







Battling international kidnappers, agent Richard Hannay takes on a sinister adversary. Stars David Robb and Clive Merrison.  
**MON 11:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xhdx4)**  
 Julian Barnes Stories  
 Complicity, part 1  
 Written by Julian Barnes. First part of his story 'Complicity'. A gentle love story which also explores the connections we make and how we communicate them.  
 Reader: Julian Barnes  
 Producer: Jill Waters  
 A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.  
**MON 11:15 Clare Bayley - The Secret Place (b01r2vh1)**  
 Andy and Safi's wedding is unusual: they won't even be sharing their marriage bed tonight because Andy is serving a life sentence for murder.  
 Clare Bayley's drama stars Paul Hilton as Andy Heaton, Helen Longworth as Safi Harrison, Tracey Wilkinson as Leyla and Rod Arthur as Patrick Gilbert.  
 Director: Claire Grove.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2008.  
**MON 12:00 Dad's Army (b00q9gk2)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**MON 12:30 Marriage Lines (b062nld)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**MON 13:00 Dashiell Hammett - Secret Agent X-9 (b007jq0q)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**MON 13:30 Dreaming of Toad Hall (b00dnjd8)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**MON 14:00 Book at Beachtime (b01k9wlr)**  
 Marina Lewycka - Various Pets Alive and Dead  
 Episode 1  
 Doro's three children break free of ideals from their unconventional upbringing in a left-wing commune. Marina Lewycka's novel is a witty and astute take on modern values.  
 When Doro and Marcus brought up their children they were committed members of a left-wing commune in Doncaster where radical politics, lentils and domestic chaos were the order of the day. Their children, Serge, Clara and Oolie Anna, who has Down's Syndrome, aspire to a different way of life.  
 Serge is pretending to do a PhD in maths at Cambridge, but is in fact earning ninety grand a year in an investment bank, a betrayal of all that Doro and Marcus hold dear. Clara has more of a social conscience than her brother and has turned to teaching, while Oolie Anna is desperate to leave home and live in her own flat. When secrets are uncovered and truths revealed the consequences are unexpected.  
 Read by Sam Alexander, Susie Riddell and Christine Absalom.  
 Abridged by Julian Wilkinson.  
 Produced by Elizabeth Allard.  
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra. First broadcast in 2012.  
**MON 14:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y5htk)**  
 Episode 6  
 Ash returns to camp with the stolen carbines and is given a new mission which will transform his life.  
 MM Kaye's epic of love and war, dramatised by Rukhsana Ahmad.  
 Narrator ..... Vineeta Rishi  
 Ash ..... Blake Ritson  
 Gulbaz ..... Kaleem Janjua  
 Jhoti ..... Joseph Samraj  
 Kaka-Ji Rao ..... Paul Bhattacharjee  
 Biju Ram ..... Inam Mirza  
 Colonel ..... Sam Dale  
 Battye ..... Jude Akuwudike  
 Ambrose ..... Iain Batchelor  
 Clerk ..... Adeel Akhtar  
 Directors: Marc Beeby and Jessica Dromgoole  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.  
**MON 14:45 Book of the Week (b00td5jq)**  
 Stuart Kelly - Scott-land: The Man Who Invented a Nation  
 Episode 1  
 His name, image and influence can be seen everywhere; from Scottish banknotes to place names across the globe. Sir Walter Scott invented the modern novel, began Scotland's tourist industry and was the first celebrity author - a heady mix of JK Rowling and Dan Brown long before the age of mass media hype. Lauded by contemporary critics as well as his massive readership in the 19th century, he's hardly read - and even more rarely enjoyed - today.  
 Stuart Kelly examines the contradictory legacy of Sir Walter Scott: bestselling bankrupt, iconic unknown and the Tory defender of the Union who fought to save Scotland's banking independence. Kelly considers the influential images of his own country created by Scott - the stereotype of the kilted native dwelling within rugged, romantic landscapes - images which haunt Scotland to this day.  
 Stuart Kelly was born and brought up in the Scottish Borders. He studied English at Oxford and is the Literary Editor of Scotland on Sunday.  
 Reader: Robin Laing  
 Abridger: Laurence Wareing  
 Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**MON 15:00 John Buchan - The Three Hostages (b00lh0t1)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**MON 16:00 Genius (b008h570)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**MON 16:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b007k1xx)**  
 Series 2

Episode 3  
 Competitive capitalism engulfs the CyberPass Bistro as Merv creates an internal market. Stars Mervyn Stutter. From May 2003.  
**MON 17:00 The World As We Know It (b00fj2bt)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**MON 17:30 I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue (b061qht5)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**MON 18:00 Weird Tales (b01nrd24)**  
 Series 3  
 Original Features by Christopher William Hill  
 When Carl and Rob buy a flat in a 19th century house, it seems they've found their perfect home.  
 With Carl away on business, Rob throws himself into restoring the flat, but he ends up with more of the original features than he'd anticipated...  
 Series of chilling plays for winter nights.  
 Carl ..... Martin Hutson  
 Rob ..... Carl Prekopp  
 Jess ..... Adjoa Andoh  
 Girl ..... Francine Chamberlain  
 Answerphone ..... Tracy Wiles  
 Woman ..... Alex Rivers  
 Man ..... Christopher Webster  
 Director: Mary Peate  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.  
**MON 18:30 A Good Read (b0075t8n)**  
 Baroness Margaret Jay and Ekow Eshun  
 Louise Doughty and her guests Baroness Margaret Jay and journalist Ekow Eshun talk about favourite paperbacks by Douglas Coupland, Colm Toibin and Philip Larkin. From 2000.  
 Girlfriend in a Coma by Douglas Coupland  
 Publisher: Flamingo  
 High Windows by Philip Larkin  
 Publishes: Faber & Faber  
 Blackwater Lightship by Colm Toibin  
 Publisher: Picador/McMillan.  
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**MON 22:30 Sketchorama (b062nrxn)**  
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**MON 23:00 The Now Show (b061tqv)**  
 Series 46  
 Episode 3  
 Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis with Freya Parker and Mitch Benn present the week's news through stand-up and sketches. This week the cast are joined by Sarah Kendall, Andy Zaltzman and film critic Peter Bradshaw.  
**MON 23:30 Pick Ups (b00ngzck)**  
 Series 2  
 Stags and Bucks  
 Sitcom by Ian Kershaw, set around a Manchester taxi company.  
 An old school friend rocks Dave's world, while Mike gets involved in a gay stag night - on the straight side of town.  
 Mike ..... Paul Loughran  
 Lind ..... Lesley Sharp  
 Dave ..... Phil Rowson  
 Shelly ..... Naomi Radcliffe  
 Ashley ..... Jonathan Mayor  
 Darren ..... Chris Hoyle.

## TUESDAY 21 JULY 2015

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**TUE 06:00 Dashiell Hammett - Secret Agent X-9 (b007jq13)**  
 4. You're the Top  
 1930s action hero X-9 finally confronts his nemesis at the top of a New York landmark.  
 Conclusion starring Stuart Milligan as X-9 and Connie Booth as Grace Powers.  
 Adapted for radio by Mark Brisenden, from the comic strip created by Dashiell Hammett and Alex Raymond. Syndicated by King Features, it ran from 1934 to 1996.  
 X-9 ..... Stuart Milligan  
 Grace Powers ..... Connie Booth  
 The Top ..... William Hootkins  
 Evelyn Powers ..... Rachel Power  
 Alden Powers ..... Peter Marinker  
 Luke ..... Michael John Palotti  
 Captain Brady ..... John Guerrasio  
 Harper-Carp ..... Kerry Shale  
 Sister Agnes ..... Miranda Pleasance  
 All other parts played by the cast.  
 Producer: Chris Wallis.  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 5 in January 1994.  
**TUE 06:30 The Race to Dover (b00kpw1z)**  
 BBC cricket correspondent and keen pilot Jonathan Agnew tells the story of the competition held in July 1909 to become the first pilot to fly across the English Channel.  
 Louis Bleriot, a 37-year-old engineer with a badly burned foot, took the prize offered by Lord Northcliffe, owner of the Daily Mail. Jonathan finds out what happened to the favourite, the young international playboy and sportsman Hubert Latham, and climbs into the cockpit of the first flying machine to make the crossing, the Bleriot XI.  
**TUE 07:00 Two Doors Down (b0076h2y)**  
 Series 3  
 Give the Dog a Bone  
 Miss Black's new lodger is a successful actor, but he's not who she was hoping for...  
 Annie McCartney's comedy drama about the bohemian residents of Marlborough Road, Belfast, who are saved from their own chaos by Sally, their cleaning lady.  
 Sally ..... Frances Tomelty  
 Edith ..... Roma Tomelty  
 Gervase ..... James Greene  
 Victor ..... Alan McKee  
 Clare ..... Marcella Riordan  
 Evie ..... Katy Gleadhill  
 Anna ..... Hannah R Gordon  
 Trevor ..... Gerard McSorley  
 Simon ..... Lloyd Houston  
 Layla ..... Eadaoin Hegarty  
 Ben ..... Conor Hinds OA  
 Eddie McIlwaine ..... As Himself  
 Director: Tanya Nash  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.  
**TUE 07:30 It's Not What You Know (b061qzx0)**  
 Series 3  
 Episode 3  
 Who would play Romesh Ranganathan in a film of his life? What's Christopher Biggins' proudest moment of his career? What would Katherine Ryan do if she was Beyonce for a day? All these burning questions, and more, will be answered in the show hosted by Miles Jupp, where panelists are tested on how well they know their nearest and dearest.  
 In this case, comedian Katherine Ryan picks her best friend, comedian Romesh Ranganathan picks his brother, and Christopher Biggins picks an old showbiz pal.  
**TUE 08:00 Round the Horne (b007jrj3)**  
 Series 2  
 Episode 4  
 The World Cup's gone missing! MI5's Disguise Department run by Julian and Sandy provide a bona disguise for Master Spy Kenneth Horne.  
 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 1966.  
**TUE 08:30 The Burkiss Way (b007jsnb)**  
 Series 5  
 Settle Out of Court the Burkiss Way  
 Find out 'What's My Gender', plus a galactic 'Panorama'.  
 Starring Fred Harris, Jo Kendall, Nigel Rees and Chris Emmett.  
 Cult sketch comedy series which originally ran from 1976 to 1980.  
 Written by Andrew Marshall and David Renwick.  
 Producer: David Hatch  
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1980.

**TUE 09:00 The Now Show (b061tqvh)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]  
**TUE 09:30 Romantic Friction (b00764j4)**  
Clouds  
Romance writer, Anna is blissfully happy, Brian is finding that grading sand paper is fun when he's thinking about Anna, and even faithful cockney muse Minnie is happy because it looks as if Anna's new-found romance is spilling over into her prose. But could there be a cloud on the horizon when Brian's old friend Dougie unexpectedly turns up with the tempting offer of building fibreglass ducks in the Shetland Islands?  
Samantha Bond and Hugh Bonneville star in Michelle Read's 4-part comedy-drama  
Anna ..... Samantha Bond  
Brian ..... Hugh Bonneville  
Deirdre ..... Beth Chambers  
Fertility Doll ..... Adjoa Andoh  
Buddah ..... Kammy Darweish  
Brenda ..... Michelle Read  
Bob ..... Andrew Wincott  
Minnie ..... Sue Elliott-Nicholls  
Book ..... Michael Fenton Stevens  
Dougie ..... Ewan Bailey  
Producer: Dawn Ellis  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2001.  
**TUE 10:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr51)**  
A Friendship Betrayed  
Two men's lives run almost in parallel. One is a prince of Jerusalem, Judah Ben Hur. The other is known as "He that was born to be King of the Jews."  
Lew Wallace's epic tale stars Jamie Glover as Judah Ben Hur.  
Ben Hur ..... Jamie Glover  
Messala ..... Samuel West  
Angel ..... Deborah Berlin  
Amrah ..... Phyllis Calvert  
Mother ..... Margaret John  
Arrius ..... Derek Waring  
Tirzah ..... Natasha Pyne  
Chief of Rowers ..... Don McCorkindale  
Man 1 ..... Joshua Towb  
Man 2 ..... Michael Tudor Barnes  
Man in Boat ..... Gavin Muir  
Michael Gambon reads from the Bible.  
Dramatised in four parts by Catherine Czerkawska.  
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.  
Director: Glyn Dearman  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.  
**TUE 11:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn8lk)**  
Julian Barnes Stories  
Complicity, part 2  
Written by Julian Barnes.  
Julian Barnes reads the second part of 'Complicity'; which reveals the unspoken dialogue between two people as they get to know each other.  
Producer: Jill Waters  
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.  
**TUE 11:15 Drama (b00hv1dz)**  
Iain M Banks - The State of the Art  
The State of The Art  
By Iain M. Banks  
Dramatised by Paul Cornell  
The Culture ship Arbitrary arrives on Earth in 1977 and finds a planet obsessed with alien concepts like 'property' and 'money' and on the edge of self-destruction. When Agent Dervley Linter, decides to go native can Diziet Sma change his mind?  
The Ship ..... Antony Sher  
Diziet Sma ..... Nina Sosanya  
Dervley Linter ..... Paterson Joseph  
Li ..... Graeme Hawley  
Tel ..... Brigit Forsyth  
Sodel ..... Conrad Nelson  
Directed by Nadia Molinari.  
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Marina Lewycka - Various Pets Alive and Dead  
Episode 2  
As three children break free of a left-wing communal upbringing, a vegetable carving demo goes wrong. Family farce read by Christine Absalom.  
**TUE 14:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y8tzs)**  
Episode 7  
The wedding party continues its journey. Ash finds that once again, he is saving the life of a Karidkote prince.  
MM Kaye's epic of love and war, dramatised by Rukhsana Ahmad.  
Narrator ..... Vineeta Rishi  
Ash ..... Blake Ritson  
Anjuli ..... Ayesha Dharker  
Gulbaz ..... Kaleem Janjua  
Jhoti ..... Joseph Samraj  
Kaka-Ji Rao ..... Paul Bhattacharjee  
Biju Ram ..... Inam Mirza

Shushila ..... Deeivya Meir  
Directors: Marc Beebby and Jessica Dromgoole  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.  
**TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b00dlit)**  
Stuart Kelly - Scott-land: The Man Who Invented a Nation  
Episode 2  
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As Walter Scott immortalised his native country in poetry and prose, so the author is commemorated by countless memorials across Scotland. Stuart Kelly examines Scott's images of Scotland and how they haunt the country still - from Brigadoon to Braveheart.  
Stuart Kelly was born and brought up in the Scottish Borders. He studied English at Oxford and is the Literary Editor of Scotland on Sunday.  
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Abridger: Laurence Wareing  
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**TUE 15:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr51)**  
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**TUE 16:00 Who Goes There? (b064cy21)**  
Series 6  
Episode 4  
Martin Young presents the biographical quiz show.  
Team captains Francis Wheen and Fred Housego are joined by novelist Lynne Truss and biographer Anthony Holden.  
Producer: Elizabeth Freestone  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2002.  
**TUE 16:30 Romantic Friction (b00764j4)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**TUE 17:00 Two Doors Down (b0076h2y)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**TUE 17:30 It's Not What You Know (b061qzx0)**  
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**TUE 18:00 Weird Tales (b01nrrbs)**  
Series 3  
The Burial of Tom Nobody by Richard Vincent  
The Reverend Braiden is forced to embark on a through-the-night road trip by a mysterious trio who threaten him with a terrifying test of faith at its end.  
Series of chilling plays for winter nights.  
Peter ..... Geoffrey Streatfeild  
Silas ..... James Lailey  
Sarah ..... Lynne Verrall  
Michael ..... Simon Bubb  
Eleanor ..... Tracy Wiles  
Police Officer ..... Paul Moriarty  
Director: Gemma Jenkins  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.  
**TUE 18:30 Dad Made Me Laugh (b00mzw55)**  
Anthony Bygraves  
Max Bygraves' son chats to Sally Magnusson about growing up with a famous showbiz father.  
Producer: Mike Walker  
First broadcast on BBC Radio Scotland in September 2006.  
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**TUE 22:30 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.  
**TUE 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b064zjw2)**  
The Comedy Club is at Latitude Festival 2015. Featuring Alex Edelman, Max and Ivan, Massive Dad and Joe Lycett.  
**TUE 23:00 Delve Special (b007jmq1)**

Series 3  
City Limits  
The money men may be making a killing, but are they getting away with murder?  
David Lander looks at the City and in particular the Rouget-Dory Venture Capital Syndicate  
Presented by David Lander with assistance from Stephen Fry. Studio production by Felicity Montagu, Jack Klaff and Robert Bathurst.  
Dramatic reconstructions by Harry Enfield and Mark Arden.  
Researched by Tony Sarchet.  
Editor: Paul Mayhew-Archer  
Delve Special ran for four series from 1984 to 1987 and later transferred to TV as: This is David Lander.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1986.  
**TUE 23:30 Vent (b01dw7cx)**  
Series 3  
Loneliness Is a Crowded Head  
Ben's life is full of well-meaning people trying to do everything for him. Everything, that is, except leave him alone.  
He begins to wonder if Robinson Crusoe might have been on to a good thing.  
Starring Neil Pearson.  
Nigel Smith's dark sitcom about a man in a coma, travelling through the distinctly odd landscape of his own unconscious mind.  
Ben ..... Neil Pearson  
Mary ..... Fiona Allen  
Mum ..... Josie Lawrence  
Blitz ..... Leslie Ash  
Nurse ..... Jo Martin  
Derek ..... Stephen Frost  
Marley ..... Spencer Brown  
Bea ..... Scarlett Milburn-Smith  
Castaway ..... John Kay-Steel  
Waiter ..... Bruce Alexander  
Director: Nigel Smith.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2009.

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**WED 06:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq36)**  
Lord Arthur Savile's Crime  
Episode 1  
Attending one of Lady Windermere's regular Thursday evening society parties, the dashing Lord Arthur Savile offers his hand for a reading by the dastardly palmitist, Podgers. He's shocked when his murderous fate is revealed...  
Michael Maloney reads Oscar Wilde's mystery written in 1891. Produced in Manchester by Katherine Beacon.  
Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2003.  
**WED 06:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hr5kt)**  
Episode 1  
Kit Hesketh-Harvey follows the Birmingham-based ladies barbershop chorus Second City Sound as it prepares to compete in the Ladies Association of British Barbershop Singers in Harrogate.  
Kit attends rehearsals in Birmingham, where he meets the 60-strong chorus of singers - and they put him through his musical paces.  
**WED 07:00 Winston (b007k4k4)**  
Series 1  
Weaving the Spells  
Thrown out because of his infidelities, cordon bleu scoundrel Winston has not only moved into Nancy's house without an invite - but is also plotting to get rid of her sister Rosie, brother William and her father - so he can have Nancy to himself...  
Peter Tinniswood's bawdy comedy serial.  
CAST:  
Winston .... Bill Wallis  
Father .... Maurice Denham  
Nancy .... Shirley Dixon  
Rosie .... Liz Goulding

William .... Christian Rodska  
Directed at BBC Bristol by Shaun MacLoughlin.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio in May 1989.  
**WED 07:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b061t68k)**  
Series 2  
Tobacco  
Comedian Simon Evans continues his series about the economics of some of the goods - or bads - we are addicted to. If you crave your daily coffee, can't get by without a cigarette, feel that mid-afternoon slump without your sugar-fix, or can't face an evening without a glass of wine, you are definitely not alone. But have you ever thought about the economics that has made your addiction possible? Who does it profit? And would you want to make some canny investments that take advantage of our human weaknesses?  
Simon looks at the economics, history and health issues behind these oh-so-addictive commodities.  
This time it's tobacco. It's been called the single biggest avoidable cause of death in the world today yet it has remained an investment goldmine, with a single pound invested in tobacco stocks in 1900 now being worth over 6 million pounds. Simon speaks to Robert West, Professor of Health Psychology and Director of Tobacco Studios at University College London about current global trends in smoking. He is also joined by economics guru, More Or Less host Tim Harford and the Queen of investment know-how, Merryn Somerset-Webb, as he walks us around the economics of these very familiar commodities and pokes fun at our relationship with them.  
Presented by Simon Evans, with Professor Robert West, Tim Harford and Merryn Somerset-Webb.  
Written by Simon Evans, Benjamin Partridge and Andy Wolton.  
Producer: Claire Jones  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015.  
**WED 08:00 The Navy Lark (b007xwmb)**  
Series 3  
Johnson's Birthday  
'Fats' Johnson is in hiding on his birthday, but the attention of the crew of HMS Troutbridge is diverted when they find a treasure map.  
  
The show was recorded before an audience of officers and ratings (and family) from real-life frigate HMS Troutbridge from which Troutbridge was derived.  
  
Starring Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Stephen Murray as the Number One, Ronnie Barker as AS Johnson, Richard Caldicot as Captain Povey, Tenniel Evans as Sir Willoughby Todhunter-Brown, Heather Chasen as Lady Todhunter-Brown and Michael Bates as Lieutenant Bates.  
  
Laughs aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive thirteen series between 1959 and 1976.  
  
Scripted by Lawrie Wyman.  
  
Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston  
  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in December 1960.  
**WED 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00whw3w)**  
Series 5  
Episode 11  
A stockingless thief, and Shakespeare from Bard to Verse. Songs and sketches with John Cleese and Bill Oddie. From June 1967.  
**WED 09:00 Counterpoint (b062qvq5)**  
1998  
Semi-final 1  
Ned Sherrin hosts the music quiz with Harvey Goodman of Nottingham, Rona Topaz from London and Bill McKaig of Glasgow. From March 1998.  
**WED 09:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jz3j)**  
August - Harvest Home  
Megan Jones snubs the Carnival Queen contest and heads off to see Nana.  
Sue Limb's pastoral sitcom follows six months in the life of the Jones family, who live on a small farm in rural Wales.  
Mr Jones ..... Geoffrey Whitehead  
Ma Jones ..... Lisabeth Miles  
Megan Jones ..... Rebecca Front  
Owen Jones ..... Matthew Morgan  
Bootle ..... Michael Fenton Stevens  
Mr Jenkins ..... Nickolas Grace  
Recorded on location.  
Music composed by John Whitehall.  
Producer: Jonathan James Moore.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2000.  
**WED 10:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr5g)**  
Son of Arrius  
Judah Ben Hur has been falsely accused of attempted murder, sent to the galleys and rescued by Arrius of Rome. He now returns in search of his mother and sister.  
Lew Wallace's epic tale stars Jamie Glover as Judah Ben Hur. Ben Hur .... Jamie Glover  
Messala ..... Samuel West  
Simonides ..... Bernard Hepton

Ilderim ..... Freddie Jones  
Balthasar ..... Michael Horder  
Drusus ..... Ian Masters  
Esther ..... Deborah Berlin  
Iras ..... Natasha Pyne  
Servant ..... Joshua Towb  
Passenger ..... Michael Tudor Barnes  
Malluch ..... Gavin Muir  
Iras ..... Becky Hindley  
Michael Gambon reads from the Bible.  
Dramatised by Catherine Czerkawka.  
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.  
Director: Glyn Dearman  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.  
**WED 11:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn817)**  
Julian Barnes Stories  
Trespass  
Written by Julian Barnes. A dedicated hillwalker shows his new girlfriend the delights of the Peak District but she is less certain about having everything mapped out for her.  
Reader: David Holt  
Producer: Jill Waters  
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.  
**WED 11:15 Martyn Wade - Another Shakespeare (b0080hiv)**  
Drama inspired by the true life story of an 18th-century forger of the Bard. Starring Julian Rhind-Tutt and James Grout.  
**WED 12:00 The Navy Lark (b007xwmb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**WED 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00whw3w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**WED 13:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq36)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**WED 13:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hr5kt)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**WED 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b01kblxj)**  
Marina Lewycka - Various Pets Alive and Dead  
Episode 3  
As Doro's children break free of an unconventional upbringing in a left-wing commune, Serge takes a risk. Family farce read by Susie Riddell.  
**WED 14:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y8vb6)**  
Episode 8  
As the journey continues, and Ash and Anjali's love grows, they dread their imminent arrival in Bhiثور.  
MM Kaye's epic of love and war, dramatised by Rukhsana Ahmad.  
Narrator ..... Vineeta Rishi  
Ash ..... Blake Pitson  
Anjali ..... Ayesha Dharker  
Gulbaz ..... Kaleem Janjua  
Biju Ram ..... Inam Mirza  
Jhoti ..... Joseph Samrai  
Kaka-Ji Rao ..... Paul Bhattacharjee  
Shushila ..... Deeviya Meir  
Directors: Marc Beeby and Jessica Dromgoole  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.  
**WED 14:45 Book of the Week (b00tdllm)**  
Stuart Kelly - Scott-land: The Man Who Invented a Nation  
Episode 3  
His name, image and influence can be seen everywhere; from Scottish banknotes to place names across the globe. Sir Walter Scott invented the modern novel, began Scotland's tourist industry and was the first celebrity author - a heady mix of JK Rowling and Dan Brown long before the age of mass media hype. Lauded by contemporary critics as well as his massive readership in the 19th century, he's hardly read - and even more rarely enjoyed - today.  
Stuart Kelly reveals how Queen Victoria and Prince Albert were inspired to create their own influential version of 'Scottishness' at Balmoral by the novels of Walter Scott.  
Stuart Kelly was born and brought up in the Scottish Borders. He studied English at Oxford and is the Literary Editor of Scotland on Sunday.  
Reader: Robin Laing  
Abridger: Laurence Wareing  
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**WED 15:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr5g)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**WED 16:00 Counterpoint (b062qvq5)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**WED 16:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jz3j)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**WED 17:00 Winston (b007k4k4)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**WED 17:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b061t68k)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**WED 18:00 Weird Tales (b01ns0yb)**  
Series 3  
Louisa's by Amanda Whittington  
When a stranger walks into Louisa's café, the juke box which hasn't played a record for years whirrs into action, the lights start flashing and Louisa is thrown into a world where her past challenges life as she knows it.  
Series of chilling plays for winter nights.  
Louisa ... Sara Poyzer  
Pete ... Paul Rider  
Joe ... Gerard McDermott  
Written by Amanda Whittington.

Producer, Jessica Brown  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.  
**WED 18:30 Off the Page (b0076qm0)**  
Too Clever by Half  
Matthew Parris, Toby Young, Louise Welsh and Arabella Weir discuss the dangers of being a smarty-pants. From February 2005.  
**WED 19:00 The Navy Lark (b007xwmb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**WED 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00whw3w)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**WED 20:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq36)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**WED 20:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hr5kt)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**WED 21:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn817)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**WED 21:15 Martyn Wade - Another Shakespeare (b0080hiv)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]  
**WED 22:00 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b061t68k)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**WED 22:30 Cabin Pressure (b01z99d)**  
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-Shapley .... Stephanie Cole  
1st Officer Douglas Richardson .... Roger Allam  
Capt. Martin Crieff ..... Benedict Cumberbatch  
Arthur Shapley .... 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.  
**WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b064zkyj)**  
The Comedy Club is at Latitude Festival 2015. Featuring David O'Doherty and Aisling Bea.  
**WED 23:00 Revolting People (b00fkx2m)**  
Series 2  
Some More Trying Times  
Sergeant McGurk takes up spying, Samuel enters showbiz and Ezekiel gets stuck.  
Comedy set just before the American Revolution.  
Written by Andy Hamilton and Jay Tarses.  
Samuel Oliphant .... Jay Tarses  
Sergeant McGurk .... Andy Hamilton  
Captain Brimshaw .... James Fleet  
Mary Oliphant .... Jan Ravens  
Ezekiel Spriggs .... Hugh Dennis  
Cora Oliphant .... Penelope Nice  
Joshua Oliphant .... Tony Maudsley  
Elizabeth Oliphant .... Susie Blake  
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2001.  
**WED 23:30 1966 and All That (b0100q4y)**  
The 1920s and 30s  
King George utters some unmemorable last words.  
DH Lawrence of Arabia writes Lady Chatterbox's Llama.  
And John Yogi Bear discovers the BBC, but finds there's not much on...  
Craig Brown's satirical history of Britain begins in the 1920s and 1930s.  
With:  
Joss Ackland  
Eleanor Bron  
Rory Bremner  
Ewan Bailey  
Margaret Cabourn-Smith  
John Humphrys  
Producer: Victoria Lloyd  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2006.

## THURSDAY 23 JULY 2015

**THU 00:00 Weird Tales (b01ns0yb)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 00:30 Off the Page (b0076qm0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 01:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq36)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 01:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hr5kt)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 02:00 Book at Bedtime (b01kblxj)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 02:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y8vb6)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b00tdllm)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]  
**THU 03:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr5g)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 04:00 Counterpoint (b062qvq5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 04:30 Four Joneses and a Jenkins (b007jz3j)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 05:00 Winston (b007k4k4)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]  
**THU 05:30 Simon Evans Goes to Market (b061t68k)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]  
**THU 06:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq3l)**  
Lord Arthur Savile's Crime  
Episode 2  
Acting on palmist Podger's chilling prediction, the dapper Lord Arthur is in for a fresh shock.  
Michael Maloney reads Oscar Wilde's mystery written in 1891.  
Produced in Manchester by Katherine Beacon.  
Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2003.  
**THU 06:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hv33b)**  
Episode 2  
Kit Hesketh-Harvey follows the Birmingham-based ladies barbershop chorus Second City Sound.  
Kit meets up with the group in Harrrogate as it prepares to compete in the Ladies Association of British Barbershop Singers.  
**THU 07:00 PG Wodehouse - The Inimitable Jeeves (b007jvz6)**  
Pearls Mean Tears  
When Bertie Wooster's Aunt Agatha sparks uproar - can his valet Jeeves save the day?  
PG Wodehouse's romp starring Michael Hordern and Richard Briers.  
Jeeves ..... Michael Hordern  
Bertie Wooster ..... Richard Briers  
Aunt Agatha ..... Joan Sanderson  
Aileen Hemingway ..... Pat Coombs  
Sidney Hemingway ..... Brian Oulton  
Chamber Maid ..... Miriam Margolyes  
Hotel Manager ..... Brian Haines.  
Adapted by Chris Miller.  
Producer: David Hatch  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1973.  
**THU 07:30 It's a Fair Cop (b061tk9d)**  
Series 2  
Harassment  
When a vulnerable young woman is being harassed, policeman turned comic Alfie Moore explores what the law can do to protect her.  
When does harassment become stalking and what can you do about it?  
Series in which the audience makes the policing decisions as Alfie takes them through a real-life crime scenario.  
Written and performed by Alfie Moore.  
Script Editor: Will Ing  
Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015.  
**THU 08:00 Steptoe and Son (b00shdzy)**  
Series 1  
The Bonds That Bind Us  
After a win on the premium bonds, Albert starts splashing the cash and brings home a young gold digger.  
Starring Wilfrid Brambell as Albert, Harry H Corbett as Harold and Yootha Joyce as Madge.  
Following the conclusion of their hugely successful association with Tony Hancock, writers Ray Galton and Alan Simpson wrote 10 pilots for the BBC TV's Comedy Playhouse in 1962.  
The Offer was set in a house with a yard full of junk, featuring the lives of rag and bone man Albert Steptoe and his son Harold and it was the spark for a run of 8 series for TV.  
Adapted for radio from Galton and Simpson's TV script by Gale Pedrick.  
Produced by Bobby Jaye  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in September 1966.  
**THU 08:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01jt0yr)**  
Series 1  
Episode 3  
Ernie takes Eric to a wig boutique and the BBC's offering Ern a lucrative new contract - but what about Eric?  
Special singing guest: Anita Harris.  
Written by Eddie Braben  
With Ann Hamilton and Arthur Tolcher.  
Music by Dennis Wilson & His Orchestra.  
Producer: John Browell  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in February 1975.  
**THU 09:00 Guess What? (b062r3z9)**  
Episode 4  
Animal, vegetable or mineral?  
Barry Took hosts a revised version of popular radio parlour game of 20 questions.  
Regular Geoffrey Durham is joined by Neil Innes and Jan Ravens.  
Written by Michael Dines.  
Producer: Andy Aliffe  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998  
**THU 09:30 Radio Active (b0084s34)**  
Series 2  
Charity Radiothon  
Only £892,000 to go! Can the radio station reach its charity fundraising target in half an hour?  
Starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deayton, Geoffrey

Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens.  
Music by Philip Pope.  
Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins with Jon Canter, James Hendrie and Jimmy Mulville  
Producer: Jimmy Mulville  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1982.  
**THU 10:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr5x)**  
The Chariot Race  
The biggest day of Ben Hur's life dawns -the chariot race with Messala.  
Each has staked his fortune on the outcome. Each has everything to lose.  
Lew Wallace's epic tale stars Jamie Glover as Judah Ben Hur.  
Ben Hur ..... Jamie Glover  
Messala ..... Samuel West  
Simonides ..... Bernard Hepton  
Ilderim ..... Freddie Jones  
Drusus ..... Ian Masters  
Amrah ..... Phyllis Calvert  
Mother ..... Margaret John  
Esther ..... Deborah Berlin  
Tirzah ..... Natasha Pyne  
Malluch ..... Gavin Muir  
Iras ..... Becky Hindley  
Gesius ..... Peter Yapp  
Pilate ..... Neville Jason  
Assassin ..... Oliver Senton  
Roman 1 ..... Joshua Towb  
Servant ..... Michael Tudor Barnes  
Michael Gambon reads from the Bible.  
Dramatised by Catherine Czerkawska.  
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.  
Director: Glyn Dearman  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.  
**THU 11:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn819)**  
Julian Barnes Stories  
The Fruit Cage, pt 1  
Julian Barnes reads the first half of a story from his last collection 'The Lemon Table'.  
The narrator visits his retired parents, both keen gardeners, but not everything is as quiet and contented as it seems.  
Producer: Jill Waters  
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.  
**THU 11:15 Drama (b006g7q)**  
Rony Robinson - 43 Letters  
By Rony Robinson  
Julia and David work together in the family archives. One day a mysterious envelope arrives for David, with letters from 43 women, all answering a lonely hearts advert he didn't place.  
Cast List  
David.....David Calder  
Julia.....Barbara Marten  
Miranda.....Helen Flanagan  
Ruskin..... Sacha Dhawan  
Directed by Pauline Harris.  
**THU 12:00 Steptoe and Son (b00shdzy)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**THU 12:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01jt0yr)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**THU 13:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq3l)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**THU 13:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hv33b)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**THU 14:00 Book at Bedtime (b01kbqk3)**  
Marina Lewycka - Various Pets Alive and Dead  
Episode 4  
With Doro's children breaking away from their left-wing commune's ideals, the allotment is threatened. Family farce, read by Christine Absalom.  
**THU 14:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y8vb8)**  
Episode 9  
On the last leg of the journey, Ash confronts an old enemy. Once in Bhitior, he has a new battle to fight.  
M M Kaye's epic of love and war, dramatised by Rukhsana Ahmad.  
Narrator ..... Vineeta Rishi  
Ash ..... Blake Ritson  
Anjuli ..... Ayesha Dharker  
Gulbaz ..... Kaleem Janjua  
Jhoti ..... Joseph Samra  
Kaka-Ji Rao ..... Paul Bhattacharjee  
Biju Ram ..... Inam Mirza  
Emissary ..... Lloyd Thomas  
Directors: Marc Beeby and Jessica Dromgoole  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.  
**THU 14:45 Book of the Week (b00tdllp)**  
Stuart Kelly - Scott-land: The Man Who Invented a Nation  
Episode 4  
His name, image and influence can be seen everywhere; from Scottish banknotes to place names across the globe, Sir Walter Scott invented the modern novel, began Scotland's tourist industry and was the first celebrity author - a heady mix of JK Rowling and Dan Brown long before the age of mass media hype. Lauded by contemporary critics as well as his massive readership in the 19th century, he's hardly read - and even more rarely enjoyed - today.  
Stuart Kelly turns his attention to Walter Scott's influence on British politics. A lifelong Tory, Scott was brought in to stage

manage the first visit of King George IV to Edinburgh. The pageant he created would cement the Union between Scotland and England and have lasting effects on Scottish customs by promoting the kilt as national dress.  
Stuart Kelly was born and brought up in the Scottish Borders. He studied English at Oxford and is the Literary Editor of Scotland on Sunday.  
Reader: Robin Laing  
Abridger: Laurence Wareing  
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**THU 15:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr5x)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**THU 16:00 Guess What? (b062r3z9)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**THU 16:30 Radio Active (b0084s34)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**THU 17:00 PG Wodehouse - The Inimitable Jeeves (b007jvz6)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**THU 17:30 It's a Fair Cop (b061tk9d)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**THU 18:00 Weird Tales (b01nt0s0)**  
Series 3  
Night Terrors by Lizzie Nunnery  
The pressure's getting too much for clever clogs Victoria. She can't sleep at night. She has nightmares. But it's okay because they're just bad dreams.  
Until one day the dreams become terrifyingly real...  
Series of chilling plays for winter nights.  
Dad ... Eddie Marsan  
Victoria ... Katie Angelou  
Laura ... Georgia Groome  
Mum ... Sally Orrock  
Jane ... Francine Chamberlain  
Written by Lizzie Nunnery.  
Producer: Helen Perry  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2011.  
**THU 18:30 Great Lives (b0076nrp)**  
Series 6  
Leonard Woolf  
4 Extra Debut. Jilly Goldstein nominates writer and political thinker Leonard Woolf, joined by biographer Victoria Glendinning and host Humphrey Carpenter. From October 2004.  
**THU 19:00 Steptoe and Son (b00shdzy)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**THU 19:30 The Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise Show (b01jt0yr)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**THU 20:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq3l)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**THU 20:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hv33b)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**THU 21:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn819)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]  
**THU 21:15 Drama (b006g7q)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]  
**THU 22:00 It's a Fair Cop (b061tk9d)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**THU 22:30 Bleak Expectations (b00d7b5x)**  
Series 2  
An Already Bad Life Made Worse but Sort of on Purpose  
The comic Victorian epic sees Pip reach his lowest ebb in the worst place in the world, the East End of London in the first half of the 19th century.  
Full of self-loathing Pip drinks some very strong gin, finds he is really quite keen on opium, and falls in with a gang of thieving boys. But is their leader, Mr Abraham Bagel, a Roman Catholic ne'er-do-well, all he seems?  
Mark Evans's epic comedy in the style of Charles Dickens. Volume Two, Chapter the Fifth: An Already Bad Life Made Worse But Sort Of On Purpose.  
Sir Philip.....Richard Johnson  
Mr Benevolent.....Anthony Head  
Young Pip.....Tom Allen  
Harry Biscuit.....James Bachman  
Sternbeater.....Geoffrey Whitehead  
Ripely Fecund.....Sarah Hadland  
Mr Parsimonious.....Laurence Howarth  
Pippa.....Susy Kane  
Mr Scrumge.....Mark Evans  
Producer: Gareth Edwards.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.  
**THU 23:00 The Party Party (b007wvh3)**  
Episode 5  
The town of Microcosm is set for revenge, greed and attempted murder. Stars Hugh Laurie and Clive Mantle. From June 1987.  
**THU 23:30 Miranda Hart's Joke Shop (b00mr30m)**  
What a Wife  
The tall, life-embracing shopkeeper is overlooked when Gary needs a pretend other half. With Tom Ellis. From September 2008.  
**FRIDAY 24 JULY 2015**  
**FRI 00:00 Weird Tales (b01nt0s0)**  
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 00:30 Great Lives (b0076nrp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 01:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq3l)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 01:30 Hairspray and Harmonies (b00hv33b)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:00 Book at Beachtime (b01kbqk3)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y8vb8)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 02:45 Book of the Week (b00tdllp)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Thursday]  
**FRI 03:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr5x)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 04:00 Guess What? (b062r3z9)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 04:30 Radio Active (b0084s34)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 05:00 PG Wodehouse - The Inimitable Jeeves (b007jzv6)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]  
**FRI 05:30 It's a Fair Cop (b061tk9d)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]  
**FRI 06:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq42)**

Lord Arthur Savile's Crime  
Episode 3  
Still thwarted in trying to fulfil his predicted dark destiny, Lord Arthur Savile decides to change his tactics.  
Michael Maloney concludes Oscar Wilde's mystery written in 1891.  
Produced in Manchester by Katherine Beacon.  
Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2003.  
**FRI 06:30 Still Points, Turning Worlds (b00sj5z5)**  
When WH Davies wrote his celebrated poem 'Leisure' over a century ago, the myriad stimuli assaulting people's senses now and the demands that sap humanity's powers of concentration in the digital age were unimaginable. But he rightly gauged the detrimental impacts to the human spirit of failing to find moments of peace in a busy world: 'a poor life this, if, full of care, we have no time to stand and stare'.  
In this 'composed feature', producer Alan Hall embroiders together the experiences of a range of people for whom still points and daydreaming provide an escape from the increasingly invasive nature of the turning world about us and offer a foundation for reflection, rejuvenation and creativity. Hearing from Canon Lucy Winkett of St Paul's in the heart of the City of London, an installer of 'energy pods' that offer 'corporate fatigue solutions', an hypnotherapist, staff and pupils from a school that champions 'the Pause' and Kieran MacFeeley, a singer-songwriter from the world of pop music (or 'high-end racket') who sought out the peace of the countryside.  
'Still Points, Turning Worlds' relishes moments of reverie in an attempt to reclaim the powers of concentration.  
Producer: Alan Hall  
A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in 2010  
**FRI 07:00 Rent (b062r9w7)**

Series 4  
Episode 1  
Paul and Ruby have moved out of the Reynolds' house, but they're not far away.  
Maria and Richard, meanwhile, are getting to grips with a new arrival.  
Lucy Flannery's award-winning sitcom about Maria and Richard Reynolds and their lodgers.  
Maria .... Barbara Flynn  
Richard .... Patrick Barlow  
Ruby .... Vivienne Rochester  
Paul .... Dave Lamb  
Barrister ..... Sally Grace.  
With Sarah Parkinson  
Producer: Liz Anstee.  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998.  
**FRI 07:30 The Kindness of Strangers (b062j2xy)**  
Inspired by a random act of kindness, author and poet John Osborne wrestles with the idea of donating one of his kidneys to a virtual stranger in this autobiographical tale.  
**FRI 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007tdvy)**

Series 4  
The Wild Man of the Woods  
The lad announces that he's rejecting society to go and live a truly rural life.  
Starring Tony Hancock.  
With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Kenneth Williams and Hattie Jacques.  
Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.  
Theme and incidental music composed by Wally Stott.  
Recorded by the BBC Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.  
Producer: Dennis Main Wilson  
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1957.  
**FRI 08:30 The Goon Show (b007k4sy)**

Series 5  
The Mystery of the Marie Celeste (Solved)  
Grytpype-Thynne needs a crew to discover the true fate of the mysterious brigantine.

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan and Eric Sykes.

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.  
**FRI 09:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00m52xb)**

Series 2  
Episode 2  
James Walton tests and tickles the knowledge of industry pundits and people passionate about pop music.  
Team captains Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by David Quantick and Stewart Lee to be put through their musical paces.  
Reader: Beth Chalmers  
Written and researched by James Walton  
Producer: Dawn Ellis  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2006.  
**FRI 09:30 Boogie Up the River (b007jv65)**  
I'll See You on Tower Pier at 11  
Mark Wallington and hellish hound Boogie quest to find the source of the Thames. Stars Timothy Spall. From December 1992.  
**FRI 10:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr6d)**  
The King Comes into His Kingdom  
After the prince's victory in the chariot race, news arrives of his mother and sister.  
Conclusion of Lew Wallace's epic tale starring Jamie Glover as Judah Ben Hur.  
Ben Hur ..... Jamie Glover  
Simonides ..... Bernard Hepton  
Balthasar ..... Michael Horder  
Amrah ..... Phyllis Calvert  
Mother ..... Margaret John  
Esther ..... Deborah Berlin  
Tirzah ..... Natasha Pyne  
Malluch ..... Gavin Muir  
Iras ..... Becky Hindley  
Guide ..... Neville Jason  
Man at Inn ..... Joshua Towb  
Man 1 ..... Don McCorkindale  
Man 2 ..... Derek Waring  
Man 3 ..... Peter Yapp  
Man 4 ..... Peter Whitman  
Michael Gambon reads from the Bible.  
Dramatised by Catherine Czerkawska.  
Music by Wilfredo Acosta.  
Director: Glyn Dearman  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1995.  
**FRI 11:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn8lc)**  
Julian Barnes Stories  
The Fruit Cage, pt 2  
Julian Barnes concludes his reading of 'The Fruit Cage': after the startling discovery an announcement is made.  
Abridged by Jill Waters  
Producer: Jill Waters  
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.  
**FRI 11:15 Matthew Solon - The Man Who Came Back (b01hmv4r)**  
The heroic story of the Shetland Bus and the Norwegians who crossed the North Sea during the height of the Second World War to continue the fight against the occupying German forces. Matthew Solon retells the story based on real events.  
Narrated by John Rowe. With David Howarth, Keith Drinkel, Leif Larsen, Ralf Beck and Eric Allan.  
Director: Martin Jenkins  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1992.  
**FRI 12:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007tdvy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**FRI 12:30 The Goon Show (b007k4sy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**FRI 13:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq42)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**FRI 13:30 Still Points, Turning Worlds (b00sj5z5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]  
**FRI 14:00 Book at Beachtime (b01kbz4v)**

Marina Lewycka - Various Pets Alive and Dead  
Episode 5  
As Doro's children reflect on their unconventional lives in a left-wing commune, truths are revealed. Family farce read by Patrick Brennan.  
**FRI 14:30 MM Kaye - The Far Pavilions (b00y8vb8)**

Episode 10  
Ash is caught in a dilemma. He cannot bear the thought of losing Anjali, and yet must negotiate her wedding price.  
MM Kaye's epic of love and war, dramatised by Rukhsana

Ahmad.  
Narrator ..... Vineeta Rishi  
Ash ..... Blake Ritson  
Anjali ..... Ayesha Dharker  
Jhoti ..... Joseph Samraj  
Kaka-Ji Rao ..... Paul Bhattacharjee  
Guard ..... Adeel Akhtar  
Rana ..... Kaleem Janjua  
Directors: Marc Beeby and Jessica Dromgoole  
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.  
**FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b00tdllr)**  
Stuart Kelly - Scott-land: The Man Who Invented a Nation  
Episode 5  
His name, image and influence can be seen everywhere: from Scottish banknotes to place names across the globe. Sir Walter Scott invented the modern novel, began Scotland's tourist industry and was the first celebrity author - a heady mix of JK Rowling and Dan Brown long before the age of mass media hype. Lauded by contemporary critics as well as his massive readership in the 19th century, he's hardly read - and even more rarely enjoyed - today.  
Stuart Kelly considers the backlash which hit Scott's work after the prolific author's death. Although his critical reputation would never recover, the images of Scotland which Walter Scott created - the romantic landscapes populated by isolated, kilted natives - haunt Scotland to this day.  
Stuart Kelly was born and brought up in the Scottish Borders. He studied English at Oxford and is the Literary Editor of Scotland on Sunday.  
Reader: Robin Laing  
Abridger: Laurence Wareing  
Producer: Eilidh McCreadie.  
**FRI 15:00 Lew Wallace - Ben Hur (b007jr6d)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]  
**FRI 16:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00m52xb)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]  
**FRI 16:30 Boogie Up the River (b007jv65)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]  
**FRI 17:00 Rent (b062r9w7)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]  
**FRI 17:30 The Kindness of Strangers (b062j2xy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]  
**FRI 18:00 Kurt Vonnegut - The Eupho Question (b008zh5)**  
A way of producing and harnessing happiness is revealed when a physicist plays out the sound of dark matter during a local radio programme.  
The sound lulls the listeners into a state of euphoria, producing an effect not unlike a large dose of sedative.  
The ethical and moral implications of marketing this new found product become evident - as the temptation to make money and control huge numbers of people proves too great.  
Kurt Vonnegut's short story is read by Stuart Milligan.  
One of the outstanding figures of modern US literature, Kurt Vonnegut (1922-2007) was a cult figure among students in the 1960s and 1970s with his classics of US counterculture.  
The bombing of Dresden by allied forces in 1945 was the pivotal moment of his life, which informed his best-known work 'Slaughterhouse Five'.  
Abridged and produced by Gemma Jenkins  
Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in 2007.  
**FRI 18:30 Fry's English Delight (b007jt52)**

Series 3  
Future Conditional  
Stephen Fry on the future of English.  
As English continues to grow and spread, the influences of the places around the world where it has been adopted are being reimported. As Stephen puts it, "we exported brown Windsor soup and re-imported mulligatawny. We exported clogs - back came tap dancing". The McDonald's slogan "I'm Loving it" is an example. So is the youth-speak Jafaican.  
This continual process means we can predict some changes in the way we use language. Dr David Crystal, a world authority, thinks the sound "th" might disappear. The very rhythms of our speech might change, and our vocabulary certainly will.  
The other huge influence on the way English will change relates to technology. The programme features computer programmes that "read" text. They do this not just to show off. The London School of Economics employs a computer programme to read text in the service of research. So computers will, in some sense, join the swelling billions who use English.  
But will they - can they - ever "understand" English well enough for them to read and understand a novel? Professor Margaret Boden, a leader in the field is doubtful. She and Microsoft search engineer Ron Kaplan discuss a test for computers, in the shape of this sentence: "Is the duck ready to eat?"  
Nobody knows exactly how English will change, or whether we might, as time travellers, recognise it 200 years hence. But speculating about it is endless fun.  
Producer: Nick Baker  
A Testbed production for BBC Radio 4.  
**FRI 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007tdvy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]  
**FRI 19:30 The Goon Show (b007k4sy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]  
**FRI 20:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jq42)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]  
**FRI 20:30 Still Points, Turning Worlds (b00sj5z5)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]



**FRI 21:00 Book at Bedtime (b00xn8lc)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

**FRI 21:15 Matthew Solon - The Man Who Came Back (b01hmv4r)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]

**FRI 22:00 The Kindness of Strangers (b062j2xy)**

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

**FRI 22:30 Absolute Power (b007nf8w)**

Series 1

Episode 2

Prentis McCabe - the machiavellian doctors of spin - attempt the impossible.

Can they relaunch The Sun newspaper as the beacon of the pro Euro movement while retaining the newspaper's traditional readership nurtured on a healthy diet of extreme xenophobia?

Mark Tavener's comedy about the two specialists in government and media relations.

Starring Stephen Fry as Charles Prentiss and John Bird as

Martin McCabe.

With:

Tony Gardner

Siobhan Hayes

Roger Blake

Neil McCaul

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2000.

**FRI 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b064fks3)**

The best in contemporary comedy. Tonight, Arthur Smith is joined by Dane Baptiste.

**FRI 23:00 The Consultants (b007jwvr)**

Series 4

Episode 6

Inoculation against old age leads to unusual results.

Cerebral sketch show written by and starring Neil Edmond,

Justin Edwards and James Rawlings.

Producer: Will Saunders

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2005.

**FRI 23:30 Down the Line (b0100241)**

Series 4

Episode 4

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, Adil Ray and Louis Vause.

Producers: Charlie Higson and Paul Whitehouse

A Down The Line production for BBC Radio 4.