists, including Albert Camus, Man Ray, Vladimir Nabokov and Anais Nin.

Louise attempts to answer the question which has fascinated them all - who was she?

WED 11:30 Safety Catch (b017gxpv)

Series 2

I Draw the Line

Simon is faced with even more of a moral dilemma than he's grown sadly accustomed to in his line of work and so finds himself finally drawing the line and resigning.

When faced with a particularly tricky moral issue at work Simon finally decides enough is enough and quits his job. It's not great timing though as he and Anna find themselves contemplating having a baby.

Series two of Laurence Howarth's black comedy of modern morality set in the world of arms dealing.

Simon McGrath......Darren Boyd Anna Grieg.......Joanna Page Boris Kemal.....Lewis Macleod Judith McGrath....Sarah Smart Angela McGrath.....Brigit Forsyth Madeleine Turnbull.....Rachel Atkins Marcus......Dan Mersh

Producer: Dawn Ellis.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009.

WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00jcvnc)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson.

WED 12:57 Weather (b00jcvqh)

The latest weather forecast.

WED 13:00 World at One (b00jcvs9)

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

Including reports on the Independent Police Complaints
Commission's plans to investigate the video footage that has
emerged showing a man's encounter with police minutes before
he collapsed and died of a heart attack at the G20 protests in
London. Martha hears from a witness who attended to Mr
Tomlinson after he collapsed, and a former Scotland Yard

officer says there should be a criminal investigation

As Gordon Brown says he wants the UK to become a world leader in producing electric cars, London's mayor Boris Johnson gives his view on whether the UK's cities are ready to go electric.

And should universities decide to grant places on the basis of the new A-star grade? The government says not yet, and the former chief inspector of schools offers his expert opinion.

WED 13:30 The Media Show (b00jj01l)

Ed Stourton is joined by Stephen Grey and Wendell Cochran to discuss whether there is a future for investigative journalism and what models might sustain it and discovers if advertisers are doing enough to promote diversity with Zena Martin of Acknowledge Communications. He examines the future of the 'lads mag' market with Nicholas Coleridge of Conde Nast and the first editor of Loaded James Brown, and takes a closer look at who polices the watershed with Christopher Banatvala, Director of Standards at Ofcom.

WED 14:00 The Archers (b00jcvv3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

WED 14:15 Drama (b00jj01n)

Beirut Days

By Kris Kenway. A day in the life of the enigmatic city where east meets west. For three lost souls, this is the day when everything changes.

Narrator Nadim Sawalha Mounira Souad Faress Josef Peter Polycarpou Nadine Sirine Saba Rania Razane Jammal Abu Ziad Raad Rawi

Directed by James Robinson.

WED 15:00 Money Box Live (b00jj0f4)

On Money Box Live Paul Lewis takes your questions on benefits. Paul is joined by: Eddy Graham from Child Poverty Action Group and Sally West of Age Concern.

WED 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00jhvfz)

The Burying of Joe Bloggs

Theodora

The second specially-commissioned story by Frances Fyfield examining the life of the deceased, from the perspectives of those who knew - or thought they knew - him best: his first love, his wife, and his trusted and shadowv lawyer.

The 'someone else' Joe married was Theodora. He was her fourth husband and they met at an auction house. Curiously, Joe never wanted her to throw out the artefacts from her previous marriages, all those pictures on the walls of her beautiful home. Theodora also has a key...

Readers: Sophie Stanton, Liza Ross and Hugh Ross

Producer: Karen Rose A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's Men of Fashion (b00jcwg3)

Charles II - Fashion Restored?

An old sartorial order seemed restored, but French fashions prompted a style that would herald the three-piece suit.

WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00jj0f6)

Picturing the Social Order

Laurie Taylor is in Leeds to visit the first exhibition to draw together images of how, historically, artists have represented the social order. He is joined by Alistair Robinson, the curator of Rank: Picturing the Social Order 1615-2009, as well as by political cartoonist Martin Rowson and sociologist Gordon Fyfe.

They discuss evocative images, from The Chain of Being to the Map of World Poverty, and consider the challenges of demonstrating power, class and wealth in a visual way.

WED 16:30 Case Notes (b00jhxmp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

WED 17:00 PM (b00id5bc)

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

WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00jcwkh)

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

WED 18:30 Mark Steel's in Town (b00jj0mx)

Comedian Mark Steel presents a show from the magnificent Town Hall of Walsall in the West Midlands and celebrates the accent, the hippo and why the town has nothing to do with Birmingham.

Producer - Julia McKenzie.

WED 19:00 The Archers (b00jcvv5)

Before the Borchester Land meeting commences, Annabelle asks Brian if Matt's had any more visits from the SFO. The ongoing investigation is making things very uncomfortable for the other board members and shareholders. Matt's new business proposals aren't met with a great deal of enthusiasm. Securing finance is difficult enough, let alone when the company chair is being investigated by the SFO.

Annabelle collars Brian after the meeting. Matt's position on the board is becoming untenable. They need to think about bringing new blood onto the board.

Ed visits Emma at Jaxx. He's feeling down. There's no way he'd be able to pay back a loan for the tenancy at Grange Farm. At least they've got each other, unlike poor Brenda. Emma tells Ed about Brenda's plans to leave Ambridge; she just can't face bumping into Tom now they're not together. Ed leaves Jaxx to get back to work. He decides to put off telling Oliver about his decision until tomorrow. He wants to sleep on it.

Emma tells Joe the bad news about the Grange Farm tenancy. They'd need at least two thousand pounds for a business pla which they just can't afford. Ed's going to have to tell Oliver he can't do it.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

WED 19:15 Front Row (b00icwmd)

Arts news and reviews with John Wilson

Peter Taylor, award-winning journalist and expert on the Troubles in Northern Ireland, reviews the film Fifty Dead Men Walking, based on the memoirs of an IRA informer

With arena shows Star Wars: A Musical Journey in London and Walking with Dinosaurs touring the country later this year, we find out how the new generation of large-scale stadium shows

As a retrospective of his artistic work opens in London, electronic musician, actor and DJ Goldie discusses his graffiti art, the TV series Maestro and his latest project: composing a new piece of work for the Proms

Director of the BBC Proms Roger Wright announces the lineup for his second year in charge

WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00jpg39)

Restless

Episode 3

Dramatisation of William Boyd's thriller.

Ruth discovers that her mother thinks that someone is trying to

Sally/Eve Eileen Atkins Ruth Fenella Woolgar Lucas Romer Adrian Lukis Jochen Gene Goodman Hamid Akbar Kurtha Matt Addis Ludger Joos Jonathan Tafler

Directed by Marc Beeby.

WED 20:00 Bringing Up Britain (b00jj0sm)

Series 2

Episode 1

Mariella Frostrup hosts a debate about parenting with families, experts and policy-makers

Mariella and her guests discuss whether shouting at children inflicts long-term damage or is an inevitable part of busy family life. As the focus on children's behaviour and parents' management of it increases, are there effective alternatives to velling at children to get them to do what you want?

The panellists are psychotherapist Sue Gerhardt, Professor Stephen Scott of the National Association of Parenting Practitioners and journalist and writer Jennie Bristow.

WED 20:45 Lent Talks (b00jj13m)

God Present in Absence?

Six well-known figures explore ideas of the absence of God from their own perspective.

Jewish feminist theologian Melissa Raphael wonders what Jesus' cry of abandonment on the cross says about God's absence and how it connects with the experience of many Jews

WED 21:00 Debating Animals (b00jj13p)

The Cat and the Dog

Rod Liddle examines our differing responses to related animal species and tries to establish what those responses tell us not merely about the animals but about ourselves.

As the millenium turned a few years back there was another, less trumpeted shift in emphasis in Britain. After years, perhaps thousands of years, of ascendancy as man's favoured domestic animal, the dog gave way to the cat. It is now cat and dog, literally, at the top of the popular pet league, and Rod Liddle takes a long, hard stare at this stand-off and what it tells us about ourselves.

Cats are the ultimate urban companion. The old debate is whether you own them or they own you. Independent, brimful of attitude and well equipped to operate in a semi-feral environment

Dogs, on the other hand, spent thousands of years being honed as servants. They might be perfect for the hunt, for herding, for guarding or simply for companionship, but what they never achieved was a capacity for going it alone. Own a dog and you have to be ready to sacrifice your time for them.

So is it just a simple question of 21st-century Britain indulging itself rather than taking on the duties required of dog ownership? And what are the costs of this shifting balance? Dogs eat what dogs are given to eat. Cats eat that and half the urban wildlife around them

Peter Purves, Ann Widdecombe and Sir David Attenborough are among those informing this domestic animal debate

WED 21:30 Midweek (b00ihxa4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

WED 21:58 Weather (b00jcwnw)

The latest weather forecast

WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00jj13r)

National and international news and analysis with Jane Hill.

Including the latest on anti-terror raids in the north-west of England and a report on the trust issue between police and public following the death of a man at the G20 protest. Plus. how green is Gordon Brown? His low-carbon economy plans are thawing relations between the US and Cuba.

WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00jcx01)

The Post Office Girl

Episode 3

Emma Gregory reads Stefan Zweig's reworking of the Cinderella story, set in post-First World War Austria.

Christine's new-found happiness is ruined when a jealous rival spreads gossip, but she finds a friend in an unexpected quarter.

WED 23:00 My Teenage Diary (b00jj13t)

Series 1

Russell Kane

My Teenage Diary is a six-part comedy series in which fullygrown comedians are given the chance to revisit their formative years by opening up their deeply intimate teenage diaries, and reading them out in public for the very first time.

sted by Rufus Hound.

Rufus is joined by comedian Russell Kane, whose detailed accounts of everyday life as a teenager, combined with angerfuelled poetry displays just what it is to be unpopular, unattractive and unlucky in love.

Producer: Victoria Payne

A talkbackTHAMES production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 23:15 Bespoken Word (b00cqhrf)

Mister Gee presents the performance poetry series, featuring highlights from the Latitude Festival in Suffolk. Performers include the internationally renowned Kat Francois.

WED 23:30 What a Carve Up! (b0076qsz) Episode 3

1991: Battling to write about the mighty Winshaws, Michael Pearce meets the family's politician, Henry - and enlists the help of a private detective.

But whenever he feels stressed, Pearce turns again and again to view a clip of his favourite film, What A Carve Up!

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THU 00:00 Midnight News (b00 ictp8)

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

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THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00ictgc)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00jctt8)

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THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00 ictrx)

The latest shipping forecast.

THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00jctvy)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4

THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00jcv3t)

Daily prayer and reflection with the Archbishop of Wales, Rev Dr Barry Morgan.

THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00 jcv5r)

News and issues in rural Britain with Chris Impey

Shearers from Australia and New Zealand are traditionally regarded as the Olympic champions of world shearing and British farmers have relied on their speed and efficiency for

many years. However, new visa regulations are forcing the globetrotting shearers to return to their home country for finger printing and retina-scanning before they are allowed into the

THU 06:00 Today (b00jcv7w)

Presented by James Naughtie and Sarah Montague.

Economics editor Stephanie Flanders and Michael Coogan of the Council of Mortgage Lenders discuss the interest rate decision facing the Bank of England.

Solicitor Harriet Wistrich discusses the footage of a police officer pushing a man to the ground at a G20 protest minutes before he died.

Nursery teacher Angela Forkin says children are being taught to read and write too early

Broadcaster Charles Shoebridge, a former counter terrorism intelligence officer, and shadow security minister Baroness Neville-Jones discuss if an anti-terror operation was

Dame Joan Bakewell, the government's Voice of Older People. says some of the care provided for the elderly is deplorable

Russia's foreign minister Sergei Lavrov has said the US and Russia should not force former Soviet states to pick between an alliance with Washington and Moscow, RIA news agency reports. Rupert Wingfield-Hayes reports on if there are "hidden agendas" in relations between the two nations

Thought for the day with the Reverend Angela Tilby, vicar of St Bene't's Church in Cambridge.

Washington correspondent Richard Lister and Admiral Richard Gurnon, president of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, discuss what the US can do to thwart Somali pirates.

Britain's most senior counter-terrorism officer, Bob Quick, has resigned after he accidentally revealed details of a secret antiterrorism operation. Security correspondent Frank Gardner. Panorama reporter Peter Taylor and David Winnick MP discuss

London Mayor Boris Johnson announces that he has accepted the resignation of Assistant Commissioner Bob Quick

Broker Terry Smith and Angela Knight, of the British Bankers Association, discuss if some banks are "potentially too big to

Richard Vinen, professor of Modern European History at King's College, London, and author Simon Jenkins discuss the legacy of Mrs Thatcher and Thatcherism.

Middle East editor Jeremy Bowen has been on both sides of the Gaza border to see what has changed since the Israeli offensive earlier this year.

Former London mayor Ken Livingstone discusses the resignation of Bob Quick and the announcement of his replacement, Assistant Commissioner John Yates

What impact has the recession had on people's holiday plans? Ben Ross, travel editor of The Independent, and comedian Arthur Smith discuss if many more people are tempted to holiday in the UK.

THU 09:00 In Our Time (b00jn8bc)

Aldous Huxley's Brave New World

Melvyn Bragg and guests David Bradshaw, Daniel Pick and Michele Barrett discuss Aldous Huxley's dystopian 1932 novel, Brave New World.

In Act V Scene I of Shakespeare's The Tempest, the character Miranda declares 'O wonder! How many Godly creatures are there here! How beauteous mankind is! O Brave new world! That has such people in it!'. It is perhaps the only line of Shakespeare to be made famous by someone else, for Brave New World is not associated with Prospero's Island of sprites. magic and wondrous noises, but with Aldous Huxley's dystopia of eugenics, soma and zero gravity tennis. A world, incidentally, upon which literary references to Shakespeare would be entirely

Brave New World is a lurid, satirical dystopia in which the hopes and fears of the 1930s are writ large and yet the book seems uncannily prescient about our own time. But why did Huxley feel the need to write it and is Brave New World really as dystopian as we are led to believe?

THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00jhdzw)

Sisters of Sinai

By Janet Soskice. The true story of the two sisters who discovered one of the earliest known copies of the Bible on Mount Sinai in 1892. Read by Stella Gonet.

Having discovered an ancient Syrian text of the four Gospels, Agnes and Margaret return to Mount Sinai with various academics in tow. But on their return to England an argument erupts over who should take the credit for their find.

A Pier Productions production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00jpg7d)

The life of Sheila Scott; Ursula King; Baldness

The life and achievements of aviator Sheila Scott. Plus Professor Ursula King on the search for spirituality; and what's so bad about being bald?

THU 11:00 Crossing Continents (b00jjjps)

Michael Montgomery reports on alleged atrocities in Kosovo which have remained hidden for 10 years. To mark the 10th anniversary of the war in Kosovo, and using documents and interviews he has gathered over more than five years. Michael reveals detailed evidence of another side to the conflict which the world was not meant to see.

THU 11:30 The Great Architect of Home (b00jjjpv)

4 Extra Debut. Susan Marling pays tribute to the American architect Frank Lloyd Wright, and assesses his influence on house design. From April 2009.

THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00jcvnf)

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson.

THU 12:57 Weather (b00jcvqk)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 13:00 World at One (b00jcvsc)

National and international news with Martha Kearney

Britain's most senior counter-terrorism officer, Bob Quick, has resigned because of a security blunder which meant a major police operation had to be brought forward. Former Home Secretary John Reid discusses the challenges that Quick's successor will face.

Plus an assessment of the Bank of England's quantitative easing

THU 13:30 Costing the Earth (b00jhp5g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Monday]

THU 14:00 The Archers (b00jcvv5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

THU 14:15 Drama (b008gzll)

Witness: Five Plays from the Gospel of Luke

Jesus's arrest will test the faith, heart and courage of everyone who plays a part in what will follow.

Over the Easter season, Nick Warburton's five plays reimagine Jesus? story through the eyes of those who witnessed it.

Jesus	Tom Goodman-Hill
Peter	Peter Firth
Judas	Paul Hilton
Pilate	Colin Stinton
Caiaphas	Robin Soans
Mary	Penelope Wilton
Baker	Ben Crowe
Centurion	Peter Marinker
Girl	Anna Bengo
Guard	Lloyd Thomas

Music by David Pickvance. Director: Jonquil Panting

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

THU 15:02 Open Country (b00jgq3s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00 jgz jz) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

THU 15:30 Afternoon Reading (b00jhvgr) The Burying of Joe Bloggs

The third specially-commissioned story by Frances Fyfield examining the life of the deceased, from the perspectives of those who knew - or thought they knew - him best: his first love, his wife, and his trusted and shadowy lawyer.

Joe's trusted lawyer waits for the hearse outside a church in the City of London. While the two women put down Joe's frequent absences to assumed infidelity, Murray has a different take: 'Only two women in a life of fifty-five years? Well, that's because he was a man of huge but bridled passion.' And Murray and Joe shared a passion, namely, the less-than-kosher collecting of fine art and antiques. Murray is also waiting for the two women, but which one has the right key?

Readers: Sophie Stanton, Liza Ross and Hugh Ross

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's Men of Fashion

Beau Nash - The Rise of the Middling Sort

The impact of an English dandy. The interior designer visits Bath, the hub of the 18th-century men's clothing revolution.

THU 16:00 Bookclub (b00 ih474)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

THU 16:30 Material World (b00jjkph)

Quentin Cooper talks to Professor Robert Holdsworth about the Italian earthquake, an earth scientist at Durham University, One of his colleagues, Ken McCaffery, has gone to L'Aquila with a laser scanning device called a LiDAR. Similar to radar, but using laser light instead of radio waves, Ken plans to deploy the device on the ground near the earthquake site to survey with millimetre accuracy the new scarps of rock.

The Apennine area of Italy has long been interesting to geologists for the bed of limestone very close to the surface. New rock protruding from the surface allows scientists to see and measure recent faulting and shifting as the mountains

It is generally believed that the L'Aquila earthquake produced a shift of about 25 centimetres. If Ken can find the new scarp, he can make a series of accurate measurements over a period of weeks. He hopes that these measurements will help him to build an accurate picture of how the earthquake has affected the local rock structure. It might also help answer questions about what has been going on under Italy for the last 30 million years, and what might happen in the future.

On the 9th April 1969, people in the west of England saw the first British Concorde on its maiden flight from Filton, near Bristol. At the time it seemed to herald a new age of faster-thana-bullet travel for all. But, as history shows, Concorde remained a luxury for the rich and famous. The planes were decommissioned in 2003.

Quentin speaks to Peter G Coen, Principal Investigator in Supersonic Aeronautics at NASA's Langley Research Centre. He asks what happened to the supersonic dream and whether supersonic passenger travel might one day take to the sky again, with or without its tell-tale sonic boom.

Also, Quentin discusses brain scans with Geraint Rees from the Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, University College London, and with Daniel Glaser, Head of Special Projects at the Wellcome Trust.

Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (FMRI) and magnetoencephalography (MEG) have become essential tools for investigating the brain. Thanks to brain scanning, our knowledge of core physical processes - memory, sight, muscle control - has been hugely improved. But are researchers justified in using these tools to delve into more complex and subjective areas such as emotions, aesthetics and morality?

THU 17:00 PM (b00id5bf)

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

THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00icwkk)

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

followed by Weather.

THU 18:30 4 Stands Up (b00jjkpk) Series 3

Episode 2

Chris Addison hosts more big names from the top of the comedy circuit, including Sarah Millican, James Sherwood and Jeff Green. From April 2009.

THU 19:00 The Archers (b00jcvv7)

Nic tells Will that Eddie's offered to take her on a long drive to boost her confidence before her driving test next week. Will says it's not often Eddie does someone a favour without strings attached. Later, Eddie's tells Joe he's going to ask Nic to drive them to a real ale pub the other side of Felpersham.

Ed receives a call from Joe telling him not to turn down Oliver's offer. He wants to speak to Ed first and will be over to Grange Farm later that morning.

Joe tells Ed he'll lend him the two thousand pounds he needs. Ed's reluctant to take the money, Joe's funeral savings. But Joe doesn't care. He'd rather see a Grundy back at Grange Farm. Ed's worried he'll let his grandfather down but Joe has every faith in him.

Matt's still annoyed at the lack of support he received from the Borchester Land board. Lilian rallies his spirits, he's twice the man Brian will ever be and more than a match for Annabelle.

Lilian goes riding again. The motorcyclist returns, this time revving his engine right behind her, causing her horse to throw her. Matt's convinced it's Chalkman. She musn't go riding alone again, it's too dangerous.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

THU 19:15 Front Row (b00jcwmg)

With Mark Lawson.

Philip Glenister, star of the BBC's drama Life on Mars, talks to Mark about the second series of the follow up show - Ashes to Ashes. In the new series the action is set in 1982 and the politically incorrect DCI Hunt turns his attentions to London.

Theatre director David Babani discusses the success of his small venue the Menier Chocolate Factory. Many shows have transferred to much larger theatres, including the recent production of Sondheim's A Little Night Music.

Critic Matt Thorne reviews two TV highlights of the Easter weekend: Skellig, an adaptation of David Almond's award-winning children's novel starring Tim Roth, John Simm and Kelly Macdonald, and space comedy Red Dwarf, which returns with a new three-part series.

And John Lichfield, correspondent for The Independent, reports from Paris on French attempts to crack down on internet piracy by creating legislation which would suspend internet services for illegal downloaders.

THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00jpg7g) Restless

Episode 4

Dramatisation of William Boyd's thriller

As Ruth wrestles with problems in her own life, she learns some shocking truths about her mother's activities as a British spy.

Sally/Eve Eileen Atkins Ruth Fenella Woolgar

Lucas Romer Adrian Lukis

Jochen Gene Goodman Hamid Akbar Kurtha

Hamid Akbar Kurth Ludger Matt Addis

Bobby Malcolm Tierney

Directed by Marc Beeby.

THU 20:00 The Report (b00jkrdt)

Violence in Northern Ireland

Northern Ireland has been plunged back into violence through the activities of dissident Republicans. Linda Pressly visits Catholic communities to investigate the impact of the violence, and to assess the reasons for it.

She reports on how community leaders are trying to keep young people out of the clutches of the paramilitaries, and discovers an increase in so-called punishment shootings - which most people had hoped were a relic of the past.

Including an interview with the Chief Constable of the Police Service of Northern Ireland, Sir Hugh Orde.

THU 20:30 In Business (b00jjls6)

All New

Peter Day hears from the business people who, faced with the uncertainties of the global recession, are pinning their hopes for economic recovery on bold new innovation.

He visits a weekly meeting of OpenCoffee club, a busy gathering point for networking entrepreneurs, and speaks to small start-up companies who are launching their products in the current downturn.

THU 21:00 Power Failure? The Story of the Battery (b00jils9)

Mark Miodownik explores the idea of a future in which a new generation of batteries, ten times more powerful than anything currently available, might power not just electric cars but electric commercial aircraft and artificial hearts and limbs.

He finds out how batteries work and why, at least until now, they have been severely limited by the natural laws of physics.

Mark also hears concerns that oil companies have conspired with car manufacturers to suppress battery technology, and enters the laboratories of the scientists who are pursuing the holy grail of battery power.

THU 21:30 In Our Time (b00jn8bc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 21:58 Weather (b00 jcwny)

The latest weather forecast.

THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00jjlsc)

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig. Including reports on the fallout from the resignation of anti-terrorism chief Bob Quick, Iran's new nuclear technology and the cardboard box cooker powered by the sun.

THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00jcx03)

The Post Office Girl

Episode 4

Emma Gregory reads Stefan Zweig's reworking of the Cinderella story, set in post-First World War Austria.

Christine and Ferdinand grow closer but their hopes and plans are constantly curtailed by a lack of money.

THU 23:00 The Personality Test (b007tckc)

Series 3

Edwina Currie

 $\mbox{Ex-MP},$ novelist and broadcaster Edwina Currie tests a panel about herself. With Sue Perkins and Robin Ince. From July 2007.

THU 23:30 What a Carve Up! (b0076qx7) Episode 4

Jonathan Coe's cult novel, adapted by David Nobbs, is a black comedy inspired by the immorality, greed and ambition of 1980s Britain.

Michael Pearce is writing the biography of the notorious Winshaw family. He encounters Mortimer Winshaw's son, art guru Roddy.

Michael Robert Bathurst

Fiona Fiona Allen

Roddy/Farringdon Gus Brown

Findlay Charlie Higson

Hilary Rebecca Front

Pyles/Phoebe's Dad Jeff Rawle Conrad/Mortimer Charlie Higson

Phoebe Lucy Punch

Tabitha Flaminia Cinque

A Tiger Aspect production for BBC Radio 4.

FRIDAY 10 APRIL 2009

FRI 00:00 Midnight News (b00jctpb)

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

FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b00jhdzw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00jctqf)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00ictte)

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00jctrz)

The latest shipping forecast.

FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00jctw0)

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00jcv3w)

Daily prayer and reflection with the Archbishop of Wales, Rev Dr Barry Morgan.

FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00jcv5t)

News and issues in rural Britain with Charlotte Smith.

Featurinh news of a report from Oxford University that suggests hedgerow trees may be the secret to the rejuvenation of our wildlife. They used to be planted as shelter for livestock or for use as timber but very few large trees have been planted on farmland in the past century. As old trees die, vital stepping stones for wildlife are lost. Melanie Abbott finds out how we get them back.

FRI 06:00 Today (b00jcv7y)

Presented by James Naughtie and Sarah Montague.

Journalist Jason Burke discusses the potential for a terrorist attack in the UK.

Education correspondent James Westhead visits a classroom in Epsom to discover their view of Sats.

Designer Wayne Hemingway and Gavin Smart of the National Housing Federation discuss a 6.3 billion pound plan to build 100.000 new homes.

Lib Dem MP Lynne Featherstone and Shadow Education Minister Michael Gove discuss the Baby P case.

Prof Michael Akam explains the discovery of an egg collected by Charles Darwin during his voyage on HMS Beagle.

Thought for the day with the Archbishop of Canterbury Dr Rowan Williams.

Christine Blower, of the NUT, and Professor Alan Smithers discuss what teachers believe is wrong with Sats.

Correspondent Daniel Sandford, the Immigration Service Union's John Tincey and Prof Michael Clarke of the Royal United Services Institute discuss if student visas are "a major loophole in Britain's border controls".

The incoming Archbishop of Westminster, the Most Rev Vincent Nichols discusses his new role and his claims that existing condom adverts "demean" young people.

Correspondent Jim Muir gives details of demonstrations in Baghdad calling for an end to US "occupation", despite assertions that all US troops will be out of the Iraq by 2011.

Chief Superintendent Ian Johnston and filmmaker Roger Graef discuss if police officers are held in lower esteem than a generation ago.

Agnostic Mark Vernon and atheist poet Raymond Tallis discuss the grey area of religious views.

Classicist Dr Peter Jones and Professor Andrew Lambert discuss how the problem of piracy was tackled in the past.

Huw Williams reports on the earliest evidence of human beings in Scotland.

FRI 09:00 The Reunion (b00ih1f1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00jhfr9)

Sisters of Sinai

Episode 5

By Janet Soskice. The true story of the two sisters who discovered one of the earliest known copies of the Bible on Mount Sinai in 1892. Read by Stella Gonet.

After a long and time-consuming battle, Agnes' discovery is finally published, but this does not put an end to the twins travels. At the age of 63 they set off for their sixth and final trip to Mount Sinai.

A Pier Productions production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00jpgbk)

The life of Sheila Scott; Ursula King; Baldness

What are the pros and cons of formal testing for 7 and 11 year olds? Plus, the aesthetics and politics of black beauty; and why do many people dread having to make small talk?

FRI 11:00 Freezing Fire, Singing Stone (b00jjmtq)

Writer Hilary Finch shares her fascination with Iceland, that land of fire whose economy is now in meltdown. Talking to musicians, artists, writers and political commentators, including the former president and the leader of the singing protesters of the so-called 'kitchen-utensil revolution', she offers a personal portrait of the country that embraces sagas and geysers, elves and economics.

A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 11:30 The Stanley Baxter Playhouse (b00jjn19) Series 3

The Man in the Garden

Series of three comic plays starring Stanley Baxter.

A lonely lady on a holiday in the remote West Highlands of Scotland finds herself falling in love with two members of the same family, born 60 years apart. By Rona Munro.

Duncan Stanley Baxter Ellie Penelope Wilton Receptionist Bill Paterson

Directed by Marilyn Imrie

A Catherine Bailey production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00jcvnh)

Consumer news and issues with Peter White

FRI 12:57 Weather (b00jcvqm)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 13:00 World at One (b00jcvsf)

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

The Immigration Minister Phil Woolas discusses the security threat of Pakistani nationals studying in Britain on student visas.

Plus, why 11 years after the Good Friday agreement, Northern Ireland's non-sectarian parties have failed to make much

Brian Hanrahan is in Poland, where the country is marking 20 years since the Solidarity opposition was legalised.

FRI 13:30 Feedback (b00jjp9j)

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

FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00jcvv7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

FRI 14:15 Drama (b00jjp9l)

NO48

Comedy by Peter Vickers about one man's quest to get out of bed. Joe is a loser from a family of losers who considers it a good day if he is up by noon.

Joe Jason Manford Aunty Cara Fiona Allen Chris Benjamin Askew Sasha Lizzy Watts

Dominic Stephen Hogan

Sean Matt Addis Tom Jonathan Tafler Tanya Janice Acquah

Directed by Jessica Dromgoole

FRI 15:00 Good Friday Liturgy: The Passion in the City (b00im59h)

Rev Milton Williams, an Anglican priest who ministers on Capitol Hill, meditates on the Passion Narrative as it impacts on the African American community in Washington, DC, one of the most deprived communities in the United States.

FRI 15:30 Actor's Words (b007xkwz)

Meeting Mr Rainboy

A mouse undertakes a perilous journey to seek an audience with a parrot. By Richard Griffiths

FRI 15:45 Laurence Llewelyn-Bowen's Men of Fashion (b00jcwg7)

Beau Brummell - The Dandy Style

Tastemaker to the Regency, Beau Brummell was British fashion's most influential man. The interior designer surveys his impact.

FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00jjt87)

John Wilson 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

FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00jjt89)

Francine Stock talks to poet, publisher, painter, photographer and actor Viggo Mortensen, star of Lord of the Rings, about his new drama, Good. She also hears from the director of awardwinning Swedish teen vampire movie, Let the Right One In, who reveals the secrets of his gory sound effects

FRI 17:00 PM (b00jd5bh)

Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Carolyn Quinn. Plus Weather.

FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00jcwkm)

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

FRI 18:30 The Now Show (b00iitz1)

Series 27

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

FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00icvv9)

Will's annoyed with Eddie for keeping Nic out so late last night He was supposed to be helping her by going on a long drive, not cadging a lift to a pub. Nic tells him they had something to celebrate - Ed's tenancy at Grange Farm. Will thinks it'll end in tears. Ed's bound to mess it up.

Jill tells David and Ruth about Lynda's auditions for the Gormley plinth. It's not going too well: Jazzer in a kilt with nothing underneath and Molly Button dressed as a mushroom! While there, Jill checks the list of names for the NFU reunion. It's going to be a lovely birthday surprise for Phil.

Helen takes Annette to the station. Annette's reluctant to leave. Helen says Annette can't let her grandmother down; she's expecting her. Annette makes an emotional confession. She never really rang her gran, who had never liked Greg and preferred her sister Sonja. After Greg's death her mother went to pieces, choosing her boyfriend over her daughters. Annette came to England to see Helen, the only person who'd been kind to her after her father's death. Helen tells her not to worry. They'll go back home and sort something out.

Episode written by Mary Cutler.

FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00jcwmj)

Sir Alan Ayckbourn wrote his first play in 1959 at the age of 20. It was the start of what has become one of the most cessful and prolific careers in British theatre. He talks to Mark Lawson about the usefulness of terrifying deadlines and why writing a play is like creating a new boardgame

And, as he embarks on his 73rd play, Sir Alan explains the visual appeal of writing for theatre and his theory that writers attract the characters they write about.

FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00jpgbm)

Episode 5

Dramatisation of William Boyd's thriller.

As Sally's activities in the USA become increasingly dangerous. Ruth is visited by the police.

Sally/Eve Eileen Atkins ... Fenella Woolgar

Lucas Romer Adrian Lukis Morris Philip Fox

DC Frobisher Benjamin Askew Anna Lizzy Watts

Mason Sam Dale Porter Malcolm Tierney

Directed by Marc Beeby.

FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00jjtz3)

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate in London. Panellists are the former Mayor of London Ken Livingstone, Conservative parliamentary candidate Priti Patel, political editor of The Spectator Fraser Nelson and Maajid Nawaz of the Ouilliam Foundation.

FRI 20:50 A Point of View (b00) itz5)

Bright Side of the Cane Toad

The cane toad was brought to Australia for pest control - since when an army has marched across the continent, multiplying as it goes. But surely its own example questions the logic of trying to wipe out this gamekeeper turned poacher, says Clive James.

FRI 21:00 Friday Drama (b0081nln)

OK Computer

By Joel Horwood, Chris Perkins, Al Smith and Chris Thorpe,

A man wakes up in a hospital in Berlin. He has no memory of who he is, or where he comes from. Once the details of his life are recovered, he is repatriated to Britain and into his former life. But he is haunted by the suspicion that this is not his real

The play celebrates Radiohead's seminal 1997 album OK Computer and draws on themes from each of its 12 tracks.

Paul Tom Brooke

Sarah Liz White Helen Federay Holmes

Owen Pieter Lawman

Boss Chris Thorpe.

FRI 21:58 Weather (b00jcwp0)

The latest weather forecast.

FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00jjtz7)

National and international news and analysis with Robin Lustig

A look at whether Pakistan could do more to combat terror, and further reports of US warships heading to the scene of a pirate

Also, have changes in betting law increased problem gambling?

FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00 icx05)

The Post Office Girl

Emma Gregory reads Stefan Zweig's reworking of the Cinderella story, set in post-First World War Austria.

As their resources finally run out, Christine and Ferdinand are faced with two desperate choices.

FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b00jhvhn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

FRI 23:30 Lost Albums (b00bz4ck)

Series 2

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Vashti Bunyan: Just Another Diamond Day			
Music journalist Pete Paphides reveals the stories and music behind some of the great albums which were never released.			
After Vashti Bunyan tried and failed to secure herself a career as a willowy chanteuse, she left it all behind and moved to join her friend Donovan, who was in the process of setting up a commune in the Outer Hebrides. On her journey north in a Romany caravan, she wrote the songs which would surface in the late 1990s as Just Another Diamond Day.			
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