

SATURDAY 22 MARCH 2014

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

The Squaw

An arrogant American earns himself a truly horrific retribution.

The final tale from the Dracula author, read by Dyfed Thomas.

SAT 00:15 John Connolly - Five Ghost Stories (b007jx4s)

Nocturne

Sounds of a piano played at night lead a father and his son into

a confrontation with a malign adversary. Read by Tony Doyle.

SAT 00:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqb9)

The Red Planet

11. The Desperate Search

Captain Jet Morgan and the crew reach freighter number two

after it crash landed, but they fear they're not alone on Mars...

Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.

CAST:

Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds

Lemmy David Kossoff

Doc Guy Kingsley Poynter

Mitch Bruce Beeby

Announcer/Various David Jacobs

Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips.

Producer: Charles Chilton

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November

1954.

SAT 01:00 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr3t)

Episode 5

Still on the run from foreign agents, the Englishman is pursued

through the deep tunnels of the London Underground.

Geoffrey Household's classic British thriller was first published

shortly before the outbreak of war in 1939.

Read by Michael Jayston.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in

January 2004.

SAT 01:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jpmw)

Death on the Nile

Episode 5

Hercule Poirot's holiday has become a hideous nightmare. Can

he finally path on the murderous events afloat?

The conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunit starring John

Moffatt as Poirot

Hercule Poirot John Moffatt

Colonel Race Donald Sinden

Mrs Allerton Rosemary Leach

Pennington Stratford Johns

Linnet Ridgeway Elaine Pyke

Simon Doyle Robert Daws

Tim Allerton Nicholas Boulton

Jacqueline de Bellefort Amanda Barton-Chapple

Mrs Otterbourne Shirley Dixon

Rosalie Otterbourne Emma Woodvine

Joanna Southwood Joanna Monro

Monsieur Blondin Sean Baker

Rockford Ed Bishop

Fanthorp Robert May

Miss Van Schuyler Irene Sutcliffe

Dr Bessner Keith Drinkel

Thomas Cook Agent Timothy Alcock

Waiter Chris Pavlo

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

SAT 02:00 Coming Alive (b007k2bs)

Series 1

Dance On

Ex-convict Terry comes to a realisation after Sandra's

troublesome ex-husband appears. Stars Karl Howman. From

March 1999.

SAT 02:30 Trevor's World of Sport (b007k3kv)

Series 1

Episode 3

Sports agent Trevor Heslop has to grapple with a Buddhist and a

specially-trained bear. Stars Neil Pearson. From August 2004.

Episode 3 of 6.

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

Deaths and Entrances

John's political pursuits lead him to Westminster and Welsh

valley mines.

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

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

century.

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.

John Shawcross Ian McKellen

Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler

Lord Lostwithiel of Hereward Castle Jeffrey Wickham

Lady Lettice Melland Helen Ryan

Anne Artinghall June Barry

Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley

Arnold Ryerson Andrew Jackson

Pen Muff Vida Paterson

Harry Liskeard Peter Guinness

Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin

Ellen Stansfield Rosalie Williams

Edith Ryerson Ann Rye

Nell Richards Nina Holloway

Marsden Herbert Smith

Carrickfergus James Tomlinson

Evan Vaughan Richard Clay-Jones

Gallery Assistant Rory Scase

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.

SAT 04:00 The Stories of Adam Marek (b03y83fb)

Dead Fish

A boy steals a fish from the marketplace, prompting a chase.

But can he be caught?

Carl Prekopp reads a selection of stories from Adam Marek's

dark and quirky collections.

Adam Marek is the award-winning writer of two short story

collections - Instruction Manual For Swallowing and The Stone

Thrower. He won the 2011 Arts Foundation Short Story

Fellowship, and was shortlisted for the inaugural Sunday Times

EFG Short Story Award. His stories have appeared in many

magazines, including Prospect and The Sunday Times

Magazine, and in many anthologies including Lemistry and

Biopunk and The Best British Short Stories 2011.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Sweet Talk Productions.

SAT 04:15 Juliet Ace Monologues (b007k19x)

Skin

On her road to liberation, Mattie Potter strips off. Patricia

Hodge tells her tale of sun, flesh, naturism and morality.

SAT 05:00 Beachcomber... By the Way (b008y6pd)

Series 3

Episode 6

More odd stories, idiotic court hearings and surprises from the

dictionary.

Richard Ingrams, John Wells, John Sessions, Joan Sims and

Patricia Routledge recreate the world of JB Morton.

With Brian Bowles, Simon Greenall, Henrietta Gooden and

featuring June Whitfield.

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 - thanks to characters he created

between the wars.

Adapted by Michael Barfield with Richard Ingrams.

Announcer: Brian Perkins

Producer: Harry Thompson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1994.

SAT 05:30 Chambers (b007jp12)

Series 2

Only the Lonely

John Fuller-Carp uses his masculine charms when he finds

himself in competition with rival Vernon Ames.

Meanwhile, Ruth is very broody...

Clive Coleman's sitcom set in perhaps the country's least

spectacular law chambers.

John Fuller Carp John Bird

Hilary Tripping James Fleet

Vince Jonathan Kydd

Ruth Quirke Sarah Lancashire

With Jeremy Clyde, Joanna Monro and Tracy-Ann Oberman.

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.

SAT 06:00 John Wyndham - The Kraken Wakes (b03yh3w9)

Radio reporters Mike and Phyllis Watson are on a honeymoon

cruise when they see strange red lights falling out of the sky and

into the sea. In John Wyndham's 1953 classic of alien invasion,

Mike and Phyl report the progress of the 'kraken-like' sea

monsters as they emerge from the depths and challenge

mankind for supremacy of the Earth. The climax, when sea

levels rise and devastating flooding hits the UK, is eerily

topical.

John Wyndham (1903-1969) also wrote The Day of the

Triffids, The Chrysalids, The Midwich Cuckoos and many short

stories.

Starring Jonathan Cake and Sarah Todd. Dramatised by John

Constable and directed by Susan Roberts.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2008.

SAT 07:30 Armitage and Moore's Guide to Song (b00xg9tq)

Episode 1

Narrators and characters kick off an analysis of popular songs,

unpicked by poet Simon Armitage and musicologist Allan

Moore.

SAT 08:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01h78b0)

Series 7

Episode 29

From Flagstaff, Arizona, the American funny man welcomes

country star Jimmie Dale Gilmore and humorist Ian Frazier.

From 2011.

SAT 09:00 Vivian Stanshall - English as Tuppence (b03yh3wc)

Vivian Stanshall was the incorrigible, adored, unpredictable,

unfathomable absurdist from the Bonzo Dog Doo Dah Band

and creator of the intricate world of Rawlinson End. The

legendary Neil Innes is joined by special guests including Ade

Edmondson and Rick Wakeman to look at the work of his

friend, collaborator and fellow Bonzo and the collision of art,

humour, music and language that permeated Vivian's career.

SAT 12:00 Charlotte Bronte - Shirley (b03yh8b7)

Omnibus

Robert has suddenly left Yorkshire, unaware that Caroline has

fallen into a deep sickness.

Charlotte Bronte's tale of romantic entanglements and turbulent

times in the Yorkshire of 1811.

Omnibus of the last five of ten parts adapted by Rachel Joyce.

Set against a Yorkshire industrial background, Bronte's

powerful second novel is also an impassioned plea for social equality - for workers and women alike. Set during the time of the Luddite unrest, two strands weave together. One, the struggles of workers against mill owners, the other involving the romantic entanglements of the two heroines - Shirley Keelder and Caroline Helstone. It is the friendship of these two women, and the contrast between their situations, that lies at the heart of the piece. Many believe the character of Shirley was written for, and about, Charlotte's sister, Emily, who was dying as Charlotte wrote the novel.

An earthy, vivid and poignant re-telling of one of the lesser-known Bronte classics. The scenes of dangerous social unrest and conflict and love are as relevant today as when the novel was published. It's a story of friendship and love, longing and loss. A rollicking good story with plenty of cliffhangers to keep you hooked to the very end.

Charlotte Bronte Lesley Sharp

Shirley Jemima Rooper

Caroline Joanne Froggatt

Robert Moore Joseph Kloska

Louis Moore Joel MacCormack

Mrs Pryor Christine Kavanagh

Helstone Sean Murray

Hortense Moore Priyanga Burford

Mr Sympson David Seddon

Director: Tracey Neale

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

SAT 13:15 Julie Enfield Investigates (b007zghc)

Murder West One

3. Five Star Killing

At a glitzy London hotel, the body of an unknown woman is

discovered in the service area amongst the empty champagne

bottles.

Detective Superintendent Julie Enfield must unravel a high

class mystery...

Nick Fisher's thriller stars Imelda Staunton.

DSI Julie Enfield Imelda Staunton

Dad Geoffrey Matthews

Jean-Pierre Renaud Alan Bourgooin

Trevor Jones Giles Fagan

Ken Ben Crowe

John Manning Geoffrey Whitehead

Ralph Bingley Robert Harper

Stephen Willis Tom Bevan

Director: Richard Wortley

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1999.

SAT 14:00 Listen to Les (b00c02dg)

From 22/6/1975

Les Dawson presents a duck appeal, Cissie and Ada talk

mothers - plus his legendary piano sing-along.

With Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn.

Music by Brian Fitzgerald.

Scripted and produced by James Casey.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1975.

SAT 14:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b0080jps)

Series 2

Episode 1

Shady lawyer, Waldorf T Flywheel needs patients - in his latest

scam as a doctor.

Recreation of the Marx Brothers' lost shows charting the

adventures of shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel and his

assistant, Emmanuel Ravelli. Originally broadcast with sponsors

on America's NBC radio network in the 1930s. The scripts were

rediscovered in 1988.

Groucho Marx as Waldorf T Flywheel Michael Roberts

Chico Marx as Emmanuel Ravelli Frank Lazarus

With Lorelei King, Graham Hoadley and Vincent Marzello.

Written by Nat Perrin and Athur Sheekman. Adapted by Mark

Brisenden.

Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.

Producer: Dirk Maggs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.

SAT 15:00 Garrison Keillor's Radio Show (b01h78b0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

SAT 16:00 John Wyndham - The Kraken Wakes (b03yh3w9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SAT 17:30 Listen Against (b00tpswr)

Series 3

Episode 2

* Ecological and broadcast catastrophe strikes as BBC 3 leaks

in to other channels.

* Edward Stourton and Gaby Roslin tunnel to the centre of the

earth for Children in Need..

* Previewing the new musical charting the dramatic lives of the

Dimblebys: 'News Brothers'.

Another week's worth of radio and TV that never happened. It's

a bit like the BBC iPlayer, only with two eyes instead of one.

And it's got ears.

Presented by Alice Arnold and Jon Holmes.

With special guests Marcel Theroux and Julia Hartley-Brewer.

Featuring: James Bachman, Stephen Critchlow, Sarah Hadland

and David Schneider.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2010.

SAT 18:00 The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (b007jm0m)

The Primary Phase

Fit The Third

A whale meets an unfortunate end, as Arthur Dent and company meet the Earth's creators. By Douglas Adams. From March 1978.

Arthur Dent is - so far - the only survivor from Earth, demolished to make way for a by-pass. He survived thanks to his friend, Ford Prefect (who hails not from Guildford, but somewhere near Betelgeuse), a writer for the Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy, "the most successful book ever to have come out of the great publishing corporations of Ursa Minor". Now paired with fellow Earth survivor Trillian and duplicitous two-headed hustler Zaphod Beeblebrox, Arthur and Ford are about to learn more startling truths about the universe.

The global multi-media success story that is "Hitchhiker's" started life as a Radio 4 series in March 1978. The original scripts by the late Douglas Adams then went on to spawn a series of novels, a feature film, at least three stage shows, a TV series, a computer game, a collection of comic books - and various towels.

Douglas Adams was born in Cambridge and died in 2001 at the age of 49. He suffered a fatal heart attack after working out at his gym in California.

With Peter Jones, Simon Jones, Geoffrey McGivern, Mark Wing-Davey and Stephen Moore. Produced by the late Geoffrey Perkins.

SAT 18:30 Fear on 4 (b007jny0)

Series 2

The Dispossessed Daughter

The Man in Black reveals what happens when a grieving mother makes a pact with the Devil.

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

Written by Katharine Nicholas

The Man in Black Edward de Souza

David John Duttine

Ellen Vivien Heilbron

Rev Williams Gareth Armstrong

Directed at BBC Wales by Adrian Mourby.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1989.

SAT 19:00 Vivian Stanshall - English as Tuppence (b03yh3wc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SAT 22:00 Saturday Night Fry (b007jt29)

Episode 3

Stephen Fry serves up more witty banter and sketches.

With Hugh Laurie, Jim Broadbent and Julia Hills.

Written by Stephen Fry with additional material by Ian Brown and James Hendrie.

Producer: Dan Patterson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1988.

SAT 22:30 Sir Henry at Rawlinson End (b00s3j26)

Cabbage Looking in Mufti

The surreal saga of a dynasty delicately balanced on the edge of sanity.

Written by and starring Viv Stanshall.

Contains edits of an original John Peel session as first heard on BBC Radio 1.

Music composed and performed by Viv Stanshall using additional musicians.

Producer: John Walters

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1996.

SAT 22:45 Tina C (b007711n)

State of the Union Tour

Stockholm

Stockholm country music sensation Tina C turns her attention to Europe.

First she's off to Sweden:

"What's it like to be rich and be in a gang with poor folks?"

Written and performed by Christopher Green

Music production by Duncan Walsh Atkins and Ian Hill.

Guitar: Richard Young

Violin: David Bignell

Director: Claire Grove

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2006.

SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b03z9h1v)

The best in contemporary comedy. Tonight Arthur Smith chats to Bonzo, Rutle, 7th Python, and all round great gentleman, Neil Innes.

SAT 23:00 28 Acts in 28 Minutes (b01nv97y)

Series 1

Episode 3

John Humphrys gives 28 acts 60 seconds to entertain an audience:

Kit and the Widow

Frankie Boyle

The Hollow Men

Lucy Porter

Rob Rouse

Toby Foster

Mrs Barbara Nice

Rob Deering

Neil Edmond

Adam Buxton

Anna Crilley & Katie Wix

Mick Ferry

Pete Gold

Susan Murray

Charlie Chuck

Jarred Christmas

Marcus Cummins

Tom Allen

Justin Moorhouse

Will Hodgson

Stephen Carlin

Steve Oram and Tom Meeten

Isy Suttie

Alex Horne

Phil Kay

Nick Revell

John Hegley

Marcus Brigstocke & Danny Robins

Producers: Rohan Acharya and Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.

SAT 23:30 Knowing Me, Knowing You (b007k0f1)

Episode 5

Cheesy chat show host Alan Partridge is 'Live from Las Vegas' with glamorous American co-host, Kendall Ball.

With guests: Hollywood star couple Sally Hoff & Conrad Knight, New York comic Bernie Rosen and professional gambler Jack 'the Black Cat' Colson.

With thanks to Alan's chief researcher Steve Coogan.

Assistant researchers:

Patrick Marber

Rebecca Front

Doon Mackichan

David Schneider

Producer: Armando Iannucci

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1992.

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SUN 05:30 Listen Against (b00tpswr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 17:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters Omnibus (b03ymlvj)

Episode 2

At the Easter Charity Ball, a mystery admirer sends Cynthia a present and the truth emerges. Stars Julia Hills and Cathy Sara.

SUN 07:15 A Box of Wittgensteins (b00fy2xf)

The Palais Wittgenstein

The great-niece of the philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein, Margaret Stonborough, talks to the artist and historian Michael Huey as she delves into six boxes of newly-inherited family archives.

As she digs deeper into the talented but tortured lives of the Wittgensteins she finds her cramped London house becoming ever more crowded with her larger-than-life forbears.

The first object out of the box takes Margaret back to a soiree in Vienna in 1895 at the palatial house of an Austrian steel magnate, Karl Wittgenstein.

He was the father of eight children including Ludwig the philosopher, Paul the left-handed pianist and Margaret's own grandmother, who was painted by Gustav Klimt.

As the family gathered for the evening, records show that the composer Johannes Brahms arrived at the Palais Wittgenstein.

The readers are Sarah Finch, Nicholas Rowe and Dan Starkey.

SUN 07:30 Ed Reardon's Week (b00pxjpr)

Series 6

Charity Begins Next Door

Ed applies for help from a hardship fund, and acquires an enthusiastic new student. With Philip Jackson. From January 2010.

SUN 08:00 The Burkiss Way (b00jq7tm)

Series 2

Replace The Burkiss Way

Smile, you're on Candid Cat!

Genghis Khan fun in The Burkiss Way to Dynamic Living

As we conclude the second series of radio's correspondence course - if we were to hold auditions for this time slot, you might take over Jo Kendal , Nigel Rees, Chris Emmett and Fred Harris

Or have a chance to write scripts like Andrew Marshall and David Renwick.

Or even (if your luck doesn't hold) end up like producer Simon Brett.

Cult sketch show first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1977.

SUN 08:30 To the Manor Born (b007k4dj)

What's in a Name?

Hard-up Audrey needs a secret job - but what on earth is she qualified to do?

Starring Penelope Keith as Audrey fforbes-Hamilton.

Keith Barron Richard De Vere

Angela Thorne Marjory Frobisher

Nicholas McArdle Brabinger

Margery Withers Mrs Polouvicka

Frank Middlemass Ned

The tale of lady of the manor Audrey fforbes-Hamilton, forced to sell her beloved Granleigh Estate when her husband's death leaves her financially strapped. With butler Brabinger in tow, they've decamped to the tiny Old Lodge cottage.

From this vantage point, Audrey keeps a close and disapproving eye on the estate's new owner, the nouveau-riche Richard De Vere, a wholesale Foods magnate of Czech descent.

First piloted on radio and then whisked off to TV before it ever appeared, finally arrived home in 1997.

Adapted from his TV scripts by Peter Spence.

Producer: Jane Berthoud

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1997.

SUN 09:00 Alexandre Dumas - The Three Musketeers (b00scz3b)

The Man from Meung

D'Artagnan dices with death and encounters a mysterious foe.

Stars Jamie Glover, Robert Glenister and Timothy Spall.

SUN 09:30 Charles Dickens (b007tm48)

Oliver Twist

Asking for More

Escaping from the workhouse, the orphan discovers that greater dangers are lurking outside. Stars Edward Long and Pam Ferris.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b03ymn62)

Gardeners

Susana Walton

4 Extra Debut. From Piazzolla to Verdi, horticulturalist and wife of composer William, Susana Walton chats to Sue Lawley.

From January 2002.

SUN 10:45 Once Seen (b00q3g74)

The Lodger

Series of three stories inspired by a very modern small-ads phenomenon.

By Anna Maxted, read by Sandra Duncan.

Victoria is widowed, middle-aged and living in cold, wet London rather than her hot, sunny adopted homeland, Portugal.

She has a lodger she is singularly ill-equipped to cater for; nonetheless he is grateful to her. This is a surprise for Victoria, which then leads to another.

A Heavy Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 11:00 Roy Hudd - Stick a Geranium in Your Hat! (b016n7xs)

My Word You Do Look Queer

Love and marriage figure in the comic celebration of the words and music of renowned songwriters RP Weston and Bert Lee.

Starring Roy Hudd as Bert Weston and Billy Dainty as Bert Lee.

Devised and written by Roy Hudd.

Musical arrangements by Ian Smith.

Producer: Jonathan James-Moore

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1982.

SUN 11:30 Creme de la Crime (b007jr0x)

Series 1

20,000 Leaks Under the Sea

Michael Feydeau and David Pershore unravel a case of wartime spying skulduggery. Stars Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis. From September 2001.

SUN 11:45 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters Omnibus (b03ymlvj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 13:00 Grace Dent's Guide to Growing Up a Girl (b03ymqz4)

"I was in Methodist 22nd Brownie pack and a Seconder in the Pixies. I am still angry I was not made Sixer. I think my whole career is based on avenging this injustice."

Memories flood back for writer and columnist Grace Dent as she returns to the childhood bedroom-in-her-head, with a selection of programmes celebrating growing up a girl.

Over three hours, Grace stops about with Pippi Longstocking in The Strongest Girl in the World, escapes into the world of girls' comics and Girl magazine with 43 Years in The Third Form featuring Rosanna: Schoolgirl of Mystery and Angela: The Air Hostess! It was the 1950s. Decades later, Grace also discovers: What Is It About Judy Blume?

Away from books, Meera Syal explores the pitfalls of female friendship in Anita and Me; Emma Kennedy endures acute adolescent embarrassment on a disastrous camping holiday in the 1970s with The Tent, The Bucket and Me; Josie Long reveals why she never should've gone out with Luke in My Teenage Diary and Everything But the Girl's Tracey Thorn warns of the perils of 'tarty trousers' in her musical memoir Bedsit Disco Queen.

Along from archive over the decades - we enjoy a gloriously unselfconscious Grease sing-along and discuss the difficulties of finding a husband at finishing school. There's also a 10-year-old aspirant housewife, a champion tea-making brownie and a schoolgirl hoyden turned junior suffragette.

Produced for BBC Radio 4 Extra by Testbed Audio.

SUN 16:00 Mel's Mix: The Best of The 4 O'Clock Show (b03ymqzz)

Mel Giedroyc puts the cake to one side for an hour, and presents her highlights of this week's 4 O'Clock Show programmes.

SUN 17:00 Alexandre Dumas - The Three Musketeers (b00scz3b)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Charles Dickens (b007tm48)

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SUN 18:00 Doctor Who (b01132sq)

Cobwebs

Episode 1

The Time Lord, Tegan and Turlough are reunited with Nyssa, who is on a mission to discover an anti-virus. Fifth Doctor adventure stars Peter Davison and Sarah Sutton.

SUN 18:30 Bradbury 13 (b011tsc9)

The Ravine

A small-town serial strangler is stalking women, but Lavinia Nibbs refuses to let him spoil her night out. Ray Bradbury's thriller stars Barta Heiner.

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SUN 22:30 Cabin Pressure (b012r99d)

Series 3

Rotterdam

It's Lifejacket, Camera, Action as stardom beckons for one of the crew of MJN Air.

But who will get to blow the final whistle? And will they look good in a vest?

John Finnemore's sitcom about the pilots of a tiny charter airline for whom no job is too small and many jobs are too difficult.

Carolyn Knapp-Shappey Stephanie Cole

1st Officer Douglas Richardson Roger Allam

Capt. Martin Crieff Benedict Cumberbatch

Arthur Shappey John Finnemore

Capt. Herc Shipwright Anthony Head

Martin Davenport Gus Brown

Producer/Director: David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in July 2011.

SUN 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b03z9h2c)

The best in contemporary comedy. Tonight Arthur Smith

speaks to The Rutles' Ron Nasty aka Neil Innes.

SUN 23:00 Newsjack (b03y7my2)

Series 10

Episode 3

Made for 4 Extra. The week's stories cobbled together in a scrapbook sketch show. Presented by Romesh Ranganathan, with Lewis MacLeod, Pippa Evans and Morgana Robinson.

SUN 23:30 The Boosh (b007jxrs)

Hitcher

Zoo boss Bob Fossil is concerned about the erratic behaviour of Tony the prawn and gives zookeepers Howard and Vince the duty of escorting him to a zoo for animal offenders.

All goes wrong, however, when Howard and Vince come across a strange figure standing by the side of the road.

Written by and starring Noel Fielding and Julian Barratt.

The Boosh is a surreal adventure based on the Perrier Award-winning comedy show, featuring Howard and Vince's battles

with zoo manager Bob Fossil.

Howard Moon Julian Barratt

Vince Noir Noel Fielding

Bob Fossil Rich Fulcher

After BBC radio gave them their big break with this series, they transferred to BBC TV where The Mighty Boosh ran for three series.

Producer: Danny Wallace.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2001.

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himself a secret underground shelter...

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Michael Jayston continues his reading.

Producer: David Jackson Young

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in January 2004.

MON 06:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1vx)

1. The Curious Case of the Curs'd Quayside

Why do so many English warships sink for no apparent reason, and what does a certain jar contain?

Christopher Marlowe gets a job, hires a servant - and inherits a mystery.

First of four historical comedy mysteries by Ged Parsons. Amid the splendour and squalor of Elizabethan London - scholar,

playwright and government spy, Christopher Marlowe is assigned to investigate a number of baffling mysteries and perplexing intrigues...

Starring Dominic Jephcott as Marlowe, Bill Wallis as Ratsbane, Paul Brooke as Sir Francis Walsingham, Garard Green as Admiral Downing, Brian Bowles as Captain Curtis and Julian Dutton as Captain Barnaby. With Sarah Thomas and Victoria Carling.

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993

MON 07:00 PG Wodehouse - Stiff Upper Lip, Jeeves (b007jqgh)

Bartholomew, Blackmail and Barefaced Lies

An expensive statue lands Bertie Wooster in a pickle. PG Wodehouse romp adapted in six-parts by Richard Osborne.

Starring Michael Horder as Jeeves, Richard Briers as Bertie Wooster, Paul Eddington as Roderick Spode, John Le Mesurier as Sir Watkin Bassett, Ronald Fraser as Major Plank, Jonathan Cecil as Boko Fittleworth, Denise Coffey as Stiffy Bing and Percy Edwards as Bartholomew the Dog.

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1980.

MON 07:30 Just a Minute (b03y0n88)

Series 68

Episode 6

Radio 4's classic panel game continues its run.

Sheila Hancock, Richard Herring, Paul Merton and Josie Lawrence attempt to talk for 60 seconds without hesitation, repetition & deviation under the watchful eye of Nicholas Parsons.

Subjects include 'Unanswerable Questions' and 'The Very First Telephone'.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani.

MON 08:00 Listen to Les (b00c475s)

From 17/10/1976

Les Dawson shares the tale of a Leonard Shufflebottom - a man so thin he was once used as a dipstick. Plus another unforgettable piano sing-a-long.

With Daphne Oxenford and Colin Edwynn.

Music by Brian Fitzgerald.

Scripted and produced by James Casey.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in October 1976.

MON 08:30 The Navy Lark (b018tx2t)

Operation Cowes Barge

HMS Troubridge heads to the Isle of Wight and Captain Povey needs a favour from the crew.

Stars Leslie Phillips, Jon Pertwee and Stephen Murray.

Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troubridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive 13 series between 1959 and 1976.

The Sub-Lieutenant Leslie Phillips

The Chief Petty Officer Jon Pertwee

The Number One Stephen Murray

Captain Povey Richard Caldicot

Mrs Povey Heather Chasen

The Admiral Tenniel Evans

The Rear Admiral Michael Bates

Belinda Norma Ronald

Written by Lawrie Wyman and George Evans.

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1971.

MON 09:00 Chain Reaction (b00mgd83)

Series 5

Dave Gorman interviews Frank Skinner

Dave Gorman chats to fellow comedian, Frank Skinner

Chain Reaction is the tag talk show, where the guest becomes the interviewer in the next episode.

Dave asks Frank about his return to stand-up, censorship in comedy and the merits of outdoor toilets.

Producer: Sam Bryant

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2009.

MON 09:30 Dead Ringers (b007k0pf)

Series 2

Episode 3

More celebrity sound-alikes, featuring Jack Nicholson in Last of the Summer Wine. With Phil Cornwell. From June 2000.

MON 10:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125g87)

Hamer's Women

Social reformer John is tempted by Lady Lettice, as his wife fights for the suffragettes.

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

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.

John Shawcross Ian McKellen

Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler

Anne Artingstall June Barry

Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley

Lady Lettice Helen Ryan

Arnold Ryerson Andrew Jackson

Pen Ryerson Vida Paterson

Harry Liskeard Peter Guinness

Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin

Ellen Stansfield Rosalie Williams

Charles Shawcross aged 8 David Boardman

Hawley Artingstall Graham Tennant

Organ grinder Colin Bean

Prison wardens Joan Anstey/ Delia Corrie

Prison doctor Roger Grainger

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.

MON 11:00 Winston Graham Short Stories (b03ymztf)

The Old Boys

A stroll down memory lane turns into an unexpectedly heated encounter when two 'old boys' meet in the grounds of their old school. Read by Nicholas Farrell.

Winston Graham was one of the most successful and prolific novelists of the 20th century. He wrote in many genres but his best known body of work was undoubtedly the 12 historical novels set in Cornwall at the end of the 18th and beginning of the 19th centuries which became known as The Poldarks.

Although it's the Poldarks that brought Winston Graham the most fame, he also wrote more than 30 other novels, six of which have been filmed including the thriller, *Marnie* directed by Alfred Hitchcock in 1964.

This selection celebrates the range of his work and offers a glimpse into the enduring appeal of his most famous characters, Ross and Demelza who are soon set to return to BBC screens in a new adaptation.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by The Waters Partnership.

MON 11:15 Loose Ends (b03ygvjw)

Louis Theroux, Engelbert Humperdinck, Steve Brown, Tracy Chevalier, Arthur Smith, Button Eyes, LuAmi

Clive talks to legendary singer Engelbert Humperdinck about his new album 'Engelbert Calling' which comes forty five years after his number one single and signature tune, 'Please Release Me'.

Bestselling author Tracy Chevalier explains how research for her latest novel *The Last Runaway* ignited her love of quilts and quilting and has led her to curate an exhibition of quilt works 'Things We Do In Bed' that celebrates quilts and their continuing links to what goes on behind the bedroom door.

Arthur Smith talks to Louis Theroux about his three new BBC films that put Los Angeles under the microscope 'Louis Theroux's LA Stories'. Continuing his diverse exploration of life in America, Louis looks at LA's problem with neglected and feral dogs; the experiences of patients with life-threatening conditions at the city's most famous hospital; and examines how California deals with sex offenders after they are released from prison.

Award winning writer and composer Steve Brown talks to Clive about co-writing a brand new musical comedy 'I Can't Sing!' an X Factor Musical with Harry Hill.

Button Eyes, the eclectic London/Brighton folktronica collective perform their latest single 'Simple Days.'

With more music from unsigned singer/songwriter LuAmi who performs her track 'Precious Love.'

Producer: Debbie Kilbride.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

MON 13:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1vx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 14:00 15 Minute Drama (b009s42)

Sarah Dunant - Sacred Hearts

Novice

Dramatisation of the novel by Sarah Dunant, set in a convent in Renaissance Italy, where a young woman has been placed against her will.

Serafina is locked in the convent of Santa Caterina. Her family declare she has a beautiful voice but she vows that she will never sing.

Abbess Eileen Atkins

Zuana Geraldine James

Serafina Natalie Dormer

Umiliana Sian Thomas

Appolonia Hannah Waddingham

Dramatised by Rachel Joyce.

The music has been specially recorded by Musica Secreta, available on the CD Sacred Hearts, Secret Music.

A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.

MON 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007n0nm)

A Modest Proposal; The Year of the Great Frost

The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard

Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.

MON 14:30 Henry James - Portrait of a Lady (b008czp2)

Episode 6

Spirited American Isabel Archer's trip to London is disrupted

by suitor Caspar Goodwood's arrival. Read by Miriam Margolyes.

MON 14:45 Peter O'Toole - Loitering With Intent (b01lg4b)

Episode 6

The Lawrence of Arabia star reads from his memoir, including getting an audition at RADA (with a little help from George Bernard Shaw).

MON 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125g87)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03ym1t6)

Mel Giedroyc with an hour of tea-time entertainment.

MON 17:00 Old Dog and Partridge (b007w3j9)

Episode 4

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

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

Producer: Liz Anstee

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1999.

MON 17:30 PG Wodehouse - Stiff Upper Lip, Jeeves (b007jqgh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b007jlxtd)

Only You Can Save Mankind

1. ScreeWees are for Real?

As the alien fleet crosses the computer screen, 12 year-old Johnny Maxwell prepares to blow the ScreeWee into a million pieces - sparking a wild seasaw adventure involving space warfare, starships and aliens.

Terry Pratchett's sci-fi fantasy novel stars Tim Smith and Janet Dale.

Dramatised in three parts by Bob Hescott.

Johnny Maxwell Tim Smith

ScreeWee Captain Janet Dale

Gunnery Officer Michael Angelis

The PT Teacher Mark Finn

Wobbler Akhbar Karim

Johnny's Mother Marian Kemmer

Johnny's Father Laurence Rew

ScreeWee Crew Member Tessa Harrison

Newsreader Terry Pearson

Yo-less Peter Dalton

Big Mac Michael Peristrello

Kirsty Natalie Moore

Mr Patel Renu Setna

Producer: Brian Lighthill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1996.

MON 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqdn)

The Red Planet

12. Mysterious Lights and More...

An alien ship disturbs the space crew - and is Captain Jet

Morgan's childhood dream becoming a reality on Mars?

Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.

CAST:

Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds

Lemmy David Kossoff

Doc Guy Kingsley Poynter

Mitch Bruce Beeby

Announcer/Various David Jacobs

Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips.

Producer: Charles Chilton

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Chain Reaction (b00mgd83)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 23:00 The News Quiz Extra (b03yn2hq)

Series 10

Episode 6

A satirical review of the week's news, chaired by Sandi Toksvig, with regular panellist Jeremy Hardy and guest panellists Mark Steel, Ellis James and David Mitchell.

MON 23:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007ynlv)

Series 1

The Murder Mystery

Hamish and Dougal set about solving the mystery of Mrs Naughtie's surprise disappearance and several unsavoury rumours about her past.

Barry Cryer and Graeme Garden star as the two elderly Scotsmen famed for their appearances on BBC Radio's I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue.

With Alison Steadman as their cleaning-lady-cum-housekeeper, Mrs Naughtie.

And Jeremy Hardy as the local Laird.

Producer: Jon Naismith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2002.

TUESDAY 25 MARCH 2014

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TUE 06:00 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr54)

Episode 7

The Englishman meets a wild cat who joins him in his

subterranean hideaway in the Dorset countryside.

Geoffrey Household's classic thriller was first published shortly

before the outbreak of war in 1939.

Read by Michael Jayston.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2004.

TUE 06:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1x8)

2. The Turbulent Tale of the Troubl'd Tragedy

Why does an unknown patron fund the worst play ever written,

and what has become of Mighty Meg?

Historical comedy mysteries by Ged Parsons. Amid the

splendour and squalor of Elizabethan London - scholar,

playwright and government spy, Christopher Marlowe is

assigned to investigate a number of baffling mysteries and

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Starring Dominic Jephcott as Marlowe, Bill Wallis as Ratsbane,

Paul Brooke as Sir Francis Walsingham, Roy Hudd as Peck,

Simon Godley as Fortescue, Lionel Jeffries as Trump, Daniel

Strauss as Squires and Victoria Carling as Gloriana Nonesuch.

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993.

TUE 07:00 Snap (b00tqqjc)

Series 2

Episode 2

Kaz is having problems at school and wants her dad to have a

firm talk with her PE teacher from hell.

Meanwhile, Molly's concerned about Dawn who's concerned

about Raymond. Is he having an affair?

Paul Mendelson's sitcom about life for a couple after they've

split.

Molly Rebecca Lacey

Doug Paul Venables

Kaz Soumaya Keynes

Ryan Jessie Sullivan

Annie Marlene Sidaway

Raymond Jonathan Tafler

Dawn Samantha Spiro

Producer: David Ian Neville

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.

TUE 07:30 Down the Line (b00zf1zy)

Series 4

Episode 1

The return of the ground-breaking, Radio 4 show, hosted by the

legendary Gary Bellamy; brought to you by the creators of The

Fast Show.

Down The Line stars Rhys Thomas as Gary Bellamy, with

Amelia Bullmore, Simon Day, Felix Dexter, Charlie Higson,

Lucy Montgomery, and Paul Whitehouse,

Special guests are Rosie Cavaliero, Robert Popper and Adil

Ray.

Producers: Paul Whitehouse and Charlie Higson

A Down The Line production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007jndr)

Series 7

Drums Along the Mersey

A newspaper claims Neddie Seagoon is set to inherit a million

pounds. Stars Spike Milligan and Peter Sellers. From October

1956.

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

Series 2

Episode 2

Shady lawyer, Waldorf T Flywheel turns farmer for a wealthy

Uncle.

Recreation of the Marx Brothers' lost shows charting the

adventures of shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel and his

assistant, Emmanuel Ravelli. Originally broadcast with sponsors

on America's NBC radio network in the 1930s. The scripts were

rediscovered in 1988.

Groucho Marx as Waldorf T Flywheel Michael Roberts

Chico Marx as Emmanuel Ravellias Frank Lazarus

With Lorelei King, Graham Hoadly and Vincent Marzello.

Written by Nat Perrin and Athur Sheekman. Adapted by Mark

Brisenden.

Music arranged and conducted by David Firman.

Producer: Dirk Maggs

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1991.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz Extra (b03yn2hq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:45 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007ynlv)

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Nothing But the Truth, Almost!

The Great War dominates politics as leaders ask people to

unite. Hamer's son enlists.

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

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

century.

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.

John Hamer Shawcross Sir Ian McKellen

Anne Artinstall June Barry

Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley

Arnold Tyerson Andrew Jackson

Pen Ryerson Vida Paterson

Alice Ryerson Valerie Georgeson

Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler

Lady Hannaway Romy Baskerville

Mrs Ambeley-Rosewater Cynthia Michaelis

Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin

Lady Lettice Melland Helen Ryan

The Election Official Peter Ellis

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.

TUE 11:00 Winston Graham Short Stories (b03yngnh)

At the Chalet Lartrec

Driving through the Swiss Alps in the 1960s, a young

Englishman seeks shelter from a storm, but his hosts at the

Chalet Lartrec are not pleased to see him. Read by Ewan

Bailey.

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a new adaptation.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by The Waters Partnership.

TUE 11:15 CW Hill - Killing Maestros (b007w5g0)

Jinxed with mysterious deaths - Wagner's Tristan Und Isolde is

the 'Scottish Play' of the opera world.

Conductor Sergei Bodanov convinces himself that he too will

suffer from the Opera's curse, and tells his therapist that he

has six weeks to cure him of this 'evil' before the first

performance...

Christopher William Hill's drama starring Bill Nighy as Sergei

Bodanov, Henry Goodman as Dr Carl Lieberman, Lorelei King

as Ruth Lieberman, Sylvestra Le Touzel as Laura van Helden

and Andrew C Wadsworth as Emile Danacre.

Pianist: Colin Guthrie

Director: Liz Webb

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

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available on the CD Sacred Hearts, Secret Music.

A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.

TUE 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007n1pw)

The Year of Slaughter; The First Performance of Handel's Messiah

The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.

TUE 14:30 Henry James - Portrait of a Lady (b008f309)

Episode 7

At the Touchett's house, Isabel Archer meets fellow American expatriate Madam Merle. Read by Miriam Margolyes.

TUE 14:45 Peter O'Toole - Loitering With Intent (b011lp1)

Episode 7

The film star reads from his memoir, including recollections of trying to get into RADA and a brutal rugby match.

TUE 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125lky)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03ynjx4)

Mel Giedroyc celebrates Tolkien Reading Day as award-winning author Chris Riddell tells us why he loves The Hobbit. And Shirley Henderson continues reading The River Singers.

TUE 17:00 Second Thoughts (b007jvh3)

Series 1

Found and Lost

Bill and Faith are late in love but new to each other - and Bill has already got himself into Faith's bad books...

Starring Lynda Bellingham as Faith and James Bolam as Bill. Sitcom about the battles of divorcees Bill and Faith trying to forge a relationship whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife, Liza and her teenage children, Hannah and Joe.

Series one of four inspired by the real lives of husband and wife writers, 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 series Faith in the Future.

Faith Lynda Bellingham

Bill James Bolam

Hilary Celia Imlrie

Liza Belinda Lang

Hannah Kelda Holmes

Joe Mark Denham

Grace Moir Leslie

Alex John Samson

Ray Nicholas Courtney

Ted Norman Bird

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1988.

TUE 17:30 Snap (b00tqqjc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b007jlxx)

Only You Can Save Mankind

2. I'll See You in My Hallucinations

The ScreeWee Captain asks Johnny to lead them, but the Gunnery Officer has other ideas.

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Terry Pratchett's sci-fi fantasy novel stars Tim Smith and Janet Dale.

Dramatised by Bob Hescott.

Johnny Maxwell Tim Smith

ScreeWee Captain Janet Dale

Gunnery Officer Michael Angelis

Newscaster Renu Setna

Wobbler Akbar Karim

Big Mac Michael Perestrelo

Yo-less Peter Dalton

ScreeWee Crew Member Tessa Harrison

Kirsty Natalie Moore

Johnny's Father Laurence Rew

Johnny's Mother Marian Kemmer

Nozzer David Hawkins

Shane Matthew Campion

The Architect Simon Carter

Producer: Brian Lighthill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1996.

TUE 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqgq)

The Red Planet

13. Dream or Reality?

In the Martian city from Captain Jet Morgan's childhood dream, Lemmy is under telepathic attack...

Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.

CAST:

Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds

Lemmy David Kossoff

Doc Guy Kingsley Poynter

Mitch Bruce Beeby

Announcer/Various David Jacobs

Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips.

Producer: Charles Chilton

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Sarah Millican's Support Group (b00r7nqc)

Series 1

4. 'My broken heart needs fixing'.

'My broken heart needs fixing but I've only got paper glue'

'Tonight is the night that two become one - I'm leaving you'.

Sarah Millican plays a life counsellor and modern-day agony

aunt tackling the nation's problems head on, dishing out real

advice for real people.

Assisted by her very own team of experts.

Sarah Sarah Millican

Marion Ruth Bratt

Terry Simon Daye

Marie Jo Neary

Kim Katherine Parkinson

Colin Martin Trenaman

Written by Sarah Millican.

Producer: Lianne Coop

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2010.

TUE 23:00 Mark Watson Makes the World Substantially Better (b00d45ny)

Series 2

Generosity

The comedian examines the virtue of generosity. With poetry

and songs by Tom Basden and Tim Key. From August 2008.

TUE 23:30 The Shuttleworths (b007jtnf)

Series 3

Chic Ken

Sheffield singer John Shuttleworth starts envying his agent

Ken's bachelor lifestyle. Stars Graham Fellows. From October

1997.

TUE 23:45 All the World's a Globe (b007jwp2)

The Creation

The National Theatre of Brent tells the chaotic story of life on

Earth. Stars Patrick Barlow and Jim Broadbent. From May

1990.

WEDNESDAY 26 MARCH 2014

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Episode 8

With his cover blown in Dorset, the Englishman is pursued by the police - as well as enemy agents - on his on his extraordinary

bicycle.

Geoffrey Household's classic British thriller was first published

shortly before the outbreak of war in 1939.

Read by Michael Jayston.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2004.

WED 06:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1yk)

3. The Perplex'd Plot of the Perilous Plague

Can the hub of government survive the plague?

As London is ravaged by an epidemic - the playwright spy is on

the case of a double-crossing.

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Beaumont, Ronald Herdman as Faversham, Richard Bonneville

as Ripley and Hugh Dennis as Dr Valentine.

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993.

WED 07:00 An Actor's Life for Me (b007szmj)

Series 1

Separate Troubles

Robert and Sue have fallen out and she's chucked him out.

What could possibly bring them together again?

John Gordon Sinclair stars in Paul Mayhew-Archer's sitcom.

Robert Wilson John Gordon Sinclair

Desmond Shaw Gary Waldhorn

Sue Caroline Quentin

With:

Sally Grace

Rosemary Martin

Jean Campbell-Dallas

Christopher Scott

Jonathan Kydd

John Baddeley

Producer: Paul Spencer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1989.

WED 07:30 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (b03y152p)

Series 1

Big Farmer

Mention Milton Jones to most people and the first thing they

think is 'Help!'.

King of the one-liners, Milton Jones returns BBC to Radio 4 for

an amazing 10th series in a new format where he has decided to

set himself up as a man who can help anyone anywhere -

whether they need it or not. Because, in his own words, "No

problem too problematic".

But each week, Milton and his trusty assistant Anton set out to

help people and soon find they're embroiled in a new adventure.

So when you're close to the edge, then Milton can give you a

push.

This week, Milton Jones is asked for help because there are

ugly rumours about the local farm going too far with its GM

crops. At least, that's what the vegetables are saying.

Written by Milton with James Cary ("Bluestone 42",

"Miranda") and Dan Evans (who co-wrote Milton's Channel 4

show "House Of Rooms") the man they call "Britain's funniest

Milton," returns to the radio with a fully-working cast and a

shipload of new jokes.

The cast includes regulars Tom Goodman-Hill ("Spamalot",

"Mr. Selfridge") as the ever-faithful Anton, and Dan Tetsell

("Newsjack"), and features the one and only Josie Lawrence

working with Milton for the first time.

Producer David Tyler's radio credits include Armando

Iannucci's Charm Offensive, Cabin Pressure, Bigpédia,

Another Case Of Milton Jones, Jeremy Hardy Speaks To The

Nation, The Brig Society, Giles Wemmble Hogg Goes Off,

The 99p Challenge, The Castle, The 3rd Degree and even, going

back a bit, Radio Active.

Produced and Directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp18)

Series 5

Hancock's War

The lad impresses the vicar with tales of his heroic exploits in

Military Intelligence.

Starring Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth

Williams.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.

Producer: Tom Ronald

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in May 1958.

WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b016pyns)

Series 9

Episode 7

Alice goes through the looking glass courtesy of Radio Prune -

where Lady Constance is Queen.

Starring Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, Graeme Garden,

David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie.

Sketches 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 Bill Oddie, Liam Cohen and Dave Lee.

Producers: David Hatch/John Cassels

First broadcast on the BBC Radio 2 in December 1973.

WED 09:00 1834 (b0121lh5)

Victorian Principles

The young Queen Victoria is coming to Woolsley House for a

visit. But when 21st century Jason invents the electric guitar, he

It ran for 10 series on Channel 4 and found success in America, but the hit TV improvisation game actually started life on BBC radio.

With Colin Sell at the piano.

Devised and compiled by Mark Leveson. Additional material by Martin Booth.

Producer: Dan Patterson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1988.

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

Perish By the Sword

Labour briefly tastes of power, and fortunes are made and lost as Hamer Shawcross concludes his memoirs.

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

Howard Spring's novel freely adapted by Ken Whitmore.

John Hamer Shawcross Sir Ian McKellen

Jimmy Newbould John Baldwin

Lady Lettice Melland Helen Ryan

Lady Hannaway Romy Baskerville

Arnold Tyerson Andrew Jackson

Pen Ryerson Vida Paterson

Lizzie Lightowler Rosalie Crutchley

Tom Hannaway Geoffrey Wheeler

Alice Ryerson Valerie Georgeson

Charles Shawcross Richard Durden

Pendleton Rory Scase

Director: Trevor Hill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 1979.

WED 11:00 Winston Graham Short Stories (b03ymf3)

The Cornish Farm

In search of a rural idyll a couple buy a farm in Cornwall but it turns out to be a property with a recent 'history'. Read by Nicholas Farrell.

Winston Graham was one of the most successful and prolific novelists of the 20th century. He wrote in many genres but his best known body of work was undoubtedly the 12 historical novels set in Cornwall at the end of the 18th and beginning of the 19th centuries which became known as The Poldarks.

Although it's the Poldarks that brought Winston Graham the most fame, he also wrote more than 30 other novels, six of which have been filmed including the thriller, *Marnie* directed by Alfred Hitchcock in 1964.

This selection celebrates the range of his work and offers a glimpse into the enduring appeal of his most famous characters, Ross and Demelza who are set to return to BBC screens in a new adaptation.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by The Waters Partnership.

WED 11:15 Lloyd Peters - A Higher Education (b007jw1y)

What happens when you combine a university drama lecturer locked in a studio with a shy student, a real gun and a copy of Hamlet?

Add Black Forest gateau, a scheming dean, a drunken parent and the police, sprinkle liberally with sharp one-liners, slapstick and comic tension, and you have a combination guaranteed to ruin any head of department's day.

Lloyd Peters' comedy stars Rik Mayall as Don, Helen Lederer as Sophie, Philip Glenister as Ronnie/Roy, Judi Earl as Deidre/Ms Jones-Juggler and Gary Brown as Inspector Snoddy/Dennis.

Directed in Manchester by Polly Thomas

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.

WED 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jp18)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

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WED 13:00 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr5I)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

WED 13:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1yk)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 14:00 15 Minute Drama (b00lb30n)

Sarah Dunant - Sacred Hearts

Ecstasy

Dramatisation of the novel by Sarah Dunant, set in a convent in Renaissance Italy, where a young woman has been placed against her will.

At The Feast of St Agnes, Serafina sings for the first time and is rewarded by an unexpected voice from the audience.

Abbess Eileen Atkins

Zuana Geraldine James

Serafina Natalie Dormer

Letizia Ayesha Antoine

Magdalene Helen Ryan

Dramatised by Rachel Joyce.

The music has been specially recorded by Musica Secreta,

available on the CD Sacred Hearts, Secret Music.

A Pacific production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007nbdy)

The Second City of the Empire; Dublin: Poverty, Crime and Duels

The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.

WED 14:30 Henry James - Portrait of a Lady (b008fd6g)

Episode 8

Mrs Touchett's sad news does not prevent her from travelling to Europe with her American niece Isabel. Read by Miriam Margolyes.

WED 14:45 Peter O'Toole - Loitering With Intent

(b01mmnk)

Episode 8

The actor reads from his memoir. Sian Phillips introduces him to Rogue Male and he ends up playing the lead role.

WED 15:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125kcb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

WED 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03ymp0m)

Mel Giedroyc presents the Inheritance Tracks of acclaimed children's author Judith Kerr, plus another exclusive preview of tomorrow's BBC News School Report Day.

WED 17:00 Mind Your Own Business! (b009mbdc)

The Big Bang

Jimmy is suspicious when Farrow and Sue stay in their office till late every evening.

Is it devotion to duty? Or just a bit of overtime?

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

Jimmy Bright Bernard Cribbins

Russell Farrow Frank Thornton

Nan Forbes Annette Crosbie

Sue Plant Annee Blott

Bacon/Jacko John Kane

Written by Andrew Palmer.

Producer: Edward Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1988.

WED 17:30 An Actor's Life for Me (b007szmj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

WED 18:00 Terry Pratchett (b007ncfp)

Only You Can Save Mankind

3. Is This Just Fantasy?

Johnny has the flu and wants to go to bed, but the ScreeWee

Captain is still in trouble.

As the alien fleet crosses the computer screen, 12 year-old

Johnny prepares to blow the ScreeWee into a million pieces -

sparking a wild seesaw adventure involving space warfare, starships and aliens.

The conclusion of Terry Pratchett's sci-fi fantasy novel starring

Tim Smith and Janet Dale.

Johnny Maxwell Tim Smith

ScreeWee Captain Janet Dale

Gunnery Officer Michael Angelis

The PT Teacher Mark Finn

Wobbler Akhbar Karim

Johnny's Mother Marian Kemmer

Johnny's Father Laurence Rew

ScreeWee Crew Member Tessa Harrison

Newsreader Terry Pearson

Yo-less Peter Dalton

Big Mac Michael Peristrello

Kirsty Natalie Moore

Kirsty's Mother Tina Gray

Mr Patel Renu Setna

With David Hawkins, Matthew Campion and Simon Carter

Dramatised by Bob Hescott.

Producer: Brian Lighthill

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.

WED 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqjI)

The Red Planet

14. Lost in Time

As the crew of Discovery explore Mars, Captain Jet Morgan

and Doc must rescue Lemmy - but what about Mitch?

Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.

CAST:

Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds

Lemmy David Kossoff

Doc Guy Kingsley Poynter

Mitch Bruce Beeby

Announcer/Various David Jacobs

Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips.

Producer: Charles Chilton

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December

1954.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 21:15 Lloyd Peters - A Higher Education (b007jw1y)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

WED 22:00 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (b03y152p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Micky Flanagan: What Chance Change? (b00smngp)

1990s

The cockney comedian charts his life story during the 1990s - returning to education and becoming a teacher. Part of Radio 4 Extra's Comedy Club, originally broadcast on Radio 4 in June 2010.

WED 23:00 On the Town with the League of Gentlemen (b0081tbs)

The Wedding

Reg finds Barbara through the local Close Encounters dating

agency.

The first incarnation of the award-winning black comedy, about the "local people" of the town of Spent - before it hit TV. Starring Mark Gatiss, Reece Shearsmith and Steve Pemberton. Written by the cast and Jeremy Dyson.

The League of Gentlemen won a Perrier Edinburgh Festival award in 1997 and this radio series debuted in the same year. They also won a Sony Radio Award. The cult series switched to TV for three series on BBC 2 from 1999, plus stage shows and a feature film.

Producer: Sarah Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.

WED 23:30 Lee and Herring's Fist of Fun (b007k272)

London

Bring back Geoffrey to 'Rainbow' and some cutting remarks about Lorena Bobbit.

From the BBC Paris Studio, London.

Stewart Lee and Richard Herring's mix of sharp sketches and situations, stand up topical gags and banter.

With Peter Baynham, Rebecca Front and John Thomson.

Special guest Geoffrey Hayes from ITV kids show Rainbow.

Lee and Herring went to write and star in their successful TV transfer to BBC Two in 1995.

Cult BBC Radio 1 series first broadcast in November 1993.

THURSDAY 27 MARCH 2014

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 1834 (b0121H5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway? (b008pbuv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Howard Spring - Fame is the Spur (b0125kcb)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 17:00 on Wednesday]

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THU 06:00 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr6I)

Episode 9

The English fugitive is on the run - with another would-be

assassin lurking dangerously near his den.

Geoffrey Household's classic British thriller was first published shortly before the outbreak of war in 1939.

Read by Michael Jayston.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2004.

THU 06:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1zv)

4. The Murky Mystery of Murder at St Mark's

Can a college murderer at large be outwitted?

The eloquent Elizabethan spy heads to Cambridge, where

college professors are dropping like flies.

Historical comedy mysteries by Ged Parsons. Amid the splendour and squalor of Elizabethan London - scholar, playwright and government spy, Christopher Marlowe is assigned to investigate a number of baffling mysteries and perplexing intrigues...

Starring Dominic Jephcott as Marlowe, Bill Wallis as Ratsbane, Paul Brooke as Sir Francis Walsingham, Peter Serafinowicz as

Darus, Gordon Reid as Sir Hubert and Sarah Thomas as

Mistress Parker.

Producer: Richard Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1993.

THU 07:30 Jason Cook's School of Hard Knocks (b03y38kp)

Funerals and Sex Education

Jason Cook helps make life more lovely for listeners, with more

life lessons.

This time Jason looks at the peculiar pressures of fitting in at

funerals as well as how to tackle the tricky task of explaining

the bird n' the bees.

With Zoe Harrison and Neil Grainger.

Producer: Sam Michell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

THU 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jq5g)

Series 3

The Deadly Attachment

As the Walmington-on-Sea platoon attempt to guard a German

U-boat crew, their captain starts making a list.

The comic exploits of a Second World War Home Guard

platoon

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

scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe

Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier

Corporal Jones Clive Dunn

Private Frazer John Laurie

Private Pike Ian Lavender

Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley
 Private Walker Larry Martyn
 Vicar Frank Williams
 Captain Muller Philip Madoc
 Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1976.
THU 08:30 Take It From Here (b0138xvv)
 From 15/04/1954
 Jimmy and Dick talk green fingers, while Eth consults the stars over Ron's future in *The Glums*. Stars June Whitfield. From April 1954.
THU 09:00 Edgar Wallace - Educated Evans (b03yh0dk)
 The Snout
 Can the skint 1920s tipster plot revenge on a local informant and end up a winner too? Stars Roy Hudd and Andrew Sachs. From July 1996.
THU 09:30 Puzzle Panel (b00xmkdw)
 Episode 4
 Brainteasers galore with Chris Maslanka, William Hartston, Professor Angela Newing and Robert Eastaway. From June 1998.
THU 10:00 Mikhail Bulgakov - The White Guard (b00761h8)
 Betrayal
 In the Winter of 1918, the citizens of Kiev wait for their city to fall, either to the Bolsheviks or to the Nationalists.
 The Turbin family, supporters of the Tsar, take refuge in their family home.
 Mikhail Bulgakov's classic Ukrainian novel from 1925 - dramatised in two parts by DJ Britton.
 Stars Paul Hilton as Alexei, James Loye as Nikolka, Simon Ludders as Ruskov, Melanie Walters as Julia, Manon Edwards as Elena, Gerry Lepkowski as Myshlaevsky, Tim Kirkus as Shpolyansky, Rhodri Hugh as Bolbotun, Patrick Brennan as Shervinsky, Dorian Thomas as the Sergeant and Simon Armstrong as the Colonel.
 Translator: Michael Glenn
 Directed at BBC Wales by Alison Hindell.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001
THU 11:00 Winston Graham Short Stories (b03yqfx1)
 Ross and Demelza
 An extract from the first of the historical novels set in Cornwall, *Ross Poldark*. Ross takes his new wife and sometime serving girl and ward, out to see the pilchard harvest. Read by Ewan Bailey.
 Winston Graham was one of the most successful and prolific novelists of the 20th century. He wrote in many genres but his best known body of work was undoubtedly the 12 historical novels set in Cornwall at the end of the 18th and beginning of the 19th centuries which became known as *The Poldarks*. Although it's the *Poldarks* that brought Winston Graham the most fame, he also wrote more than 30 other novels, six of which have been filmed including the thriller, *Marnie* directed by Alfred Hitchcock in 1964.
 This selection celebrates the range of his work and offers a glimpse into the enduring appeal of his most famous characters, *Ross* and *Demelza* who are set to return to BBC screens in a new adaptation.
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by The Waters Partnership.
THU 11:15 Alan Plater - The Gallery (b01p98gb)
 The opening night of a new Tyneside art gallery is thrown into jeopardy by the well-meaning but ill-trained staff. Dodgy wiring, an over-zealous cleaner and a retired greyhound add to the comic mix.
 Alan Plater's final play for radio stars Joe Caffrey as Trevor, Janice Acquah as Liz, Deka Walmsley as Michael, Caroline Guthrie as Heather, Philippa Wilson as Julie and Chris Connel as Neville.
 Playwright and screenwriter, Alan Plater CBE (1935-2010) was the much-loved author of hundreds of stage, radio and TV dramas including *The Beiderbecke Affair*, *The Last of the Blonde Bombshells*, *Close the Coalhouse Door*, *The Pallisers*, *Z Cars* and *Lewis*. His work for radio includes adapting his own autobiography, *Stories For Another Day*, and the original drama series *The Devil's Music*.
 Director: Alison Hindell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
THU 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jq5q)
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THU 13:30 The Christopher Marlowe Mysteries (b007k1zv)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 14:00 15 Minute Drama (b00lb30q)
 Sarah Dunant - *Sacred Hearts*
 Fever
 Dramatisation of the novel by Sarah Dunant, set in a convent in Renaissance Italy, where a young woman has been placed against her will.
 While the convent is hit by fever, Serafina begins to make her plans for escape.
 Abbess Eileen Atkins
 Zuana Geraldine James
 Serafina Natalie Dormer
 Umiliana Sian Thomas
 Letizia Ayesha Antoine
 Dramatised by Rachel Joyce.

The music has been specially recorded by Musica Secreta, available on the CD *Sacred Hearts*, Secret Music.
 A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.
THU 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007nf1w)
 The Irish Gentry Are Expensive People; A Sort of Despot - The Irish Landlord
 The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.
THU 14:30 Henry James - Portrait of a Lady (b008fhr8)
 Episode 9
 Madam Merle attempts to find Gilbert Osmond a rich wife. In Florence, she introduces him to Isabel. Read by Miriam Margolyes.
THU 14:45 Short stories by DH Lawrence (b007k1sb)
 Rawdon's Roof
 A man swears that no woman shall sleep under his roof again, but what does his lover feel about it? Read by Andy Hockley.
THU 15:00 Mikhail Bulgakov - The White Guard (b00761h8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03yqhlf)
 Mel Giedroyc is here on BBC News School Report Day with our final exclusive report. Plus, Shirley Henderson reads the penultimate episode of Tom Moorhouse's *The River Singers*.
THU 17:00 Ballylenon (b00p8hjy)
 Series 7
 Episode 4
 Monsignor McFadden has declared that Miss Maconchy's alleged 'vision' at Lourdes needs careful investigation - jeopardising Phonsie Doherty's plans for a festival of light. Series set in the sleepy town of Ballylenon, Co Donegal in 1959.
 Written by Christopher Fitz-Simon.
 Muriel Maconchy Margaret D'Arcy
 Vera Maconchy Stella McCusker
 Phonsie Doherty Gerard Murphy
 Vivienne Hawthorne Annie McCartney
 Stumpy Bonner Gerard McSorley
 Rev Samuel Hawthorne Miche Doherty
 Aubrey Frawley Matthew Addis
 Daniel O'Searcaigh James Greene
 Pianist: Michael Harrison
 Director: Eoin O'Callaghan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009.
THU 18:00 Arthur Conan Doyle - Professor Challenger (b00zjbvl)
 When the World Screamed
 Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's irascible academic sets out on a bold mission to be recognised by Mother Earth. Stars Bill Paterson.
THU 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqjg)
 The Red Planet
 15. Hypnosis
 Cold-handed Maclean attacks Lemmy, but the plucky radio operator fights back...
 Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.
 CAST:
 Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds
 Lemmy David Kossoff
 Doc Guy Kingsley Poynter
 Mitch Bruce Beeby
 Announcer/Variants David Jacobs
 Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips.
 Producer: Charles Chilton
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1954.
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 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 Newsjack (b03yqhz)
 Series 10
 Episode 4
 Made for 4 Extra. The week's stories cobbled together in a scrapbook sketch show. Presented by Romesh Ranganathan, with Lewis MacLeod, Margaret Cabourn-Smith and Ellie White.
THU 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b040bykq)
 The best in contemporary comedy. Tonight, Tom Wigglesworth talks to Sarah Campbell and Will Saunders about writing for comedy.
THU 23:00 The Nick Revell Show (b007jp45)
 Series 1
 Holy Water
 The life of a struggling writer with his dysfunctional friends and a talking geranium.
 A sitcom for the 1990s, written by and starring comedian Nick Revell.
 With Alistair McGowan, Caroline Gruber, Kate McKenzie and Brian Bowles.

Special guest star: Brian Johnston and Vince the geranium.
 Producer: Jon Magnusson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1992.
THU 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b007k4g0)
 Series 2
 Genforce
 The management consultants work with a suspicious energy company. Stars Emma Kennedy and Marcus Brigstocke. From November 2002.
FRIDAY 28 MARCH 2014
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 Episode 10
 The fugitive is pursued through the countryside by the clever strategies of his sinister nemesis - Major Quive-Smith. Geoffrey Household's classic British thriller was first published shortly before the outbreak of war in 1939.
 Read by Michael Jayston.
 Producer: David Jackson Young.
 Made for BBC 7 by BBC Scotland and first broadcast in 2004.
FRI 06:30 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00t9tmp)
 Sicken and So Die
 Episode 1
 Charles has a role in *Twelfth Night*, but could this comedy turn into a tragedy? Bill Nighy stars as Simon Brett's actor-cum-sleuth.
FRI 07:00 Chambers (b007jp3w)
 Series 2
 The Masons
 Turmoil abounds when barrister John Fuller-Carp tries to join a lodge. Stars John Bird and Sanjeev Bhaskar. From May 1998.
FRI 07:30 Listen Against (b00t5mb)
 Series 3
 Episode 3
 The programme that looks back at a week's worth of radio and TV that never happened.
 Michael Burke becomes trapped in the Moral Maze, and Any Answers gets a game show makeover.
 Presented by Alice Arnold and Jon Holmes.
 Producers: Sam Bryant & Jon Holmes.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010.
FRI 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k1r0)
 Series 4
 And Afterwards At
 It's a big day for Harold. He's set to tie the knot! But Albert's not convinced.
 Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert and Harry H. Corbett as Harold. With Pat Coombes, Patricia Hayes, Margot Boyd, Edward Kelsey, Sheila Grant, Martin Friend and Katherine Parr.
 Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote ten pilots for BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962. The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone men Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and provided the inspiration for eight series for TV.
 Written for TV and adapted for radio by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.
 Produced by Bobby Jaye
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1972.
FRI 08:30 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b007jq2v)
 From 25/05/1974
 Kenneth Williams and Ted Ray take on *Wuthering Heights* - and there's news of a mysterious ancient murder...
 Characters, songs and sketches with Miriam Margolyes and Nigel Rees
 Music by Neil Innes.
 Script by Michael Hale and Joe Steeples.
 Producer: Simon Brett
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1974.
FRI 09:00 Millport (b0076b7f)
 Series 3
 Reinstatement
 As the first ferry of the holiday season arrives - why is Irene back on the island?
 The third series of the bittersweet comedy written by and

starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland.
 Irene Lynn Ferguson
 Moira/Agnes Janet Brown
 Alberto/Dr Hume/Ferryman Lewis McLeod
 Ena/Bunty Gabriel Quigley
 Minister Robert Patterson
 Dougie Kenneth Bryans
 Music arranged by Olly Fox.
 Producer: Lucy Bacon
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2002.
FRI 09:30 Trevor's World of Sport (b007k3rb)
 Series 1
 Episode 4
 The sports agent's rapacious partner finds a perfect new client, but there's a catch. Stars Neil Pearson. From September 2004.
FRI 10:00 Mikhail Bulgakov - The White Guard (b00761ld)
 Survival
 As Ukrainian Nationalists seize control of Kiev, Alexei and Nikolka are running for their lives.
 Conclusion of Mikhail Bulgakov's classic Ukrainian novel - dramatised in two parts by DJ Britton.
 Stars Paul Hilton as Alexei, James Loye as Nikolka, Melanie Walters as Julia, Manon Edwards as Elena, Gerry Lepkowski as Myshlaevsky, Tim Kirkus as Shpolyansky, Patrick Brennan as Shervinsky, Simon Ludders as Rusakov, Siriol Jenkins as Irina and Brendan Charleson as Schur.
 Translator: Michael Glenny
 Directed at BBC Wales by Alison Hindell.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2001.
FRI 11:00 Winston Graham Short Stories (b03yqp4r)
 Meeting Demelza
 Shortly before his death in 2003, Winston Graham wrote a story for the Cornish magazine, Scryfa. He recounts an imaginary meeting with his best-loved and most spirited creation. Read by Ewan Bailey
 Winston Graham was one of the most successful and prolific novelists of the 20th century. He wrote in many genres but his best known body of work was undoubtedly the 12 historical novels set in Cornwall at the end of the 18th and beginning of the 19th centuries which became known as The Poldarks. Although it's the Poldarks that brought Winston Graham the most fame, he also wrote more than 30 other novels, six of which have been filmed including the thriller, Marnie directed by Alfred Hitchcock in 1964.
 This selection celebrates the range of his work and offers a glimpse into the enduring appeal of his most famous characters, Ross and Demelza who are set to return to BBC screens in a new adaptation.
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by The Waters Partnership.
FRI 11:15 Pam Leeson - The Unhearable (b007jttg)
 Michelle has Meniere's disease, with the prospect of deafness. How will the young and vibrant woman cope? Stars Gillian Kearney.
FRI 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k1r0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b007jq2v)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr6j)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00t9tmp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 15 Minute Drama (b00lb30s)
 Sarah Dunant - Sacred Hearts
 Carnival
 Dramatisation of the novel by Sarah Dunant, set in a convent in Renaissance Italy, where a young woman has been placed against her will.
 The convent celebrates the long-awaited carnival, but where is Serafina?
 Abbess Eileen Atkins
 Zuana Geraldine James
 Serafina Natalie Dormer
 Umiliana Sian Thomas
 Letizia Ayesha Antoine
 Dramatised by Rachel Joyce.
 The music has been specially recorded by Musica Secreta, available on the CD Sacred Hearts, Secret Music.
 A Pacificus production for BBC Radio 4.
FRI 14:15 A Short History of Ireland (b007nfs2)
 The Hearts of Steel and the Hearts of Oak: Clearing the Land
 The country's rich and turbulent story continues. With Richard Dormer, James Greene and Frances Tomelty.
FRI 14:30 Henry James - Portrait of a Lady (b008f86x)
 Episode 10
 On her trip to Rome, American Isabel Archer is surprised to bump into Lord Warburton. Read by Miriam Margolyes.
FRI 14:45 Short stories by DH Lawrence (b00cfzh6)
 The Christening
 A grown-up family are haunted by their brutal father's influence. Will a new baby bring about a change? Read by Peter Meakin.
FRI 15:00 Mikhail Bulgakov - The White Guard (b00761ld)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 The 4 O'Clock Show (b03yqr66)
 Mel Giedroyc presents the final, thrilling chapter of The River Singers by Tom Moorhouse, read exclusively by Shirley Henderson (aka Moaning Myrtle from the Harry Potter films).
FRI 17:00 Instant Sunshine (b007qtrm)

From 12/04/1985
 Entertainment in words and music to help you beat the weather.
 Performed by the comedy musical cabaret group, Instant Sunshine featuring David Barlow, Peter Christie, Miles Kingston and Alan Maryon-Davis
 Special guests: Father's Footsteps.
 Producer: Richard Edis
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1985.
FRI 17:30 Chambers (b007jp3w)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 18:00 Arthur Conan Doyle - Professor Challenger (b00zs6mn)
 The Disintegration Machine
 Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's indomitable academic must investigate dastardly Latvian scientist Theodore Nemor. Stars Bill Paterson.
FRI 18:30 Charles Chilton - Journey into Space (b007jqp2)
 The Red Planet
 16. Strange Farm
 With Mitch still missing, Captain Jet Morgan, Doc and Lemmy set off to find him, with hopes of finding the engineer rapidly diminishing...
 Charles Chilton's 1954 classic set in 1971.
 CAST:
 Jet Morgan Andrew Faulds
 Lemmy David Kossoff
 Doc Guy Kingsley Poynter
 Mitch Bruce Beeby
 Wife Madi Hedd
 Announcer/Various David Jacobs
 Music composed and conducted by Van Phillips.
 Producer: Charles Chilton
 First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1954.
FRI 19:00 Steptoe and Son (b007k1r0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 19:30 The Betty Witherspoon Show (b007jq2v)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Rogue Male by Geoffrey Household (b007jr6j)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 20:30 A Charles Paris Mystery (b00t9tmp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 21:00 Winston Graham Short Stories (b03yqp4r)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 21:15 Pam Leeson - The Unhearable (b007jttg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
FRI 22:00 Listen Against (b00tt5mb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 22:30 Armando Iannucci's Charm Offensive (b00d7bf5)
 Series 4
 Episode 4
 The comedy strongman wrestles the news into submission with the help of Andy Zaltzman, Matt Kirshen and Will Smith. From September 2008.
FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b040qgg7)
 The best in contemporary comedy. Tonight, Arthur Smith is joined by comedian and poet Tim Key.
FRI 23:00 Blue Jam (b03yqr7v)
 Series 1
 Episode 5
 Chris Morris's dark blend of comedy and music. The doctor will see you now. With Julia Davis and Kevin Eldon. From December 1997.