

SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 2012

SAT 00:00 Carey Harrison - A Call from the Dead (b01nf2h9)

It's good to talk - or so they say - but not when you're called from beyond the grave...

Stars John Shrapnel as Dr Edward Elmore, Nick Dunning as Stephen Warburton, Christopher Scott as the Reverend Neville Barber and Carolyn Jones as Martha.

Scripted by Carey Harrison

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1997.

SAT 00:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00p4klt)

Series 3

Unalike

Edna Turner has just saved the worlds - again. Can she kick-back and enjoy summer?

Ben Moor's comic sci-fi saga stars Alex Tregear as Edna, Duncan Wisbey as Tankerton, Sophie Duval as Ida and Rhys Jennings as Tarzacula/ Sonny Jim.

By the end of series two Edna Turner has met her father for the first time and a sister she never knew she had. She's saved the universe twice (good) but has seen her job disappear and found that her friend and mentor had been using her for his own ends (really rather bad). But things are about to get a lot worse for her as she arrives back in London....

Producers: Colin Anderson and Lyndsay Fenner

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2009.

SAT 01:00 Ruth Rendell - The Keys to the Street (b01nf2h0)

By His Own Hand

Mary Jago is shocked by Alastair's wedding present and Bean, once a suspect, has now vanished. Concluded by Claudie Blakley.

SAT 01:30 Ian Rankin - Beggars Banquet (b00mw69h)

The Hanged Man

The sinister workings of a serial killer's mind are exposed when a fair arrives in Kirkcaldy. Read by Steven McNicoll.

SAT 01:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nf2h2)

Episode 15

The heroic trio realise that they have an unexpected ally in Spider's gang. Helpless Snowy tries his best. Stars Douglas Kelly.

SAT 02:00 Little Blighty on the Down (b007jx8h)

Series 1

Episode 3

More political satire in the soap opera with the everyday story of a country folk. Stars John Bluthal. From September 1988.

SAT 02:30 Snap (b00tmvtf)

Series 2

Episode 3

Trying to be mature and adult after their separation, Doug and Molly attempt to bury their differences to find out what's wrong with their son Ryan

Paul Mendelson's sitcom stars Rebecca Lacey as Molly, Paul Venables as Doug, Soumaya Keynes as Kaz, Jessie Sullivan as Ryan, Marlene Sidaway as Annie, Samantha Spiro as Dawn and Richard Firth as Ansel.

Producer: David Ian Neville

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.

SAT 03:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0121xgr)

Deaths and Entrances

John's political pursuits lead him to Westminster and Welsh valley mines.

Ian McKellen stars in the story of John Hamer Shawcross - set against the wider current of events in England in the early 19th century.

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.

John Shawcross Ian McKellen

Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler

Lord Lostwithiel of Hereward Castle Jeffrey Wickham

Lady Lettice Melland Helen Ryan

Anne Artingstall June Barry

Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley

Arnold Ryerson Andrew Jackson

Pen Muff Vida Paterson

Harry Liskeard Peter Guinness

Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin

Ellen Stansfield Rosalie Williams

Edith Ryerson Ann Rye

Nell Richards Nina Holloway

Marsden Herbert Smith

Carrickfergus James Tomlinson

Evan Vaughan Richard Clay-Jones

Gallery Assistant Rory Sease

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.

SAT 04:00 Roddy Doyle - Bullfighting (b01dff5)

Sleep

From the mind of Chris Morris leaks onto radio in this dreamlike combination of comedy and music. Julia Davis, Kevin Eldon, David Cann, Mark Heap and Amelia Bullmore. Are you still lying curare-still, seeking relief in feigning dead? Then welcome, oo-tazz welcome. Chris Morris is here to help you wallow in the melancholy, for third series of this subversive radio classic.

Immediately prior to Blue Jam's initial burst on radio, Chris Morris had caused a furor with Channel 4's Brass Eye. Yet Blue Jam managed to be a total departure from his previous

work. Originally airing in the early hours on BBC Radio 1, it's a blend of ambient music, deadpan (sometimes brutal) sketches and offbeat monologues. A whole audio landscape of the subconscious, the ad-hoc low-fi sheen of production lending it a kind of verisimilitude.

In sharp contrast with the personality-led comedies of recent years, Blue Jam makes a virtue of anonymity. Borat scribe Pater Baynham and Father Ted creator Graham Linehan are among the writers. Rightly winning a clutch of Sony Awards, it remains unique - nothing before or after was remotely like it.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 1 in January 1999.

SAT 04:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k2s0q)

Series 1

Tears of the Giraffe

Precious Ramotswe gets a surprise, while her case of the missing American has yet to be solved. Stars Claire Benedict.

SAT 05:00 Old Dog and Partridge (b007vmbx)

Episode 3

Nicola is on the verge of romance, while pub customer Andy faces being found out. Stars Michael Williams. From January 1999.

SAT 05:30 Millport (b00762cq)

Series 2

The Verdict

The islanders unite to try and save The Cumbrae Bar from closure.

Will Irene stay and fight with them or will she take the last ferry of the day to the mainland to the new life she's always dreamed of?

Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something island barmaid Irene Bruce.

Irene Lynn Ferguson

Moirra/Agnes Janet Brown

Alberto/Robert/Ferryman Lewis McLeod

Ena/Bunty Gabriel Quigley

Bob/Minister Robert Paterson

Dougie Matt Costello

Music arranged by Oly Fox.

Producer: Lucy Bacon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2001.

SAT 06:00 Terence Rattigan - The Winslow Boy (b0129678)

"It is easy to do justice - very hard to do right".

Let Right Be Done - is the theme of this drama by Terence Rattigan - set just before the First World War.

A father battles to prove the innocence of his son, accused of stealing a postal order at his Edwardian naval college. His stubborn quest sparks reverberations at the House of Commons.

Arthur Winslow Michael Aldridge

Grace Winslow Pauline Letts

Catherine Winslow Sarah Badel

Dickie Winslow Michael Maloney

Ronnie Winslow John McAndrew

Violet Peggy Page

Attorney-General Nicholas Courtney

John Watherstone David Timson

Miss Barnes Margaret Robertson

Mrs Beggs Gladys Spencer

Desmond Curry Michael Spice

Herbert Ridgeley-Pearce John Rye

1st Lord of the Admiralty Patrick Barr

Sir Robert Morton Aubrey Woods

Adapted from Terence Rattigan's stage and TV scripts and directed by Ian Coterrell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1981.

SAT 07:30 The Listeners (b00jy13)

A heartbeat, star echoes and sounds of life. Blind broadcaster Peter White explores the world where sound means everything. From September 2003.

SAT 08:00 The Frankie Howerd Variety Show (b007jr1c)

From 10/10/1978

Titters galore as Frankie Howerd introduces stars from the world of entertainment - Sweet Substitute, Charlie Chester, Carl Wayne and Les Dennis.

Music from the Max Harris Orchestra

Scripted by Rory McGrath, Jimmy Mulville, Laurence Marks and Maurice Gran.

Producer: Richard Willcox

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1978.

SAT 09:00 Comedy Controller (b01ngpk1)

Alexei Sayle

Alexei Sayle, the original alternative stand-up comedian, actor and writer chooses his favourite comedies from the BBC radio archive.

Alexei takes us back to his Liverpool childhood and Sunday lunchtime listening in Round the Horne (1965). There's more illicit childhood listening in I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (1966) starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie. Alexi's admiration of rule breakers guides his next choices, the logic defying The Burkiss Way (1980) and the news shattering On the Hour (1992), the original radio home of Alan Partridge.

The idea of making something seem so real but twisting it deviously has always appealed to Alexei, and is at the core of the award-winning spoof radio phone in show, Down the Line (2007), starring Paul Whitehouse and Charlie Higson. Alexei's final choice finds him interrogating one of his best friends in comedy, the comedian Lenny Henry in Chain Reaction (2005). But did one of comedy's great talkers allow Lenny to get a word

in edgeways?

SAT 12:00 The Lost Honour of Katharina Blum: Omnibus (b01ngr9x)

After she meets a man at a party, a young woman experiences the corrosive impact of tabloid journalism. By Heinrich Boll. SAT 13:15 **DI Gwen Danbury - An Odd Body (b007jphl)**

Series 2

Talking Poison

A controversial American preacher and men's rights advocate comes to the UK to take part in a TV debate, but threats have been made against him.

So it's up to Detective Inspector Gwen Danbury ensure his protection. But her mother Joan is not impressed...

Sue Rodwell's three-part detective mystery stars Annette Badland as DI Gwen Danbury, Stephanie Cole as Joan Danbury, Peter Marinker as Arthur Lamson, Liza Ross as Alena Lamson, Michelle Newell as Anna Tricker, Richard Derrington as Tom Palmer and Robert Lister as Superintendent Phillips.

Director: Rosemary Watts

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

SAT 14:00 Beyond Our Ken (b007jwst)

Kenneth Horne sets sail with a tale of Sir Francis Drake - and 'Hornerama' on food. With Kenneth Williams. From December 1963.

SAT 14:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jtth)

Series 3

Ignore These Programme Titles the Burkiss Way The team pulls open the "Door Handle of the Day" - and who will win the "Difficult Time of the Month Competition"?

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

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

Scripted by David Renwick and Andrew Marshall.

Producer: John Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1978.

SAT 15:00 The Frankie Howerd Variety Show (b007jr1c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Terence Rattigan - The Winslow Boy (b0129678)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Meet David Sedaris (b01n9whw)

Series 3

Memory Lapse; If I Ruled the World

The multi-award winning American essayist brings more of his wit and charm to BBC Radio 4 with a series of audience readings. This week, the stories include childhood memories of competitive parenting in "Memory Lapse", and a character monologue imagining what life would be like "If I Ruled The World!"

Producer: Steve Doherty

A Boom Pictures Cymru production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 18:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b011j4p6)

Rendezvous With Rama

Episode 2

What is space object Rama's secret? And why, years on, has the Commander never spoken of what he found? Stars Richard Dillane.

SAT 19:00 Comedy Controller (b01ngpk1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 The Gothic Imagination (b01ngrb1)

Looted by Lucy Catherine

Made for 4 Extra. A city is in chaos. Three friends become transfixed by lights of an apparently deserted department store. Stars Eleanor Crooks.

SAT 22:30 RD Wingfield (b00sw79x)

The Cellar

Behind a bricked-up entrance lurks a suspenseful tale of horror below stairs. Stars John Pullen and Rosalind Ayres.

SAT 22:45 Charles Dickens (b00pdkdp)

The Signalman

The famous spine-chilling tale about a railway worker haunted by a spectre, warning him of danger on the rails. Read by Emlyn Williams.

SAT 23:00 It's David O'Doherty Time (b00twh72)

The comedian combines documentary with song to describe the busy day he spent tidying his Dublin bedsit. From December 2008.

SAT 23:30 The Lee Mack Show (b00c075z)

Tom Robinson

Tom Robinson joins the quick-fire comic for stand-up, sketches and music. With Angela McHale and Steve Brown. From March 2005.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Meet David Sedaris (b01n9whw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 The Churchills - Speaking for Themselves (b007jrkx)

Omnibus, part 2
The letters of Winston and Clementine Churchill. War, traffic accidents and unexpected house purchases. Starring Alex Jennings.

SUN 07:15 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the Shipping Forecast (b0176kpb)

Fastnet, Irish Sea, Rockall
Charlie Connelly visits the centre of Irish emigration and cycles the TT course (after a fashion). Tom Goodman-Hills reads.

SUN 07:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00pd5n7)

Series 5
Murder Most Fouled Up

At short notice Arthur steps in to play a prominent role in an evening Murder Mystery event for Lord and Lady Preston, his new best friends - if they did but know it! Who committed the heinous murder? Can Count Arthur solve the case? Did he do it? Was it the butler? There's only one way to find out!

We once again follow the one-time Variety Star as he uncompromisingly fulfils his daily list of engagements. Every day life with Count Arthur Strong is always an enlightening experience!

Steve Delaney, Alastair Kerr, David Mounfield and Mel Giedroyc star.

Produced by John Leonard and Mark Radcliffe

A Komedia Entertainment & Smooth Operations production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 08:00 Harry Worth (b00r156h)

Thirty Minutes Worth

The Burglar

Cat burglar Fingers Fogerty pays Harry Worth an unwelcome visit.

Starring Harry Worth.

With Jacqueline Clarke, Roger John-Lee and Michael Robbins.
The amiable, woolly-minded bumbler, causes more confusion!
Written by Vince Powell.

Producer: Mike Craig

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1988.

SUN 08:30 The Clitheroe Kid (b007jtj4)

Series 11

Have Snake, Must Travel

The cheeky schoolboy causes chaos when his teacher sends him reptile hunting. Stars Jimmy Clitheroe. From December 1967.

SUN 09:00 Kenneth Grahame - The Wind in the Willows (b00qt10k)

Episode 2

Toad is offered an escape route by a washer-woman and her niece. Dramatised and narrated by Alan Bennett. With Richard Briers.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01ngw34)

Imelda Staunton

4 Extra Debut. Handel and Elvis - the castaway choices of versatile actress Imelda Staunton, in conversation with Sue Lawley. From May 2005.

SUN 10:45 Trevor Hoyle - The Dying Art of Letter Writing (b01bmrq2)

Malcolm wants to sell the family paper mill, but his Aunt Emmie declares "Over my dead body!". Letters read by Joyce Gibbs. From February 2012.

SUN 11:00 Christopher Brookmyre's Comedy Bookcase (b01n62mw)

Series 2

Alex Horne

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Author Christopher Brookmyre is joined by comedy innovator Alex Horne to chat about Alex's life and books. Recorded live at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

SUN 11:30 Frank Dickens: Holy Mackerel - It's My Life! (b01bb9cm)

The extraordinary life and career of Frank Dickens - the cartoonist behind "Bristow", the world's longest running daily strip.

Narrated by Bernard Cribbins with Ralph Steadman and the Daily Mail's MAC.

Producer: Neil Cargill

Made for BBC Radio 4 by Pier Productions

First broadcast in 2012.

SUN 12:00 The Churchills - Speaking for Themselves (b007jrkx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 13:15 Attention All Shipping: A Journey Around the Shipping Forecast (b0176kpb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 13:30 Wimsey (b007jvhy)

Whose Body?

A body is found and a body is lost - but whose body has appeared in a bath in Battersea?

Where is the body of famous financier Sir Reuben Levy who went to bed one night in his flat in Park Lane and simply disappeared? Debonair sleuth Lord Peter Wimsey investigates.

Dorothy L Sayer's whodunit dramatised for radio by Michelene Wandor. Starring Gary Bond as Lord Peter Wimsey and John Cater as Bunter.

British gentleman detective Lord Peter Wimsey features in a number of detective novels and short stories by English crime

writer, Dorothy L Sayers. Whose Body? was first published in 1923.

Classy and sharp-witted, aristocratic amateur sleuth Lord Peter Bredon Wimsey was born in 1890 and educated at Eton and Oxford, before serving in the military during the First World War.

Directed at BBC Pebble Mill by producer Vanessa Whitburn.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1987.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 15:30 The Clitheroe Kid (b007jtj4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 16:00 Mel's Mix: The Best of The 4 O'Clock Show (b01ngwrl)

Made for 4 Extra. Mel's favourite bits from this week's programmes, including apples, doughnuts and a chili farm in Devon.

SUN 16:30 Kenneth Grahame - The Wind in the Willows (b00qt10k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Arthur Askey - Before Your Very Eyes (b01ngwrn)

Small Beginnings

4 Extra Debut. Big-hearted comic Arthur Askey reads the hilarious, nostalgic, witty and occasionally sad story of his life. From June 1975.

SUN 18:00 Doctor Who (b0113d7y)

Cobwebs

Episode 2

The time travellers learn more about the base's crew and the planet's only species. But which is deadlier? Fifth Doctor adventure stars Peter Davison and Sarah Sutton.

SUN 18:30 Arthur Askey - Project Archangel (b00wlrpc)

Episode 1

Malcolm Holmes is drawn back into the murky world of espionage from beyond the grave. Project Raphael sequel with Dan Hagley.

SUN 19:00 Christopher Brookmyre's Comedy Bookcase (b01n62mw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

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SUN 20:00 Harry Worth (b00r156h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 20:30 The Clitheroe Kid (b007jtj4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01ngw34)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:45 Trevor Hoyle - The Dying Art of Letter Writing (b01bmrq2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00pd5n7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Mark Tavener - In the Red (b007k07w)

Episode 4

Reporter George Cragge grabs headlines, as the plot to overthrow the BBC Director General grows darker. London is plagued by a series of bizarre murders of bank managers. Hot on the trail of the killer are an old-style Chief Police Inspector and BBC Radio's crime correspondent, George Cragge.

A blackly humorous murder mystery set in the world of City finance, the BBC and political parties. Dramatised in seven parts by Mark Tavener and Peter Baynham from Mark Tavener's novel.

George Cragge Michael Williams

Frank Jefferson Barry Foster

Geoffrey Crichton-Potter Stephen Moore

Henry Julian Rhind-Tutt

Max Peter Woodthorpe

Controller Radio 2 Stephen Fry

Controller Radio 4 John Bird

Dominic De'ath Benjamin Whitrow

Hercules Fortescue Nicholas Le Prevost

Andrew James Peter Serafinowicz

Laetitia Victoria Carlisle

Caroline Susie Brann

Other parts played by Jonathan Keeble, Don Macorkindale, Annabel Mullion and Alice Arnold.

Music by Paul Mottram

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1995.

SUN 23:00 Newsjack (b01ndzjg)

Series 7

Episode 5

Justin Edwards and the team tastefully make fun of the news stories from the last seven days.

SUN 23:30 Dave Podmore (b007r4mh)

Dave Podmore's Cricket Fix

Episode 4

Cricketing legend Dave Podmore tries to gauge the English team's success in his own murky way...

Christopher Douglas stars as Pod.

Written by Christopher Douglas, Nick Newman and Andrew Nickolds.

Dave Chris Douglas

Andy Andrew Nickolds

With Henry Alan, Keiran Cadweller, William Hicks, David Rogers, Fiona Rowlett and Montanna Thompson.

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2001.

MONDAY 22 OCTOBER 2012**MON 00:00 Doctor Who (b0113d7y)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:30 Jenny Stephens - Project Archangel (b00wlrpc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:30 on Sunday]

MON 03:00 Harry Worth (b00r156h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 Wimsey (b007jvhy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Kenneth Grahame - The Wind in the Willows (b00qt10k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmp26)

Dead Side of the Mic

Episode 1

Simon Brett's actor-cum-amateur sleuth gets embroiled in a suspicious death at London's Broadcasting House. Stars Bill Nighy.

MON 06:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh722)

Episode 1

A policeman is dead and Inspector Barlach has a hunch about the murderer. Bernard Hepton reads Friedrich Dürrenmatt's novella.

MON 06:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh724)

Episode 16

With the contraband unloaded, Dick and mates have won Spider's trust to set the trap. But Hugo's escaped. Stars Douglas Kelly.

MON 07:00 Safety Catch (b00fc4vp)

Series 1

Show Me You Care

Simon McGrath likes to think of himself as a good citizen.

He donates blood, recycles his newspapers and has adopted two tigers.

He just also happens to be an arms dealer...

Starring Darren Boyd as Simon McGrath.

First of three series of Laurence Howarth's black comedy of modern morality.

With:

Joanna Page

Lewis MacLeod

Sarah Smart

Brigit Forsyth

Ben Onwukwe

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2007.

MON 07:30 The Museum of Curiosity (b01n9yfs)

Series 5

Ker, Stephenson Connolly, Geim

Professor of Ignorance at the University of Buckingham,

Professor John Lloyd CBE is joined by comedian Jimmy Carr for the fifth series.

Three guests are invited to donate one item each and explain why it deserves a place in the museum.

John and Jimmy welcome comedian Humphrey Ker, sex therapist, comedian and author Dr Pamela Stephenson-Connolly and Nobel Physics Laureate Professor Sir Andre Geim.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012

MON 08:00 Beyond Our Ken (b007jwsp)

Kenneth Horne goes wine tasting, and a savage sea monster attacks the Isle of Wight. With Kenneth Williams. From January 1964.

MON 08:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jlqh)

Series 3

Without Prejudice

Harold persuades Albert to leave their rag and bone yard to move out to suburbia.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H Corbett as Harold. With Edward Kelsey, Garrard Green and Trevor Martin.

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

The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.

Adapted for radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by

Gale Pedrick.
Produced by Bobby Jaye
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in April 1971.
MON 09:00 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00pg5r6)
Series 5
Keep Fit
Arthur's keen on taking up a free trial gym membership, but will his doctor approve? Stars Steve Delaney. From January 2010.
MON 09:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b01nh82g)
Series 2
Fear
The sofa hosts invite a stressed bomb disposal expert to "hug his fear".
Series 2 of Bill Dare's sitcom stars Robert Duncan and Jan Ravens.
Mike Robert Duncan
Sue Jan Ravens
With Roger Blake, Bill Dare, Alistair McGowan and Sally Phillips.
Music by Mark Burton.
Producer: Jo Clegg
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1997.
MON 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125g87)
Hamer's Women
Social reformer John is tempted by Lady Lettice, as his wife fights for the suffragettes.
Ian McKellen stars in the story of John Hamer Shawcross - set against the wider current of events in England in the early 19th century.
Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.
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Anne Artingstall June Barry
Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley
Lady Lettice Helen Ryan
Arnold Ryerson Andrew Jackson
Pen Ryerson Vida Paterson
Harry Liskeard Peter Guinness
Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin
Ellen Stansfield Rosalie Williams
Charles Shawcross aged 8 David Boardman
Hawley Artingstall Graham Tennant
Organ grinder Colin Bean
Prison wardens Joan Anstey/ Delia Corrie
Prison doctor Roger Grainger
Director: Trevor Hill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.
MON 11:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9x3)
Stories by Anton Chekhov
An Incident
Two children, two pets, one stranger. Then a small domestic disaster. Alistair McGowan reads a tale from the Russian master.
MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b01ng15g)
Honor Blackman, Charlie Brooker, Peter Serafinowicz, George The Poet, The Herbaliser and The Magnetic North
Clive has Pussy Galore in the studio! Original Bond Girl Honor Blackman has Clive Shaken not stirred and now stars in a new breed of zombie adventure. 'Cockneys Vs Zombies' follows a group of bank-robbing cousins trying to save their grandparents care home from developers. Whilst they're cleaning out the vault, zombies head towards the care home with an appetite for OAPs! It's available on DVD from Monday 22nd October.
The actor, comedian and twitter legend Peter Serafinowicz comes prepared to share 'A Billion Jokes' with Clive. His widely popular twitter feed is the inspiration of his new book and Vol 1 is published by Boxtree on 8th November.
Queen of bling Nikki Bedi raps with George The Poet. Hailing from North West London via Uganda, George juxtaposes his experiences of an African heritage, an inner city upbringing, and life as a Cambridge undergraduate to create social commentary through poetry. George also joins The Herbaliser to rap on their track 'A Sad State of Affairs'.
Journalist, screen burner and all-round ray of sunshine Charlie Brooker rants to Clive about his latest collection of hastily spluttered articles and scarcely literate scrawl. 'I Can Make You Hate' contains words and punctuation, but won't help you lose weight, feel smarter or feel happier about yourself.
With musical magnetism from Orcadian singer-songwriter Erland Cooper and his band The Magnetic North who perform their new single 'Rackwick' from the album 'Orkney: Symphony of The Magnetic North'.
And from hip-hop-infused funksters The Herbaliser who play 'A Sad State of Affairs' from their new album 'There Were Seven'.
Producer: Cathie Mahoney.
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MON 14:00 Winifred Holtby - South Riding (b007jndp)
Episode 1
Headmistress Sarah Burton returns to 1930s Yorkshire for a challenging new post.
Winifred Holtby's (1898-1935) most famous novel "South Riding" was published posthumously in 1936. It's a rich and memorable evocation of the characters of Yorkshire's South Riding, their lives, loves and sorrows.
Starring Sarah Lancashire as Sarah Burton, Philip Glenister as Robert Carne and Carole Boyd as Mrs Beddows.
With Susan Cookson, Maggie Tagney, Donald McBride, Lucy Beaumont, Annmarie Hosell and Maya Foa.
Dramatised in 15-parts by Gill Adams.
Director: Melanie Harris
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999.
MON 14:15 Shakespeare's Restless World (b01gvkwh)
Treason and Plots
Neil MacGregor, Director of the British Museum, continues his object-based history. Taking artefacts from William Shakespeare's time, he explores how Elizabethan and Jacobean playgoers made sense of the unstable and rapidly changing world in which they lived.
With old certainties shifting around them, in a time of political and religious unrest and economic expansion, Neil asks what the plays would have meant to the public when they were first performed. He uses carefully selected objects to explore the great issues of the day that preoccupied the public and helped shape the works, and he considers what they can reveal about the concerns and beliefs of Shakespearean England.
Programme 11. TREASON & PLOTS - A tabloid history of Shakespeare's England, told through a collection of contemporary accounts of plots to murder Elizabeth I and James I.
Producer: Paul Kobrak.
MON 14:30 Rukhsana Ahmad - Freedom's Daughter (b007jy5g)
Episode 1
The touching correspondence between the young Indira Gandhi and her father Nehru. Read by Nina Wadia and Paul Bhattacharjee.
MON 14:45 Alan Bennett - The Clothes They Stood Up In (b00ps5hr)
Episode 3
Mrs Ransome compares the burglary aftermath to dealing with a death. The author reads his own specially commissioned story.
MON 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125g87)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01nh82j)
Mel Giedroyc hears nasty, gruesome things about the Romans from Terry Deary's brilliant Horrible Histories. And the nature series features the beautiful story of the sea swallow.
MON 17:00 To the Manor Born (b007jm4q)
The Honours List
With news of a New Year's Honour for a villager, Audrey is nice to Devere.
Starring Penelope Keith as Audrey Forbes-Hamilton.
Keith Barron Richard De Vere
Angela Thorne Marjory Frobisher
Nicholas McArdle Brabinger
Margery Withers Mrs Polouivicka
Frank Middlemass Ned
Brigadier Jonathan Adams
The tale of lady of the manor Audrey Forbes-Hamilton, forced to sell her beloved Grantleigh Estate when her husband's death leaves her financially strapped. With butler Brabinger in tow, they've decamped to the tiny Old Lodge cottage.
From this vantage point, Audrey keeps a close and disapproving eye on the estate's new owner, the nouveau-riche Richard De Vere, a wholesale foods magnate of Czech descent.
First piloted on radio and then whisked off to TV before it ever appeared, before finally arriving home in 1997.
Adapted for radio by Peter Spence from his TV script.
Producer: Jane Berthoud
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1997.
MON 17:30 Safety Catch (b00fc4vp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
MON 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b00b1p28)
Small Gods
Episode 1
Set in a complex state of beliefs, Great God Om appears before a novice monk - and is soon coming out of his shell...
There are gods everywhere on Discworld - you can't swing a simian librarian without hitting one - except, of course, only a few people can see them. Each small god lies in wait, desperately seeking to make someone believe in him. On Discworld, gods need people more than people need gods, for belief is the food of the gods.
Terry Pratchett's four-part comic fantasy starring Carl Prekopp, Patrick Barlow and Alex Jennings. With Anton Lesser as the Narrator.
Narrator Anton Lesser
Om Patrick Barlow
Brutha Carl Prekopp
Vorbis Alex Jennings
Nhumrod Geoffrey Beevers
Sasho Philip Fox
General Fri't Sean Barrett
Quistor Gerard McDermott

Other parts played by the cast.
Dramatised by Robin Brooks.
Producer: Claire Grove
Director: Gordon House
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2006.
MON 18:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00p7r1y)
Series 3
Untoward
Edna is planning a trip to the Primary to find out what happened to Tankerton. Ben Moor's comic sci-fi saga with Alex Tregear, Al Murray and Kevin Eldon.
MON 19:00 Beyond Our Ken (b007jwsp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 19:30 Steptoe and Son (b007jlqh)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
MON 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmp26)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 20:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh722)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
MON 20:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh724)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
MON 21:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9x3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
MON 21:15 Loose Ends (b01ng15g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
MON 22:00 The Museum of Curiosity (b01n9yfs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 22:30 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00pg5r6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (b01nh82i)
Series 5
22/10/2012
An extended edition of the News Quiz, chaired by Sandi Toksvig. Panellists are Jeremy Hardy, Phill Jupitus, Susan Calman and Michael Deacon.
MON 23:45 Creme de la Crime (b007jr0x)
Series 1
20,000 Leaks Under the Sea
Michael Feydeau and David Pershore unravel a case of wartime spying skulduggery. Stars Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis. From September 2001.

TUESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2012

TUE 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b00b1p28)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]
TUE 00:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00p7r1y)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]
TUE 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmp26)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]
TUE 01:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh722)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]
TUE 01:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh724)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Monday]
TUE 02:00 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b00pg5r6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday]
TUE 02:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b01nh82g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]
TUE 03:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125g87)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]
TUE 04:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9x3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Monday]
TUE 04:15 Loose Ends (b01ng15g)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Monday]
TUE 05:00 To the Manor Born (b007jm4q)
[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Monday]
TUE 05:30 Safety Catch (b00fc4vp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]
TUE 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmr2t)
Dead Side of the Mic
Episode 2
The plot thickens for the actor-sleuth as he delves into a death at the BBC. Stars Bill Nighy and Suzanne Burden.
TUE 06:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh82r)
Episode 2
Barlach and Tschanz are on the trail of the mysterious 'G'. Bernard Hepton reads Friedrich Dürrenmatt's novella.
TUE 06:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh82s)
Episode 17
It's just hours now before the contraband arrives. Will Hugo manage to tip-off Spider about our heroes? Stars Douglas Kelly.
TUE 07:00 Bablewick Hall (b01nh8zv)
Series 1
Episode 5
A future as a distinguished Parliamentarian beckons Fenton to London.
However, putting the finishing touches to his maiden speech, Fenton Bablewick is unaware of the tortuous journey which lies ahead - and his travelling companions who'll be the source of much irritation.
Is this the moment Augustus has been waiting for? An escape to

London, free at last from the horrors of Yorkshire.
Starring Nicholas Le Prevost as Fenton Babbewick and Forbes Masson as Augustus Snipe.
Scott Cherry's six-part sitcom set in the 18th-century.
Fenton Babbewick Nick Le Prevost
Augustus Snipe Forbes Masson
Barney David Antrobus
Jack Sam Kelly
Mrs Maddison Sara Coward
Maddison John Baddeley
Highwayman Stephen Critchlow
Music by Paul Mottram.
Producer: Paul Schlesinger
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1996.
TUE 07:30 Rudy's Rare Records (b01nb1s7)
Series 4
Best Local Business
EPISODE TWO: BEST LOCAL BUSINESS
Father and son comedy set in the finest old-school record shop in Birmingham. Starring Lenny Henry, Larrington Walker and some terrific tunes.
Rudy's Rare Records is a tiny down at heel old reggae record shop in Birmingham - one of a dying breed; a place with real soul, stacked with piles of vinyl, where the slogan is "if we don't have it - them don't mek it". It's owned by the charismatic, irrepressible Rudy Sharpe (Larrington Walker), reluctantly helped out by his long-suffering neurotic son Adam (Lenny Henry) and Handsworth's first, black, surly girly goth, Tasha (Natasha Godfrey). Rudy has recently married his long-term love interest Doreen (Claire Benedict) which is leaving his best friend Clifton (Jeffery Kissoon) feeling left out.
But business is not booming and Adam enters a competition for the Best Local Business hoping the publicity and the prize money will give the record shop a much needed boost. It also means war between Rudy's Rare Records and Clifton's Blooms.
Adam Lenny Henry
Rudy Larrington Walker
Tasha Natasha Godfrey
Doreen Claire Benedict
Clifton Jeffery Kissoon
Richie Joe Jacobs
Darnell Javone Prince
Secret Shopper Sarah Thom
Ainsley Harriott Himself
Twitch Adam Nagaitis
Written by Paula Hines
Script Editor: Danny Robins
Producer: Katie Tyrrell
Music in this episode:
GET UP EDINA DESMOND DEKKER
RUN THIS TOWN JAY Z, RIHANNA & KANYE WEST
FUSSIN AND FIGHTING BOB MARLEY
BE PREPARED WINSTON SAMUEL
DON'T PLAY NO GAME
THAT I CAN'T WIN BEASTIE BOYS FEAT. SANTIGOLD
DO I WORRY DERRICK HARRIOT
NO FRIEND DELROY WILLIAMS.
TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b00f6gsn)
World War One
England and France are at war. Eccles is at lunch.
Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.
Starring:
Peter Sellers
Harry Secombe
Spike Milligan
First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.
With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.
Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.
Announcer: Wallace Greenslade
Producer: Charles Chilton
First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in February 1958.
TUE 08:30 Listen to Les (b01nh8zx)
From 10/03/1985
Les Dawson with tales of Britain's first space hero, and the Cosmo show discusses birds.
With Daphne Oxenford, Eli Woods and Colin Edwynn.
Music by Brian Fitzgerald.
Scripted and produced by James Casey.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1985.
TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (b01nh821)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
TUE 09:45 Creme de la Crime (b007jr0x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]
TUE 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125lky)
Nothing But the Truth. Almost!
The Great War dominates politics as leaders ask people to unite. Hamer's son enlists.
Ian McKellen stars in the story of John Hamer Shawcross - set against the wider current of events in England in the early 19th century.
Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.
John Hamer Shawcross Sir Ian McKellen
Anne Artingstall June Barry
Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley
Arnold Tyerson Andrew Jackson
Pen Ryerson Vida Paterson

Alice Ryerson Valerie Georgeson
Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler
Lady Hannaway Romy Baskerville
Mrs Ambeley-Rosewater Cynthia Michaelis
Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin
Lady Lettice Melland Helen Ryan
The Election Official Peter Ellis
Director: Trevor Hill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.
TUE 11:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9x9)
Stories by Anton Chekhov
A Play
She insists on showing him her terrible work. He takes drastic action. Alistair McGowan reads a tale from the Russian master.
TUE 11:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k3myc)
Series 2
The Chief Justice of Beauty
Precious worries about her fiancé, and Mma Makutsi takes on a case for the Chief Justice of Beauty. Stars Claire Benedict.
TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b00f6gsn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 Listen to Les (b01nh8zx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmr2t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh8pr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 13:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh8zs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
TUE 14:00 Winifred Holtby - South Riding (b007jnf6)
Episode 2
Back home in Yorkshire, new headmistress Sarah Burton has much to tackle at her rundown school. Stars Sarah Lancashire.
TUE 14:15 Shakespeare's Restless World (b01gvm29)
Sex and the City
Neil MacGregor, Director of the British Museum, continues his object-based history. Taking artefacts from William Shakespeare's time, he explores how Elizabethan and Jacobean playgoers made sense of the unstable and rapidly changing world in which they lived.
With old certainties shifting around them, in a time of political and religious unrest and economic expansion, Neil asks what the plays would have meant to the public when they were first performed. He uses carefully selected objects to explore the great issues of the day that preoccupied the public and helped shape the works, and he considers what they can reveal about the concerns and beliefs of Shakespearean England.
Programme 12. SEX & THE CITY - A delicate glass goblet reveals the twin seductions of Venice: its sought after luxuries and its equally sought after lecherous women.
Producer: Paul Kobrak.
TUE 14:30 Rukhsana Ahmad - Freedom's Daughter (b007jy6q)
Episode 2
In prison, Nehru relies on daughter Indira Gandhi's letters to learn about India's struggle for freedom. Read by Nina Wadia.
TUE 14:45 Alan Bennett - The Clothes They Stood Up In (b00psp12)
Episode 4
The burgled Ransomes take a trip into the unknown - in Aylesbury. The author reads his own specially commissioned story.
TUE 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125lky)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01nh9r3)
Mel finds out just how awful Roman kings were in Terry Deary's story Horrible Histories: The Rotten Romans, and she hears the Inheritance Books of author Eoin Colfer.
TUE 17:00 Flying the Flag (b00f6p4z)
Series 4
End of Term
Ambassador Mackenzie packs his diplomatic bags, and faces a bleak future back in Britain with no servants - and no knighthood.
Before he heads for the Cotswolds, he faces one final crisis in the People's Democracy. But what are the skills of diplomacy for, if not to salvage some personal profit from another's disaster?
The final episode of Alex Shearer's Eastern bloc embassy sitcom.
Starring Dinsdale Landon as HM Ambassador Mackenzie, Peter Acre as William Frost, Moir Leslie as Helen Waterson, Christopher Benjamin as Colonel Surikov and Stephen Greif as US Ambassador Spiro Weinberg.
Producer: Neil Cargill
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1992.
TUE 17:30 Babbewick Hall (b01nh8zv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
TUE 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b00b50xj)
Small Gods
Episode 2
Novice priest Brutha has been selected by Deacon Vorbis to go on a secret mission to the infidel city of Epebe.
The Great God Om, who is stuck in the body of a small tortoise, is going with him in a little wicker basket.
Terry Pratchett's comic Discworld fantasy starring Carl Prekopp, Patrick Barlow and Alex Jennings. With Anton Lesser

as the Narrator.
Narrator Anton Lesser
Om Patrick Barlow
Brutha Carl Prekopp
Vorbis Alex Jennings
Aktor Philip Fox
Xeno Sean Barrett
Captain Gerard McDermott
Sergeant John Cummins
Other parts played by the cast.
Dramatised by Robin Brooks.
Producer: Claire Grove
Director: Gordon House
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2006.
TUE 18:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00pbtv6)
Series 3
Ungainly
Edna faces her childhood possessions and probes London's Low Quality Expedition. Ben Moor's comic sci-fi saga with Alex Tregear and Emma Kennedy.
TUE 19:00 The Goon Show (b00f6gsn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 19:30 Listen to Les (b01nh8zx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmr2t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 20:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh8pr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 20:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh8zs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]
TUE 21:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9x9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
TUE 21:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k3myc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
TUE 22:00 Rudy's Rare Records (b01nb1s7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 22:30 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b00j0h9n)
Series 2
Sandi Toksvig
Marcus Brigstocke gets Sandi Toksvig to try some new experiences, seeing the world from a whole new level. From March 2009.
TUE 23:00 Acropolis Now (b007rj19)
Series 2
Signs
Uncle Liquidities demands that Plato quits philosophy to enter the funerary urn business. With Stephen Moore. From March 2002.
TUE 23:30 Lionel Nimrod's Inexplicable World (b007qx6z)
Series 1
The Universe
The spoof TV sci-fi star explains life's big mysteries. Stars Richard Herring, Stewart Lee and Tom Baker. From October 1992.

WEDNESDAY 24 OCTOBER 2012

WED 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b00b50xj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Tuesday]
WED 00:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00pbtv6)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Tuesday]
WED 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmr2t)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Tuesday]
WED 01:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nh8pr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Tuesday]
WED 01:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nh8zs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Tuesday]
WED 02:00 The News Quiz Extra (b01nh821)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
WED 02:45 Creme de la Crime (b007jr0x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]
WED 03:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125lky)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9x9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Tuesday]
WED 04:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k3myc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Tuesday]
WED 05:00 Flying the Flag (b00f6p4z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Tuesday]
WED 05:30 Babbewick Hall (b01nh8zv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]
WED 06:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmxj3)
Dead Side of the Mic
Episode 3
The actor-sleuth heads to New York for a funeral, and to pursue his investigation into a death at the BBC. Stars Bill Nighy.
WED 06:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nhg6d)
Episode 3
What is the truth behind the shadowy Gastmann's dinner parties? Bernard Hepton reads Friedrich Dürrenmatt's novella.
WED 06:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nhg6g)
Episode 18

Can our hero prevent Hugo from tipping-off his boss about the set-up? And why is Jean sidling up to Spider? Stars Douglas Kelly.

WED 07:00 The Alan Davies Show (b007js69)

Episode 1

Struggling actor Alan and his friends Kate and Murray find themselves locked in - a lot!

Alan Davies stars in his own six-part sitcom.

Written by Alan Davies, Ben Silburn and Tony Roche.

Alan Francis and Ronnie Ancona play his long-suffering friends.

Alan Alan Davies

Murray Alan Francis

Kate Ronni Ancona

With Caroline Loncq and Kevin Eldon.

Producer: Jane Berthoud

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.

WED 07:30 Gloombsbury (b01mx2sp)

Series 1

The Trials of Attempting an Elopement

A stellar cast of Miriam Margolyes, Alison Steadman, Nigel Planer, Morwenna Banks, Jonathan Coy and John Sessions

breathes life into the colourfully chaotic characters of

Gloombsbury, a riotous comedy about the Gloombsbury Group.

The six-part series from the pen of Sue Limb is an affectionate

send up of the infamous literary group whose arty and

adulterous adventures dominated the cultural scene in the early

20th century.

The series follows the fortunes of Vera Sackcloth-Vest

(Margolyes) - writer, gardener and transvestite - and her urge to

escape from the tranquillity of her rather cramped little castle in

Kent which she shares with her doting but ambiguous husband

Henry (Coy), who is 'something in the Foreign Office'. Vera's

heart is forever surging with exotic passion for Ginny Fox

(Steadman), a highly-strung novelist who adores her, or the

beautiful but shallow Venus Traduces (Banks).

As the scene shifts from Kent to London, and Cornwall to

Monaco, this close-knit coterie is divided by misunderstandings,

jealousies and rows.

In episode one, Vera longs to elope to Mediterranean sunshine

with one of her bosom chums. But her first choice, Ginny, is

stubbornly impervious to adventure and Venus Traduces is fully

booked for elopements until next April. Will Vera run off

instead with the perky waitress at Lyons' Corner house?

Meanwhile, what is Vera's husband Henry up to as telegrams fly

between him and Archie Pinkerton-Poker at the Foreign

Office?

Produced by Jamie Rix

A Little Brother production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b008v13d)

Series 5

The Sleepless Night

The lad tries to get a good night's sleep, but everybody else

keeps him awake.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth

Williams.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.

Producer: Tom Ronald

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1958.

WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00sjp2j)

Series 3

Episode 11

Tales of Merrie England and an insight into show-jumping.

More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs and

parodies.

Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David

Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.

Written by Graeme Garden, Peter Hutchins, Eric Idle, Peter

Vincent and David McKellar.

Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue

'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and

quickly developed a cult following.

Music and songs by Dave Lee, Bill Oddie and Leon Cohen.

Producer: Humphrey Barclay

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in May 1966.

WED 09:00 At Home with the Hardys (b00lbnq)

Surprise Surprise

Bored Kitty's surprise birthday party exceeds everyone's

expectations. Stars Jeremy Hardy and Kit Hollerbach. From

May 1990.

WED 09:30 Who Goes There? (b007wqd6)

Series 2

Episode 5

Martin Young chairs the quiz looking at lives of the notorious

and notorious from the history books.

Tackling the biographical teasers are team captains Francis

When and Fred Housego with guests Claire Rayner and Roy

Hattersley.

Producer: Aled Evans

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1998.

WED 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125kcb)

Perish By the Sword

Labour briefly tastes of power, and fortunes are made and lost

as Hamer Shawcross concludes his memoirs.

Ian McKellen stars in the story of John Hamer Shawcross - set

against the wider current of events in England in the early 19th

century.

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.

John Hamer Shawcross Sir Ian McKellen

Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin

Lady Lettice Melland Helen Ryan

Lady Hannaway Romy Baskerville

Arnold Tyerson Andrew Jackson

Pen Ryerson Vida Paterson

Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley

Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler

Alice Ryerson Valerie Georgeson

Charles Shawcross Richard Durden

Pendleton Rory Scase

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.

WED 11:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9zv)

Stories by Anton Chekhov

The Old House

The landlord shows one of his properties, but the memories are

traumatic. Alistair McGowan reads the Russian master's tale.

WED 11:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k7xyc)

Series 2

The Confession

Precious Ramotswe must find two women wronged in the past

by her client, Mr Molefelo. Stars Claire Benedict and Joseph

Marcell.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b008v13d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00sjp2j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmxj3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his

Hangman (b01nhg6d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 13:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris

Adventure (b01nhg6g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

WED 14:00 Winifred Holtby - South Riding (b007jnfr)

Episode 3

Headmistress Sarah Burton is determined to make a success of

her first event in the community. Stars Sarah Lancashire.

WED 14:15 Shakespeare's Restless World (b01gvrk)

From London to Marrakech

Neil MacGregor, former Director of the British Museum,

continues his object-based history. Taking artefacts from

William Shakespeare's time, he explores how Elizabethan and

Jacobean playgoers made sense of the unstable and rapidly

changing world in which they lived.

With old certainties shifting around them, in a time of political

and religious unrest and economic expansion, Neil asks what

the plays would have meant to the public when they were first

performed. He uses carefully selected objects to explore the

great issues of the day that preoccupied the public and helped

shape the works, and he considers what they can reveal about

the concerns and beliefs of Shakespearean England.

Programme 13. FROM LONDON TO MARRAKECH -

Sunken gold from West Africa sheds light on the complex

relationship Elizabethan England had with the Moors of the

Mediterranean.

This programme was originally broadcast in 2012.

Producer: Paul Kobrak.

WED 14:30 Rukhsana Ahmad - Freedom's Daughter

(b007jy7z)

Episode 3

Indira Gandhi's father Nehru learns of her search abroad to cure

her sick mother. Read by Nina Wadia, and Paul Bhattacharjee.

WED 14:45 Alan Bennett - The Clothes They Stood Up In

(b00psrg3)

Episode 5

The Ransomes get their belongings back, but how did they

disappear? The author reads his own specially commissioned

story.

WED 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125kcb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01nht58)

Thanks to Terry Deary's Horrible Histories, Mel finds out how

nasty the Romans could be with a sponge on a stick. And she

has the Inheritance Tracks of 'The Voice' Sir Tom Jones.

WED 17:00 The Code of the Woosters (b007k06z)

A Wrongful Arrest

When Bertie Wooster is accused of theft, luckily there's always

Jeeves

PG Wodehouse romp adapted by Chris Miller.

Starring Michael Hordern as Jeeves, Richard Briers as Bertie

Wooster, Patrick Cargill as Sir Watkyn Bassett, Rex Garner as

Gussie Fink-Nottle, Vivian Pickles as Aunt Dahlia, James

Villiers as Roderick Spode, Tony McEwan as PC Oates.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1973.

WED 17:30 The Alan Davies Show (b007js69)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b00b8rpc)

Small Gods

Episode 3

Ephebians philosophers argue violently among themselves but

they're no match for Deacon Vorbis.

However one philosopher, Didactylus, is prepared to stand up to

him.

Terry Pratchett's comic Discworld fantasy starring Carl

Prekopp, Patrick Barlow and Alex Jennings. With Anton Lesser

as the Narrator.

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Vorbis Alex Jennings

Didactylus Gerard McDermott

Urn John Cummins

Nhumrod Geoffrey Beevers

Sergeant Simony Nick Sayce

Other parts played by the cast.

Dramatised by Robin Brooks.

Producer: Claire Grove

Director: Gordon House

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2006.

WED 18:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00pd7ck)

Series 3

Underground

Edna and Tankerton traverse the Tube to stop someone

changing the realities. Ben Moor's comic sci-fi saga with Alex

Treagar, Ben Moor and Al Murray.

WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b008v13d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00sjp2j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wmxj3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 20:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his

Hangman (b01nhg6d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 20:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris

Adventure (b01nhg6g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

WED 21:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qb9zv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 21:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k7xyc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

WED 22:00 Gloombsbury (b01mx2sp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Stockport, So Good They Named It Once

(b01nht5b)

Series 2

Siege

Michael accepts the toughest night shift in Manchester. Will

Jason's evening be any easier?

The lives of the Stockport-based Conroy family in series 2 of

Damian Lanigan and Jim Poyser's comedy drama.

Starring Jason Done as Michael, Andrew Knott as Jason,

Beverley Callard as Maureen, John Henshaw as Eddie, Jo-Anne

Knowles as Debbie, Jack Smethurst as Jim and Damian Lanigan

as Carl.

Music: Big George

Producer: Neil Mossey

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000.

WED 23:00 Doon Your Way (b007k08m)

Episode 4

Doon Mackichan with more comic creations including DJ

Chantal and Briony the Brownie. With Phil Cornwell. From

September 1996.

WED 23:30 Nebulous (b00xcb0v)

Series 3

BBC, or will he end up in chains? Stars Bill Nighy and Nicky Henson.

THU 06:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nj0km)

Episode 4

The man known as Gastmann reveals his and Barlach's shared past. Bernard Hepton reads Friedrich Dürrenmatt's novella.

THU 06:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nj0kp)

Episode 19

Spider's treachery knows no bounds as he turns on his own gang. Our heroes brace themselves for action. Stars Douglas Kelly.

THU 07:00 Chambers (b007jpyg)

Series 3

Rent Arrears

John Fuller-Carp, head of chambers, enjoys conning students. Ruth tries to avoid the question, and Vince acts Jewish. All in a day's work for the barristers of Forecourt Buildings.

Series 3 of Clive Coleman's sitcom set in perhaps the country's least spectacular set of chambers.

John Fuller Carp John Bird

Hilary Tripping James Fleet

Ruth Quirke Sarah Lancashire

Vince Jonathan Kydd

With Rebecca Front and Ben Crowe.

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.

THU 07:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b01nhrjc)

Series 2

Episode 6

John Finnemore, the writer and star of Cabin Pressure, regular guest on The Now Show and popper-upper in things like Miranda and Family Guy, presents the last in this second series of his hit sketch show.

The first series was described as "sparkingly clever" by The Daily Telegraph and "one of the most consistently funny sketch shows for quite some time" by The Guardian. It featured

Winnie the Pooh coming to terms with his abusive relationship with honey, how The Archers sounds to people who don't listen to the Archers and how Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde decided whose

turn it was to do the washing up.

This week's show starts by going to the dogs and ends with what is surely the oldest hymn in the world.

John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme is written by and stars John Finnemore. It also features Margaret Cabourn-Smith,

Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and Carrie Quinlan. The original music is by Susannah Pearse. It is produced by Ed Morrish.

THU 08:00 Yes Minister (b007k1mq)

Series 2

The Moral Dimension

Thirsty MP Jim Hacker's trip to an Arab state sparks diplomatic disarray.

Starring Paul Eddington, Nigel Hawthorne and Derek Fowlds. Antony Jay and Jonathan Lynn's satirical sitcom centred around the hapless MP Jim Hacker and a collection of civil service

underlings headed by the Machiavellian Sir Humphrey Appleby and obsequious Bernard.

It first ran on BBC TV between 1980 and 1984.

Jim Hacker Paul Eddington

Sir Humphrey Appleby Nigel Hawthorne

Bernard Derek Fowlds

Anne Hacker Diana Hoddinot

Bill Pritchard Anthony Carrick

Prince Mohammed Walter Randall

First Arab Vic Tablian

Helpful Arab Ali Rifaii

Jenny Goodwin Moir Lesley

Ross Robin Summers

Diplomat Mark Straker

Adapted for radio by producer Pete Atkin.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1984.

THU 08:30 Take It From Here (b01nj0kt)

From 24/10/1950

Jimmy Edwards becomes Head of the BBC Research College. Classic Frank Muir and Denis Norden comedy. From October 1950.

THU 09:00 1834 (b011db7v)

The Time Machine

Jason decides the invention of the toasted sandwich maker will sort out his new 19th-century life.

21st-century teacher, Jason Slater, is coming to terms with waking up in 19th-century Macclesfield.

In Jim Poyser's riotous comedy of transportation and delight, Jason is now Tarquin, third son of Lord Belport with a faithful valet, Ned.

Jason Slater Michael Begley

Ned Joe Caffrey

Hoskins Kenneth Alan Taylor

Lord Belport Mark Chatterton

Stubbs Glenn Cunningham

Millicent Julia Routhwaite

Directed at BBC Manchester by Polly Thomas.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

THU 09:30 Just a Minute (b01nj0kw)

Patrick Moore, Kenneth Williams, Derek Nimmo and Clement Freud cogitate on bath time and the perfect murder. From February 1978.

THU 10:00 Jill Paton Walsh - The Wyndham Case (b007jsrd)

The locked library of St Agatha's College in Cambridge houses an invaluable collection of 17th-century volumes. It also

contains one dead student. A tragic accident - or is there some more mysterious and deadly circumstance surrounding the

death of model student Philip Skellow?

If anyone can find out, it's college nurse and amateur sleuth,

Imogen Quy, and her policeman friend, Mike.

Imogen Quy Carolyn Pickles

Mike Parsons Richard Derrington

Sir William Jeffrey Dench

Lady Buckmoat Marlene Sidaway

Fran Bullion Tracey Wyles

Mountmessing Charles Collingwood

Mrs. Skellow Gillian Goodman

Lord Goldhooper Ian Brooker

Nick Tom George

Emily and Tracy Claire Corbett

Catherine and Felicity Jasmine Hyde

Jack Thomas Arnold

Phillip Skellow Alex Trinder

Roger Martyn Read

Written by Jill Paton Walsh and dramatised by Neville Teller.

Directed in Birmingham by Peter Lesley Wild

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.

THU 11:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qbb8m)

Stories by Anton Chekhov

Ivan Matveyitch

An old academic and a young boy. It's a topsy-turvy friendship, but it endures. Alistair McGowan reads the Russian master's

tale.

THU 11:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k89mk)

Series 2

The Kalahari Typing School for Men

Precious learns about her competition, and Mma Makutsi

embarks on an entrepreneurial enterprise. Stars Claire Benedict.

THU 12:00 Yes Minister (b007k1mq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 Take It From Here (b01nj0kt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wnmbt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nj0km)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 13:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nj0kp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

THU 14:00 Winifred Holtby - South Riding (b007jngb)

Episode 4

Headmistress Sarah Burton develops a soft spot for a married school governor. Stars Sarah Lancashire and Philip Glenister.

THU 14:15 Shakespeare's Restless World (b01gthw)

Disguise and Deception

Neil MacGregor, former Director of the British Museum, continues his object-based history. Taking artefacts from

William Shakespeare's time, he explores how Elizabethan and Jacobean playgoers made sense of the unstable and rapidly

changing world in which they lived.

With old certainties shifting around them, in a time of political and religious unrest and economic expansion, Neil asks what

the plays would have meant to the public when they were first performed. He uses carefully selected objects to explore the

great issues of the day that preoccupied the public and helped shape the works, and he considers what they can reveal about

the concerns and beliefs of Shakespearean England.

Programme 14. DISGUISE & DECEPTION - Deception and religion, cross-dressing and travelling salesmen are all unpacked

via a pedlar's trunk.

This programme was originally broadcast in 2012.

Producer: Paul Kobrak.

THU 14:30 Rukhsana Ahmad - Freedom's Daughter (b007jy99)

Episode 4

Nehru feels cut off from Indira, as tragic events threaten to overtake his family. Read by Nina Wadia. and Paul

Bhattacharjee.

THU 14:45 Alan Bennett - The Clothes They Stood Up In (b00pswyd)

Episode 6

A tape and a letter offer the Ransomes clues to their caring burglary. The author reads his own specially commissioned

story.

THU 15:00 Jill Paton Walsh - The Wyndham Case (b007jsrd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01nj12b)

In Terry Deary's Horrible Histories, Mel hears how truly horrible Roman Emperors could be - very nasty! And she goes

hunting with an eagle in Outer Mongolia.

THU 17:00 Mind Your Own Business! (b009pr6l)

Points of Disagreement

Whiz-kid Jimmy Bright has run out of Whizz. So staid

accountant Russell Farrow grabs the reins, and ends up in a prickly situation...

Bernard Cribbins and Frank Thornton star in Andrew Palmer's sitcom

Jimmy Bright Bernard Cribbins

Russell Farrow Frank Thornton

Nan Forbes Annette Crossbie

Sue Plant Annee Blott

With Dennis Ramsden.

Written by Andrew Palmer.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1988.

THU 17:30 Chambers (b007jpyg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b00bdjq2)

Small Gods

Episode 4

Deacon Vorbis has returned triumphantly to Omnia. He

proclaims himself the One True Prophet.

But Brutha knows what really happened in the desert and the

Great God Om is still out there, stuck in the body of a tortoise.

Conclusion of Terry Pratchett's comic Discworld fantasy starring Carl Prekopp, Patrick Barlow and Alex Jennings. With

Anton Lesser as the Narrator.

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Vorbis Alex Jennings

Fergman Gerard McDermott

Urn John Cummins

Nhumrod Geoffrey Beavers

Sergeant Simony Nick Sayce

Death Michael Kilgarriff

Other parts played by the cast.

Dramatised by Robin Brooks.

Producer: Claire Grove

Director: Gordon House

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2006.

THU 18:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00pgnql)

Series 3

United

Edna sees a hypnotherapist, as her friends take up the worlds-

protecting slack. Ben Moor's comic sci-fi saga with Alex

Tregear, Ben Moor and Duncan Wisbey.

THU 19:00 Yes Minister (b007k1mq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 Take It From Here (b01nj0kt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 20:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wnmbt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nj0km)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 20:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nj0kp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

THU 21:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qbb8m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

THU 21:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k89mk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

THU 22:00 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b01nhrjc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Newsjack (b01nj1st)

Series 7

Episode 6

Justin Edwards and the team tastefully make fun of the news stories from the last seven days.

THU 23:00 The Million Pound Radio Show (b008ythm)

Series 2

Episode 3

Spoofing the royals - and chatty dinosaurs. Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell's sharp-edged topical humour. From September

1986.

THU 23:30 The Penny Dreadfuls (b00gpbcn)

The Brothers Faversham

Leonidas Faversham

The story of Victorian Britain's most reckless living explorer - Leonidas Faversham.

The comedy sketch trio present swashbuckling tales of four brothers born into the same privileged aristocratic family - Horatius, Theseus, Leonidas and Augustus.

Written by and starring Humphrey Ker, David Reed and Thom Tuck.

Alexandra Faversham ... Ingrid Oliver

Narrator... Miles Jupp.

Producer: Julia McKenzie

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

FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER 2012

FRI 00:00 Terry Pratchett (b00bdjq2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]

FRI 00:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00pgnql)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]

FRI 01:00 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00wnmbt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nj0km)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 01:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nj0kp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 1834 (b011db7v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 Just a Minute (b01nj0kw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Jill Paton Walsh - The Wyndham Case (b007jsrd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qbb8m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]

FRI 04:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k89mk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Thursday]

FRI 05:00 Mind Your Own Business! (b009pr6l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 Chambers (b007jpyg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b00kkdkp)

The Adventure of the Veiled Lodger

A long-buried secret induces pity and sorrow in the Great Detective.

Holmes and Watson learn the truth about the death of a lion tamer many years before, which left his wife horribly mutilated and hidden behind a veil. A tale of abuse and revenge fuelled by the ultimate betrayal of a lover and the physical and emotional scars it has left behind.

Taken from 'The Case-book of Sherlock Holmes' published in 1927 some years after Holmes' death at the hands of Moriarty, this a story from the latter period of Sherlock Holmes mysteries.

Read by James Nickerson.

Producer: Joanne Reardon

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2004.

FRI 06:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nj2x5)

Episode 5

The surprising truth about Schmied's murder is revealed. Bernard Hepton concludes Friedrich Dürrenmatt's novella.

FRI 06:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nj2x7)

Episode 20

In a thrilling climax, our heroes find themselves off the coast of France as Spider's plan plays out. Stars Douglas Kelly.

FRI 07:00 Up the Garden Path (b00803k9)

Series 2

Arrivals and Departures

Izzy has escaped from the clutches of the adulterous Michael and spent the past year on a teachers' exchange scheme in San Francisco, where she shared a flat with the adoring but unappealing Dick.

As they fly home, Izzy feels her life is more than usually up in the air.

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

An 8-part radio sequel adapted from Sue Limb's 1984 novel. The second of 3 series which ran from 1987 to 1993. Granada also adapted the series for ITV.

Izzy Imelda Staunton

Dick Mike Grady

Maria Marty Cruickshank

Michael Nicholas Le Prevost

Louise Phyllida Nash

Aunt Vinny Rosemary Martin

Charles David Robb

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1988.

FRI 07:30 Meet David Sedaris (b01ng26n)

Series 3

Put a Lid on It

The multi-award winning American essayist brings more of his wit and charm to BBC Radio 4 with a series of audience readings. This week we encounter his sister, Tiffany, in a story called "Put a Lid On It" and hear some more extracts from his diaries.

Producer: Steve Doherty

A Boom Pictures Cymru production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 08:00 The Navy Lark (b014tpqj)

Series 7

Let Loose with a Chopper

Ordered on to a Nato exercise, the crew of HMS Troutbridge find themselves up in the air.

Stars Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Stephen Murray as the Number One, Richard Cildicot as Captain Povey, Heather Chasen as Heather, Ronnie Barker as Lieutenant Parfitt, Michael Bates as Lieutenant Dingle and Tenniel Evans as the Admiral. 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 August 1965.

FRI 08:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jrdl)

Series 3

Complain About the Burkiss Way

Desert Island Wobbles and a somewhat startling history of a history of things through the ages, through the ages...

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

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Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to

1980.

Scripted by David Renwick and Andrew Marshall.

Producer: John Lloyd

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1978.

FRI 09:00 Bristow (b00cbcpj)

Series 1

Fair Shares

Takeover tangles as Bristow learns that Chester Perry is making a takeover bid for the firm across the street.

He thinks that if he surreptitiously invests in rivals Miles and Rudge, he can make a mint...

Michael Williams stars as Bristow, the Chester-Perry buying clerk. He is but a small cog in a gigantic wheel... and he knows it.

Adapted from by Frank Dickens from his famous newspaper cartoon strip. Syndicated internationally, it ran for 51 years from 1961.

Bristow Michael Williams

Jones Rodney Bewes

Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan

Hewitt Owen Brenman

Fudge Jon Glover

Miss Sunman Katy Odey

Prunella Peach Carol Starks

Fred Stokes David Battley

Post Boy Simon Schatzberger

Music: John Whitehall

Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.

FRI 09:30 Snap (b00tvql2)

Series 2

Episode 4

A problem aired is a problem shared, but will Ryan find a way to deal with being bullied on his own?

And Molly doesn't care who Doug goes out with now they're divorced, but she'd still like to know all the details...

Paul Mendelson's sitcom stars Rebecca Lacey as Molly, Paul Venables as Doug, Soumaya Keynes as Kaz, Jessie Sullivan as Ryan, Marlene Sidaway as Annie, Samantha Spiro as Dawn and Jonathan Tafler as Raymond.

Producer: David Ian Neville

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2004.

FRI 10:00 Roger Hume - The Campden Wonder (b00mrhdm)

The true account of the mysterious disappearance of William Harrison, a rent collector in the service of the Campden family in Chipping Campden in 1660.

Stars Peter Jeffrey as Sir Thomas Overbury, Richard Derrington as John Perry, Nigel Anthony as Dr Shirley, David Holt as Sly/Edward Harrison and Kim Durham as Richard/Nathan.

Written by Richard Derrington and Roger Hume.

Directed at BBC Pebble Mill by Sue Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994

FRI 11:00 Anton Chekhov (b00qbb8r)

Stories by Anton Chekhov

Bad Weather

Or to put it another way, what has the husband been up to in Moscow? Alistair McGowan reads Constance Garnett's translation. From January 1998.

FRI 11:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k8t2y)

Series 2

The Admirer

Precious makes an unhappy discovery and Mma Makutsi finds a fan at the Kalahari typing school for men. Stars Claire Benedict.

FRI 12:00 The Navy Lark (b014tpqj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jrdl)

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FRI 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b00kkdkp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Inspector Barlach - The Judge and his Hangman (b01nj2x5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 13:45 Dick Barton Special Agent - The Paris Adventure (b01nj2x7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

FRI 14:00 Winifred Holtby - South Riding (b007jngw)

Episode 5

Headmistress Sarah Burton sparks upset when she takes her girls on an educational walk in the snow. Stars Sarah Lancashire.

FRI 14:15 Shakespeare's Restless World (b01gvwxx)

The Flag That Failed

Neil MacGregor, former Director of the British Museum, continues his object-based history. Taking artefacts from William Shakespeare's time, he explores how Elizabethan and Jacobean playgoers made sense of the unstable and rapidly changing world in which they lived.

With old certainties shifting around them, in a time of political and religious unrest and economic expansion, Neil asks what the plays would have meant to the public when they were first performed. He uses carefully selected objects to explore the great issues of the day that preoccupied the public and helped shape the works, and he considers what they can reveal about the concerns and beliefs of Shakespearean England.

Programme 15. THE FLAG THAT FAILED - The problems in uniting Scotland and England and in creating a Great Britain are

encapsulated in a set of designs for a common flag.

This programme was originally broadcast in 2012.

Producer: Paul Kobrak.

FRI 14:30 Rukhsana Ahmad - Freedom's Daughter (b007jybp)

Episode 5

Nehru is released from jail, while Indira Gandhi's political views are developing. Read by Nina Wadia. and Paul Bhattacharjee.

FRI 14:45 Alan Bennett - The Clothes They Stood Up In (b00ptl4r)

Episode 7

Mrs Ransome meets a young man who solves the burglary mystery. The author concludes his own specially commissioned story.

FRI 15:00 Roger Hume - The Campden Wonder (b00mrhdm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01nj866)

Were the Romans the first to watch people being murdered for fun? Mel finds out thanks to the final episode of Terry Deary's Horrible History of the Rotten Romans.

FRI 17:00 Old Dog and Partridge (b007w3j9)

Episode 4

A ladykiller woos Mrs Drummond and Nicola is determined to find the right present for her dad Jack's birthday.

Joe Turner's six-part sitcom stars Michael Williams as Jack, Lisa Coleman as Nicola, Cherry Morris as Mrs Drummond, Simon Greenall as Andy and Finetime Fontayne as Arthur.

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

FRI 17:30 Up the Garden Path (b00803k9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:00 Philip K Dick - Of Withered Apples (b007jplz)

As a beautiful woman picks its last withered apple, a dying ancient tree is determined to survive. Read by William Hootkins.

FRI 18:30 Ben Moor - Undone (b00pkvk9)

Series 3

Unending

The Notting Hill Carnival sees the potential end of the worlds and new weirdness. Ben Moor's comic sci-fi saga with Alex Tregear.

FRI 19:00 The Navy Lark (b014tpqj)

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FRI 21:15 The No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency (b00k8t2y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

FRI 22:00 Meet David Sedaris (b01ng26n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 Meanwhile with the Bearded Ladies (b007ybgrr)

Episode 1

4 Extra Debut. Four female friends cope with life, work and men (or lack of them). Introduced by Ronnie Corbett. From September 2007.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01nwbpm)

From 10pm until midnight, Sunday to Friday, the Comedy Club offers two hours of comedy. Arthur Smith chats to Jason Cook.

FRI 23:00 The Party Party (b007wwh3)

Episode 5

The town of Microcosm is set for revenge, greed and attempted murder. Stars Hugh Laurie and Clive Mantle. From June 1987.

FRI 23:30 Genius (b00b9nzd)

Series 1

John Fortune

A fake brake pedal for nervous passengers to using laughing gas for riots?

Dave Gorman asks John Fortune to select the public's best loopy idea.

Award-winning comedian Dave Gorman and a celebrity guest chew over the ridiculous, unworkable but sometimes genius inventions, schemes and policies of the public.

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2005.