

SATURDAY 28 APRIL 2012

SAT 00:00 Paradise Lost in Space (b007jp0g)

5. Things Hot Up
When Norman introduces the Oblivions to the pleasures of the flesh, one thing leads to another...

Colin Swash's sci-fi comedy about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet.

Norman Tony Robinson
Max David Haig

Stella Louise Lombard
Macari Michael Troughton

Terayz Carla Mendonca
Clive Guy Witcher

Buzz Peter Serafinowicz

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1995.

SAT 00:30 Ghost Stories of Walter De La Mare (b00wwd8m)

The Almond Tree

A man looks back on the complex relationship between his parents and a female friend of his father's. It's one that will influence the rest of his life...

Read by Julian Wadham.

Walter de la Mare (1873-1956) was a popular award-winning poet, short story writer and novelist. He wrote for both children and adults.

Abridged by Doreen Estall.

Producer: Lawrence Jackson

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in December 2010.

SAT 01:00 Dick Francis (b007n9gt)

Proof

7. Man of Mystery

Kenneth Junior makes a request from hospital, and Tony learns more about the mysterious Paul Young.

Nigel Havers stars as Tony Beach.

Dick Francis's thriller dramatised by Ernest Dudley

Tony Beach Nigel Havers

Gerard George Parsons

Clerk/Delivery Man David Goodland

Vernon Tim Reynolds

Paul Young Stuart Organ

Quigley Brian Hewlett

Flora Jennifer Piercey

Producer: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1987.

SAT 01:30 W Somerset Maugham - Ashenden, Gentleman Spy (b008ggv1)

Giulia Lazzari

Agent Ashenden's summoned to a Paris hotel and tasked with ensnaring a known agitator - Indian lawyer, Chandra Lal who's caused much trouble for the British war effort.

When a large reward was offered for his arrest, Chandra fled to Berlin and where he fell in love with an Italian dancer, Giulia Lazzari. But Intelligence Head R has intercepted their love letters sparking a plan to trap him.

A series of short stories based on William Somerset Maugham's own First World War experiences

Read by Alex Jennings

Abridged by Neville Teller

Producer: Eoin O'Callaghan

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

SAT 02:00 North East of Eden (b01grlp1)

Plague

The annual festival of St Marcus brings a host of tourists to Paradise Island, but a mysterious illness threatens the torchlight parade.

Rebecca Front and Joan Sims stars in Peter Kerry's sitcom about a GP living on a remote island off the coast of Northumbria.

Dr Marcia Hulme Rebecca Front

Auntie Annie Joan Sims

Hjorst Niall Ashdown

Joseph Gates James Garbutt

Mrs Peevis Jean Southern

William Sammy Johnson

Ralph Stephen Thirkeld

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1997.

SAT 02:30 Puzzle Panel (b00yb2vg)

Episode 6

More testing brain teasers with Chris Maslanka, Paul Lamford, Val Gilbert and Professor David Singmaster. From July 1998.

SAT 03:00 Sir Walter Scott's Rob Roy (b007jq7m)

Helen McGregor

Francis and Jarvie reach the Highland Line, heading for McGregor country. Stars Liam Brennan. Sean Chapman and Tom George.

SAT 04:00 Joanne Harris - Jigs and Reels (b00cl32x)

Fule's Gold

After 40 years teaching creative writing, sneaky Mr Fisher discovers a masterpiece. Short story read by Stephen Moore.

SAT 04:15 Heathcote Williams - Hancock's Last Half Hour (b01grlp3)

An imagining of the comedy legend alone in a Sydney hotel room on the day he died, with a book of newspaper cuttings, a telephone and a bottle of vodka for company. In a tour de force performance Richard Briers plays his great comedy hero, Tony Hancock, looking back over the highs and lows of his career.

Heathcote Williams's play reveals a comedy genius, tormented by his own desire to improve himself. A desire which overwhelmed him, when he tragically took his own life in June 1968.

Produced by Ned Chaillet for BBC Radio 3 in 1988.

SAT 05:00 Brothers in Law (b007js84)

Series 2

Keeping It Warm

Will barrister Roger manage to make up with girlfriend Sally? Starring Richard Briers as Roger Thursby, John Glyn-Jones as Grimes, Julia Lockwood as Sally, Jean Anderson as Mrs

Thursby, Norman Bird as Brigstocke, John Gabriel as Lowthwaite, Francis de Wolf as Mr Justice and Peter

Tuddenham as the Lord Justice.

Written by Henry Cecil and Basil Dawson.

Published in 1955, Henry Cecil's comic legal novel Brothers in Law was adapted first for TV in 1962 by Frank Muir and Denis

Norden. It provided the first regular starring role for Richard Briers, who later reprised his role of the idealistic young lawyer

Roger Thursby for BBC Radio between 1970 and 1972.

Producer: David Hatch.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1971.

SAT 05:30 Ring Around the Bath (b01gklt7)

Series 3

Loop-hole

Patrick gets a TV presenting job on the Barbeque Channel - filming on location in the family home.

As the flames get higher, Stella's precious garden is under threat!

Series 3 of Lucy Clare and Ian Davidson's sitcom about topsy-turvy family life.

Stars Duncan Preston as Patrick, Pippa Haywood as Stella, Claudie Blakley as Alison, Bruce MacKinnon as Rick,

Catherine Shepherd as Xanthe, Daniela Denby-Ashe as Egg and and Russell Bently as Fergus.

Director: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2006.

SAT 06:00 A Bequest to the Nation (b012f8bl)

Lord Nelson's passionate affair with vulgar Emma Hamilton sparks family conflict. Terrence Rattigan's play stars Anna Massey.

SAT 07:30 Those Baneful Articles (b001jk9g)

Billy Kay takes a wry look at the arrival of tea and whisky in 18th century lowland Scotland.

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01gv8k)

Series 7

Episode 28

From Wolf Trap National Park in Virginia, the funny man welcomes The Wailin' Jennys and humourist Roy Blount Jr. From 2011.

SAT 09:00 Howerd's Ways: The Radio Times of Frankie Howerd (b01gvwzh)

The life and BBC radio career of Frankie Howerd - the celebrated King of Titters.

His last agent Tessa Le Bars talks to Peter Reed and shares her memories of this icon of British comedy. Featuring:

* The Frankie Howerd Show:

Doggy doing with the BBC DG and Frankie's memoirs. Titters galore with stand-up and sketches from the legendary comic. With June Whitfield and Ray Fell. (BBC Radio 2 from June 1973)

* Radio Lives - Frankie Howerd:

His highs were high, his lows were low. How did he get to be so funny? Dylan Winter finds out from childhood friends, variety artists and those who knew Frankie very well. (BBC Radio 4 from July 1995)

* Variety Bandbox:

An early radio appearance for Frankie Howerd on a bill with Philip Slessor, Derek Roy, (Alberto) Semprini, Vanessa Lee and Billy Ternent & His Orchestra. (BBC Light Programme from June 1953)

* Now Listen:

Gags from Frankie Howerd, plus sketches with Carol Allen, Robertson Hare and Kenneth Connor. (BBC Light Programme from April 1965)

* Desert Island Discs:

Frankie Howerd chats to Roy Plomley and makes his castaway choices. (BBC Radio 4 from January 1982)

Producer: Mik Wilkojc

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in April 2012.

SAT 12:00 A Small Town Murder (Omnibus) (b01gvwzk)

Series 4

Family Liaison Officer Jackie Hartwell continues her criminal investigations in the West Midlands. Starring Meera Syal.

SAT 13:15 Daunt and Dervish (b007jwty)

Series 1

A Question of Class

The detective duo return to their Covent Garden office in London early one morning to discover an Oxford undergraduate slumped on the doorstep wanting them to find the wallet he left in a Soho house of ill repute.

Daunt's knowledge of his past makes her very suspicious of later accusations that he's beaten a woman up.

With the Second World War over, former spies Josephine

Daunt and Susan Dervish are running their own detective agency.

Stars Imelda Staunton as Josephine Daunt, Anna Massey as Susan Dervish, Bill Patterson as Bill Mackie and Scott Handy as James 'Podger' Urquhart.

Format by Imelda Staunton and Anna Massey. Written by Guy Meredith.

Producer: Cherry Cookson. Director: Janet Whitaker.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

SAT 14:00 The Galton and Simpson Playhouse (b00p9354)

The Offer

The original 1962 script that sparked the triumphant Steptoe and Son. Stars Freddie Jones and John Thomson. From January 1999.

SAT 14:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b007ncw8)

Series 3

Episode 3

The much-loved comedy duo celebrate Britain's "greatest living writer" - Ernie.

With Marion Montgomery.

Written by Eddie Braben.

Music by Peter Knight and his Orchestra.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in December 1977.

SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01gv8k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 A Bequest to the Nation (b012f8bl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 18:00 The Routemasters by Andrew McGibbon (b007jnrf)

2. Don't Be a Freud

The time travellers hit 19th-century Austria, where Freud is about to give a historic paper on telepathy, which Raymond and Hildegard are bent on stealing...

Starring Amanda Donohoe as Hilderghast, Andrew McGibbon as Raymond, Karl Minns as the Conductor, Owen Evans as Bernie, Nick Romero as Karl, Andy Mulligan as Herr

Grubberman, Dan Freedman as Breyer, Alex Lowe as the interpolator and Sophie Aldred as Martha.

Written by Andrew McGibbon. Additional material by Rob

Colley, Julian Mayers and Kevin Greening.

Theme by Ozzzy Temple and other music by Nick Romero.

Producer: Julian Mayers

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.

SAT 18:30 A Short History of Gothic (b00pd7cm)

Clytie

By Eudora Welty. Watery parallels to Greek mythology, as life gets too much for a woman in Mississippi. Read by Barbara

Barnes.

SAT 19:00 Howerd's Ways: The Radio Times of Frankie Howerd (b01gvwzh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Saturday Stand-Up (b01gvxrf)

Dr Phil Hammond's Rude Health Show

The GP-comic in live performance with horror stories of his

medical training. Including: How To Cope With Glastonbury

Woman.

SAT 22:45 Sarah at the Stand (b014gl69)

Episode 3

Sarah Millican is in Edinburgh, with stand-up and backstage from Davey See, John Moloney and Gary Delaney. From

October 2010.

SAT 23:00 The Phone (b00wldw2)

All-Night Cafe

By Rebecca Lenkiewicz.

A series of late night thrillers, each connected by a mysterious mobile phone. In Rebecca Lenkiewicz's drama, an insomniac mathematician is forced to turn hero when he answers a phone

belonging to a prostitute.

Abraham Toby Jones

Sybil Niamh Cusack

Kate Sarah Goldberg

June Kate Williams

Max Adeel Akhtar

Manager Christine Kavanagh

Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko.

SAT 23:30 Wallander - Faceless Killers (b00hv6sn)

Episode 4

Arson and threatening calls blight the Swedish sleuth's murder investigation. Henning Mankell's thriller read by David Warner.

SAT 23:45 Devil in a Blue Dress (b00zt8sj)

Episode 4

Private detective Easy Rawlings is brutally arrested and

accused. Walter Mosley's thriller read by Paul Winfield.

SUNDAY 29 APRIL 2012

SUN 00:00 The Routemasters by Andrew McGibbon (b007jnrf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 A Short History of Gothic (b00pd7cm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01gv8k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 A Small Town Murder (Omnibus) (b01gvwzk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 03:15 Daunt and Dervish (b007jwty)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 A Bequest to the Nation (b012f8bl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 In and Out of the Kitchen (b017ckf5)

Series 1

September 18th to 24th

Damien's routine is thrown into disarray when Anthony's goddaughter, Libby, is sent to stay with them for "respite". Meanwhile, Anthony finally has his long-awaited job interview and Damien is offered the chance to front his own TV cookery show.

More entries from the kitchen diary of cookery writer, Damien Trench - "no matter how grizzly" as he puts it "or, indeed, how gristly".

Written by and starring Miles Jupp.

The programme also features Damien's easy-to-follow recipes for:

- cracking crepes Suzette
- Spanish-as-sangria, "chorizo und patatas" and

- a tastebud tantalising, Beef Oxford.

Damien Trench Miles Jupp

Anthony Justin Edwards

Damien's Mother Selina Cadell

Mr Mullaney Brendan Dempsey

Ian Frobisher Philip Fox

Libby/Angie Maggie Service

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2011.

SUN 06:00 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (Omnibus) (b00mp6nc)

Episode 3

1956: Neely's Hollywood career has collapsed. Back in New York she and Anne go to see Neely's old rival Helen Lawson in a new show.

Conclusion of Jacqueline Susann's 1960s best seller. Three beautiful young women are best friends carving out careers in the entertainment industry.

Stars Madeleine Potter, Barbara Barnes, Kerry Shale, Sally Dexter and Coleen Prendergast.

Omnibus of episodes 11 to 15 of fifteen - dramatised by Yvonne Antrobus.

Producer: Claire Grove

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2005.

SUN 07:15 Roger Deakin - Wildwood: A Journey Through Trees (b00j26h2)

Driftwood

Nature writer Roger Deakin marvels at forest birdsong in France and hunts bush plums with Aboriginal women. Read by Sean Baker.

SUN 07:30 Clare in the Community (b008xg02)

Series 4

My Funny Valentine

Brian is amazed that Clare's remembered Valentine's Day and booked a restaurant.

The only trouble is... she hasn't.

Comedy by Harry Venning and David Ramsden. Clare Barker is a social worker with all the politically correct jargon but none of the practical solutions.

Clare Sally Phillips

Brian Alex Lowe

Ray Richard Lumdsen

Helen Gemma Craven

Irene Ellen Thomas

Megan Nina Conti

Simon Andrew Wincott

With Ben Onwukwe and Sam Pamphilon.

Producer: Katie Tyrrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2008.

SUN 08:00 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b007jyn7)

Tommy Handley tries to set up a newspaper with Mrs Mopp as the Domestic Correspondent. Wartime comedy from 1945.

ITMA proved to be one of the BBC's most popular radio comedies ever produced. It was first transmitted just before the start of the Second World War in 1939 and ran to 1949.

Domestic audiences topped 20 million, and the audience worldwide was said to number 30 million. It starred

Liverpudlian comic Tommy Handley, who with Ted Kavanagh created the series named after the phrase newspapers often used to describe Hitler: It's That Man Again!

The original setting on a ship was deemed inappropriate once war broke out, and was replaced with the Office Of Twerps, with Tommy as Minister of Aggravation and Mysteries.

With:

Jack Train

Dorothy Summers

Horace Percival

Dino Galvani

Sydney Keith

Fred Yule

Jean Capra

Paula Green

Music from the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Charles Shadwell.

Script written by Ted Kavanagh.

Producer: Francis Worsley

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in March 1945

SUN 08:30 Meet the Huggetts (b00p1hnz)

'Ail and Hearty

The family worries when Joe Huggett is spotted calling in at the doctor's surgery.

Starring Jack Warner and Kathleen Harrison.

Popular working-class family, the Huggetts first hit the cinema screen with a series of Gainsborough films between 1947 and

1949. Their subsequent BBC radio series ran from 1953 to 1962.

Joe Jack Warner

Ethel Kathleen Harrison

Jane Alanna Boyce

Bobby Malcolm Ranson

Fred Stebbings Charles Leno

With Bill Pertwee and Ralph Hallett.

Written by Eddie Maguire.

Producer: Jacques Brown

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1961.

SUN 09:00 LM Montgomery - Anne of Green Gables (b00rxk51)

Episode 5

Anne goes away to college, but her heart is still in Avonlea. LM Montgomery dramatisation with Barbara Barnes, Susan Engel and Sean Baker.

SUN 09:30 Philippa Pearce - Tom's Midnight Garden (b00qylvl)

Episode 3

Hatty reveals the secret of the clock to Tom - but what does it mean? Stars Una Stubbs, Peter England and Crawford Logan.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs: Longplay (b0140f8f)

Kathy Burke

A chance to hear an extended edition of the actress and comedian's Desert Island Discs, first broadcast in August 2010 on Radio 4. Presented by Kirsty Young.

SUN 11:00 Humphrey Lyttelton - Play As I Please (b01gw5lm)

Blowing Strong

Humphrey Lyttelton tells June Knox-Mawer about his creativity, coping strategies and musical inspiration. From December 1993.

SUN 11:30 The Diary of a Nobody (b01gw5lp)

Episode 4

Mr Pooter is rising up the career ladder, but is his son's engagement heading in the opposite direction?

The imaginary journal of a middle-class suburban 'hero' with an over-developed sense of dignity - Charles Pooter.

Arthur Lowe continues George and Weedon Grossmith's comic masterpiece of middle-class self-importance in Victorian Britain.

One of the classic humorous books of English literature, first published in 1894.

Abridged in five parts by Donald Bancroft.

Producer: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1977.

SUN 12:00 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (Omnibus) (b00mp6nc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 13:15 Roger Deakin - Wildwood: A Journey Through Trees (b00j26h2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 13:30 Hercule Poirot (b009v35c)

Cards on the Table

1936: The enigmatic Mr Shaitana hosts an unusual dinner party. His guests include four sleuths - including Hercule Poirot - and four suspected murderers.

After dinner, the guests play bridge, with the sleuths in one room and the suspects in another, where Shaitana watches on.

By the end of the game, Shaitana has been fatally stabbed with a weapon from his collection.

Agatha Christie's thriller stars John Moffat as Poirot, Stephanie Cole as Ariadne Oliver, Donald Sinden as Colonel Race, Ioan Meredith as Superintendent Battle, Christopher Godwin as Mr Shaitana, David Timson as Dr Roberts, Mary Wimbush as Mrs Lorrimer, Helen Longworth as Anne Meredith, Nigel Anthony as Major Despard, Sarah Paul as Rhoda Dawes, Marlene Sidaway as Mrs Luxmore and Ewan Bailey as The Butler.

From Agatha Christie's 1936 novel dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Director: Enyd Williams.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

SUN 15:00 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b007jyn7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 15:30 Meet the Huggetts (b00p1hnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 16:00 Mel's Mix: The Best of The 4 O'Clock Show (b01gw5lr)

Mel Giedroyc with highlights from The 4 O'Clock Show - join her for some cake baking, jam making and propping up the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

SUN 16:30 LM Montgomery - Anne of Green Gables (b00rxk51)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 17:00 Philippa Pearce - Tom's Midnight Garden (b00qylvl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SUN 17:30 Two Coconut Shells, a Blow Lamp and a Raspberry (b0081r61)

...The Story of Comedy Sound Effects on Radio. From farts to Goon Show rumbling stomachs. Reece Shearsmith listens in from the 1930s through to The League of Gentlemen.

SUN 18:00 The Darker Side of the Border (b00cft28)

Robert Louis Stevenson - Olalla

During the Peninsular War in Spain a wounded Scottish soldier is sent to stay in a remote house in the hills. The soldier falls in love with the daughter of the house, but the family harbour a terrible secret...

Series of 3 Scottish 19th century tales of terror and mystery. Written by Robert Louis Stevenson and dramatised by Marty Ross.

Alec Paul Blair

Olalla Roxanna Pope

Felipe Richard Conlon

Senora Carol Ann Crawford

Carrido Richard Greenwood

The Padre Simon Tait

Producer: Bruce Young

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

SUN 18:30 HP Lovecraft - The Shadow Over Innsmouth (b015h0y0)

Episode 3

Robert Olmstead listens to aged local drunk Zadok Allen, who reveals the terrifying history of the town. Read by Richard Coyle.

SUN 19:00 Humphrey Lyttelton - Play As I Please (b01gw5lm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:30 The Diary of a Nobody (b01gw5lp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:30 today]

SUN 20:00 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b007jyn7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 20:30 Meet the Huggetts (b00p1hnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs: Longplay (b0140f8f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 22:00 Clare in the Community (b008xg02)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 The Change (b00nshx)

Series 1

Over the Rainbow

Transvestite George sparks confusion for Ken when he sees him wearing a dress.

Lynda Bellingham and Chris Ellison star as troubled hormonal wife Carol whose husband George has revealed that he's a transvestite.

Sitcom by Gavin Petrie and Jan Etherington.

Carol Lynda Bellingham

George Chris Ellison

Violet Sylvia Syms

Maureen Maureen Beattie

Dave Mark Powley

Ken James Vaughan

Jerry Richard Standing

Sonia Emma Kennedy

Producer: Maria Esposito

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2001.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01gw5lt)

Andi Osho and her guest chat about life and laughs.

SUN 23:00 King Cutler (b008x3qy)

King Cutler IV

Phyllis King and Ivor Cutler continue to have words. Plus poems, songs and stories....

With Dylan Edwards, David Lloyd, Ted Harrison and Craig Murray-Orr.

Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in February 1990.

SUN 23:30 Giles Wemmbley Hogg Goes Off (b01gw5lw)

Series 3

Oil Rig

The footloose upper-class student finds himself slumming it with Scottish roughnecks. Stars Marcus Brigstocke. From January 2005.

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MON 01:00 Desert Island Discs: Longplay (b0140f8f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Sunday]

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MON 03:00 ITMA - It's That Man Again (b007jyn7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 Hercule Poirot (b009v35c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Philippa Pearce - Tom's Midnight Garden (b00qylvl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Dick Francis (b007ncw9)

Proof

8. Connections

Tony Beach and his detective chum Gerard MacGregor attempt to unearth the true identity of Paul Young. Stars Nigel Havers.

Nigel Havers stars as Tony Beach in the gripping conclusion of Dick Francis's thriller.

Tony Beach ... Nigel Havers

Gerard George Parsons
Paul Young Stuart Organ
Chief Sup. Wilson Manning Wilson
Dramatised by Ernest Dudley
Producer: Matthew Walters
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1987.
MON 06:30 Light on the Road to Woodstock (b007jqf)
Episode 1
Back from the Crusades, detective monk Brother Cadfael faces treachery. Nigel Anthony reads Ellis Peters' medieval mystery.
MON 07:00 The Arts and How They Was Done (b00773d)
The Bronte Sisters and How They Done Their Novels
The National Theatre of Brent illuminate the lives of siblings Charlotte, Emily and Anne. Stars Patrick Barlow. From April 2007.
MON 07:30 The Unbelievable Truth (b01gf5wk)
Series 9
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. Tony Hawks, Arthur Smith, Lucy Porter and Graeme Garden are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as: Restaurants, Barbie dolls, Feet and Garlic.
The show is devised by Graeme Garden and Jon Naismith, the team behind Radio 4's I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue.
Produced by Jon Naismith
A Random Entertainment Production for BBC Radio 4.
MON 08:00 Beyond Our Ken (b00vstc)
Series 3
From 13/05/1960
Kenneth Horne goes backstage in Theatreland - and 'Honerama' investigates holidays.
With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill Pertwee.
Written by Eric Merriman and Barry Took
The precursor to 'Round The Horne' - series 3 has been fully restored using both home and overseas (BBC Transcription Service) recordings.
A madcap mix of sketches and songs, Beyond Our Ken hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Arthur Fallowfield, Cecil Snaith and Rodney and Charles.
Music from Pat Lancaster, the Fraser Hayes Four and the BBC Variety Orchestra conducted by Paul Fenoulhet.
Incidental music by Edwin Braden.
Announcer: Douglas Smith
Producer: Jacques Brown
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1960.
MON 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007j15j)
Series 1
The Offer
After a row with his father Albert, Harold decides to leave their rag and bone business and take up another offer of employment.
Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold.
Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for 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.
Adapted for BBC radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by Gale Pedrick.
Produced by Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1966.
MON 09:00 Clare in the Community (b008z5wk)
Series 4
The Long Goodbye
Ray's colleagues celebrate his civil partnership and Brian reassesses his life after his not-very-near-death experience.
Comedy by Harry Venning and David Ramsden. Clare Barker is a social worker with all the politically correct jargon but none of the practical solutions.
Clare Sally Phillips
Brian Alex Lowe
Ray Richard Lumsden
Helen Gemma Craven
Irene Ellen Thomas
Megan Nina Conti
Simon Andrew Wincott
Counsellor Anna Bengo
Ainsworth Lloyd Thomas
Troy Ben Onwukwe.
Producer: Katie Tyrrell
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2008.
MON 09:30 Cabin Pressure (b00lq8lk)
Series 2
Gdansk
When MJN Air is chartered to ferry a chamber orchestra, Carolyn has to deal with the mysterious Case Of The Poisoned Cashews, while Martin gets to run through all of the Seven Deadly Sins. And Arthur learns how not to pronounce "'Szyzsko-Bohusz'", but does eat a lot of pudding.
Starring
Carolyn Knapp-Shappey Stephanie Cole
1st Officer Douglas Richardson Roger Allam
Capt. Martin Crieff Benedict Cumberbatch

Arthur Shappey John Finnemore
Madame Szyzsko-Bohusz Britta Gartner
Amsterdam ATC Matt Green
Maestro Simon Greenall
Written by John Finnemore.
Produced & Directed by David Tyler
A Pozzitive production for the BBC
MON 10:00 Vivat Rex (b01gxpfg)
The King's Favourite
4 Extra Debut. Richard Burton narrates the playwright's chronicle of the English Crown. Marlowe's Edward II faces rebellion. Stars John Hurt.
MON 11:00 Elizabeth Buchan - Frozen Words (b007w26k)
When a young man takes his beloved Rose to climb a mountain, there are alarming consequences. Read by Mark Bonnar.
MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b01gngbr)
An eclectic mix of conversation, music and comedy.
Clive Anderson is joined by actors Anna Chancellor and Claire Sweeney.
With music from The Cornshed Sisters and Julia Stone.
Producer Cathie Mahoney.
MON 12:00 Beyond Our Ken (b00vstc)
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MON 13:30 Light on the Road to Woodstock (b007jqf)
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MON 14:00 EF Benson - Miss Mapp (b0101hgx)
Redcurrant Fool
Ruling the small English village of Tilling, the busybody sits at her window spying on her neighbours. Stars Frances Barber.
MON 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007jxjy)
Pitt's Militia, The Plan to Invade Canada and An Act Of Marriage
Pitt makes the decision to invade Canada, and the Marriage Act is passed. Anna Massey narrates the history of the British Isles.
MON 14:30 Sebastian Faulks: Engleby (b00pcd11)
Episode 6
Mike has left university and his career as a journalist is about to begin. But always there's Jennifer. Read by Douglas Hodge.
MON 14:45 The Invention of Childhood (b00s1f1p)
Like an Angelic Choir
Michael Porpurgio explains how Britain's first founding hospital met with great acclaim in 1741, but some children were still neglected.
MON 15:00 Vivat Rex (b01gxpfg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01gxpfg)
As Mel introduces Chapter 1 of Mark Twain's Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, we'll get tips on river canoeing, and explore the home town of this well-known American author.
MON 17:00 Anything Legal (b0085hmm)
Episode 4
George and Charles tackle a horrid child and a bizarre giant in their new business offering anything legal...
Starring Donald Hewlett and Michael Knowles.
A Tale of Two City Gents by Wally K Daly
Charles Donald Hewlett
George Michael Knowles
Isabel Madeline Smith
Little Willy Stephen Grief
Simon Elizabeth Proud
Miss Folliate Frances Jeater
Theme music by Jim Parker
Producer: John Fawcett Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1984.
MON 17:30 The Arts and How They Was Done (b00773d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
MON 18:00 Paradise Lost in Space (b007jp39)
6. Sacrifice
Oblivio is in the grip of an Ice Age.
When the UME spaceship lands on the surface, Norman and Max make a sacrifice...
Conclusion of Colin Swash's sci-fi comedy about two space-age humans stranded on a friendly alien planet.
Norman Tony Robinson
Max David Haig
Stella Louise Lombard
Macari Michael Troughton
Suzy Carla Mendonca
Louise Ronni Ancona
Ume Lorelei King
Vince Daniel Main
Producer: Richard Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1995.
MON 18:30 Doctor Who (b00rw1t1)
Doctor Who and the Giant Robot
Episode 1
The Time Lord awakes from his latest regeneration to find that the Brigadier and Sarah Jane need his help. Read by Tom Baker.
MON 19:00 Beyond Our Ken (b00vstc)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 22:30 Clare in the Community (b008z5wk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (b01gxpfg)
An extended version of the News Quiz for Radio 4 Extra, featuring jokes that you won't have heard already, some clips from the archives and exclusive behind-the-scenes material.
MON 23:45 Elastic Planet (b007k33s)
The Zoo
Revealing the links between hurdling cattle, the Elephant's Lumberyard, gong beetles, alternative horticulture and the Llama movies of the early 60s.
Oliver Postgate narrates a stream of bizarre coincidences in Ben Moor's cosmic comedy of connections.
With Julian Pettifer, Brian Hayes, Dan Strauss, Kerry Shale, Geoff McGivern, Fiona Allen.
Producer: Jon Naismith
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995

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Where's Father Jack?
A suspicious death in a pond unites the kindly Detective Inspector Cromwell and convent Mother Helen - a nun with a nose for crime.
Are they about to embark on a long and unlikely relationship? Timothy Spall stars as DI Cromwell and Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen.
Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's series of mysteries.
DI Cromwell Timothy Spall
Mother Helen Cheryl Campbell
DC Kelp Jeremy Finch
Father Jack Jonathan Olivet
Sister Beth Chalmers
Nun Gemma Saunders
Producer: Ned Chaillet
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2000.
TUE 06:30 Light on the Road to Woodstock (b007jqf)
Episode 2
Tackling a case of treachery against his master, detective monk Brother Cadfael misses his friend Alard. Read by Nigel Anthony.
TUE 07:00 The Stanley Baxter Playhouse (b00j1n19)
Series 3
The Man in the Garden
Series of three comic plays starring Stanley Baxter.
A lonely lady on a holiday in the remote West Highlands of Scotland finds herself falling in love with two members of the same family, born 60 years apart. By Rona Munro.
Duncan Stanley Baxter
Ellie Penelope Wilton
Receptionist Bill Paterson
Directed by Marilyn Imrie
A Catherine Batley production for BBC Radio 4.
TUE 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b01gg7g4)
Series 8
Making a Difference
Ed Reardon leads us through the ups and down of his week, complete with his trusty companion, Elgar, and his never-ending capacity for scrimping and scraping at whatever scraps his agent, Ping, can offer him to keep body, mind and cat together.
Ed decides to 'Make a Difference' to impress Fiona and as a consequence finds himself becoming 'a voice for the people' when he joins a group trying to change the railways. As a consequence he finds himself on local radio representing the

group and 'channelling grumpy', and astonishingly finds that people agree with his views and find his conversation 'totes legde'. Thus it is that 'Captain Grumblebum' is created. Written by Andrew Nickolds and Christopher Douglas.

Produced by Dawn Ellis.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jtqc)

Series 7

Six Charlies in Search of an Author

Through pages and chapters, the fate of Neddie Seagoon is in the hands of the writer.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan and Larry Stephens.

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: Pat Dixon

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in December 1956.

TUE 08:30 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00gsmzr)

From 29/03/1971

A bungling burglar, a struggling pianist and the Clegworthy family's Sunday.

A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker.

With Terence Brady, Pauline Yates and Peggy Ann Wood.

Pianist: Gordon Langford.

Written by Chris Allen, Tony Bilbow and Mike Fentiman, David Climie, John Graham, Gerald Wiley and John Fawcett-Wilson.

Producer John Fawcett-Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1971.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (b01gxpfl)

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TUE 10:00 Vivat Rex (b01gxrw7)

Revenge

Richard Burton narrates the playwrights' chronicle of the English Crown. Marlowe's Edward II fights his fate. Stars John Hurt.

TUE 11:00 Elizabeth Buchan - Archaeology (b007z09z)

An archaeologist is amazed by her nurse's likeness to an Egyptian painting discovered in a tomb. Read by Janet Maw.

TUE 11:15 Simon Brett - Cleopatra's Nose (b00p85xz)

Can James overcome his lifelong Egyptian Queen obsession and find a real girlfriend? Stars Benjamin Whitrow and Susan Jameson.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jtqc)

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TUE 14:00 EF Benson - Miss Mapp (b0101tp5)

God Bless the Prince of Wales

The small English village of Tilling is abuzz with anticipation of the arrival of a royal visitor. Stars Frances Barber.

TUE 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007jsyf)

The First World War

Global conflict was raging in the middle of the 18th century, but the biggest enemies were Britain and France. With Anna Massey.

TUE 14:30 Sebastian Faulks: Engleby (b00pchz4)

Episode 7

Mike is making a success of his personal life, but then an unsettling side to him is revealed. Read by Douglas Hodge.

TUE 14:45 The Invention of Childhood (b00sf8t9)

Mr Locke and Mr Rousseau

Michael Morpurgo tells the story of two great 18th century philosophers, whose child-rearing ideas are influential to this day.

TUE 15:00 Vivat Rex (b01gxrw7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01gxv7w)

As we continue listening to The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain, we find out how to make a raft and go on the hunt for the real Tom Sawyer.

TUE 17:00 Up the Garden Path (b007x080)

Series 1

Punch Ups and Put Downs

With several other men vying for her attention, Izzy tries to break up with Razors.

Tumbling from one love entanglement to another, 30 something teacher Izzy Comyn has a predilection for inappropriate men.

Imelda Staunton stars as Izzy.

Adapted by Sue Limb from her 1984 novel into 3 radio series which ran from 1987 to 1993. Granada also adapted the series for ITV.

Izzy Imelda Staunton

Maria Marty Cruickshank

Michael Nicholas Le Prevost

Dick Mike Grady

Gwyn Sion Probert

Class 4C:

Cheryl Miller

Kelda Holmes

Melissa Wilson

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1987.

TUE 17:30 The Stanley Baxter Playhouse (b00jln19)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 18:00 Paradise Lost in Cyberspace (b007jpdh)

Episode 1

In 22nd-century Britain, the collapse of the pensions system means compulsory euthanasia for all 70-year-olds.

But a clerical error sparks major implications for George Smith...

Colin Swash's dystopian comedy stars Stephen Moore as

George

George Stephen Moore

Doris Patsy Byrne

O'Connell Geoffrey McGivern

Andrea Sunbeam Lorelei King

Other parts by Melanie Hudson, Christopher Douglas and Lewis MacLeod.

Producer: Richard Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1998.

TUE 18:30 Doctor Who (b00rwdh)

Doctor Who and the Giant Robot

Episode 2

The Time Lord investigates another hi-tech robbery and Sarah

Jane uncovers a disgruntled robotics scientist. Read by Tom

Baker.

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TUE 22:30 Chris Addison's Civilization (b00dr40)

Controlling the Universe

Chris Addison goes on a journey through the vast and rich subject of civilisation and explains exactly what we need to create a new one.

In the opening episode, he investigates the notion of a controllable universe.

With:

Professor Austin Herring (Geoffrey McGivern)

Jo Enright

Dan Tetsell

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2006.

TUE 23:00 Dry Slopes (b00lr3nz)

Series 1

The Day of Judgement

Perpetually unemployed and friendless loser Angus Dry agonises over the death of a bee.

Nick Ball's sitcom about the unemployed son of a high-flying mother.

Angus Dry Nick Ball

Mum Louisa Rix

With Robert Harley, Toby Longworth and Julie Gibbs.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1995.

TUE 23:30 The Adventures of John and Tony (b009m38r)

The Quest for the Holy Spectacles

John discovers that Jesus wore glasses, but whatever happened to them? And John and Tony travel to Glastonbury and Loch Ness.

Another comic journey in which John and his best friend Tony search for happiness, love, the meaning of life ... and glasses.

Written by John Hegley

Starring John Hegley, Simon Munmerly, Terry Malloy, Sunny

Ormonde and John Korne.

Original music by Nigel Piper.

Director: Anne Edyvean

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1999.

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WED 06:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3d42)

Icon, or A Pocketful of Nuns

A murder brought them together, but for Detective Inspector Cromwell and Mother Helen within her enclosed convent, it's the theft of an icon that reunites them.

And there's also the small problem of Monsignor Nietzsche.

Timothy Spall stars as DI Cromwell and Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen.

Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's series of mysteries.

DI Cromwell Timothy Spall

Mother Helen Cheryl Campbell

DC Kelp Jeremy Finch

Monsignor Nietzsche Sandor Eles

Sister Demi Elizabeth Bell

Radio/Tannoy Beth Chalmers

Producer: Ned Chaillet

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2000.

WED 06:30 Boxer and Doberman (b00jctjf)

Series 1

Headless in Glasgow

Two unlikely cops Detective Inspector Bob Boxer and Detective Constable Shona Doberman probe an academics killing spree in Glasgow.

Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama stars Finlay

Welsh as DI Bob Boxer, Anita Vettesse as DC Shona Doberman

and James Bryce as DCI Paton.

DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the plodding old-school cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Radio Scotland.

First broadcast in March 2009.

WED 07:00 The Leopard in Autumn (b00c0r22)

Series 1

The Coining of the Capricorn

Prince Ludovico plans to introduce a new currency to his 16th century Italian domain.

Neal Anthony's comedy drama about the chaotic lives of the ruling family of Renaissance Italy's most inconsequential city-state.

Stars David Swift as Ludovico, Sian Phillips as Plethora,

Graham Crowden as Francesco, Paul Bigley as Alessandro,

Saskia Wickham as Rosalie, Nick Romero as Salvatori,

Christopher Kelham as Guido and Kim Wall as Brother

Michael.

Producer: Helen Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2001.

WED 07:30 Beauty of Britain (b00ndxjp)

Series 1

Pastor Dave

Comedy by Christopher Douglas and Nicola Sanderson. Beauty

Olonga works as a carer for the Featherdown Agency and sees

herself as an inspiration to other African girls hoping to achieve

their goals in the land of semi-skimmed milk.

Beauty is quite taken with the charismatic Pastor Dave, a

visiting clergyman at Mrs Blanchard's local church, but is he the

real deal? Should she pursue him or the gorgeous double-

breasted mini-trench coat she has seen in the Mencap shop?

Beauty Jocelyn Jee Esien

Sister Olu Diveen Henry

Pastor Ndu Javone Prince

Mrs Blanchard Alison Steadman

Sally Felicity Montagu

Karen Nicola Sanderson

Mrs Gupte Indira Joshi

Minister Lee Dan Tetsell

Pastor Dave Felix Dexter

Female Assistant Diveen Henry

Cabbie Dan Tetsell

Music by The West End Gospel Choir.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007synp)

Series 4

The Old School Reunion

Surprises are in store as the lad heads back for prize-giving day

at his old school.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Kenneth Williams and Hattie

Jacques.

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 January 1957.

WED 08:30 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b007jthd)

Series 2
The Banquet
Author Gerald writes off his car whilst trying to help his wife Diana find inspiration.

The convoluted chronicle of an optimistic author starring Ian Carmichael as Gerald C Potter and Charlotte Mitchell as his wife.

Written by Basil Boothroyd.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter ran from 1976 to 1981

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1977.

WED 09:00 Coming Alive (b00fks6h)

Series 1

Coming Out

Convict Terry is challenged to revive a rundown community centre. Karl Howman stars in Jim Eldridge's sitcom. From January 1999.

WED 09:30 Counterpoint (b00df97y)

2005

Episode 3

Ned Sherrin hosts the music quiz with Peter Ashman and Steven Gore from Buckinghamshire and Judicaelle Hammond of London.

WED 10:00 Vivat Rex (b01gykv0)

Obsession

Richard Burton narrates the playwrights' chronicle of the English Crown. A countess distracts Edward III. Stars Keith Michell.

WED 11:00 Elizabeth Buchan - Submersion (b007jw4d)

Mimi feels her family are drowning her. How can she keep head above water? Read by Patience Tomlinson.

WED 11:15 Bernard MacLaverty - Winter Storm (b0141xnj)

Stranded alone in frozen Iowa, poet Andrew Younger yearns for the woman he left behind in Scotland. Stars John Gordon Sinclair.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007synp)

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WED 14:00 EF Benson - Miss Mapp (b0102n1j)

The Wars of the Roses and the Poppies

Ladies of the English village of Tilling speculate how to devise a new outfit in an economical manner. Stars Frances Barber.

WED 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007jsyp)

India and the Death of George II

Focussing on one of the most significant figures of British rule in India, Anna Massey narrates the history of Britain.

WED 14:30 Sebastian Faulks: Engleby (b00cplp8)

Episode 8

Mike returns to the street where he last saw Jennifer, but his recollections prove disturbing. Read by Douglas Hodge.

WED 14:45 The Invention of Childhood (b00sfcy9)

'Dear Papa, Dear Mama'

Michael Morpurgo discovers how middle and upper-class children enjoyed more informal upbringings by the late 18th century.

WED 15:00 Vivat Rex (b01gykv0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01gykv2)

We dive in to white water rafting, getting soaking wet in the process. Plus we cook up an American outdoors treat - squirrel stew. And we get tips on putting on accents.

WED 17:00 PG Wodehouse - The Inimitable Jeeves (b007rgl7)

Honorita Glossop

When Bingo Little's new love lands Bertie Wooster in bother - who can save the day?
PG Wodehouse's romp starring Michael Hordern and Richard Briers.

Jeeves Michael Hordern

Bertie Wooster Richard Briers

Sir Roderick Glossop Andrew Cruickshank

Aunt Agatha Joan Sanderson

Bingo Little Jonathan Cecil

Lord Rainsby James Villiers

Honorita Glossop Miriam Margolyes

Oswald Glossop Denise Bryer

Adapted by Chris Miller.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1973.

WED 17:30 The Leopard in Autumn (b00c0r22)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 Paradise Lost in Cyberspace (b007jpdq)

Episode 2

Lucky old George Smith - it's not everyone who has their own compulsory euthanasia broadcast on national TV at the age of 69.

Colin Swash's dystopian comedy set in 22nd-century Britain, starring Stephen Moore as George Smith.
George Stephen Moore

Doris Patsy Byrne

O'Connell Geoffrey McGivern

Andrea Sunbeam Lorelei King

Other parts by Melanie Hudson, Christopher Douglas, Lewis

MacLeod and Peter Serafinowicz.

Producer: Richard Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1998.

WED 18:30 Doctor Who (b00rwxw6)

Doctor Who and the Giant Robot

Episode 3

The final component is stolen and Sarah Jane gets a first hand demonstration of the power of the unseen foe. Read by Tom Baker.

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WED 22:30 Self-Storage (b01gykv4)

Series 1

Job Hunting

Living in a storage unit and separated from his wife, Dave tries to get his life back on track by getting a job.

But help from fellow Storage Garden tenant Geoff means it's harder than he expected...

Stars Reece Shearsmith and Mark Heap.

Sitcom written by Tom Collinson and Barnaby Power.

Dave Reece Shearsmith.

Geoff Mark Heap.

Ron Tom Goodman-Hill.

Judy Rosie Cavaliero.

Sarah Susan Earl.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2007.

WED 22:45 Guy Browning's Small Talk (b0076mv2)

Series 2

How to Kiss

The writer enumerates the many and varied methods of engendering facial contact, and where it might lead. From August 2004.

WED 23:00 The Reduced Shakespeare Radio Show (b007jp7v)

Shakespeare in America

The truncated thespians expose the shocking truth behind the Bard's little-known trip across the Atlantic. From June 1994.

WED 23:30 If You're So Clever, Why Aren't You Rich? (b00s09s3)

Series 1

Dog Eat Dog

Underachiever Giles hits on a money-making scam, while the DSS worries Judith. Stars Richard E Grant. From January 1995.

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THU 06:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3k9d)

Sister, Brother

When a convicted forger decides on a new career as a nun, the sex change is just the beginning of his problems. And DI Cromwell is not amused when Mother Helen is put in danger.

Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's mystery.

Starring Timothy Spall as DI Cromwell, Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen, Jeremy Finch as DC Kelp and Stephen

Critchlow as Sister Paula.

Producer: Ned Chaillet

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

THU 06:30 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd6wp)

Series 1

The Killings in Kirkibrae

DI Bob Boxer and DC Shona Doberman probe a link between some nasty serial killings in Glasgow and some gruesome murders in an idyllic village in the remote Scottish Highlands.

Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama stars Finlay Welsh as DI Bob Boxer, Anita Vettesse as DC Shona Doberman and James Bryce as DCI Paton.

DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the grizzled old-school cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Radio Scotland.

First broadcast in March 2009.

THU 07:00 Unnatural Acts (b00jm3kz)

Series 1

Royal Fever

The gang get a genealogist to probe Jeremy's lineage. But who will be Queen? Stars Kit Hollerbach and Jeremy Hardy.

THU 07:30 Shetdown (b011znlc)

Series 1

Storm

A layer-cake of disaster threatens the creosoted community.

And where's Colin?

Cast:

Barry Tony Pitts

Jimmy & Johnny Kevin Eldon

Colin Johnny Vegas

Diane Suranne Jones

Dave Shaun Dooley

Eleanor Ronni Ancona

Deborah Dearden Emma Fryer

William Adrian Manfredi

Carly Jessica Knappett

Father Michael James Quinn

Wes Warren Brown

Petshop Owner Caron May

Narrator...Maxine Peake

Music.....Paul Heaton

Written and created by Tony Pitts

Directed by Jim Poyser

Producer: Sally Harrison

A Woolyback Production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 08:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b007qg0y)

Series 2

Episode 5

Eric is a far from fair cop and there's some monkey business in Ernie's latest masterpiece 'The Mighty Kong'.

Written by Eddie Braben.

With Nicola Pagett and Elaine Delmar.

Music from Peter Knight and his Orchestra.

Producer: John Browell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1976.

THU 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jpp4)

Series 3

The Honourable Man

With a visitor due from the Soviet Union - Captain Mainwaring is feeling peeved with Sergeant Wilson.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV

scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Frazer John Laurie

Private Pike Ian Lavender

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley

Warden Hodges Bill Pertwee

Russian Visitor Fraser Kerr

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1976.

THU 09:00 Huddwinks (b0092n42)

Series 1

Over the Top

The Smollett family attempt to make a man of their son

Compton, a self-employed train spotter.

Roy Hudd stars in Laurie Rowley's comic parodies.

With:

Denise Coffey

Chris Emmett

David Gooderson

Fred Harris

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in July 1986.

THU 09:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b00slqw1)

Series 3

Episode 5

John receives offerings from polymath Daniel Tammet, explorer Robin Hanbury-Tenison and comedian Ronni Ancona. From June 2010.

THU 10:00 Vivat Rex (b01h02m0)

The Black Prince

Richard Burton narrates the playwrights' chronicle of the English Crown. War between England and France. Stars Michael Redgrave.

THU 11:00 Elizabeth Buchan - Resurrection (b007wfqx)

A gardener and grieving widower muses over love and the cycle of life and death. Elizabeth Buchan's story is read by Christopher Scott.

THU 11:15 Paul Mendelson - Fireworks at the Villa Lucia (b0140v3v)

When Pete - a struggling TV writer - and his wife Julie find themselves staying in the same Italian villa as cult movie director David Joe Jakes, he tries to sell his dog-eared screenplay as the true story of how he met his wife. The fireworks begin when he preessgangs his wife into pretending to be a fiery, psychotic, Venezuelan ex-soap star - while he masquerades as her psychoanalyst. Paul Mendelson's comedy drama stars Philip Whitchurch as Pete, Samantha Bond as Julie/Julia, Kerry Shale as David, Megg Nicol as Cassie, Flamina Cinque as Lucia/Mrs Booth and Dan Starkey as Elio/Eric. Director: David Ian Neville

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.

THU 12:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b007qg0y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jpp4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3k9d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd6wp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 EF Benson - Miss Mapp (b0102yy1)

The Duel

As news of a deadly quarrel spreads, Elizabeth Mapp relishes the idea she may be the cause of it. Stars Frances Barber.

THU 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007jsyz)

The End Of Pitt The Elder and the First Canal Despite his achievements in India and North America, Pitt the Elder is forced to resign at the time of his greatest success.

THU 14:30 Sebastian Faulks: Engleby (b00pd1nv)

Episode 9

Fourteen years after Jennifer's disappearance, the truth is finally revealed. How will Mike cope? Read by Douglas Hodge.

THU 14:45 The Invention of Childhood (b00sg1gn)

Babies, Dressed or Undressed, Jointed, Wax or Common Michael Morpurgo traces the rise of the British toy shop in the 18th century, and the beginnings of pester power.

THU 15:00 Vivat Rex (b01h02m0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01h02m2)

Heigh-ho! Mel Giedroyc finds out about the history of mining songs. Plus tips on surviving in the wilderness and the next chapter in our story. Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain.

THU 17:00 The World As We Know It (b00ftbx1)

The Murderer Is in This Very Room Things have become a little boring recently in the household. So, Johnny holds a video festival to try and entertain everyone and The Stranger suggests a game of murder mystery...

Sitcom by Luke Sorba.

Donna Meera Syal

Johnny Toby Longworth

Patrick Luke Sorba

Abigail Carla Mendonca

The Stranger Simon Greenall

Producer: Elizabeth Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1999.

THU 17:30 Unnatural Acts (b00jm3kz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 18:00 Paradise Lost in Cyberspace (b007jpf4)

Episode 3

Fresh from incarceration, 69-year-old George Smith finally comes face to face with the evil leader of the OAPs, Mrs Cookson.

Colin Swash's dystopian comedy set in 22nd-century Britain, starring Stephen Moore as George Smith.

George Stephen Moore

Doris Patsy Byrne

O'Connell Geoffrey McGivern

Mrs Cookson Edna Dore

Andrea Sunbeam Lorelei King

Dawkins Melanie Hudson

Ronnie Christopher Douglas

Other parts by Lewis MacLeod and Peter Serafinowicz.

Producer: Richard Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1998.

THU 18:30 Doctor Who (b00rxf5f)

Doctor Who and the Giant Robot

Episode 4

Harry infiltrates the Think Tank whilst the Doctor meets with the Giant Robot's creator and mentor. Read by Tom Baker.

THU 19:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b007qg0y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 Dad's Army (b007jpp4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 20:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3k9d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

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THU 21:00 Elizabeth Buchan - Resurrection (b007wfqx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

THU 21:15 Paul Mendelson - Fireworks at the Villa Lucia**(b0140v3v)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

THU 22:00 Shedtown (b011znlc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00d7b5x)

Series 2

An Already Bad Life Made Worse but Sort of on Purpose The comic Victorian epic sees Pip reach his lowest ebb in the worst place in the world, the East End of London in the first half of the 19th century.

Full of self-loathing Pip drinks some very strong gin, finds he is really quite keen on opium, and falls in with a gang of thieving boys. But is their leader, Mr Abraham Bagel, a Roman Catholic ne'er-do-well, all he seems?

Mark Evans's epic comedy in the style of Charles Dickens.

Volume Two, Chapter the Fifth: An Already Bad Life Made Worse But Sort Of On Purpose.

Sir Philip.....Richard Johnson

Mr Benevolent.....Anthony Head

Young Pip.....Tom Allen

Harry Biscuit.....James Bachman

Sternbeater.....Geoffrey Whitehead

Ripely Fecund.....Sarah Hadland

Mr Parsimonious.....Laurence Howarth

Pippa.....Susy Kane

Mr Scrunge.....Mark Evans

Producer: Gareth Edwards.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.

THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01hw1fx)

From 10pm - midnight, Sunday to Friday, the Comedy Club brings you two hours of top comedy. Tom Wigglesworth chats to Norman Lovett.

THU 23:00 The In Crowd (b00shk5c)

Series 3

Episode 3

Olive:

"Ooh, I'm shattered. You've really got to punch those old ladies hard if you want any bargains at the church jumble sale nowadays. I saw Vicar Simms headbutt that Mrs Knowles to get a blazer. Arthur, what are you doing in my tights?" Sketch show from Manchester's Comedy Store.

With Robin Ince, Helen Moon, Smug Roberts and Kate Ward.

Producer: Graham Frost

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2002.

THU 23:30 Hut 33 (b00wldq)

Series 2

Yankee Diddle

The Bletchley Park cipher-busting team decide that a wealthy American visitor is a ripe target for fleecing...

James Cary's sitcom set at Bletchley Park - the top-secret home of the Second World War codebreakers.

Professor Charles Gardner Robert Bathurst

Archie Tom Goodman-Hill

Fergus Craig (Gordon) 3rd Lieutenant Joshua Fanshawe-Marshall Alex MacQueen

Minka Olivia Coleman

Mrs Best Lill Roughley

Freddie G. Roosevelt Arnab Chanda

Producer: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2008.

FRIDAY 04 MAY 2012**FRI 00:00 Paradise Lost in Cyberspace (b007jpf4)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 Doctor Who (b00rxf5f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3k9d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd6wp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 Huddwinks (b0092m42)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b00slqw1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Vivat Rex (b01h02m0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 Elizabeth Buchan - Resurrection (b007wfqx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:15 Paul Mendelson - Fireworks at the Villa Lucia (b0140v3v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Thursday]

FRI 05:00 The World As We Know It (b00ftbx1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 Unnatural Acts (b00jm3kz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3rlj)

Virtual Saints

Despite moving the convent into cyber space, Mother Helen and her nuns are not safe from declining numbers. And DI Cromwell has the small matter of an old murder to solve.

Timothy Spall stars as DI Cromwell and Cheryl Campbell as Mother Helen.

Crime and convents, the police and perdition come together in comedy writer and former monk Robert Smith's series of mysteries.

DI Cromwell Timothy Spall

Mother Helen Cheryl Campbell

DC Kelp Jeremy Finch

Mr Lord Bryan Pringle

Carer/Sister Elizabeth Conboy

Youth Tom George

Producer: Ned Chaillet

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2000.

FRI 06:30 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd9h8)

Series 1

The Big Cheese

Detective Inspector Bob Boxer falls into the clutches of an old sadistic adversary. At first he resists the pressure to go over to the "other side" and swell the ranks of Villains Incorporated. But when his enemies exploit one of his deepest childhood fears, even Bob's cast-iron will begins to crack like a caramel log. Might a good cop go to the bad?

Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama stars Finlay Welsh as DI Bob Boxer, Anita Vettesse as DC Shona Doberman and James Bryce as DCI Paton.

DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the grizzled old-school cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Radio Scotland.

First broadcast in March 2009.

FRI 07:00 Ring Around the Bath (b01h0kph)

Series 3

Keeping Mum

It's Stella's birthday - and it's a big one with a nought on the end!

Surely the perfect time for a big family get-together?

Series 3 of Lucy Clare and Ian Davidson's sitcom about topsy-turvy family life.

Stars Duncan Preston as Patrick, Pippa Haywood as Stella, Claudie Blakley as Alison, Bruce MacKinnon as Rick, Catherine Shepherd as Xanthe and Daniela Denby-Ashe as Egg. Director: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2006.

FRI 07:30 My Teenage Diary (b01gd7lz)

Series 2

Victoria Coren

Rufus Hound hosts this six-part comedy series in which celebrities are asked to revisit their teenage diaries and read them out in public for the very first time. This week, Victoria Coren.

Producer: Victoria Payne

A TalkbackThames production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 08:00 The Navy Lark (b01h0kpk)

Series 6

Wren Chasen Returns

The crew are back from some eventful leave, but Heather's surprise return from Scotland gives her fiancé Phillips a nasty shock.

Stars Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Stephen Murray as the Number One, Ronnie Barker as Able Seaman Johnson, Richard Caldicote 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 September 1963.

FRI 08:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jmlj)

Series 1

Pass Examinations the Burkiss Way

Improve your IQ and go on the Auntie Quiz in the cult sketch show.

Continuing the Burkiss Way to dynamic living - radio's first correspondence course. No stamp needed.

Dynamic instruction from Denise Coffey, Nigel Rees, Chris

Emmett and Fred Harris.

Dynamic scripts by Andrew Marshall, John Mason and David Renwick with dynamic production by Simon Brett.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1976.

FRI 09:00 North East of Eden (b01h0kpm)

Cinema Paradiso

Marcia decides to inject a little culture into Paradise and starts a film club.

But will French art triumph over Mad Max III? Probably not. Rebecca Front and Joan Sims stars in Peter Kerry's sitcom about a GP living on a remote island off the coast of Northumbria.

Dr Marcia Hulme Rebecca Front

Auntie Annie Joan Sims

Hjorst Niall Ashdown

Joseph James Garbutt

Mrs Peevis Jean Southern

Ralph Stephen Thirkeld

William Sammy Johnson

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1997.

FRI 09:30 Puzzle Panel (b00yjr5c)

Episode 7

More testing brain teasers with Chris Maslanka, Victor Bryant, Val Gilbert and Professor David Singmaster. From July 1998.

FRI 10:00 Vivat Rex (b01h0zh)

Treason

Richard Burton narrates the playwrights' chronicle of the English Crown. King Richard II risks rebellion. Stars Derek Jacobi.

FRI 11:00 Anthony Horowitz - Blackfriars Bridge (b012s2gc)

A cuckolded husband intends to murder his rival. What could go wrong with his fastidious plan? Anthony Horowitz's thriller, read by Robert Bathurst.

FRI 11:15 Sue Rodwell - The Last Trace (b00lbnvy)

Tracing your ancestors can be fun - as long as they are quite, quite dead.

Genealogy, murder and revenge in Sue Rodwell's black comedy.

Stars Elizabeth Mansfield as Sally, Peter Dahlsen as Frank, David Bannerman as Jimmy, Jan Shand as Penny, Susie Baxter as Liz, Anny Tobin as Sheila, Elizabeth Kelly as Emily, David King as Tom and Paul Downing as Paul.

Producer: Sue Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1990.

FRI 12:00 The Navy Lark (b01h0kpk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jm1y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 DI Cromwell - Jagged Prayer (b00c3rlj)

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FRI 14:00 EF Benson - Miss Mapp (b0103qml)

Kingfisher Blue

Tilling's busybody delights villagers at her own party - by wearing the same outfit as a fellow guest. Stars Frances Barber.

FRI 14:15 This Sceptred Isle (b007jsz7)

The End of the Seven Years War

We've reached the demise of George II and George III's attempts at radical constitutional change. Narrated by Anna Massey.

FRI 14:30 Sebastian Faulks: Engleby (b00pd387)

Episode 10

Mike adapts to his new life - considering a troubling past, while contemplating his future. Read by Douglas Hodge.

FRI 14:45 The Invention of Childhood (b00sg3tf)

The Child Is Father of the Man

With evangelicals to rationalists battling over Britain's children, Michael Morpurgo searches surviving 18th-century records.

FRI 15:00 Vivat Rex (b01h0zh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01h0zhn)

We're messing about on the river as we experience life on a houseboat. Plus we're talking films as we hear about the work of a film designer and meet the real Darth Vader.

FRI 17:00 Millport (b0075sxz)

Series 1

The Storm

A pensioner mysteriously disappears from the town of Millport on the Isle of Cumbrae, off the west coast of Scotland.

Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland.

Irene Lynn Ferguson

Moira/Agnes Janet Brown

Alberto/Robert/Bob Lewis McLeod

Ena/Bunty/Betty Gabriel Quigley

Doogie Matt Costello

DJ Robert Paterson

Producer: Lucy Bacon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2000.

FRI 17:30 Ring Around the Bath (b01h0kph)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:00 Paradise Lost in Cyberspace (b007jpfm)

Episode 4

The Old-Age Paramilitaries have developed a secret weapon to destroy the Central Database computer. George Smith is the man to use it.

Colin Swash's dystopian comedy set in 22nd-century Britain, starring Stephen Moore as George Smith.

George Stephen Moore

Doris Patsy Byrne

O'Connell Geoffrey McGivern

Mrs Cookson Edna Dore

Andrea Sunbeam Lorelei King

Dawkins Melanie Hudson

Ronnie Christopher Douglas

Other parts by Lewis MacLeod, Dave Lamb and Peter Serafinowicz.

Producer: Richard Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1998.

FRI 18:30 Doctor Who (b00ry8zd)

Doctor Who and the Giant Robot

Episode 5

The Time Lord is confronted by the robot and learns who is the real mastermind behind the deadly scheme. Read by Tom Baker.

FRI 19:00 The Navy Lark (b01h0kpk)

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FRI 22:00 My Teenage Diary (b01gd7lz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Comedy Club at Machynlleth (b01h0zhs)

2012

Episode 1

It's a special long weekend for the Comedy Club as Arthur Smith brings you interviews and much more direct from the Machynlleth Comedy Festival.

FRI 22:35 Old Harry's Game (b007jmdn)

Series 3

The Final Reckoning

When God discovers that rules are being broken in Hell, he sends some archangels to investigate.

Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sitcom set in Hell.

Satan Andy Hamilton

The Professor James Grout

Thomas Jimmy Mulville

Scumspawn Robert Duncan

Other characters played by Felicity Montagu, Philip Pope, Nick Revel and Michael Fenton Stevens.

Producer Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1999

FRI 23:05 Comedy Club at Machynlleth (b01j2f61)

2012

Episode 2

It's a special long weekend for the Comedy Club as Arthur Smith brings you interviews and much more direct from the Machynlleth Comedy Festival.

FRI 23:10 Lenin of the Rovers (b007jpkv)

Series 1

Episode 3

Felchester Rover's midfield-maestro Ricky Lenin tackles fearsome Cambridge by infiltrating their team.

Starring Alexei Sayle as Ricky Lenin, Jonathan Kydd as Terry Trotsky, Andrew McClean as Stevie Stalin and Donald Hewlett as the Colonel.

Legendary BBC football commentator Kenneth Wolstenholme is Frank Lee Brian.

Written by Marcus Berkman.

Producer: Harry Thompson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1988.

FRI 23:40 Comedy Club at Machynlleth (b01j2f63)

2012

Episode 3

It's a special long weekend for the Comedy Club as Arthur Smith brings you interviews and much more direct from the Machynlleth Comedy Festival.

FRI 23:45 A Series of Psychotic Episodes (b00b8wfw)

Episode 1

From Postman Pat to a depressed hamster, it's the surreal world of Miriam Elia. With Dan Tetsall. From November 2008.