

SATURDAY 21 JANUARY 2012

SAT 00:00 The Price of Fear (b007jn0n)

Soul Music

Horror legend Vincent Price tells the chilling tale of a violinist with very special hands

Starring John Graham, Coral Browne, Roger Snowdon and Michael Burlington.

Written by William Ingram.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1973.

SAT 00:30 Barry Letts - Who & Me (b00s5nfv)

Episode 5

The Doctor Who producer recalls the birth of the Time Lord's nemesis and the attributes of a time traveller's female companion.

SAT 01:00 Stephen Sheridan - Murder By the Book (b00y95fv)

Two elderly librarians decide to emulate Miss Marple when a corpse is discovered in their crime section. Stars Mary Wimbush.

SAT 01:45 Ruth Rendell Stories (b00b5ppw)

A Dark Blue Perfume

A retired businessman returns from abroad to search for his ex-wife, who left him years ago for another man. Read by John Rowe.

SAT 02:00 Fat Chance (b019fwxg)

Weigh in with Wendy

Graham joins the members of a slimming club run by Wendy Bottomley.

Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet five-part comedy - for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out.

Graham Pitscottie Gareth Corke

Wendy Bottomley Janine Duvitski

Clive Bottomley Michael Troughton

Soo Pitscottie Anne Reid

Tina Tattersall Julia Deakin

Kelly Chambers Tilly Gaunt

Lee Dubs Harry Myers

Mrs Enright Frances Jeater

Producer: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.

SAT 02:30 We've Been Here Before (b00fy1g5)

Series 2

Episode 2

Clive Anderson hosts the panel show that pokes fun at events of the past.

The topical historical satirical panel show setting out to prove that there's nothing new under, or in, The Sun.

Gyles Brandreth and Natalie Haynes battle it out against John O'Farrell and Richard Herring.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

SAT 03:00 Charles Dickens (b019fx2g)

Mrs Lirriper

Episode 1

Meet the formidable and huge-hearted Mrs Lirriper and the eccentric collection of lodgers who rent rooms from her - one of whom leaves behind more than anyone could have expected Charles Dickens's neglected classic dramatised and produced by Ellen Dryden.

Starring Julia McKenzie as Mrs Lirriper, John Fortune as the Major, Jordan Clarke as Jemmy, Alison Skilbeck as Miss Wozenham and Jonathan Dryden Taylor as Mr Edson.

Made by First Writes Radio for BBC Radio 4. First broadcast in 2007.

SAT 04:00 Margaret Bonham - The Casino (b007tzqb)

The Professor's Daughter

Four-year-old Britta and her fearful imagination cause social embarrassment for Miss Jenner. Read by Emma Fielding.

SAT 04:15 Pilgrim by Sebastian Baczkiewicz (b019fx3p)

Series 2

Hope Springs

Pilgrim is the most reluctant father of the bride.

He struggles to balance the prospect of being the quarry in a savage hunt forever and a day, with seeing his daughter Doris condemned to an eternity married to Puck.

Series of four modern-day fantasy adventures by Sebastian Baczkiewicz.

William Palmer Paul Hilton

Dexter Lloyd Thomas

Hilda Anna Wing

Doris Judy Parfitt

Puck Jamie Foreman

Mr Hazelbury Sean Baker

Mrs Marsden Leah Brotherhead

Legend Agnes Bateman

Director: Jessica Dromgoole.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.

SAT 05:00 Desmond Olivier Dingle's Compleat Life and Works of William Shakespeare (b007k2xh)

Episode 4

The Royal Dingle Company wreak havoc in Stratford-Upon-Avon. Stars Patrick Barlow and Louise Lombard. From September 1995.

SAT 05:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jr19)

Series 1

Sleeping Partners

Rosie is arranging the activities for partners of delegates to a major finance company's conference.

Kate meanwhile sees it as her ticket back into a high-flying job...

Prunella Scales in Simon Brett's sitcom.

The trials and tribulations of Rose Burns and her event management company, based in Brighton.

Rosie Prunella Scales

Kate Arabella Weir

Jo Rebecca Callard

Bob Duncan Preston

Tess Annette Badland

Sheila Wilkinson Debbie Norman

Philip Wilkinson Alan Cowan

Producer: Maria Esposito

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

SAT 06:00 Tomasi di Lampedusa - The Leopard (b01bb713)

Don Fabrizio's family faces the demise of Sicilian aristocracy during the 1860s unification of Italy. Michael Hastings' dramatisation stars Stanley Townsend.

SAT 07:30 Armitage and Moore's Guide to Song (b00xlqwf)

Episode 2

How music arrangement and vocal expression create meaning and atmosphere. With analysis from Simon Armitage and Allan Moore.

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b019jqtz)

Series 7

Episode 14

From Minnesota, the American funny man presents the VocalEssence ensemble, plus news from deeply frozen Lake Wobegon. From 2011.

SAT 09:00 Comedy Greats (b007k0v0)

The 1950s

Episode 2

Decade by decade, Barry Cryer showcases some of the funniest and finest shows ever broadcast by the BBC.

Six more favourite shows plucked from the 1950s schedules of the BBC Home Service and BBC Light Programme:

* Much Binding in the Marsh:

From 28/8/1953

The Weekly Bind brings you Mr Mulch's gardening and Patience Gush's poetry. Stars Kenneth Horne, Richard Murdoch, Maurice Denham, Dora Bryan and Sam Costa. From August 1953.

* Variety Bandbox:

From 22/01/1950

Comedy and songs with Frankie Howerd, Billy Ternent, Jerry Allen, Barbara Leigh, Peter Sellers, Bill Kerr and Philip Slessor. From January 1950.

* Just Fancy:

From 08/03/51

A grumpy neighbour and a helicopter ride. Gentle sketch show starring Eric Barker and his wife Pearl Hackney. From March 1951.

* Educating Archie:

From 01/03/1959

Brough makes a bet that he and Archie Andrews can travel round the British Isles in eight days. Radio ventriloquism with Dick Emery, Bernard Bresslaw and Warren Mitchell. From March 1959.

* Meet The Huggetts:

Loser Pays

Joe and Fred's attempt to teach their wives a lesson backfires. Stars Jack Warner, Kathleen Harrison and Kenneth Connor. From September 1957.

* Hancock's Half Hour:

Series 5 (7/20) Hancock's School

Inspired by Bill and supplied by Sid, the lad turns his home into a centre of learning. Stars Tony Hancock. With Sid James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams. From March 1958.

Produced and scripted by Peter Reed

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in May 2003.

SAT 12:00 Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome (b019jr41)

Ethan Frome scrapes a living from his woodlot whilst trapped in an unhappy marriage with his hypochondriac wife, Zeena. A ray of light enters Ethan's life when his wife's cousin Mattie arrives...

Set against the cold, grey, bleakness of a New England winter, one of Edith Wharton's most enduring and powerful stories was first published in 1911. Dramatised by Lin Coghlan.

Stars Dominic Mafham as Ethan Frome, Jessica Raine as Mattie, Laurie Lefkowitz as Zeena, Christopher Webster as Denis Eady, Adjoa Andoh as Post Mistress, Paul Moriarty as Andrew Hale and Fenella Woolgar as Edith Wharton.

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

SAT 13:15 McLevy (b007jq95)

Series 2

A Good Walk Spoilt

After a murder on the links, the Victorian detective contemplates a game of golf with desperate stakes. Starring Brian Cox.

SAT 14:00 Dad's Army (b00q9gk2)

Series 2

Uninvited Guests

Calamity strikes when the Home Guard and ARP wardens share the church hall.

Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le

Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones,

John Laurie as Private Frazer, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, Arnold Ridley as Godfrey and Bill Pertwee as Hodges.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1975.

SAT 14:30 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jps8)

The Friends of Frambourne Pier

Frank Pike and Bert Hodges try to enlist some volunteers to help restore the pier.

A seaside saga of pier perpetuation starring John Le Mesurier, Ian Lavender and Bill Pertwee.

Arthur Wilson John Le Mesurier

Bert Hodges Bill Pertwee

Frank Pike Ian Lavender

Fred Guthrie Glynn Edwards

Miss Perkins Vivienne Martin

Mrs Briggs Hilda Braid

Ernest Woolcott Michael Knowles

Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles, based on the characters originally created by Jimmy Perry and David Croft.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1984.

SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b019jqtz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Tomasi di Lampedusa - The Leopard (b01bb713)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 What's So Funny? (b019f18l)

Series 2

Episode 16

Ed Byrne chats to Dara O Briain, while critics Veronica Lee and Stephen Armstrong look forward to a new year in comedy.

SAT 18:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b00sls9k)

Eye of the Machine

Computer genius Avon becomes embittered by the establishment. Stars Colin Salmon, Geoffrey Palmer and Keeley

Hawes.

SAT 18:30 Philip K Dick - We Can Remember It for You Wholesale (b007jpkj)

Episode 1

The story behind Total Recall by sci-fi master Philip K Dick. Hidden beneath false memories, a disturbing truth is revealed.

Read by William Hootkins.

SAT 19:00 Comedy Greats (b007k0v0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Eddie Izzard - Definite Article (b007jvtj)

Episode 1

The inimitable comedian entertains an audience with his stream of consciousness at London's Shaftesbury Theatre. From 1995.

SAT 23:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008yszy)

3. Fresh Leads

As Inspector Dalgliesh continues his investigation, the evidence points to one of the family. But which one?

Robin Ellis stars as Dalgliesh with Sian Phillips and Hugh

Grant.

PD James's debut crime novel about her gentleman detective.

Inspector Adam Dalgliesh Robin Ellis

Mrs Maxie Sian Phillips

Felix Hearne Hugh Grant

Deborah Riscoe Beatie Edney

Stephen Maxie David Thorpe

Catherine Bowers Oona Beeson

Derek Pullen David Holt

Mrs Proctor Jillie Meers

Johnny Wilcox/Lilly Burwood Susan Sheridan

Sgt Martin Steve Hodson

Mr Wilson John Fleming

Sir Reynold Price Jonathan Adams

Miss Malpass Linda Polan

The Rev Hinks John Church

James Ritchie James Telfer

Dramatised by Neville Teller.

Producer: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1993.

SAT 23:30 Johan Theorin - The Darkest Room (b019jrhl)

Episode 3

Katrine's mother Mira arrives as Joakim tries to cope, but a visit from some friends yields a hasty departure.

Johan Theorin's supernatural thriller is read in 5-parts by Nigel Cooke.

Winner of the Crime Writer's Association International Dagger 2010.

Producer: Clive Brill

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Brill Productions and first

broadcast in 2012.

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SUN 00:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b00sls9k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 Philip K Dick - We Can Remember It for You Wholesale (b007jpkj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b019jqtz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 Edith Wharton - Ethan Frome (b019jr41)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 03:15 McLevy (b007jq95)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Tomasi di Lampedusa - The Leopard (b01bb713)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 What's So Funny? (b019f181)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Charles Dickens (b007wfwq)

The Old Curiosity Shop (Omnibus)

Episode 3

Driven to find shelter in a storm, Little Nell's grandfather finds a place at the card table.

Starring Emily Chenney as Nell, Alex Jennings as the Narrator, Trevor Peacock as Grandfather, Gerard McDermott as Giant/Grinder, Julia McKenzie as Mrs Jarley and Anna Massey as Miss Monfathers.

Charles Dickens's fourth novel was published in 1841.

Dramatised in 25 episodes by Mike Walker.

Music by Melanie Pappenheim and Anne Wood.

Director: Jeremy Mortimer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

SUN 07:15 Strange Weather Days (b00fsswy)

Series 2

What a Scorcher!

Meteorologist Helen Young visits Cheltenham to recall the UK's hottest ever temperature of 1990, when tarmac started melting.

SUN 07:30 Another Case of Milton Jones (b00r2cm9)

Series 4

Test Pilot

Written by Milton with James Cary ("Think The Unthinkable", "Miranda")

In this episode, Milton's a daredevil test pilot and Top Gun who gets tangled up in a fiendish plot to replace the turkey twizzler... So if you find yourself daydreaming about owls, dodos, Papua New Guinea, a helicopter made of spoons and a comfy pillow made of chicken giblets then you've quite definitely caught "Another Case Of Milton Jones"

He's joined in his endeavours by his co-stars Tom Goodman-Hill ("Camelot"), Dave Lamb ("Come Dine With Me") and Ingrid Oliver ("Watson & Oliver").

Britain's funniest Milton and the king of the one-liner returns with a fully-working cast and a shipload of new jokes for a series of daffy comedy adventures

Each week, Milton is a complete and utter expert at something - Top Gun aviator, Weatherman, Billy Elliot-style dancer, World-beating cyclist, mathematical genius and Extreme Travel Entrepreneur ...

... and each week, with absolutely no ability or competence, he plunges into a big adventure with utterly funny results...

"Milton Jones is one of Britain's best gagsmiths with a flair for creating daffi yet perfect one-liners" - The Guardian

"King of the surreal one-liners" - The Times

"If you haven't caught up with Jones yet - do so!" - The Daily Mail

Produced & directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 08:00 Take It From Here (b019jshq)

From 12/03/1958

Scary tales of "Javanese witchmen" - and Ron and Eth plan a romantic Belgian in 'The Glums'.

Starring Professor Jimmy Edwards, Dick Bentley and June Whitfield.

Music from Wallace Eaton and the Keynotes and the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.

Scripted by Frank Muir and Denis Norden.

Producer: Charles Maxwell

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1958.

SUN 08:30 Floggit's (b007xf9)

From 16/11/1956

Village shopkeepers Gert and Daisy take in a lost St Bernard dog, but it doesn't seem to understand English.

Starring Elsie and Doris Waters as Gert and Daisy.

With Joan Sims, Hugh Paddick, Ronnie Barker, Ron Moody, Iris Vandaleur and Peter Hawkins.

Originally popular regulars in 'Workers' Playtime' on the BBC Home Service during wartime, Gert and Daisy won their own series, Floggit's, where they've inherited a village general store in Russett Green with a ragbag of local characters to deal with. It ran for 2 series between 1956 and 1957.

Scripted by Terry Nation, John Junkin and Dave Freeman.

Producer: Bill Gates

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1956.

SUN 09:00 Alan Garner - Elidor (b010gl9)

Episode 2

Roland finds himself in the dying land of Elidor. His brothers and sister have disappeared into the Mound of Vandwy, but the wounded King Malebron can do nothing for them.

Only Roland can rescue them and find the four Treasures - a spear, a sword, a cauldron and a stone, which have the power to save Elidor.

Alan Garner's classic fantasy adventure dramatised in four-parts by Don Webb.

Stars Mossie Cassidy as Roland, Raffey Cassidy as Helen, William Rush as Nicholas, Stephen Hoyle as David, Toby Hadoke as Malebron, Fiona Clarke as Mrs Watson and Gerard Fletcher as the Foreman.

Original music composed by Ian Williams

Directed at BBC Manchester by Charlotte Riches.

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

SUN 09:30 Rudyard Kipling - The Jungle Book (b00cyywl)

The Wild Dogs

Mowgli and Kaa plan a jungle attack against the wild dogs.

Stars Nisha K Nayyar, Eartha Kitt and Freddie Jones.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b019jsng)

Annie Lennox

Kirsty Young explores the choices of the singer-songwriter in the third of a series featuring divas.

SUN 10:50 Front Row Interviews (b019jsq0)

James Corden

Actor James Corden chats with Mark Lawson about the inspiration behind 'Gavin and Stacey' and learning from your mistakes.

SUN 11:00 That Reminds Me (b019jsv6)

Series 4

Melvyn Hayes

Actor Melvyn Hayes looks back over his career in show business, including his film roles in 'Summer Holiday', 'Carry on' and as Gloria in BBC TV's 'It Ain't Half Hot Mum'.

Series showcasing the reminiscences of celebrated raconteurs before a live audience.

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002.

SUN 11:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007k2sh)

Series 2

Dublin Gaiety Theatre

Geoffrey Wheeler crosses the water to Dublin to discover more about the city's famous Gaiety Theatre.

One of the finest venues on the Variety circuit, it played host to the Eurovision Song Contest in 1971, when theatre-goers and television audiences shared in its centenary celebrations.

With extracts from some of the musical shows for which the Gaiety is renowned, and comedy from stars past and present, including Jack Benny.

Series visiting variety theatres around the United Kingdom.

Producer: Libby Cross

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2003.

SUN 12:00 Charles Dickens (b007wfwq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 13:15 Strange Weather Days (b00fsswy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 13:30 Edith Wharton - Madame de Treymes (b0089brw)

John Durham's fight for the woman he loves sparks a confrontation with a powerful and devious French family. Anna Massey as Christiane de Treymes in Edith Wharton's novella dramatised by John Peacock.

John Durham Philip Voss

Narrator Valerie Sarraf

Fanny GwenHumble

Mrs Humble Auriol Smith

Nanny Jane Whittenshaw

Katey Tara Dominick

Bessie Boykin Elizabeth Kelly

Elmer Boykin James Greene

Director: Jane Morgan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1990.

SUN 14:30 The Female Ghost (b00njs8j)

Afterward

After an unexpected windfall on their American mine, Ned and Mary move to a dream home in England, but their past is catching up with them...

A series of ghostly stories by women dramatised by Christopher Hawes.

Edith Wharton's eerie tale stars Buffy Davis as Edith Wharton, Carolyn Jones as Alida, John Guersasio as Ned, Barbara Barnes as Mary, Sean Baker as Parris, Rachel Atkins as Trimmle, Christopher Scott as Peters and Alex Lowe as Robert Elwell.

Producer: Marion Nancarrow

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1997.

SUN 15:00 Take It From Here (b019jshq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 15:30 Floggit's (b007xf9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 16:00 Alan Garner - Elidor (b010gl9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 16:30 Rudyard Kipling - The Jungle Book (b00cyywl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SUN 17:00 Vaclav Havel - Leaving (b019g6cp)

Ex-Chancellor Vilem Rieger is leaving office, but should he, his mistress and extended family lose the state villa as well? 2007 tragicomedy stars David Haig.

SUN 18:00 Fear on 4 (b007jn40)

Series 2

St. Austin Friars

The Reverend Martin Williams is increasingly disturbed by extraordinary events at his church. He is determined to find out what is happening but discovers he has bitten off more than he can chew.

The Man in Black sets the scene...

Fear on 4 brings you more in a series of nerve-tinglers.

Written by Robert Westal and dramatised by Stephen Wyatt

The Man In Black Edward de Souza

Rev Martin Williams Michael Maloney

Mrs Sheila Williams Melinda Walker

Larry Harper Michael Deacon

Phillips Geoffrey Whitehead

Rubens Clifford Norgate

Betyl John Moffat

William Henry Drogo David March

Miss Drogo (Celicia) Margaret Robertson

The Police Sergeant Michael Graham Cox

Secretary Jo Kendall

Bishop Norman Bird

Director: Martin Jenkins

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1989.

SUN 18:30 The Scarifiers (b019jt64)

The Secret Weapon of Doom

Episode 4

Will the Colonel open Pandora's Box? Will the writers' inventions be their downfall? Stars Nicholas Courtney, Nigel Havers and Leslie Phillips.

SUN 19:00 That Reminds Me (b019jsv6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007k2sh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:30 today]

SUN 20:00 Take It From Here (b019jshq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 20:30 Floggit's (b007xf9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b019jsng)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:50 Front Row Interviews (b019jsq0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:50 today]

SUN 22:00 Another Case of Milton Jones (b00r2cm9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Pleased to Meet You (b007k35j)

Series 1

Episode 3

90-something good-time girl Dora Dale spills the beans spills the beans on the Rat Pack, John and Yoko - and the subtext of Right Said Fred sung by Bernard Cribbins.

Betraying confidences and breaking unwritten rules galore, the friend of the stars reveals some surprising and salacious secrets.

Written by and starring Martin Kelner and Jake Yapp.

Made for BBC7 and first broadcast in August 2006.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b019jtd5)

Andi Osho and her guest chat about life and laughs.

SUN 23:00 As Told To Craig Brown (b00b4j53)

Episode 3

Satirist Craig Brown presents a bundle of parody, satire, social observation and nonsense.

Narrated by Juliet Stevenson and Steve Wright.

With the help of John Humphrys, Ronni Ancona, Jon Culshaw, Lewis McLeod, Sally Grace, Ewan Bailey and Margaret Cabourn-Smith.

Producer: Victoria Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2008.

SUN 23:30 The Problem With Adam Bloom (b019jtd7)

Series 3

Technology

The comedian explores the barriers and dilemmas which technology creates in normal everyday relationships.

Fast-paced and inventive comedy, written and starring Adam Bloom

With Rob Rouse, Hattie Hayridge and Stefano Paolini.

Producer: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2005.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Dick Francis (b007jpxx)

Bolt

1. Threats and Menaces

Champion jockey Kit Fielding is engaged to Danielle de

Brescou the niece of his employer Princess Casilia.

The Princess recruits Kit to fend off Henri de Brescou, a dangerous cousin trying to involve her in the armaments

business.

But Kit also has problems of his own...

Dick Francis's 1986 racing thriller dramatised in five-parts by

John Ashe.

Kit Fielding Eric Allan

Princess Casilia Sian Phillips

Danielle Elizabeth MacGovern

Henri John Bull

Greening Jack May

Dusty Christian Rodska

Thomas Steve Hodson

Allardeck Bill Wallis

Roland Simon Carter

Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1994

MON 06:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader

(b00dp3qg)

Episode 1

On a foggy London night, a chance meeting for MP John Chilcote looks set to become life changing. Read by Nicholas Boulton.

MON 07:00 Nikolai Gogol - Three Ivans, Two Aunts and an Overcoat (b00nhw1v)

The Overcoat

A humble Russian civil servant's career is stuck in a dismal rut, until he buys a new coat. With Stephen Moore. From April 2002.

MON 07:30 The Unbelievable Truth (b019f8by)

Series 8

Episode 4

David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies and compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents. Lee Mack, Jack Dee, Rufus Hound and Graeme Garden are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as: Nuts, Boy Scouts, The Circus and Florence Nightingale.

The show is devised by Graeme Garden and Jon Naismith, the team behind Radio 4's I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue.

Producer: Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment Production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 08:00 Round the Horne (b007jpq0)

Series 4

Episode 14

Englishman 'Beau' joins the Foreign Legion to forget... and Time & Motion efficiency experts, Julian and Sandy look for efficiencies at the BBC.

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 departed after series 3.

Scripted by Barry Took, Brian Cooke and Johnnie Mortimer. Music by the Max Harris Group.

Producer: John Simmonds

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in May 1968.

MON 08:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0081b4j)

Series 2

Episode 2

Shady lawyer, Waldorf T Flywheel turns farmer for a wealthy Uncle.

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, Graham Hoadly and Vincent Marzello. Written by Nat Perrin and Athur Sheekman. Adapted by Mark Brisenden.

Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.

Producer: Dirk Maggs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.

MON 09:00 Another Case of Milton Jones (b00r7n2p)

Series 4

Brilliant Mathematician

Milton Jones bestrides the globe as an expert in his field, with no ability whatsoever.

Milton is a mathematical whiz-kid who gets tied up in knots and rings trying to solve the equation of the mysteriously disappearing geniuses.

With Tom Goodman-Hill, Lucy Montgomery, Ben Willbond. A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 09:30 Foul Play (b00k7xd6)

Series 3

Death in Intensive Care

Crime writers Frances Fyfield and Peter N Walker try to solve a medical mystery.

Simon Brett hosts the murder quiz.

Maria McErlane and Lee Simpson play the suspects.

Producer Liz Anstree

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1998.

MON 10:00 Charles Dickens (b019jw02)

Mrs Lirriper

How the Parlours Added a Few Words

Tales told by Edmund Yates, Amelia Edwards and Elizabeth

Gaskell.

With Jenny away at school, Mrs Lirriper's lodgers join forces to tell and send him their favourite stories such as the surprising adventures of the snobbish Mr Mortiboy, the haunting of James Murray, and Elizabeth Gaskell's chilling tale of love, loss and obsession.

Charles Dickens's neglected classic dramatised and produced by Ellen Dryden.

Starring Julia McKenzie as Mrs Lirriper, John Fortune as the Major, Alison Skilbeck as Victorine, Caroline John as Madam Hawtry/Elizabeth Gaskell, Michael Harbour as Morgan/Old Gentleman/Sir Mark and Victoria Woodward as Ellen/Theresa. Made by First Writes Radio for BBC Radio 4. First broadcast in 2007.

MON 11:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019jw4n)

Diving Belles

An abandoned wife sets out to fetch her husband back from the watery spirits who lured him away. Read by Amanda Lawrence.

MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b019qbwj)

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

Our Hero and award-winning comedian, actor and writer, Ardal O'Hanlon has come a long way since playing Father Dougal in the much-loved 'Father Ted'. He's now onboard to tell Clive about starring in 'Port Authority', a play that weaves together a funny tale of loves lost and found in contemporary Dublin. 'Port Authority' is docking at the Southwark Playhouse, London from 24th January.

Clive talks to cultural historian, Dr Gus Casely-Hayford about the culture, artefacts and traditions of Africa's distant past. In the second series of 'Lost Kingdoms of Africa', Gus explores some of the richest and most vibrant histories in the world, revealing fascinating stories of complex and sophisticated civilisations. The series begins on BBC Four on Monday 30th January at 21.00.

Jon Holmes puts the needle on the record with America's Greatest Hit, Paul Gambaccini, who will have traditionalists spinning in their graves when he hits London's Southbank this month. Paul will be playing the nation's favourite funeral tunes with Desert Island Death Discs, part of the Southbank Centre's Festival For The Living from 27th January.

Political comedian Mark Thomas rambled the West Bank to see what life is like on both sides of the barrier and his one man show 'Extreme Rambling (Walking The Wall)' is at the Tricycle Theatre, London from 23rd January and runs for a week.

Sunderland siblings Peter and David Brevis, also known as 'Field Music' play '(I Keep Thinking About) A New Thing' from their album 'Plumb'.

'Wailin' Jenny', Ruth Moody performs 'Within Without You' from her debut solo album 'The Garden'.

Producer: Cathie Mahoney.

MON 12:00 Round the Horne (b007jpq0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0081b4j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Dick Francis (b007jpxx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dp3qg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Charles Dickens (b007wn99)

The Old Curiosity Shop

Episode 16

Mrs Nubbins and the mysterious gentleman try to find Nell and her grandfather.

Starring Alex Jennings as the Narrator, Lindsey Coulson as Mrs Nubbins, Clive Swift as the Single Gent, Phil Daniels as Quilp, Julia McKenzie as Mrs Jarley and Ian Masters as Bachelor. Charles Dickens's fourth novel was published in 1841.

Dramatised in 25 episodes by Mike Walker.

Music by Melanie Pappenheim and Anne Wood.

Director Jeremy Mortimer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

MON 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007jrzp)

Henry VI, Joan of Arc and Another Road to War

A sickly child both physically and mentally, Henry VI is crowned King. Anna Massey narrates the history of the British Isles.

MON 14:30 Alan Bennett - Telling Tales (b007jnlz)

Proper Names

The writer reminisces about his 1940s Leeds childhood, and the time his father was taken seriously ill.

MON 14:45 Travels With a Donkey (b00cbebn)

Le Monastier

Robert Louis Stevenson's 1878 French mountain adventure, with a creature of most decided character. Read by Alan Cumming.

MON 15:00 Charles Dickens (b019jw02)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b019lrwk)

Mel hears the next chapter in the Robert Louis Stevenson classic, Treasure Island. She'll explore the world of lighthouses, and follow the African journey of the humble swallow.

MON 17:00 Ballylenon (b00pcl7j)

Series 7

Episode 5

Bernard Gallagher has resigned from the police force to take up a singing career. Whilst lodging with the Maconchy sisters at

the Post Office, he makes a devastating discovery...

Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal in 1959. Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.

Muriel Maconchy Margaret D'Arcy

Vera Maconchy Stella McCusker

Phonsie Doherty Gerard Murphy

Vivienne Hawthorne Annie McCartney

Stumpy Bonner Gerard McSorley

Guard Gallagher Frank McCafferty

Pianist: Michael Harrison

Director: Eoin O'Callaghan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

MON 17:30 Nikolai Gogol - Three Ivans, Two Aunts and an Overcoat (b00nhw1v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 18:00 The Price of Fear (b007jshy)

Lot 132

Horror legend Vincent Price tells the artistically horrifying tale

of a painting. With Douglas Blackwell, Alexander John, Elizabeth Morgan and Vincent Price

MON 18:30 Barry Letts - Who & Me (b00s7g9g)

Episode 6

The Doctor Who producer recalls the 'Terror of the Autons' - and a threat to his autonomy via increasing attention from above.

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MON 21:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019jw4n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 21:15 Loose Ends (b019qbwj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

MON 22:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b019f8by)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Another Case of Milton Jones (b00r7n2p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (b019s74)

An extended version of the News Quiz for Radio 4 Extra, featuring jokes that you won't have heard already.

MON 23:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b00jzzg3)

Series 2

The Fitness Club

The Laird challenges Dougal to swim, cycle and run in a MacAthlon. Stars Barry Cryer and Graeme Garden. From March 2004.

TUESDAY 24 JANUARY 2012

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]

TUE 02:00 Another Case of Milton Jones (b00r7n2p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]

TUE 02:30 Foul Play (b00k7xd6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]

TUE 03:00 Charles Dickens (b019jw02)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019jw4n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:15 Loose Ends (b019qbwj)

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TUE 05:00 Ballylenon (b00pcl7j)

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TUE 05:30 Nikolai Gogol - Three Ivans, Two Aunts and an Overcoat (b00nhw1v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 Dick Francis (b007jpyf)

Bolt

2. Horses Begin to Die

Henri de Brescou, bent upon obtaining authority from the French Government to make plastic guns, threatens Roland,

Princess Casilia's frail and elderly husband.

Dick Francis's racing thriller dramatised by John Ashe.

Kit Fielding Eric Allan

Princess Casilia Sian Phillips

Danielle Elizabeth MacGovern

Henri John Bull

Roland Simon Carter

Dusty Christian Rodska

Thomas Steve Hodson

Allardeck Bill Wallis

Wykeham William Eedle

Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1994

TUE 06:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dp62r)

Episode 2

MP John Chilcote and his dead ringer John Loder set out to exchange identities, but can they succeed? Read by Nicholas Boulton.

TUE 07:00 Alison and Maud (b007k377)

Series 2

Beds in the East Are Soft

It's not a guest but Daddy who's not keen on a mattress. Is a sneaky swap the answer?

Second of two series of Sue Limb's Bed and Breakfast sitcom about sisters Alison and Maud and their guests at the Abbeyfield Guest House in Norwich.

Starring Denise Coffey as Alison, Miriam Margolyes as Maud, Joss Ackland as Father, Chris Emmett as Mr Mullett and Geoffrey Whitehead as Bernard.

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2004.

TUE 07:30 Mr and Mrs Smith (b01bpg22)

Pilot Episode - The Anniversary

A weekend break to celebrate their anniversary ends in disaster for Will and Annabelle. Will's terrible anniversary present is the last straw so Annabelle signs them up for marriage counselling. Guy mediates between Will and Annabelle, with flashbacks to the events that spawned the argument. By the end, the couple find marital equilibrium once more. Sort of.

A repeat of the pilot episode from last year, ahead of the new series which begins next week. Sitcom by Will Smith.

EPISODE CAST DETAILS:

Will Smith Will Smith

Annabelle Smith Sarah Hadland

Guy, Darryl Paterson Joseph

John, TV repairman Geoffrey Whitehead

Receptionist, Sally Morwenna Banks

Written by Will Smith

Produced by Tilusha Ghelani

ABOUT THE SERIES

The writer and comedian Will Smith leads the starry cast of Mr and Mrs. Smith. Sarah Hadland (Miranda, The Mitchell and Webb Look, Moving Wallpaper) stars as Will's wife Annabelle. Paterson Joseph (Peep Show, Survivors, Green Wing) plays Counsellor Guy. The series also includes Geoffrey Whitehead (Reggie Perrin, Worst Week of My Life), Susie Blake (Coronation Street, Victoria Wood as Seen on TV) and Morwenna Banks (Absolutely; Skins; Saxondale).

Will's writing credits include Armstrong and Miller (BBC1), Harry and Paul (BBC1), Moving Wallpaper (ITV1), Time Trumpet (BBC2), the multi-award winning The Thick Of It (BBC2) in which he also appears as Phil Smith, and the upcoming Veep (HBO).

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jt5g)

Series 6

The Great Tuscan Salami Scandal

A meaty mystery for Neddie Seagoon, unaccompanied by the show's regular musicians who were on strike.

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.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in February 1956.

TUE 08:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b007jrge)

Moving On

Bob and Terry take an eventful trip down memory lane.

Starring James Bolam as Terry Collier, Rodney Bewes as Bob Ferris and Brigit Forsyth as Thelma Chambers. With Sheila Fearn and Michael Segal.

Created and scripted for BBC TV by Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais. Adapted for radio by Patrick Tilley.

Producer: John Brownell

Originally lost from the archive, the audio was provided by BBC producer Stan Was.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1975.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (b019ls74)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b00jzzg3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 10:00 Charles Dickens (b019lw3y)

Mrs Lirriper

Mrs Lirriper's Legacy

Jemmy returns from school for the holidays just in time to join Mrs Lirriper and the Major on a trip to France in search of a mysterious benefactor. When they eventually track him down, he turns out to be the last person anyone could have expected.

Charles Dickens's neglected classic dramatised and produced by Ellen Dryden.

Starring Julia McKenzie as Mrs Lirriper, John Fortune as the Major, Jordan Clarke as Jemmy, Alison Skilbeck as Miss Wozenham and Gus Brown as Mr Buffle/Consul.

Made by First Writes Radio for BBC Radio 4. First broadcast

in 2007.

TUE 11:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019lwzx)

Of Mothers and Little People

A pot of shimmering eye shadow leads to a magical revelation. Amanda Lawrence reads Cornish writer Lucy Wood's story.

TUE 11:15 The Recall Man (b00kjsmw)

Doctor Joe Aston Investigates

Forensic psychologist Joe Aston tackles a scientist accused of killing her boss.

Scientist Grace Hayle and her boss were working alone in the laboratory. Now he's dead and she's the only suspect in a murder case. Grace claims to have no memory of what happened and there is little evidence to go on.

David Naphine's thriller introduces Joe Aston, an expert in the controversial field of "recovered memory", as he attempts to uncover the truth.

Stars Jeremy Swift as Dr Joe Aston, Rosie Cavaliero as Grace Hayle, Carolyn Pickles as DI Karen Dennis and Colin MacLachlan as Tom Aston.

Producer: Toby Swift

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jt5g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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TUE 13:00 Dick Francis (b007jpyf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dp62r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Charles Dickens (b007wfp2)

The Old Curiosity Shop

Episode 17

A kindly soul takes pity on the desperate Little Nell and her grandfather. Dickens dramatisation starring Trevor Peacock.

From January 2003.

TUE 14:15 This Septred Isle (b007js0m)

The Wars of the Roses

Anna Massey narrates the history of Britain, tracing the roots of the Wars of the Roses. With Paul Eddington.

TUE 14:30 Alan Bennett - Telling Tales (b007k4mn)

Eating Out

The writer recalls the menu revolution of 1950s Britain, which saw the arrival of frothy coffee and cocktail parties.

TUE 14:45 Travels With a Donkey (b00cbmpc)

Setting Out

Donkey trouble strikes Robert Louis Stevenson as he begins his French mountain adventure. Read by Alan Cumming.

TUE 15:00 Charles Dickens (b019lw3y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b019lx3q)

Mel Giedroyc finds out about the history of navigating the seven seas, and a postcard from WWII France. Plus the birthday of Johnny English actress Rosamund Pike.

TUE 17:00 Bristow (b007tdnn)

Series 3

Of Moles and Men

The office rebel returns with some inside information which must surely lead to promotion.

Michael Williams stars as Bristow

Frank Dickens's 'sitcom is based on his famous long-running newspaper cartoon strip about the Chester-Perry buying clerk.

Bristow Michael Williams

Jones Rodney Bewes

Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan

Hewitt Owen Brenman

Gert Liz Frazer

Daisy Joan Sims

Fred Stokes David Battley

Miss Glockling Carol Starks

Teacher Jane Booker

Miss Sunman Katy Odey

Fudge Jon Glover

Music: John Whitehall

Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

TUE 17:30 Alison and Maud (b007k377)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 18:00 The Price of Fear (b007jmk9)

Fish

Movie legend Vincent Price takes the bait, and tells a tale of horror from Down Under. Shark and chips, anyone?

Starring Bill Kerr, Bruce Beeby, Amanda Murray and Lewis Fiander.

Written by Rene Basilio.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1973.

TUE 18:30 Barry Letts - Who & Me (b00sbcdx)

Episode 7

The Doctor Who TV producer concludes his memoirs, secretly writing for the series and tinkering with the famous theme tune.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

TUE 22:00 Mr and Mrs Smith (b01bpg22)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 The Ape That Got Lucky (b008039f)

Language and Communication

Chris Addison's exploration of the fascinating subject of human evolution begins with languages.

With over 5,000 or so now in use - why is it fortunate that the original human language developed in Africa rather than England?

We also hears from a man who thinks his bees are telling him about unsolved crimes, and Professor Austin Herring demonstrates his valve-based translation machine.

Starring Chris Addison.

With Professor Austin Herring (aka Geoffrey McGovern), Jo Enright and Dan Tetsell.

Written by Chris Addison and Carl Cooper.

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2005.

TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01bl0v4)

Two hours of comedy and chat as Arthur Smith welcomes guest Nigel Planer.

TUE 23:00 Trevor's World of Sport (b00mqgpr)

Series 2

Episode 4

When his nightmare tennis client makes headlines, the sports agent tries to get tough. Stars Neil Pearson. From December 2005.

TUE 23:30 A Look Back at the Nineties (b007jqxy)

1999

Confusion in the House of Commons, discovering a new star - and what to wear for the Millennium.

Recorded in 1993 - Brian Perkins, Kate Robbins and Rory Bremner 'look back' at 1999 - a year that was yet to happen.

A satirical review set on New Year's Eve 1999 - the Sony Gold award-winning comedy recalls the events from 1995 to 1999.

Predicted by 'Spitting Image' writers Mark Burton, John O'Farrell and Pete Sinclair.

Producer: Caroline Leddy

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1993.

WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY 2012**WED 00:00 The Price of Fear (b007jmk9)**

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WED 05:30 Alison and Maud (b007k377)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Dick Francis (b007jpyx)

Bolt

3. Hostile Intelligence

Danielle de Brescou is followed and terrified by two men in hoods, while two of Princess Casilia's finest racing horses are slaughtered with a bolt gun.

Dick Francis's racing thriller dramatised by John Ashe.

Kit Fielding Eric Allan

Princess Casilia Sian Phillips

Danielle Elizabeth MacGovern

Henri John Bull

Roland Simon Carter

Dusty Christian Rodska

Wykeham William Eedle

Lord Vaughanley Gerry Hinks

Prince Liitsi Sam Dastor

Beatrice Bunt Margaret Robertson

Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1994

WED 06:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dp7xf)

Episode 3

Attending Lady Bramfell's reception as Chilcote, Loder partakes in the night's crystal ball gazing. Read by Nicholas Boulton.

WED 07:00 Ayres on the Air (b019ly4t)

Series 2

Fame

The pitfalls of celebrity feature in Pam Ayres's poetry and sketches. With Felicity Montagu and Geoffrey Whitehead. From March 2006.

WED 07:30 Everyone Quite Likes Justin (b0124nql)

Series 1

Pilot

In one version of his life, Justin is a well-known local Manchester radio DJ who is successful, funny, and stopped in the street by adoring fans. He's the man who has everything. In another version he's a DJ in a slightly shabby local radio station who gets hassled by the occasional oddball on the street. And he's the man who hopes for everything. The truth lies somewhere in between.

And at home? Well, naturally, his private life is chaotic. His wife has left him, taking custody of his 8-year-old son Justin jnr, and is in the process of taking him to the cleaners. So he's back on the market. As is his house - so he's currently living in his father-in-law's spare room in Bury. The only person who understands him is his Gran, living in luxury in an old folk's home in Warrington. Oh, and his producer Bryn but this might not be a good thing.

Despite all this mess, Justin always remains positive. Every new day is a new opportunity, "When life throws you lemons, make lemonade".

Sitcom written by Justin Moorhouse and Jim Poyser.

Recorded in front of an audience in Manchester.

Justin Justin Moorhouse

Gran Anne Reid

Ray Paul Copley

Lisa Christine Bottomley

Bryn Lloyd Langford

Tanya Susan Cookson

Waiter Jim Poyser

Head Caimh McDonnell

Producer: Steven Canny

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2011.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jm2y)

Series 3

The Conjurer

The lad takes up conjuring and is booked for Dartmoor Prison - unaware of Sid's plan.

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 February 1956.

WED 08:30 The Michael Bentine Show (b008x0wg)

From 19/02/1984

From Russian spies to a tour of BBC sound effects department.

Michael Bentine in the ultimate one-man show written and performed by the host.

Producer: Jamie Rix

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1984.

WED 09:00 Cabin Pressure (b00cqrh3)

Series 1

Edinburgh

Sitcom about the pilots of a tiny charter airline for whom no job is too small, but many, many jobs are too difficult.

A very special passenger makes Douglas grovel, Martin crawl,

Carolyn frisk and Arthur cry. And drink nail-varnish

Carolyn Knapp-Shappay Stephanie Cole

1st Officer Douglas Richardson Roger Allam

Captain Martin Crieff Benedict Cumberbatch

Arthur Shappay John Finnemore

Mr Birling Geoffrey Whitehead

Philip Adam G Goodwin

Written by John Finnemore

Produced & directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for the BBC

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.

WED 09:30 All the Way from Memphis (b00m0mb4)

Series 2

Episode 1

James Walton tests and tickles the knowledge of industry pundits and people passionate about pop music.

Regulars Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by Mary Anne Hobbs and Dave Gorman, who also reveal their favourite most bizarre musical moment.

Reader: Beth Chalmers

Written and researched by James Walton

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2006.

WED 10:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jn9n)

The Nineteenth of March

A stranger arrives on the anniversary of a gruesome unsolved murder. And as two lovers contend with their religiously divided families, an intimate letter between them is stolen.

WED 11:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019lypl)

The Giant's Boneyard

12-year-old Gog struggles over feelings for best friend

Sunshine, and his mum insisting that he is part giant. Read by Zac Fox.

WED 11:15 The Recall Man (b00kk5q9)

Making Waves

A confused man claims to have witnessed a murder, so the police turn to forensic psychologist Dr Joe Aston. Stars Jeremy Swift.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jm2y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 The Michael Bentine Show (b008x0wg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 13:00 Dick Francis (b007jpyx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dp7xf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 Charles Dickens (b007wq1z)

The Old Curiosity Shop

Episode 18

The evil money-lender Quilp is furious and wants Mrs Nubbins out of the way. Dickens dramatisation starring Phil Daniels.

From January 2003.

WED 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007js0y)

Richard III, Princes in the Tower, Bosworth
How did Richard III come to power, and what happened to the Princes in the tower? Anna Massey narrates the history of Britain.

WED 14:30 Alan Bennett - Telling Tales (b007jmjy)

Aunt Eveline

The writer shares post-war memories of his relatives. They may not have been colourful, but they were definitely eccentric.

WED 14:45 Travels With a Donkey (b00cbt7k)

On the Road Cheylarde

Struggling with his French mountain adventure, Robert Louis Stevenson approaches a monastery at nightfall. Read by Alan Cumming.

WED 15:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jn9n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b019lzb0)

Mel Giedroyc marks the annual celebration of Scottish poet Robert Burns, plays the Inheritance Tracks of Bob Harris, and hears from actor Philip Glenister.

WED 17:00 The Playlist Series (b01715y3)

Robert Burns's iPod

David Owen Norris and guests listen to Robert Burns' favourite songs in his drinking club in Tarbolton, near Glasgow. With National Poet of Scotland Liz Lochhead (writer of a play about Burns). Dr Kirsteen McCue and Professor Nigel Leask - and featuring Burns' own fiddle.

We hear the songs with the tunes he wanted - not always the ones which have become famous. For instance, 'My Love is like a Red Red Rose' was changed by his publisher against Burns' wishes. Kirsteen McCue is the world expert on Burns' songs and she reveals the original versions. We also hear a naughty song called 'Nine Inch will Please a Lady'.

Robert Burns' playlist reflects his political vision and also his complex love life. Burns was writing for the high-class Edinburgh ladies who took him up in his 30s, but he was also composing songs in broader Scots about their maids. Songs were a crucial part of his seduction technique - and they seem to have worked for him. He left 15 illegitimate children. Even on his death-bed, Burns was writing songs - for the pretty blonde teenager who was nursing him. That song, 'Oh Wert Thou in the Cold Blast', is one of his most beautiful and almost unbearably moving. Burns was destitute, he was dying at the age of only 37, and yet he sang to his nurse: "Oh wert thou in the cold blast, I'd shelter thee, I'd shelter thee".
Presenter David Owen Norris is a broadcaster, composer and concert pianist. He has arranged the songs, which are performed by Thomas Guthrie and jazz singer Gwyneth Herbert.

Producer: Elizabeth Burke.

A Loftus production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 17:30 Ayres on the Air (b019ly4t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 The Price of Fear (b007jnd6)

The Waxwork

Horror legend Vincent Price tells the mortifying tale of a man who spends the night among wax dummies.

Starring Peter Barkworth, Joan Cooper, Cyril Shaps and Christopher Bidmead.

AM Burrage's story dramatised by Barry Campbell.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC World Service in 1973.

WED 18:30 The Lunar Effect (b007k1d8)

The Cycle

Under a full moon, a young woman deals with two tormentors by unexpected means. Michelle Gomez reads John Connolly's tale.

How often have you done something which seemed out of character only to discover that a full moon fell on that day or week? Five stories marking a full moon. When someone or something unexpectedly steps outside of the norm is it just coincidence, or is there really something in The Lunar Effect?
The Cycle, written by John Connolly and read by Michelle Gomez.

On her way home from work on an almost deserted train, a young woman starts to suffer pains that we are led to believe indicate her period is imminent. When two troublemaking youths board the train and there is a subsequent delay, the boys' unwanted attention, the woman's increasing pain and the effect of the full moon result in the demise of her tormentors by

unexpected means...

WED 18:45 MR James (b00pdxrw)

MR James Stories

Oh Whistle and I'll Come to You My Lad

Derek Jacobi introduces the tale of a curious artefact found in the ruins of a Knights Templar church. Stars Jamie Glover.

WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jm2y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 19:30 The Michael Bentine Show (b008x0wg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 20:00 Dick Francis (b007jpyx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

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WED 21:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019lypl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 21:15 The Recall Man (b00kk5q9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

WED 22:00 Everyone Quite Likes Justin (b0124nql)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Listen Against (b00fg0r)

Series 2

Episode 1

An Archers convention, a live pitbull on Radio 4's Today programme and a Popmaster crisis for Radio 2.

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

Written by and starring Jon Holmes, With Alice Arnold.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2008.

WED 23:00 The End of the Road Show (b00kk0n1)

Episode 1

Taking coats to Newcastle, the sketch comedy pokes fun at local targets. Stars Nick Hancock and Tony Hawks. From December 1991.

WED 23:30 Rubbish (b00770kq)

Series 1

Whistleblower

Martin Christmas is reporter Adam Monk's local government whistleblower, so he's horrified to learn of the existence of a rival mystery whistleblower

This one has told Adam that it was none other than Martin who ordered the notorious "Dalek of Death" compost bins! Suddenly local government is a very threatening place.

Reece Dinsdale stars as local government officer, cynic and manic-depressive, Martin Christmas in Tony Bagley's sitcom.

Martin Reece Dinsdale

Adam Paul Reynolds

Roger Paul Copley

Scott Kevin Eldon

Sarah Nicola Walker

Alan Mike Walling

Barney James Lance

Speaker 1 Mark Maier

Producer: Claire Bartlett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2006.

THURSDAY 26 JANUARY 2012**THU 00:00 The Price of Fear (b007jnd6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

THU 00:30 The Lunar Effect (b007k1d8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 00:45 MR James (b00pdxrw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:45 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 Dick Francis (b007jpyx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dp7xf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Cabin Pressure (b00cqrh3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 All the Way from Memphis (b00m0mb4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jn9n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019lypl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:15 The Recall Man (b00kk5q9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 The Playlist Series (b01715y3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 Ayres on the Air (b019ly4t)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Dick Francis (b007jpbz)

Bolt

4. The Killing Game

Prince Litsi faces terror, hanging by his finger tips from the top of the old stand at Bradbury race-course.

Dick Francis's racing thriller dramatised by John Ashe.

Kit Fielding Eric Allan

Princess Casilia Sian Phillips

Danielle Elizabeth MacGovern

Roland Simon Carter

Dusty Christian Rodska

Wykeham William Eedle
Hodges Gerry Hinks
Prince Litsi Sam Dastor
Beatrice Bunt Margaret Robertson
Allardeck Bill Wallis
Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1994
THU 06:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dpl2p)
Episode 4
Acclaimed in the Commons as MP Chilcote, will an event from Loder's past unmask his true identity? Read by Nicholas Boulton.
THU 07:00 Artists (b019m104)
Series 2
Raw Emotion
A new muse for Tamsin is an old flame for Gerard. Can he woo her back for good this time? Stars Graham Crowden. From May 2004.
THU 07:30 Clare in the Community (b0151xsf)
Series 7
To Kill a Mocking Bird
Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution.
A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis.
Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.
Each week we join Clare in her continued struggle to control both her professional and private life
In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.
In episode two 'To Kill a Mocking Bird' Clare ends her relationship with Brian and is surprised by her colleagues' reaction to the news.
Episode Two 'To Kill a Mocking Bird'
Clare SALLY PHILLIPS
Brian ALEX LOWE
Megan/Nali NINA CONTI
Ray RICHARD LUMSDEN
Helen LIZA TARBUCK
Simon ANDREW WINCOTT
Libby SARAH KENDALL
Pru Granville SOPHIE THOMPSON
Mr Collier GERARD MCDERMOTT
Thomas GEORGIA LOWE
Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden
Producer by Katie Tyrrell.
THU 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b019m141)
The Country Caper
The bungling bureaucrats must enforce stringent regulations for over-sized rhubarb
The first of 14 shows not kept in the archive and re-recorded in 1980 – previously never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.
'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977.
Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler (who replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966).
With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddiley and John Graham.
Written and produced by Edward Taylor.
Re-recording of 'The Rhubarb Pirates' made in April 1980.
THU 08:30 Dad's Army (b00qg7s5)
Series 2
A Brush With the Law
When a light shines out in a blackout, Hodges hauls Captain Mainwaring to court.
Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, John Laurie as Private Frazer, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, Arnold Ridley as Godfrey and Bill Pertwee as Hodges.
Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1975.
THU 09:00 Know Your Place (b019m16k)
Health Can Damage Your Smoking
Can caretaker Ramsay manage to quit cigarettes to keep his job?
Ramsay Potts is the jobsworth caretaker at a crumbling Edwardian block of flats, pursued by the over-amorous cleaner Elsie.
Starring Roy Dotrice as Ramsay and Patricia Hayes as Elsie Spurgeon.
Sitcom written by Andrew Palmer and Nell Brennan.
With Jon Glover and James Taylor.
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in July 1983.
THU 09:30 All the Young Dudes (b019m2ys)
Series 2
Still Crazy
Patrick wonders who Green Day are, and Joe turns into a doting daddy. Written by and starring Jim Sweeney. From September 2002.
THU 10:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jnd1)
The No Popery Men
Joe and Edward are caught up in bitter feuds from the past, while Barnaby becomes entangled with the fanatical Lord Gordon. of Dickens adaptation stars Richard Derrington.

THU 11:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019m333)
Countless Stones
Questioning her past decisions, Rita sees her future bound to the standing stones above her village. Read by Amanda Lawrence.
THU 11:15 The Recall Man (b00kkcfd)
Over the Border
Dr Joe Aston helps police probe a taxi driver who is the only witness to a murder, but remembers nothing. Stars Jeremy Swift.
THU 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b019m141)
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THU 13:00 Dick Francis (b007jpsz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dpl2p)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 14:00 Charles Dickens (b007jwjt)
The Old Curiosity Shop
Episode 19
As Little Nell recuperates, the kindly schoolmaster teaches her a life lesson. Dickens dramatisation with Alex Jennings. From January 2003.
THU 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007js18)
The First Tudor King
The English people are still recovering from plague, famine and war when the Tudors begin their reign. Anna Massey narrates the history of Britain.
THU 14:30 Alan Bennett - Telling Tales (b007jnnj)
Unsaid Prayers
Scared of infection from the communion chalice, the writer recalls his Anglican faith throughout army and university life.
THU 14:45 Travels With a Donkey (b00cc0qq)
Our Ladies of the Snows
Robert Louis Stevenson samples French monastic life, as fellow visitors attempt to convert his religion. Read by Alan Cumming.
THU 15:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jnd1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b019m3dc)
Mel Giedroyc finds out why we play instruments upside-down, introduces the next chapter of Treasure Island, and hears from Scottish singer-songwriter Emeli Sande.
THU 17:00 King Street Junior (b007jmjc)
Series 5
The Reunion
The end of the school year is in sight and Mr Sims comes up with a bright idea for the evening of Sports Day. Stars Karl Howman. From June 1990.
THU 17:30 Artists (b019m104)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 18:00 The Price of Fear (b007jmcf)
Blind Man's Bluff
Horror legend Vincent Price's chilling tale of an eerie passenger who joins him on a train heading west.
Co-starring Freddie Jones and Geoffrey Collins.
Written by William Ingram.
Producer: John Dyas
First broadcast on the BBC World Service in 1975.
THU 18:30 The Lunar Effect (b007k1fd)
The Boy by the Light of the Moon
Back in Morocco and remembering a distant love affair - a Spaniard meets an odd waiter. David Warner reads Vega Powell's tale.
An older Spanish man returns to the Port of Tangier in Morocco, where memories stir of a love affair that changed his life. At his hotel he is attended by a strange boy, who seems to know about the woman he loved long ago. But when the man tries to find the waiter the next day, he's told he only works there once a month: the boy appears only at the time of the full moon. An exotic Tale of the Unexpected.
THU 18:45 MR James (b00pdz5)
MR James Stories
The Tractate Middoth
Diligent curator, David Garrett, gets caught up in the machinations of the mysterious Dr Rant when he's sent down to the library stacks to retrieve an obscure manuscript.
Derek Jacobi - as the voice of MR James - introduces classic ghost stories.
Dramatised by Chris Harrald.
Stars Sam Dale as Mr Thompson, Joseph Millson as Garrett, John Rowe as Mr Eldred and Joannah Tincey as Lucy Simpson.
Producer: Gemma Jenkins
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.
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THU 22:00 Clare in the Community (b0151xsf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 Delve Special (b007jmj8)
Series 3
Cowboys
When a builder burnt down their house, Ronald and Yvonne Worthington went to their solicitor. That's when their troubles really started.
Reporter David Lander investigates Britain's cowboy builders. Presented by David Lander with assistance from Stephen Fry. Studio production by Stephen Frost, Dawn French and Phil Nice.
Dramatic reconstructions by Jack Klaff, Julia Hills, Mark Arden and Robert Bathurst.
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 1986.
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01b0xj)
More chat and comedy with Arthur Smith and this week's guest, Nigel Planer.
THU 23:00 Bleak Expectations (b00d06pe)
Series 1
A Childhood Cruelly Kipperd
Mark Evans's Dickensian spoof reveals the downward spiral of young Pip Bin's life. Stars Richard Johnson. From August 2008.
THU 23:30 The Castle (b00t7f96)
Series 3
The Vuvuzela of Terror
Hie ye to The Castle, a rollicking sitcom set way back then, starring James Fleet ("The Vicar Of Dibley", "Four Weddings & A Funeral") and Neil Dudgeon ("Life Of Riley")
In this episode, we discover that an Englishman's home is his castle and an Englishman's moat is his tax write-off. Until Sir John is investigated and has to hire some Frenchmen and a bucket of eels. Meanwhile, the Woodstock Hospital is about to lose its no-star status....
Cast:
Sir John Woodstock James Fleet
Sir William De Warene Neil Dudgeon
Lady Anne Woodstock Martha Howe-Douglas
Cardinal Duncan Jonathan Kydd
Lady Charlotte Ingrid Oliver
Master Henry Woodstock Steven Kynman
Merlin Lewis Macleod
Written by Kim Fuller & Paul Alexander
Music by Guy Jackson
Producer/Director: David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Dick Francis (b007qg3v)
Bolt
5. Nemesis for Two
Champion jockey Kit Fielding gets wind that Henri de Brescou plans to kill more horses. Kit is determined to put a stop to this needless slaughter.
Conclusion of Dick Francis's racing thriller.
Kit Fielding Eric Allan
Princess Casilia Sian Phillips
Danielle Elizabeth MacGovern
Roland Simon Carter
Wykeham William Eedle
Prince Litsi Sam Dastor
Henri John Bull
Greening Jack May
Thomas Steve Hodson
Beatrice Bunt Margaret Robertson
Allardeck Bill Wallis
Dramatised by John Ashe.
Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1994.

FRI 06:30 Katherine Thurston - The Masquerader (b00dps76)
Episode 5

After exchanging identities, MP John Chilcote and John Loder's masquerade is in danger of discovery. Read by Nicholas Boulton.

FRI 07:00 Smelling of Roses (b007k0d2)

Series 1

Survival of the Fittest

Rosie's company hosts a management team building course. It all goes well until the murder mystery dinner, but it isn't Rosie who makes a killing.

Prunella Scales in Simon Brett's sitcom.

The trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event management company, based in Brighton.

Rosie Prunella Scales

Kate Arabella Weir

Jo Rebecca Callard

Bob Duncan Preston

Tess Annette Badland

Barry Lee Simpson

Alex Chris Pavlo

Dick David Holt

Producer: Maria Esposito

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

FRI 07:30 What's So Funny? (b019m4b5)

Series 2

Episode 17

Ed Byrne is joined by guests Isy Suttie and Ian Stone, while Lucy Porter speaks to Henning Wehn in her kitchen.

FRI 08:00 The TV Lark (b019m4j5)

The Prestige Show

With only one commercial to play, struggling new channel Troutbridge TV stages a flagship show to boost its viewing figures.

After four series of 'The Navy Lark', the BBC decided the comedy crew needed a new setting, so where better than brand new independent station, Troutbridge TV?

However, after just ten episodes, this proved to be a temporary change of course for the crew of HMS Troutbridge - as the crew were soon back aboard 'The Navy Lark'.

CAST:

The Producer Stephen Murray

The Floor Manager Jon Pertwee

The Director Leslie Phillips

Henry Povey Richard Caldicote

'Fats' Johnson/Bernard Yeast Ronnie Barker

'Taffy' Goldstein Taniel Evans

Gervais Batsford-Shaw/ Sir Jimson Whitaker-Smythe

Michael Bates

Vera/Janet Janet Brown

TTV Continuity Announcer Robin Boyle

Scripted by Lawrie Wyman

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1963.

FRI 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007k27m)

Series 5

The Desperate Hours

After news of a jailbreak at Wormwood Scrubs, Albert and Harold get some unwelcome visitors.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold. With Leonard Rossiter as Johnny Spooner and Paddy Joyce as Frank Ferris.

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 eight series for TV.

Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Produced by Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in May 1974.

FRI 09:00 Fat Chance (b019m4rs)

Celebrity Square

Graham becomes Tina Tattersall's escort for the night in a bid to make her errant husband jealous - and the rest of the slimming club have some surprising news.

Jenny McDade's high-fat bittersweet comedy for those believing there's a thin person inside them begging to get out.

Graham Pitscottie Gareth Corke

Wendy Bottomley Janine Duvtiski

Clive Bottomley Michael Troughton

Soo Pitscottie Anne Reid

Tina Tattersall Julia Deakin

Kelly Chambers Tilly Gaunt

Lee Dubs Harry Myers

Mrs Enright Frances Jeater

Producer: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1999.

FRI 09:30 We've Been Here Before (b00fz84k)

Series 2

Episode 3

Clive Anderson hosts the panel show that pokes fun at events of the past.

The topical historical satirical panel show setting out to prove that there's nothing new under, or in, The Sun.

Mark Steel and David Quantick battle it out against John

O'Farrell and Chris Addison.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

FRI 10:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jnd9)

The Gordon Riots

The burning of Newgate Prison, riots, looting and the shadow of murder put Barnaby's life in danger. Adaptation of Charles Dickens's novel stars Richard Derrington.

FRI 11:00 Lucy Wood - Diving Belles (b019m52y)

Notes From the House Spirits

A chronicle of the happenings and lives of the neglectful inhabitants of a Cornish house. Read by Amanda Lawrence.

FRI 11:15 The Recall Man (b00kkdkk)

Stepping Out

Dr Joe Aston feels threatened when a rival psychologist is hired to investigate baffling attacks on women. Stars Jeremy Swift.

FRI 12:00 The TV Lark (b019m4j5)

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FRI 14:00 Charles Dickens (b007jwk3)

The Old Curiosity Shop

Episode 20

With the help of Samson Brass, Quilp plots to get Kit Nubbins out of the way. Dickens dramatisation starring Alex Jennings. From January 2003.

FRI 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007js1p)

Henry VIII, Flodden and Wolsey

Henry is King but who is the effective ruler of the realm? Anna Massey narrates the history of Britain.

FRI 14:30 Alan Bennett - Telling Tales (b007jnnz)

No Mean City

The writer concludes his reminiscences of post-war Leeds, and describes the hold it's always maintained on him into adulthood.

FRI 14:45 Travels With a Donkey (b00cblbn)

A Night Among the Pines

There's donkey trouble and no women around for Robert Louis Stevenson on his French mountain adventure. Read by Alan Cumming.

FRI 15:00 Charles Dickens - Barnaby Rudge (b007jnd9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b019m5js)

Mel Giedroyc introduces the final chapter of Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island. Plus a look at model planes, and Andi Osho with her Sneaky Peeks into the best comedy.

FRI 17:00 Desmond Olivier Dingle's Compleat Life and Works of William Shakespeare (b007k33j)

Episode 5

John Barrowman's expert masterclass reaches a surprising conclusion about the Bard. Stars Patrick Barlow. From October 1995.

FRI 17:30 Smelling of Roses (b007k0d2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:00 The Price of Fear (b007jmn9)

Goody Two Shoes

Horror legend Vincent Price's sobering tale of Anne and David and their unwelcome lodger.

Married for five years, David and Anne Fordyce escape the London rat race by buying a deserted cottage in Devon. But their idyllic life is shattered by the intrusion of a previous tenant - from another century...

David Fordyce Michael Jayston

Anne Fordyce Sandra Clark

Mrs Perkins Daphne Heard

Victoria Frances Jeater

Charles Nigel Graham

Written by William Ingram.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1983.

FRI 18:30 The Lunar Effect (b007k1dn)

She Often Walked at Night

Under a full moon somewhere in Europe - three friends meet in a strange, exotic bar. Lucy Cohu reads Lilian Pizzichini's tale. Three friends, adrift in a mysterious European city, congregate one night at cocktail hour in a strange, exotic bar and, as they partake of an absinthe-like drink, pathological, long-buried natural tendencies surface under the influence of the full moon.

FRI 18:45 MR James (b00pf12h)

MR James Stories

Lost Hearts

Stephen Elliot - orphaned at the tender age of 12 - moves to his wealthy uncle's in Lincolnshire, only to find himself troubled by dreams of two ghostly figures...

Derek Jacobi - as the voice of MR James - introduces classic ghost stories.

Dramatised by Chris Harrald.

Stars Sophie Roberts as Jane, James D'Arcy as Stephen Elliot, Katy Cavanagh as Mrs Bunch, Jordan Clarke as Young Stephen and Peter Marinker.

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2007.

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FRI 22:00 What's So Funny? (b019m4b5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Elvenquest (b00w7f23)

Series 2

Episode 3

The Quest for the Sword of Asnagar continues.

Vidar and his team are outside the Citadel of Gondola which is being laid siege to by the amassed hordes of the evil Lord Darkness. But when they get searched on their way into the Citadel - there's been a lot of trouble with 'suicide fairies' - Sam comes across a love potion in Vidar's belongings and his mind unsurprisingly turns from defending the citadel to making his move on Penthislea.

But the path of true love is never a steady one and Sam's plans for marital bliss soon fall apart when he discovers time with an amorous Penthislea isn't all it's cracked up to be, and Vidar drinks the love potion by mistake.

Fantasy-based sitcom set in Lower Earth written by Anil Gupta and Richard Pinto.

Sam Stephen Mangon

Lord Darkness Alistair McGowan

The High Priestess of Gondola Christine Kavanagh

Dean/Kreech Kevin Eldon

Vidar Darren Boyd

Amis - The Chosen One Dave Lamb

Penthislea Sophie Winkleman

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2010.

FRI 23:00 The Skivers (b0080rd1)

Series 2

Spike Milligan

Nick and Tim de Jongh welcome Spike Milligan to the last ever BBC Radio 4 show to be recorded at the famous BBC Paris Studios.

Located in Lower Regent Street, London, they were used from 1946 to 1995 - the home of countless BBC shows from Round The Home to Just A Minute

Skilful sketch show written and performed by Nick Golsen and Tim de Jongh.

With Peter Bradshaw and Mel Giedroyc

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1995.

FRI 23:30 And Now in Colour (b0080qg5)

Series 2

Eurospecial

The sketch show team cross the English Channel for a French link-up.

Precision comedy written and performed by Tim Firth, Tim de Jongh, Michael Rutter and William Vandyck.

Producer: Lisa Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1991.