

SATURDAY 03 DECEMBER 2011

SAT 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b010v5f8)

Night Watch
Episode 5
Commander Sam Vimes of the City Watch, thrown back into his own past, has little time left there to undo the harm done by his arch-enemy Carcer, before coming back to his present...
The conclusion of Terry Pratchett's Discworld novel dramatised by Robin Brooks.
Stars Philip Jackson as Sam Vimes, Carl Prekopp as Young Sam, Paul Ritter as Carcer, Clare Corbett as Rosie, Sam Dale as Colon, Ben Onwukwe as Dr Lawn, Joseph Kloska as Reg Shoe, Peter Marinker as Major Clive and Rachel Atkins as Lady Mesarole.
Director: Claire Grove
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

SAT 00:30 John Wyndham - Trouble with Lichen (b007k3xm)

Episode 5
The secret of long life is out, but with a reticent boss, Diana must face intense media pressure alone.
The scientific world, government, media and the beauty salon collide in John Wyndham's 1960 sci-fi novel.
Concluded by Joanna Tope.
Abridged by Scott Stainton Miller.
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie
Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2007.

SAT 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlxn)

His Last Bow
Wisteria Lodge
Voodoo rituals and mystery disappearances spark a gruesome riddle for the detective. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
SAT 01:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g3g1c)
Episode 3
Back in his childhood, Blaze's first con was to help another pupil. William Hope reads Stephen King's 'lost' thriller.
SAT 02:00 Semi Circles (b007jtw6)

Series 2
The Liberated Generation
"Ours is the generation of freedom, of permissiveness. We aren't shocked by anything. I mean, we may not want to participate, but there's nothing we actually disapprove of...". Ben and Helen's marriage is at a standstill. Will Dick and Marian get it moving?
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
Dick David Gooderson
Marian Jean Trend
Producer: Pete Atkin

SAT 02:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b00kdr57)

Series 2
Episode 3
John Lloyd and Sean Lock host a panel show in which three distinguished guests donate fascinating exhibits to a vast imaginary museum.
Chris Addison, Rupert Sheldrake and Bettany Hughes donate objects of extreme interest to the world's most eclectic museum.
SAT 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017h805)
The Light and the Dark
As the Second World War erupts, Lewis Eliot heads to Whitehall and his love life takes an unexpected turn.
CP Snow's epic novel sequence about the English Establishment and Power.
Dramatised by Jonathan Holloway

With Adam Godley as Lewis Eliot and narrated by David Haig
Hector Rose ... Rupert Vansittart
Roy Calvert ... Adam Levy
Houston Eggar ... Peter Marinker
Willy Romantovski ... Kenneth Collard
Gilbert Cooke ... Anthony Calf
Margaret Davidson ... Juliet Aubrey
Rosalind ... Anne-Marie Duff
Betty Vane ... Carla Simpson
Directed by Jeremy Howe and Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2003.

SAT 04:00 Ronald Frame Short Stories (b007k1lf)

The End of the Season
Rhona has run away from her relationship problems. At her hotel, she comes to an understanding.
Jilly Bond reads Ronald Frame's short story.
Producer: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1995.
SAT 04:15 Jimmie Chinn - Perfect Timing (b017h8g5)
A struggling music hall duo try to make a decent fist of a cruise ship booking. Stars Bernard Cribbins and Roy Barraclough.
SAT 05:00 Ring Around the Bath (b00tmtvh)
Series 2

Brideshead Unvisited
Rick's ex-girlfriend is getting married and the whole family is invited. Stella's doubts about an occasion involving the entire Bartholomew clan prove to be justified...
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, Daniela Denby-Ashe as Egg and Terence Frisch as the photographer.
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone

SAT 05:30 The Little World of Don Camillo (b00trp2p)

Series 3
The 13th Century Angel
With his church damaged, the Italian priest sparks a commotion over repairs. Stars Joss Ackland and Ian Hogg.
2003.
SAT 06:00 Nancy Mitford - Love in a Cold Climate (b007jp62)
A glamorous invitation to a grand party at Hampton - home of the fabulously wealthy Montdore and their beautiful daughter Polly - brings Fanny into the world of the 1920s aristocracy - and in and out of love when the temperature drops...
Published in 1949, Nancy Mitford's novel dramatised by Claire Luckham.

Stars Amanda Root as Fanny, Barbara Jefford as Lady Montdore, Teresa Gallagher as Polly, Jenny Howe as Veronica, Jon Strickland as Uncle Davey, Patience Tomlinson as Aunt Emily, Tessa Worsley as Aunt Sadie, Ioan Meredith as Uncle Matthew, Stephen Crichtlow as Boy Dougdale, Sarah-Jane Holm as Jassy, Tilly Gaunt as Victoria, William Hope as Cedric and Tom Beard as Alfred.
Director: Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.

SAT 07:30 Ay Mariachi! (b00xmv28)

It's night-time in the Plaza Garibaldi, Mexico City. Neil McCarthy descends into the meaning, madness and music of mariachi - hustling troubadours in sequined suits whose songs of love and pain are inseparable from Mexican life.
Producer: Mark Burman
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2004.

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b017pnfb)

Series 7
Episode 7
From New York City, the American funny man welcomes England's Elvis Costello and Irish guitarist John Doyle. From 2010.

SAT 09:00 The Burkiss Way (b00jvj68)

Celebrate the Burkiss Way
Happy dynamic living!
It's back to the 1970s and 80s as comedy writers David Renwick and Andrew Marshall - plus original cast members Chris Emmett, Nigel Rees and Fred Harris - recall their cult BBC radio comedy hit.
Discover how Eric Pode of Croydon came to be! Which cast member made the leap from Big Ted and Play School to Radio 4? And why did 'The Burkiss Way' earn itself a mention in the Houses of Parliament?
Enjoy five classic episodes featuring the talents of Jo Kendall, Chris Emmett, Fred Harris and Nigel Rees:

* Skive from School the Burkiss Way:
Can 'Moses Minor' lead the boys of Greyfriars away from the clutches of their oppressors? From February 1977.
* Not the Burkiss Way:
Learn how to offer family planning for rabbits. Michael Parkinson interviews Bugs Bunny. From January 1978.
* Remember the Burkiss Way:
From 3-2-1 to The Generation Game Questions galore in the clash of the game shows! From April 1979.
* Settle out of Court the Burkiss Way:
Find out 'What's My Gender', plus a galactic 'Panorama'. From November 1980.
* Wave Goodbye to CBEs the Burkiss Way
The sketch show team's last-ever episode which provoked controversy. From November 1980.

Producer: Martin Dempsey
Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in April 2009.

SAT 12:00 The Tenant of Wildfell Hall Omnibus (b017pnpv)

Episode 1
Helen Graham is the hall's mysterious new tenant. As farmer Gilbert Markham becomes powerfully drawn to this enigmatic widow, he discovers her turbulent past. By Anne Brontë.
SAT 13:15 Elizabeth Gaskell - Curious, If True (b00tvmjw)
The Poor Clare
1727: Investigating the heir to a substantial fortune, a young lawyer is drawn towards a young woman haunted by a mother's curse - and apparently possessed by a strange, dark force...
Elizabeth Gaskell's collection of intriguing "true" tales dramatised by Sally Hedges.
Mrs Gaskell Elizabeth Spriggs
Philip Kim Wall
Bridget Janet Dale
Lucy Kathryn Hunt
Bernard William Simons
With Mary Wimbush, Christopher Scott, Sandra Berkin, Martin Head and Nick Aikens.
Producer: Nigel Bryant

An Armada production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in October 1998.

SAT 14:00 The Arthur Haynes Show (b00zl7rv)

From 23/06/1963
Lead-swinging Arthur visits his doctor - and will a dodgy couple really buy a posh mansion?
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 and Patricia Hayes.
Songs by Janie Marden.
Producer: Richard Dingley
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1963.
SAT 14:30 Harry Worth (b00r2jxk)
Thirty Minutes Worth
The Holiday
Harry Worth's doctor prescribes him a sunshine holiday.
Starring Harry Worth.
With Jacqueline Clarke, Charles Collingwood, Julie Higginson and Milton Johns.
Script by Vince Powell.
Producer: Mike Craig
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1988.
SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b017pnfb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
SAT 16:00 Nancy Mitford - Love in a Cold Climate (b007jp62)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 17:30 What's So Funny? (b017h7cm)
Series 2
Episode 9

Ed Byrne speaks to Milton Jones, and Lucy Porter learns about Lloyd Langford's pessimism. With Danielle Ward and Bruce Dessau.

SAT 18:00 Torchwood (b00zzwfn)

Lost Souls
Cardiff's extra-terrestrial peacekeepers head to Geneva's Hadron Collider laboratory. Stars John Barrowman and Lucy Montgomery.
SAT 18:45 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b010gqsf)
The Nine Billion Names of God
Death and the Senator

If a medical space station can cure cardiac conditions, who gets treatment? John Shrapnel reads Arthur C Clarke's short story.
SAT 19:00 The Burkiss Way (b00jvj68)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Saturday Stand-Up (b0106vfc)
Robert Newman - Apocalypse Now
The comedian entertains an audience at London's Tricycle Theatre, Kilburn with his unique view of history. From May 2005.

SAT 22:45 Sir Henry at Rawlinson End (b00s09s1)

Sir Henry Entertains
The surreal saga of a dynasty delicately balanced on the edge of sanity.
Written by and starring Viv Stanshall.

Contains edits of original John Peel sessions first heard on BBC Radio 1.
Music composed and performed by Viv Stanshall using additional musicians.
Producer: John Walters
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1996.
SAT 23:00 Ian Rankin - Rebus (b00fqk6s)
Resurrection Men
Episode 1
The maverick detective engineers a suspension to carry out a covert probe of his own. Ian Rankin's thriller stars Ron Donachie.

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SUN 06:00 Christine de Pizan - The Book of the City of Ladies (b007mwc7)

Christine de Pizan's allegorical fantasy about building a fortress for women from labour, virtue and wisdom. With Kathryn Hunt.
SUN 07:15 Strange Weather Days (b007jxfs)
Series 1
Wall of Water
A community recalls their devastating flood of 1953, as

meteorologist Helen Young visits East Anglia.
SUN 07:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b017gntm)
 Series 3
 Late Review
 Spoof reminiscences of a former variety star. Count Arthur Strong is an expert in everything from the world of entertainment to the origins of the species, all false starts and nervous fumbling, poorly concealed by a delicate sheen of bravado and self-assurance.
 Arthur misplaces his book for the review taking place later that day. Arthur and Geoffrey are sent in pursuit of it. A couple of glasses of wine in the green room prior to the radio show help him review the book in his own unique manner.
 With Steve Delaney, Sue Perkins, Dave Mounfield and Alastair Kerr.
SUN 08:00 Take It From Here (b017pqr4)
 From 02/06/1955
 Ron Glum marries Eth at last, at least in prehistoric times. 1955 is another matter. Stars June Whitfield. From June 1955.
SUN 08:30 Listen to Les (b00kmm1b)
 From 11/09/1983
 Cissie Braithwaite is in despair as she instructs Ada Shufflebotham on the finer points of ballet.
 Starring Les Dawson. With Roy Barraclough, Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn.
 Music by Brian Fitzgerald.
 Scripted and produced by James Casey.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1983.
SUN 09:00 Herge - The Adventures of Tintin (b007jvd0)
 Series 2
 The Seven Crystal Balls
 When explorers return from Peru and fall mysteriously ill, the intrepid boy reporter is on the case. Stars Richard Pearce.
SUN 09:30 Alf Proysen - Mrs Peppercot (b00pbtvj)
 Episode 3
 The incredible shrinking woman's sister arrives with a very handy handbag. Based on Alf Proysen's books. Stars Alison Steadman.
SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b017pr2c)
 Martin Bell
 Kirsty Young explores the choices of the former war reporter and MP in the fourth of a series featuring journalists.
SUN 10:50 Front Row Interviews (b017pr3l)
 Pam Ayres
 Poet Pam Ayres talks about her career, being pigeonholed, and her first book of memoirs in conversation with Mark Lawson.
SUN 11:00 Back to the Drawing Board (b0090bb6)
 Episode 4
 Many inventors have poor business skills, but one man is out to build bridges and change perceptions. Matthew Harvey reports.
SUN 11:15 Ambridge Extra (b017prj2)
 Series 2 - Omnibus
 Series 2, Episodes 17-18
 In the Archers spin-off, Daniel plucks up courage and Alistair has a helper.
SUN 11:45 Postscripts: JB Priestley (b00ntdnz)
 Episode 4
 Looking back to the very first day of the war, broadcaster JB Priestley's observations from 1940 are read by Patrick Stewart.
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SUN 13:30 John Buchan - The Courts of the Morning (b00jk9j)
 High adventure in South America, where The Republic of Olifa is rich in minerals, and ripe for revolution.
 CAST:
 Castor Ian McDiarmid
 Janet Roylance Fiona Francis
 Archie Roylance Andrew Wardlaw
 Sandy Clanroyden Sandy Neilson
 Babs Lynn Bains
 Luis Richard Greenwood
 Mayakovsky Finlay Welsh
 Romanes Mark Coleman
 Hamilton Derek Anders
 Written by John Buchan and dramatised by Guy Slater.
 Director: Patrick Rainer.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1994.
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SUN 17:00 A History of the World in 100 Objects (b00rbs1h)
 The First Cities and States (4000 - 2000 BC)
 Neil MacGregor, the Director of the British Museum, presents an omnibus edition of five further items in his history of humanity as told through the objects it has made. Today he investigates the impact on human society of large numbers of people coming together in the world's first cities between 5000 and 2000 BC. As they did so, they developed new trade links, the first handwriting, and new forms of leadership and beliefs.

All of these innovations are present in Neil's first object; a small label made of hippo ivory that was attached to the sandal that one of the earliest known kings of Egypt, King Den, took his grave. The label not only depicts the king in battle against unknown foes but also boasts the first writing in this history of the world - hieroglyphs that describe the king and his military conquests. Is this just the first indication that there would never be civilisation without war
 For his second item, Neil considers a set of mosaics from the ancient Mesopotamian city of Ur, now in Southern Iraq. The Standard of Ur shows powerful images of battle and regal life and remains remarkably well preserved given its four-and-a-half thousand year old history. Contributors include sociologist Anthony Giddens, on the growing sophistication of societies at this time, and the archaeologist Lamia Al-Gailani who considers what Ancient Mesopotamia means to the people of modern day Iraq.
 Neil then moves on to the ancient city of Harappa which lies around 150 miles north of Lahore in Pakistan. It was once one of the great centres of a civilisation that has largely disappeared, one with vast trade connections and boasting several of the world's first cities. At a time when another great civilisation was being forged along the banks of the river Nile in Egypt, Neil MacGregor investigates this much less well-known civilisation on the banks of the Indus Valley. He introduces us to a series of little stone seals that are four-and-a-half thousand years old, covered in carved images of animals and probably used in trade.
 The civilisation built over 100 cities, some with sophisticated sanitation systems, big scale architecture and even designed around a modern grid layout. The great modern architect Sir Richard Rogers considers the urban planning of the Indus Valley, while the historian Nayanjot Lahiri looks at how this lost civilisation is remembered - by both modern India and Pakistan.
 In Britain, at that time, life was much simpler, although trade links with Europe were well established. For his next item, Neil tells the story of a beautiful piece of jade, shaped into an axe head. It is about 6000 years old and was discovered near Canterbury in Kent but was made in the high Alps. He tells the story of how this object may have been used and traded and how its source was cunningly traced to the heart of Europe. And for his final item in this programme, Neil celebrates the arrival of writing into our history - with a 5000 year old clay tablet from Mesopotamia that deals not in poetry but in describing the local beer. The philosopher John Searle describes what the invention of writing does for the human mind and Britain's top civil servant, Gus O'Donnell, considers the tablet as an example of possibly the earliest bureaucracy
SUN 18:00 The Man in Black (b017prn7)
 Series 4
 2. The Punt by Christina Balit
 An ex-alcoholic is on the run from more than just his AA buddy.
 Mark Gatiss as the sinister raconteur. The Man in Black, introduces Christina Balit's dark tale.
 Jimmy Ian Hogg
 Derek James Lailey
 The Voice Victoria Inez Hardy
 Jak Adjoa Andoh
 Priest Adam Billington
 More 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: Selina Ream
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in December 2011.
SUN 18:30 Daphne Du Maurier (b007jq6k)
 The Birds
 Episode 1
 The birds are "never satisfied, never still". Charlie Bamecut reads Daphne du Maurier's chilling classic in three parts. The novel was famously filmed for the cinema by Alfred Hitchcock in 1963. But don't expect anything like what was on the big screen here. This is Du Maurier's original story. In fact, the author disliked what Hitchcock did to her tale; particularly his translation of her setting from Cornwall - with its small fields and stone hedges - to small-town America.
 As this original story opens, with the colder winter weather drawing in, Nat and his family notice the hungry birds are gathering in the village...
 Producer: Gemma Jenkins
 Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2003.
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SUN 22:30 Rigor Mortis (b007k4xd)
 Series 1
 Episode 5
 Dr Webster is looking after his 13 year old daughter for the weekend but can't understand why she doesn't find an evening in the path lab an exciting prospect?
 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
 Margaret Lauren Bird
 Other parts Stephen Critchlow
 Music by Paul Mottram and Stephanie Benavente.
 Producer: Dawn Ellis
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2003.
SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b017pssz)
 Andi Osho and her guest chat about life and laughs.
SUN 23:00 The Hare Lane Diaries (b00m2dcc)
 Episode 5
 As Rex and landlady Jessica yearn for adventure, they must unexpectedly cooperate. Stars David Bamber. From September 2001.
SUN 23:30 Dave Podmore (b007jyjh)
 Dave Podmore's Cricket Night
 Episode 1
 For cricket's most unremarkable medium-paced trundler, every problem is an opportunity.
 So Pod turns his 140 hours of community service, teaching the basics of the game to kids, into a novel way of promoting his testimonial dinner.
 Written by Christopher Douglas, Nick Newman and Andrew Nickolds.
 Pod Christopher Douglas
 Andy Hamer Andrew Nickolds
 With Nick Newman, Chris Pavlo, Mark Perry and Nicola Sanderson.
 Producer: Richard Wilson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2004.

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MON 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jly5)
 His Last Bow
 The Cardboard Box
 The sleuth probes a spinster's grisly surprise in the post - two severed human ears. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
MON 06:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g3h8f)
 Episode 4
 Baby Joe is crying. Can his kidnapper make the little child smile? William Hope reads Stephen King's 'lost' thriller.
MON 07:00 Married (b00c0c35)
 Series 1
 Episode 1
 Confirmed bachelor Robin Lightfoot wakes up one morning and discovers to his horror that he's married with two children. Is it a nightmare, a practical joke or something much more sinister?
 Hugh Bonneville stars in the first of three comedy series by Tony Bagley.
 Robin Hugh Bonneville
 Lesley Josie Lawrence
 Julia Barbara Murray
 Dirk Steve Frost
 Penny Melanie Hudson
 Ned Sam Bradley
 Maxine Ann Gosling
 Policeman Anthony Ofoegbu
 Producer Claire Jones
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.

MON 07:30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (b017m14y)
Series 56
Episode 3
The nation's favourite wireless entertainment pays a first-time visit Sage Gateshead. Regulars Barry Cryer, Graeme Garden and Tim Brooke-Taylor are joined on the panel by Marcus Brigstocke, with Jack Dee in the chair. Colin Sell provides piano accompaniment. Producer - Jon Naismith.

MON 08:00 Round the Horne (b00szhvg)
Series 4
Episode 8
In 'Around The World in Ten Minutes' Douglas Smith plays the world, while Julian and Sandy are bursting into 'Bona Songs'. 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.
Written by Barry Took, Johnnie Mortimer and Brian Cooke. Music by the Max Harris Group.
Producer: John Simmonds
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in April 1968.

MON 08:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b007jv6w)
Series 1
Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel
Shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel and his assistant Ravelli get themselves hired to guard a Rembrandt painting.
Recreation of the Marx Brothers' lost shows charting the adventures of shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel and his assistant, Emmanuel Ravelli.
Originally broadcast with sponsors on America's NBC radio network in the 1930s, the scripts were rediscovered in 1988. Groucho Marx as Waldorf T Flywheel Michael Roberts Chico Marx as Emmanuel Ravellias Frank Lazarus With Lorelei King and Graham Hoody.
Written by Nat Perrin and Arthur Sheekman. Adapted by Mark Brisenden.
Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.
Producer: Dirk Maggs
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1990.

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Spoof reminiscences of a former variety star. Count Arthur Strong is an expert in everything from the world of entertainment to the origins of the species, all false starts and nervous fumbling, poorly concealed by a delicate sheen of bravado and self-assurance.
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MON 09:30 Jest a Minute (b017ptbk)
Series 2
Episode 5
Rhod Gilbert's comedy quiz from the Glee Club in Cardiff.
With Greg Davies, Egsy, Lloyd Langford and Chris Corcoran. Producers: Paul Forde and Gareth Gwynn.
First broadcast on BBC Radio Wales in 2009.

MON 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017ptch)
The New Men
Lewis Eliot is involved in the power struggle between scientists and politicians during World War Two, when he oversees as a secret wartime project.
CP Snow's epic novel sequence about the English Establishment and Power
Lewis Eliot ... David Haig
Martin Eliot ... Tim McInnerny
Walter Luke ... Jeremy Swift
Irene ... Claire Skinner
David Rubin ... Rolf Saxon
Sawbridge ... Adrian Scarborough
Edgar ... Andrew Wincott
Captain Smith ... Sean Baker
Sir Hector ... John Carlisle
Dramatised by Jonathan Holloway
Directed by Jeremy Howe and Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

MON 11:00 Defining Moments (b01930jj)
Series 2
The Lost Weekend
By Hugo Kelly. A single woman gets away for a weekend. Read by Katherine Parkinson.
MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b017vdhh)
Clive Anderson and guests with an eclectic mix of conversation, music and comedy.
Clive will be getting up close and personal with pop legend Jimmy Osmond, who topped the charts at the tender age of nine with 'Long Haired Lover From Liverpool' and has been

performing with 'The Osmonds' for almost five decades. Jimmy talks to Clive about their final UK tour next year and how he'll soon be leading the cast of panto favourite 'Aladdin' in Swansea.

For those who have ever pondered what a bracket and a codpiece have in common. 'The Inky Fool', journalist, blogger and man of many words Mark Forsyth will be enlightening us about this and other etymological complexities at play in the English language. His book 'The Etymologist' maps the secret labyrinth that lurks beneath our vocabulary.
Loose Ends Princess Allegra McEvedy will be trying on a glass slipper and talking to comic, presenter and handsome Prince Hardeep Singh Kohli about writing 'Bollywood Cinderella' for cross-cultural theatre Tara Arts.
This much loved Christmas classic has been spiced up with an Indian twist. Will Allegra escape her fate and go to the Bollywood Ball? Oh no she won't!...Oh yes she will!
Following the BAFTA-nominated success of 'Dead Set', journalist and screen burner Charlie Brooker returns to Channel 4 with three satirical, blackly comic dramas which tap into the collective unease of the modern world. Charlie wrote two of the three 'Black Mirror' episodes which start on 4th December at 2 1.00.
Tragi-comic pop artist Liz Green will be performing 'Bad Medicine' from her album 'O! Devotion!' And Lightspeed Champion Devonté Hynes celebrates his solo return as Blood Orange and will be performing 'Bad Girls' from his album 'Coastal Grooves'.
Producer: Cathie Mahoney.

MON 12:00 Round the Horne (b00szhvg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 12:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b007jv6w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
MON 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jly5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 13:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g3b8f)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
MON 14:00 Faust (b00k2d8r)
Episode 1
The evil supremo meets Dr Faustus. Martin Jenkin's fable adaptation of a man selling his soul to the Devil. Stars Mark Gatiss.
MON 14:15 This Scipitred Isle (b00b32r4)
Henry Plantagenet
Henry II takes to the throne and eventually marries Eleanor of Aquitaine. Anna Massey narrates the history of Britain, with Paul Eddington.
MON 14:30 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrmm)
Cricklewood - A Scene Setter
Home to potato crisps and the machine gun - humourist, writer and broadcaster Alan Coren muses on his beloved part of London.
Abridged in five-parts, Alan Coren (1938-2007) reads from his book A Bit on the Side first published in 1996.
The son of a builder, Coren won a scholarship to Oxford, and also studied at Yale and the University of California. He planned to become a professor, but his experiences in the USA prompted him to take up comic writing. He was editor of 'Punch' magazine from 1978-1987.
Alan was also a regular panellist on BBC radio 4's The News Quiz and a team captain on BBC TV's Call My Bluff.
Producer: Aled Evans
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.

MON 14:45 Kingsley Amis - Lucky Jim (b00sny11)
Episode 4
Lecturer Jim Dixon wakes up to trouble. Can disaster be averted by a quick-thinking friend? Read by Martin Jarvis.
MON 15:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017ptch)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b017pvzr)
Mel Girody dances with the sugar plum fairy to explore the appeal of The Nutcracker; and finds out about life on the farm with tractors and sheepdog trials.
MON 17:00 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket (b00s6rcd)
Series 1
The Cruise - 1/2
The dear ladies attempt to fly off to entertain the passengers on a Mediterranean cruise liner...
Starring Dame Hilda Bracket and her lifelong companion Dr Evadne Hinge.
The dear ladies reside in the Suffolk village of Stackton Tressel. This was the genteel setting for three Radio 4 series between 1977 and 1979, with further spin-off seasons on Radio 2 until 1990. In the early 1980s, they expanded over to BBC TV with the series Dear Ladies.
Dame Hilda Bracket George Logan
Dr Evadne Hinge Patrick Fyfe
Brigadier Roland Baines Michael Bates
Captain Frobisher Donald Hewlett
Scripted by Mike Craig, Lawrie Kinsley and Ron McDonnell.
Produced at BBC Manchester by James Casey
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1977.

MON 17:30 Married (b00c0c35)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
MON 18:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007p1fy)
1969-71 Decision
President JF Kennedy survived the 1963 Dallas shootings. Now,

as Project Apollo reaches the moon, he issues a new challenge - a manned mission to Mars.
Stephen Baxter's 1996 novel presents an alternative history of the US space programme.
Dramatised in five-parts by Dirk Maggs
Starring Laurel Lefklow as Natalie York, William Dufbris as Mike Conlig, Michael Roberts as Gregory Dana, Vincent Marzello as Joe Muldoon, Frank Lazarus as Chuck Jones, Russell Bentley as Jim Dana and William Roberts as Ben Priest.
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.
Producer: Dirk Maggs
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.

MON 18:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b00tf7b6)
Golden Apples of the Sun & The One Who Waits
A rocket ship's mission to the sun, followed by a tale of a somewhat scary game in the dark. Short stories read by Sean Barrett.
MON 19:00 Round the Horne (b00szhvg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 19:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b007jv6w)
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MON 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jly5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 20:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g3b8f)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
MON 21:00 Defining Moments (b01930jj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
MON 21:15 Loose Ends (b017vdhh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
MON 22:00 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (b017m14y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 22:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b017pt8w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
MON 23:00 Now Show Extra (b017pw3r)
Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis present an extended version of this week's Now Show, with material not featured in the Radio 4 programme.
MON 23:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007zh10)
Series 1
Romance in the Glen
Hamish finds a rival in the Laird after falling head of heels for society beauty Lady Caroline Fitz-Nealeigh.
Barry Cryer and Graeme Garden star as the two elderly Scotsmen famed for their appearances on BBC Radio's I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue.
With Alison Steadman as their cleaning-lady-cum-housekeeper, Mrs Naughtie - and Lady Caroline Fitzneately.
And Jeremy Hardy as the local Laird.
Producer: Jon Naismith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2002.

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TUE 00:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007p1fy)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]
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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]
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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]
TUE 01:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g3b8f)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Monday]
TUE 02:00 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b017pt8w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]
TUE 02:30 Jest a Minute (b017ptbk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]
TUE 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017ptch)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]
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TUE 05:30 Married (b00c0c35)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]
TUE 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlyz7)
His Last Bow
The Red Circle
Worried about her strange lodger, a landlady calls on the great detective for help. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
TUE 06:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g421c)
Episode 5
The small-time con recalls happy times, love lost and when he nearly escaped. William Hope reads Stephen King's 'lost' thriller.
TUE 07:00 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00vgb3v)
Series 2
Charity
It's Jesters' Relief Week in Drumlín Bay and Tamsyn is a bit tired of raising cash for the people of Devon just because their clotted cream is slightly less clotted than the Cornish equivalent. It's 1793 and in the small Cornish village of Drumlín 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 and Mark Perry as Smeldof.
 Producer: Jan Ravens.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2004.
TUE 07:30 Richard Herring's Objective (b017mt04)
 Series 2
 The Old School Tie
 Richard Herring examines 'The Old School Tie' an object that has come to represent public school networks and contacts. Richard asks if it is acceptable to be prejudice against the posh? Series in which Richard Herring pokes and prods a variety of controversial objects and sees if the controversy falls out. Through vox pops, interviews and stand up comedy Richard examines the objects' history, meaning and significance and challenges our assumed logic and stereotypes.
 Can we reclaim these objects away from their unfortunate associations?
 Written by and starring Richard Herring.
 With Emma Kennedy and special guest Alexei Sayle.
 Producer: Tilusha Ghelani
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.
TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jn48)
 Series 6
 The Jet-Propelled Guided Naafi
 Grytpype and Moriarty set out to steal the plans for a secret new weapon.
 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 January 1956.
TUE 08:30 The Burkiss Way (b007js15)
 Series 5
 Write Extremely Long Programme Titles the Burkiss Way
 It's time to meet the Muppets with President Nixon.
 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 November 1980.
TUE 09:00 Now Show Extra (b017pw3r)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
TUE 09:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007zh10)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]
TUE 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017pwt0)
 Homecomings
 As the Cold War intensifies, a spy appears to be at large within Britain's nuclear research programme.
 CP Snow's epic novel sequence about the English Establishment and Power.
 Lewis Eliot ... David Haig
 Martin Eliot ... Tim McInnerny
 Walter Luke ... Jeremy Swift
 Margaret Davidson ... Juliet Aubrey
 Sawbridge ... Adrian Scarborough
 Captain Smith ... Sean Baker
 Sir Thomas Beville ... Rober Laing
 Austin Davidson ... David Collins
 Sir Hector Rose ... John Carlisle
 Captain Smith ... Sean Baker
 Dramatised by Jonathan Holloway.
 Directed by Jeremy Howe and Sally Avens
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.
TUE 11:00 Defining Moments (b01930jz)
 Series 2
 The Westlink Upgrade
 By Colin Carberry. Short stories by Irish writers. A young couple begin to realise they have fallen in love. Read by Ciaran McMenamin.
TUE 11:15 Petrella (b007jpkn)
 Series 1
 Good Fences Make Good Neighbours
 The Oxbridge detective probes the murder of a young woman who led 'a double life'. Michael Gilbert's thriller stars Philip Jackson.
TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jn48)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 The Burkiss Way (b007js15)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlz7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g42t6)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
TUE 14:00 Faust (b00k2lzm)
 Episode 2

Faust wants sex. Mephistopheles wants his signature. Fable adaptation of a man selling his soul to the Devil. Stars Mark Gatiss.
TUE 14:15 Ambridge Extra (b017pwf)
 Series 2
 Episode 19
 In the Archers spin-off, Amy has a present problem, and Daniel and Alistair go shopping.
TUE 14:30 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrp1)
 Suburban Fauna
 The humorist, writer and broadcaster muses on his beloved London district's goldfish, geese and foxes.
TUE 14:45 Kingsley Amis - Lucky Jim (b00sp3dx)
 Episode 5
 Lecturer Jim Dixon is preoccupied about losing his job whilst preparation for the summer ball begins. Read by Martin Jarvis.
TUE 15:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017pwt0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b017pwxn)
 Mel Giedroyc hangs out with a herd of alpacas, bakes some mince pies, and takes to the skies in a flying machine.
TUE 17:00 For Better or for Worse (b00hk2dx)
 Series 1
 Episode 8
 Iris is proper poorly, but not quite as poorly as Wilf thinks she is. Stars Gorden Kaye and Su Pollard. From April 1993.
TUE 17:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00vgb3v)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
TUE 18:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007qp3)
 1972-80 Trajectories
 Geologist Natalie York must decide whether she wants to compete for a place on the first manned mission to Mars. Stephen Baxter's 1996 novel presents an alternative history of the US space programme.
 Dramatised in five parts by Dirk Maggs
 Starring Laurel Lefklow as Natalie York, William Dufres as Mike Conlig, Michael Roberts as Gregory Dana, Vincent Marzello as Joe Muldoon, Frank Lazarus as Chuck Jones, Russell Bentley as Jim Dana, William Roberts as Ben Priest, Mel Taylor as Ralph Gershon and Rolf Saxon as Phil Stone.
 Music by Wilfredo Acosta.
 Producer: Dirk Maggs
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.
TUE 18:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b007f9r1)
 Tomorrow's Child
 Polly's first child is shaped like a small blue pyramid. Will she be able to bond with her baby or reject it? Read by Sean Barrett.
TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b007jn48)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 19:30 The Burkiss Way (b007js15)
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TUE 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlz7)
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
TUE 21:00 Defining Moments (b01930jz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
TUE 21:15 Petrella (b007jpkn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
TUE 22:00 Richard Herring's Objective (b017mt04)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 22:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0192xr2)
 From 10pm until midnight, Sunday to Friday, the Comedy Club offers two hours of comedy. Host Arthur Smith chats to Mark Steel about his new radio show.
TUE 22:30 Innes Own World (b017px05)
 Episode 4
 Neil Innes invites you to join him inside his own mind for half an hour.
 There are some stories of working with Monty Python, jingles for products you never thought you needed and a modest little song called Isn't It Great Being A Star?
 It's the only show that promises to pluck the eyebrows of intelligence with the sugar tongs of fact.
 Script Editor: John Dowie
 Producer: Claire Jones
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2003.
TUE 23:00 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b007jzgx)
 Episode 4
 A-ha! Alan Partridge welcomes the Duchess of Stranraer, impressionist Steve Thompson and MP Sandra Peaks.
 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 Doon Your Way (b007k00t)
 Episode 3
 Doon Mackichan's parade of comic characters, with pirate radio street DJ Chantal. With Alastair McGowan. From September 1996.

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WED 00:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007qp3)
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WED 00:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b00f9r1)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]
WED 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlz7)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]
WED 01:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g42t6)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Tuesday]
WED 02:00 Now Show Extra (b017pw3r)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
WED 02:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007zh10)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]
WED 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017pwt0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:00 Defining Moments (b01930jz)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:15 Petrella (b007jpkn)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Tuesday]
WED 05:00 For Better or for Worse (b00hk2dx)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Tuesday]
WED 05:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00vgb3v)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]
WED 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlz7)
 His Last Bow
 The Bruce Partington Plans
 With national security at stake, the sleuth's brother Mycroft heads to Baker Street. Stars Clive Merrison and Michael Williams.
WED 06:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g9ppb)
 Episode 6
 As troopers close in, the con artist gets desperate. What about baby Joe? William Hope concludes Stephen King's 'lost' thriller.
WED 07:00 Safety Catch (b017skx3)
 Series 2
 If a Job's Not Worth Doing
 Simon is totally convinced this week that he is in the right job and has a duty not only to stay there, but to do his job sloppily. His reasoning for this is that if he wasn't there doing the job badly then someone else would be doing it well and that would be a much worse scenario.
 Then he has the awful, soul shattering realisation, and one which is something every person in Britain would be ashamed to admit, that he actually loves his job. Boris of course is in heaven at the thought of a soul-mate at work, but Simon decides the only way he can go on is to learn to hate again.
 Series two of Laurence Howarth's black comedy of modern morality set in the world of arms dealing.
 Simon McGrath.....Darren Boyd
 Anna Grieg.....Joanna Page
 Boris Kemal.....Lewis Macleod
 Judith McGrath.....Sarah Smart
 Angela McGrath.....Brigit Forsyth
 Madeleine Turnbull.....Rachel Atkins
 Richard.....Dan Mersh
 Julius.....Nyahsa Hatendi
 Producer: Dawn Ellis.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009.
WED 07:30 Heresy (b017mv2b)
 Series 8
 Episode 1
 The first in a new series of the programme that dares to commit heresy. Victoria Coren and her guests have fun exposing the wrong-headedness of received wisdom and challenging knee-jerk public reaction to events.
 Her guests in the first programme are comedian Mark Steel, novelist Jessica Berens and actor and national treasure, Christopher Biggins.
 Christopher Biggins gets on his high pantomime horse, arguing against the assertion that Panto is an outdated art form. Mark Steel comes out in support of public displays of drunkenness and former Tatler journalist Jessica Berens explains why people are totally misguided if they think it would be nice to live in a house like Downton Abbey.
 Producer: Brian King
 An Avalon Television production for BBC Radio 4.
WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283q)
 Series 3
 The Jewel Robbery
 The lad's getting a new car, so Sid makes the most of the opportunity.
 Starring Tony Hancock.
 With Bill Kerr, Sidney James, Andree Melly and 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 October 1955.
WED 08:30 Harry Worth (b00r7q2v)
 Thirty Minutes Worth
 The Camera
 Harry Worth's got a new camera - and havoc awaits at a wedding.
 The amiable, woolly-minded bumbler, causes more confusion!
 Starring Harry Worth.

With Jacqueline Clarke, Charles Collingwood, Julie Higginson and John Savident.
Written by Vince Powell.
Producer: Mike Craig
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1988.
WED 09:00 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008m30v)
Boning Up on History
Harold Perkins wants to dig for post-war Britain, but the workmates decide to soil his plans.
Six anarchic tales from those demob days "when we were 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, Steven Harrold as Harry, Hilary Mason as Miss Farquhar, Douglas Blackwell as the Farmer and Ben Aris as Trev the Rev.
Narrated by Bernard Cribbins.
Written by Ted Walker.
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1987.
WED 09:30 The Personality Test (b00n51fv)
Series 2
Esther Rantzen
Consumer champion Esther Rantzen quizzes a panel about herself.
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 January 2007.
WED 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017sl4r)
The Affair
Back in Cambridge, a scandal threatens the reputation of Lewis Eliot's old college and his best friend.
CP Snow's epic novel sequence about the English Establishment and Power.
Lewis Eliot ... David Haig
Martin Eliot ... Tim McInnerny
Nightingale ... Jeremy Child
Crawford ... Hugh Quarshie
Jago ... Sean Barrett
Winslow ... Clive Merrison
Nightingale ... Jeremy Child
Dawson Hill ... Peter Blythe
Skeffington ... David Acton
Francis Getliffe ... Geoffrey Whitehead
Brown ... Jonathan Coy
Donald Howard ... David Tennant
Dramatised by Jonathan Holloway
Directed by Jeremy Howe and Sally Avens
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.
WED 11:00 Defining Moments (b01930kr)
Series 2
Art
By Anne Harris. A furtive reunion in Rome forces a woman to scrutinise her lover. Read by Jemma Redgrave.
WED 11:15 Petrella (b007jmbb)
Series 1
Myth of Return
The south London sleuth gets embroiled in a ruthless smuggling racket on the Kent marshes. Stars Philip Jackson.
WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 12:30 Harry Worth (b00r7q2v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlzt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 13:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g9ppb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
WED 14:00 Faust (b00k2nk7)
Episode 3
Faust gets a girl, Mephistopheles closes in and Gretchen's ruination is charted. Adapted Devil-dealing fable with Mark Gatiss.
WED 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b00b3h2y)
The Law, the Church and the Coming Tragedy
With the Assize of Clarendon, Henry begins a major overhaul of the legal system. Narrated by Anna Massey, with Paul Eddington.
WED 14:30 Alan Coren - Coren (b007jrph)
Away From It All
The humorist, writer and broadcaster muses on travelling, and considers acting lessons for posing in holiday snaps.
WED 14:45 Kingsley Amis - Lucky Jim (b00spnny)
Episode 6
Jim goes to the ball - where indiscretions are discovered, fantasies indulged in and plans are hatched. Read by Martin Jarvis.
The all-time classic comic novel of academic life written by Kingsley Amis, Lucky Jim lists the fortunes - or rather misfortunes - of Jim Dixon, a man of many faces, most of which don't fit his surroundings.
Produced and abridged by Pat McLoughlin.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.
WED 15:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017sl4r)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b017spcs)
I'll have a consonant please! Mel Giedroyc hears Carol

Vorderman's favourite songs, and tastes some tongue-tingling seasonings. Plus another chapter of Anne Fine's The Tulip Touch.
WED 17:00 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jpd9)
Pilot - Loyal Support
Originally un-broadcast pilot episode of the seaside saga of pier perpetuation, with Arthur Lowe's only appearance due to his subsequent death.
This sequel to 'Dad's Army' begins in 1948. Life post-Home Guard, sees Arthur Wilson now managing a bank and his former Captain and boss, George Mainwaring arrives in need of a loan...
Starring Arthur Lowe as Mainwaring and John Le Mesurier as Wilson.
Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles, based on the characters originally created by Jimmy Perry and David Croft.
George Mainwaring Arthur Lowe
Arthur Wilson John Le Mesurier
Miss Baines Josephine Tewson
Guthrie Timothy Alcock
Hunter Anthony Sharpe
Rawlins Dougie Brown
Man Haydn Wood
To replace Arthur Lowe, the following full series was revamped to feature Dad's Army characters Hodges and Pike, played by Bill Pertwee and Ian Lavender, instead. The series was later adapted for ITV by Yorkshire TV.
Producer: Jonathan James-Moore.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in July 1981.
WED 17:30 Safety Catch (b017skx3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 18:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007qbdb)
1980 Apollo N
Natalie York has qualified as an astronaut, but the nuclear booster test is about to change her life for ever...
Stephen Baxter's 1996 novel presents an alternative history of the US space programme.
Dramatised in five parts by Dirk Maggs
Starring Laurel Lefklow as Natalie York, William Dufres as Mike Conlig, Michael Roberts as Gregory Dana, Vincent Marzello as Joe Muldoon, Frank Lazarus as Chuck Jones, Russell Bentley as Jim Dana, William Roberts as Ben Priest, Mel Taylor as Ralph Gershon and Rolf Saxon as Phil Stone.
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.
Producer: Dirk Maggs
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.
WED 18:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b00f9pp)
All Summer in a Day and The Fog Horn
Children witness a rare break in the rainfall on Venus; lighthouse workers find out what lies beyond. Read by Sean Barrett.
WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283q)
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WED 22:00 Heresy (b017mv2b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Nebulous (b00j1c4y)
Series 2
Destiny of the Destinoyd
The Professor meets the woman of his dreams, but is the lovely Franabelle quite what she seems? Mark Gatiss stars in the sci-fi sitcom. From April 2006.
WED 23:00 Goodness Gracious Me (b007jwn0)
Series 1
Episode 4
The multi-talented Mrs Bedi lands in hospital - and meet 'The Six Million Rupee Man'.
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 23:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0192xrn)
From 10pm until midnight, Sunday to Friday, the Comedy Club offers two hours of comedy. Host Arthur Smith chats to Mark Steel about his new radio show.
WED 23:30 Revolting People (b007lr1v)
Series 2
Trying Times
A wife returns, a daughter gives birth and Sergeant McGurk reveals the real reason the English won the Battle of Culloden. The return of the sitcom set just before the American War of Independence.
Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses.
Samuel Oliphant Jay Tarses
Sergeant McGurk Andy Hamilton
Captain Minshaw James Fleet

Mary Oliphant Jan Ravens
Ezekiel Spriggs Hugh Dennis
Cora Oliphant Penelope Nice
Joshua Oliphant Tony Maudsley
Elizabeth Oliphant Susie Blake
Agnes Selina Griffiths
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2001.

THURSDAY 08 DECEMBER 2011

THU 00:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007qbdb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b00f9pp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jlzt)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:45 Stephen King - Blaze (b00g9ppb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008m30v)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 The Personality Test (b00n51fv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017sl4r)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 Defining Moments (b01930kr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:15 Petrella (b007jmbb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jpd9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:30 Safety Catch (b017skx3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jmbb)
His Last Bow
The Dying Detective
Fever-ridden and hallucinating with a tropical disease, only one man can help the stricken sleuth. Starring Clive Merrison.
THU 06:45 Colin Dexter Short Stories (b007lmpx)
Monty's Revolver
When a special gun is auctioned, one collector is alarmed to end up facing the wrong end of the barrel. Read by Joe Dunlop.
THU 07:00 The Newly Discovered Casebook of Sherlock Holmes (b00b2gjj)
The Mystery of the Obese Escapologist
Baker Street's Great Detective Sherlock Holmes probes the murky world of a Victorian music hall.
Roy Hudd spoofs the famous sleuth in Tony Hare's comedy series.
With Chris Emmett as Dr Watson, June Whitfield as Mrs Hudson and Geoffrey Whitehead as Moriarty.
Musical accompaniment: Ian Smith.
Producer: Chris Neill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1999.
THU 07:30 Clare in the Community (b00sjsz7)
Series 6
Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire
Sony Award-winning comedy. Caring social worker Clare Barker is now Acting Team Leader at the Family Centre. Stars Sally Phillips. From May 2010.
THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b017srn4)
A Merry Dance
The bungling bureaucrats suspect each other of espionage. Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler.
With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddiley, John Graham and John Cole.
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 August 1975.
THU 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jimp0)
Series 2
Don't Forget the Diver
Enlisting the additional services of a bird warbler, a scarecrow and a flock of sheep, Captain Mainwaring's Home Guard platoon mount a river attack on Captain Square's HQ.
Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, John Laurie as Private Frazer and Arnold Ridley as Godfrey.
Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1975.
THU 09:00 Potting On (b00lg8gt)
Something for Me
Pam has a win on the Premium Bonds.
Gordon earmarks the money for a new office computer, but Pam fancies splashing out on a sports car!
Sitcom about a couple at odds over running a garden centre and growing older.
Starring Pam Ayres as Pam and Geoffrey Whitehead as Gordon.
Written by Chris Thompson and Peter Reynolds with Pam

Ayres.
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 April 2008.
THU 09:30 Tomorrow, Today! (b017srrs)
Series 2
Taffy Jones - Protector of the Universe
With war imminent, the production relocates to Wales, but is it safer?
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
Mr Thomas Ben Crowe
Tanmoy Laura Molyneux
Porter Peter Marinker
Producer: Liz Webb
First broadcast on Radio 4 in February 2008.
THU 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017srv7)
The Corridors of Power
Post-war politics throws up surprises for Lewis Eliot, as a rising star enlists his help. Stars David Haig and Iain Glen. From June 2003.
THU 11:00 Martin Sorrell - Accrington Stanley (b010tbkm)
Not the football club, but a one-legged, partially sighted wheeler-dealer from Lancashire. Bernard Cribbins tells the tale. From January 1995.
THU 11:15 Petrella (b007jm0t)
Series 1
Vengeance Foreseen
The philosophising sleuth's probe of murky protection rackets sparks trouble a bit too close to home. Stars Philip Jackson.
THU 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b017srn4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jnp0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jm0c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:45 Colin Dexter Short Stories (b007lnpx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
THU 14:00 Faust (b00k2qmd)
Episode 4
Gretchen is pregnant with Faust's child, but the worst is yet to come. Adapted Devil-dealing fable starring Mark Gatiss.
THU 14:15 Ambridge Extra (b017ss1p)
Series 2
Episode 20
In the Archers spin-off, Alan has a lot of questions and Alistair gets a surprise visit.
THU 14:30 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrpX)
Out to Lunch
The humorist, writer and self-proclaimed Royalist muses on a menu of exotic and prehistoric dishes.
THU 14:45 Kingsley Amis - Lucky Jim (b00sprfc)
Episode 7
On a whim, lecturer Jim Dixon takes a gamble, steals Professor Barclay's taxi and rides home with Christine. Read by Martin Jarvis.
THU 15:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017srv7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b017ss82)
Mel Giedroyc opens another door on the advent calendar, and asks if real life can be as exciting as a computer game. Plus more from Anne Fine's The Tulip Touch.
THU 17:00 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k1jm)
My Stag Movie, part 2/2
The veteran auditionee exposes more of his film-making exploits. Did he ever hit the big screen?
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 August 1986
THU 17:30 The Newly Discovered Casebook of Sherlock Holmes (b00b2gpj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 18:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007qgns)
1981-85 Approaches
Following the Apollo-N disaster, Natalie York's prospects for a seat on the mission to Mars look bleak.
Stephen Baxter's 1996 novel presents an alternative history of the US space programme.
Dramatised in five parts by Dirk Maggs
Starring Laurel Lefkowl as Natalie York, William Dufiris as Mike Conlig, Michael Roberts as Gregory Dana, Vincent Marzello as Joe Muldoon, Mel Taylor as Ralph Gershon and Rolf Saxon as Phil Stone.
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.
Producer: Dirk Maggs
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.

THU 18:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b00tqmg)
A Sound of Thunder
A hunter gets the ultimate opportunity to time travel and shoot a dinosaur, with unexpected consequences. Read by Sean Barrett.
THU 19:00 The Men from the Ministry (b017srn4)
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THU 19:30 Dad's Army (b007jnp0)
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THU 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jm0c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 20:45 Colin Dexter Short Stories (b007lnpx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
THU 21:00 Martin Sorrell - Accrington Stanley (b010tbkm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
THU 21:15 Petrella (b007jm0t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
THU 22:00 Clare in the Community (b00sj5z7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:25 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0192xsv)
From 10pm until midnight, Sunday to Friday, the Comedy Club offers two hours of comedy. Host Arthur Smith chats to Mark Steel about his new radio show.
THU 22:30 Ross Noble Goes Global (b007jvsn)
Series 1
South Africa
The stand-up comic tries to climb Table Mountain and discovers that Cape Town has some very posh monkeys...
Producer: Danny Wallace
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2002.
THU 23:00 The Cheese Shop Presents (b0081snq)
Series 2
The Butter Factor
Young Michael Owen's match report, and Chichester Radio relaunched. Sketch comedy with Ben Ward and Dave Lamb. From May 1998.
THU 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b007jm31)
Series 1
Barrington Council
Unthinkable Solutions inflict their peculiar brand of help on Barrington Council.
Brought in to rationalise council refuse services (to sack people) - Ryan and Daisy decide instead to take the bin men on a weekend in the Cairngorms. Meanwhile, Ryan's failure to pay taxes has attracted HM Customs and Excise.
James Cary's award-winning sitcom about management consultants.
Ryan Packer Marcus Brigstocke
Sophie Stott Emma Kennedy
Daisy Catherine Shepherd
Vanessa Olivia Colman
Bob Mark Heap
Bernard Simon Godley
Tony Simon Greenall
Script associates: Paul Mayhew-Archer and Ed Drew.
Music by John Whitehall.
Producer: Adam Bromley.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2001.

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FRI 05:00 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k1jm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]
FRI 05:30 The Newly Discovered Casebook of Sherlock Holmes (b00b2gpj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jm0w)
His Last Bow
The Disappearance of Lady Frances Carfax
Watson heads to Switzerland for a missing aristocrat, but the trail leads back to a fuxorial parlour. Stars Clive Merrison.
FRI 06:45 Colin Dexter Short Stories (b007k4xz)
Inspector Morse - The Burglar
Neighbourly concern about a suspicious stranger sets a new puzzle for the Oxford-based detective. Read by John Turner.
FRI 07:00 The Little World of Don Camillo (b00tr28b)
Series 3
The Stuff from America
The priest hands out food aid, but it's soon the focus for political violence. Stars Joss Ackland and Ian Hogg. From

March 2003.
FRI 07:30 What's So Funny? (b017stb5)
Series 2
Episode 10
Ed Byrne is joined by Lucy Porter and Steve Punt to discuss the comedy scene, plus Omid Djalili's Conversation of the Week.
FRI 08:00 The Navy Lark (b017stwl)
Series 12
Mysterious Radio Signals
Sub-Lieutenant Phillips' love-life causes havoc at sea for the crew of HMS Troutbridge.
Stars Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Stephen Murray as the Commanding Officer, Richard Caldicot as Captain Povey and Heather Chasen as Heather.

Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive thirteen series between 1959 and 1976.

Scripted by Lawrie Wyman.

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1971.

FRI 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007k0rm)

Series 4

The Lodger

Albert and Harold Steptoe argue over their lack of cash. Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold. With William Eadie.

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 was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV. Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Produced by Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1972.

FRI 09:00 Semi Circles (b007jxtf)

Series 2

Charity Begins at Home

Helen and Ben fight the forces of materialism. Can they win when promotion beckons?

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

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1982

FRI 09:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b00kj9yv)

Series 2

Episode 4

John Lloyd invites Oliver James, John Hodgman and Charlotte Uhlenbroek to submit exhibits. With Sean Lock. From May 2009.

FRI 10:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017sv17)

Corridors of Power - The Choice

As Roger Quaipe's political destiny hangs on an extraordinary Commons debate, what future for Lewis Eliot? Stars David Haig. From June 2003.

FRI 11:00 Martin Sorrell - The Cuban Heel (b0109k1z)

A maverick bus driver's attitude starts to annoy the passengers on an over-heated tourist bus in Spain. Stars Andrew Sachs.

FRI 11:15 Petrella (b007jmcy)

Series 1

Outpacing the Fiend

A ruthless murderer puts the inspector's marriage under strain and his family in mortal danger. Stars Philip Jackson.

FRI 12:00 The Navy Lark (b017stwl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Steptoe and Son (b007k0rm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jm0w)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:45 Colin Dexter Short Stories (b007k4xz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

FRI 14:00 Faust (b00k3my9)

Episode 5

Faust becomes bored by years of wish fulfilment. Fable adaptation of a man selling his soul to the Devil. Stars Mark Gatiss.

FRI 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b00b4165)

Becket

The battle between Church and State culminates in the murder of an archbishop. Anna Massey narrates the history of the British Isles with Paul Eddington.

FRI 14:30 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrp9)

One is One - Leading the Solitary Life

The humorist, writer and broadcaster muses on a Victorian novelty, the chance of appearing in Macbeth and home-working.

FRI 14:45 Kingsley Amis - Lucky Jim (b00sr304)

Episode 8

Margaret confronts Jim Dixon for leaving her at the summer ball and his response leaves her hysterical. Read by Martin Jarvis.

FRI 15:00 CP Snow - Strangers and Brothers (b017sv17)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b017svb4)

Mel Giedroyc rocks around the Christmas tree, flies with an eagle in Mongolia, and celebrates all things mountainous. Plus the conclusion of Anne Fine's The Tulip Touch.

FRI 17:00 Ring Around the Bath (b00tvqmr)

Series 2

Space Perception

Desperate to sell up and move to the country, Stella tries burying the hatchet with the neighbours.

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, Daniela Denby-Ashe as Egg and Roise Armstrong as the Fitness Instructor.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

FRI 17:30 The Little World of Don Camillo (b00tr28b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:00 Stephen Baxter - Voyage (b007q9ld)

1985-86 Project Ares

The first manned mission to Mars lifts off on a perilous journey of discovery - both scientific and personal.

Conclusion of Stephen Baxter's 1996 novel presenting an alternative history of the US space programme.

Dramatised in five parts by Dirk Maggs

Starring Laurel Lefklow as Natalie York, Rolf Saxon as Phil Stone, William Dufres as Adam Bleeker, Michael Roberts as Voice of NASA, Mel Taylor as Ralph Gershon and Vincent Marzello as Joe Muldoon.

Music by Wilfredo Acosta.

Producer: Dirk Maggs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.

FRI 18:30 Stories of Ray Bradbury (b00tgcgq)

Dark They Were, and Golden Eyed

Earth people have settled on Mars, but how do they cope when they discover there is no way back home? Read by Sean Barrett.

FRI 19:00 The Navy Lark (b017stwl)

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FRI 20:45 Colin Dexter Short Stories (b007k4xz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

FRI 21:00 Martin Sorrell - The Cuban Heel (b0109kLz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 21:15 Petrella (b007jmcy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

FRI 22:00 What's So Funny? (b017stb5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 The Best of in One Ear (b00gdk9p)

Helen Lederer, Clive Mantle and Nick Wilton's compilation of series one of the sketch comedy, broadcast live in Summer 1984.

FRI 23:00 Mastering the Universe (b00spqnz)

Series 1

Food and Drink

Professor Joy Klamp explores the miserable world of our menus. Stars Dawn French and Christopher Douglas. From November 2005.

FRI 23:15 Quando, Quando, Quando (b00800m4)

Spies

Spies steal the Quando brothers' secret formula - upsetting the delicate equilibrium that's existed for so long between them and the Quandos.

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 (b00v3qsn)

Series 2

Alternatives

What would comatose Ben's life be like if it was a Hollywood movie?

Dark sitcom following the thoughts of comatose patient Ben 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 and Mark Perry.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2007.