SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2013

SAT 00:00 Bram Stoker - Midnight Tales (b01g9873)

The Squav

An arrogant American earns himself a truly horrific retribution. The final tale from the Dracula author, read by Dyfed Thomas. SAT 00:15 Eoin Colfer - And Another Thing... (b012yym0) Episode 5

An immortal challenge must be faced - will Zaphod Beeblebrox get to see Thor? Sequel to Douglas Adams' Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series, with Stephen Mangan.

SAT 00:30 Weird Tales (b00vknmp)

Series 2

Connected

WEIRD TALES: Connected

By Melissa Murray

Hoarder of horror Lovecraft returns for a new series to share more of his chilling tales.

When her brother-in-law is killed in a car crash, Steph is overcome with sadness. One day, feeling maudlin, she rings his mobile number. She just wants to hear his voice really. The next day he rings her back...

Steph Fiona Glascott Ray Joseph Kloska

Jamie Piers Wehner

Lovecraft Stephen Hogan

Mother Kate Layden

Jan / Flight Attendant Melissa Advani

Passenger Ewan Hooper Shop Assistant Rhys Jennings

Passerby John Biggins
Passerby 2 / Estate Agent Tessa Nicholson

Directed by Mary Peate

Introduced by the mysterious H.P. Lovecraft, Weird Tales is a series of three chilling and intimate plays for the late night slot on Radio 4.

Drawing the audience into a claustrophobic and disturbing world, the plays set out to explore the characters' deepest fears and torments. The series will concentrate on the psychological element of the horror genre stirring the imagination of the listener.

One hundred years ago, H.P. Lovecraft created The Necronomicon, a grimoire of lost souls, magical rites and forbidden lore. Locked away, he is after new stories, new blood, to add to his collection. From ghosts to demons, the plays draw the audience into a claustrophobic and disturbing world, exploring the audience's deepest fears and neuroses.

SAT 01:00 Wimsey (b00s7tql)

Five Red Herrings

7 Council of War

As the investigation into the mysterious death of Scottish artist Sandy Campbell continues, Lord Peter Wimsey listens to all the various theories and pronounces that they are all wrong. Ian Carmichael stars as Lord Peter Wimsey – the aristocratic

amateur sleuth created by Dorothy L Sayers. Dramatised by Chris Miller.

Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael

Sgt Dalziel John Graham

Sir Maxwell Jameson Garard Green Insp MacPherson Don McKillopp

PC Ross Gordon Kane

PC Duncan David Strong Campbell/Dr Cameron Trevor Martin

The Procurator Fiscal John Dunbar

Producer: Simon Brett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1978.

SAT 01:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075z3b)

The Beekeeper's Apprentice

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The Great Detective, Sherlock Holmes comes out of retirement, takes on a young apprentice and tackles a spy - in this witty and humorous homage to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

Starring James Fox as Holmes, Shaun Prendergast as Watson, Monica Dolan as Mary Russell and Sian Thomas as Donleavy. Written by Laurie King. Dramatised for radio by Shaun Prendergast.

Directed in Manchester by Melanie Harris First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

SAT 02:00 Bristow (b007v1dg)

Series 3

The Good, the Bad and the Temporary

There's a new girl in town, and Bristow knows his office isn't big enough for the two of them.

Michael Williams stars as Bristow

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

Bristow Michael Williams

Jones Rodney Bewes

Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan Perkins Leslie Phillips Hewitt Owen Brenman

Miss Sunman Katy Odey

Fudge Jon Glover

Postboy Simon Schatzberger Stokes David Battley

Sylvana Jackie Neglia Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

SAT 02:30 Act Your Age (b00qcj8m)

Series 2 Episode 3

Simon Mayo hosts the comedy show that pits the comic generations against each other to find out which is the funniest. Team captains Jon Richardson, Ed Byrne and Johnnie Casson are joined by Jared Christmas, Mark Watson and Eddie Large. Producers: Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010. SAT 03:00 Henry James - The Turn of the Screw

(b0170cmv)

Are two children under an evil influence, or is it in the imagination of their governess? Stars Cathy Sara and Joseph Tremain.

SAT 04:00 Book at Bedtime (b00j7v9h)

It's Beginning To Hurt

The Half-Sister

Series of five enigmatic and psychologically gripping short stories by James Lasdun.

Martin once aspired to be a professional guitarist but has now reconciled himself to the realities of his daily life as a guitar teacher to the children of the wealthy. But one of his clients has a hidden agenda. Read by Ben Meyjes.

SAT 04:15 Philip Palmer - The King's Coiner (b00767dn)

By the 1690s, Isaac Newton - already the world's greatest mathematician - was hungry for a new challenge and became Warden of the Royal Mint.

His pursuit of London's most notorious counterfeiter, William Chaloner, confirmed him as a man prepared to go to any lengths to solve a problem...

Ian McDiarmid stars as Isaac Newton.

Written by Philip Palmer.

With Katy Cavanagh as Catherine Barton, Barnaby Kay as

William Chaloner, Peter Marinker as Mr Secretary Vernon, Freddie Annobil-Dodoo as Tom Holloway, Colin Adrian as Thomas Carter and Jeremy Swift as Lord Halifax

Director: Toby Swift First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

SAT 05:00 For Better or for Worse (b00h4lng)

Episode 6

Iris dreams of hearing Pavarotti in concert, so Bernard tries to get tickets. Stars Gorden Kaye and Su Pollard. From March

SAT 05:30 The National Theatre of Brent's Iconic Icons (b00lsxh0)

Bob Dylan

The multi award winning National Theatre of Brent Artistic Director Desmond Olivier Dingle and the entire acting company (Raymond Box) return, celebrating the living artists deemed by Desmond to be Iconic Icons.

The first iconic icon is the legendary singer, songwriter and artist Bob Dylan, Desmond and Raymond will trace his path from his humble beginnings as Robert Zimmerman in Hibbin, Minnesota, through journeying to bohemian New York, finding his inner voice and becoming the icon that is Bob Dylan. Written by Patrick Barlow, with additional material by John Ramm, and performed by Patrick and John in front of an

audience at the Bush Hall in London.

Desmond Olivier Dingle Patrick Barlow

Raymond Box John Ramm

Producer: Liz Anstee A CPL Production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 06:00 Alan Bennett - A Visit From Miss Prothero (b01s0d5l)

4 Extra Debut. Mr Dodsworth is happy in quiet retirement until Miss Prothero pays him a visit. Alan Bennett play starring Patricia Routledge and Hugh Lloyd.

SAT 06:30 Dave Sheasby - Donkeys Led By Lions

Teacher Arthur Willis battles his conscience over fighting in the Great War, with devastating consequences, Stars Ian Dunn, SAT 07:30 Fabulous Flops (b0131ylr)

More Fabulous Flops

Episode 1

Was Bat Boy fang-tastic? Paul Roseby searches New York and London for musical failures. With Elaine Stritch and Sandi Toksvig.

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b010m3qg) Series 6

Episode 22

From Atlanta, the American funny man welcomes bluegrass band Steep Canyon Rangers and blues singer EG Kight. From

SAT 09:00 I Did It My Way (b00cfmpg)

Galton and Simpson

The creators of Hancock's Half Hour and Steptoe and Son comedy writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson chat to Peter Reed about their radio life and times

102 episodes of their classic sitcom Hancock's Half Hour were recorded for BBC Radio between 1954 and 1959.

58 episodes of Steptoe and Son were recorded for BBC TV with 51 re-recorded for BBC Radio.

The duo's choice from the archive features:

* HANCOCK'S HALF HOUR - The Threatening Letters: The lad is full of the joys of Spring - until the postman arrives. Starring Tony Hancock, Sid James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams.

From May 1958

* THE GALTON AND SIMPSON PLAYHOUSE - Clicquot et

Monsieur Clicquot plans to improve his ailing funeral parlour. Starring Richard Griffiths and Josie Lawrence

From December 1998 * FRANKIE HOWERD & JUNE WHITFIELD - 'Up Je T'aime'

The duo's 1971 parody of Jane Birkin and Serge Gainsbourg's song originally banned by the BBC

* STEPTOE AND SON AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE 1963 recording from The Royal Variety Performance

* STEPTOE AND SON - Porn Yesterday:

Harold Steptoe is aghast when he sees for himself 'What the Butler Saw'.

Adapted from the TV script. Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.

From March 1976.

* HANCOCK: The Radio Ham: the Pye re-recording: The originally BBC TV-only episode performed by The Lad Himself before an audience for an album release in 1961. Amateur radio enthusiast Tony Hancock receives a mayday call

from a yachtsman in distress. Presenter: Peter Reed

Producer: Mik Wilkojc Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in July 2008. SAT 12:00 An Everyday Story of Afghan Folk - Omnibus

Series 2 Omnibus

Stories from the troubled Pakistan-Afghan mountains, Drones fly overhead, while below family life unfolds. With Meera Syal. SAT 13:15 Baldi (b0080483)

Series 1

Devil Take the Hindmost

Crime-solving priest Paolo Baldi investigates the death of a student on campus, following the trail to an arrogant clique that dabbled in the occult. Is there a rational explanation, or was the Devil really involved?

Starring David Threlfall as Paolo Baldi. Tina Kellegher as Tina Mahon, TP McKenna as Father Troy, Gerard McSorley as Doctor Graham, Owen Roe as Superintendent Rynne and Margaret D'Arcy as Mrs Reid.

Murder mystery written by Annie Caulfield.

Format by Barry Devlin. Developed and produced by BBC Northern Ireland.

Directed in Belfast by Lawrence Jackson. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000. SAT 14:00 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show

(b01rsgrq)

Series 2

Enisode 2 Eric and Ern get the bird from Percy Edwards, and Nelson gets

a phone call from Lady Hamilton. Written by Eddie Braben.

With Salena Jones and Percy Edwards.

Music from Peter Knight and his Orchestra. Producer: John Browell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1976. SAT 14:30 The Goon Show (b007jq35)

Vintage Goons

The Siege of Fort Night Seagoon sets off to ask Henry Crun to invent a waterproof gas stove. Starring Spike Milligan. Re-recording from March 1958. SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b010m3qg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Alan Bennett - A Visit From Miss Prothero (b01s0d5l) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 16:30 Dave Sheasby - Donkeys Led By Lions

(b00vv71t) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

SAT 17:30 Believe It! (b01hjtm8)

Series 1 Rivals

Believe it! Celebrity autobiographies are everywhere. Richard Wilson has

always said he'd never write one Based on glimmers of truth, Believe It is the hilarious, bizarre, revealing (and, most importantly, untrue) celebrity radiography

of Richard Wilson. He narrates the series, weaving in and out of dramatised scene from his fictional life-story. He plays a heavily exaggerated version of himself: a Scots actor and national treasure,

unmarried, private, passionate about politics, theatre and Manchester United (all true), who's a confidant of the powerful and has survived childhood poverty, a drunken father, years of fruitless grind, too much success, monstrosity, addiction, charity work, secret work for governments and fierce rivalry with Sean Connery (not true).

All the melodramatic staples of celebrity-autobiography are wonderfully undercut by Richard's deadpan delivery. (The title - in case you hadn't spotted - is an unashamed

reference to his famous catchphrase.)

Richard is supported by a small core cast: David Tennant John Sessions

Lewis Macleod Arabella Weir and Jane Slavin

who play anyone and everyone!

Ghost written by Jon Canter

Produced by: Clive Brill

A Pacificus Production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 18:00 Edgar Allen Poe - The Gold Bug (b01s0d5q)

The famous tale of piracy and slavery by American master of suspense, Edgar Allen Poe. Stars Clarke Peters and Rhashan Stone. From December 2001.

SAT 19:00 I Did It My Way (b00cfmpg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Rhod Gilbert's Bulging Barrel of Laughs (b00trxr0)

Welsh comic Rhod Gilbert introduces regulars Lloyd Langford and Greg Davies, plus Sarah Millican who takes a weekly look at The Six Stages of Woman

With live music from Kid British, including Lost in London, Winner and Two Out of Seven

Guest comedian is Edinburgh Comedy Award winner Mark Watson.

Join Rhod for his Rant on irritating products, delve into Rhod's Confessions where Lloyd Langford impresses the girls with his French - and see if Greg Davies can tempt you with his Indecent Proposal.

Producers: Julia Mckenzie and Lianne Coop. First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 2010

SAT 23:00 Colvil and Soames (b007 itbm)

Bad Apples

Episode 5

While Colvil and Soames are searching the flat of murder victim Norman Tate, who should walk through the door but ... Norman Tate

Christopher Lee's murder-mystery starring Christopher Benjamin and Amanda Redman as intelligence officers Henry Colvil and Alex Soames.

Henry Colvil Christopher Benjamin

Alex Soames Amanda Redman

DCI Guscott Dudley Sutton

Miranda Peel Sheila Reid

Tom Margeson Tom Cotcher

Charlie Lofthouse Alistair McGowan

Maggie Lindley Alphonsia Emmanuel Norman Tate Brian Bowles

DS Gwen Jenkins Sue Jones Davies

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1998.

SAT 23:30 Craig Russell - Lennox (b011tsgd)

Episode 4

Meeting hitman Mr Morrison moves the private eye a step closer to discovering who is behind Tam's murder. Read by Grant O'Rourke

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SUN 01:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b010m3qg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 An Everyday Story of Afghan Folk - Omnibus (b01s0d5n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 03:15 Baldi (b0080483)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Alan Bennett - A Visit From Miss Prothero (b01s0d5l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 04:30 Dave Sheasby - Donkeys Led By Lions

(b00vy71t) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Believe It! (b01hjtm8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Meera Sval - Anita and Me Omnibus (b007 ivtv)

Meera Syal reads her own novel about 12-year-old Meena

growing up in a Black Country village in the 1970s.

SUN 07:15 Adventures in Science (b00fg4tr)

Series 2

Supermassive Black Holes

Once the stuff of sci-fi, Ben Silburn explores the centre of the galaxy and the most spectacular objects in the universe. SUN 07:30 Chain Reaction (b0092j13)

Richard Wilson Interviews Arabella Weir

TV's famous grumpy ensioner passes the baton to the Fast Show gal in the relay chat show.

Chain Reaction is the tag talk show with a twist where the guest becomes the interviewer in the next show.

Based on the original 1991 BBC Radio 5 programme of the same name, Chain Reaction is a simple idea of big name stars from the world of entertainment interviewing others whose work they appreciate and admire.

Recorded with an audience, the interviews focus on the life, career and the passions of the interviewee but often prove to be as revealing about the interviewer.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008

SUN 08:00 Doctor at Large (b00bfpnv)

Marriage and Surgery
Simon Sparrow must sit his surgeon's exam and get married to

Wendy all in one morning

The misadventures of newly qualified doctor, Simon Sparrow adapted for radio by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's

'Doctor at Large' published in 1955. Starring Richard Briers as Simon Sparrow, Geoffrey Sumner as Sir Lancelot Spratt, Ray Cooney as Tony Benskin, Edward Cast as Taffy Evans, Ronald Adam as Lord Crutchley, Erik Chitty as Sir Mortimer Huxted, Madi Hedd as Mother and Sam Kydd as Harry Hawkins the Taxi Driver.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1969.

SUN 08:30 The Men from the Ministry (b0102v9g)

The Bigger the Better A peculiar potion grows on the bumbling bureaucrats.

A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.

Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler. With Norma Ronald, Clive Dunn and Gordon Clyde

Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.

'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from

1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in August 1970.

SUN 09:00 Rosemary Sutcliff - Brother Dusty Feet (b01cvb29)

Episode 3

by Rosemary Sutcliff, dramatised by Shaun McKenna

The players get lost in the mists of Kent and find themselves in a very strange household indeed.

Hugh is now acting regularly and one of the Dusty Feet. But would he give it all up, if he had a chance of his old dream? Hugh Josef Lindsay

Narrator Adjoa Andoh

Tobias Pennyfeather Allan Corduner Jonathan Whiteleaf Peter Hamilton Dyer

Shepherd/Master Heritage Gerard McDermott

Nicky Bodkin/Martin Gwilym Lee

Janet/Aunt Alison/Ann Jane Whittenshaw Thomas Trumpington/Benjamin Bunsell Carl Prekopp

Producer/Director Marion Nancarrow SUN 09:30 Louisa May Alcott - Little Women (b007jqq0)

Fun Forever and No Grubbage!

Jealous Amy skates on thin ice, and Meg glimpses high society. Stars Buffy Davis, Jemma Redgrave and Gayle Hunnicutt.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01s0d8y) Footballers

Tony Adams

4 Extra Debut. From Arsenal's 1971 squad to Monty Python, footballer Tony Adams shares his castaway choices with Kirsty Young. From June 2010.

SUN 10:45 Five Stories by James Ellis (b00lg8gr) The Miller's Tale

A priest goes to desperate lengths to entice his erring flock back to the fold. A French story adapted to an Irish setting. From Inly 2007

SUN 11:00 That Reminds Me (b007jmv2)

Nicholas Parsons

TV and radio host Nicholas Parsons reminisces as he entertains an audience.

Featuring tales of his career up to the start of chairing Radio 4's 'Just a Minute' and as quizmaster for Anglia TV's 'Sale of the Century'.

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1999. SUN 11:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007w2my)

Series 1

Alhambra

Peek behind the facade of the Odeon Cinema in London's Leicester Square as Geoffrey Wheeler seeks out traces of the variety theatre which once stood in its place - the Alhambra. From the earliest days of the 20th century until its closure in the 1930s, the Alhambra was one of the capital's premier Variety venues. But it fell foul of the rising popularity of cinema and radio and was forced to close.

Geoffrey rediscovers the Alhambra's fine legacy. With Roy Hudd.

Series visiting variety theatres around the United Kingdom.

Producer: Libby Cros First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2002.

SUN 12:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me Omnibus (b007jvtv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] SUN 13:15 Adventures in Science (b00fg4tr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today] SUN 13:30 Alan Ayckbourn - The Revengers' Comedies (b007 iz46)

Episode 1

12.30am. A bridge. A man and a woman both want to end it all. Lia Williams, Jon Strickland and Barbara Flynn in Alan Ayckbourn's dark comedy of passion and payback. From Jan

SUN 15:00 Doctor at Large (b00bfpny)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 15:30 The Men from the Ministry (b0102v9g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 16:00 Mel's Mix: The Best of The 4 O'Clock Show (b01s0d90)

Mel Giedroyc with the best of this week's 4 O'Clock Show. SUN 17:00 Rosemary Sutcliff - Brother Dusty Feet (b01cvb29)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Louisa May Alcott - Little Women (b007jqq0) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SUN 18:00 The Scarifyers (b01s0dfq)

The Horror of Loch Ness

Episode 2

Professor Dunning's attempts to find the missing speed ace

unleash terrible dangers. Stars David Warner.

SUN 18:30 Arthur Conan Doyle - Professor Challenger (b00zs6nn)

The Disintegration Machine

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's indomitable academic must investigate dastardly Latvian scientist Theodore Nemor. Stars Bill Paterson.

SUN 19:00 That Reminds Me (b007jmv2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:30 The Palace of Laughter (b007w2my)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:30 today]

SUN 20:00 Doctor at Large (b00bfpnv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] SUN 20:30 The Men from the Ministry (b0102v9g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01s0d8v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] SUN 21:45 Five Stories by James Ellis (b00lg8gr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today] SUN 22:00 Chain Reaction (b0092i13)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Meet David Sedaris (b012lpvz)

Series 2

The Ship Shape and Make That a Double

The multi-award winning American essayist brings his wit and charm to BBC Radio 4, concluding his second series of audience readings. This week some serious thought is put into buying a holiday home in 'The Ship Shape' and the complexities of gender assignment when learning French in 'Make That a Double'.

Producer: Steve Doherty A Boomerang production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01sbcgy)

For two hours, six nights a week, the Comedy Club offers the best laughs around. Plus Arthur Smith talks to Barry Cryer about Linda Smith.

SUN 23:00 The Maltby Collection (b00crj7j)

Series 1

Episode 4 Museum director Walter Brindle has some important news, freeing up time for the pursuit of romance between almost

every member of the lusty staff. Geoffrey Palmer and Julian Rhind-Tutt star in David Nobbs'

sitcom about a small museum of paintings and sculpture

Rod Millet Julian Rhind-Tutt Walter Brindle Geoffrey Palmer

Prunella Edgecumbe Rachel Atkins

Julian Crumb-Loosely Ben Willbond

Des Wainwright Michael Smiley Eva Tattle Julia Deakin

Wilf Arbuthnot Geoff McGivern Stelios Constantinopolis Chris Pavlo

Andrea Marshall Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007. SUN 23:30 The Nick Revell Show (b00d7n9s)

Series 2 All's Well That Ends Well... Well, Well, Well Writer Nick is leading a charmed life, which naturally leaves

him feeling anxious. A sitcom for the 1990s, written by and starring comedian Nick

Revell.

With: Alistair McGowan

Doon MacKichan Brian Bowles

Alison Sterling John Guerrasio

Producer: Ioan Magnusson First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1993.

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MON 00:00 The Scarifvers (b01s0dfg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday] MON 00:30 Arthur Conan Doyle - Professor Challenger (b00zs6nn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b01s0d8y) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

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MON 02:00 That Reminds Me (b007 imv2)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Sunday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Louisa May Alcott - Little Women (b007jqq0) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Wimsey (b00s8fxv)

Five Red Herrings

Reconstruction

Lord Peter Wimsey and his cohorts battle to solve the mysterious death of Scottish artist Sandy Campbell - as they piece together his final hours.

Ian Carmichael stars as Lord Peter Wimsey - the aristocratic amateur sleuth created by Dorothy L Sayers.

Dramatised by Chris Miller.

Lord Peter Wimsey Ian Carmichael Sgt Dalziel John Graham

Sir Maxwell Jameson Garard Green Insp MacPherson Don McKillopp

The Procurator Fiscal John Dunbar

Ferguson Iain Blair

Saunders Alaric Cotter

Miss Madden Nicolette McKenzie

Producer: Simon Brett

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1978.

MON 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075z6v)

The Beekeeper's Apprentice

The Affair of the Senator's Daughter

A more dangerous case for the Baker Street sleuth and his new apprentice requires deep disguise to rescue a kidnapped child. Starring James Fox as Holmes, Monica Dolan as Mary Russell and Sian Thomas as Donleavy.

Laurie King's witty and humorous homage to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle - dramatised for radio by Shaun Prendergast.

Directed in Manchester by Melanie Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

MON 07:00 Married (b00c0c35)

Series 1

Episode 1

Confirmed bachelor Robin Lightfoot wakes up one morning and discovers to his horror that he's married with two children. Is it a nightmare, a practical joke or something much more sinister?

Hugh Bonneville stars in the first of three comedy series by Tony Bagley.

Robin Hugh Bonneville

... Josie Lawrence Lesley ...

Julia Barbara Murray

Dirk Steve Frost

Penny Melanie Hudson Ned Sam Bradley

Maxine Ann Gosling

... Anthony Ofoegbu Policeman ...

Producer Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.

MON 07:30 The Unbelievable Truth (b01rvnxc)

Episode 2

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.

Rhod Gilbert, Richard Osman, Lucy Beaumont and John Finnemore are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as moles, cabbages, trains and

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

Producer: Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 08:00 Round the Horne (b00jnnpm)

Episode 3

Master Spy Kenneth Horne is on the trail of an escaped war criminal in Tel Aviv, and whips his shirt off for Julian and Sandy to get a Bona Tattoo.

With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill

Recorded at the BBC's Paris Studio in Lower Regent Street, London. Announcer: Douglas Smith

Round The Horne was born out of the demise of BBC radio comedy Beyond Our Ken, after the end of writer Eric Merriman's involvement. Using the same cast and producer, Barry Took and Marty Feldman were persuaded to write the scripts - which led to four series that ran between 1965 and 1968 - packed full of parodies, recurring characters, catchphrases and double-entendres.

Music by Edwin Braden and the Hornblowers and The Fraser Haves Four.

Producer: John Simmonds

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1966. MON 08:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01s254c)

Series 2

Episode 3

Cinema shenanigans for the much-loved duo and the heroic

deeds of Private Morecambe Written by Eddie Braben

With Richard Mathews, Ann Hamilton and Michael Kilgarriff. Special singing guest: Clodagh Rodgers

Music from Peter Knight and his Orchestra

Producer: John Browell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 1976. MON 09:00 Isy Suttie's Love Letters (b01s259m)

Series 1

Bob and Marie

Isy Suttie (Dobby from Channel 4's Peep Show and double British Comedy Award nominee) returns to BBC Radio 4 with these unique tales, recounting a series of love stories affecting people she's known throughout her life, told partly through

Sometimes Isy has merely observed other people's love lives; quite often she's intervened, changing the action dramatically for better or worse. Intertwined within these stories are related real life anecdotes from Isy's own, often disastrous, love life. In this fourth and final episode, Isy returns to Matlock to take driving lessons from instructor Bob, who she learns has a crush on another pupil, the mysterious Marie. While Isy tries to master an impeccable 3 point turn, she attempts to unite Bob with the girl of his dreams and discovers some important lessons in love of her own.

With her multi-character and vocal skills, plus her guitar, Isy creates a hilarious and deeply moving world, sharing with us her lessons in life and love.

'A voice you want to swim in" The Independent Produced by Lianne Coop.

MON 09:30 A Look Back at the Future (b01s259p) 2025

Foreseeing ego transplants and the USA invading Narnia. Recorded in June 1994, Brian Perkins, Kate Robbins, Nigel Planer and Ken Livingstone recall 2025 - a year that was yet to

Everything you wanted to know then, about the 21st century Written by Mark Burton, John O'Farrell and Pete Sinclair. Producer: Caroline Leddy

First broadcast (with the aid of a crystal ball) on Radio 4 in August 1994.

MON 10:00 Classic Serial (b00qm62k)

Plantagenet: Series 1

What Is a Man?

Series of plays by Mike Walker, inspired by Holinshed's Chronicles, about the early years of the Plantagenet dynasty The first of the House of Anjou to be king of England, Henry II's long reign was finally beset by conflict with his sons.

King Henry II David Warner Queen Eleanor Jane Lapotaire

Prince Richard Joseph Cohen-Cole Prince Hal Piers Wehner

Prince Geoffrey Rhys Jennings

William Marshall Stephen Hogan

Bertran de Bourne Bruce Alexander

King Louis Philip Fox Courtier John Biggins

Directed by Jeremy Mortimer

MON 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0170czj)

The Gifts of War

Two worlds collide over a mother's birthday present for her son. Written in 1970 and read by Julia Ford and Kirsty Oswald.

MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b01s02z4) Julian Clary, Krister Henriksson, David Quantick, Sophie

Kinsella, Night Beds, Treeton Flyers There's Scandimania in the studio this week as Clive's joined by

Wallander himself, Swedish actor Krister Henriksson. Krister's currently making his West end debut in 'Doktor Glas'

Performed in Swedish with English subtitles and is at Wyndham's Theatre, London until Saturday 11th May Clive's got a ticket to ride with journalist and writer David Quantick, who's written comedy drama 'Playhouse Presents:

Snodgrass' for Sky Arts 1. Based on the novella by Ian R MacLeod, a 50 year old John Lennon sits in a dingy kitchen. smoking a roll up, unemployed and on his uppers. This is the John Lennon who walked out on the Beatles in 1962, before the hits and before they changed music for eyer. It's on Thursday

25th April at 21.00 on Sky Arts 1. Nikki Bedi's having a sleepover with chicklit author Sophie Kinsella, Having penned the 'Confessions Of A Shopaholic' series of novels, Sophie's also written 'Sleeping Arrangements under her real name, Madeleine Wickham. It's been adapted for the stage as a musical and is the story of two families, one holiday villa - but who's sleeping with whom? It's at London's

Landor Theatre until Sunday 12th May. Clive has a Sticky Moment with self-proclaimed 'Lord of Mince' and national treasure Julian Clary. Wedding bells are ringing for Julian, whose show flirts in the face of conformity and sees him welcome a selection of eligible bachelors to the stage to win his hand in marriage. 'Position Vacant: Apply Within' is touring until Sunday 2nd June.

Music is from London based Treetop Flyers, who perform 'Things Will Change' from their album 'The Mountain Moves'. And from Nashville-based singer-songwriter Winston Yellen, the brainchild of Night Beds, who performs '22' from his album 'Country Sleep'.

Producer: Sukey Firth.

MON 12:00 Round the Horne (b00 innpm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 Wimsey (b00s8fxv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] MON 13:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075z6v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b007jy5m) Episode 6

Meena visits a fortune teller who foretells things about her relationship with Anita.

Actress and comedy writer Meera Syal contirues her first novel - abridged in ten parts by Doreen Estall.

12 year old Meena Kumar is an Asian girl living a fairly uneventful life in the Black Country village of Tollington near Wolverhampton in the 1970s - surrounded by her loving, if slightly eccentric, Punjabi family

Producer: Di Speirs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.

MON 14:15 Britain on the Bottle: Alcohol and the State (b00t1qn4)

Temperance and the 1872 Licensing Act

We join presenter Mark Whitaker in the ideal industrial community of Saltaire, near Bradford. Developed between 1850 and 1870, it was planned as an environment in which workers would be diligent, healthy and happy - because they would have no access to alcohol.

At the heart of the village was the Saltaire Club and Institute that was set up 'to supply the advantages of a public-house, but without the evils.' Temperance developed from the 1830s as a movement of the skilled working classes, and in 1853 became organised as a formidable political pressure group - the UK Alliance. It argued for teetotalism, and for the right of ratepayers to ban the liquor trade in their own town. It had formidable parliamentary support. But it was hated by writers such as Charles Dickens, who ridiculed the idea that prohibition would create a more sober nation. The Times dismissed teetotallers as "intolerant brooding theorists" The issue came to a head in 1871-2. There was a General Election and Gladstone's Liberals were trying to pass a new Licensing Bill. The campaign was marred by violent confrontations between those who wanted more or less freedom to drink. Gladstone himself hoped to create a more continental drinking culture and reduced the duty on French wine. But he couldn't win. When he lost the next Election in 1874 he complained that he'd been 'borne down in a torrent of gin and beer.'

Actors read from temperance literature, from Dickens and from

newspaper reports. Producer: Mark Whitaker

A Square Dog production for BBC Radio 4. MON 14:30 Joanna Trollope - Next of Kin (b007jv9y)

Episode 1

A farming community must cope with the death of wife and mother Caro Meredith, Robin Ellis reads Joanna Trollope'

story MON 14:45 Jane Robinson - Bluestockings (b012xs28)

Episode 1 The sacrifices made for a university education by the pioneering young women at Cambridge in 1869. Read by

Miriam Margolyes. MON 15:00 Classic Serial (b00qm62k) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01s2515)

Afternoon chat with Mel Giedrovo MON 17:00 Flying the Flag (b007jy0c)

Series 1 Weather Problems

In which a promising retirement is threatened by a freak hailstorm - and Ambassador Mackenzie discovers something worse than a frank exchange of views in an atmosphere of

Alex Shearer's Eastern bloc embassy sitcom.

Starring Dinsdale Landen as HM Ambassador Mackenzie, Peter Acre as William Frost, Moir Leslie as Helen Waterson, Michael Bilton as Yakov Korovin, Jonathan Kidd as Mikael Korovin and

Christopher Benjamin as Colonel Surikov. Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1987.

MON 17:30 Married (b00c0c35)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today] MON 18:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b00zzwfq)

The Nine Billion Names of God

The Nine Billion Names of God A Tibetan monastery's new computer sparks fears that the world will end. Arthur C Clarke's short story read by John

Shrapnel. MON 18:15 Eoin Colfer - And Another Thing... (b0132ll5) Episode 6

How did Hillman Hunter acquire Nano? Sequel to Douglas Adams' Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series, with Stephen

Mangan MON 18:30 Weird Tales (b00vknrg)

Series 2

Split the Atom

Hoarder of horror Lovecraft returns to share three more chilling

By Lynn Ferguson, Frank Ivory is full of anger; burning,

simmering, steaming anger. On his way home one night, after making his colleagues lives a misery, he meets Gwen, who is determined to tell him the story of the Morrigan, the Celtic goddess in charge of who should live and who should die. FrankDerek Riddell

...Rachel Ogilvy

Lovecraft Stephen Hogan Louise Emma Stansfield

. Rhys Jennings

Barbara/Delivery Woman Tessa Nicholson

... Ewan Hooper George .

William Perkins/Homeless Guy Piers Wehner

Directed by Luke Fresle.

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MON 20:00 Wimsey (b00s8fxv) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 20:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075z6v)

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MON 21:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0170czj) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 21:15 Loose Ends (b01s02z4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

MON 22:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b01rvnxc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Isy Suttie's Love Letters (b01s259m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (b01s2601)

Series 7

Episode 2

An extended version of the News Quiz, featuring jokes that you won't have heard already, some clips from the archives and exclusive behind-the-scenes material.

MON 23:45 Armando Iannucci - Facts and Fancies (b007 irlb)

A Life at the Opera

Tackling operas and some thoughts on ears

Producer, writer and performer Armando Iannucci presents his

own collection of humorous essays.

Compiled by Jenny Baynes.

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.

TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2013

TUE 00:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b00zzwfa)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Monday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Monday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Monday]

TUE 01:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075z6v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Monday]

TUE 02:00 Isy Suttie's Love Letters (b01s259m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Monday] TUE 02:30 A Look Back at the Future (b01s259p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Monday]

TUE 03:00 Classic Serial (b00qm62k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0170czj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Monday]

TUE 04:15 Loose Ends (b01s02z4) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Monday]

TUE 05:00 Flying the Flag (b007jy0c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Monday]

TUE 05:30 Married (b00c0c35)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008ycyr) 1. Murder

A murder in an East Anglian village reveals hidden passions

beneath the calm surface

crime novel of PD James.

Robin Ellis stars as detective Adam Dalgliesh in the debut

Co-starring Sian Phillips and Hugh Grant. Cover Her Face was first published in 1962, where the author

created her famous poetry-writing detective who went on to feature in many more of her stories.

Dramatised in four-parts by Neville Teller.

Inspector Adam Dalgliesh Robin Ellis

Mrs Maxie Sian Phillips Felix Hearne Hugh Grant

Deborah Beatie Edney

Stephen Maxie David Thorpe

Catherine Bowers Oona Beeson

Miss Liddell Kate Binchy

Dr Epps Philip Anthony

Martha Jill Graham

Sally Jupp Melanie Hudson Mrs Webster Linda Polan

Producer: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1993.

TUE 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075zbj)

The Beekeeper's Apprentice

The Segregation of the Queen
Miss Donleavy is ill and somebody is trying to kill both Holmes and Mary

The question is: which of the Baker Street sleuth's enemies would hate him enough to not only try and kill him, but his friends as well?

Starring James Fox as Holmes, Shaun Prendergast as Watson and Monica Dolan as Mary Russell.

Laurie King's witty and humorous homage to Sir Arthur Conan

Doyle - dramatised by Shaun Prendergast. Directed in Manchester by Melanie Harris.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

TUE 07:00 On Baby Street (b00sf1tt)

Series 3

Mother Nature pays another visit, and discovers spring has arrived and love is in the air. Stars Jenny Eclair. From July

TUE 07:30 Thom Tuck Goes Straight to DVD (b01rvppv) The Olsens

In his debut solo Radio 4 show, comedian Thom Tuck recounted heart-rending tales of loves lost while drawing comparisons with 54 Straight-to-DVD Disney movies he'd watched, so we don't ever have to.

Thom now turns his attention to other genres of Straight-to-DVD movies - seeking out further underrated gems and drawing parallels with captivating personal tales from his own life experience, backed by cinematic music, so we can rest easy. In this third episode, Thom looks at the Straight-to-DVD offerings from "The Olsen Twins", self made millionaires from their empire of teenage market films. Thom looks at the journey of their success, and draws parallels with the wise (and not so wise) choices he's made in his life.

...a seductive experience" The Guardian

Produced by Lianne Coop.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jr24)

Series 10

Tales of Men's Shirts

It is 1942, and Neddie Seagoon must stop the Germans' secret weapon. Stars Spike Milligan and Peter Sellers. From

December 1959. TUE 08:30 The Ken Dodd Show (b007jx22)

The King of Knotty Ash aims his tickling stick at holidays and DIY.

This show is from the 'Star Parade' series - one-off shows featuring the biggest stars of TV and radio at the time With Judith Chalmers, Cardew Robinson and Harold Berens. Music from The Springfields.

Script co-written with Eddie Braben

Producer: Eric Miller.

First heard on the BBC Light Programme in July 1963.

TUE 09:00 The News Ouiz Extra (b01s2601) [Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Armando Iannucci - Facts and Fancies (b007jrlb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 10:00 Classic Serial (b00qs5kh) Plantagenet: Series 1

Lionheart Series of plays by Mike Walker, inspired by Holinshed's

Chronicles, charting the early years of the Plantagenet dynasty. Prince Richard has become heir apparent, but in the face of Henry II's refusal to acknowledge his position, he turns to the Crusades

Oueen Eleanor Jane Lapotaire

Richard Ed Stoppard

King Henry II David Warner William Marshall Stephen Hogan

King Philip John Biggins Saladin Raad Rawi

El-adel Khalid Laith

Baldwin Ewan Hooper Prince John Neil Stuke

Hugh Philip Fox

Robert of Champagne ... Rhys Jennings

Conrad Piers Wehner

With Bruce Alexander and Joseph Cohen-Cole Directed by Jeremy Mortimer

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

A Success Story A night out leaves a playwright contemplating relationships and

success. Written in 1972 and read by Tracy Wiles. TUE 11:15 Drama (b00k3xld)

Mark Burgess - A King's Speech

By Mark Burgess

The action of A King's Speech takes place on Coronation Day. 12th May 1937, and deals with King George VI's preparations for his evening BBC Radio broadcast to the Nation terrifying prospect for perhaps the most notable Briton to have suffered from a stammer.

The Coronation Ceremony in Westminster Abbey completed, the new King must face a further challenge - the dreaded royal broadcast, to be delivered under the watchful gaze of the BBC's first Director General, Sir John Reith himself. As the tension mounts, speech therapist, Lionel Logue (played by Trevor Littledale) must work hard to calm the King's nerves and to prepare him for his ordeal at the microphone. No easy task. As the King says himself, exploding in fury:

"Dammit!! I can't say 'crowned', can't say 'King'! What use is that? The whole speech is a minefield of 'Commonwealths', 'Queens' and 'Kings'! Five hundred and seventy-two words in total, and most of them impossible for me to say!"

The central scenes of the play feature Logue and his pupil Comfortable in each other's company, they discuss the speech the King must make in a few hours' time. Logue's working methods are revealed: the tongue-twisters, breathing exercises Shakespearean quotations - all designed to relax the speaker. The King's dependence on, and great friendship with Logue becomes apparent. Their conversation is wide-ranging, dealing with, among other things, the Abdication Crisis; George VI's childhood - when being both left-handed and a stammerer was

relationship with his father, King George V This is Mark Burgess's sixth play for BBC Radio 4, all of which have dealt with prominent people at pivotal moments in their

frowned on; the King's envy of his elder brother; and his uneasy

Producer/Director: David Blount

A Pier production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007jr24)

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TUE 13:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008ycyr) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075zbj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today] TUE 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b007jv6w)

Episode 7 Meena is called on to help with baby Sunil and sets about healing the rift with Anita. Meera Sval reads her own novel. TUE 14:15 Britain on the Bottle: Alcohol and the State

(b00t1qpx)

Political Thinkers and the Drink Ouestion Mark Whitaker shows how the 'Drink Question' was of central importance for both of England's most original and influential political thinkers of the 19th century - John Stuart Mill and TH

Green. For both of them it raised the question of how far the state could be justified in interfering in the lives of individuals. The debate had started in the letters page of the Times in 1856, in a high-level exchange between the Tory MP Lord Stanley and Samuel Pope, Secretary of the temperance movement the UK Alliance. The latter argued that his rights as a citizen were "invaded" by the behaviour of heavy drinkers; the former that no Englishman would agree to be "coerced for his own benefit" Mill picked up the topic in his essay On Liberty, published in 1859. Mill was mid-Victorian England's most influential public intellectual, and his books were best-sellers even though his ideas were radical. He insisted that "drunkenness is not a fit subject for legislative purposes", and feared that the weight of

public opinion would crush individualism TH Green was an academic philosopher at Oxford, and was deeply involved in the temperance movement during the 1870s. He believed that individual freedom lay in pursuing the common good and that mass drunkenness made this impossible in England. He thought that "moderate drinkers" had to sacrifice their pleasure for the sake of society as a whole

Actors read extracts from their work. Producer: Mark Whitaker

A Square Dog production for BBC Radio 4. TUE 14:30 Joanna Trollope - Next of Kin (b007qwj5)

Episode 2 How did American Caro Bliss come to settle in a close farming

community in England? Read by Robin Ellis TUE 14:45 Jane Robinson - Bluestockings (b012zsbz)

Episode 2 Starting to make a mark, the inevitable backlash against the first women university students begins. Read by Miriam Margolyes.

TUE 15:00 Classic Serial (b00qs5kh) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01s2bjt) Afternoon chat with Mel Giedroyc $\it TUE~17:00$ The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket

(b01s2bjw) The Dummy Run

The dear ladies decide to enter a shop window-dressing competition. Stars Dr Evadne Hinge and Dame Hilda Bracket. From December 1984.

TUE 17:30 On Baby Street (b00sf1tt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 18:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b010721b) The Nine Billion Names of God

A priest's faith is severely tested during an expedition on a burnt planet. John Shrapnel reads Arthur C Clarke's short story. TUE 18:15 Eoin Colfer - And Another Thing... (b0132plq)

Episode 7 The Tyromancers of Nano plan an attack, Will Thor become the planetoid's god? Sequel to Douglas Adams' Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series, with Stephen Mangan.

TUE 18:30 Weird Tales (b00wr8s9)

Series 2

The House on Pale Avenue

Hoarder of horror Lovecraft returns to share three more chilling

By Richard Vincent. Scratching in the walls, under the floorboards, in the pipes: their new home is trying to tell the

Williams family something and they won't be given a moment's peace until its secret is out in the open. Geoff Williams Jamie Glover Jane Williams Julia Ford Sarah Williams Agnes Dromgoole Martin Crabtree John Biggins DCI Cram Piers Wehner

Psychiatrist Melissa Advani Lovecraft Stephen Hogan Directed by Gemma Jenkins.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Giles Wemmbley Hogg Goes Off (b007jrq6) Series 1

Cycling solo on a tandem, the inept student is Russia-bound, fundraising for donkeys. Stars Marcus Brigstocke. From August

TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01sbch2)

For two hours, six nights a week, the Comedy Club offers the best laughs around. Plus more from Arthur Smith's chat with Barry Cryer

TUE 23:00 Hut 33 (b00m0ld0)

Series 1

Oh Brother, Where Art Thou?

The Bletchley Park codebreakers grapple with the complexities of religion.

CAST:

Charles Robert Bathurst

Archie Tom Goodman-Hill

Minka Olivia Colman Gordon Fergus Craig

Mrs Best Lill Roughley

Joshua Alex MacQueen.

Written by James Carey.

Producer: Adam Bromley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

TUE 23:30 Brian Appleton's History of Rock 'n' Roll (b00fw3yp)

My Turn to Be Poorly

The Brummie musicologist reveals the impact of so many rock legends dying at the age of 27. Stars Graham Fellows. From October 2001.

TUE 23:45 No Tomatoes (b0081snn)

Doctor Doom

A moody fridge speaks out to Paul Copley and Helen Moon. Sketch show mixing up language and sounds. From October

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2. Investigation Inspector Adam Dalgliesh arrives on the scene to investigate the

murder of Sally Jupp in a peaceful Essex village. Robin Ellis stars as Dalgliesh with Sian Phillips and Hugh

PD James's debut crime novel about her gentleman detective. Inspector Adam Dalgliesh Robin Ellis

Mrs Maxie Sian Phillips

Felix Hugh Grant

Deborah Beatie Edney

.... Oona Beeson Catherine Miss Liddell Kate Binchy Stephen David Thorpe

. Philip Anthony Dr Epps ..

Martha ... Jill Graham Thornton/Hicks John Church

Sgt Martin Steve Hodson
Inspector Manning John Fleming
Police Doctor John Baddeley

Dramatised by Neville Teller.

Producer: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1993.

WED 06:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075zg4)

The Beekeeper's Apprentice

A Battle Royal

In the aftermath of another bomb - with their lives in grave

danger - Holmes and Mary formulate a tactical plan to catch the killer. But can they outwit the devious mind behind the bombs? Starring James Fox as Holmes, Shaun Prendergast as Watson,

Monica Dolan as Mary Russell and Sian Thomas as Donleavy. Laurie King's witty and humorous homage to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle - dramatised by Shaun Prendergast.

Directed in Manchester by Melanie Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000. WED 07:00 Two Doors Down (b0076h2y)

Series 3

Give the Dog a Bone

Miss Black's new lodger is a successful actor, but he's not who she was hoping for...

Annie McCartnev's comedy drama about the bohemian residents of Marlborough Road, Belfast, who are saved from their own chaos by Sally, their cleaning lady.

Sally Frances Tomelty

Edith Roma Tomelty

Gervase James Greene

Victor Alan McKee

Clare Marcella Riordan Evie Katy Gleadhill

Anna Hannah R Gordon

Trevor Gerard McSorley

Simon Lloyd Houston

Lavla Eadaoin Hegarty

Ben Conor Hinds OA Eddie McIlwaine As Himself

Director: Tanva Nash

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.

WED 07:30 Alun Cochrane's Fun House (b01rvpvf)

The Bathroom

Comedian Alun Cochrane has a 25 year mortgage which he can only pay off by being funny. In this series he takes us on a room by room, stand up tour of his house.

He has a fridge that beeps at him when he doesn't move quickly enough and a fire alarm he can't reach. His relationship with his house is a complicated one.

A hoarder of funny and original observations on everyday life, Alun invites us to help him de-clutter his mind and tidy his ideas into one of those bags that you hoover all the air out of and keep under your bed. This show will help Alun and his house work through their relationship issues and prevent a separation that Alun can ill afford; at least not until the market picks up anyway.

Starring ... Alun Cochrane and Gavin Osborn

Written by ... Alun Cochrane and Andy Wolton

Produced by ... Carl Cooper.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k15z)

Series 2

The Holiday Camp

Sid hires the lad to run his new venture, but then he discovers a surprise next door.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Bill Kerr, Sidney James. Andree Melly, Kenneth Williams

and Denis Wilson.

Announcer: Kenneth Williams

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson. Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott.

Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1955. WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00ckcmh) Series 5

Episode 10

Censorship, a ghost story - and a depraved dentist.

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

Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, David Hatch, Bill Oddie and Jean Hart.

Written by David Hatch, Bill Oddie, Derek Farmer and Tim Brooke-Taylor.

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, Leon Cohen and Bill Oddie Producer: Humphrey Barclay
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1967.

WED 09:00 After Henry (b007qgnr)

Series 4

Relative Movement

"If you've decided you're going to settle permanently in Australia.... well, it could make sense for me to rent the place

With daughter Clare off on her travels, Sarah is plotting...

Simon Brett's comedy about three generations of women struggling to cope after the death of Sarah's GP husband - who

never quite manage to see eye to eye. Sarah Prunella Scales

Eleanor Joan Sanderson

Russell Benjamin Whitrow Clare Gerry Cowpe

Lady Newby Fabia Drake

Four radio series were made, but instead of moving to BBC TV - Thames Television produced 'After Henry' for the ITV network.

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1989.

WED 09:30 It's Your Round (b00yz3t4) Series 1

Angus Deayton hosts the comedy panel show with no format. Arthur Smith, Lucy Montgomery, Tom Wrigglesworth and Will Smith battle it out to see who can beat each other at their own

Find out the hilarity that ensues when each of them play the games they've brought along. What will Arthur make of Tom's "Re-wound, Sped Up Played Backwards"? How will Twitter-fan Will Smith get on with Lucy's "Twitter-witter-witter-who" game? And how much would it take for Tom Wrigglesworth to change his name to Adolf Hitler when he plays Arthur Smith's

round? Angus Deayton valiantly tries to make sure everyone comes out

of it with their reputations intact Writers: Angus Deavton, Ged Parsons and Paul Powell

Devised by Benjamin Partridge

Producer: Sam Michell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.

WED 10:00 Classic Serial (b00qzd3b) Plantagenet: Series 1

John, By the Grace of God

Series of plays by Mike Walker, inspired by Holinshed's Chronicles, chronicling the early years of the Plantagenet

The fourth son of Henry II never expected to succeed to the

English throne. When he does, he reveals a talent for making enemies Queen Eleanor Jane Lapotaire

King Richard Ed Stoppard King John Neil Stuke

William Marshall Stephen Hogan Prince Arthur Ryan Watson

Oueen Isabelle Emerald O'Hanrahan King Philip John Biggins

Saladin Raad Rawi El-Adel Khalid Laith Doctor/Langton Ewan Hooper

Girard Joseph Cohen-Cole

De Roche Bruce Alexander Fitzwalter Piers Wehner

Will Marshall Rhys Jennings

Prince Henry Bertie Gilbert Directed by Jeremy Mortimer.

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

A Voyage to Cythera A chance encounter on a train leads a lonely woman to a romantic fantasy. Written in 1967 and read by Lucy Akhurst.

WED 11:15 John Mortimer - Mr Luby's Fear of Heaven (b007jwfc) Lewis Luby - lecturer and authority on the poet, Lord Byron - is at one moment enjoying British Council sherry on the balcony of an Italian palazzo and the next moment he's somewhere

entirely different... John Mortimer's play for radio stars John Gielgud as Lewis Luby, Peter Woodthorpe as Tommy Fletcher, Leslie Heritage as the English Guide, Hana-Maria Pravda as Sophie Luby, Robert Rietty as Dr Benjamini, Madi Hedd as Miss Waterlow, Deborah Paige as Jennifer, Gigi Gatti as the Nun, Norma Ronald as English Mother, Michael Shannon as English Father, Gilles

Dattas as French Guide, Michael Wolf as German Guide,

Yasuko Nagazumi as Japanese Guide and Leonardo Pierroni as Italian Guide

Episode 8

Producer: John Tydeman

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today] WED 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b00fy2qp)

With Meena and Anita back on track, the girls begin to tackle the tricky subject of sex. Meera Sval reads her own novel. WED 14:15 Britain on the Bottle: Alcohol and the State (b00t3t9d)

Habitual Drunkards and the Asylum

Mark Whitaker focuses on a new sort of panic that swept the nation at the very end of the 19th century - a panic about the number of 'habitual drunkards' in the country and the impact they were having.

This was the time of pioneering social research by the likes of

Booth and Rowntree, and also of a new belief in the ability of government to intervene to change social conditions. Allied to this was a growing medical confidence that addiction to alcohol was a disease that could be isolated and treated - and a new term was invented, 'inebriety'.

Public and political opinion on the matter was hugely influenced by the publication by the Daily Telegraph in 1891 of a long series of letters giving first-hand accounts of alcohol addiction. They were revelatory, and the paper called them a "sad mirror of the National Sin". There was particular concern over the extent of female drunkenness, and this fed into fears about a deterioration of the 'national stock'.

A leading medical figure argued that "the wide-spread prevalence of alcoholism among women, especially during the reproductive period of life, is one of the important factors making for racial decay"

Such fears came to a head when many young men proved insufficiently healthy to fight in the Boer War. In 1898 Parliament passed an Inebriates Act that required local authorities to set up special 'reformatories' as an alternative to prison for those arrested time after time for being drunk and disorderly. Courts could sentence people to them for up to three years. The shift was from condemnation to cure: but the reformatories couldn't survive after the outbreak if war in 1914. Producer: Mark Whitaker

A Square Dog production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 14:30 Joanna Trollope - Next of Kin (b007qx32)

Grieving for her mother Caro, daughter Judy Meredith prepares to visit her father. Read by Robin Ellis.

WED 14:45 Jane Robinson - Bluestockings (b012ylgf) Episode 3

Undergraduette glamour and bluestocking fashion. Miriam Margolyes continues the story of the first female university

WED 15:00 Classic Serial (b00gzd3b) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01s2fwj) Afternoon chat with Mel Giedrovo

WED 17:00 Stilgoe's Around (b007k3r0)

Guy's Hospital, London

Richard Stilgoe and company are admitted to Guy's Hospital in London for sound tests.

Visiting time is 'now', so, pull up a chair, don't eat all the grapes but put on the headphones and hear the result

With Emma Thompson and The Cambridge Buskers

Producer: Mike Craig First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1984

WED 17:30 Two Doors Down (b0076h2y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b010ggsf)

The Nine Billion Names of God

Death and the Senator If a medical space station can cure cardiac conditions, who gets

treatment? John Shrapnel reads Arthur C Clarke's short story. WED 18:15 Eoin Colfer - And Another Thing... (b0132vvd) Episode 8 It's the big fight - Thor v Wowbagger. Sequel to Douglas

Adams' Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series, with Stephen

WED 18:30 A Short History of Vampires (b00yhwyc) Dracula's Guest by Bram Stoker

The ultimate killing machines.

Natalie Havnes introduces a four-part series of dark stories, as she examines why the vampire - an iconic figure in horrorfiction - continues to exert such a powerful hold on our

imaginations... Dan Stevens reads Bram Stoker's tale: Count Dracula looks out for a curious Englishman.

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in February 2011.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

WED 22:00 Alun Cochrane's Fun House (b01rvpvf) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 The Mark Steel Solution (b007jmtg) Series 1

Anyone Born in England Should Be Deported

Radical proposals to improve our lives, with the comedian's emigration shake-up. From November 1992.

WED 23:00 We Are Klang: Amazing Lives (b007k3vt)

On its 25th anniversary, writers and performers reflect on

Gummy Monkey: The Musical. Stars Greg Davies. From April

WED 23:30 Knocker (b00890vp)

Privinvasionacy

Armed with a broken clipboard, puny incentives, inappropriate footwear and an unflagging commitment to the Market

Researcher's Code of Conduct, Ian Dunn seeks the precious opinions of a hostile public.

CAST:

Ian Dunn Neil Edmond

Mary/Mrs Rapidis Paula Wilcox Mrs Worth Julia Deakin

Ms Shape Tina Gray Mr Bluff Simone Treves

Written by Neil Edmond

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 7 in 2007.

WED 23:45 Peter Bradshaw - For One Horrible Moment (b0082khk)

Episode 1

Peter Bradshaw's hilariously disturbing personal account of one boy's transition into adulthood in 1970s Cambridgeshire at the hands of an eccentric father.

In this opening episode, our young hero's chance playground encounter opens the long-concealed door into a dark erotic iourney of the soul.

Read by the author.

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

THURSDAY 25 APRIL 2013

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THU 00:30 A Short History of Vampires (b00vhwyc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008ypyg) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Sherlock Holmes (b0075zg4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 After Henry (b007ggnr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday] THU 02:30 It's Your Round (b00yz3t4)

[Reneat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Classic Serial (b00qzd3b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175 i83) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:15 John Mortimer - Mr Luby's Fear of Heaven

(b007 iwfc)

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THU 05:00 Stilgoe's Around (b007k3r0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Wednesday] THU 05:30 Two Doors Down (b0076h2y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008yszy)

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

Robin Ellis stars as Dalgliesh with Sian Phillips and Hugh

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

Inspector Adam Dalgliesh Robin Ellis Mrs Maxie Sian Phillips

Felix Hearne Hugh Grant Deborah Riscoe Beatie Edney Stephen Maxie David Thorpe

Catherine Bowers Oona Beeson

Derek Pullen David Holt Mrs Proctor Jillie Meers

Johnny Wilcox/Lilly Burwood Susan Sheridan

Sgt Martin Steve Hodson Mr Wilson John Fleming Sir Reynold Price Jonathan Adams

Miss Malpass Linda Polan

The Rev Hinks John Church James Ritchie James Telfer

Dramatised by Neville Teller.

Producer: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1993.

THU 06:30 Detective (b01s2kd7)

1. The Trap

A suspect in an armed London hold-up asks to see Detective Sergeant Brook - whose new assistant, Jack Tully, arrives and is plunged straight into the sharp end of police work.

Starring Ray Brooks and Stephen Garlick.

More tough stories of crime and detection in London written by Robert Barr

Detective Sergeant Brook Ray Brooks

Detective Constable Tully Stephen Garlick

Thomas Brady Stephen Grief Detective Sergeant Harrison Peter Cleall Chief Inspector Roach Stephen Yardley

.. Michael Ripper

Chris Thompson Peter Acre

Bill Michael Jenner

DC Tim O'Brien/Prison Warder Anthony Jackson

Kathy/Hotel Receptionist Eileen Tully Robert Barr also wrote TV scripts for the BBC's Z Cars and Softly Softly. He was also a prize-winning TV producer.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast weekly on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984. THU 07:00 Do Nothing 'Til You Hear From Me (b0076hbd)

The Folks Who Live on the Hill

Vi is sick, and Roy is no help. Then unexpected guests arrive for Victor's birthday party. Stars Ram Jam Holder. From October 2003.

THU 07:30 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b01rw3ym)

Canterbury

Comedian and activist Mark Thomas creates a People's Manifesto from the policies of his Gulbenkian Theatre audience in Canterbury.

1) Farmers to stop spraypainting sheep

2) Abandon the recycling of plastic bottles

Researcher: Susan McNicholas

Producer: Colin Anderson.

Hidden Treasure

Pike and Hodges call in a clairvoyant to help them locate the rumoured booty hidden somewhere on the pier in Frambourne-

A seaside saga of pier perpetuation starring John Le Mesurier,

Miss Perkins Vivienne Martin

Madame Zara Betty Marsden

THU 08:30 Take It From Here (b0180fds)

From 21/02/1956

Can Ron pull off his starring stage role in 'The Glums'? - and

the adventure of the Scarlet Pimple!

Classic comedy scripted by Frank Muir and Denis Norden.

THU 09:00 The Newly Discovered Casebook of Sherlock Holmes (b00brb8n)

The Demon Cobbler of Greek Street

The spoof sleuth probes a shoe clue connection in two mystery murders. Stars Roy Hudd and June Whitfield. From February

Series 5

September 2004. THU 10:00 RL Stevenson - Kidnapped (b01c7rym) The House of Shaws

David sets off to Edinburgh. Robert Louis Stevenson's historical adventure stars David Rintoul.

Kenneth reaches a new understanding on his honeymoon in

fireman, Harry Dean when the boiler of their Great Western

as a tribute to all railwaymen. Narrated by Martin Jarvis and Joanna Myers. With Ann Windsor as Ada Peart, Nicholas Murchie as Edmund

Director: Martin Jenkins

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today] THU 12:30 Take It From Here (b0180fds)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] THU 13:30 Detective (b01s2kd7)

THU 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b00fwq9n) Episode 9

Tough times for Meena, with a stay in hospital and major changes in her circle of friends. Meera Syal reads her own novel.

Agenda:

3) Land Value Tax to replace all other taxation.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

THU 08:00 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jqc5)

Ian Lavender and Bill Pertwee.

Arthur Wilson John Le Mesurier Frank Pike Ian Lavender Bert Hodges Bill Pertwee

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

Producer: Martin Fisher First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1984.

Starring Professor Jimmy Edwards, Dick Bentley, June Whitfield, Alma Cogan and Wallace Eton.

Music from The Keynotes and the BBC Revue Orchestra with Harry Rabinowitz.

Announcer. David Dunhill Producer: Charles Maxwell First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1956.

THU 09:30 The 99p Challenge (b01s2v0x)

Episode 6 Crazy panel show capers with Sue Perkins, Rob Rouse, Nick Frost, Armando Iannucci and Peter Serafinowicz, From

Scotland is in turmoil after the Jacobite rebellion, as young

THU 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0175mgk)

foreign parts. Written in 1966 and read by Carl Prekopp. THU 11:15 Never Mind, I Stopped My Train (b01hbrw2) July 18th 1898: The heroism of driver, Walter Peart and

Railway steam engine horrifically exploded. Martin Sorrell recreates the background to this story which acts

Mears/William Jarrett and Jonathan Tafler as John Hodges.

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THU 14:15 Britain on the Bottle: Alcohol and the State (b00t3tb3)

The Central Control Board of 1915

"Drink is doing us more damage in the War than all the German submarines put together", insisted Lloyd George in February

Continuing his history series on how British governments have approached the 'Drink Question', Mark Whitaker looks at the years of the First World War, when everything was determined by the needs of 'national efficiency'.

After a few months of war it became clear that Britain needed to make more munitions - and fast. But output was slowed down by the workers' drinking habits. "We are fighting German, Austrians and Drink", said Lloyd George as he embarked on a plan for the government to buy up the country's whole liquor trade.

But the Cabinet balked at the price. Instead a Central Control Board (CCB) was set up in 1915 with the power to take over the trade in areas of particular sensitivity to the war effort. The largest of these was Gretna-Carlisle, where a new national munitions factory was built.

The number of licences was drastically reduced: the beer was weakened: the sale of spirits limited: and pubs encouraged to provide food as well as drink. Newspapers called it "the largest social experiment of our time". A Carlisle vicar called state control "the dawning of a new era". It worked too, Convictions for drunkenness in CCB-controlled areas declined dramatically, and many began to think that nationalisation might finally be the solution to the 'Drink Ouestion'.

Producer: Mark Whitaker

A Square Dog production for BBC Radio 4.

THU 14:30 Joanna Trollope - Next of Kin (b007qw7h) Episode 4

Lyndsay struggles with her husband's depression over the death of Caro Meredith. Read by Robin Ellis

THU 14:45 Jane Robinson - Bluestockings (b012yp7q) Episode 4

The suffragette movement makes its mark on academia Miriam Margolyes tells the story of the first female university

THU 15:00 RL Stevenson - Kidnapped (b01c7rym) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01s2x9j) Afternoon chat with Mel Giedrovo

THU 17:00 Ballylenon (b00gddtk)

Episode 4

After "overhearing" that Reverend Hawthorne is leaving Ballylenon for a larger congregation, telephone operator Vera McConkey loses no time in communicating the good news to the local newspaper, The Vindicator.

Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal, in 1954, before the days of mass tourism and proper plumbing in every home.

Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.

Starring TP McKenna as Phonsie Doherty, Margaret D'Arcy as Muriel McConkey, Stella McCusker as Vera McConkey, Aine McCartney as Vivienne Boal, John Hewitt as Guard Gallagher, Charlie Bonnar as Packy McGoldrick, Ciara McKeown as Josie Doherty and Gerard Murphy as Rev Samuel Hawthorne.

Music arranged and performed by Stephanie Hughes.

Director: Eoin O'Callaghan First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1995.

THU 17:30 Do Nothing 'Til You Hear From Me (b0076hbd) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 18:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b010m6lf)

The Nine Billion Names of God

Superiority In war, the more technologically advanced side can still be

defeated. John Shrapnel reads Arthur C Clarke's short story THU 18:15 Eoin Colfer - And Another Thing... (b0133hgn) Episode 9

Can Thor save planetoid Nano from the Vogons and their Quite Unwieldy Torpedo? Sequel to Douglas Adams' Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series, with Stephen Mangar

THU 18:30 A Short History of Vampires (b00yqqs8)

Hero Dust By Kristine Kathryn Rusch

The ultimate killing machines.

Natalie Haynes introduces another dark story, as she examines why the vampire - an iconic figure in horror-fiction - continues to exert such a powerful hold on our imaginations.

David Horovitch reads Kristine Kathryn Rusch's tale: Vampire slayer Bram is getting old and tired so starts the search for his successor.

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in February 2011.

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THU 22:00 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b01rw3vm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Old Harry's Game (b00hlcr4)

Series 7 Episode 1

Hell faces confusion when a dog turns up - as animals aren't evil, except dolphins.

Jean-Paul Sartre said "Hell is other people", but, as Satan will tell you, Hell is actually a fiery, unendingly cruel domain where Oliver Reed can never catch the barman's eye and Yves St Laurent is forced to wear a donkey jacket.

Hell is thrown into confusion when a dog turns up. Animals aren't meant to be in Satan's care because they aren't inherently evil - except for dolphins!

Stars Andy Hamilton as Satan, Annette Crosbie as Edith, Robert Duncan as Scumspawn and Jimmy Mulville as Thomas. Additional roles played by Michael Fenton Stevens and Philip Pope.

Written by Andy Hamilton.

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2009.

THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01sbch4) For two hours, six nights a week, the Comedy Club offers the best laughs around. Plus Isy Suttie is joined by Chris Neill.

THU 23:00 Deep Trouble (b00spp7t) Series 1

Episode 4

A stray astronaut and a rock band spark confusion on board submarine HMS Goliath. Stars Jim Field Smith. From November 2005.

THU 23:30 The Skivers (b007jpsp)

Leslie Phillips

Lecturer Leslie Phillips guest stars in Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh's skilful sketch show.

From the people who brought you 'And Now in Colour'. Written and performed by Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh. With Peter Bradshaw and Mel Giedroyc

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1994.

FRIDAY 26 APRIL 2013

FRI 00:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b010m6lf)

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FRI 05:00 Ballylenon (b00gddtk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 Do Nothing 'Til You Hear From Me (b0076hbd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday] FRI 06:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008vv5r)

4. The Gathering

Inspector Adam Dalgliesh summons the entire household to hear his conclusions about the killer of Sally Jupp.

Robin Ellis stars as Dalgliesh with Sian Phillips and Hugh

Grant The climax of PD James's debut crime novel about her

gentleman detective.

Inspector Adam Dalgliesh Robin Ellis

Mrs Maxie Sian Phillips Felix Hearne Hugh Grant Deborah Riscoe Beatie Edney Stephen Maxie David Thorpe

Catherine Bowers Oona Beeson Mrs Proctor Jillie Meers

Victor Proctor John Baddeley Sgt Martin Steve Hodson James Ritchie James Telfer Johnny Wilcox Susan Sheridan

Martha Jill Graham Sally Jupp Melanie Hudson Dramatised by Neville Teller. Producer: Matthew Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1993.

FRI 06:30 Detective (b01s316s)

Series 3

2. A Bit of a Grudge

Detectives Brook and Tully have unfinished business with a dangerous crook.

Can he be caught before he flees the country?

Starring Ray Brooks and Stephen Garlick.

More tough stories of crime and detection in London written by Robert Barr

Detective Sergeant Brook Ray Brooks

Detective Constable Tully Stephen Garlick Detective Sergeant Harrison Peter Cleall

Tommy Michael Ripper

Paul Caville Douglas Blackwell Billy Dale David Milner

Superintendent Arnold Diamond Detective Constable Mathieson Peter Acre

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast weekly on BBC Radio 2 in June 1984.

FRI 07:00 The National Theatre of Brent's Iconic Icons (b0132l7g)

The Dalai Lama, or How the West Was Won

The multi award winning National Theatre of Brent - Artistic Director Desmond Olivier Dingle and the entire acting company (Raymond Box) - returns triumphantly to Radio 4 in the last of an occasional series celebrating the rare but rarefied beings deemed in Desmond's expert view to be Iconic Icons

Previous celebratees include Bob Dylan and Tracey Emin. The final and climactic iconic icon is his holiness the Dalai Lama. Desmond and Raymond trace his journey from two year old yak boy to disaffected teenage Dalai to the mature Lama exiled from his country, separated from his people, but spiritually at one with himself and the world, and possessor of a

top twinkly smile. They also present Buddhism in a Nutshell. Written and performed by the National Theatre of Brent, who are Patrick Barlow and John Ramm, in front of an audience at the Bush Hall in London, this latest addition to the Brent canon will be as essential and massive a contribution to the current artistic and spiritual life of this country as the rest of their work

And, of course it will be very funny. Desmond Olivier Dingle Patrick Barlow

Raymond Box John Ramm

Director: Patrick Barlow

Producer: Liz Anstee

A CPL Production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 07:30 Believe It! (b01hxmw4)

Series 1 Boots

Celebrity autobiographies are everywhere. Richard Wilson has always said he'd never write one

Based on glimmers of truth, Believe It is the hilarious, bizarre, revealing (and, most importantly, untrue) celebrity radiography of Richard Wilson.

He parrates the series, weaving in and out of dramatised scene from his fictional life-story. He plays a heavily exaggerated version of himself: a Scots actor and national treasure, unmarried, private, passionate about politics, theatre and

Manchester United (all true), who's a confidant of the powerful and has survived childhood poverty, a drunken father, years of fruitless grind, too much success, monstrosity, addiction, charity work, secret work for governments and fierce rivalry

with Sean Connery (not true). All the melodramatic staples of celebrity-autobiography are wonderfully undercut by Richard's deadpan delivery.

(The title - in case you hadn't spotted - is an unashamed reference to his famous catchphrase.)

Richard is supported by a small core cast viz

David Tennant John Sessions

Lewis Macleod

Arabella Weir

and Jane Slavin who play anyone and everyone!

Ghost written by Jon Canter

Produced by Clive Brill A Pacificus Production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 08:00 The Navy Lark (b01s2xz4)

Series 8

Searching for Their Ship The crewmates return from leave, but there's no sign of HMS

Troutbridge. Stars Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Stephen Murray as the Number One, Richard Caldicot as Captain Povey, Heather Chasen as Heather

Ronnie Barker as AS Johnson, Tenniel Evans as the Admiral and Michael Bates as the Train Guard. 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 Incidental Music by Tommy Riley and James Moody.

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston. First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September

1966. FRI 08:30 J Kingston Platt (b01s2y7s)

Platt vs Rooney and Day

The long untold calamitous tale of a double act gone wrong on a visit to Australia.

The doyen of British showbiz, the insider's insider, J Kingston Platt, returns to the wireless with more startlingly persuasive recollections.

Written and read by Peter Jones.

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1993.

FRI 09:00 Bristow (b007vgv7)

Series 3

Chapter and Verse

As the Chester-Perry clerk writes for the house journal, he learns the meaning of poetic justice.

Michael Williams stars as Bristow.

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

Bristow Michael Williams Jones Rodney Bewes

Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan Hewitt Owen Brenman

Miss Sunman Katy Odey

Fudge Jon Glover

Postboy Simon Schatzberger Hickford Roger Lloyd Pack

Liftboy Ian Kelland Music: John Whitehall Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

FRI 09:30 Act Your Age (b00qhrxb)

Series 2 Episode 4

Simon Mayo hosts the comedy show that pits the comic generations against each other to find out which is the funniest Team captains Jon Richardson, Ed Byrne and Johnnie Casson are joined by Mike Wozniak, Robin Ince and Ted Robbins. Producers: Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010. FRI 10:00 RL Stevenson - Kidnapped (b01c7x03)

Murder in Appin

David Balfour is shipwrecked off Scotland's coast. Cast ashore, he heads to Appin and a fateful encounter. Robert Louis Stevenson's historical adventure stars Paul Young

FRI 11:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0176nbj)

Faithful Lovers

An idle decision to return to an old stomping ground, and its echoes of love, leads to an unexpected and unsettling encounter Faithful Lovers was written in 1968 and appears in A Day in the Life of a Smiling Woman: The Collected Stories by Margaret Drabble.

Read by Adjoa Andoh.

Abridged by Katrin Williams

Produced by Duncan Minshull.

FRI 11:15 Aelish Michael - Dreaming of Foxes (b01s2yc9)

Ted Hughes is reunited with a long-lost school friend nearly 50 years on. But what do they have in common? Stars Robert

FRI 12:00 The Navy Lark (b01s2xz4)

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FRI 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b007 jvvd)

Episode 10

On the eve of her 11-plus, the exam seems to be the least of Meena's worries. Meera Syal reads her own novel.

FRI 14:15 Britain on the Bottle: Alcohol and the State (b00t3tbw)

Improving the Pub

It seemed possible during the 1920s that the 'Drink Question' that had bedevilled British governments for so long might finally be about to be consigned to the past.

The fall in consumption - which had started during the First World War - continued throughout the decade, and political attention focused on why. This was when the Labour Party formed its first governments, and there were powerful socialist voices arguing for a full nationalisation of the drinks industry. This could be a route to weaning the working classes away from a product that was "a powerful weapon in the hands of the exploiters". George Bernard Shaw called liquor "a chloroform that allows the poor to endure the painful operation of living". But while governments chose to sit on the fence during the 1920s, the brewing industry got busy. Led by people like Ernest Nevile, the head of Whitbread's, they set about designing and building a new type of pub - one that would attract a new middle class clientele. "The presence in public houses of people who will not tolerate insobriety makes excess unfashionable". What were called 'improved pubs' - huge buildings with bars, restaurants, ball rooms, bowling greens and even tennis courts sprung up in the new suburbs. When Nevile said "if I can cure drunkenness in the country in my time, that will satisfy me" he was talking business, not morality.

The programme also looks at the first attempts at a sociology of the pub, and what people wanted from it.

Producer: Mark Whitaker

A Square Dog production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 14:30 Joanna Trollope - Next of Kin (b007qtm2) Episode 5

As they struggle with the death of Caro Meredith, further tragedy strikes in the farming community. Read by Robin Ellis. FRI 14:45 Jane Robinson - Bluestockings (b012vvlw)

Episode 5

The quest for women's higher education has finally succeeded, but what next for the Bluestockings? Read by Miriam Margolyes

FRI 15:00 RL Stevenson - Kidnapped (b01c7x03)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b01s2yh6)

Afternoon chat with Mel Giedroyc

FRI 17:00 For Better or for Worse (b00h9t2d)

Series 1

Episode 7

A day trip to France brings buried memories to the surface for Bernard. Stars Su Pollard and Gorden Kaye. From March 1993. FRI 17:30 The National Theatre of Brent's Iconic Icons (b0132l7g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:00 Arthur C Clarke Stories (b010tbkp)

The Nine Billion Names of God

The Sentinel

The story from which Arthur C Clarke developed the film '2001: A Space Odyssey' with Stanley Kubrick. Read by John Shrapnel.

FRI 18:15 Eoin Colfer - And Another Thing... (b0133m09)

Will the Vogons wipe out Nano? Is this The End, or just the end of a middle? Sequel to Douglas Adams' Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy series, with Stephen Mangan.

FRI 18:30 A Short History of Vampires (b00yy6vt)

Israbel By Tanith Lee

The ultimate killing machines.

Natalie Haynes introduces another dark story, as she examines why the vampire - an iconic figure in horror-fiction - continues to exert such a powerful hold on our imaginations.

Mark Bonnar and Claire Harry read Tanith Lee's tale: A beautiful vampire hires an artist to paint her portrait, but then he develops a dangerous obsession...

Producer: Gemma Jenkins

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in February 2011. FRI 19:00 The Navy Lark (b01s2xz4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 J Kingston Platt (b01s2v7s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Adam Dalgliesh - Cover Her Face (b008yv5r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Detective (b01s316s)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Five Stories by Margaret Drabble (b0176nbi)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 21:15 Aelish Michael - Dreaming of Foxes (b01s2yc9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

FRI 22:00 Believe It! (b01hxmw4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] FRI 22:30 Down the Line (b011tzmi)

Series 2

Global Warming

Gary Bellamy hosts the spoof phone-in discussing the environment and global warming. Stars Rhys Thomas and Simon Day. From February 2007.

FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b01sbch6)

For two hours, six nights a week, the Comedy Club offers the best laughs around. Plus Arthur Smith is joined by Austentations

FRI 23:00 The Machynlleth Comedy Festival (b01hbxsr)

Elis James hosts highlights of 2012's Machynlleth Comedy Festival in Wales, featuring James Acaster and Bridget Christie. FRI 23:30 Isy Suttie: Pearl and Dave (b0196rpc)

Isy Suttie ('Dobby' from Channel 4's 'Peep Show' & double British Comedy Award nominee.) recounts a moving love story involving a socially awkward childhood neighbour (her first pen pal) and a 'well-bred' girl from Surrey - the titular Pearl and Dave. She interweaves the narrative with her own tales of failed relationships, internet dating and eventual happiness, much of which is told through song. Adapted from her sell out Edinburgh 2011 Edinburgh show of the same name. From BBC Radio Comedy.

"I'm overjoyed to be doing my Edinburgh show on Radio 4. Having spent a month playing to audiences who'd been rained on all day, some of them dashing in late, I advise listeners to wrap up warm, eat a hearty meal and leave enough time for the journey from the sofa to the radio." Isy Suttie Nov 2011. The Producer is John Pocock.