

SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2011

SAT 00:00 The Legend of Sleepy Hollow by Washington Irving (b007xrtx)

3. Dark Forces

Both fighting for the affections of the beautiful Katrina Van Tassel, the rivalry between Ichabod Crane and Brom Bones continues apace.

And now it seems that supernatural forces are about to get involved.

Washington Irving's supernatural classic about two love rivals and a headless horseman:

Concluded by Martin Jarvis.

Musical score and sound design by award-winning composer, David Pickvance.

The Sleepy Hollow choir:

Ayesha Antoine

Delroy Brown

John Cummins

Gerard McDermott

Carolyn Pickles

Sophie Roberts

Nick Sayce

Ella Smith

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in December 2005.

SAT 00:30 Methuselah's Children by Robert A Heinlein (b007rsz2)

5. New World

After entering the alien temple, a colonist returns as a broken man.

Paul Birchard continues Robert Heinlein's sci-fi novel.

Set up in the late 19th century, the aim of the Howard Foundation is to prolong human life via selective breeding and financial encouragement.

Abridged by Bert Coules.

Produced at BBC Scotland by Bruce Young.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in July 2007.

SAT 01:00 Book Club (b0088z0q)

Sebastian Faulks

Sebastian Faulks on his bestselling book *Birdsong*, the moving story of an Englishman's harrowing experiences fighting in the First World War.

SAT 01:30 Bill Murphy - Hallows End (b007k2zc)

Wealthy Dubliner Dermot McPhail misguidedly buys a Gothic mansion on the wild coast of west Cork, but things start going dramatically wrong when the unscrupulous property developer and his pampered wife Clodagh move in.

Is someone sabotaging Dermot's dream, or is the ancient curse of Hallows End at work?

Bill Murphy's whodunit stars Gerry O'Brien as Dermot, Ann Marie Horan as Clodagh, Darragh Kelly as Patrick, Helen Norton as Aoife and Simon Delaney as Martin/Barman.

Producer: Lawrence Jackson

Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Northern Ireland.

First broadcast in 2007.

SAT 02:00 Semi Circles (b007jts2)

Series 2

A Complete Break

Ben's exhausted after working hard on his company's new bedtime drink. So he and his wife Helen plan a holiday...

The improving story of life and improving times in an improving neighbourhood.

Starring Paula Wilcox as Helen and David Wood as Ben

Written by Simon Brett

Helen Paula Wilcox

Ben David Wood

Mrs Kelly Pay Heywood

Alastair Tony Millan

Kevin Stuart Organ

Julian Mark Wing-Davey

Maureen Miranda Forbes

Doctor Robert Rietty

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1982

SAT 02:30 Foul Play (b007jqy5)

Series 1

Dead Broads Don't Talk

Crime writers Ruth Dudley Edwards and Simon Shaw tackle the case of a redhead shot dead. Written and chaired by Simon Brett.

SAT 03:00 Michael Morpurgo - War Horse (b00vy70n)

First World War tale of a boy's extraordinary bond with his horse. Stars Timothy Spall, Brenda Blethyn and Bob Hoskins.

SAT 04:00 Dorothy Whipple - The Closed Door (b016z738)

Summer Holiday

A child's innocent remark has devastating consequences for a nursemaid. Patience Tomlinson reads Dorothy Whipple's story.

SAT 04:15 Israel Horowitz - Man in Snow (b007jx59)

A climber reminisces as he escorts a group of honeymooners up Alaska's highest mountain. Written by and stars Israel Horowitz.

SAT 05:00 Ring Around the Bath (b00p8fk7)

Series 1

New House

Patrick and Stella find their dream house, but will the children scupper their move? Stars Duncan Preston. From September 2003.

SAT 05:30 The Alan Davies Show (b0089kpx)

Episode 4

The struggling actor and mate Murray try out a global food café, while Kate has a bad day.

Alan Davies stars in his own sitcom.

Written by Ben Silburn, Tony Roche and Alan Davies.

Alan Alan Davies

Murray Alan Francis

Kate Romni Ancona

With Debra Stephenson, Alistair MacGowan and Dave Lamb.

Producer: Jane Berthoud

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1998.

SAT 06:00 A Game of Golf (b007jrr3)

Two couples' marital problems come to a head on the golf course. Part of Ayckbourn's Intimate Exchanges. With Robin Herford and Lavinia Bertram.

SAT 07:30 Grasshead Racers (b00x58v4)

To honour the great motor racing commentator, Murray Walker, who died last month aged 97, Radio 4 is repeating the programme that, in 2004, tempted him out of retirement - Grasshead Racers.

In his long career as a commentator Murray Walker covered all manner of motor sports, so when radio producer Julian May told him about lawn mower racing he was intrigued. He agreed to present a programme exploring it, on one condition - that he would not have to commentate.

At the Le Mans (if he's not mistaken) of the lawn mower racing world - a field dotted with straw bales in Kingston Maurwood, Dorset, Murray spends a summer's day with members of the British Lawn Mower Racing Association and discovers this is a sport with wide appeal. Sir Stirling Moss reveals he was a keen lawn mower racer; Oliver Reed was as enthusiastic, but less controlled. Murray meets one competitor with more world championships than Michael Schumacher.

So impressed is Murray by these grasshead racers and their diligently fettled machines that he can't resist picking up the announcer's microphone and painting the scene in words, commentating one last time on this most spectacular and democratic motor sport.

Lawnmowers, Murray reveals, have a surprisingly sexy provenance: Mr Benz of Mercedes launched his career making lawn mowers; Royal Enfield, more famous for their guns and motorcycles, made mowers. So did Rolls Royce!

But the real enthusiasts, like Bugatti owners, like to mount their chariots and tank them. Murray Walker joins them, enjoying the heady aroma of 2 stroke and grass clippings as, lap after lap, the grasshead racers gun their classic mowers over Kingston Maurwood's greensward at speeds approaching a dizzying 35mph.

Presenter: Murray Walker

Producer: Julian May

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01704sz)

Series 7

Episode 4

From St Augustine in Florida, the American funny man welcomes the Nashville Bluegrass Band and local vocalist JJ Grey. From 2010.

SAT 09:00 Salutes You, Sir! Forces Fun from the BBC (b0085hk1)

Dad's Army's very own Private Pike aka Ian Lavender presents an homage to the humour generated for and by the British Armed Forces. Featuring:

* Merry-Go-Round - Army edition: 'Stand Easy' With Charlie Chester and Arthur Haynes (14/09/1945)

* The Victory edition of ITMA - It's That Man Again. Starring Tommy Handley. (10/05/1945)

* Merry-Go-Round: Naval edition: 'HMS Waterlogged' With Eric Barker and Jon Pertwee (08/08/1945)

* The Navy Lark 'Mysterious Radio Signals' Starring Leslie Phillips, Stephen Murray and Jon Pertwee. (06/06/1971)

* Merry-Go-Round - RAF edition: 'Much-Binding-in-the-Marsh' Starring Richard Murdoch, Kenneth Horne and Sam Costa (11/04/1945)

* Dad's Army - 'Sergeant, Save My Boy' Stars Arthur Lowe, John Le Mesurier and Ian Lavender (11/03/1975)

Ian Lavender played Private Frank Pike in the much-loved BBC TV sitcom Dad's Army (1968-77) and also appeared in the BBC Radio adaptations still to be regularly heard on BBC Radio 4 Extra.

Producer: Mik Wilkojc

First broadcast on BBC Radio 7 in November 2006.

SAT 12:00 Writing the Century - Omnibus (b017l1pc)

The Camel Hospital

Writing The Century -

The Camel Hospital.

Inspired by the diaries of Sara Wilson

dramatised by Karen Brown

The series which explores the 20th century through the diaries and correspondence of real people:

Sara Wilson was a V.A.D (Voluntary Aid Detachment) nurse posted to Egypt in January 1918.

The drama charts her journey through three different military hospitals, one of which is a canvas hospital in the desert, where she meets and marries the love of her life. Her diary spans a tour de force period in Sara's life, when this young woman from a sheltered background encounters death and love.

Sara Rebecca Callard

Mary Jessica Blake

Matron Jacqueline Redgewell

Italian boy Peter Singh

American Officer James Nickerson

Research consultant - Professor Alison Fell

Directed by Pauline Harris

Sara was a VAD Nurse (Voluntary Aid Detachment) a unit which provided medical assistance in time of war. VADs like Sara were young women eager to "do their duty" .. Sara at 24 years of age travels from 'Connaught Hospital' Aldershot to '31 General Hospital' Cairo with 22 other nurses. There she nurses the wounded and dying and sees the devastating effects of Typhus and Malaria on our troops. And yet she writes with good humour and energy, a fresh and vivid voice, taking a wondrous interest in the beauty of the landscape and the country's exotic atmos. Unfazed by danger she takes every opportunity to explore her surroundings. In Cairo Sara finds out that her brother Newton has been killed in action. She bears her grief quietly, continuing to do her duty and hiding it from the injured men in her care.

In July 1918, Sara is transferred to a tented hospital in the desert in Kantara. There she meets and gradually falls in love with Ray Wildson. Her diary documents her growing affection for him, his transition from friend to fiancée. When the war ends in November Sara's devotion to duty continues. Her soldiers are still being killed, dying of their injuries and typhoid. She and Ray get engaged. In May 1919 orders come through that Sara must transfer to the 'Citadel Hospital' Cairo where there are localised uprisings. Sara asks to be demobbed and is waiting to go home when Ray sends a wire asking her to marry him right away. Sara is faced with a difficult decision whether to go back home or stay with Ray in Egypt.

Professor Alison Fell has published several articles and chapters on women and the First World War. She is the co-editor with Christine Hallett of *Visions and Revisions: Studies on First World War Nursing* (London: Routledge, 2012) and is currently writing a book entitled *Back to the Front: Women as Veterans in Interwar France and Britain*. She is also leading the *Legacies of War 2014-2018* project at the University of Leeds, coordinating activities around the First World War Centenary - <http://arts.leeds.ac.uk/legaciesofwar/>.

SAT 13:15 Maigret (b00fzc3q)

Series 1

Madame Maigret's Own Case

The sleuth's spouse looks after a child. Could this be related to a murder case? With Nicholas Le Prevost and Julian Barnes.

SAT 14:00 The Goon Show (b0080j61)

Series 6

Sale of Manhattan

Neddie Seagoon learns that he is the rightful owner of New York and tries to reclaim his land.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.

Starring:

Peter Sellers

Harry Secombe

Spike Milligan

First billed as *Crazy People*, ten series of *The Goon Show* were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in November 1955.

SAT 14:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jzsd)

Series 3

Steptoe and Son and Son

A visitor brings Harold Steptoe some unexpected news.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.

Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962.

The Offer featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.

Albert Wilfrid Brambell

Harold Harry H Corbett

Girl Gwendolyn Watts

Sailor Richard Griffiths.

Adapted for radio from their TV scripts by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1971.

SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01704sz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 A Game of Golf (b007jrr3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 What's So Funny? (b016z6pc)

Series 2

Episode 6

Ed Byrne, Danny Robins and Stephen Armstrong review some controversial comedy and David Quantick on life as a comedy muse.

SAT 18:00 Oscar Wilde (b008lz2g)

The Canterville Ghost

Episode 3

Troublesome ghost of a dead nobleman, Sir Simon is determined to oust the Otis family from his ancestral home. So his hauntings are becoming more and more elaborate...

First published in 1887, Oscar Wilde's novella is concluded by Alistair McGowan.

Producer: Gemma Jenkins.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in December 2007.

SAT 18:30 Fantastic Journeys (b00hq136)

Peter F Hamilton - If At First ...

Some of the very best classic and contemporary sci-fi and fantasy writers come together in this series of four fantastic journeys featuring flights of fancy, time travel, magical transporters and alternate realities

How does multi-millionaire businessman, Marcus Orthew, always manage to stay one step ahead of the game - he refers to the names of technological devices before they've been invented; he seems to have an uncanny knack of being able to predict the downfall of high-profile public figures years before the event? Detective Inspector, David Lanson, is interviews a suspect arrested for stalking the multi-millionaire. During the course of this interrogation, Orthew's incredible story is revealed.

Written by Peter F. Hamilton.

Read by Sam Dale.

Series abridged and produced by Gemma Jenkins.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 7 in 2009.

SAT 19:00 Salutes You, Sir! Forces Fun from the BBC (b0085hk1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Comedy on the Boat (b017054v)

Windsor, Jo Caulfield, Pat Cahill and Ian Stone are rocking The Tattershall Castle with laughter on London's River Thames.

SAT 22:45 Greg at The Stand (b01705ws)

Episode 6

Greg McHugh welcomes a final batch of comics to the famed Glasgow comedy venue. With Henning Wehn and Kevin Eldon. From July 2011.

SAT 23:00 VI Warshawski (b007jn13)

Deadlock

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VI Warshawski flies to Canada to continue her investigation on the giant freighter the Lucella Weisser. But she's in for a shock when they sail through the Great Lakes Lock.

Sara Paretsky's thriller stars Kathleen Turner as VI Warshawski. With Eleanor Bron as Lottie, William Dufres as Captain Bemis and Keith Drinkel as Mike Sheridan.

Sara Paretsky has created one of the most popular female sleuths in modern crime-fiction. Her heroine, VI Warshawski, is a strong female character in a male-dominated world. VI is comfortable packing heat and trailing nasty suspects but she never loses touch with her basic femininity. Paretsky says of her Warshawski: "I was troubled by the way women were portrayed in (detective fiction) they always seemed either evil or powerless. I thought it was time for a tough, smart, likeable female private investigator".

Kathleen Turner also starred in the same role in the 1991 film 'VI Warshawski'.

Dramatised by Michelene Wandor.

Director: Janet Whitaker

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993.

SAT 23:30 Pulp Fiction (b01705wv)

Series 2

Hell on Wheels

Sex, violence and death - a ride in a fast car is a prelude to murder. Peter Marinker reads Thomas Roche's gritty short tale.

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SUN 00:00 Oscar Wilde (b0081z2g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 Fantastic Journeys (b00hq136)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01704sz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 Writing the Century - Omnibus (b0171jpc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 03:15 Maigret (b00fzc3q)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 A Game of Golf (b007jrr3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 What's So Funny? (b016z6pc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Kathryn Stockett - The Help (b01706qc)

Kathryn Stockett - The Help Omnibus

Episode 1

Mississippi, 1962. Black maids raise the white children, but no one trusts them. Three women get brave. Stars Alibe Parsons and Laurel Lefkow.

SUN 07:15 Redesigning the Human Body (b00plsqb)

Having the Guts

Indigestion, reflux and excess gas. Len Fisher discovers whether science can solve the problems of the human digestive system.

SUN 07:30 Elvenquest (b016vn8f)

Series 3

Episode 4

As they continue their search for the Sword of Asnagar, the noble Questers find themselves coming to the rescue of King Baldwin the Jovial whose mead hall is being terrorised by a terrible creature called "The Grundle". But when Amis, the Chosen One, starts to question whether he is actually all that special after all, the Questers hatch a plan to kill the beast and restore Amis' self-worth.

Meanwhile, time is running out for Lord Darkness. Kreech tells

he must find a girlfriend to keep him young, or he'll find his incorporeal essence once more slowly shrivelling and turning to dust. So Darkness starts off on the dating game. Trouble is, it's been a bit of time since he last met a girl, let alone chatted one up...

Starring:

Darren Boyd as Vidar

Kevin Eldon as Dean/Kreech

Dave Lamb as Amis aka The Chosen One

Alistair McGowan as Lord Darkness

Stephen Mangan as Sam

Daniel Rigby as King Baldwin The Jovial

and

Sophie Winkleman as Penthiselea

Written by Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto

Producer: Sam Michell.

SUN 08:00 Take It From Here (b0170720)

From 12/05/1955

Can Eth get all she wants on her wedding present list? Starring Dick Bentley, Jimmy Edwards and June Whitfield. From May 1955.

SUN 08:30 Listen to Les (b0170751)

From 25/01/1981

Les Dawson on the British sense of humour, animal noises galore - and ever tuneful piano sing-along.

With Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn.

Music by Brian Fitzgerald.

Scripted and produced by James Casey.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1981.

SUN 09:00 Herge - The Adventures of Tintin (b007jvc9)

Series 1

Destination Moon

The rocket countdown is on for the intrepid boy reporter and his dog Snowy. Stars Richard Pearce and Andrew Sachs.

SUN 09:30 Rosemary Sutcliffe - The Eagle of the Ninth (b005jm9c)

Episode 4

Marcus and Esca have retrieved the legion's Eagle, denying their enemies a symbol of defiance. Rosemary Sutcliffe's adventure concludes. Stars Tom Smith and Tony Kearney.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01707g3)

Andrew Neil

Kirsty Young explores the choices of the broadcaster and former newspaper editor, in the first of a series featuring journalists.

SUN 10:50 Front Row Interviews (b01707g5)

Dame Judi Dench

The Oscar- and Tony-winning actress reveals the demands of acting and her love of practical jokes, in conversation with Mark Lawson.

SUN 11:00 Back to the Drawing Board (b008zhmd)

Episode 1

Fire-proof grease, happy accidents and the doggy doorbell. Matthew Harvey explores the fascinating world of inventions.

SUN 11:15 Ambridge Extra (b01708ts)

Series 2 - Omnibus

Series 2, Episodes 11-12

In the Archers spin-off, Clive is getting nostalgic and there's no escape for Matt.

SUN 11:45 Postscripts: JB Priestley (b00nksjq)

Episode 1

Reflecting on the evacuation of Dunkirk, the broadcaster's 1940 wartime observations are read by Patrick Stewart.

SUN 12:00 Kathryn Stockett - The Help (b01706qc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 13:15 Redesigning the Human Body (b00plsqb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 13:30 James Follett's Ice (b007jv69)

In Antarctica, geologist Glyn Sherwood makes an alarming discovery about the polar ice caps. Stars Sean Barrett.

SUN 15:00 Take It From Here (b0170720)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 15:30 Listen to Les (b0170751)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 16:00 Herge - The Adventures of Tintin (b007jvc9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 16:30 Rosemary Sutcliffe - The Eagle of the Ninth (b005jm9c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SUN 17:00 Roy Hudd - Stick a Geranium in Your Hat! (b017097w)

Goodbye-ee

Finding inspiration in the comic celebration of the words and music of renowned songwriters RP Weston and Bert Lee.

Starring Roy Hudd as Bert Weston and Billy Dainty as Bert Lee.

Devised and written by Roy Hudd.

Musical arrangements by Ian Smith.

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1982.

SUN 17:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007w2my)

Series 1

Alhambra

Peek behind the facade of the Odeon Cinema in London's Leicester Square as Geoffrey Wheeler seeks out traces of the variety theatre which once stood in its place - the Alhambra.

From the earliest days of the 20th century until its closure in the 1930s, the Alhambra was one of the capital's premier Variety venues. But it fell foul of the rising popularity of cinema and

radio and was forced to close.

Geoffrey rediscovers the Alhambra's fine legacy.

With Roy Hudd.

Series visiting variety theatres around the United Kingdom.

Producer: Libby Cross

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2002.

SUN 18:00 The Man in Black (b00z2yvr)

Series 3

Uncle William's House by Alison Falconer

When a young mum inherits a tumble-down cottage, her chance for a fresh start in life seems too good to be true...

Mark Gatiss stars as the sinister raconteur, The Man in Black, to introduce Alison Falconer's sinister tale.

Christie Anne-Marie Piazza

Andrew Henry Devas

Uncle William Sean Baker

Ivy Sally Orrock

Adrian Tony Bell

The Nurse Deeviya Meir

Horrifying tales from The Man in Black. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you.

Director: Fiona Kelcher

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in March 2011.

SUN 18:30 Edgar Allan Poe (b007jsry)

The Fall of the House of Usher

Episode 2

As his behaviour starts to change, Roderick Usher reveals his terrible secret...

A man's descent into madness seems bound to the house of his ancestors.

Edgar Allan Poe's classic gothic horror story, first published in 1839.

Concluded by Sean Barrett.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in September 2003.

SUN 19:00 Back to the Drawing Board (b008zhmd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:15 Ambridge Extra (b01708ts)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

SUN 19:45 Postscripts: JB Priestley (b00nksjq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:45 today]

SUN 20:00 Take It From Here (b0170720)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 20:30 Listen to Les (b0170751)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01707g3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:50 Front Row Interviews (b01707g5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:50 today]

SUN 22:00 Elvenquest (b016vn8f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Rigor Mortis (b007k483)

Series 1

Episode 2

Professor Donaldson introduces a new medical empathy scheme, because 'a corpse is a person too'.

Laurence Howarth's sitcom set in the fascinating, but misunderstood world of the pathology lab.

Dr Anthony Webster Peter Davison

Dr Ruth Anderson Tracy-Ann Oberman

Professor Donaldson Geoffrey Whitehead

Gordon Tom Price

Chloe Marianne Levy

Simon Gus Brown

Mrs Renfield Rachel Atkins

Music by Paul Mottram and Stephanie Benavent.

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01709j2)

Andi Osho and her guest chat about life and laughs.

SUN 23:00 The Hare Lane Diaries (b00lslsp)

Episode 2

Diarist Rex is relegated to a box room when landlady Jessica takes in a younger man. Stars Frances Barber. From September 2000.

SUN 23:30 Ivor Cutler - A Stuggy Pren (b00cqd9l)

Episode 3

Ivor Cutler and his friends present dark tales, offbeat songs and some tips for aspiring poets. From June 1994.

SUN 23:45 Peter Bradshaw - For One Horrible Moment (b008756f)

Episode 3

Our hero receives a sexual initiation at the wheel of a Ford Anglia.

Peter Bradshaw continues his hilariously disturbing personal account of one boy's transition into adulthood in 1970s

Cambridgeshire at the hands of an eccentric father.

Read by the author.

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 The Blackburn Files (b007jptk)
Series 1
A Case of Haddock and Plaice
An elderly couple's time-share cash con sparks private investigator Stephen J Blackburn's first case abroad.
The last of five cases for the ex-pitman turned investigator and his government scheme-funded assistant Tracey. Set in a South Yorkshire town that's seen better days.
Starring Fine Time Fontayne as Stephen J Blackburn, Judy Flynn as Tracey Duggan.
With Gerry Kersey, Lorraine Peters, Norman Mills, Lucia Laratonda and James Tomlinson.
Scripted by Ian McMillan, Martyn Wiley and Dave Sheasby
Directed for BBC North East by Dave Sheasby
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1989.

MON 06:30 The Tales of Max Carrados (b01709qq)
A Game Played in the Dark
The British Museum contacts blind amateur sleuth, Max Carrados over a horde of stolen ancient coins. Out on his hunt for the currency, Max comes face-to-face with some of his old adversaries. But who will win...?
Read by Arthur Darvill.
Max Carrados first featured in a series of mystery books in 1914. Carrados also shared top billing alongside Sherlock Holmes in "The Strand Magazine". The character often boasts how much his blindness means his other senses are heightened. Ernest Bramah excelled in his detailed writing and uncovering of clues. The beneficiary of a large inheritance from an American relative, Carrados is foremost a gentleman who undertakes sleuthing only as an avocation. Though equipped with a keen observer in the perfect manservant Parkinson, Carrados doesn't just sit around deducing. He makes his own observations with ears, nose and fingertips.
Abridged by Paul Kent.
Producer: Neil Gardner
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Ladbroke Radio Productions and first broadcast in 2011.

MON 07:00 No Commitments (b01709vv)
Series 9
Meeting the Family
Will Victoria get more than she bargained for when Emily brings her new boyfriend home? Stars Angela Thorne. From January 2003.

MON 07:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b016w83r)
Series 4
Enfield, West, Green
Harry Enfield is a comedian and sketch character actor whose creations have made a permanent mark on the nation's psyche and whose catchphrases have echoed around playgrounds and building sites for decades. His monstrous creations include the iconic 80s character Loadsamoney, Stavros the Kebab Shop Owner and Tory Boy. Harry had a bit of a punkish image as a youth, but in fact he's quite posh. So posh that Virginia Woolf once famously referred to his grandparents in a notorious letter to Lytton Strachey. To find out what it was she said about them, either listen in or you could always Google it yourself.
Lucie Green is a solar researcher based at the Mullard Space Science Laboratory, University College London's Department of Space and Climate Physics, a Bletchley-like stately pile tucked away in the Surrey countryside that houses 150 of Britain's top space scientists. She studies activity in the atmosphere of the Sun. She takes a strong interest in science education, and in 2009 was awarded the Royal Society's Kohn award for Excellence in Engaging the Public with Science.
Admiral Alan William John West, Baron West of Spithead GCB DSC PC once ran the entire Royal Navy. From June 2007 to May 2010, he was a Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the British Home Office with responsibility for Security and a Security Advisor to Prime Minister Gordon Brown. Prior to his ministerial appointment, he was First Sea Lord, the professional head of the Royal Navy, from 2002 to 2006. He has served aboard 14 ships, and in his first post as a captain, was the last to abandon ship as his vessel had been attacked by the Argentine Air Force during the Falklands war. As Head of Military Intelligence, he once had the honour of using a desk that played a unique role in history.

MON 08:00 Round the Horne (b00srqjv)
Series 4

Episode 5
Announcer Douglas Smith is taken for a spin in 'Relatively Grand Prix' - and at the Bona Male Model Agency, Julian and Sandy sign up some brand new talent.
Stars Kenneth Horne, Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick and Betty Marsden.
Recorded at the BBC's Paris Studio in Lower Regent Street, London. Announcer: Douglas Smith
Round The Horne was born out of the demise of BBC radio comedy Beyond Our Ken, after the end of writer Eric Merriman's involvement. Using the same cast and producer, Barry Took and Marty Feldman were persuaded to write the scripts - which led to four series that ran between 1965 and 1968 - packed full of parodies, recurring characters, catchphrases and double-entendres.
Marty Feldman had moved on so series 4 is written by Barry Took with Brian Cooke & Johnnie Mortimer and Brian Webster.
Music by the Max Harris Group.
Producer: John Simmonds
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in March 1968.

MON 08:30 The Arthur Haynes Show (b00zdbmj)
From 26/11/1962
A visit from the School Inspector, crazy capers at the Post Office - and a man gets his head stuck in some railings.
The comic characters of popular comedian Arthur Haynes in Johnny Speight's sketches.
After originally working with Charlie Chester on a number of series for BBC Radio, Arthur Haynes (1914-1966) became a big star on ITV in the late 1950s/early 1960s
With Nicholas Parsons, Patricia Hayes and Lesley Noyes.
Music by the Temperance Seven.
Producer: Richard Dingley
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1962.

MON 09:00 Elvenquest (b0170c13)
Series 3
Episode 5
The Questers continue their search for the Sword of Asnagar and are happy to be welcomed into the palace of the White Wizard, a man who is nothing but sweetness and light and, consequently, the very opposite to Lord Darkness. But extremism of any kind, whether for good or evil, is a dangerous thing - and Penthiselea (Sophie Winkleman) soon begins to smell that there's something not altogether unfishy about the White Wizard.
Meanwhile, Kreech and Lord Darkness are off to the Land of Dunes for their annual holiday...
Starring:
Darren Boyd as Vidar
Kevin Eldon as Dean/Kreech
Dave Lamb as Amis, aka the "Chosen One"
Alistair McGowan as Lord Darkness
Stephen Mangan as Sam
John Sessions as the White Wizard
and
Sophie Winkleman as Penthiselea
Written by Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto
Producer: Sam Michell.

MON 09:30 Jest a Minute (b0170c50)
Series 2
Episode 2
Rhod Gilbert's comedy quiz from the Glee Club in Cardiff.
With Markus Birdman, Lloyd Langford, Chris Corcoran and Steve Williams.
Producers: Paul Forde and Gareth Gwynn.
First broadcast on BBC Radio Wales in 2006.

MON 10:00 Henry James - The Turn of the Screw (b0170cmv)
Are two children under an evil influence, or is it in the imagination of their governess? Stars Cathy Sara and Joseph Tremain.

MON 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0170c2j)
The Gifts of War
Two worlds collide over a mother's birthday present for her son. Written in 1970 and read by Julia Ford and Kirsty Oswald.

MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b0171yiw)
Clive Anderson and guests with an eclectic mix of conversation, music and comedy.
Choreographer Gillian Lynne certainly knows how to pull some dance moves. She was star dancer at the London Palladium, acted opposite Errol Flynn in the movies and danced with all the greats on early TV. Gillian talks about choreographing The Phantom of the Opera which celebrates its 25th anniversary this year with a DVD/CD box set recorded at London's Royal Albert Hall.
Clive has a cup of tea and a chin-wag with Ralf Little about writing and starring in his new Sky 1 sitcom 'The Café'. Acting as the social hub of a seafront town, Cyril's Café sees all walks of life pass through it's doors for a chat and a bacon sarnie. Pass the sugar please Ralf!
The much too young Nikki Bedi will be talking to her very special guest Jerry Dammers about founding 2 Tone Records and ska revival band 'The Specials'. His latest musical venture 'Jerry Dammers Spatial AKA Orchestra' is a mash-up of Sun Ra, Massive Attack, Specials and reggae, all filtered through Dammer's unique musical vision. They're performing at The Barbican as part of London's Jazz Festival on Friday 18th November.

Well known for being one half of Yorkshire detective duo 'Dalziel and Pascoe', Warren Clarke has returned to the stage and behind the doors of Number Ten to perform as the cigar-smoking Winston Churchill in Ben Brown's political drama 'Three Days In May' at The Trafalgar Studios in London.
The beautifully bow-tied French soul sensation Ben l'Oncle Soul performs 'Soulman'. And the comedy-jazz juggernaut that is The Horne Section will be pulling in to perform 'If We Ever Get Any Grooves' from their part improvised, part performance, part party of a West End show.
Producer: Cathie Mahoney.

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MON 12:30 The Arthur Haynes Show (b00zdbmj)
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MON 13:00 The Blackburn Files (b007jptk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 The Tales of Max Carrados (b01709qq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Kathryn Stockett - The Help (b0170d8m)
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Episode 6
Skeet and Aibileen wait anxiously to see what Miss Hilly knows of their project. Kathryn Stockett's drama stars Alibe Parsons.

MON 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b009xxnh)
The Battle of Stamford Bridge
Harold faces two challengers for his crown, William of Normandy and his own half-brother. Anna Massey narrates.

MON 14:30 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the Shipping Forecast (b0170s05)
North Utsire, South Utsire, Cromarty
Charlie Connelly's voyage in search of the Shipping Forecast sets off from a Norwegian island. Tom Goodman-Hills reads.

MON 14:45 Great Meadow (b007jmy7)
Episode 1
Recalling his cottage holidays down in Sussex - the actor reads extracts from his book of childhood reminiscences.

MON 15:00 Henry James - The Turn of the Screw (b0170cmv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0170f5v)
Join Mel Giedroyc for a new week on The 4 O'Clock Show as she hears from the winner of the Guardian Children's Fiction prize, Andy Mulligan.

MON 17:00 Bristow (b007s5dp)
Series 2
Mr Bristow Regrets
The Chester-Perry Dinner Dance is out of bounds to the buying clerk - until he falls in with Tom Paine, troublemaker...
Michael Williams stars as Bristow, the buying clerk from Frank Dickens' famous newspaper cartoon strip. Syndicated internationally, it ran for 41 years in London's Evening Standard.
Bristow Michael Williams
Jones Rodney Bewes
Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan
Hewitt Owen Brennan
Miss Sunman Katy Odey
Hickford Roger Lloyd Pack
Tom Jon Glover
Little Red Simon Schatzberger
Miss Golithy Lucy Akhurst
Miss Peach Carol Starks
Music composed and performed by John Whitehall.
Producer: Neil Carrill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1999.

MON 17:30 No Commitments (b01709vv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 18:00 Planet B (b00hxnfg)
Series 1
1. Golden Moments
Grieving for his girlfriend Lioba, John gets a shock. A malfunction on Planet B means John Armstrong keeps re-living his girlfriend Lioba's funeral over and over again - or does he...?
Ten-part sci-fi series about a mystery virtual world.
Written by Matthew Broughton.
John Gunnar Cauchy
Lioba Donlla Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Council Official Paul Rider
Funeral Man Malcolm Tierney
Cherry Janice Acquah
Danny Stephen Critchlow
Arcade Manager Inam Mirza
Director: Jessica Dromgoole
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.

MON 18:30 Methuselah's Children by Robert A Heinlein (b007s5dq)
6. The Secret
Heartbroken Lazarus Long's thoughts begin to turn to home on Earth.
Paul Birchard concludes Robert Heinlein's sci-fi novel. Set up in the late 19th century, the aim of the Howard Foundation is to prolong human life via selective breeding and financial encouragement.
Abridged by Bert Coules.
Produced at BBC Scotland by Bruce Young.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in July 2007.

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MON 22:00 The Museum of Curiosity (b016w83r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Elvenquest (b0170c13)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01808b1)

Richard Herring tells Arthur Smith what he's up to at the moment - and he's up to a lot!

MON 23:00 Now Show Extra (b0170f5x)

A new programme for Radio 4 Extra, featuring jokes that you won't have heard in this week's Now Show, some clips from the archives and exclusive behind-the-scenes material.

MON 23:45 Gus Murdoch's Sacred Cows (b00fn9hk)

Roads

Fearless reporter Gus Murdoch probes Britain's highways and byways.

Written by and starring Stephen Carlin.

With Neil Edmond, Margaret Cabourn-Smith, John Rowe, Renton Skinner and Marc Willcox.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in November 2008.

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TUE 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlpz)

The Return of Sherlock Holmes - Series 1

The Empty House

Three years after his sleuth friend's final encounter with Moriarty, Watson faces more tragedy and murder. With Clive Merrison.

TUE 06:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td4zq)

Catch Me If You Can

Episode 1

Early memories and the first scam in the true story of a con man.

Frank Williams, Robert Conrad, Frank Adams and Ringo Monjo were all aliases of Frank W Abagnale - in this tale of deceit about one of the most daring con men, forgers, imposters and escape artists ever.

Notorious conman Frank Abagnale Jr's autobiography, with Stan Redding. Read by William Hope.

Abridged in 5 parts by Mark Mason.

Producer: Joanna Green

Made for BBC Radio 7 by Pier Productions and first broadcast in 2010.

TUE 07:00 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00v2pbf)

Series 2

Awards

18th-century smuggler Tamsyn Trelawny wants to win the coveted Smuggling Personality of the Year award at the annual Jethro awards.

It's 1793 and in the small Cornish village of Drumlun Bay, heroic smuggler Tamsyn Trelawny is still running rings around the customs men, assisted by her drunken father Jago.

Written by Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain.

Starring Sheridan Smith as Tamsyn Trelawny, John Bowe as Jago Trelawny, Cameron Stewart as Major Thomas Falconer, Andrew McGibbon as Captain Marriot, Martin Hyder as Squire Bascombe, Mark Felgate as Dewey, Mark Perry as Hobbs and India Fisher as Mum.

Producer: Jan Ravens.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2004.

TUE 07:30 Richard Herring's Objective (b016wzrz)

Series 2

The Golliwog

'The golliwog' has been the cause of much controversy.

Richard debates whether it's an object we should reclaim, or consign to the dustbin of history?

Series in which Richard Herring tries to see whether controversial objects we've grown to hate can be reclaimed.

With Emma Kennedy and Ava Vidal.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jmyg)

Series 6

The Greenslade Story

The amazing story of the rise and fall of BBC Home Service radio announcer Wallace Greenslade.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.

Starring:

Peter Sellers

Harry Secombe

Spike Milligan

First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in December 1955.

TUE 08:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jsfr)

Series 5

The Man from the Burkiss Way

A deadly game of Russian Roulette Video Cassette and Blake's 7 spoofed.

Starring Fred Harris, Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees and Chris Emmett.

Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to 1980.

Written by Andrew Marshall and David Renwick.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1980.

TUE 09:00 Now Show Extra (b0170f5x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Gus Murdoch's Sacred Cows (b00fn9hk)

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TUE 10:00 Victor Hugo - The Hunchback of Notre Dame (b00wdlffz)

Episode 1

Victor Hugo's gothic classic, in a BBC collaboration with Graeae, a dynamic disabled-led theatre troupe. Stars David Bower.

TUE 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0170mty)

A Success Story

A night out leaves a playwright contemplating relationships and success. Written in 1972 and read by Tracy Wiles.

TUE 11:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xh3kt)

Episode 1

It's 1918, and soldier Davy Powlett-Jones, invalided out of the trenches, must face a new start in life.

RF Delderfield's classic novel of life between the wars.

Dramatised in five parts by Shaun McKenna.

Stars Oliver Milburn as Davy Powlett-Jones, John Wood as Algy Herries, John Rowe as Howarth, Anthony Calf as Carter, Alison Pettitt as Beth, Delroy Brown as the Guard, Josh Freeborn as "Nipper" Shawe, Steven Williams as "Chad" Boyer and Steven Roberts as Briarley.

Director: Marc Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jmyg)

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TUE 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlpz)

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TUE 13:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td4zq)

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TUE 14:00 Kathryn Stockett - The Help (b0170nr0)

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Episode 7

After the murder of civil rights activist Medgar Evers, Skeet fears that no other black maids will talk. Kathryn Stockett's drama stars Laurel Lefkow.

TUE 14:15 Ambridge Extra (b0170q19)

Series 2

Episode 13

In the Archers spin-off, Clive's busy working for Matt, and Daniel and Erin draw closer.

TUE 14:30 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the Shipping Forecast (b0170vfd)

Dogger, Fisher, German Bight

Charlie Connelly's quest takes in 'the St Tropez of the North' and 'the most boring place in the world.' Tom Goodman-Hills reads.

TUE 14:45 Great Meadow (b007k3z9)

Episode 2

Recalling his cousin Flora and the pet mice - the actor reads more extracts from his book of childhood reminiscences.

TUE 15:00 Victor Hugo - The Hunchback of Notre Dame

(b00wdlffz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0170q1c)

Mel Giedroyc gets the lockdown on table tennis, and wishes Jonathan Ross a happy birthday.

TUE 17:00 For Better or for Worse (b00gszmp)

Series 1

Episode 5

When Bernard is called into work on a Sunday, his fiancée Iris is not impressed

Gorden Kaye and Su Pollard star in Vince Powell's sitcom about the turbulent relationship of an odd couple.

Iris Su Pollard

Bernard Gorden Kaye

Wilf David Ross

Daisy Paula Tilbrook

Crystabelle Julie Higginson

Mr Foley Peter Wheeler

Mr Cameron Roger John Lee

Writer Vince Powell (1928–2009) scripted a number of popular TV sitcoms including Love Thy Neighbour, For the Love of Ada and Never Mind the Quality, Feel the Width.

Produced in Manchester by Mike Craig.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1993.

TUE 17:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00v2pbf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 18:00 Planet B (b00hxqnk)

Series 1

2. New Boy

Convinced his girlfriend Lioba is alive in a virtual world, a nostalgic leap sends John to a brutal school.

Sci-fi series about a mystery virtual world.

Written by Matthew Broughton.

John Gunnar Cauthery

Lioba Donnla Hughes

Medley Lizzy Watts

Cerberus Chris Pavlo

Teacher Stephen Critchlow

Mark Swift Inam Mirza

Dean Sullivan Robert Lonsdale

Donna Sullivan Manjeet Mann

Pip Blanc Janice Acquah

Roger Farina Malcolm Tierney

Announcer Jonathan Tafler

Random boy Paul Rider

Director: Jessica Dromgoole

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.

TUE 18:30 Douglas Hill - The Blade of the Poisoner (b007jrkq)

Strange Talents

Why does Prince Mephtik order his troops to destroy Jarra's village?

What strange talents does the boy possess to make the Poisoner want to hunt him down?

Douglas Hill's sci-fi fantasy dramatised in four parts by Wally K Daly.

Starring Eric Allen as Jarra the man, James Holland as Jarra the boy, Elizabeth Bell as Archer, Ben Onwukwe as Carver, Adjoa Ando as Dorrina, Susan Sheridan as Mandra, Hugh Dixon as Prince Mephtik with Nigel Carrington, Charles Millom and Neil Roberts as the Soldiers.

Special effects by Dick Mills.

Music by Peter Howells of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Producer: Peter Fozzard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in 1991.

TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b007jmyg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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TUE 22:00 Richard Herring's Objective (b016wzrz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Innes Own World (b0170r0p)

Episode 1

Famed for The Rutles and The Bonzo Dog Band, Neil Innes ruminates wryly on the nature of civilisation.

An opportunity to climb inside Neil Innes's head to find songs, atmospheric musings and some very irritating commercial breaks.

Script Editor: John Dowie

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2003.

TUE 23:00 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b009326q)

Episode 1

A-ha! Legendary squirm-inducing chat show hosted by

Norwich's finest son, Alan Partridge.

With his guests: novelist Lawrence Camley, feminist Ally

Tennant and Carnaby Street's Mr Boutique, Adam Wells.

Classic chat from On the Hour's supreme sports reporter and his guests from the world of theatre, politics and emotional tragedy.

With thanks to Alan's chief researcher Steve Coogan

Assistant researchers:

Patrick Marber

Rebecca Front

Doon Mackichan

David Schneider.

Producer: Armando Iannucci

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.

TUE 23:30 Hair in the Gate (b007k4dv)

Series 1

Episode 6

The TV arts show goes to the opera, but can Camilla find love before the fat lady sings? With Harriet Thorpe. From October 1993.

WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2011

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WED 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jp4j)

The Return of Sherlock Holmes - Series 1

The Norwood Builder

The Baker Street sleuth probes the case of a young solicitor accused of murder. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.

WED 06:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td5s4)

Catch Me If You Can

Episode 2

Renowned conman Frank Abagnale Jr eases into the guise of

airline pilot when he moves to New York aged 16. Read by

William Hope. From August 2010.

WED 07:00 Clare in the Community (b008jwjr)

Series 1

Stage Fright

The social worker's disgruntled husband Brian writes a play

based on their marriage. Stars Sally Phillips. From December

2004.

WED 07:30 The Return of Inspector Steine (b0174dzc)

Not Long

The Brighton police force is holed up in Inspector Steine's

office without tea making equipment or biscuits. As the strain

begins to show big secrets are revealed, finally.

Cast:

Inspector Steine Michael Fenton Stevens

Mrs Groyne Samantha Spiro

Sergeant Brunswick John Ramm

Twitten Matt Green

Adelaide Vine Janet Ellis

Captain Hoagland Robert Bathurst

Producer/Director: Marilyn Imrie

A Sweet Talk Production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k1x5)

Series 2

The Television Set

Living in the only house in Railway Cuttings without a telly, the

lad takes action.

Starring Tony Hancock, Bill Kerr, Sidney James, Andree Melly

and Kenneth Williams.

Announcer: Kenneth Williams

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott.

Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry

Rabinowitz.

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1955.

WED 08:30 Doctor at Large (b00bb9m8)

Fellowship

An x-ray mix-up leads Simon Sparrow's confused friends to

fear his end is in sight.

The misadventures of newly qualified doctor, Simon Sparrow -

adapted for radio by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's

'Doctor at Large' published in 1955.

Starring Richard Briers as Simon Sparrow, Geoffrey Sumner as

Sir Lancelot Spratt, Ray Cooney as Tony Benskin, Norma

Ronald as Wendy Swithenbank, Edward Cast as Taffy Evans,

Dandy Nichols as Mrs Travers and Kathleen Helme as Sister

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1969.

WED 09:00 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008hpzv)

The French Connection

Arch-rivals town hall clerk Potts and sanitary inspector Perkins

hurl insults and then onions...

Six anarchic tales from those demob days "when we was going

to build the new Jerusalem - you know, before the world turned

lax and sour".

Stars Norman Rossington as Big Jim, Roland Curram as Harold

Perkins, Harold Goodwin as Old Ned, David John as Nimrod,

Sylvester McCoy as Turps, David Beckett as Chick,

Christopher Godwin as Potts, Hilary Mason as Miss Farquhar,

Andre Maranne as French Onion Johnnie and Norman Mitchell

as PC Speedworth.

Narrated by Bernard Cribbins.

Written by Ted Walker.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1987.

WED 09:30 The Personality Test (b00mrc84)

Series 2

Adam Hart-Davis

Broadcaster, writer and science enthusiast, Adam Hart-Davis

quizzes a panel about himself.

With Sue Perkins, Lucy Porter, Will Smith and Robin Ince.

Series with changing hosts who quiz the panel.

Script by Richard Turner and Simon Littlefield

Devised and produced by Aled Evans.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2006.

WED 10:00 Victor Hugo - The Hunchback of Notre Dame (b00wdlfc)

Episode 2

Captain Phoebus is dead. Watching from his tower, Quasimodo

rings his bells. BBC collaboration with Graeae. Stars David

Bower.

WED 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175j83)

A Voyage to Cythera

A chance encounter on a train leads a lonely woman to a

romantic fantasy. Written in 1967 and read by Lucy Akhurst.

WED 11:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhck3)

Episode 2

Despite clashing with the science master in 1920, Davy settles

into school life and his wife is expecting. Stars Oliver Milburn.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k1x5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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Episode 8

The fearsome Miss Hilly ensures Skeeter's near total exclusion

from the Jackson social set. Stars Alibe Parsons and Laurel

Lefkow.

WED 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b009xyyl)

The Battle of Hastings

It's 1066, and William, Duke of Normandy, is about to fight

one of the most famous battles in history. Anna Massey

narrates.

WED 14:30 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the

Shipping Forecast (b0175jj0)

Wight, Portland, Fitzroy

Charlie Connelly travels to a literary island, the Portland Race

and the End of the World. Tom Goodman-Hills reads.

WED 14:45 Great Meadow (b007k405)

Episode 3

Dirk Bogarde reads extracts from his book of childhood

reminiscences. The actor recalls Christmas celebrations in

Sussex.

WED 15:00 Victor Hugo - The Hunchback of Notre Dame (b00wdlfc)

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WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0175jmv)

Mel Giedroyc takes a turn on the dancefloor, and discovers the

joys of ticking off lists and completing a set.

WED 17:00 Old Dog and Partridge (b007w3j9)

Episode 4

A ladykiller woos Mrs Drummond and Nicola is determined to

find the right present for her dad Jack's birthday.

Joe Turner's six-part sitcom stars Michael Williams as Jack,

Lisa Coleman as Nicola, Cherry Morris as Mrs Drummond,

Simon Greenall as Andy and Finetime Fontayne as Arthur.

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

WED 17:30 Clare in the Community (b008jwjr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 Planet B (b00hxyy0)

Series 1

3. Freakshow

Searching for his girlfriend Lioba, John arrives at a bizarre

music festival - but is this world a trap?

Sci-fi series about a mystery virtual world.

Written by Dawn King.

John Gunnar Cauthery

Lioba Donnlá Hughes

Medley Lizzy Watts

Cerberus Chris Pavlo

Ringmaster Paul Rider

Epiphany Janice Acquah

Reporter 2 Dan Starkey

Reporter 3 Inam Mirza

Karen Manjeet Mann

Autograph Hunters Audience/Cast

Other parts played by the cast.

Director: Jessica Dromgoole

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.

WED 18:30 Douglas Hill - The Blade of the Poisoner (b007jrmg)

Tainted Blade

Jarral carries the marks which Prince Mephtik scratched on his

chest with a tainted blade.

He will die without help...

Douglas Hill's sci-fi fantasy dramatised in four parts by Wally

K Daly.

Starring Eric Allen as Jarral the man, James Holland as Jarral

the boy, Elizabeth Bell as Archer, Ben Onwukwe as Carver,

Susan Sheridan as Mandra and Hugh Dixon as Prince Mephtik.

Other parts by James Thomson, Auriol Smith, Nigel

Carrington, Charles Millom and Neil Roberts as the Soldiers.

Special effects by Dick Mills.

Music by Peter Howells of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Producer: Peter Fozzard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in 1991.

WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k1x5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 19:30 Doctor at Large (b00bb9m8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jp4j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 20:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td5s4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

WED 21:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175j83)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 21:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhck3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

WED 22:00 The Return of Inspector Steine (b0174dzc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Nebulous (b00hlw3c)

Series 2

The Deptford Wives

Professor Nebulous and his inept team investigate a menacing

race of cloned women. Stars Mark Gatiss. From April 2006.

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01809n5)

Richard Herring tells Arthur Smith what he's up to at the

moment - and he's up to a lot!

WED 23:00 Goodness Gracious Me (b008x8fx)

Series 1

Episode 1

The teenage Bhangramuffins are DJing, the Maharisha Yogi is

lecturing - and the hungry comedy team go for an 'English'.

Stars Sanjeev Bhaskar, Kulvinder Ghir, Nitin Sawhney, Meera

Syal and Nina Wadia.

Gold Winner of the Sony Radio Academy Awards. The sketch

comedy show originally ran on BBC Radio 4 from 1996 to

1998, later transferring to TV on BBC Two from 1998 to 2001.

Scripted by Sharat Sardana, Richard Pinto and the cast.

Produced by Gareth Edwards and Anil Gupta.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1996.

WED 23:30 Dial M for Pizza (b0175jtt)

Series 2

The Return of Sherlock Holmes - Series 1
The Dancing Men
The Baker Street detective probes why a child's scribbles spark tragedy for an old Norfolk family. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
THU 06:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td6m9)
Catch Me If You Can
Episode 3
Conman Frank Abagnale Jr continues to fake his way around the States. But how long will it be before he is found out? Read by William Hope. From August 2010.
THU 07:00 Artists (b00y2194)
Series 1
The War of Dog
Tamsin buys a dog to prove a point, and Dolores asks Marcus to landscape the garden. Stars Dave Lamb. From April 2003.
THU 07:30 Listen Against (b016x3gn)
Series 4
Episode 2
A week of radio that never happened.
Alice Arnold and Jon Holmes rewind and mangle real programmes
Written and created by Jon Holmes
Listen Against is the comedy that takes the back off your radio and television, fiddles round with the programmes inside and then puts them all back the wrong way round.
With:
Kevin Eldon
Justin Edwards
Sarah Hadland
James Bachman
Kim Wall
David Mara
Producer: Sam Bryant.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.
THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0175m69)
This VAT and the Other
The bungling bureaucrats are helping to collect VAT - how taxing can that be?
Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler.
With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddiley and John Graham.
Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in June 1975.
THU 08:30 Dad's Army (b007nf83)
Series 1
The Menace from the Deep
The Home Guard platoon spark chaos when they take over guard duties at the end of the pier in Walmington-on-Sea...
Six years after legendary sitcom Dad's Army started on BBC TV, these specially adapted radio versions began recording with the original cast.
Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, John Laurie as Private Fraser, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, Bill Pertwee as ARP Warden Hodges and David Sinclair as the Second Warden. With John Snagge as the announcer.
Adapted from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's original BBC TV scripts by Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad.
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in May 1974.
THU 09:00 Potting On (b001pkk)
Curse of the Pharaoh
Gordon gets so addicted to a computer game that Pam has to get a dog for company.
Sitcom about a couple at odds over running a garden centre and growing older...
Written by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds.
Starring Pam Ayres as Pam and Geoffrey Whitehead as Gordon.
With Trevor Bannister, Karl Theobald and Alex Tregear.
Sitcom by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds.
Producer Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008.
THU 09:30 Tomorrow, Today! (b0175mdh)
Series 2
They Come to Freeze Our Children
An actress is forced to face her worst fear and work with a child.
Series two of Christopher William Hill's sitcom set in 1962. A BBC producer struggles to make a radio soap set in the unimaginably futuristic world of 2008.
Nigel Lavery Peter Bowles
Sylvia Hann Cheryl Campbell
Godfrey Winnard John Fortune
Sir Angus McNairn Gary Waldhorn
Hugo Kellerman Joseph Kloska
Douglas Bennings Jon Glover
Keith Wood Sam Pamphilon
Cynthia Valentine Rachel Atkins
Fenella Sayers Ania Gordon
Director Alex Lamipekun
Angela Anna Bengo

Continuity Simon Treves.
Producer: Liz Webb
First broadcast on Radio 4 in February 2008.
THU 10:00 Anne Bronte - Agnes Grey (b00cm5tg)
A young woman dismays her family by choosing to earn her own living as a governess. Stars Poppy Miller and Robert Whelan.
THU 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175mgk)
Hassan's Tower
Kenneth reaches a new understanding on his honeymoon in foreign parts. Written in 1966 and read by Carl Prekkopp.
THU 11:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhz7c)
Episode 3
Devastated Davy buries himself in school life in 1926, and in writing the book Beth urged him to write. Stars Oliver Milburn.
THU 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0175m69)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 Dad's Army (b007nf83)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td6m9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
THU 14:00 Kathryn Stockett - The Help (b0175q86)
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Episode 9
Minnie worries Miss Celia faces humiliation at the Junior League Annual Benefit, and Skeeter has a deadline. Stars Alibé Parsons.
THU 14:15 Ambridge Extra (b0175q88)
Series 2
Episode 14
In the Archers spin-off, Clive is beginning to panic and Erin is opening up to Alistair.
THU 14:30 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the Shipping Forecast (b0176kpb)
Fastnet. Irish Sea. Rockall
Charlie Connelly visits the centre of Irish emigration and cycles the TT course (after a fashion). Tom Goodman-Hills reads.
THU 14:45 Great Meadow (b007jml)
Episode 4
Dirk Bogarde reads extracts from his book of childhood reminiscences. The actor recalls his voles and a shock from his nanny, Lally.
THU 15:00 Anne Bronte - Agnes Grey (b00cm5tg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0176kpd)
Mel Giedroyc goes glam with some fabulous nail polish, and then moves on to geek chic with actor Simon Pegg.
THU 17:00 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k0st)
Bravo Chantal!
The veteran reveals how hunting for financial backing can lead a film producer into many interesting and unusual by-ways of the entertainment industry.
British show business doyen, J Kingston Platt shares reminiscences drawn from the wealth and the poverty of his experience from the past 40 years.
Performed and written by Peter Jones.
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1986.
THU 17:30 Artists (b00y2194)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 18:00 Planet B (b00hy943)
Series 1
4. New Rome
John and Medley are transported to a world of orgies and circuses, where the slaves seek a new leader.
Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.
Written by Simon Bowen.
John Gunnar Cauthery
Lioba Donnla Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Odius Stephen Critchlow
Magnolia Janice Acquah
Bay Robert Lonsdale
Chi Josef Altin
Viscus Jill Cardo
Cassius Maximus Malcolm Tierney
Malicious Inam Mirza
Bloody Paul Rider
Red Dan Starkey
Other parts played by the cast.
Director: Pam Marshall
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.
THU 18:30 Douglas Hill - The Blade of the Poisoner (b007jrr6)
Trapped
Jarral and his friends head to Prince Mephtik's garden, where an alarming battle awaits them
Douglas Hill's sci-fi fantasy dramatised in four parts by Wally K Daly.
Starring Eric Allen as Jarral the man, James Holland as Jarral the boy, Elizabeth Bell as Archer, Ben Onwukwe as Carver, Susan Sheridan as Mandra, David Bannerman as Yorrold, Hugh Dixon as Prince Mephtik.
Special effects by Dick Mills.

Music by Peter Howells of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.
Producer: Peter Fozzard
First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in 1991.
THU 19:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0175m69)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 19:30 Dad's Army (b007nf83)
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THU 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 20:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td6m9)
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THU 21:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175mgk)
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THU 21:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhz7c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
THU 22:00 Listen Against (b016x3gn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 Delve Special (b007k4nj)
Series 2
Double Agent Russell Nicholson
Reporter David Lander interviews notorious double agent Russell Nicholson at his luxury home in Bulgaria.
Presented by David Lander with assistance from Stephen Fry.
Studio production by Andrew Sachs, Jack Klaff, Brenda Blethyn and Felicity Montague.
Dramatic reconstruction by Robert Bathurst and Tony Robinson.
Researched and compiled by Tony Sarchet.
Editor: Paul Mayhew-Archer
Delve Special ran for four series from 1984 to 1987 and later transferred to TV as: This is David Lander.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1985.
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0180bz6)
Richard Herring tells Arthur Smith what he's up to at the moment - and he's up to a lot!
THU 23:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b00k40t0)
Series 3
The Dig
Curmudgeonly hack Ed finds rich pickings - and a hint of romance - in the world of archaeology.
The comical world of Ed Reardon, author, pipe smoker, consummate fare-dodger and master of the abusive e-mail.
Christopher Douglas stars as Ed Reardon.
Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.
Featuring:
John Fortune
Stephanie Cole
Geoffrey Whitehead
Rita May
Simon Greenall
Sally Hawkins
Eve Dallas
Laura Solon
Mark Watson
Philip Jackson
David Cann
Miranda Keeling
Producer: Simon Nicholls
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2007.
THU 23:30 The Mark Steel Lecture (b007k482)
Series 1
Charlie Chaplin
Radical comic Mark Steel profile the fascinating life and character of the legendary silent film star, Charlie Chaplin.
Series of humorous lectures covering historical figures who shaped their era.
With Melanie Hudson and Martin Hyder.
Producer: Phil Clarke
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1999.

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FRI 00:00 Planet B (b00hy943)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]
FRI 00:30 Douglas Hill - The Blade of the Poisoner (b007jrr6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]
FRI 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]
FRI 01:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td6m9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Thursday]
FRI 02:00 Potting On (b001pkk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]
FRI 02:30 Tomorrow, Today! (b0175mdh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]
FRI 03:00 Anne Bronte - Agnes Grey (b00cm5tg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]
FRI 04:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175mgk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Thursday]
FRI 04:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xhz7c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Thursday]
FRI 05:00 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k0st)
[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]
FRI 05:30 Artists (b00y2194)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlr7)

The Return of Sherlock Holmes - Series 1
The Solitary Cyclist
The Baker Street sleuth investigates who's following music teacher Violet Smith. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
FRI 06:45 Frank W Abagnale (b00td8rp)
Catch Me If You Can
Episode 4
The FBI is in hot pursuit, but Frank Abagnale Jr's scams become even more daring. William Hope reads the infamous conman's story. From August 2010.
FRI 07:00 The Alan Davies Show (b007jsgv)
Episode 5
Topless pics inspire the struggling actor to join an environmental protest. With Ronnie Ancona and Alan Francis. From June 1998.
FRI 07:30 What's So Funny? (b0176lj4)
Series 2
Episode 7
Ed Byrne, Lucy Porter and Tom Allen review the best of British comedy and Jason Manford reveals why his arena tour is his last.
FRI 08:00 The Navy Lark (b0176m1q)
The Forbadians Hijack Troutbridge
When the crew of HMS Troutbridge are taken on an unexpected voyage - who can save them?
Stars Leslie Phillips, Jon Pertwee and Stephen Murray.
Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive 13 series between 1959 and 1976.
The Sub-Lieutenant Leslie Phillips
The Chief Petty Officer Jon Pertwee
The Number One Stephen Murray
Captain Povey Richard Caldicot
Natasha Heather Chasen
The Admiral Tenniel Evans
Igor Michael Bates
AS Tiddy Lawrie Wyman
Written by Lawrie Wyman
Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1970.
FRI 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007k01b)
Series 3
Robbery With Violence
Terrified Albert lies to son Harold after accidentally breaking his treasured porcelain collection.
Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.
Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of eight series on TV.
Albert Wilfrid Brambell
Harold Harry H Corbett
Inspector Dudley Foster
With Garrard Green, Edward Kelsey and Trevor Martin.
Adapted for radio from their TV scripts by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
Producer: Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1971.
FRI 09:00 Semi Circles (b007jtsz)
Series 2
A Family Time
Ben and Helen squabble over them spending Christmas with her mother.
The improving story of life and improving times in an improving neighbourhood.
Starring Paula Wilcox as Helen and David Wood as Ben
Written by Simon Brett
Helen Paula Wilcox
Ben David Wood
Mrs Kelly Pay Heywood
Alastair Tony Millan
Mr Cullingford Michael Bilton
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1982
FRI 09:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b00k3x21)
Series 2
Episode 1
John Lloyd and Sean Lock host a panel show in which three distinguished guests donate fascinating exhibits to a vast imaginary museum.
John and Sean's guests are Brian Eno, Chris Donald and Dave Gorman.
FRI 10:00 Lee Hall - Spoonface Steinberg (b007jnsq)
Spoonface is seven years old, autistic and terminally ill with cancer. She's fascinated by opera and by the way her parents behave. With the help of their cleaner, Mrs Spud, she tries to come to terms with her extraordinary life.
Lee Hall's award-winning monologue is performed by Becky Simpson.
First broadcast in 1997, it elicited such an extraordinary response from BBC Radio 4 listeners that a repeat was scheduled within days of the original transmission.
Originally the final part of Hall's quartet of dramas examining the experience of growing up from the perspective of children, Spoonface Steinberg was subsequently adapted for TV and the stage. Lee Hall went on to receive an Academy Award

nomination for his screenplay of Billy Elliot, later turned into a stage musical.
Producer: Kate Rowland
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1997.
FRI 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0176nbj)
Faithful Lovers
An idle decision to return to an old stomping ground, and its echoes of love, leads to an unexpected and unsettling encounter.
Faithful Lovers was written in 1968 and appears in A Day in the Life of a Smiling Woman: The Collected Stories by Margaret Drabble.
Read by Adjoa Andoh.
Abridged by Katrin Williams.
Produced by Duncan Minshull.
FRI 11:15 RF Delderfield - To Serve Them All My Days (b00xj4lg)
Episode 4
Davy wants to give Bamfylde's new headmaster his full support in 1927, but Alcock won't make it easy for him. Stars Oliver Milburn.
FRI 12:00 The Navy Lark (b0176m1q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 Steptoe and Son (b007k01b)
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FRI 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlr7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Frank W Abagnale (b00td8rp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
FRI 14:00 Kathryn Stockett - The Help (b0176p41)
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Episode 10
The maids anticipate their book's arrival in stores. Will the ladies of Jackson recognize themselves? Stars Alibe Parsons.
FRI 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b00b02gp)
The Conquest
As William takes the throne, discontent increases - and not just from the Saxons. Anna Massey narrates the history of the British Isles with Paul Eddington.
FRI 14:30 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the Shipping Forecast (b0176pbp)
Hebrides, Faeroes, South East Iceland
Charlie Connelly ends his voyage by discovering some legendary whiskey and land younger than himself. Tom Goodman-Hills reads.
FRI 14:45 Great Meadow (b007jn00)
Episode 5
Dirk Bogarde reads the final extract from his book of childhood reminiscences. The actor recalls his days at the seaside.
FRI 15:00 Lee Hall - Spoonface Steinberg (b007jnsq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0176pbr)
It's Children in Need day - Mel hears about one of the many projects which have benefited from the money raised, and Andi Osho is here with some comedy Sneaky Peeks.
FRI 17:00 Ring Around the Bath (b00mp6t)
Series 2
New Ways to Comb Old Gravel
Alison returns from Spain to find that Egg's taken her room and Xanthe has shrunk her favourite jeans in the wash.
Dad Patrick disappears off to work, leaving mum Stella to sort out the chaos - as she continues dreaming of a life in the country - without her grown-up children.
Series 2 of Lucy Clare and Ian Davidson's sitcom about topsy-turvy family life.
Stars Duncan Preston as Patrick, Penny Downie as Stella, Claudie Blakley as Alison, Bruce MacKinnon as Rick, Catherine Shepherd as Xanthe and Daniela Denby-Ashe as Egg.
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.
FRI 17:30 The Alan Davies Show (b007jsgv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 18:00 Planet B (b00j0hqr)
Series 1
5. The Smart Money
John and Medley are transported to a world of orgies and circuses, where the slaves seek a new leader.
Ten-part series about a mystery virtual world.
Written by Paul May.
John Gunnar Cauthery
Lioba Donnla Hughes
Medley Lizzy Watts
Cerberus Chris Pavlo
Trader 1 Janice Acquah
Trader 2 Robert Lonsdale
Wheeler Paul Rider
Regulator Stephen Critchlow
Lyall Inam Mirza
Fracta Jill Cardo
Other parts played by the cast.
Director: Jessica Dromgoole
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in March 2009.
FRI 18:30 Douglas Hill - The Blade of the Poisoner (b007jrtt)
Last Chance
Unless the tainted blade and Prince Mephtik are destroyed within two days, Jarral will die...
Conclusion of Douglas Hill's sci-fi fantasy dramatised in four parts by Wally K Daly.
Starring Eric Allen as Jarral the man, James Holland as Jarral

the boy, Elizabeth Bell as Archer, Ben Onwukwe as Carver, Hugh Dixon as Prince Mephtik, Susan Sheridan as Mandra, David Bannerman as Yorrold, James Thomason as Crylor Tabatang, Bret Usher as Flammarock, Richard Pierce as Whiney, Anne Windsor as Inkeeper, with Nigel Carrington and Charles Millom as Soldiers.
Special effects by Dick Mills.
Music by Peter Howells of the BBC Radiophonic Workshop.
Producer: Peter Fozzard
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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 22:30 The Best of in One Ear (b0176qq0)
Helen Lederer, Clive Mantle and Nick Wilton star in a compilation of the first series, broadcast live in the summer of 1984.
FRI 23:00 Mastering the Universe (b00sg6yn)
Series 1
The Joy of Sulks
Professor Joy Klamp tours the miserable world of relationships. Stars Dawn French and Christopher Douglas. From November 2005.
FRI 23:15 Quando, Quando, Quando (b007xry7)
Big Head
The Quando brothers' hair salon is thrown into pandemonium when the President of Uruguay arrives for his annual trim. No one must mention his enormous head...
Brothers Rene, Carlo and Charlie Quando chop, snip and crimp their lucky clients into shape at London's finest hair salon. Six-part comedy written and performed by Rainer Hersch and Mark Maie. With Stephen Greif and Catherine Tate.
Producer: Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1999.
FRI 23:30 Vent (b00tr5rv)
Series 2
Things to Do Before You Die
As Mary and Mum read him a lifestyle magazine, Ben's unconscious mind takes him back to 1973 to find a "life coach" who will motivate him out of his coma.
Unfortunately, this mostly involves pointing a gun at his head...
Dark sitcom following the thoughts of a coma patient written by Nigel Smith.
Starring Neil Pearson as Ben Smith, Fiona Allen as Mary, Josie Lawrence as Mum and Leslie Ash as Blitzkrieg.
With Nicholas Hutchison, Jo Martin, Mark Perry, John Kay Steel, James Lynch and Tim Whitnall.
Producer: Gareth Edwards
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2007.