

SATURDAY 10 AUGUST 2013

SAT 00:00 Daphne du Maurier - The Blue Lenses (b007k4rp)

Episode 2

Afer discovering she's able to see things that others can't, Marda West fears for her survival in this dangerous new world.

The conclusion of Daphne du Maurier's two-part fantasy thriller exploring the darker aspects of human nature.

Read by Emma Fielding.

Produced and abridged by Gemma Jenkins.

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.

SAT 00:30 The House on the Borderland by William Hope Hodgson (b007wxhs)

4. The Wound

Back from his voyage, the narrator sees a sinister green hand at his window...

First published in 1908, William Hope Hodgson's fantasy novella is now seen as a classic of early, Edwardian sci-fi.

Concluded by Jim Norton.

Abridged by Doreen Estall.

Producer: Lawrence Jackson

Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Northern Ireland.

First broadcast in September 2007.

SAT 01:00 Miss Marple (b007jpmx)

A Caribbean Mystery

Episode 5

After two murders and an attempted suicide, amateur sleuth

Miss Marple is battling to find a link.

The conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunit starring June

Whitfield as Miss Marple.

Miss Marple June Whitfield

Mr Rafiel George A. Cooper

Tim Kendall David Thorpe

Molly Kendall Alison Pettit

Esther Walters Yvonne Edgell

Evelyn Hillingdon Carolyn Jones

Edward Hillingdon Christopher Wright

Lucky Dyson Tracy-Ann Oberman

Jackson Andrew Wincott

Canon Prescott David King

Dr Graham John Rowe

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell

Director: Eynyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1997.

SAT 01:30 Ruth Rendell Stories (b00665bw)

Burning End

Fed up caring for her mother-in-law, Linda is worried when a

glass vase seems to have caused a fire. Read by Sue Johnston.

SAT 01:45 Dick Barton - Special Agent: The Cabatolin Diamonds (b037xng7)

Episode 20

As romance blossoms between two of Dick Barton's friends,

they finally confront their main target in Bristol.

The stirring 'Devil's Galop' heralds the arrival of Douglas Kelly

as 'Dick Barton - Special Agent' in another thrilling tale of

criminal masterminds, espionage and daring adventure.

Originally starring Noel Johnson, Duncan Carse and Gordon

Davies, Dick Barton ran on the BBC Light Programme between

1946 and 1951, but sadly, very few original recordings survive.

With the original lost, this is a very authentic sounding re-

recording of 'The Cabatolin Diamonds' using the original scripts

and music, which was made for international distribution.

Happily the audio was rediscovered in 2009, lurking in the

vaults of the National Film and Sound Archive in Canberra,

Australia.

Script by Geoffrey Webb.

Producer: Morris West

First broadcast in Australia in April 1949.

SAT 02:00 King Street Junior (b007jng3)

Series 10

The Rivals

In the red corner, Mr Sims and in the blue - Mr Long! Seconds

out as they compete for a job.

Created and written by Jim Eldridge, ten series of this comedy

about a junior school ran between 1985 and 1998. King Street

Junior Revisited ran from 2002 to 2005.

Written by Andy Rashleigh.

Stars Karl Howman as Mr Sims, James Grout as the

Headmaster, Marlene Sidaway as Miss Lewis, Margaret John as

Mrs Stone, Paul Copley as Mr Long, Deirdre Costello as Mrs

Patterson, Vivienne Martin as Mrs Rudd, Tom Watson as Mr

Holliday, Janine Wood as Kathy Jackson and Fiona Taylor as

Miranda.

Producer: John Fawcett Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1998.

SAT 02:30 Electric Ink (b0116gvm)

Series 1

Episode 1

Maddox is an old school journalist struggling to keep up with

new technology.

He feels the art of finding stories is being forgotten and he is

not about to let that happen.

Old hacks meet new media in Alistair Beaton's satire set in the

changing world of the newspaper industry.

Maddox Robert Lindsay

Oliver Alex Jennings

Amelia Elizabeth Berrington

Tasneem Zita Sattar

Masha Debbie Chazen

Freddy Ben Willbond

Announcer Matt Addis

With additional material by Tom Mitchelson.

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2009.

SAT 03:00 Don Haworth - Challenged (b0075s00)

Set in a remote part of the Pennines, a widowed mother and her

son battle to come to terms with the passage of time when hired

worker, Tom arrives.

Son Harry, who has learning difficulties, is described by his

school as 'challenged'.

With Tom's encouragement he finds new confidence, but this

creates fresh conflict for the trio.

Atmospheric drama by Don Haworth.

Anne Brigit Forsyth

Tom Paul Copley

Harry Matthew Booth

Producer: Pauline Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2000.

SAT 04:00 The Greengrocer's Apostrophe (b01gnp4v)

Alice, Hanging in There

Comic tales inspired by those hand-written signs offering

"Apple's and Bananas's" which can be found in every town in

Britain.

When Alice is cast aside from her high-flying career she finds a

novel way to occupy her time. Armed only with a balaclava and

a pot of paint, she starts to vent her anger on sloppy

punctuation.

A story by Ronald Frame, read by Tracy Wiles.

Produced by Eilidh McCreadie.

SAT 04:15 Dave Sheasby - Showing Promise (b007m6tg)

With her creative writing course threatened financially,

Marjorie's glad to see a new face arrive - even if Harry lacks

some of the graces she's accustomed to...

Dave Sheasby's drama stars Heather Stoney as Marjorie, Gerry

Kersey as Brian, John Branwell as John, Lorraine Peters as

Jean, Daphne Oxenford as Florence and Graham Roberts as

Harry.

Director: Tony Cliff

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1990.

SAT 05:00 Beachcomber... By the Way (b0085j96)

Series 1

Episode 6

The First Attempt To Reach The Moon - and a slice of

Edwardian life.

Richard Ingrams, John Wells, John Sessions and Patricia

Routledge recreate the world of the JB Morton.

Running in the Daily Express from 1924 to 1975 - JB Morton's

surreally comic 'Beachcomber' column paved the way for a

great deal of modern humour.

Adapted by Michael Barfield with Richard Ingrams.

Announcer: Brian Perkins

Producer: Harry Thompson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1989.

SAT 05:30 The Right Time (b00c34ks)

Series 3

Episode 4

A country house weekend, friends reunited and a dinner party

surprise...

The sketch comedy for people growing older disgracefully.

Stars Eleanor Bron, Graeme Garden, Neil Innes, Clive Swift,

Roger Blake and Paula Wilcox.

Written by Colin Bostock Smith, John Dowie, Graeme Garden,

Jan Etherington, Mike Haskins, Ged Parsons, David Spicer and

Peter Usher.

Script Editor: Ged Parsons.

Music by Ronnie & The Rex and Neil Innes.

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

SAT 06:00 Saturday Drama (b00g1rvd)

Nicholas Wright - Mrs Klein

Nicholas Wright's dramatisation of the troubled relationship

between influential child psychoanalyst Melanie Klein and her

own children.

Faced with coming to terms with the news of the death of her

son, Mrs Klein decides against going to his funeral. Frustrated

with her mother's behaviour, Klein's daughter Melitta confronts

her with some home truths.

Mrs Klein Janet Suzman

Melitta Eve Best

Paula Clare Corbett

Directed by Alison Hindell.

SAT 07:30 The Original (b00bz4ch)

Alkarim Jivani asks why we value originality, from Roman

villas to so-called original features beloved of estate agents. He

visits Warsaw to discuss the beautiful fake that is the town

centre, flattened by the Germans in the Second World War and

painstakingly reconstructed in the 1950s. But should the

reconstruction have taken the form of the 18th-century original,

the 19th or even the 1939 version? Along the way, Jivani

considers homage, tributes, remakes, restorations and

renovations.

SAT 08:00 The Frankie Howerd Variety Show (b008hvt4)

From 21/11/1978

Titters abounding as Frankie Howerd answers more problems -

and will he get a knighthood?

Plus stars from the world of entertainment - Roy Walker, Pattie

Boulaye, Peter Goodwright and The Wurzels.

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 November 1978.

SAT 09:00 Comedy Greats (b007k3ck)

1990s

Episode 2

Barry Cryer presents Week Ending, People Like Us, The Very

World of Milton Jones, Children's Hour with Armstrong and

Miller, The Mark Steel Solution and Knowing Me, Knowing

You.

SAT 12:00 The Diary of Samuel Pepys Omnibus (b03853pt)

1667

On New Year's Day 1667, Samuel Pepys awakes to find the

Thames covered in ice, while some parts of London still

smoulder from last year's Great Fire. Stars Kris Marshall.

SAT 13:15 Baldi (b007k01n)

Series 2

Scratching the Surface

The priest-cum-sleuth gets embroiled in mystery and death on a

pot-holing expedition. Stars David Threlfall and Tina Kellegher.

SAT 14:00 Dad's Army (b007jm92)

Series 1

Sorry Wrong Number

A downed German plane sees the Home Guard platoon

attempting to employ Captain Mainwaring's phone box drill...

Six years after legendary sitcom Dad's Army started on BBC

TV, these specially adapted radio versions began recording with

the original cast.

Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le

Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, Ian

Lavender as Private Pike, John Laurie as Private Frazer,

Graham Stark as Private Walker, Bill Pertwee as the ARP

Warden, Pearl Hackney as Mrs Pike, Avril Angers as the

Telephonist and John Forrest as the Lieutenant. With John

Snagge as the announcer.

Adapted from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's original BBC TV

scripts by Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in May 1974.

SAT 14:30 Steptoe and Son (b00rlb08)

Series 1

65 Today

Albert Steptoe's 65th birthday outing turns into a disaster for his

son Harold.

Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.

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 featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert

Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of 8 series

on TV.

Albert Wilfrid Brambell

Harold Harry H Corbett

With Ian Burford and David Charlesworth

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

Gale Pedrick.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1966.

SAT 15:00 The Frankie Howerd Variety Show (b008hvt4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 Saturday Drama (b00g1rvd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Jo Caulfield's Speakeasy (b037sdys)

Episode 1

Jo Caulfield hosts some of the best writers and comedians in the

UK as they take to the stage at The Scottish Storytelling Centre

to share a true story with us.

Lloyd Langford tells us about his rather unusual first day at

work; Nathan Caton has a story about middle-class assumptions

and middle-class prejudice; Scottish playwright Keir McAllister

gets the tables turned on him by a young woman dressed in

black; Jo tells us how a crossword puzzle nearly started a riot on

a train; and there's a life-affirming story about love and hope

from Jason Cook.

Created by Jo Caulfield and Kevin Anderson

Producer: Richard Melvin

A Dabster production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 18:00 The Scarifiers (b00hwyq1)

For King and Country

Episode 2

MI-13's Lionheart and Dunning are after the Faraday Murderer.

What's the link to ghost hunter Price? Stars Nicholas Courtney.

could have predicted...

American writer, Kurt Vonnegut's delicious piece of sci-fi philosophy from the 1950's is read by Kerry Shale.

Producer: Joanne Lafferty

Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2004.

SAT 19:00 Comedy Greats (b007k3ck)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Lee Mack and Friends at the Fringe (b007kltt)

Episode 1

BAFTA award-winning Lee Mack introduces a top line-up of fellow comics Dara Ó Briain, Alan Carr, Rhod Gilbert and Tim Minchin.

Recorded at The Edinburgh Fringe.

Producer: Will Saunders

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in August 2005.

SAT 22:30 Another Case of Milton Jones (b00rbnmk)

Series 4

Travel Mogul

In this episode, Milton's a world-famous Travel Entrepreneur who builds the world's most Extreme Sports Hotel and crosses the Atlantic in a rather unusual way... So if you like bungee ropes, grizzly bears, bright blue aliens and mosquito nets designed to keep the mosquitoes in, then you might just want to catch yourself "Another Case Of Milton Jones"

He's joined in his endeavours by his co-stars Tom Goodman-Hill ("Camelot"), Dan Tetsell ("Mongrels") and Lucy Montgomery ("Down The Line").

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Produced & directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

SAT 23:00 The Inspector Alleyn Mysteries (b0084sb1)

When in Rome

1970s Rome. Chief Detective Inspector Alleyn is incognito and on the trail of a vast drugs syndicate - and some exceptionally unsavoury blackmail.

But he hasn't reckoned on murder...

Another tale of Dame Ngaio Marsh's gentleman detective.

CDI Alleyn Jeremy Clyde

Nigel Bathgate Nick Waring

Sonia, Lady Bracely Pauline Jameson

Kenneth Dorne Tom George

Baron Van der Veghel David Swift

Baroness Van der Veghel Paula Jacobs

Sophy Jason Annabelle Dowler

Barnaby Grant Sean Arnold

Major Sweet Derek Waring

Sebastian Mailer Matthew Devereaux

Father Denys James Greene

Valdarno Stephen Critchlow

Violetta/Receptionist Carolyn Jones

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

SUNDAY 11 AUGUST 2013

SUN 00:00 The Scarifiers (b00hwyq1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday]

SUN 00:25 The Fanthorpe Investigations (b038f1zl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:25 on Saturday]

SUN 00:30 Kurt Vonnegut - Thanaspheer (b007jqzb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday]

SUN 01:00 The Frankie Howerd Variety Show (b008hvt4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Saturday]

SUN 02:00 The Diary of Samuel Pepys Omnibus (b03853pt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Saturday]

SUN 03:15 Baldi (b007k01n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:15 on Saturday]

SUN 04:00 Saturday Drama (b00g1rwd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday]

SUN 05:30 Jo Caulfield's Speakeasy (b037sdy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island Omnibus (b0081qxs0)

Episode 2

Arriving from Jamaica, Hortense discovers post-war England is cold and dreary. She gets to know her landlady Queenie. With Nadine Marshall.

SUN 07:15 The People of the British Museum (b009nqfw)

Heavenly Houses

Danny Danziger meets the long-serving curator of clocks and watches, David Thompson, and tours the beautiful collections.

SUN 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00dz8ls)

Series 5

Anger Management

Comedy series by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

After a run-in with the Head of Stakeholder Communications

Engagement at a local council meeting, Ed finds himself in

anger management classes. Could he turn over a new leaf and

become a gentler person?

Ed Reardon Christopher Douglas

Sue Fishpool Rachel Atkins

Olive Stephanie Cole

Felix John Fortune

Pearl Rita Muka

Ping Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Steve Williams Tom Price

Stan Geoffrey Whitehead.

SUN 08:00 Meet the Huggetts (b00p1hnz)

'Al and Hearty

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

Starring Jack Warner and Kathleen Harrison.

Popular working-class family, the Huggetts first hit the cinema screen with a series of Gainsborough films between 1947 and 1949. Their subsequent BBC radio series ran from 1953 to 1962.

Joe Jack Warner

Ethel Kathleen Harrison

Jane Alanna Boyce

Bobby Malcolm Ranson

Fred Stebbings Charles Leno

With Bill Pertwee and Ralph Hallett.

Written by Eddie Maguire.

Producer: Jacques Brown

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in June 1961.

SUN 08:30 The Men from the Ministry (b012b8hx)

Fowl Play

The blundering bureaucrats learn not to put all their eggs in one in-tray.

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

Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler. With Norma

Ronald, Ronald Baddiley and John Graham.

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 1972.

SUN 09:00 Travelling Light (b03857fc)

Maria's Story

Chrissie falls deeper under Catharsis's spell, while Ecky hacks

into the cult's computer. Stars Heather Jones and Robert

Glenister.

SUN 09:30 LM Montgomery - Anne of Green Gables

(b00rw8p3)

Episode 2

The Cuthberts send the feisty girl off to school, but trouble lies ahead. Stars Barbara Barnes, Susan Engel and Sean Baker.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b03857ff)

Edinburgh Winners

Stephen Fry

From Mozart to Meat Loaf. Actor, comic and writer Stephen

Fry shares his castaway choices with Sue Lawley. From

November 1988.

SUN 10:45 Short Stories by John McGahern (b00pbv14)

A Slip Up

Exiled in England, a retired Irishman sustains himself by imagining working the farm he lost back home. Read by Sean

McGinley.

SUN 11:00 Elastic Planet (b007k3h0)

The Hair

A documentary maker films endangered hairstyles.

Oliver Postgate narrates a stream of bizarre coincidences in Ben

Moor's cosmic comedy of connections.

With Dan Strauss, Doon Mackichan, Kerry Shale, Michael

Troughton, Ben Moor and Alexander Armstrong.

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1995.

SUN 11:15 Ambridge Extra (b03858yn)

Series 5 - Omnibus

Episode 6

Matt is still in St Petersburg, and Lilian is getting worried.

SUN 11:45 Journey Into Language (b00dk921)

Listening to Lorca

Renowned linguist Professor Eric Hawkins recalls studying in France and Germany during the 1930s rise of fascism.

SUN 12:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island Omnibus

(b0081qxs0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 13:15 The People of the British Museum (b009nqfw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:15 today]

SUN 13:30 Alan Ayckbourn - Love in the Mist (b007jrxl)

Miles takes Sylvie for a weekend away, but his wife intervenes.

Part of Ayckbourn's Intimate Exchanges series, starring Robin

Herford and Lavinia Bertram.

SUN 15:00 Meet the Huggetts (b00p1hnz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SUN 15:30 The Men from the Ministry (b012b8hx)

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SUN 16:00 Mel's Mix: The Best of The 4 O'Clock Show (b03858yq)

The pick of the week's 4 O'Clock Show, with Mel Giedroyc.

SUN 17:00 Travelling Light (b03857fc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 17:30 LM Montgomery - Anne of Green Gables

(b00rw8p3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Bradbury 13 (b01294pm)

There Was an Old Woman

Five men with a wicker basket arrive at Tildy's house, but not to

do her shopping. Ray Bradbury's comic-horror tale stars Ruth

Hale.

SUN 18:30 James Follett - Rules of Asylum (b007k18v)

Episode 2

Considered a threat to the state because of an unpublished manuscript, political prisoner Jan Valeri has escaped from the

Sanatorium. The police have just picked him up... Starring James Beattie.

James Follett's exploration of dissent and danger in a repressive state in the Eastern Bloc.

Jan Valery James Beattie

Suskin Vernon Joyner

Secretary/ Librarian Betty Huntley-Wright

Guard/Alex/Student Neville Jason

Governor Manning Wilson

Suskin's Chief Brian Haines

Anna Caroline John

Zoe/1st Girl Rosalyn Slater

Woman in Sanatorium/2nd Girl Diana Bishop

Danski Cyril Shaps

Nero Francis de Wolff

Interrogator John Challis

Restaurant Manager Godfrey Kenton

The original audio was lost from the BBC archive, so our thanks to James Follett for the donation from his personal collection.

Producer: Margaret Hall

First broadcast as a 90 minute drama on BBC Radio 4 in

November 1973.

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SUN 22:30 The Comedy Club at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (b0385bzm)

2013

Episode 4

...Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2013. Comedy from the world-famous festival. Episode 4 of 18.

SUN 22:35 Ivor Cutler - A Wet Handle (b00cmjvc)

Episode 3

Runaway teaspoons and the spelling of 'marmalade'.

Songs, stories and poems from humourist Ivor Cutler, with

Craig Murray-Orr, and Alison O'Kill.

Producer: Neil Cargill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 3 in June 1997.

SUN 22:50 The Comedy Club at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (b0385dvv)

2013

Episode 5

...Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2013. Comedy from the world-famous festival. Episode 5 of 18.

SUN 22:55 The Maltby Collection (b00xj161)

Series 2

Episode 4

At the museum's first children's day, the dog counting competition is not going well. Stars Geoffrey Palmer. From

June 2008.

SUN 23:25 The Comedy Club at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (b0385dvd)

2013

Episode 6

...Edinburgh Festival Fringe 2013. Comedy from the world-famous festival. Episode 6 of 18.

SUN 23:30 Dave Podmore (b007s7x4)

Dave Podmore's World of Cricket

Episode 2

The player battles a case of libel based on an alleged encounter in a portable loo.

Sitcom about the exploits of talented, amateurish, smug, inept and self-deluding English cricketer Dave Podmore.

Starring Chris Douglas and Andrew Nickolds with Chris Pavlo and Nicola Sanderson.

Written by Chris Douglas, Andrew Nickolds and Nick

Newman.

Producer: Richard Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2002

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MON 06:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076r6c)

The Tremendous Adventures of Major Brown
Major Brown finds himself threatened by a flowerbed.
Retired KC Basil Grant, his brother Rupert and colleague Charlie Swinburne receive a visit from Major Brown at Basil's garret in Lambeth. The retired soldier recounts a tale which begins with a most disturbing discovery. While taking his daily constitutional his attention is directed to a marvellous display of yellow pansies that spell out the chilling slogan: "Death to Major Brown". What follows is possibly the most extraordinary tale of all time.

Stars David Warner as Basil Grant, Martin Freeman as Rupert Grant, Geoffrey McGivern as Charlie Swinburne, Geoffrey Whitehead as Major Brown, Vicki Pepperdine as The Lady and Martin Hyder as the Gardener.

GK Chesterton stories dramatised by Simon Littlefield

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2005.

MON 06:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mb2qn)

Wasted Years

Episode 1

The jazz-loving cop sees parallels to the 1960s after a spate of armed robberies. Philip Jackson reads John Harvey's thriller.

MON 07:00 Married (b00804fg)

Series 2

Serenity

It's been a taxing few months for Robin in his new universe, but at last he seems to have tapped into that well of inner peace. Or is there a more obvious explanation?

Hugh Bonneville stars in Tony Bagley's comedy.

Robin Hugh Bonneville

Lesley Josie Lawrence

Dirk Stephen Frost

Ned Sam Bradley

Maxine Ann Gosling

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.

MON 07:30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (b037sz5k)

Series 59

Episode 6

Back for a second week at Leicester's De Montfort Hall, regulars Barry Cryer, Graeme Garden and Tim Brooke-Taylor are joined on the panel by semi-regular Rob Brydon, with Jack Dee in the chair. Piano accompaniment is provided by Colin Sell.

Producer - Jon Naismith.

MON 08:00 Round the Horne (b00lvz50)

Series 3

Episode 6

Kenneth Horne heads a Bohemian Paris romp and Julian and Sandy report on the latest bona goings on for the Daily Polari. With Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill Pertwee.

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

Hayes Four.

Producer: John Simmonds

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1967.

MON 08:30 Brothers in Law (b007js84)

Series 2

Keeping It Warm

Will barrister Roger manage to make up with girlfriend Sally? Starring Richard Briers as Roger Thursby, John Glyn-Jones as Grimes, Julia Lockwood as Sally, Jean Anderson as Mrs Thursby, Norman Bird as Brigstocke, John Gabriel as Lowthwaite, Francis de Wolff as Mr Justice and Peter Tuddenham as the Lord Justice.

Written by Henry Cecil and Basil Dawson.

Published in 1955, Henry Cecil's comic legal novel Brothers in Law was adapted first for TV in 1962 by Frank Muir and Denis Norden. It provided the first regular starring role for Richard Briers, who later reprised his role of the idealistic young lawyer Roger Thursby for BBC Radio between 1970 and 1972.

Producer: David Hatch.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1971.

MON 09:00 Paul Sinha's Citizenship Test (b0386j1j)

Episode 2

Paul Sinha is proudly British. He also loves a quiz. So you would have thought that the UK Citizenship Test, which newcomers to this country must pass to become citizens, would have been right up his street. But the questions in the 2012 and 2013 Home Office guides seem either bizarrely easy - "Where is Welsh most widely spoken?" - or infuriatingly vague - "What happened in the First World War?".

So Paul has created his own test, to better reflect the things that aspiring migrants should understand before they can call themselves British. In this second episode he deals with the health of the nation - our diet, our drinking habits and our athletic prowess. And he tests the studio audience on their knowledge, with those that answer incorrectly being deported. The series intertwines the sort of comedy Paul has become known for on The Now Show, The News Quiz, and Fighting Talk, as well as his own Radio 4 shows The Sinha Test and The Sinha Games, and the command of facts and figures he demonstrates on the ITV quiz show The Chase, with a dash of the patriotism that has seen him banned from the bar at the United Nations.

Written and performed by Paul Sinha.

Producer: Ed Morrish.

MON 09:30 Cabin Pressure (b00cb5k4)

Series 1

Abu Dhabi

Stephanie Cole, Benedict Cumberbatch and Roger Allam star in the sitcom about the pilots of a tiny charter airline for whom no job is too small, but many, many jobs are too difficult. Written by John Finnemore, writer for The News Quiz, The Now Show, and That Mitchell & Webb Sound.

In this week's episode, the town of Bristol, a cat and a thermostat combine to present Martin with a career-breaking crisis.

Cast:

Carolyn Knapp-Shappey Stephanie Cole

1st Officer Douglas Richardson Roger Allam

Capt. Martin Crieff Benedict Cumberbatch

Arthur Shappey John Finnemore

ATC Fitton Ewen

MacIntosh

Written by John Finnemore

Produced and directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4

MON 10:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jm85)

Episode 1

Shipwrecked literary critic Humphrey Van Weyden is rescued by Wolf Larsen, demonic skipper of the seal-hunting schooner Ghost.

Jack London's 1904 psychological adventure novel telling of

heroism, survival and love on the high seas.

Starring Jack Klaff, Kerry Shale and Ian Dury,

Dramatised in four parts by Ed Thomason

Wolf Larsen Jack Klaff

Humphrey Van Weyden Kerry Shale

Mugridge Ian Dury

Johnson Jeffrey Gear

Leach Scott Farrell

Charley David Banerman

Owen Terence Edmond

Kelly Norman Jonesy

Louis Nigel Anthony

Svenson Brett Usher

Smoke Anthony Jackson

Harrison Richard Pearce

Latimer Peter Penry-Jones

Horner Clarence Smith

Henderson Andrew Wincott

Ferry Passenger William Roberts

Music: Elizabeth Parker - BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Singer: Sarah Connolly

Director: Adrian Bean

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1991.

MON 11:00 The Greengrocer's Apostrophe (b01h2cfr)

The Sweet Possessive

Comic tales inspired by those hand-written signs offering "Apple's and Banana's" which can be found in every town in Britain.

Distraacted by an apostrophe obsession, a woman fails to notice that her lover is not all that he seems. Monica Gibb reads a

short story by Diana Hendry.

Produced by Eilidh McCreadie.

MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b0381jd6)

Jon Ronson, Hattie Morahan, Paul Sinha, Robin Ince, Martin

Simpson, Me and My Friends

Nikki takes The Psychopath Test with gonzo journalist and author Jon Ronson. Fascinated by strange behaviour and the human mind, Jon has spent years exploring mysterious events. His latest book 'Lost at Sea: The Jon Ronson Mysteries' is a collection of his best adventures; from meeting a man who tried to split the atom in his kitchen to interviewing a robot.

Nikki has plenty to talk about with actress Hattie Morahan, who's starring in Ibsen's 1879 play 'A Doll's House' about the breakdown of a seemingly happy marriage. Ibsen was a fearless analyst of human relationships and the controversy that erupted around the play has never died down: is it an attack on marriage? Is it proto-feminist? And if not, then how are people to live? It's at the Duke of York's Theatre, London until 26th October.

Robin Ince is joined by Prodigal Son Martin Simpson, whose folk music career is now into its fifth decade! Encouraged by his neighbour Richard Hawley, Martin recorded solo album 'Vagrant Stanzas', capturing the atmosphere of evenings spent swapping songs across the kitchen table. He performs 'Jackie and Murphy' in the studio.

Nikki has a check-up with GP and comedian Paul Sinha, who's proudly British and loves a quiz. So the UK Citizenship Test should be right up his street. But the questions in the Home Office guides seem easy, so Paul's created his own, testing the studio audience on their knowledge, with those answering incorrectly being 'deported'! 'Paul Sinha's Citizenship Test' is on 12th August at 22.30 on BBC Radio 4 Extra. With more music from Afrobeat folk quartet Me and My Friends, who perform 'A Penguin Samba' from their album 'Beneath A Level Head'.

Producer: Debbie Kilbride.

MON 12:00 Round the Horne (b00lvz50)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

MON 12:30 Brothers in Law (b007js84)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 13:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076r6c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mb2qn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island (b0081ry7)

Episode 11

Queenie's soldier husband Bernard explains how Indian independence is spelling the end of the Empire. Stars Stephen Tompkinson.

MON 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mmz97)

Series 1

Sweden - Kurt Wallander and Lisbeth Salander

If the Martin Beck novels of Sjöwall and Wahlöf set the template for the social commentary found in Scandinavian crime fiction - Henning Mankell's Kurt Wallander novels and Steig Larsson's Millennium Trilogy have both used the form to focus on racist attitudes in modern Sweden. Henning Mankell, Kenneth Branagh, Liza Marklund, Camilla Läckberg and Eva Gabrielsson - Steig Larsson's partner, share their views about whether the Swedish state can still be held up as an ideal as Mark Lawson continues his series about the way modern European history is reflected through the pages of crime fiction.

Producer Robyn Read.

MON 14:30 Thomas Hardy - The Woodlanders (b007jx6r)

The Return

After finishing school, Grace Melbury returns to her small woodland village, where her childhood sweetheart Giles Winterbourne is waiting for her...

First published in 1887, Thomas Hardy's classic tale of thwarted love and ambition set amongst the woodsmen and women of Little Hintock.

Read by Juliet Stevenson.

Producer: Di Speirs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

MON 14:45 Michael Holroyd - Basil Street Blues (b0075p9n)

Episode 1

4 Extra Debut. The biographer looks at his own family, having previously been more interested in other people's. Abridged by Elizabeth Bradbury, read by the author.

MON 15:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jm85)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 The O'Clock Show (b0387tnh)

Mel Giedroyc gets carried away by the inventor of a real-life magic carpet, and introduces the first part of this week's story, A Handful of Magic by Stephen Elboz.

MON 17:00 Flying the Flag (b007jxj2)

Series 2

Submarine Diplomacy

Telexes are arriving from London; awkward questions are being asked in the House; the spirit of the Armada is in dire peril of reasserting itself.

All in a day's overwork for the British Ambassador and his staff.

Alex Shearer's Eastern bloc embassy sitcom.

Starring Dinsdale Landon as HM Ambassador Mackenzie, Peter Acre as William Frost, Moir Leslie as Helen Waterston, Christopher Benjamin as Colonel Surikov, David Goodland as Captain Warner and Stephen Greif as the US Ambassador.

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1988.

MON 17:30 Married (b00804fg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 18:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b018j2fs)

Escape Velocity

Before Blake and the Seven's rebellion, the origins of the Liberator's mysterious synthetic intelligence Zen are explored through a troubled pilot. Stars Zoe Tapper.

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MON 20:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076r6c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 20:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mb2qn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 21:00 MacAulay and Co (b0387v9m)

2013

Episode 5

Fred MacAulay brings you the pick of the best comedy from the Edinburgh Festival.

MON 22:00 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (b037sz5k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Paul Sinha's Citizenship Test (b0386j1j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (b0387v9p)

Series 8

Episode 7

Extended satirical review of the week's news, chaired by Sandi Toksvig. Featuring jokes, clips and material that you won't have heard in this week's News Quiz.

MON 23:45 Spats (b007jzp6)

Mankind v Nature

Are we with Mother Nature - or against her?

Luke Roberts tackles the big arguments and solves them using light entertainment.

Producer: Ed Morrish

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in December 2006

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TUE 05:00 Flying the Flag (b007xj2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Monday]

TUE 05:30 Married (b00804fg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Monday]

TUE 06:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076r9p)

The Painful Fall of a Great Reputation

Retired KC, Basil Grant, his brother Rupert and colleague Charlie Swinburne are travelling on the top deck of a tramcar through the "squalid eternity" of North London.

In the midst of a sea of cadgers, pickpockets and hooligans, Basil spies one Mr Wimpole - who he claims is the wickedest man in England.

At Charlie's reasonable demands for proof, Basil throws them into a frantic chase across London...

Stars David Warner as Basil Grant, Martin Freeman as Rupert Grant, Geoffrey McGovern as Charlie Swinburne, Nicholas Farrell as Drummond, Richard Griffiths as Sir Walter Chumley, Justin Edwards as Wimpole, Alice Lowe as Muriel and Geoffrey Whitehead as Lord Beaumont.

GK Chesterton stories dramatised by Simon Littlefield

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2005.

TUE 06:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbbfh)

Wasted Years

Episode 2

Detective Inspector Charlie Resnick's search for armed robbers gathers pace. But will they strike again? Philip Jackson reads John Harvey's thriller.

TUE 07:00 Mr Finchley Goes to Paris (b007jzbn)

Episode 2

After a contretemps with a haddock, the shy solicitor's clerk gains a guide and makes a move.

Richard Griffiths stars as Edgar Finchley.

Written by Victor Canning.

Lawrence Hume Piers Gibbon

Marie Peters Serena Evans

Robert Gillespie James Cohen

Madame Mignard Jacqueline Tong

Waiter Keith Anderson

Narrated by James Villiers.

Adapted for radio by Andy and Eric Merriman.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1994.

TUE 07:30 It's Not What You Know (b037tuxt)

Series 2

Episode 5

What is Masterchef finalist Kirsty Wark's signature dish? What is Andrew Maxwell's best character trait? What is Francis

When's greatest fear?

All these questions, and more, will be answered in the show

hosted by Miles Jupp, where panellists are tested on how well they know their nearest and dearest.

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2013.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b012bz13)

Series 5

The Booted Gorilla (Found?)

A trap must be laid on an African jungle safari, and Bluebottle gets a surprise.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.

Starring:

Peter Sellers

Harry Secombe

Spike Milligan

First billed as Crazy People, ten series of The Goon Show were recorded between 1951 and 1960, but sadly many of the earliest shows weren't kept in the archive.

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in November 1954.

TUE 08:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b007jrk2)

I'll Never Forget Whatshername

Bob asks his fiancée Thelma to fix Terry up with a date.

Starring James Bolam as Terry Collier, Rodney Bewes as Bob Ferris and Brigit Forsyth as Thelma Chambers. With Lois Daine and Lorna Wilde.

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

Producer: John Brownell

Originally lost from the archive, the audio was recovered in a BBC Treasure Hunt.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1975.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (b0387v9p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Spats (b007jzp6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:45 on Monday]

TUE 10:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jm8h)

Episode 2

The seal-hunting schooner Ghost journeys on to the herds with ruthless captain, Wolf Larsen at the helm.

Jack London's 1904 tale of brutality and survival on the high seas,

Starring Jack Klaff, Kerry Shale and Ian Dury,

Dramatised by Ed Thomason

Wolf Larsen Jack Klaff

Humphrey Van Weyden Kerry Shale

Mugridge Ian Dury

Johnson Jeffrey Gear

Leach Scott Farrell

Owen Terence Edmond

Kelly Norman Jones

Louis Nigel Anthony

Smoke Anthony Jackson

Harrison Richard Pearce

Latimer Peter Penry-Jones

Horner Clarence Smith

Henderson Andrew Wincott

Maud Brewster Shelley Thompson

Louis Nigel Anthony

Music: Elizabeth Parker - BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Singer: Sarah Connolly.

Director: Adrian Bean.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1991.

TUE 11:00 Afternoon Reading (b00tmm6)

Susie Maguire - I Got the Dog

Andria's Story

Susie Maguire's trilogy of comic stories about the fallout from a break up. Who gets left with what? Music, water,

transportation, arithmetic...possessions, separations...and Love.

Rebecca Front reads Andria's story.

Andria fell hook, line and sinker for the enigmatic and brooding

Russian pianist, Boris. They met at a street market and the

attraction was 06:30 today]

her letterbox with his phone number attached. How could she

resist?

She decides to buy a bed. A 'lit bateau'; a boat bed, which she hoped was going to be a metaphor for the fantastic voyage the two of them were about to embark on together.

Sure enough, nine months later, the sound of Boris's piano playing is punctuated by the patter of feet across the parquet floor. Well, they are paws to be precise, belonging to an Italian greyhound that Andria found on the street. They name her Mimi.

Boris's passion for his art, once the very thing that attracted Andria, is becoming a source of friction. That intensity that was once directed to her is now being poured into his music. He's playing piano at 4am in the morning, Andria is angry and Mimi is confused.

After one particularly blazing row, Andria wakes to the realisation that her bed that was once so symbolic of the dreams she held for their future, now resembled the raft of the Medusa. Things can't go on - but what about poor Mimi? Beds, pianos, dogs and shipwrecks as Rebecca Front reads Andria's story.

Producer: Sarah Langan.

TUE 11:15 Eric Pringle - Hard Row to Porlock (b007jyff)

Based on the events of 1899, this is the story of how the Lynmouth lifeboat went to sea, via the heights of Exmoor. With John Rowe.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b012bz13)

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TUE 12:30 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? (b007jrk2)

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TUE 13:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076r9p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbbfh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island (b0081syl)

Episode 12

Bernard is demobbed, but an indiscretion leads him to fear for his life and postpone his homecoming. Stars Stephen Tompkinson.

TUE 14:15 Ambridge Extra (b0387z35)

Series 5

Episode 13

Matt is doggedly following his lead, while Brenda is discovering the truth.

TUE 14:30 Thomas Hardy - The Woodlanders (b007jx6z)

Reunited?

Giles Winterbourne is reunited with his childhood sweetheart Grace, but will she return his love? Read by Juliet Stevenson.

TUE 14:45 Michael Holroyd - Basil Street Blues (b0075pbb)

Episode 2

The biographer tells of his grandfather's exploits, Lalique glass and a young woman called Agnes. Abridged by Elizabeth Bradbury, read by the author.

TUE 15:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jm8h)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0387z5x)

Mel Giedroyc meets a really wild chef, goes in search of dragons, and presents the second part of this week's story, A Handful of Magic by Stephen Elboz.

TUE 17:00 For Better or for Worse (b00tr28d)

Series 3

Episode 1

Bernard's jealous dad is caught with both his guard and his trousers down. Stars Su Pollard and Gorden Kaye. From January 1996.

TUE 17:30 Mr Finchley Goes to Paris (b007jzbn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 18:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b018sh0k)

Point of No Return

On the eve of a tense election, Major Travis is given an unexpected assignment. But can he trust the evidence? With Craig Kelly.

TUE 18:30 The Darker Side of the Border (b00cb1ts)

Arthur Conan Doyle - The Captain of the Polestar

As a Dundee whaling ship becomes trapped in the Arctic, strange cries sound across the ice at night and a figure is glimpsed on the floes.

Is it the Captain's lost love come to reclaim him?

Series of 3 Scottish 19th century tales of terror and mystery.

Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and dramatised by Marty Ross.

Craigie Alec Heggie

Milne James Bryce

Doctor Nick Underwood

Williamson John Buick

McLeod Brian Pettifer

Producer: Bruce Young

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

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TUE 20:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbbfh)

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TUE 21:00 MacAulay and Co (b0387zrr)

2013

Episode 6

Fred MacAulay brings you the pick of the best comedy from the Edinburgh Festival.

TUE 22:00 It's Not What You Know (b037tuxt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Deep Trouble (b00tfqq4)

Series 2

Episode 4

As Christmas nears, the submarine crew stages a nativity with a realistic twist. Stars Jim Field Smith. From June 2007.

TUE 23:00 Count Arthur Strong's Radio Show! (b017gntm)

Series 3

Late Review

Spoof reminiscences of a former variety star. Count Arthur Strong is an expert in everything from the world of entertainment to the origins of the species, all false starts and nervous fumbling, poorly concealed by a delicate sheen of bravado and self-assurance.

Arthur misplaces his book for the review taking place later that day. Arthur and Geoffrey are sent in pursuit of it. A couple of glasses of wine in the green room prior to the radio show help him review the book in his own unique manner.

With Steve Delaney, Sue Perkins, Dave Mounfield and Alastair Kerr.

TUE 23:30 Mordrin McDonald: 21st Century Wizard (b00qprmm)

Series 1

Market Magic

Comedy by David Kay and Gavin Smith.

Mordrin is a 2,000-year-old wizard living in the modern world, where regular bin collections and watching Countdown are just as important as slaying dragons.

With Gordon Kennedy, Jack Docherty, Cora Bissett and David Kay.

A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 23:45 Steven Appleby's Normal Life (b00sr30b)

Series 2

Normal Things

Cartoonist Steven has a very removing experience when an expert de-clutters his house.

Paul McCrink stars as Steven Appleby with what he laughably describes as "insights into normal, everyday life".

With:

Rosalind Paul

Ewan Bailey

Nigel Betts

Rachel Atkins

Written by Steven Appleby

Producer: Toby Swift

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2003

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WED 06:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rdw)

The Awful Reason of the Vicar's Visit

The Awful Reason of the Vicar's Visit is a mystery, especially when that most distressed reverend gentleman begins his tale of a monstrous outrage committed against him.

However, when Basil leaps at the cleric and demands to see him "without his whiskers!", both Charlie and Rupert believe he has finally taken leave of his peculiar senses!

Or is there a method to the vicar's mad tale that may link him to the Club of Queer Trades...

Stars David Warner as Basil Grant, Martin Freeman as Rupert Grant, Geoffrey McGivern as Charlie Swinburne, Richard Griffiths as Reverend Shorter, Alexei Sayle as James, Neil Edmond as Mowbray, Matthew Holness as Brett and Martin Hyder as the Constable.

GK Chesterton stories dramatised by Simon Littlefield

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2005.

WED 06:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbfm9)

Wasted Years

Episode 3

The armed robbers are planning a return visit, but this time they vow not to fail. Philip Jackson reads John Harvey's thriller.

WED 07:00 North East of Eden (b01flnpj)

Cod Comfort

With submarine manoeuvres offshore and troubles with EEC fish quotas for the fishermen, Marcia tries to adjust to a quieter lifestyle.

And a man from the ministry man is snooping about...

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

Doctor Marcia Hulme Rebecca Front

Auntie Annie Joan Sims

Hjorst Niall Ashdown

Joseph Gates James Garbutt

Mrs Peevis Jean Southern

William Sammy Johnson

Ralph Gates Stephen Thirkeld

Other Roles Peter Kerry

Producer: Kathy Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1997.

WED 07:30 Sketchorama: Absolutely Special (b037v4g6)

Following the audience response to classic sketch group

Absolutely's guest appearance on the second series of Radio 4's Sketchorama, this special edition is devoted to the reunion performance and features further, previously unheard material from the recording held in April 2013 at the Oran Mor venue in Glasgow.

The much-loved sketch group - consisting of Pete Baikle, Morwenna Banks, Moray Hunter, Gordon Kennedy and John Sparkes - recorded almost 45 minutes of material so this full half-hour show offers the opportunity to hear even more from Stoneybridge and Calum Gilhooley, as well as new sketches from other Absolutely characters such as Frank Hovis and The Old Lady Artist.

Producer: Gus Beattie.

A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k4v4)

Series 4

The Income Tax Demand

With a tax bill looming, the lad consults crooked chartered accountant Sid.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr and Kenneth Williams.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott.

Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.

Producer: Dennis Main Wilson

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1956.

WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00zvcmm)

Series 6

Episode 13

J Arthur Bile recalls the golden age of the silver-screen with the spotlight on cinema.

Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.

Written by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie.

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 Liam Cohen and Bill Oddie.

Producer: David Hatch/Peter Titheradge

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in July 1968.

WED 09:00 Crowned Hudds (b00pytdz)

VR in Charge

Will Queen Victoria be amused? Roy Hudd's historical royal romp, with June Whitfield and Chris Emmett. From August 1995.

WED 09:30 Tomorrow, Today! (b016r51y)

Series 2

Dr Chaotica and the Rise of the Atomic Man-Bees

A BBC producer struggles to make a radio soap set in the unimaginably futuristic world of 2008.

Suspicious deaths provoke mixed reactions. Series two of Christopher William Hill's sitcom set in 1962.

Nigel Lavery Peter Bowles

Sylvia Hann Cheryl Campbell

Godfrey Winnard John Fortune

Sir Angus McNairn Gary Waldhorn

Hugo Kellerman Joseph Kloska

Douglas Bennings Jon Glover

Keith Wood Sam Pampihlon

Mrs Tinkler Rachel Atkins

Graham Tinkler Lloyd Thomas

Delivery Boy Alex Lamipekun

Producer: Liz Webb

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

WED 10:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jmc9)

Episode 3

With Maud Brewster aboard, the real danger on the schooner's voyage is yet to begin...

Jack London's 1904 tale of brutality and survival on the high seas.

Starring Jack Klaff, Kerry Shale and Ian Dury.

Dramatised by Ed Thomason

Wolf Larsen Jack Klaff

Humphrey Van Weyden Kerry Shale

Mugridge Ian Dury

Kelly Norman Jones

Smoke Anthony Jackson

Latimer Peter Penry-Jones

Horne Clarence Smith

Henderson Andrew Wincott

Maud Brewster Shelley Thompson

Telefon Charles Millham

Henderson Andrew Wincott

Music: Elizabeth Parker - BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Singer: Sarah Connolly.

Director: Adrian Bean.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1991.

WED 11:00 Afternoon Reading (b00tmmyn)

Susie Maguire - I Got the Dog

Boris's Story

Boris is an artist - a pianist. When he's working on a piece, time becomes meaningless; he will play all through the night and not notice. That enigmatic passion, once the very thing that attracted Andria to him, eventually caused their break up. Boris left, taking his piano and their dog Mimi with him.

Things begin to look up for him when he starts seeing another artist Chiara. Surely she will understand the creative drive? Chiara is a performance artist. When she asks Boris to compose a piece of music for her next 'project', it seems that perhaps they are kindred spirits.

He's also pleased that Chiara is getting along very well with Mimi, until one he's shocked to discover that Mimi has been co-opted into Chiara's performance! Tensions mount further as Boris's obsessive drive to work takes over, and poor Mimi is caught in the cross-fire again. Who'll get the dog this time?

John McGlynn reads Boris's story

Producer: Sarah Langan.

WED 11:15 Drama (b00qvnj9)

Charlotte Grieg - Against the Grain

Gemma, a promising young journalist, is sent to interview former restaurateur, Milo Markov, whose glossy new cookery book, Against the Grain, is the latest publishing sensation. Milo has retired to the Perigord where he spends his time preparing experimental dishes in his search for the most pleasurable taste sensations. Gemma's disturbing experiences at the house of the reclusive chef lead her to contemplate a whole new way life. By Charlotte Grieg.

Gemma Jasmine Hyde

Milo Robert Harper

Herve Felix Callens

Ruth Nickie Rainsford

Producer: Kate McAll

A BBC Cymru Wales Production.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007k4v4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00zvcmm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 13:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rdw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbfm9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island (b0081vcg)

Episode 13

Hortense is forced to face up to the prejudice of 1940s Britain when she attempts to get a job. Stars Nadine Marshall.

WED 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mnz9h)

Series 1

Norway - Harry Hole

Jo Nesbo's novels, featuring detective Harry Hole top best seller lists across the world - the latest example of the boom in Scandinavian crime fiction.

Mark Lawson talks to Nesbo, Liza Marklund and Gunnar Staalesen about the impact of Norwegian oil on the economy, the divisions caused by the Second World War and the effect of random acts of violence in Sweden and Norway with the assassination of politicians and the killing spree on Utøya island.

Producer Robyn Read.

WED 14:30 Thomas Hardy - The Woodlanders (b007jx73)

Doubts

Grace Melbury's timber merchant father starts doubting woodsman Giles's suitability for his daughter. Read by Juliet Stevenson.

WED 14:45 Michael Holroyd - Basil Street Blues (b0075pc0)

Episode 3

The biographer grapples with unhappy marriages and the morals of revealing his aunt's love letters. Abridged by Elizabeth Bradbury, read by the author.

WED 15:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jmc9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b0388fcb)

Mel Giedroyc celebrates summer holidays and hears the Inheritance Books of author Ali Sparkes. Plus there's the third part of current story, A Handful of Magic by Stephen Elboz.

WED 17:00 No Commitments (b0388ffj)

Series 12

Upstaging

Charlotte and Victoria's daughters take centre stage in the sisters' one-upmanship. Stars Angela Thorne. From May 2006.

WED 17:30 North East of Eden (b01flnpj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b018zlls)

Flag and Flame

Auroran flight team clone Merrin faces a bleak future, when her twin Cally is sent on a one-way mission. Stars Susannah Doyle.

WED 18:30 The Darker Side of the Border (b00cft28)

Robert Louis Stevenson - Olalla

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

Series of 3 Scottish 19th century tales of terror and mystery.

Written by Robert Louis Stevenson and dramatised by Marty Ross.

Alec Paul Blair

Olalla Roxanna Pope

Felipe Richard Conlon

Senora Carol Ann Crawford

Carrido Richard Greenwood

The Padre Simon Tait

Producer: Bruce Young

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

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WED 20:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbfm9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 21:00 MacAulay and Co (b0388fx2)

2013

Episode 7

Fred MacAulay brings you the pick of the best comedy from the Edinburgh Festival.

WED 22:00 Sketchorama: Absolutely Special (b037v4g6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Mr Blue Sky (b011j7v3)

Series 1

Birthdays Greetings

Harvey Easter (played by Mark Benton), 46, is the eternal optimist. He is able to see the good in every situation, the silver lining within every cloud, the bright side to every bit of bad news.

This, however, is his downfall. Someone for whom the glass is always half-full can be difficult to live with, as his wife of 19 years, Jacqui or "Jax" (played by Rebecca Front), knows all too well.

In this episode Harvey and Sean's jobs are put in the firing line whilst Robbie discovers a new love of birds...for the time-being.

Cast:

Harvey Easter...Mark Benton

Jacqui Easter...Rebecca Front

Charlie Easter...Antonia Campbell-Hughes

Robbie Easter...Joe Tracini

Rakesh Rathi...Navin Chowdhry

Ray Marsh...Justin Edwards

Sean Cahoun...Michael Legge

Mr Bolt...Simon Day

Writer Andrew Collins

Title Music performer/arranger Jim Bob

Producer/Director Anna Madley

An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 23:00 The Mel and Sue Thing (b0076b3z)

Episode 5

Virginia Wade and Tim Henman talk politics, Sweet Fanny

Adams talks, well, sweetly, and Lovejoy and Bergerac talk

and nonsense.

Plus the penultimate episode of Jane Austen's lost novella,

Sweet Fanny Adams, still cruelly ignored by the critics as a

work of minor importance

More mayhem from Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins.

With Paul Chahidi

Written by Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002.

WED 23:30 Masala FM (b007jz5q)

Episode 5

When the Asian radio station's boss gets religion, the on-air result is far from heavenly.

Six-part sitcom written by Meera Syal

Starring Sanjeev Bhaskar, Nitin Sawheny, Meera Syal and Nina

Wadia.

Music by Nitin Sawheny.

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1996.

THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2013**THU 00:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b018zlls)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

THU 00:30 The Darker Side of the Border (b00cft28)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rdw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbfm9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Crowned Hudds (b00pytdz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 Tomorrow, Today! (b016r51y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jmc9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Afternoon Reading (b00tmmyn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:15 Drama (b00qynj9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 No Commitments (b0388ffj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 North East of Eden (b01fnlpj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rj6)

The Singular Speculation of the House Agent

Rupert believes mad military adventurer, Lieutenant

Drummond Keith is a rogue, and insists they follow him.

En route they witness a disturbing incident with the lieutenant's

sword-stick and meet a house-agent with a fondness for ferrets.

But Keith gives them the slip amidst the trees of Buxton

Common.

Charlie and Rupert remain stumped but Basil's powers of

detection reach new heights in their search...

Stars David Warner as Basil Grant, Martin Freeman as Rupert

Grant, Geoffrey McGovern as Charlie Swinburne, Jeff Harding

as Lieutenant Keith, Simon Jones as Montmorency and Martin

Hyder as the Constable.

GK Chesterton stories dramatised by Simon Littlefield

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2005.

THU 06:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mb13m)

Wasted Years

Episode 4

Inspired by the success of another gang, Darren decides it's time

to get serious. Philip Jackson reads John Harvey's thriller.

THU 07:00 The Mitch Benn Music Show (b00b9k9l)

Series 2

Episode 3

The host presents a selection of classic comic songs with special

guest comedian Howard Read. From October 2006.

THU 07:30 Meet David Sedaris (b019n9hw)

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.

THU 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jmd5)

Series 1

The Bullet Is Not for Firing

The Home Guard platoon faces an inquiry after shots are fired

at a low-flying German aeroplane.

Six years after legendary sitcom Dad's Army started on BBC

TV, these specially adapted radio versions were recorded with

the original cast, with Graham Stark replacing James Beck in

1973.

CAST:

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley

Private Walker Graham Stark

The Vicar Frank Williams

Captain Pringle Michael Knowles

Captain Marsh Timothy Bateson

Choir Members John Whitehall

The Announcer John Snagge

Adapted from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's original BBC TV

scripts by Michael Knowles and Harold Snoad.

Producer: John Dyas

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in May 1974.

THU 08:30 Hello Cheeky (b007jnx4)

From 14/04/1973

What do you get when you fall in love? And bizarre events at

Crewe Junction.

Pun-tastic fast-moving comedy sketch series written by and

starring John Junkin, Barry Cryer and Tim Brooke-Taylor.

With musical accompaniment from the Denis King Trio.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1973.

THU 09:00 Big Jim and the Figaro Club (b008klgb)

Up the Pole

When Harold Perkins befriends the Carnival Queen, the

workmates plot a little sabotage.

Six anarchic tales from those demob days "when we was going

to build the new Jerusalem - you know, before the world turned

lax and sour".

Stars Norman Rossington as Big Jim, Roland Curram as Harold

Perkins, Harold Goodwin as Old Ned, David John as Nimrod,

Sylvester McCoy as Turps, David Beckett as Chick, Steven

Harrold as Harry and Carol Hawkins as Miss James.

Narrated by Bernard Cribbins.

Written by Ted Walker.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1987.

THU 09:30 Life in London (b011q9fw)

High and Low Life

Pierce Egan is reduced to pawning himself.

He talks his way out of this bind by relating the adventures of

Tom, Bob and Jerry as they drink with the lower orders in the

East End, dance with high society up West and attend a

masquerade, where Jerry is smitten by a serial seductress...

Starring Greg Wise and Mark Gatiss.

Pierce Egan's 19th-century comic novel adapted by Dan Tetsell.

Pierce Egan Geoffrey McGovern

Corinthian Tom Greg Wise

Pickpocket Neil Edmond

Jerry Hawthorn Mark Gatiss

With James Bachman, Neil Edmond, Morwenna Banks, Giles

Taylor and Alys Torrance.

Original music by Ben Walker

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2006.

THU 10:00 Jack London - The Sea Wolf (b007jmc1)

Episode 4

Humphrey and Maud dash for freedom from cruel captain,

Wolf Larsen, but Japan is 600 miles away...

Conclusion of Jack London's 1904 tale of brutality and survival

on the high seas.

Starring Jack Klaff, Kerry Shale and Shelley Thompson..

Dramatised by Ed Thomason

Wolf Larsen Jack Klaff

Humphrey Van Weyden Kerry Shale

Maud Brewster Shelley Thompson

Music: Elizabeth Parker - BBC Radiophonic Workshop.

Director: Adrian Bean.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1991.

THU 11:00 Afternoon Reading (b00tmmjy)

Susie Maguire - I Got the Dog

Chiara's Story

Susie Maguire's trilogy of comic stories about the fallout from a

break up. Who gets left with what? Music, water, dogs,

arithmetic, possessions... and love. Vicki Pepperdine reads

Chiara's story.

Chiara is a performance artist. She does a little bit of dance,

singing, theatre and mime.

Boris was her first Russian. Dimitri was her second, although he

was more Hampstead than St Petersburg.

All she has left from these relationships is a selection of battle

scars. Surely she can salvage something from this? Never one to

under-analyse the events in her life, she convinces herself that

she can create something from this mess: "Yes," she decides, "I

can workshop this." Pretty quickly she's mapped out an entire

performance project complete with Rimsky Korsakov, some

'Eugene Onegin-y' type music, with Boris represented by a

Nosferatu figure, whilst Andria and Dimitri are played by a pair

of coats and hats. With references to film noir, Dali and

Eisenstein all chucked into the melting pot for luck.

Will Chiara's creativity bring her salvation? And what happened

to the dog?

Vicki Pepperdine reads Chiara's story

Producer: Sarah Langan.

THU 11:15 Niall Ashdown - Hungarian Birdsong (b00768yt)

When Niall and his father visit Hungary on a bird-watching trip,

some interesting facts about their relationship are revealed. One-

man show, directed by Sally Avens.

THU 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jmd5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 Hello Cheeky (b007jnx4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rj6)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mb13m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island (b0081w1h)

Episode 14

Queenie gives birth to a beautiful baby boy, but who is the

father? Stars Lyndsey Marshal and Stephen Tompkinson.

THU 14:15 Ambridge Extra (b0388wkd)

Series 5

Episode 14

Lilian seeks out Matt in London, while Brenda asks Dmitry

Space Perception

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

Series 2 of Lucy Clare and Ian Davidson's sitcom about topsy-turvy family life.

Stars Duncan Preston as Patrick, Penny Downie as Stella, Claudie Blakley as Alison, Bruce MacKinnon as Rick, Catherine Shepherd as Xanthe, Daniela Denby-Ashe as Egg and Roise Armstrong as the Fitness Instructor.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

THU 17:30 The Mitch Benn Music Show (b00b9k9l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 18:00 Blake's 7: The Early Years (b00sm8xy)

When Vila Met Gan

Liberator stalwarts Vila and Gan recall how their odyssey began - in the exotic location of Croydon. Stars Michael Keating.

THU 18:30 The Darker Side of the Border (b00ck4fs)

James Hogg - The Brownie of the Black Haggs

Lady Wheelhope has a reputation as a violent mistress to those under her power. Yet when desire for a mysterious servant overwhelms her, it's her own soul she yields to terrible risk...

Series of 3 Scottish 19th Century tales of terror and mystery.

Written by James Hogg and dramatised by Marty Ross.

Lady Wheelhope Irene MacDougall

The Laird Paul Young

Merodach James Chisholm

Bessie Mary Riggans

Wattie James Bryce

Adam Alec Heggie

Producer: Bruce Young

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

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THU 20:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mb13m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 MacAulay and Co (b0388wnc)

2013

Episode 8

Fred MacAulay brings you the pick of the best comedy from the Edinburgh Festival.

THU 22:00 Meet David Sedaris (b01n9whw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Giles Wembley Hogg Goes Off (b01j8byl)

Series 3

Haiti

The gap-year student arrives to help rebuild a village, and tries out some voodoo. Stars Marcus Brigstocke. From February 2005.

THU 23:00 The Wilson Dixon Line (b00kjh14)

Sweet Home Colorado

Cowboy philosopher Wilson Dixon reminisces about his dysfunctional family and his upbringing in Cripple Creek.

Continuing his affectionate tribute to the philosophy of country music, Wilson shares more of his viewpoints through songs and anecdotes.

Introduced by Johnnie Walker.

Saddled up with sidekick Snake Wizzelteats, his observations on everyday life draw the audience into world full of larger than life characters and situations.

Written and performed by Jesse Griffin.

Sidekick Snake Wizzelteats is performed by Jesse Budd.

Recorded with an audience at BBC Maida Vale, London.

Producer: Lianne Coop

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 2009.

THU 23:30 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b00fm3lj)

Series 1

Episode 1

The renowned comedian and activist attempts to piece together working policies with the aid of you, the people. From June 2009.

FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2013

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FRI 05:00 Ring Around the Bath (b00tvqmr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 The Mitch Benn Music Show (b00b9k9l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rjh)

The Noticeable Conduct of Professor Chadd

The Noticeable Conduct of Professor Chadd is apparent to everyone who calls at the home of the noted ethnologist.

However, his three sisters become alarmed when he suddenly refuses to speak. The sisters waste no time in summoning the Professor's equally eccentric acquaintance, Basil Grant. Can Basil save the highly respected Professor from his madness and the wrath of his employers at the British Museum? And just why does Professor Chadd insist on shaking his leg in the manner of a bee?

Stars David Warner as Basil Grant, Martin Freeman as Rupert Grant, Geoffrey McGovern as Charlie Swinburne, Amelia Bullmore as Christina, Chris Douglas as Bingham, Martin Hyder as Dr Colman, Felicity Montagu as Adeleide and John Nettleton as Professor Chadd.

GK Chesterton stories dramatised by Simon Littlefield

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2005.

FRI 06:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbmh4)

Wasted Years

Episode 5

A spate of armed robberies has DI Charlie Resnick recalling his 1980s nemesis, the soon-to-be-paroled John Prior. Philip Jackson reads John Harvey's thriller.

FRI 07:00 The Right Time (b00c5nnp)

Series 3

Episode 5

Time-share shock, home shopping revenge - and the perils of redundancy...

The sketch comedy for people growing older disgracefully.

Stars Eleanor Bron, Graeme Garden, Neil Innes, Clive Swift, Roger Blake and Paula Wilcox.

Written by Nicholas Barber and Glenn Dakin, Mike Coleman, Jan Etherington, Graeme Garden, Mike Haskins, Ged Parsons, Bob Sinfield, Chris Thompson and Pete Reynolds.

Script Editor: Ged Parsons.

Music by Ronnie & The Rex and Neil Innes.

Producer: Claire Jones

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2003.

FRI 07:30 Jo Caulfield's Speakeasy (b0381l1z)

Episode 2

Comedian Jo Caulfield invites best selling authors, comedians and a man who played with Pink Floyd to tell true stories from their lives. The results are revealing, hilarious and hugely entertaining.

The performers are all recorded live at the historic Scottish Story Telling centre in Edinburgh.

This week Ian Rankin tells us why not to get on the wrong side of a crime writer, Boothby Graffoe shares a gruesome tale about the world's worst serial killer and Janey Godley and Pink Floyd's Guy Pratt share with us moments they'd rather forget.

Created by Jo Caulfield and Kevin Anderson

A Dabster production for BBC Radio 4.

FRI 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b00rq30b)

Series 1

The Stepmother

Harold's not too happy to meet his dad Albert's new girlfriend. Starring Wilfrid Brambell and Harry H Corbett.

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 featured the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and son Harold - and was the spark for a run of 8 series on TV.

Albert Wilfrid Brambell

Harold Harry H. Corbett

Emma Joan Lovell

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

Produced by Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1966.

FRI 08:30 Life With The Lyons (b012qrpv)

Time Marches Back

Ben needs jokes for his big speech at the Festival of Britain - can the family help?

Starring real-life American family: Ben Lyon and his wife Bebe Daniels and their children, Richard and Barbara.

With Doris Rogers as Florrie, Molly Weir as Aggie, Horace Percival as Mr Wimple, Ian Sadler and David Enders.

Life With The Lyons was one the BBC's most popular radio sitcoms between 1950 and 1961. It was also adapted for BBC Television.

Written by Bebe Daniels, Bob Block and Bill Harding.

BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Robert Busby

Incidental music by Arthur Wilkinson

Producer: Tom Ronald

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1951.

FRI 09:00 King Street Junior (b007jnjql)

Series 10

Accusations

The spread of damaging rumours creates a nightmare classroom scenario for Mr Sims.

Created and written by Jim Eldridge, ten series of this comedy

about a junior school ran between 1985 and 1998. King Street Junior Revisited ran from 2002 to 2005.

Stars Karl Howman as Mr Sims, James Grout as the Headmaster, Marlene Sidaway as Miss Lewis, Margaret John as Mrs Stone, Paul Copley as Mr Long, Deirdre Costello as Mrs Patterson, Vivienne Martin as Mrs Rudd, Tom Watson as Mr Holliday, Jacqueline Beatty as Miss Reed, Mark Straker as Mr Stewart and Susan Toddoff as Mrs Stewart.

Producer: John Fawcett Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1998.

FRI 09:30 Electric Ink (b011f3pc)

Series 1

Episode 2

Circulation is going through the roof.

Old hacks meet new media in Alistair Beaton's satire set in the changing world of the newspaper industry.

Maddox Robert Lindsay

Oliver Alex Jennings

Amelia Elizabeth Berrington

Tasneem Zita Sattar

Masha Debbie Chazen

Freddy Ben Willbond

Announcer Matt Addis

With additional material by Tom Mitchelson.

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2009.

FRI 10:00 Annie Caulfield - Almost Always African (b007k30r)

"Music may go or come but almost always it is African."

Gambian musician, Moses Biama is invited to London to make an album with fading English rock star, Frank.

But the recording doesn't work out the way Frank has planned...

Annie Caulfield's comedy drama about cultural cross purposes and the Music Industry.

Starring Lenny Henry as Moses, Bill Nighy as Frank, Curtis Walker as Moses' brother, Joy Elias-Rilwan as Binta, Donna

Croll as Fatima, Joanna Myers as Tara, James Greene as Jack and Mark Straker as the Journalist.

Music composed by Dominique Le Gendre.

Hit single by Neil Arthur and Joe Hagan.

Director: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1991.

FRI 11:00 Vincent McNerney - Bringing Home a Budgie for Mum (b0389s5c)

A young sailor's loyalty to his family is tested after his mother makes a seemingly innocent request.

Keith Drinkel reads Vincent McNerney's short story.

Producer: Pam Fraser Solomon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1996.

FRI 11:15 Tanika Gupta - The Whispering Tree (b007jy9f)

A year after her mother's death, 14 year old Sharmila prefers to escape into a world of Hindu myths and legends - rather than confront her guilt and pain...

Tanika Gupta's family drama stars Parminder K Nagra as Sharmila, Souad Fares as Madhu, Lyndam Gregory as Ranjeet, Amanda Gordon as Danny and Akbar Kurtha as Sunil.

Producer: Pam Fraser Solomon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1998.

FRI 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b00rq30b)

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FRI 12:30 Life With The Lyons (b012qrpv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rjh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbmh4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 Andrea Levy - Small Island (b0081wmy)

Episode 15

Confronted by the consequences of her actions, Queenie makes the most difficult decision of her life. Stars Lyndsey Marshal.

FRI 14:15 Foreign Bodies (b01mnz82)

Series 1

Russia and Ukraine - Erast Fandorin

Boris Akunin sets his Erast Fandorin novels in nineteenth century Russia whilst Andrey Kurkov describes twenty first century Ukraine.

Mark Lawson looks at the influence of Bulgakov and Dostoevsky on Russian crime fiction and compares the inside view with those created by outsiders including Martin Cruz

Smith and Tom Rob Smith.

Producer: Robyn Read.

FRI 14:30 Thomas Hardy - The Woodlanders (b007k011)

Midsummer Evening

Doctor Fitzpiers and Grace Melbury's paths cross on Midsummer's Eve in Little Hintock. Read by Juliet Stevenson.

FRI 14:45 Michael Holroyd - Basil Street Blues (b0075pdj)

Episode 5

The biographer confronts ageing and death in his family and discovers a 'poisoned chalice'. Abridged by Elizabeth Bradbury, read by the author.

FRI 15:00 Annie Caulfield - Almost Always African (b007k30r)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b038b4b4)

Mel Giedroyc is in the mood for movies as she asks, what makes a great cinema ending? Plus there's the final part of this week's story, A Handful of Magic by Stephen Elboz.

FRI 17:00 Second Thoughts (b0016gt2)

Series 4

Unhappy Returns

Bill makes a flying return visit from his new job in Germany. It's the ideal opportunity for a quiet weekend with Faith but interventions from Hannah and Liza ensures the weekend is anything but romantic....

Sitcom about the battles of married life for ex-divorcees Bill and Faith, whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife, Liza and Faith's teenage children.

Stars James Bolam as Bill, Lynda Bellingham as Faith, Belinda Lang as Liza, Julia Sawalha as Hannah, Mark Denham as Joe, Geoffrey Whitehead as Richard and David Learner as Kevin.

Series three of four inspired by the real lives of its writers, husband and wife Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.

A TV version made by LWT for ITV appeared in 1991 and ran for four series, with a spin-off 'Faith in the Future'.

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1992.

FRI 17:30 The Right Time (b00c5snp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:00 Blake's 7 (b008hscc)

Rebel

The Galactic Federation thinks it has seen the last of space outlaw Roj Blake, when he is framed and exiled. Stars Derek Riddell.

FRI 19:00 Steptoe and Son (b00rq30b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Life With The Lyons (b012qrvp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 GK Chesterton - The Club of Queer Trades (b0076rmh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 Inspector Resnick (b00mbmh4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Vincent McNerney - Bringing Home a Budgie for Mum (b0389s5c)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 21:15 Tanika Gupta - The Whispering Tree (b007jy9f)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

FRI 22:00 Where Did It All Go Wrong? (b0076gqv)

Series 1

Blakey 'Blake' Blakeson

Simon Munnery debunks the image of one of England's forgotten folk heroes. From August 2003.

FRI 22:15 The Comedy Club at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (b038b8x6)

2013

Episode 7

Arthur Smith eats canvas when Max and Ivan take him wrestling.

FRI 22:20 Jo Caulfield's Speakeasy (b0381lzj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:50 The Comedy Club at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (b038b8x8)

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Episode 8

The excitable Pattie Brewster gives us her unique guide to the Fringe.

FRI 22:55 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b00rms97)

Series 3

Ardal O'Hanlon

Marcus Brigstocke invites his guest Ardal O'Hanlon to try five things he's never done before including bell ringing.

Whether the experiences are banal or profound, the show is about embracing the new and getting out of our comfort zones.

The title comes from the fact that the show's producer and creator Bill Dare had never seen Star Wars.

Producer: Bill Dare.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2010.

FRI 23:25 The Comedy Club at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe (b038b8xb)

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Episode 9

Arthur Smith tries to find the truth amongst the lies from Alex Home.

FRI 23:30 Flight of the Conchords (b00dnlkz)

The Fans Proposition

The Kiwi band face fan propositions

Improvised comedy from the satirical pop pair, as they align with established comics to poke fun at all aspects of pop music.

Rob Brydon narrates the musical odyssey..

Starring New Zealand musical comedy duo, Bret McKenzie and Jemaine Clement.

With:

Rhys Darby

Nina Conti

Neil Finn

Jimmy Carr

Additional Material by Joel Morris.

Musicians: David Catlin-Birch and Mark Allis.

Producer: Will Saunders

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in September 2005.