

**SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2009**

**SAT 00:00 Midnight News (b00m75lj)**

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

**SAT 00:30 Book of the Week (b00m0tpx)**

When Skateboards Will Be Free

Episode 5

Josh Hamilton reads from American-Iranian writer Said Sayrafiezadeh's funny and touching memoir.

Now grown up, Said takes a job in the corporate offices of the lifestyle expert Martha Stewart. He loves buying designer accoutrements for his tiny apartment and falls in love with a co-worker, Karen. His mother comes to visit and asks if he has heard from his father. He has not, but he reminisces about the last time they met. He was 17 and it was a very uncomfortable meal. He hugs his now frail mom and rides away on the subway with Karen.

Abridged by Francois Smit.

A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m75ln)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m75ls)**

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

**SAT 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m75lx)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 05:30 News Briefing (b00m75m1)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00m75p1)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Robert Tosh.

**SAT 05:45 Wars of The Roses (b00fvrk)**

Episode 1

Wesley Kerr follows the Somerset town of Taunton in its bid to win the RHS Britain in Bloom competition.

Taunton joins its rivals at the National Seminar in Scarborough to cast a wary eye over the competition.

**SAT 06:00 News and Papers (b00m75p3)**

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

**SAT 06:04 Weather (b00m76gx)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 06:07 Open Country (b00m82lx)**

Dunluce Castle

So many stories are told about Dunluce Castle and its surrounds that it is hard to separate fact from fiction. Helen Mark visits the ruins on the north Antrim coast to try to establish some facts at the first major archaeological dig to be held there.

The archaeological team have been astounded by the wealth and quality of their finds, which include an entire lost merchants' town and the location of a 13th-century settlement.

Helen also goes underground to find how the sea caves and their legends have inspired a photographer to capture their image. But does Helen's experience of unexplained howls add more to the myths than to dispel them?

**SAT 06:30 Farming Today (b00m82lz)**

Farming Today This Week

Birds of Prey are on the rise, and their numbers are now back to 19th century levels. Charlotte Smith talks to conservationists, gamekeepers and falconers to see how our countryside is coping.

**SAT 06:57 Weather (b00m82m1)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 07:00 Today (b00m83nt)**

Presented by John Humphrys and Justin Webb.

Chris Morris reports on allegations of fraud and vote-rigging in Afghanistan.

Media correspondent Torin Douglas reports on James Murdoch's attack on the BBC.

Matthew Price reports on the possibility that natural gas could replace foreign oil imports in the US.

Eric Nelson of the RAC explains how bad traffic delays could be over the Bank Holiday weekend.

American John Yettaw explains why he swam to the lakeside house of the Burmese opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi.

Correspondent Rajini Vaidyanathan reports on whether it is all over for local newspapers. Claire Enders, founder of media firm Enders Analysis, discusses the importance of local media.

David Nthengwe of the UNHCR explains what can be done to stop attacks on civilians in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo amid 'large-scale destruction' by Ugandan rebels.

Matthew Wells reports from New Mexico on the legal battle for warrior Geronimo's bones.

Thought for the Day with Rev Roy Jenkins, a Baptist minister.

Harlequins chairman Charles Jillings has resigned after accepting ultimate responsibility for the 'Bloodgate' affair that has disgraced the club. Brian Moore, a former captain of Harlequins, discusses how the club can move on from the scandal.

Author Sam Kiley and Lt Col Nick Richardson, spokesman for the British army in Helmand province, discuss whether or not the Afghan election results are credible.

Preparations are underway for the private burial of Edward Kennedy after the two-day public viewing at the John F Kennedy Presidential Library ended. Correspondent Kevin Connolly reflects on his family's continued appeal.

Correspondent David Willey talks to author Peter Ackroyd about the problems facing the city of Venice.

Pam Akers, whose 11-year-old son was kidnapped and found four years later, tells the story of the day he was rescued.

Tom Feilden reports on the remarkable life of Mary Anning, the woman who laid the foundations of the modern science of palaeontology and who inspired the tongue twister, 'She sells sea shells on the sea shore'.

'The BBC is dominant' and is benefiting from the 'expansion of state-sponsored journalism', News Corporation's James Murdoch says. David Elstein, a former chief executive of Five, former director of programmes at Sky and former BBC trainee, discusses the future of independent digital journalism.

Could World War II have been avoided? Historians David Dutton and David Faber discuss whether or not Neville Chamberlain was right to try to appease Adolf Hitler.

Noel Gallagher has announced he is quitting the band Oasis because he can no longer work with brother Liam.

**SAT 09:00 Saturday Live (b00m83nw)**

Real life stories in which listeners talk about the issues that matter to them. Fi Glover is joined by classicist Mary Beard. With poetry from Murray Lachlan Young.

**SAT 10:00 Excess Baggage (b00m83ny)**

The Yorkshire seaside town of Filey first attracted visitors like Charlotte Bronte and Frederick Delius in the 19th century, and in the 20th was host to a large Butlin's holiday camp. Sandi Toksvig visits Filey to discover how it is faring in the 21st century, now that Butlin's has closed. Has it managed to retain its individuality while attracting visitors in hard economic times?

Sandi tours the town with former Mayor Marion Wright as her guide and looks at how two current holiday developments are aiming to keep Filey on the holiday map.

**SAT 10:30 Bryn Terfel Masters Wine (b00m83p0)**

Opera singer Bryn Terfel explores his love of wine and attempts to become a master sommelier. Taking a break from the stage, Bryn meets some of the world's finest wine experts and finds out what the role of sommelier involves, from tasting to service to food matching.

Featuring contributions from wine writer Sarah Ahmed, chief

examiner for The Court of Master Sommeliers Brian Julian, managing director of Cullen Wines Vanya Cullen, sommelier at Gidleigh Park Restaurant Edouard Oger, restaurant manager at High Timber Restaurant Neleen Strauss and Master of Wine at Berry Bros Alun Griffiths.

A Parrog production for BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 11:00 Beyond Westminster (b00m83p2)**

Looking at politics beyond and outside the Westminster parliament.

Crowded roads, trains and airports blight our transport system, so politicians with bright ideas for sorting out the mess could be vote winners. But with budgets tightening and environmental worries rising, Iain Martin asks how radical the main political parties will be.

**SAT 11:30 From Our Own Correspondent (b00m83p4)**

Kate Adie introduces BBC foreign correspondents with the stories behind the headlines.

Including the link between mobile phones and the violence in eastern Congo, the confessions of a Colombian petrol smuggler, and how to find the best hotels in Africa.

**SAT 12:00 Money Box (b00m83p6)**

Coping with the Recession

Episode 3

The housing price crash seems to have entered a different phase, with prices in some parts of the UK starting to rise again. Paul Lewis asks what this means for first-time buyers and for places like Northern Ireland which are still seeing steep price falls.

**SAT 12:30 I Guess That's Why They Call It The News (b00m74rp)**

Episode 2

Fred MacAulay chairs a topical panel show in which two teams play games inspired by the week's headlines. The show asks both the big and the little questions, and provides thoroughly silly answers to both. With Andy Parsons and Justin Edwards.

**SAT 12:57 Weather (b00m85ks)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 13:00 News (b00m85kv)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 13:10 Any Questions? (b00m74rr)**

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire. The panellists are former Conservative deputy leader Lord Heseltine, former Labour cabinet minister Tony Benn, columnist Yasmin Alibhai-Brown and Professor Colin Mayer, Dean of Oxford University's Saïd Business School.

**SAT 14:00 Any Answers? (b00m85kx)**

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

**SAT 14:30 Saturday Drama (b00760w8)**

Lockerbie on Trial

With the Lockerbie bombing once again in the news, another chance to hear Peter Goodchild's dramatised reconstruction of the extraordinary story of one of the longest, costliest and most complicated trials in legal history.

Few would have predicted the verdict in February 2001, when Abdelbaset Ali al-Megrahi was convicted and Al Amin Khalifa Fhimah acquitted of blowing up Pam Am flight 103. The prosecution are sure they have got their men, but a succession of witnesses who prove to be CIA double agents, convicted terrorists and arms dealers with shady histories begin to undermine a case which is skilfully and passionately contested by the defence.

Presented by Sheena MacDonald.

With Ian McDiarmid, Denis Lawson and Hugh Fraser.

**SAT 16:00 Woman's Hour (b00m85wm)**

Weekend Woman's Hour

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

Garvey.

including:

Author Michelle Paver's series for children, *Chronicles of Ancient Darkness*, is a worldwide bestseller. She talks about the extensive research she has done to make her stories as real as possible, research that has included learning the ways of the Inuit people, swimming with killer whales, eating seal blubber and getting to know some wolves.

Deaf spouses, and the impact of being deaf on those around you. Comedian Steve Day discusses how losing your hearing can change a relationship.

New shoes. As the summer is nearly over and school is about to begin, it's that time again. Do you dread that visit to the shoe shop with your kids, but continue to insist on properly fitted leather shoes? Or have you thrown in the towel and given in to cheap trainers and ballet pumps? And how much does it really matter? Podiatrist Emma Supple and journalist Kathryn Flett discuss the rights and wrongs of buying shoes for children.

And Through the Eye of a Needle: the journalist who cuts his child's hair, saves apple pips and makes all his own clothes. John-Paul Flintoff joins Jane with his crochet hook to talk about his decision to create his own everyday outfits, from fitted shirts and jeans, right down to his Y-fronts.

**SAT 17:00 PM (b00m85wr)**

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

**SAT 17:30 1PM (b00m85wr)**

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

**SAT 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00m85wt)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SAT 17:57 Weather (b00m85ww)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SAT 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00m86zy)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**SAT 18:15 Loose Ends (b00m8700)**

Clive Anderson and guests with an eclectic mix of conversation, music and comedy.

He is joined by the writer and comedian Alexei Sayle, wildlife presenter Kate Humble and author Simon Hoggart.

Jo Bunting talks to choirmaster Gareth Malone.

With music from The Bookhouse Boys and Eric Roberson.

**SAT 19:00 Profile (b00m8702)**

Benjamin Netanyahu

Mary Ann Sieghart profiles Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister, who has been in Europe for talks that could lead to progress on the issue of settlements in the occupied West Bank.

Interviewees include Malcolm Rifkind MP, journalists Yossi Alfer, Gill Hoffman and friends and colleagues from Netanyahu's past.

**SAT 19:15 Saturday Review (b00m8731)**

Nick Hornby's latest novel *Juliet, Naked*, *The Hurt Locker* and the new Arctic Monkeys album *Humbug*

Sarfraz Manzoor is joined by writer Paul Morley, comedian Natalie Haynes and poet Paul Farley to discuss the cultural highlights of the week - featuring war as a drug, a fictional cult rocker and monkeys in the desert.

*The Hurt Locker* follows a three man American bomb disposal squad on its tour of duty in Baghdad in 2004. The epigraph at the beginning of Kathryn Bigelow's film is 'war is a drug' and certainly for Staff Sergeant Will James (Jeremy Renner), there seems to be something dreadfully compelling about the long walk towards what everybody else is running away from. The first Iraq War film to be a US box office hit.

In *Juliet, Naked*, Nick Hornby revisits his familiar territory of men, music and obsession. Duncan is devoted to the work of cult US singer-songwriter Tucker Crowe, although nothing has been heard of Crowe for 20 years. Duncan's partner Annie shares his enthusiasm to some extent, but when a new album is

released, containing demo versions of the tracks on his most famous release, their lives veer off in unexpected directions.

After a second album which, almost inevitably, failed to achieve the stellar success of their debut, Arctic Monkeys evidently decided they should look for a change of direction for their third release. This led them to the Mojave Desert studio of Queens of the Stone Age frontman Josh Homme where they recorded the majority of the songs for their third album, *Humbug*, with Homme at the desk. The heavier, darker sound may not be to the taste of all the band's fans, but it certainly signals some kind of transition.

Don Paterson's reputation as a poet has been growing steadily since his debut collection *Nil Nil* was published in 1993. Born in Dundee, his first job after leaving school was as editor of DC Thompson's *Commando* magazine. He also has a parallel career as a respected jazz musician. *Rain* is his latest collection of poems which includes *Phantom*, an extended elegy for fellow poet Michael Donaghy.

When Geraldine McEwan hung up her straw hat as ITV's Miss Marple, the baton (or knitting bag) was passed to Julia McKenzie. Her first outing as the spinster sleuth is in *A Pocketful of Rye* in which she investigates some rum goings-on at Yew Tree Lodge. A star-studded cast mills around, dusting off their alibis. Whatever the twists and turns along the way, wickedness will not go unpunished.

**SAT 20:00 Meeting Myself Coming Back (b00m8816)**

Series 1

Clare Short

High-profile figures, in conversation with John Wilson, replay their own sound archive and use it as a basis for a re-examination of their lives.

Clare Short has spent her life in the public eye, never less than passionate and never short of opinions. From her first appearance as a community activist in the early 1980s, through to her announcement that she will be standing down as an MP at the next election, her career has always been controversial. What does she think now of her early causes: her opposition to Page 3 and support for the legalisation of cannabis? And what of those resignations? Was she really, as she claimed at the time, 'making a sacrifice to a higher purpose' by staying inside the Cabinet despite her opposition to the Iraq War?

As Clare meets herself coming back over nearly 30 years of sound recordings, is she proud, pleased, or driven, as she says she often is, to think, 'Oh, shut up Clare', for her insistence on always speaking up, even when staying quiet might be a wiser choice?

**SAT 21:00 Classic Serial (b00m5sr5)**

Thomas Hardy - Two on a Tower

Episode 1

Dramatisation by Jon Sen of Thomas Hardy's tragic tale of star-crossed lovers in the West Country.

When Lady Viviette Constantine discovers the handsome young astronomer Swithin St Cleve on the lonely tower on her estate, a story of passion and sacrifice begins.

Lady Constantine ..... Maggie O'Neill  
Swithin St Cleve ..... Blake Ritson  
Parson Torkingham ..... Conrad Nelson  
Tabitha Lark ..... Amy Humphreys  
Fellows ..... Stephen Tomlin  
Granny Martin ..... Pauline Jefferson  
Louis ..... Richard Heap  
Joshua ..... Carter Dowland

Directed by Stefan Escreet.

**SAT 22:00 News and Weather (b00m8818)**

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

**SAT 22:15 The Atheist and the Bishop (b00m6ggf)**

Episode 2

Series in which an atheist and a bishop come together to apply their own philosophies to the experiences of people they meet, with Jane Little chairing the discussion.

Public debates between those who believe in God and those who resolutely do not appear more polarised than ever, often obscuring central human questions about how we should live and how modern ethics should work.

Here, Professor AC Grayling and Lord Harries of Pentregarth,

the former Bishop of Oxford, visit a faith school and then meet the organiser of an atheist summer camp to explore where we get our values from and whether you need God to be Good.

**SAT 23:00 Round Britain Quiz (b00m67w3)**

Tom Sutcliffe chairs the cryptic general knowledge quiz, featuring teams from the north of England and the south of England.

**SAT 23:30 Poems for Infant Minds (b0076p8n)**

Nigel Forde looks at the development of children's poetry, from the finger-wagging moral tales of the 18th and 19th centuries, which warned girls and boys against the dangers of being naughty, to the zany nonsense of the last century. Has the moral message wrapped in verse really changed all that much? Featuring writing by the Taylor sisters, Lear, Stevenson, De La Mere and Dr Seuss.

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**SUN 00:00 Midnight News (b00m892c)**

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**SUN 00:30 Afternoon Reading (b0088n9j)**

Telling the World

The Girl Who Fell

Series of stories from cultures and folklore around the world.

Nick Hennessey tells the creation story from the Karelian epic *The Kalevala*, an ancient myth from the Finno-Ugric people of the Baltic. It starts at the very beginning, with the ocean and the wind.

A Watershed Partnership production for BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m892f)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m892h)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

**SUN 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m892k)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 05:30 News Briefing (b00m892m)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 05:43 Bells on Sunday (b00m8p70)**

The sound of bells from the church of St John the Baptist, Burford.

**SUN 05:45 Profile (b00m8702)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 06:00 News Headlines (b00m8p72)**

The latest national and international news.

**SUN 06:05 Something Understood (b00m8p74)**

The Extraordinary Mary Ward

Mike Woodridge explores the life and legacy of an extraordinary Yorkshire woman, Mary Ward, who scandalised the Church authorities of the early 17th century by redefining religious life for women.

She walked across the Alps several times to plead her cause in Rome, suffered imprisonment and ill-treatment, and, when she died, her few remaining companions had to bribe a vicar to bury her. But 400 years on, the Orders she founded are working throughout the world and vast congregations are gathering to celebrate her story.

The readers are Emily Raymond and Frank Stirling.

**SUN 06:35 Living World (b00m8p76)**

Great Bustards

The Great Bustard has long been extinct from the British countryside, but, as Lionel Kelleway discovers, a determined re-introduction programme from a captive-born stock of animals might change all that. Now, the first chicks have been born

outside captivity.

**SUN 06:57 Weather (b00m8p78)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 07:00 News and Papers (b00m8p7b)**

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

**SUN 07:10 Sunday (b00m8p7d)**

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 (b00m8p7g)**

ClearVision

Gary O'Donoghue appeals on behalf of ClearVision.

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**SUN 07:58 Weather (b00m8p7j)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 08:00 News and Papers (b00m8p7l)**

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

**SUN 08:10 Sunday Worship (b00m8p7n)**

A service from Trinity Methodist Church in Penarth, south Wales, led by Rev Teddy Kalongo. The preacher is Rev Dr Stephen Wigley, Chair of the Wales Synod of the Methodist Church.

**SUN 08:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00m74rt)**  
Series 1

Coelacanth

The Coelacanth is a primitive bony fish thought to be an important ancestor to all back-boned animals that ventured onto land.

David Attenborough brought to TV the first film of a living fish in Life on Earth. But is it the living fossil it was claimed to be?

Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world.

Producer: Julian Hector

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009.

**SUN 09:00 Broadcasting House (b00m8p7q)**

This week's BH is presented by Stephen Evans. Following the death of Senator Ted Kennedy, we hear about what made him America's "liberal Lion." In the week when plans for a new high-speed train line between London and Glasgow were announced, we extol the virtues of the slow train. We bring you a blast of newly-released BBC Archive, telling us, amongst other things, how to handle our gas masks. And Becky Milligan speaks to three of those who travelled on the Winton Train, which took Jewish refugees from Prague to Liverpool Street in 1939 almost 70 years ago.

Joining us to leaf through the Sunday papers were doctor Max Pemberton, businessman Sir Martin Sorrell and producer and director of the Edinburgh Comedy Awards, Nica Burns.

**SUN 10:00 The Archers Omnibus (b00m8p7s)**

The week's events in Ambridge.

**SUN 11:15 The Reunion (b00m8p7v)**

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

In Ethiopia, close to eight million people became famine victims during the drought of 1984, and over one million died. The international relief effort that followed was the largest ever mounted, culminating in the Live Aid concert in 1985.

Reporter Michael Buerk, nurse Claire Bertschinger, former head of Oxfam Hugh Goyder, Major Dawit Wolde Giorgis of

the Ethiopian relief effort and Sir Brian Barder, Ambassador to Ethiopia at the time, join Sue to recall the events.

A Whistledown production for BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 12:00 Just a Minute (b00m67w9)**

Series 55

Edinburgh Festival

Nicholas Parsons' 60-second challenges to Paul Merton, Mike McShane, Paul Sinha and Sue Perkins. From August 2009.

**SUN 12:32 The Food Programme (b00m8p7x)**

Chefs' Choices Number 4: Lemongrass

Raymond Blanc explains how travelling to Thailand and Malaysia led to a culinary love affair with lemongrass, and ambitious plans to grow a south-east Asian garden at Les Manoirs Aux Quat' Saisons in Oxford.

He explains, with the help of chef David Thompson, food writer Roger Owen and herb grower Jekka McVicar, why lemongrass is such a prized ingredient in Asian cooking.

It is a herb with many uses; outside the kitchen it is regarded as an important medicinal herb and has even been used by the SAS as a source of moisture in the Malaysian jungle.

Raymond Blanc has been using lemongrass for decades to give dishes a light and fragrant flavour. In the programme he prepares two dishes: a fillet of brill on a bed of spinach and, for dessert, a summer berry soup infused with the flavours of lemongrass.

**SUN 12:57 Weather (b00m8p7z)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 13:00 The World This Weekend (b00m8p81)**

A look at events around the world with Shaun Ley.

**SUN 13:30 The Garden Room Girls (b00lgm1r)**

Some of the elite band of secretaries who have worked at Downing Street over the last 50 years reveal their untold stories of life at Number 10 and how it operates. Interviewed for the first time, they talk to Naomi Grimley about working for Prime Ministers since Churchill, and Tony Blair discloses how the PM's office could not work without them.

**SUN 14:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00m74gb)**

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum.

Anne Swithinbank, Bob Flowerdew and Pippa Greenwood answer questions posed by gardeners in Hertfordshire.

Anne Rowe, a landscape historian at Cambridge University, discovers the lost gardens of Hertfordshire. Pippa Greenwood is joined by a leading bulb expert to reveal next year's exciting daffodil trends.

**SUN 14:45 The Tribes of Science (b00m5rs7)**

The Astronomers

Peter Curran visits members of the many and varied disciplines of science, from astronomy to zoology, to explore their habitat, customs, rituals and beliefs.

Peter meets the astronomers at Jodrell Bank Observatory. For 50 years, astronomers at the Jodrell Bank worked with colleagues around an iconic radio telescope that famously spotted Sputnik. But now most of the Jodrell tribe are leaving their telescope in the middle of the Cheshire countryside and moving to Manchester. The telescope will survive as it is a listed building, but will the tribe?

**SUN 15:00 Classic Serial (b00m8pvn)**

Thomas Hardy - Two on a Tower

Episode 2

Dramatisation by Jon Sen of Thomas Hardy's tragic tale of star-crossed lovers in the West Country.

Viviette and Swithin have married in secret, but chance and convention conspire against them and painful sacrifices have to be made.

Lady Constantine ..... Maggie O'Neill  
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Parson Torkingham ..... Conrad Nelson  
Tabitha Lark ..... Amy Humphreys

Fellows ..... Stephen Tomlin

Louis ..... Richard Heap  
Bishop Helmsdale ..... Russell Dixon  
Joshua ..... Carter Thomas

Directed by Stefan Escreet.

**SUN 16:00 Open Book (b00m8qvw)**

Nick Hornby, Fay Weldon and Henry Porter

Nick Hornby talks to Alex Clark about his new novel, Juliet, Naked, and explains his fascination with obsessive music fans.

Fay Weldon and Henry Porter discuss the attractions and difficulties of setting a novel in the near future.

**SUN 16:30 In Search of the Wantley Dragon (b00m5t0r)**

Poet Ian McMillan explores the bawdy 17th-century comic poem The Dragon of Wantley. He uncovers long-forgotten violent disputes, a knight clad in locally-made armour, pantomimes, operettas and the eerily quiet dragon's den. Ian meets the dragon's descendants and learns that, in its day, this Yorkshire-based story was as famous as that of Robin Hood.

**SUN 17:00 Says Who? The Rise of the Community Leader (b00m6c40)**

Playwright and actor Kwame Kwei-Armah investigates the changing role of the community leader. The media turns to them to respond to the latest crisis and they are happy to oblige, but on whose authority do community leaders speak?

Kwame visits Birmingham to meet leaders from the Muslim and Afro-Caribbean communities. He discovers how these individuals are selected to voice the concerns of others, finds out how their agendas have responded to our increasingly diverse society and questions whether the idea of 'community' is still realistic in a world of multiplying lifestyles and opinions.

**SUN 17:40 Profile (b00m8702)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Saturday]

**SUN 17:54 Shipping Forecast (b00m9h1v)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**SUN 17:57 Weather (b00m9h1x)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00m9h1z)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 18:15 Pick of the Week (b00m9h21)**

Miriam O'Reilly introduces her selection of highlights from the past week on BBC radio.

**SUN 19:00 The Archers (b00m9h23)**

Ben's bored because Josh is on the computer. Ruth suggests Ben helps her and Jill with making beeswax polish. As they are working, Usha pops round with her holiday photos, claiming she's a hardened camper. Jill lets the cat of the bag, saying that Alan told her about the great views from the hotel.

Ruth teases Usha, who says they had no choice; everything got wet from the thunderstorm. Usha realises she did have a good time, but must get a bigger tent next year.

Sid's not happy about Wayne helping out in the bar and challenges Wayne to help Freda in the kitchen. Fallon wants Sid to find him something else, but Sid wants to see if he can do some real work.

Sid can't believe that Wayne has lasted in the kitchen. Fallon says he's had loads of experience working in a bakery, but Sid's still not convinced. Jill's fishing from Sid what Freda is doing for the show when Wayne comes out of the kitchen. To Sid's dismay, Freda has insisted that he becomes her regular help. Wayne asks if he can tell her yes? Sid says, if it's what she wants, he can tell her what he likes.

Episode written by Simon Frith.

**SUN 19:15 Americana (b00m9h25)**

Kevin Connolly asks if the political influence of Irish America is over with the death of Ted Kennedy.

He also explores the continuing love affair between Americans and Sir Winston Churchill, and talks to a woman who may have met an angel on September 11th.

**SUN 19:45 Afternoon Reading (b008dk9m)**

An Audience with Max Wall

## The Crumbling Wall

Tony Lidington plays the entertainer Max Wall in this series of shows recorded before an invited audience at the Concert Artists' Association in Covent Garden.

Max describes his invention of the character Prof Wallowski, dressed in a ridiculous bald wig, indecent black tights, green waistcoat and big shoes. But by the 1950s, Max's career is in decline.

**SUN 20:00 More or Less (b00m74g6)**

Tim Harford and the More or Less team examine more numbers in the news, including whether Britain's record on prosecuting rape is as bad as headlines suggest.

An Open University co production for BBC Radio 4.

**SUN 20:30 Last Word (b00m74n4)**

The lives of Senator Edward Kennedy; geologist and African adventurer Campbell Bridges; Gregory's Girl producer Clive Parsons; jazz guitarist Lawrence Lucie. With Matthew Bannister.

**SUN 21:00 Face the Facts (b00m9h27)**

The Long Wait for a Law

John Waite presents the investigative consumer series.

Imagine a series of arson attacks on the homes next door to you, or bulldozers demolishing homes their owners have been forced to sell. These are the antics of some of the unscrupulous landlords working in the mobile home industry. John Waite investigates why the government is only now consulting on new legislation to stop thousands of elderly people living in fear.

**SUN 21:26 Radio 4 Appeal (b00m8p7g)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 today]

**SUN 21:30 In Business (b00m721v)**

Squeaky Clean

WD40 is one of those rare products that users deeply identify with. In San Diego, Peter Day investigates the company's secret formula and finds out how to run an international business by using the promise of the original brand to navigate into the future.

**SUN 21:58 Weather (b00m9h29)**

The latest weather forecast.

**SUN 22:00 Westminster Hour (b00m9h2c)**

Reports from behind the scenes at Westminster. Including Britain's White House.

**SUN 23:00 The Film Programme (b00m74rm)**

Described by some as the world's greatest living cinematographer, Douglas Slocombe has worked on films including Kind Hearts and Coronets and Raiders of the Lost Ark. Now in his 90s, he talks to Matthew Sweet about his extraordinary career.

Mark Gatiss from The League of Gentlemen concludes his alternative guide to British cinema.

Listeners, screenwriters and directors including Bertrand Tavernier, Alex Cox, Frank Cottrell Boyce and Jake Arnott nominate the British classics they think have been neglected by posterity.

**SUN 23:30 Something Understood (b00m8p74)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:05 today]

**MONDAY 31 AUGUST 2009****MON 00:00 Midnight News (b00m9hgh)**

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

**MON 00:15 Thinking Allowed (b00m6gg9)**

Richard Hoggart

Laurie Taylor discusses the life and work of leading cultural commentator Richard Hoggart, asking why his time is coming

again.

Hoggart's evidence in the Lady Chatterley trial changed censorship for ever, his influence on the Pilkington Committee established the norms of public service broadcasting still in operation today and his academic work led to the invention of cultural studies in the UK.

He is considered a titan of contemporary culture and his famous book *The Uses of Literacy* combined sociology with literature and biography, going on to have a huge influence on the way popular culture was viewed. That influence has been on the wane in recent decades, but now a new edition of Hoggart's book is about to be published, a biography is being written and a recent conference was dedicated to his work.

**MON 00:45 Bells on Sunday (b00m8p70)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 05:43 on Sunday]

**MON 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hhf)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**MON 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m9hwr)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

**MON 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hph)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**MON 05:30 News Briefing (b00m9hx4)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**MON 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00m9j09)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Robert Tosh.

**MON 05:45 Farming Today (b00m9jbb)**

Anne-Marie Bullock visits the Cain Valley in Montgomeryshire to see how farmer Peter Lewis has improved the water quality of the River Cain and how it has improved life on his farm.

Just one drop of organophosphate sheep dip could kill off the insects in a kilometre of river. Farmers can face prosecution for careless pollution of rivers, but now the Environment Agency is trying to work alongside farmers to help prevent the build-up of 'diffuse pollution' such as slurry and silage being washed into streams. A build-up of contaminants along a valley can also have an impact on life in the streams.

**MON 05:57 Weather (b00mb9pb)**

The latest weather forecast for farmers.

**MON 06:00 Today (b00m9nyb)**

Presented by James Naughtie and Justin Webb.

Oliver Miles, deputy chairman of the Libyan British Business Council, discusses trade agreements between the UK and Libya.

Roland Buerk reports on the result of the general election in Japan.

Dr Ralph Cordey of the space company Astrium discusses the development of a spaceship that could shadow an asteroid and divert it off course.

Prof John Edwards discusses whether patients are satisfied with the food they receive in hospitals.

Much of Kenya is in the grip of the worst drought in a decade. Mike Thomson reports.

Matt Prescott, director of campaign group Ban the Bulb, examines new rules which means all traditional bulbs will be banned by 2012.

What lies behind the name of your local pub? Author Albert Jack has been examining some of the more unusual names.

Thought for the Day with Rabbi Lionel Blue.

John Thornhill, chairman of the Magistrates' Association, discusses the new powers allowing police and councils to deal with alcohol-related offences.

Colonel Richard Kemp and author James Fergusson discuss whether the current strategy in Afghanistan is working.

Journalist Ray Connolly remembers 1960s TV chat show host Simon Dee, who has died at the age of 74.

Nicola Sturgeon, deputy first minister of Scotland, discusses

whether the release of the Lockerbie bomber was linked to trade deals.

Andrew Hosken reports on whether or not bureaucracy is deterring some informants from stepping forward, as the Police Federation alleges.

Today programme listeners have been emailing in with their questions about the origins of the name of pubs. Author Albert Jack explains some of the names that have been causing confusion.

Addison Chebukaka, Kenya's deputy high commissioner in London, reflects on whether or not his government could do more to manage the economy.

Correspondent Steve Kingstone talks to Britain's only fully-fledged matador, 67-year-old Frank Evans from Salford.

Yukio Okamoto, former adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Japan, and Bill Emmott, former editor of *The Economist*, discuss the election results in Japan.

**MON 09:00 Peston and the Money Men (b00mb9pf)**

John Varley

As the first anniversary of global financial meltdown approaches, the BBC's business editor Robert Peston talks to four key individuals who were in the eye of the storm. Why did they fail to see the warning signs of economic catastrophe and what are the long term consequences?

The chief executive of Barclays Bank, John Varley, gives an insider's view of how it felt to watch bank after bank teeter on the brink of collapse over the weekend of October 11, 2008, and how he feared that, unless the government intervened, there would be a crisis of confidence in the whole banking system. He tells Robert how it felt to watch thousands of Barclays employees coming in to work on the Monday morning unsure whether or not the bank had been nationalised.

**MON 09:30 Jeopardising Justice (b00mb9ph)**

Episode 1

Helena Kennedy QC examines the ways in which the best intentions in legal reform can sometimes produce unexpected and unpalatable consequences.

The rise of the victims' movement. Helena began her career championing the victim's voice, but is now worried it has gained such strength that it is beginning to threaten the rights of defendants.

**MON 09:45 Book of the Week (b00m69k2)**

Newton And The Counterfeiter

Episode 1

Crawford Logan reads from Thomas Levenson's biography of Isaac Newton and his rivalry with one of 17th-century London's most accomplished and daring criminals, William Chaloner.

After nearly 30 years of academic life at Cambridge, Newton became Warden of the Royal Mint. He was soon in charge of the colossal task of re-casting all of England's currency - almost seven million pounds - and took a hands-on approach to the interrogation of suspected counterfeiters held in Newgate prison.

**MON 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00m9ph4)**

Girl Guides

A special edition of the programme to mark 100 years of the Girl Guides, the largest organisation for girls with over half a million members in the UK and 10 million worldwide.

**MON 11:00 Merry Widows (b00mb9pk)**

Women whose much-loved husbands have died describe finding unexpected happiness late in life, and the challenge of creating a new identity. Restarting a life when one suddenly finds oneself alone, having been married for decades, and for all of one's adult life, is never easy. There are contributions from women who had never lived on their own: people who married early, and happily, and stayed married. But then comes the loss of their husbands' death; they explain what happened next - and it surprised everyone

A Loftus Audio production for BBC Radio 4.

**MON 11:30 The Maltby Collection (b00mbbkh)**

Series 3

Episode 2

Walter has staff to fire and a broken heart to mend, but worst of all, his wife's come back to him and seems intent on pandering to his every whim...

Geoffrey Palmer and Julian Rhind-Tutt star in series 3 of David Nobbs' sitcom about a small museum of paintings and sculpture.

Rod Millet ..... Julian Rhind-Tutt  
Walter Brindle ..... Geoffrey Palmer  
Prunella Edgecumbe ..... Rachel Atkins  
Susie Maltby ..... Margaret Cabourn-Smith  
Julian Crumb-Loosely ..... Ben Willbond  
Wilf Arbutnot ..... Geoff McGivern  
Eva Tattle ..... Julia Deakin  
Des Wainwright ..... Michael Smiley  
Stelios Constantinopoulos ..... Chris Pavlo  
Gloria Brindle ..... Helen Atkinson Wood.

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009.

#### **MON 12:00 You and Yours (b00m9v3q)**

Fake UGG Boots

20,000 counterfeit pairs of UGG boots have been seized by Customs. Complaints to Consumer Direct about fake copies of the fashionable sheepskin UGG boots have tripled since last year.

Calgary Avansino, Vogue's executive fashion editor, and Jim Jarvey of HM Revenue and Customs discuss.

Liverpool Musical Heritage

Is there more to Liverpool's music than the Fab Four?  
Stephanie Power reports on attempts to attract tourists to Merseyside by emphasising a musical culture beyond the Beatles.

Hotel Ratings

The boss of Jurys Inns has called for the star rating system to be scrapped. How effective are hotel inspections and how reliable are the gradings that hotels are given?

Mark Jones, owner of Colson House guest house in Brighton, and Simon Numphud, manager of AA hotel services, discuss.

Food Crises

In the fifth and final part of our series examining the food crises which have occurred in recent years, Simon Parkes tracks the development of BSE and its impact on consumers and the food industry. We ask how well-protected today's consumers are. How much confidence can we have in the safety of the food we eat?

Discussing these questions are Lord Haskins, former chair of Northern Foods, Tim Lang, Professor of Food Policy at London's City University, and Jenny Morris, Principal Policy Officer at the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health.

Staycations

Is holidaying in the UK an enjoyable experience? The so-called 'staycation' has been the buzz word of the summer. Charlotte Smith is one such 'staycationer', and she gives her thoughts on her recent trip to Devon.

#### **MON 12:57 Weather (b00m9y0q)**

The latest weather forecast.

#### **MON 13:00 World at One (b00mfhk7)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

#### **MON 13:30 Round Britain Quiz (b00mbf7k)**

Tom Sutcliffe chairs the cryptic general knowledge quiz, with the south of England team hoping to get their own back on the Midlands in a return match.

#### **MON 14:00 The Archers (b00m9h23)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Sunday]

#### **MON 14:15 Drama (b00mbf7m)**

What Might Have Been

By Joseph O'Connor. Inspired by the story of Joseph and Bridget Moore, real-life Irish immigrants, as they struggle to cope with life in a New York tenement on the Lower East Side in 1869.

America is not, as anticipated, the land of milk and honey, but it is most certainly the home of the brave.

With Stephen Rea

Original music composed by Graeme Stewart

Violinist: Ruby Colley.

#### **MON 15:00 Meeting Myself Coming Back (b00m88t6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 20:00 on Saturday]

#### **MON 15:45 I Was a Child Prodigy (b00d6zqd)**

Episode 1

Chris Ledgard presents a series looking at the lives of people who were labelled child prodigies.

He meets Mark Bennet, a vicar in Essex who was one of the brightest schoolboy mathematicians of his generation. He won a gold medal and scored full marks in the International Maths Olympiad in 1981. He went on to Cambridge, intent on staying there to become a professor. Tiring of academic life, however, he entered the church. Has he any regrets?

#### **MON 16:00 The Food Programme (b00m8p7x)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:32 on Sunday]

#### **MON 16:30 Tracing Your Roots (b00mbf7p)**

Series 4

Tracing Your Roots - Wartime Losses

Sally Magnusson presents the series exploring the practice of researching family history.

For 60 years, Stella Collis has only known her German PoW father's name, but now she is united with her father's military records. This is just one of many wartime stories that Sally explores, in a programme marking the 70th anniversary of the outbreak of the Second World War.

#### **MON 17:00 PM (b00m9z39)**

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

#### **MON 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00mb0q1)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

#### **MON 18:30 Just a Minute (b00mbg96)**

Series 55

Edinburgh Festival

Nicholas Parsons' 60-second challenges to Paul Merton, Janey Godley, Richard Herring and Sue Perkins. From August 2009.

#### **MON 19:00 The Archers (b00m9yhm)**

Mike arrives at the Lodge with some cream for Peggy. Jack's having a bad day and doesn't recognise him. Mike's concerned. Lillian says all is fine and just to leave the cream on the step.

Adam wants to add to the soft fruit production, but that would mean more polytunnels. Brian's concerned there's no space. Adam has an answer, but this will involve a footpath diversion. However as the path is rarely used it shouldn't be a problem, especially if he can get the locals on his side.

Lilian is taking respite in the Bull with Adam, recounting the problems with Jack that morning. She takes the opportunity to apologise to Mike for this morning. He says it must be hard for Peggy and Lillian suggests that Mike call in and see her when he's next free. Mike, slightly embarrassed, changes the subject.

Jennifer tells Brian that Peggy is worried about her financial situation. Brian has looked at the figures and it's not good news. Jack and Peggy will still have as much as they need and more, but their total wealth is considerably reduced. They'll have to break it to Peggy as gently as they can.

Episode written by Simon Frith.

#### **MON 19:15 Front Row (b00mb139)**

Writer William Trevor rarely gives interviews, usually preferring to let the words on the page speak for him. But in a special edition of Front Row with Mark Lawson, the author reflects on his long career as a novelist, short story writer and sculptor. Trevor's work has won him many awards and he has also successfully adapted several of short stories, including The Ballroom of Romance, for television and film.

In conversation with Mark Lawson he remembers Ireland, discusses the future of literature and reveals why preachers in a church near Daventry are indebted to him.

#### **MON 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00mb13c)**

Writing the Century 10 - Tom and Stella

Episode 1

Series exploring the 20th century through diaries and correspondence of real people, dramatised by Vanessa Rosenthal.

The relationship between a young Jewish drama student and a divorcee 13 years her senior.

It is July 1964 and drama student Stella Kaufman travels to Israel on a quest to 'find herself', but is left with more questions than answers.

Stella ..... Rebecca Callard  
Tom ..... John Lightbody  
Avnair ..... Greg Wood  
Maurice ..... Robert Pickavance.

#### **MON 20:00 Where Did It All Go Right? (b00mbg98)**

The National Minimum Wage

Prof Philip Cowley presents a series examining initially-controversial political policies which were later judged by most people to have been a success.

The National Minimum Wage used to have plenty of critics among business and the Conservative Party, but it is less well-known that it was unpopular with many on the left, too. Cabinet minister Ed Balls used to be strongly opposed, as were most trade unions. Rodney Bickerstaffe campaigned for decades to persuade the trade unions and Labour Party to adopt the minimum wage, and finally succeeded in the mid-1980s.

In the run-up to Labour's election victory in 1997, business and conservative critics argued that it would cause many job losses. But once it came into effect, many business organisations came to support it, and so did the Tories. Philip Cowley looks back at the early debates, and examines the impact of the minimum wage.

Interviewees who were formerly critical but later came to support the minimum wage include Boris Johnson, Michael Portillo and Jack Dromey, Unite deputy general secretary.

#### **MON 20:30 Crossing Continents (b00lyrb4)**

Bihar

David Goldblatt reports from a small town in the Indian state of Bihar that has turned into something of an academic hothouse. More than 50 students from the poor weaving community of Patwatoli have gained entry to the IITs, India's scientific equivalent of Oxbridge, in the last ten years. It is the week before the annual entrance exam, and the tension among the students is mounting.

#### **MON 21:00 Costing the Earth (b00mbgwf)**

Turbines or Tearooms

All over the country renewable energy schemes are being thwarted by local people determined to stop wind farms and bio-mass plants being built on some of the most beautiful doorsteps in Britain.

In the first of a new series of 'Costing the Earth' Tom Heap asks if radical action is needed to break through the blockade. Should the new planning laws intended to rush through urgently needed road and airport projects be extended to all green energy projects? Or should developers make more effort to get local people on board? If locals can see an immediate financial benefit will they drop their opposition?

Tom Heap travels from Sussex to Orkney to meet the protestors and find out how they can be brought on board the green energy revolution.

#### **MON 21:30 Peston and the Money Men (b00mb9pf)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

#### **MON 21:58 Weather (b00mfhk3)**

The latest weather forecast.

#### **MON 22:00 The World Tonight (b00mb2k6)**

News from a global perspective with Jane Hill

The top US general in Afghanistan calls for a revised military strategy, but will Washington give him the resources he wants?

Political earthquake in Japan brings new party into power.

Colonel Gaddafi prepares to celebrate 40 years as Libyan leader.

Sri Lanka jails prominent journalist.

**MON 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00mb33x)**

Love and Summer

Episode 1

Dermot Crowley reads from the novel by William Trevor about a brief summer love affair in the rural west of Ireland.

In the little town of Rathmoye, Miss Connulty has had years to mourn the youth she never had, and the brief happiness sundered from her. Now, watching from her boarding house, she observes a nascent friendship between Ellie Dillahan, child of an institution, and the newly-arrived Florian Kilderry, a dark-haired young photographer.

Abridged by Sally Marmion.

**MON 23:00 From Jean Brodie to Carrie Bradshaw: Spinsters in Popular Culture (b00ht198)**

Ann Widdecombe explores how single women have been depicted in popular culture. From Dickens's terrifying Miss Havisham and Muriel Spark's Miss Jean Brodie to Carrie Bradshaw in Sex and the City and Bridget Jones, why are single women so often represented as manipulative, bitter, or just desperate for a man?

Ann is content with her single status, and wants to know why it is hard to find examples of truly happy spinsters in books or on screen. She explores the horror that David Lean's depiction of Miss Havisham evoked in many of the generation that came of age in the 1940s. She goes back to her old school in Bath to meet her former teacher and to contemplate the reality of life for single women of that generation.

Ann finds out why the author of Not Married, Not Bothered, Carol Clewlow, believes that even today Jane Austen is capable of being a 'spinster heroine' and why many women seem to loathe the word 'spinster'. She also asks whether Carrie Bradshaw and Bridget Jones have as much to offer us as Barbara Pym's 'excellent women' of the 1950s and 60s.

Finally, she discovers that the word 'spinster' might be loathed, but it is far from defunct, as some journalists are now referring to single men as 'male spinsters'.

**MON 23:30 Lives in a Landscape (b00fkwl8)**

Series 4

The Queens of Coal

Documentary series telling original stories about real lives in Britain today.

Alan Dein meets former Coal Queens at a reunion of these former beauty queens who were elected by miners to represent their mines.

In the days of coal, each pit used to elect a Coal Queen to represent the mine. The daughter or granddaughter of a miner would be put forward and if she claimed the crown, she went on to compete in county and even national championships. A recent reunion of Coal Queens brought together former beauty queens from all over the coal mining regions of England, along with their memories and memorabilia. Alan Dein meets them and explores the lives of two in particular to hear how that event, in their youth, changed the course of their lives.

Helen Coleman went on to open a beauty salon and married the drummer of Britain's leading Queen tribute band. Maureen Griffiths ran a working men's club and is still remembered by locals for that golden day in 1951. Both have watched the changing face of life after coal. The Miners' Strike of 1984 brought an end to the Coal Queen tradition and changed pit community life forever, but what has happened since and why has a tradition like the Coal Queen beauty pageant endured in the memories of older generations while the teenagers barely know what coal is?

**TUESDAY 01 SEPTEMBER 2009**

**TUE 00:00 Midnight News (b00m9hc2)**

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

**TUE 00:30 Book of the Week (b00m69k2)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Monday]

**TUE 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hgk)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**TUE 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m9hpk)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

**TUE 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hhh)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**TUE 05:30 News Briefing (b00m9hwt)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**TUE 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00m9j0c)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Robert Tosh.

**TUE 05:45 Farming Today (b00m9j5g)**

A new UK and world record has been set with the sale of a sheep for 231,000 thousand pounds. Deveronvale Perfection was sold at the Scottish National Texel sale and his price beat the previous world record, held by an Australian Merino, by around 100,000 pounds. Charlotte Smith talks to the farmer who is now nearly a quarter of a million pounds better off.

Also, the highs and lows of farming. We speak to a family selling up after nearly 100 years milking cows.

**TUE 06:00 Today (b00m9nxp)**

Presented by James Naughtie and Evan Davis.

Conservative MP Daniel Kawczynski discusses evidence that Lockerbie bomber Abdelbaset Ali al-Megrahi's release was not merely an act of compassion.

Fire Inspector Frederic Stowers gives a first-hand account of attempts to fight wildfires in California.

Correspondent Nicola Stanbridge retraces the journey of one World War II evacuee from town to country.

Lord Baker discusses the change in education policy which will revive dedicated training schools not seen since the 1950s.

Mike Turner, chairman of the Defence Industries Council, discusses the importance of continued investment in the industry.

Correspondent Michael Buchanan analyses the MI5 files on the American actor and producer Sam Wanamaker.

Konstantin Kosachev, chairman foreign affairs committee of the Russian parliament, discusses Russian attempts to rewrite the history books.

Thought for the Day with Canon Dr Alan Billings, an Anglican priest.

Prof Bryan Hoskins of Imperial College, London discusses whether there are geo-engineering solutions to climate change.

A Libyan cabinet minister has said that Abdelbaset Ali al-Megrahi's release has 'opened the avenue for developing political relations' between his country and the UK.

Sir Alan Jones and Prof Alan Smithers discuss the role of vocational Diploma courses.

James Naughtie goes to a football match to discuss the beautiful game with commentator John Motson.

Correspondent Kevin Connolly travels around the north-eastern United States to assess the state of its economy.

Director of the Poetry Society Judith Palmer discusses the contenders in the BBC's search for the nation's favourite poet.

Military historian Richard Holmes and Prof Norman Davies debate whether or not Britain should be held responsible for the fate of Poland in WWII.

**TUE 09:00 The House I Grew Up In (b00mbhqv)**

Series 3

Baroness Jane Campbell

Wendy Robbins presents a series revisiting the childhood neighbourhoods of influential Britons.

Disability campaigner Baroness Jane Campbell takes Wendy back to her childhood home in New Malden, Surrey, where she remembers being dressed up as a Barbie doll and wanting to be no different from her able-bodied friends.

**TUE 09:30 Lost, Stolen or Shredded (b00mbhqx)**

Series 2

The Cradle of Civilisation

Series of programmes in which antiquarian book dealer Rick Gekoski tells the stories that lie behind five very different missing works of art.

One of the little-reported but culturally significant effects of the war in Iraq has been the loss of works of antiquity from the country's museums. From the Iraq Museum in Baghdad alone, it is estimated that 15,000 objects dating from the dawn of civilisation have disappeared.

Rick Gekoski examines how and why these Mesopotamian artefacts were looted and speculates on what may have happened to them.

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

**TUE 09:45 Book of the Week (b00m5xnz)**

Newton And The Counterfeiter

Episode 2

Crawford Logan reads from Thomas Levenson's biography of Isaac Newton and his rivalry with one of 17th-century London's most accomplished and daring criminals, William Chaloner.

The foundation of the Bank of England and the first bank notes provide a new business opportunity for arch-counterfeiter William Chaloner.

**TUE 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00m9ph6)**

WWII child evacuees; Disabled siblings

The experiences of Second World War child evacuees. Plus, whose responsibility is it to look after a disabled sibling when a parent dies?

**TUE 11:00 Nature (b00mbkk0)**

Series 3

The Sea of Cortez

The Sea of Cortez, off the coast of Mexico, is a whale and dolphin hotspot where the widest variety of cetaceans on earth can be found in one place. Along with close encounters with whales, Tessa McGregor also reflects on the prophetic words of Ed Ricketts and John Steinbeck in their book, The Log of the Sea of Cortez.

**TUE 11:30 Twice Ken is Plenty: The Lost Script of Kenneth Williams (b00mbkk2)**

A special broadcast of a lost script written for Kenneth Home and Kenneth Williams in 1966 by Home and his ghost writer, Mollie Millest. Robin Sebastian and Jonathan Rigby take the lead roles as the two Kenneths, with contributions from Charles Armstrong, who takes on the role as the announcer.

The plot, evoking memories of Round the Horne, finds the two Kenneths working together in advance of their own radio programme and follows them as they journey around Broadcasting House meeting a weird and wonderful assortment of characters.

The script was discovered by writer and broadcaster Wes Butters, who purchased a collection of Kenneth Williams memorabilia from Williams's godson. Butters introduces the performance, which was recorded at the BBC Radio Theatre in London and features old sound effects and props, including the famous door from the popular Tommy Handley radio series, It's That Man Again.

**TUE 12:00 You and Yours (b00m9ty5)**

Call You and Yours

Consumer news and issues with Julian Worricker.

The 'Staycation'.

Your experiences of holidaying in Britain.

**TUE 12:57 Weather (b00m9xwg)**

The latest weather forecast.

**TUE 13:00 World at One (b00m9y0s)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**TUE 13:30 Soul Music (b00mbkk4)**

Series 8

Allegri's Miserere

Allegri wrote the chord sequence for his Miserere in the 1630s

for use in the Sistine Chapel during Holy Week.

It then went through the hands of a 12-year-old Mozart, Mendelssohn and Liszt until it finally reached England in the early 20th century and got fixed into the version we know today.

The soaring soprano line that hits the famous top C and never fails to thrill has become a firm favourite for concert audiences around the world.

Textile designer Kaffe Fassett, writer Sarah Manguso and conductor Roy Goodman explain how they have all been deeply affected by this beautiful piece of music.

With Peter Phillips.

Series exploring famous pieces of music and their emotional appeal.

Producer: Rosie Boulton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2009.

**TUE 14:00 The Archers (b00m9yhm)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Monday]

**TUE 14:15 Drama (b00mbz1h)**

Hindenburg

By Christopher William Hill. Helen Ashbourne, a reclusive English former photographer living in New York, is approached by gallery owner Josh, who hopes to display her collection of photographs taken aboard the airship Hindenburg. But as arrangements for the exhibition progress, suspicions are aroused about her past and exactly what she was doing in Germany in 1937, before she boarded the fated airship.

Helen ..... Sian Phillips  
Josh ..... Corey Johnson  
Annie ..... Fenella Woolgar  
Yusef ..... Raad Rawi.

**TUE 15:00 Home Planet (b00mb158)**

We all know that mighty oaks spring from tiny acorns, and that some trees can reach a truly massive girth. Why then, asks one listener, are so many urban trees planted in girdles of concrete with no room to expand? Are they doomed to die as they outgrow their constraints, or do the planters know something we don't about tree growth?

Have you ever sat in your car at a traffic light thinking that there has to be a better way to manage traffic? One listener writes to ask whether it would be possible to coordinate traffic control measures to ease vehicles through congested areas, reducing carbon emissions at the same time.

Sticking with carbon dioxide release, why is it that, despite huge amounts pouring into our atmosphere, global temperatures have gone down over the last seven years?

If you have spent any time on Britain's south coast this year you may have noticed huge growths of seaweed blanketing beaches, mudflats and harbours. Rather than letting it rot, could it be harvested and put to good use as fertiliser or fuel for biodigesters? And when does planting forests cause more problems than it solves?

Teasing these questions apart are Prof Philip Stott, forestry expert Dr Anna Lawrence, and Prof Andrew Watkinson, the chair of Living With Environmental Change. As always we want to hear your comments on the topics discussed and any questions you might want to put to future programmes.

Don't forget we want to hear your observations of House Martins; have they returned this year and when, and have they bred successfully?

**TUE 15:30 The Heart of Saturday Night (b00mb19q)**

Come On Up to the House

'Come On Up to the House', by acclaimed Scottish writer A L Kennedy, is the first in a series of stories inspired by the distinctive world created by the legendary musician Tom Waits - a dark and sometimes sleazy world peopled by down-at-heel characters on the edge of society, or outcasts singing of loss and longing. In this story, inspired by a Waits track of the same name, a man finds himself reaching out to a perfect stranger in the wee small hours of the morning.

The reader is the acclaimed actor, Peter Capaldi, best known for his film roles in Local Hero and more recently in The Loop, in which he reprised his extraordinary creation, spin doctor Malcolm Tucker from Armando Iannucci's The Thick of It.

Author: A L Kennedy is a distinguished Scottish author and stand-up comedian who has won awards both for her short stories and novels. In 2003 she was nominated by Granta magazine as one of 20 'Best of Young British Novelists'.

Produced by Justine Willett.

**TUE 15:45 I Was a Child Prodigy (b00d914d)**

Episode 2

Chris Ledgard presents a series looking at the lives of people who were labelled child prodigies.

Jocelyn Lavin shone both academically and musically at primary school. She won a place at the prestigious Chetham's School in Manchester, where she was a classmate of Anna Markland, BBC Young Musician of the Year in 1982. But she can't find a job and doesn't understand why her talents seem to mean nothing to potential employers. Jocelyn and Anna reflect on their fortunes since leaving school.

**TUE 16:00 A Small Business (b00mbm3d)**

Episode 2

Liz Barclay travels the UK meeting the passionate owners of the small businesses which keep our economy running.

Does keeping it in the family make for better business? How do you avoid accusations of nepotism? What happens if junior doesn't want to take over the reins? And just how do you sack Dad?

**TUE 16:30 Great Lives (b00mbm3g)**

Series 19

Sir Kyffin Williams

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

Rolf Harris discusses the life of the Welsh painter Sir Kyffin Williams. Famous for his paintings inspired by the north Wales landscape, Williams never chose to be a painter; he was told by a doctor to take up art for his health when he was diagnosed with epilepsy. Prof Derec Llwyd Morgan joins the discussion.

**TUE 17:00 PM (b00m9z31)**

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

**TUE 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00mb0ml)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**TUE 18:30 That Mitchell and Webb Sound (b00mbm3j)**

Series 4

Episode 2

"Make Me a Celebrity Centaur", an exciting new reality show that features cutting edge surgery and some horses.

Sketch show starring David Mitchell and Robert Webb,

With Sarah Hadland, Olivia Colman and James Bachman.

Producer Gareth Edwards

Firs broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2009.

**TUE 19:00 The Archers (b00m9yh7)**

Shula has persuaded Daniel to go shopping for new shirts when Jim turns up in the Riley. He offers to take Daniel for a spin. Daniel readily agrees, leaving Shula to go shopping on her own.

Jim lets Daniel have a go behind the wheel in one of Shula's paddocks. Jim thinks he's a natural but suddenly Daniel collides with some electric fence posts. Danie's really apologetic and desperately worried what Shula will say. Jim says he'll tell her, but Daniel insists. Shula is furious, but Jim and Daniel don't hang around to listen for long.

Whilst Martyn is getting coffee at the Borchester Land meeting, Brian asks Annabelle for her support later in the meeting. Ed wants to lease some Estate land to extend his dairy herd.

Unfortunately during the meeting Martyn and Gerry are reluctant to tie into another tenancy - especially with a Grundy. They know every trick in the book and could be a recipe for disaster. Brian and Annabelle assure them that Ed is extremely hard-working. Finally they are reassured and both agree. Annabelle accuses Brian of going soft in his old age but Brian is determined to get this one through.

Episode written by Simon Frith.

**TUE 19:15 Front Row (b00mb0sp)**

Margaret Atwood Interview

Booker Prize-winning writer Margaret Atwood discusses her new novel, in which a 'waterless flood' obliterates nearly all human life on Earth.

The chef challenges the choirmaster as Jamie Oliver and Gareth Malone go head to head in the TV schedules. Rachel Cooke reviews Oliver's latest culinary quest and Malone's attempt to get a community singing.

Ruth Reed discusses her appointment as the first female President of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), the UK body for architecture and the architectural profession.

**TUE 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00mb13f)**

Writing the Century 10 - Tom and Stella

Episode 2

Series exploring the 20th century through diaries and correspondence of real people, dramatised by Vanessa Rosenthal.

The relationship between a young Jewish drama student and a divorcee 13 years her senior in the mid-1960s.

Stella Kaufman is a Jewish girl from Manchester studying drama in London. Much to the disapproval of her parents, she is in a relationship with Gentile Tom Rennard, who is older and a divorcee.

Stella ..... Rebecca Callard  
Tom ..... John Lightbody  
Dr Kaufman ..... David Fleeshman  
Mrs Kaufman ..... Olwen May  
Susie ..... Fiona Clarke.

**TUE 20:00 Divided Britain (b00mbm3i)**

Gerry Northam follows headteacher Mike Tull as he continues his attempts to bridge ethnic divisions through education, as part of a radical scheme to tackle underachievement and segregation in Lancashire mill towns.

**TUE 20:40 In Touch (b00mbm3n)**

The BBC claims it is the first broadcaster in the world to include audio description in its video-on-demand service. Originally expected to be available from April, the iPlayer is now finally showing some audio-described content chosen from the 25 hours of weekly TV output. The BBC's Head of Audience Experience and Usability, Jonathan Hassell, explains how to access the programmes, how they are chosen and whether enough content is made accessible in this way.

Also, reporter Dave Kent finds out how the blind guerrilla gardener Sean Canovan manages to make his street a prettier place, working by night to plant a variety of blooms while avoiding what local pets leave behind.

**TUE 21:00 Case Notes (b00mbm3q)**

Ultrasound

Dr Mark Porter traces the rise of the use of ultrasound in medicine. He visits Dr Kypros Nicolaides's foetal medicine clinic, where he finds out how state-of-the-art ultrasound is being used to check the development of pregnancies.

**TUE 21:30 The House I Grew Up In (b00mbhqy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**TUE 21:58 Weather (b00mb2hx)**

The latest weather forecast.

**TUE 22:00 The World Tonight (b00mb2jy)**

News from a global perspective with Ritula Shah.

The government and the Scottish Executive publish their Lockerbie documents, leading to accusations of double dealing.

Why is the Russian view of WWII so different to ours?

Five years after the school siege in Beslan, a report on the mother who is still seeking justice.

The African Union says the war in Darfur is over; is it?

A report on assisted suicide in Montana.

**TUE 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00mb33z)**

Love and Summer

Episode 2

Dermot Crowley reads from the novel by William Trevor about a brief summer love affair in the rural west of Ireland.

Ellie Dillahan, child of an institution, married too young to a good man haunted by a moment's misjudgement, has been disturbed by the arrival of a dark-haired young photographer in Rathmoye. While for Florian Kilderry, the child of exiles, about to go into exile himself, the girl on the bicycle might offer a moment's friendship and the chance to forget.

Abridged by Sally Marmion.

**TUE 23:00 Heresy (b00jhn6)**

Series 6

Episode 1

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

**TUE 23:30 The Hollow Men (b008ds14)**

Series 2

Episode 5

Comic sketch show written and performed by David Armand, Rupert Russell, Sam Spedding and Nick Tanner, with Katy Brand.

**WEDNESDAY 02 SEPTEMBER 2009****WED 00:00 Midnight News (b00m9hc4)**

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

**WED 00:30 Book of the Week (b00m5xnz)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Tuesday]

**WED 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hgm)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**WED 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m9hpm)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

**WED 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hhm)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**WED 05:30 News Briefing (b00m9hww)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**WED 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00m9j0f)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Robert Tosh.

**WED 05:45 Farming Today (b00m9j5j)**

The severe floods of 2007 not only affected people's homes but also left animals drowned and crops destroyed. Farmland can be used to take water on board to reduce the risk to homes. Caz Graham hears claims from one farmer that not enough is being done to clear our rivers. Farmland needs more protection to ensure we can produce the food we need for the future, he argues.

**WED 06:00 Today (b00m9nrx)**

Presented by James Naughtie and Evan Davis.

Former Foreign Office minister Bill Rammell discusses his involvement in the release of Lockerbie bomber Abdelbaset Ali al-Megrahi.

Climate Change Secretary Ed Miliband says it is an uphill struggle to make a deal with China and India on climate change.

The first baby conceived with the help of a new egg screening technique has been born. Professor Simon Fishel discusses how the method works.

Economics editor Stephanie Flanders examines figures showing personal debt in the UK has fallen for the first time since records began.

Poppy cultivation and production in Afghanistan has decreased sharply, according to a United Nations report. Professor Rory Stewart discusses what could have caused the decline.

Angus Stickler reports on a report detailing failings in military air accident investigation procedures.

Thought for the Day with The Right Reverend James Jones, Bishop of Liverpool.

Foreign Secretary David Miliband rejects allegations that the release of the Lockerbie bomber was linked to 'some kind of deal'.

Tory leader David Cameron accuses the government of a 'catastrophic misjudgement' over the decision to release Abdelbaset al-Megrahi.

Sir David King says he fears geoengineering could be used as an excuse for inaction on climate change.

Historians Helen Rappaport and Lisa Hilton discuss whether women are guilty of 'feminising' their subject and inflating the role of women in history.

South Asia correspondent Chris Morris talks to Antonio Costa of the UN about how the war on drugs in Afghanistan is being fought.

Defence minister Kevan Jones says major changes have taken place in investigating military air accidents.

Correspondent Nick Bryant reports on the 'dysfunctional' space in the Sydney Opera House.

Associate Editor of The Sun Trevor Kavanagh and Roy Greenslade, Professor of Journalism at City University, discuss the influence of The Sun newspaper.

**WED 09:00 Between Ourselves (b00mbynr)**

Series 4

Episode 5

Olivia O'Leary presents the series which brings together two people who have had profound and similar experiences, to hear their individual stories and compare the long-term effects on each of their lives.

Olivia talks to two personal columnists, Katherine Whitehorn, who wrote for The Observer, and Liz Jones, who writes for You magazine. They discuss when getting personal is too personal, how their friends and families react to being written about and what the changing face of columns in the last 50 years tells us about women's lives.

**WED 09:30 Very Amazing: Behind the Scenes at the V and A (b00mbynt)**

Episode 5

Rosie Goldsmith goes behind the scenes at London's Victoria and Albert Museum as it attempts to transform itself from 'the nation's attic' to a 'very amazing' modern museum.

Rosie joins V & A curators in India to consider the museum's growing international work.

**WED 09:45 Book of the Week (b00m5xp1)**

Newton And The Counterfeiter

Episode 3

Crawford Logan reads from Thomas Levenson's biography of Isaac Newton and his rivalry with one of 17th-century London's most accomplished and daring criminals, William Chaloner.

Newly released from Newgate prison, William Chaloner advises Parliament on corruption at the heart of the Royal Mint.

**WED 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00m9ph8)**

Banarama; Author Sadie Jones; High heels in the work place

Banarama on their 27 year career in pop. Plus, author Sadie Jones; women and policing; and the politics of high heels in the workplace.

**WED 11:00 Random Edition (b00mbynw)**

Outbreak of War Special

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

He revisits the pages of The Guardian for September 4, 1939 to re-create stories from the previous day, when Neville

Chamberlain announced Britain's declaration of war on Germany. Within hours a U-boat had sunk the passenger liner Athenia. London taxi drivers rushed to join the Auxiliary Fire Service. Novelist Jilly Cooper describes how pets fared in the crisis, and singer Gracie Fields was back home but heading for trouble.

**WED 11:30 Ayres on the Air (b00mbz1c)**

Series 3

On Yer Bike

Pam Ayres returns with a new series packed with poetry, anecdotes and sketches.

Pam is joined by Geoffrey Whitehead and Felicity Montagu for poems about French cycling holidays, the up-side to riding a tandem, getting fit on gym bikes and how to banish the middle-age blues by getting kitted out with a motorbike and leathers.

**WED 12:00 You and Yours (b00m9tyh)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson.

**WED 12:57 Weather (b00m9xwj)**

The latest weather forecast.

**WED 13:00 World at One (b00m9y0v)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**WED 13:30 The Media Show (b00mbz1f)**

To the fury of other broadcasters, Sky has broken ranks in a bid to host an election debate with party leaders. What are the chances of a Brown versus Cameron head-to-head, and why has Sky decided to go it alone?

Tim Davie's first public appearance as BBC Director of Audio and Music wasn't quite the one he may have planned; just six weeks into the job, the former Pepsi marketing man found himself defending Jonathan Ross and Russell Brand as the 'Sachsgate' scandal hit the headlines. Now, a year into the job, he talks about the salaries of BBC stars and managers, why James Murdoch is wrong to blame the BBC for the commercial sector's woes, and why he wants to make BBC radio more distinctive.

**WED 14:00 The Archers (b00m9yh7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 14:15 Brief Lives (b007ntnz)**

Series 1

Episode 1

Series by Tom Fry and Sharon Kelly, set in a Manchester legal practice.

When Dee Dee's estranged son is arrested for shoplifting, only his stepfather Frank Twist can come to the rescue.

Frank ..... David Schofield  
Dee Dee ..... Denise Welch  
Ben ..... Kwame Kwei Armah  
James ..... Mikey North  
Johnny ..... Andrew Schofield  
McGregor/Milo ..... Rod Matthew  
DC Highton ..... James Quinn  
DC Price ..... Deborah McAndrew.

**WED 15:00 Money Box (b00m83p6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

**WED 15:30 The Heart of Saturday Night (b00mbx1b)**

Muriel

Ed Stoppard reads the next in the series of stories inspired by the distinctive world created by the legendary musician Tom Waits - a sleazy world peopled by down-at-heel characters on the edge of society, or outcasts and deadbeats singing of loss and longing. In US author Willy Vlautin's story, a small-town forklift truck-driver returns to his old neighbourhood and the bar he used to drink in before his breakdown. All the characters are still there, but he can't help but notice how they all do their best to avoid mentioning his dead wife Muriel.

The reader is Ed Stoppard.

The Author: US novelist and singer/songwriter Willy Vlautin grew up in Reno, Nevada. His first novel, The Motel Life, was published by Faber & Faber in 2006. He is also the songwriter and vocalist for the internationally acclaimed band, Richmond



Fontaine, whose album *The Fitzgerald* (2005) was described by *Q* magazine as 'the most beautiful sad album of the year'.

Produced by Justine Willett.

**WED 15:45 I Was a Child Prodigy (b00djcl)**  
Episode 3

Chris Ledgard presents a series looking at the lives of people who were labelled child prodigies.

Demis Hassabis was once the highest-ranked twelve-year-old chess player in the world. He wanted a career in chess and hoped one day to become world champion. Then he gave up playing the game seriously, a decision he doesn't regret. Why does chess have such a hold on so many bright young people? International Masters Bill Hartston and Malcolm Pein join the debate.

**WED 16:00 Thinking Allowed (b00mbz1k)**  
Return Migration - Pensioners and Identity Politics

Laurie Taylor explores the latest research into how society works.

A new book explores what happens to people who return to the island of Dominica, the land of their birth, after living for many years in the UK. Research suggests around 25 per cent of the Caribbean population will go back to their country of origin, either to work or on retirement. But what are the forces which dictate this decision, and why do some people choose to go home and others choose to stay here? Research suggests that definitions of home are changing as the world contracts due to global communication and transport. Laurie talks to Dr Margaret Byron, a social geographer, and the writer Mike Phillips about the meaning of return migration.

Also, the limits of 'silver power'; why old age doesn't lend itself to collective political action and identity. New research finds that the pensioner movements of the interwar years, which helped shape the postwar welfare state, have declined in importance. Laurie discusses the politics of ageing and pensioner power with Prof Paul Higgs.

**WED 16:30 Case Notes (b00mbm3q)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 17:00 PM (b00m9z33)**  
Full coverage and analysis of the day's news with Eddie Mair. Plus Weather.

**WED 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00mb0mn)**  
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**WED 18:30 Chain Reaction (b00h8q40)**  
Series 5

Robert Llewellyn interviews Dave Gorman

'Red Dwarf' actor Robert Llewellyn chats to 'Genius' comedian Dave Gorman.

Chain Reaction is the tag talk show, where the guest becomes the interviewer in the next episode.

Dave Gorman is best known for shows like *Are You Dave Gorman?*, *Googlewhack* and *Adventure and Genius*.

Robert asks Dave about cycling across Britain, online stalkers and life-threatening trips to Mexico.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2009.

**WED 19:00 The Archers (b00m9yh9)**  
Nigel lets Elizabeth have a lie-in. He brings up the subject of her mysterious early morning disappearance the week before, and a cryptic note from Titcombe. Elizabeth is vague and Nigel's puzzled why it's so secretive.

Later, Lynda thinks Elizabeth should tell Nigel, as he may get the wrong idea, but Elizabeth says she she'll keep him guessing.

Peggy's tense about Brian's visit. Jennifer reassures her. Brian tells her the money news is mixed. Peggy wants the bad news first but she didn't realise how serious the situation was. Brian and Jennifer try to calm her down by saying all is not too bad. Peggy still thinks it's her fault. She should have kept on top of things. Brian suggests that she seek advice from his financial advisor. Reassured Peggy realises that money is not everything. Some things are far more important.

At the Memorial Garden, Lynda and Elizabeth are measuring a space for some trellis when suddenly Nigel and Jennifer appear. Elizabeth wants to know why Nigel is following her. Nigel suddenly clicks - guerrilla gardening! He thinks it's a wonderful idea, but Elizabeth tells him it's a deadly secret. He assures her he won't breathe a word.

Episode written by Simon Frith.

**WED 19:15 Front Row (b00mb0sr)**  
Joanna Lumley discusses her new two-part documentary which explores the history of the cat and also talks about her long career as actress, campaigner and documentary maker.

Antonia Quirke reviews *District 9*, a South African film about extra-terrestrial refugees who are forced to live in a Johannesburg township, which has taken the American box office by storm.

Miss Marple returns to ITV for a new series, with Julia McKenzie replacing Geraldine McEwan in the title role. She stars alongside a cast which includes Matthew MacFadyen, Prunella Scales, the late Ken Campbell and the late Wendy Richard. McKenzie talks to Mark Lawson about the difficulties of taking on the role.

**WED 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00mb19f)**  
Writing the Century 10 - Tom and Stella

Episode 3

Series exploring the 20th century through diaries and correspondence of real people, dramatised by Vanessa Rosenthal.

The relationship between a young Jewish drama student and a divorcee 13 years her senior.

It is 1965 and Stella gets her first professional job as an actress, but it means more separation for her and Tom.

Stella ..... Rebecca Callard  
Tom ..... John Lightbody  
Frankie ..... Christine Brennan  
Nigel ..... Greg Wood  
Bank Manager ..... Roger Morledge.

**WED 20:00 The Atheist and the Bishop (b00mbzvw)**  
Episode 3

Series in which an atheist and a bishop come together to apply their own philosophies to the experiences of people they meet, with Jane Little chairing the discussion.

Lord Harries of Pentregarth, the former Bishop of Oxford, and Dr Julian Baggini, editor of *The Philosophers' Magazine*, take on power and wealth.

They visit a church which is challenging the Establishment on the treatment of the homeless, hear from a social entrepreneur who is creating wealth for poor communities in India and Nepal, and visit the House of Lords to examine the role of religion in public life.

**WED 20:45 Britain's White House (b00mbzvy)**  
Episode 1

Sadiq Khan MP remembers the careers of Britain's first Asian MPs. Dadabhai Naoroji and Sir Mancherjee Merwanjee Bhownagree entered the House of Commons in 1892 and 1895, but, as Sadiq finds out, some of the challenges they faced are still relevant to today's political world.

**WED 21:00 Nature (b00mbkk0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]

**WED 21:30 Between Ourselves (b00mbynr)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**WED 21:58 Weather (b00mb2hz)**  
The latest weather forecast.

**WED 22:00 The World Tonight (b00mb2k0)**  
National and international news and analysis with David Eades.

New evidence of fraud in Afghanistan's election.

Robin Lustig reports on Japan's immigration dilemma.

The table tennis star who finally has a girlfriend.

What the Lockerbie debacle tells us about devolution.

Boris battles Brussels on City regulation.

Vancouver's middle-class drugs gangs.

**WED 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00mb341)**  
Love and Summer

Episode 3

Dermot Crowley reads from the novel by William Trevor about a brief summer love affair in the rural west of Ireland.

For Ellie Dillahan, the arrival of Florian Kilderry in Rathmoye has opened up a whole new world. For Florian, about to leave behind all he knows and the crumbling house in which he has always lived, the girl in the blue dress offers a summer's friendship and a chance to forget the love of his life.

Abridged by Sally Marmion.

**WED 23:00 Cowards (b00772j)**  
Series 1

Episode 2

Elephant rides and bear fights in the bizarre world of the comedy sketch show team.

Featuring the talents of writers and performers Tom Basden, Stefan Golaszewski, Tim Key and Lloyd Woolf.

Producer: Victoria Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2007.

**WED 23:30 Kicking the Habit (b007x6jb)**  
Series 1

Nights to Remember

Comedy-drama by Christopher Lee, set in a Carmelite monastery where the brown habit is no protection against the problems and temptations of the modern world.

Brother Butterscotch's Fresh Whip turns out to be a commercial success, but Father Michael's plan to make the lives of the older brothers more comfortable might not be such a good idea.

Father Bertie ..... Alfred Molina  
Brother Martin ..... Roy Dotrice  
Father Michael ..... Martin Jarvis  
Brother Luke ..... Darren Richardson  
Mave ..... Rosalind Ayres

Directed by Pete Atkin.

#### THURSDAY 03 SEPTEMBER 2009

**THU 00:00 Midnight News (b00m9hc6)**  
The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4. Followed by Weather.

**THU 00:30 Book of the Week (b00m5xp1)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Wednesday]

**THU 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hgp)**  
The latest shipping forecast.

**THU 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m9hpp)**  
BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

**THU 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hhp)**  
The latest shipping forecast.

**THU 05:30 News Briefing (b00m9hwy)**  
The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**THU 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00m9j0h)**  
Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Robert Tosh.

**THU 05:45 Farming Today (b00m9j5l)**  
Charlotte Smith investigates how the rain has affected this summer's harvest, and looks at the government's review of the much-maligned Rural Payments Agency.

**THU 06:00 Today (b00m9nxt)**

Presented by John Humphrys and Sarah Montague.

Businessman Sir Gerry Robinson discusses why, according to the Department of Health, many NHS services need more staff not less.

Correspondent Andy Gallagher reports on whether Megan's Law is working in the US. Professor Alisdair Gillespie discusses how the law works in the UK.

NASA advisor John Logsdon discusses NASA's budget to put a man back on the moon.

Caroline Wyatt reports on the 1st Battalion the Royal Anglian Regiment's preparations for a return to Afghanistan.

Security expert Will Geddes reflects on the news that a body, believed to be that of a British security guard kidnapped more than two years ago, has been returned by Iraqi authorities to UK officials.

Professor Peter Millard discusses why he believes the new NHS guidelines are causing a national crisis in patient care.

Thought for the Day with Professor Mona Siddiqui, of the University of Glasgow.

Sir George Cox and Dr Paul Woolley debate if the world's financial institutions are too big.

Carl Emmerson, of the Institute for Fiscal Studies, and Niall Dickson, of the King's Fund, discuss future NHS funding.

Historians Dr Nigel Knight and Sir Max Hastings discuss whether Winston Churchill adopted the right strategy in World War II.

Jahid Mohseni of the Moby Group, which owns Afghanistan's most popular television station, considers who will be the next president.

Correspondent Rajini Vaidyanathan visits Harefield in Greater London to report on the school which, after it became an academy, has seen a marked improvement in results.

Comedian David Baddiel tries to persuade John Humphrys of the benefits of Twitter.

Tom Feilden reports attempts to analyse the neurology of psychopaths. Professor Steven Rose discusses the dangers of using brain scans to diagnose psychopathology.

Willie Lebus, of Bibendum Wine Ltd, discuss why many wines, according to research published in the Journal of Wine Economics, are viewed as extraordinarily good at some competitions but viewed as below average at others.

**THU 09:00 No Triumph, No Tragedy (b00mcv5q)**

Peter White talks to disabled people who have bucked the odds and achieved outstanding success in a variety of fields.

Peter meets US army helicopter pilot Major Tammy Duckworth. She recounts the ambush in Iraq which led to her helicopter being shot down, resulting in her losing both legs. While recovering in the Walter Reed Hospital, she tells how she counted backwards using an old clock to convince herself that she was still alive. She says that she went five days without sleep, wracked with guilt that she had crashed her helicopter.

Out of hospital, Tammy became an opponent of the war and decided to run for Congress, just a few months into her rehabilitation. Although she was narrowly beaten in the election, she is now working in President Obama's team to improve the welfare of veterans.

Tammy describes how she rejected a realistic-looking feminine leg, which only reminded her of what she had lost, in favour of a robotic machine which would enable her to fly solo, drive and dive again, all of which she has now achieved.

**THU 09:30 Islam, Mullahs and the Media (b00mcv5s)**

Islamophobia

Writer Kenan Malik explores how perceptions of Islam have been shaped by the media.

Kenan discusses Islamophobia with Inayat Bunglawala of the Muslim Council of Britain and others. Kenan questions the concept of Islamophobia, while acknowledging the reality of anti-Muslim prejudice and the dangers of self-censorship in an increasingly heated debate.

**THU 09:45 Book of the Week (b00m5xp3)**

Newton And The Counterfeiter

Episode 4

Crawford Logan reads from Thomas Levenson's biography of Isaac Newton and his rivalry with one of 17th-century London's most accomplished and daring criminals, William Chaloner.

The Warden of the Royal Mint sets out to crush his accuser, the self-appointed counterfeiting expert William Chaloner.

**THU 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00m9phb)**

Brooke Kinsella; Pre-school reading

Actress Brooke Kinsella on the murder of her brother Ben. Plus, the allure of Brigitte Bardot; and should children be learning to read at home?

**THU 11:00 Crossing Continents (b00mcvgd)**

Gangland in Paradise

With a spectacular natural setting and a prosperous but laid-back lifestyle, Vancouver is routinely named one of the best communities in the world in which to live.

But this west coast Canadian city, host to the 2010 Winter Olympics, is quickly developing another reputation. Bill Law tells the story of the young gangsters who are exploiting legal loopholes to build a multi-billion dollar illicit drugs industry using a combination of business savvy and bullets.

**THU 11:30 Biggles: Adventures Through Time (b00mcvgg)**

Alexander Armstrong explores the lasting appeal of action hero Biggles and examines the life of his creator, Captain WE Johns.

Captain James Bigglesworth could easily have been found in any Royal Flying Corps mess during the grand days of 1917 and 1918 when air combat had become the order of the day and air duelling was a fine art. The 'spirit' of Biggles still exists today, and his influence and impact can be seen on screen, music and in numerous comic parodies. Biggles memorabilia is much sought after by collectors, who bid thousands of pounds on internet auction sites.

His adventures through time total almost 100 books, which have seen him journey through two world wars, finally ending with the Special Air Police. He first took to the skies in 1916 in his FE2 'pusher' and made his final descent, 50 years later, in a Hawker Hunter.

Armstrong examines Biggles' origins and how the character contrasts with that of his creator. He reveals why the Biggles books were also surprisingly enjoyed by women, considering their negative portrayal in them. He also considers whether some of Biggles' stories, with their perceived imperialist and alleged racist content, are still acceptable reading in public libraries and schools today.

With readings by Geoffrey Wheeler the programme is written and produced by Stephen Garner

**THU 12:00 You and Yours (b00m9typ)**

Consumer news and issues with Winifred Robinson.

**THU 12:57 Weather (b00m9xwl)**

The latest weather forecast.

**THU 13:00 World at One (b00m9y0x)**

National and international news with Martha Kearney.

**THU 13:30 Costing the Earth (b00mbgwf)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 21:00 on Monday]

**THU 14:00 The Archers (b00m9yh9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Wednesday]

**THU 14:15 Drama (b00mcvyc)**

Fireflies

By Tena Štivičić. Chance encounters and strange revelations abound as six people wait in a weather-stricken airport.

Martin ..... James Fleet  
Clara ..... Helena Breck  
Olga ..... Lizzy Watts  
Oliver ..... David Hargreaves  
Jeanne ..... Annabelle Dowler  
Nate ..... Stephen Hogan  
Customs Officer/Felipe (bartender) ..... Benjamin Askew  
Loud speaker announcer/Charles ..... Philip Fox

Music composed and performed by Russell Taylor and Steve

Cooke.

Directed by Peter Kavanagh.

**THU 15:00 Open Country (b00m82lx)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:07 on Saturday]

**THU 15:27 Radio 4 Appeal (b00m8p7g)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:55 on Sunday]

**THU 15:30 The Heart of Saturday Night (b00mbxdw)**

Step Right Up

'Step Right Up' is the next in the series of stories inspired by the distinctive world created by the legendary musician Tom Waits - a sleazy world peopled by down-at-heel characters on the edge of society, outcasts and deadbeats, hobos and grifters. Huge Waits fan and acclaimed Scottish author Ian Rankin has written a powerful tale, packed with intrigue and menace, set in a London market. A young Jack-the-Lad finds himself taken under the wing of a London market trader, known locally as Saviour. Soon he begins to wonder how his mentor got his name.

Reader: Dominic Cooper.

Produced by Justine Willett.

**THU 15:45 I Was a Child Prodigy (b00dghmg)**

Episode 4

Chris Ledgard presents a series looking at the lives of people who were labelled child prodigies.

Jonathan Cocking could read Shakespeare and remember long sequences of numbers at the age of three. In 1950, he featured in the national press. But Jonathan firmly denies that he was a prodigy and has been living down the label ever since.

**THU 16:00 Open Book (b00m8qvw)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

**THU 16:30 Material World (b00mcvfy)**

Quentin Cooper and guests dissect the week's science.

With two major announcements this summer on improvements to the rail network, transport minister Lord Adonis explains how they should help connect cities and reduce our carbon footprint. With energy analyst Mark Barrett.

A physicist explains how he forecast a collapse of the Shanghai stock market and what it tells us about the dynamics of the financial sector.

With children returning to school this week, two health experts explain how they plan to track the changes in the flu pandemic.

How a gene 7,500 years ago helped us acquire a taste for milk.

**THU 17:00 PM (b00m9z35)**

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

**THU 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00mb0mq)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**THU 18:30 4 at the Fringe (b00mcw5v)**

2009

Episode 2

Micky Flanagan introduces comedy and music from the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, recorded at the Pleasance Theatre and featuring John Gorrillo, Lucy Porter, Alistair McGowan and Tom Basden.

**THU 19:00 The Archers (b00m9yh)**

David gets a call from Pip saying she's missed the bus and wants a lift home. Fortunately Ian is passing and gives her a lift. Pip's annoyed that she can't drive yet. Ian tells her it's never too early to learn - look at Daniel!

Ian tells Adam to forget his footpath meeting and go straight to planning, hoping nobody notices. Adam thinks it's best to be upfront with the locals.

Annoyed David tells Ian he doesn't need him putting ideas about driving into Pip's head. However, he agrees the menu for their 'Meet the farmer, cook the dish' event with Ian and Adam.

Sid's being snappy with Mike, saying that Wayne's the problem and he's got to go. Mike's more worried about his darts match. Roy has let them down. Wayne volunteers, but hasn't played for ages. Sid isn't keen but Mike doesn't want to lose and needs a full team.

The darts match is at a crucial point when Wayne steps up. The Bull's buzzing and it all hangs on Wayne's turn. Mike tells Wayne to stay focused and they'll be rooting for him. Wayne then thrashes the Crown's star player. Sid begrudgingly gets Wayne a pint for saving the day.

Episode written by Simon Frith.

**THU 19:15 Front Row (b00mb0st)**

Bestselling Scottish crime writer Ian Rankin talks to Kirsty Lang about life after his most famous creation, Inspector Rebus, his recent foray into the world of the graphic novel and his new protagonist, Malcolm Fox.

Twenty years after its release, Kirsty discusses Do the Right Thing - Spike Lee's groundbreaking story of racial tensions in Brooklyn - and the film Barack Obama reputedly took wife Michelle to on their first date.

Economist and financial journalist Liam Halligan reviews the latest drama on the financial crisis, The Last Days of Lehman Brothers.

As Noah and the Whale release their new album about the break-up between the lead singer and former band member Laura Marling, David Quantick looks at the enduring power of break-up albums.

**THU 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00mb199)**

Writing the Century 10 - Tom and Stella

Episode 4

Series exploring the 20th Century through diaries and correspondence of real people, dramatised by Vanessa Rosenthal.

The relationship between a young Jewish drama student and a divorcee 13 years her senior.

It is 1966 and Stella's love for Tom grows stronger, but so too does her parents' pressure to prevent the relationship.

Stella ..... Rebecca Callard  
Tom .....John Lightbody  
Dr Kaufman .....David Fleeshman  
Mrs Kaufman ..... Olwen May  
Frankie ..... Christine Brennan  
Richard III/Simon ..... Dermot Daly.

**THU 20:00 The Report (b00mcw5x)**

ETA Bombings in Mallorca

Bombings on the holiday island of Mallorca by the Basque separatist group ETA have brought a nationalist conflict to the door of British tourists and expats. Linda Pressly investigates whether the latest bombings are the resurgence of an organisation whose cause has been in decline or the actions of a desperate band who know their time is running out.

**THU 20:30 In Business (b00mcw5z)**

Media Mayhem

The twin pincers of global recession and technology upheaval are putting traditional newspapers and broadcasters through the ringer. Peter Day asks what the shape of the new media might be once the troubles are over.

**THU 21:00 Leading Edge (b00mcw0)**

Lord May and Insect Art

Geoff Watts meets Lord May, President of the British Science Association, who has held many of the most senior scientific offices in the land, having been government chief science advisor and President of the Royal Society. Never afraid of speaking his mind - perhaps a product of his Australian upbringing - Bob May famously accused President George W Bush of being a modern-day Nero over climate change.

His address at this year's Science Festival in Guildford will focus on his own subject of population biology and the apparent problem of natural selection; why do we do things for the common good when 'survival of the fittest' is a key principle of evolutionary theory?

Also, insect art comes to London's South Bank in a 'Festival' of the amazing, inventive and sometimes artistic world of six-legged creatures.

**THU 21:30 No Triumph, No Tragedy (b00mcv5q)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

**THU 21:58 Weather (b00mb2j1)**

The latest weather forecast.

**THU 22:00 The World Tonight (b00mb2k2)**

With Ritula Shah.

A senior defence aide resigns over UK policy on Afghanistan.

Europe agrees on bankers' bonuses. Is it the first step toward global regulation?

New designs for Britain's social housing.

Iran defiant on nuclear issue, but has the threat been 'hyped'?

Japan's rural decline.

Los Angeles prepares for more Jackson commemorations.

**THU 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00mb343)**

Love and Summer

Episode 4

Dermot Crowley reads from the novel by William Trevor about a brief summer love affair in the rural west of Ireland.

As Miss Connolly observes the nascent friendship between Ellie and Florian, the memory of her own tragedy stirs in her anew. Meanwhile, in the streets of Rathmoye, Florian and Ellie meet again.

Abridged by Sally Marmion.

**THU 23:00 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b00dp4w9)**

Series 1

Mark Steel

Marcus Brigstocke invites Mark Steel to try new experiences.

**THU 23:30 Jon Ronson On (b0076wm8)**

Series 2

Living in the Past

Journalist and broadcaster Jon Ronson looks at the human condition with the help of interviewees and reporters from the world of writing and performance.

Jon investigates why often it is so difficult to leave a particular incident in the past. He he looks back to the time when he was thrown into a lake by his school friends, and confronts his bullies at his school reunion. Father Ted writer Graham Linehan remembers his own bully, and comedians Dan Tetsell and Robert Popper discover that they have parallel stories: one has a Nazi grandfather, the other a Jewish evacuee grandmother.

A Unique production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRIDAY 04 SEPTEMBER 2009**

**FRI 00:00 Midnight News (b00m9hc8)**

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

**FRI 00:30 Book of the Week (b00m5xp3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:45 on Thursday]

**FRI 00:48 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hgr)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**FRI 01:00 Selection of BBC World Service Programmes (b00m9hpr)**

BBC Radio 4 joins the BBC World Service.

**FRI 05:20 Shipping Forecast (b00m9hhr)**

The latest shipping forecast.

**FRI 05:30 News Briefing (b00m9hx0)**

The latest news from BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 05:43 Prayer for the Day (b00m9j0k)**

Daily prayer and reflection with Rev Dr Robert Tosh.

**FRI 05:45 Farming Today (b00m9j5p)**

Animal rights group Animal Aid has carried out secret filming in three abattoirs; the footage shows a worker in one allegedly mistreating animals and he has had his licence suspended.

Charlotte Smith finds out what was captured on film, which practices break the rules and how likely it is that illegal behaviour is happening elsewhere.

**FRI 06:00 Today (b00m9nxw)**

Presented by John Humphrys and Sarah Montague.

Economics editor Stephanie Flanders reports on the difficulty of agreeing sanctions on bankers' pay by G20 countries.

Officials in northern Afghanistan say a Nato airstrike on hijacked fuel tankers killed at least 40 people. Chris Morris reports.

Dr Iain Stephenson, leader of a trial into a swine flu vaccine, explains his progress.

Gillian Hargreaves reports on the progress made by the Green Party over recent years. Green Party leader Caroline Lucas discusses how the Greens can get at least one MP at the next general election.

Former security minister Tony McNulty explains why Falkirk West MP Eric Joyce, a parliamentary aide to Defence Secretary Bob Ainsworth, resigned.

Karen Allen reports on the dispute between the soldiers' union and the government in South Africa.

Thought for the day with Catherine Pepinster, editor of the Tablet.

Two young brothers, who lured two boys aged nine and 11 to a South Yorkshire ravine before carrying out a brutal attack, have admitted assault. Home editor Mark Easton reports on the story of the brothers aged 10 and 12. Labour MP Graham Allen and social worker Joanna Nicolas discuss the comparisons drawn by many newspapers between this and the murder of toddler James Bulger.

Chancellor Alistair Darling discusses stimulus efforts and the reform of the international banking system.

Gordon Brown is to give a major speech restating his commitment to the mission in Afghanistan, after a ministerial aide resigned over government strategy. Political editor Nick Robinson examines how the Prime Minister's speech might be affected by Eric Joyce MP's resignation.

Pestival, described as a celebration of insects in art and the art of being an insect, is opening at the Southbank Centre in London. Cult musician and insect lover Robyn Hitchcock explains the reason behind a choral collaboration between humans and bees and the first ever human/cricket duet.

UKIP's Nigel Farage explains why he is to stand down as party leader, but will continue to lead its MEPs.

German minister Wolfgang Tiefensee and author Peter Millar remember Germany in 1989 as the Berlin Wall fell.

What would happen if a writer was given unlimited access to President Obama? Author Richard Wolffe explains what he did with 'more access than anyone else'.

'I do not think the public will accept for much longer that our losses can be justified by simply referring to the risk of greater terrorism on our streets', said Eric Joyce MP in a letter resigning as a parliamentary aide to the Defence Secretary. Andrew Mackinlay, a Labour member of the Foreign Affairs Select Committee, discusses Mr Joyce's view.

**FRI 09:00 The Reunion (b00m8p7v)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Sunday]

**FRI 09:45 Book of the Week (b00m5xp5)**

Newton And The Counterfeiter

Episode 5

Crawford Logan reads from Thomas Levenson's biography of Isaac Newton and his rivalry with one of 17th-century London's most accomplished and daring criminals, William Chaloner.

Chaloner faces trial at the Old Bailey and the threat of the gallows at Tyburn.

**FRI 10:00 Woman's Hour (b00m9phd)**

Rheumatoid arthritis; Lubna Hussein discussed

Have feminists ignored the case of Sudanese journalist Lubna Hussein? Plus, treatment for Rheumatoid arthritis; and what does a moustache say about a man?

**FRI 11:00 Journey of a Lifetime (b00mcwv1)**

The Sinking Islands

Dan Box attempts to reach the Carteret Islands where a mass evacuation is taking place as the sea level rises. From September 2009.

**FRI 11:30 The Pickerskill Reports (b00mcwv3)**

Series 1

Kaws and Effect

Ian McDiarmid stars as Dr Henry Pickerskill, retired English master of Haunchurst School for boys, looking back on his favourite pupils and their fortunes in the adult world - based on their school reports and their letters to him after they left.

Dr Pickerskill encourages Francis Kaws, whose great engineering talents are being wasted on clever and inventive school pranks, putting him in danger of being expelled.

Pickerskill harnesses the boy's gifts, encouraging him to adapt an old tractor to run on Haunchurst College's defunct narrow-gauge railway line.

Dr Henry Pickerskill ..... Ian McDiarmid  
Elfyn Wynn Thomas Evans ..... Philip Madoc  
Francis Kaws ..... Louis Williams  
The Colonel ..... Richard Johnson  
Mike Poulson Jabby ..... Mike Feast  
Stanislaw ..... Mike Sarne  
Jack Rousseau ..... Tony Gardner

Written and directed by Andrew McGibbon.

Producers: Nick Romero

A Curtains For Radio production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 12:00 You and Yours (b00m9tyy)**

Consumer news and issues with Peter White.

**FRI 12:57 Weather (b00m9xwn)**

The latest weather forecast.

**FRI 13:00 World at One (b00m9y0z)**

National and international news with Shaun Ley.

**FRI 13:30 More or Less (b00mcwv5)**

Tim Harford and the More or Less team investigate widely-reported estimates of the number of people who illegally share files on the internet, and examine the abuse of maths by the public relations industry.

An Open University co production for BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 14:00 The Archers (b00m9yhc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 19:00 on Thursday]

**FRI 14:15 Drama (b00mcwv7)**

Sons

By Nell Leyshon. Teacher Elizabeth and stay-at-home mum Jane have just one thing in common: they each have a son. Gabriel and Ryan met at the local secondary school, where they fell in love. The mothers reacted very differently to their sons' relationship. Then something happens which forces Elizabeth to confront Jane.

Jane ..... Noreen Kershaw

Elizabeth ..... Lorraine Ashbourne.

**FRI 15:00 Gardeners' Question Time (b00mcwv9)**

Eric Robson chairs the popular horticultural forum.

Matthew Biggs, Bunny Guinness and John Cushnie answer questions posed by gardeners in Essex.

John presents a guide to coastal shelter-belts and explains how these are created with the help of a local gardener.

Matthew reports from the Fruit Focus industry event, where he unveils a new super-yielding crop and reveals how we are soon to benefit from new extra water-efficient strawberry plants.

Including Gardening weather forecast.

**FRI 15:45 I Was a Child Prodigy (b00dnhd)**

Episode 5

Chris Ledgard presents a series looking at the lives of people who were labelled child prodigies.

Retired civil servant David Heigham spent years looking for someone to explain why his schooling left him incapable of fulfilling his intellectual talents. Then he found Professor Carol Dweck of Stanford University, whose theories David believes offer important lessons to anyone dealing with a gifted child.

**FRI 16:00 Last Word (b00mcxcj)**

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

Focusing on the lives of environmentalist Edward Goldsmith; 60s radio and TV star Simon Dee; Scottish ballad singer and storyteller Stanley Robertson; and songwriter Ellie Greenwich.

**FRI 16:30 The Film Programme (b00mcxcl)**

Director Marc Webb discusses his film, 500 Days of Summer, a romantic comedy that stands romantic ideals on its head.

Actor Janet Suzman remembers her role in the jagged-edged 1970s drama A Day in the Death of Joe Egg, newly released on DVD. She also reveals the unconventional casting technique for her starring role in the film Nicolas and Alexandra.

Plus an interview with Michael Fassbender, an actor who gives versatility a new dimension and who appears in radically contrasting films: Quentin Tarantino's Inglourious Basterds and Andrea Arnold's controversial movie Fish Tank.

**FRI 17:00 PM (b00m9z37)**

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

**FRI 18:00 Six O'Clock News (b00mb0ms)**

The latest national and international news from BBC Radio 4.

**FRI 18:30 I Guess That's Why They Call It The News (b00mcxcn)**

Episode 3

Fred MacAulay chairs a topical panel show in which two teams play games inspired by the week's headlines. The show asks both the big and the little questions, and provides thoroughly silly answers to both. With Justin Edwards and Russell Kane.

**FRI 19:00 The Archers (b00m9yhf)**

Adam is putting up a poster for his footpaths meeting in the shop. Annette interrogates him about Helen - he's her cousin after all. Adam goes. Bert's thinks Helen's business is none of Annette's business when Lynda appears and her eye is caught by Adam's poster.

Lynda finds Adam and tells him she wants to know what the footpath meeting's about. Adam says she should come to it. He'll be interested to hear what she has to say.

Bert tells Fallon that the darts last night was quite something. Wayne appears. Bert tells him that Freda thinks he's the best help she's had. Wayne says he doesn't plan to stay around. He won't stay where he's not welcome. Fallon goes outside, and Wayne follows. Wayne tells Fallon he's only there because of her. He wants to make up for the past, and to know where he stands. Fallon tells him it isn't easy for her.

Fallon tells Ed she doesn't think her Dad understands. Does he expect her to play happy families? Ed says surely Wayne can't stay at the Bull forever? Fallon reckons the sooner Wayne finds somewhere else to go, the better.

Episode written by Simon Frith.

**FRI 19:15 Front Row (b00mb0sw)**

Bidisha joins Kirsty Lang to review Fish Tank, the new film from acclaimed writer and director of CCTV thriller Red Road, Andrea Arnold. Set on a council estate in Barking, London, the film follows the story of 15-year-old Mia, whose life changes when her mother brings home a new boyfriend.

Kirsty talks to violinist Daniel Hope, who has been described as 'the most exciting British string player since Jacqueline du Pre', as he premieres a new violin concerto by the Master of the

Queen's Music, Sir Peter Maxwell Davies, at the Proms.

The designers behind two of the biggest forthcoming fireworks displays, at the Edinburgh International Festival and London's Thames Festival, discuss the use of music in pyrotechnic shows and if firework designers should be treated as artists.

Plus a review of Trevor Griffiths's new play about the extraordinary life of Thomas Paine, author of The Rights of Man and participant in the French and American revolutions, which opens at Shakespeare's Globe theatre in London, marking the 200th anniversary of Paine's death.

**FRI 19:45 15 Minute Drama (b00mb19c)**

Writing the Century 10 - Tom and Stella

Episode 5

Series exploring the 20th Century through diaries and correspondence of real people, dramatised by Vanessa Rosenthal.

The relationship between a young Jewish drama student and a divorcee 13 years her senior.

It is 1966 and Stella is engaged to Tom. But will her parents ever accept him or the marriage?

Stella ..... Rebecca Callard

Tom ..... John Lightbody

Avnair ..... Greg Wood

Maurice ..... Robert Pickavance.

**FRI 20:00 Any Questions? (b00mcxcq)**

The A-Z of Dr Johnson Special

Jonathan Dimbleby chairs the topical debate from the Samuel Johnson Birthplace Museum in Lichfield. The panellists are the secretary of state for transport Lord Adonis, shadow minister for universities and skills David Willetts, Shakespeare scholar Jonathan Bate and author Sarah Dunant.

**FRI 20:50 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00mcxcs)**

Series 1

The Dodo

The dodo is the caricature of extinction. This turkey-sized flightless pigeon lived on a remote island and was slaughtered by seafarers for its meat. The same fate has met other flightless species. Can we learn this lesson from history?

Series of talks by Sir David Attenborough on the natural histories of creatures and plants from around the world.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2009.

**FRI 21:00 Friday Drama (b009tzc)**

An Unhappy Countess

Documentary film maker Paul Watson's play is based on the story of Mary Eleanor Bowes, a sensual young woman who inherited a legacy of 600,000 pounds, a huge sum in 1786. Every adventurer in the land was seeking a slice of her good fortune, and she was to discover that nobody could be trusted.

Lady Strathmore ..... Susannah Harker

Stoney Bowes ..... John Lynch

Paddy's Progress ..... Robert Glenister

Walker ..... Russell Floyd

Gray ..... Nicholas Farrell

Mary Morgan ..... Joanne Froggatt

Mingay/Bate ..... Ian McNeice

Dorothy/Landlady ..... Sara Markland

Battie/Erskine ..... Ian Masters

Judge/Peacock ..... Keith Drinkel

Constable Smith/Vicar ..... Andrew Branch

Lucas/Witness Hull ..... Sam Dale

Witness Foot/Landlord ..... Ian Shaw

Servant ..... Tom Watson.

**FRI 21:58 Weather (b00mb2j3)**

The latest weather forecast.

**FRI 22:00 The World Tonight (b00mb2k4)**

With Jane Hill.

Gordon Brown defends British strategy in Afghanistan

British Second World War mission remembered in Montenegro

Bankers' bonuses still on the table as G20 finance ministers gather in London

Don't text and drive - a police ad from Wales becomes a hit on the web

And should there be a sequel to Winnie-the-Pooh?

**FRI 22:45 Book at Bedtime (b00mb345)**

Love and Summer

Episode 5

Dermot Crowley reads from the novel by William Trevor about a brief summer love affair in the rural west of Ireland.

Watching from her boarding house, Miss Connulty has observed Ellie and Florian's tentative friendship, conjuring within it a reflection of her own youthful tragedy. For Ellie, the quiet pattern of her life with Dillahan offers no solace and little distraction.

Abridged by Sally Marmion.

**FRI 23:00 Great Lives (b00mbm3g)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:30 on Tuesday]

**FRI 23:30 Listen Against (b00f10gk)**

Series 2

Episode 2

Time runs away in preparations for the switch-on of the BBC Collider - and the Greenwich time signal pips are still running rogue...

The show that prisms the back off your radio, fiddles around with the programmes inside and then puts it all back together the wrong way round.

Written by and starring Jon Holmes.

With Alice Arnold.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.