SATURDAY 25 APRIL 2020

SAT 00:00 Haunted (b01qlg49)

The Judge's House by Bram Stoker Malcolm Malcolmson discovers the truth of 'absurd prejudices' which have accrued around an empty property.

A series of stories of the Supernatural.

Bram Stoker's tale dramatised by Patricia Mays.

Malcolmson Nigel Havers

Mrs Witham Jane Thompson

With David Timson and Alexander John.

Director: Derek Hoddinott
First broadcast on the BBC World Service in January 1982.

SAT 00:30 Off the Page (b0076tyk)

Living on the Edge

Matthew Parris considers a life lived on the margins, with Marjorie Wallace, Bernie Hare and Dermot Healy. From September 2005

SAT 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hhq0)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6

The Five Orange Pips

The great detective investigates murders presaged by the victims receiving dried orange pips through the mail.

Starring Carleton Hobbs as Sherlock Holmes and Norman Shelley as Dr Watson

Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and adapted by Michael Hardwick.

Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs Doctor Watson Norman Shelley John Openshaw William Eedle

Elias Openshaw Bruce Beeby Joseph Openshaw James Thomason

Shipping Clerk Jonathan Scott Producer: Martyn C Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November

SAT 01:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpx)

Lord Edgware Dies

Episode 5

Ross has had to abandon a telephone conversation with Hercule Poirot to answer the doorbell. When he doesn't return, the panicstricken Belgian sleuth and Captain Hastings hurry round to his

Will the murderer finally be unmasked?

Conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunit starring John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.

From the book first published in 1933 and dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Hercule Poirot John Moffatt

Captain Hastings Simon Williams

Inspector Japp Norman Jones Jane Wilkinson Nicola Pagett

Jenny Adjoa Andoh

Bryan Martin Brett Usher

Ellis Paula Jacobs

Director: Enyd Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1992.

SAT 02:00 The 3rd Degree (m0006zx9)

Royal Holloway, University of London

A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from Royal Holloway, University of London, with specialist subjects including Criminology, English and Law and questions ranging from Louis XIV to Lego via yowling and yodelling.

The programme is recorded on location at a different

University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in an original and fresh take on an academic quiz.

The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the Highbrow and Lowbrow round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, sport, and quite possibly Ed Sheeran. In addition, the Head-to-Head rounds see students take on their Professors in their own subjects, offering plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on both sides.

Other Universities featured in this series include Aberdeen, Plymouth, St Catharine's College Cambridge, Brighton and Oxford Brookes.

Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2019

SAT 02:30 1835 (b0125lgl)

All at Sea

Aristocrat Belport and his servant Ned are called up to serve in the navy aboard the HMS Fortunate. Fortunate by name, a magnet for French cannons by nature..

Comic saga of an aristocrat and his servant who struggle to find things to do in the mid- 1830s.

Belport Paul Rider

Ned Jason Done

Black Pete Roy Barraclough

Collins Simon Greenall

Tony Nelson Jonathan Keeble Written and directed at BBC Manchester by Jim Poyser.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

SAT 03:00 Gunter Grass - The Tin Drum (b007jlvd)

Episode 2

As the war rages, Oskar discovers sex, jazz and the black market. Will his mad drumming make him a star?

Phil Daniels stars as Oskar in the conclusion of Gunter Grass's dark and intriguing story.

Written in 1959, The Tin Drum is a modern classic of post-Second World War literature, telling the story of the Third Reich's decline and fall from a most particular perspective - that

Oskar Phil Daniels Matzerath Kenneth Cranham

Bebra David Collings

Roswitha Jane Whittenshaw Zeidler Geoffrey Whitehead

Dorothea Patience Tomlinson

Lankes Jonathan Keeble

Maria Tracy Wiles

Klepp Nigel Anthony Official David Timson

Young Man Andrew Branch

Other parts John Hartley Dramatised by Mike Walker.

Producer: Peter Kavanagh

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1996.

SAT 04:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000hhq3)

British Indie Comedy Drama Podcasts

Amanda Litherland and Ella Watts recommend a selection of independently produced comedy drama podcasts, to make you laugh during lockdown.

Featuring whole episodes and extracts from:

Quid Pro Euro (Felix Trench)

Marscorp (Definitely Human)

The Unseen Hour (James Carney)

North West Footwear Database (Tim Foley)

SAT 05:00 Electric Ink (b01 iva9c)

Series 2

Episode 3

Struggling print journalist Maddox takes a moral stance with disastrous results.

A comic satire set in the struggling world of newspapers. A group of dysfunctional journalists attempt to cover major news stories whilst grappling with the demands of a multiplatform environment, as circulation figures plummet as the recession means half the workforce is laid off.

Written by Alistair Beaton and Tom Mitchelson.

Maddox John Sessions

Oliver Alex Jennings Freddy Stephen Wight

Carol Polly Frame

Masha Debbie Chazen With Joanna Monro, Sean Baker, Adeel Akhtar, Henry Devas

and Sam Dale.

Producer: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010. SAT 05:30 Just a Minute (m000hfx0)

Series 63

Episode 4

Just how hard can it be to talk for 60 seconds with no hesitation, repetition & deviation? Regulars Jenny Eclair and Tony Hawks welcome relative newcomers Richard Herring and Paul Sinha to try. As ever, Nicholas Parsons chairs this popular comedy panel

SAT 06:00 Noel Coward - Blithe Spirit (b01ghlgw)

When novelist Charles Condomine invites a medium to hold a séance at his country house, he anticipates little more than some harmless fakery and a lot of good material for his new novel. Instead, he gets a ghostly visitation from his dead first wife, rather to the chagrin of his very much alive second one. Noël Coward's classic comedy adapted for radio by Bert

Charles . Roger Allam

Madame Arcati Maggie Steed Elvira Zoe Waites

Rut Hermione Gulliford Dr Bradman David Killick

Mrs Bradman Tilly Tremayne

Edith Natalie Cassidy Pianist: Matthew Scott

Director: Philip Franks

Producer: Patrick Rayner First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2008.

SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b04g8jh3)

Series 34

Labi Siffre on Arthur Ransome

Singer-songwriter Labi Siffre discusses the life and work of

Siffre says that the Swallows and Amazons books taught him responsibility for his own actions and also a morality that has influenced and shaped him throughout his life.

Series in which Matthew Parris invites his guests to nominate the person who they feel is a great life.

Producer: Maggie Ayre First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2014.

SAT 08:00 Counterpoint (b00jcgx9)

Series 23 2009 Heat 4

From London, Paul Gambaccini hosts the music quiz with contestants from Kent, Surrey and the Isle of Wight. From SAT 08:30 The Change (b0076nxd)

Series 3

Episode 1

Convinced that his wife's having an affair with transvestite

George, Ken targets Carol.

Carol Lynda Bellingham

George Philip Jackson Violet Marcia Warren

Maureen Maureen Beattie

Ken James Vaugnan Sonia Emma Kennedy

Jerry Barnaby Kay

Dave Mark Powley

Series 3 of the sitcom about a married couple's attempts to smooth over their singularly troubled midlife - Carol is

hormonal and 15-stone George is a transvestite. Onlookers can't quite agree on the nature of their dynamic

Written by Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

SAT 09:00 Comedy Greats (b007jthv)

The 1960s

Episode 1

Decade by decade, Barry Cryer showcases some of the funniest and finest shows ever broadcast by the BBC.

Six favourite shows plucked from the swinging 1960s schedules of the BBC Light Programme and BBC Home Service:

* Beyond Our Ken

Series 3 (7/14)

Kenneth Horne's busy week - and check out the latest film releases in 'Picture Go Round'. With Kenneth Horne, Kenneth Williams, Hugh Paddick, Betty Marsden and Bill Pertwee.

From May 1960. * It's A Fair Cop

From 19/06/61

Eric Sykes plays a hapless copper on a bank stake-out. With Hattie Jacques, Deryck Guyler and Dick Emery. From June 1961.

* The Navy Lark

Series 9 (16/20) Cuthbert Joins the Navy

Mrs Povey insists that her snooty nephew samples a career on the ocean wave aboard HMS Troutbridge. Stars Stephen Murray, Jon Pertwee, Leslie Phillips, Ronnie Barker, Michael Bates, Richard Caldicot, Heather Chasen and Tenniel Evans From October 1967.

* Benny Hill Time

From 29/03/64

Fred Scuttle in a James Bond spoof. Topical sketches and more with Peter Vernon, Jan Waters and Anthony Sharp. From March 1964

* The Clitheroe Kid

Series 12 (11/20) Stop the Wedding, I Want to Get Off The cheeky youngster is due to be a page boy at his Auntie's wedding, but he's not too keen on his satin outfit - so soon sparks more mayhem. Stars Jimmy Clitheroe, Peter Sinclair, Patricia Burke, Danny Ross, Diana Day, Fred Gaunt and Brian

Trueman. From December 1968. * I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again

Series 6 (4/13) Schools debate, Merseyside mariachi and trouble at t'mill. Songs and sketches with John Cleese, Bill Oddie, Graeme Garden, Tim Brooke-Taylor, David Hatch and Jo Kendall,

From May 1968.

Produced and scripted by Peter Reed Made for BBC 7 and first broadcast in May 2003.

SAT 12:00 Tomorrow, Today! (b016r51y)

Dr Chaotica and the Rise of the Atomic Man-Bees A BBC producer struggles to make a radio soap set in the

unimaginably futuristic world of 2008.

Suspicious deaths provoke mixed reactions Series two of Christopher William Hill's sitcom set in 1962. Nigel Lavery Peter Bowles Sylvia Hann Cheryl Campbell

Godfrey Winnard John Fortune Sir Angus McNairn Gary Waldhorn Hugo Kellerman Joseph Kloska

Douglas Bennings Jon Glover Keith Wood Sam Pamphilon Mrs Tinkler Rachel Atkins Graham Tinkler Lloyd Thomas

Delivery Boy Alex Lamipekun

Producer: Liz Webb First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.

SAT 12:30 After Henry (b007k280) Series 2

Memory Games

'Mother, you are doing it again. You are defining us. And what's more, you are wrong. Henry was lovely and endearing, but he wasn't practical. He couldn't organise himself out of a paper bag.'.

Daughter Clare's trivia quiz helps Sarah with all her memories of late husband Henry.

Simon Brett's comedy about three generations of women struggling to cope after the death of Sarah's GP husband - who never quite manage to see eye to eye.

Sarah Prunella Scales Eleanor Joan Sanderson Ben iamin Whitrow Russell ...

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Clare Gerry Cowper Miles David Quilter Quizmaster Graham Blockey Four radio series were made, but instead of moving to BBC TV - Thames Television produced 'After Henry' for the ITV Producer: Pete Atkin. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1986. SAT 13:00 Hercule Poirot (b007jvp9) Lord Edgware Dies Episode 1 At a nightclub, Belgian sleuth, Hercule Poirot and Captain Hastings meet the elegant Lady Edgware who has a surprising personal request. Agatha Christie's whodunit stars John Moffatt as Hercule From the book first published in 1933 and dramatised in five parts by Michael Bakewell Hercule Poirot John Moffatt Captain Hastings Simon Williams Jane Wilkinson / Carlotta Adams Nicola Pagett Lord Edgware James Greene Inspector Japp Norman Jones Bryan Martin Brett Usher Jules/ Butler Clarence Smith Housekeeper Jean Reeve Director: Enyd Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1992. SAT 13:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpg) Lord Edgware Dies Episode 2 Lord Edgware has been murdered at his house in Regent Gate and Inspector Japp suspects Lady Edgware of the crime. Agatha Christie's whodunit stars John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot. From the book first published in 1933 and dramatised by Michael Bakewell. Hercule Poirot John Moffatt Captain Hastings Simon Williams Jane Wilkinson Nicola Pagett Bryan Martin Brett Usher Inspector Japp Norman Jones Edgware's Butler Clarence Smith Ellis Paula Jacobs Miss Carroll Eva Stuart Alice Auriol Smith Jenny Driver Adjoa Andoh Doctor Heath . . Timothy Carlton Director: Enyd Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1992. SAT 14:00 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpl) Lord Edgware Dies Episode 3 A second victim of murder is revealed - but were they really involved in the death of Lord Edgware? Ouestions galore for the Belgian sleuth... Agatha Christie's whodunit stars John Moffatt as Hercule From the book first published in 1933 and dramatised by Michael Bakewell. Hercule Poirot John Moffatt Captain Hastings Simon Williams Jane Wilkinson Nicola Pagett Bryan Martin Brett Usher Inspector Japp Norman Jones Ellis Paula Jacobs Miss Carroll Eva Stuart Ronald Marsh Charles Millham Poirot's Housekeeper Jean Reeve Geraldine Marsh Joanna Myers Sir Montagu Corner Garard Green Mr Widburn Andrew Wincott . Susan Sheridan Mrs Widburn Ross Terence Edmond Duke of Merton Eric Allan Jenkins Fraser Kerr Director: Enyd Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1992. SAT 14:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpv) Lord Edgware Dies Episode 4 Inspector Japp has tracked down the taxi driver who drove two very unlikely passengers to Regent Gate on the night of Lord Edgware's murder... Agatha Christie's whodunit stars John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot. From the book first published in 1933 and dramatised by Michael Bakewell. Hercule Poirot John Moffatt Captain Hastings Simon Williams Inspector Japp Norman Jones Ronald Marsh Charles Millham Ross Terence Edmond Jenny Adjoa Andoh Taxi Driver/Waiter Neil Roberts Director: Enyd Williams First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1992 SAT 15:00 Hercule Poirot (b007 ivpx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 today] SAT 15:30 A Good Read (b00p2hfy) David Rowntree and Kanya King Sue MacGregor is joined by two very different figures from the world of contemporary British music. Drummer with Blur Dave Rowntree choses John Fowles' classic first novel, whilst Kanya King, founder of the prestigious MOBO Awards is the first person to select a new age self-help book on the series. Books featured in the programme: Dave's choice: The Collector by John Fowles Publ: Vintage Classics Kanya's choice: Synchrodestiny by Deepak Chopra Publ: Ebury Sue's choice: An Education by Lynn Barber Publ: Penguin First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2009. SAT 16:00 Noel Coward - Blithe Spirit (b01ghlgw) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b04g8jh3) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] SAT 18:00 The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (b0076nbp) The Tertiary Phase Fit The Thirteenth Arthur Dent awakes to find that he has spent the last four years on prehistoric Earth, alone in all that time save for five minutes with an infuriating alien called Wowbagger who arrived, insulted him, and left. Reunited with Ford Prefect, Arthur discovers that the Hitchhikers Guide he threw in the river still works - and is being updated. Rescue appears in the form of a sofa caught in the Space-Time Continuum and Arthur and Ford disappear in a fashion which would cause stern looks from the Campaign For Real Time. Aboard the Heart of Gold Zaphod Beeblebrox is nursing a large Pan Galactic Gargleblaster and two headaches. He believes that he survived the Total Perspective Vortex while pursuing a Hitchhikers Guide employee called Zarniwoop and that Arthur marooned him by stealing the Heart of Gold, which of course Zaphod himself stole (but then Zaphod thinks he alone has the right to indulge in excitement, adventure and really wild things). His girlfriend Trillian (who, as Tricia McMillan, is the only human apart from Arthur to survive the Destruction of Earth by the Vogon Constructor Fleet) has no memory at all of these events and is therefore convinced that Zaphod has had a psychotic episode brought on by too many drinks. Tired of his selfishness she snaps and leaves him, having herself beamed by Eddie the shipboard computer in any direction but here. Meanwhile in the swamps of Squornshellous Zeta, Marvin the Paranoid Android pivots helplessly in circles on an artificial leg. his only company a talkative mattress called Zem ... The Book William Franklyn Eddie Roger Gregg Arthur Simon Jones Wowbagger Toby Longworth Ford Prefect Geoffrey McGivern Marvin Stephen Moore Trillian Susan Sheridan Zem Andy Taylor Zaphod Beeblebox Mark Wing-Davey Writer Douglas Adams Adaptor Dirk Maggs Composer Paul Wickens Producer Helen Chattwell Producer Bruce Hyman Producer Dirk Maggs First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2004. SAT 18:30 The Man in Black (b00g9m6j) Series 1 The creepy story of Ro and Zee, who stumble into a world where time has stopped. Mike Walker's tale is introduced by Mark Gatiss as sinister raconteur, The Man in Black. Starring Robert Lonsdale as Ro, Inam Mirza as Zee and Malcolm Tierney as Mr Fisher. Horrifying series of tales from The Man in Black. You might meet him at a luggage carousel in an airport, or behind the desk at an employment agency or he might approach you in the corridor of a care home. Wherever you encounter him, he's eager to pass on his stories. Stories to unsettle and horrify. Stories to haunt you. Director: Jeremy Mortimer Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in 2009. SAT 19:00 Comedy Greats (b007jthv) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today] SAT 22:00 The Lee Mack Show (b00c075z) Tom Robinson Tom Robinson joins the quick-fire comic for stand-up, sketches

How to talk to an emperor and inventing Saturday night TV shows. Stars David Mitchell and Robert Webb. From August SAT 23:30 Earls of the Court (b00r7lnz) Crisis Management Comedy drama series by Will Adamsdale and Stewart Wright about two Australians down on their luck in London. Lloydie and Johnno need money fast to pay the rent, but will the contents of Lloydie's trusty backpack be enough to save the day? Lloydie . Stewart Wright Johnno Will Adamsdale Directed by Sasha Yevtushenko. SAT 23:45 Foley and McColl: The Interview (b0076d23) The duo tells Parky about their dramatic showbiz bust-up. With Sean Foley, Hamish McColl and Michael Parkinson. From March 2003 SUNDAY 26 APRIL 2020 SUN 00:00 The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (b0076nbp) [Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Saturday] SUN 00:30 The Man in Black (b00g9m6i) [Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Saturday] SUN 01:00 Hercule Poirot (b007jvp9) [Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday] SUN 01:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpg) [Repeat of broadcast at 13:30 on Saturday] SUN 02:00 Hercule Poirot (b007 ivpl) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday] SUN 02:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpv) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday] SUN 03:00 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpx) [Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 on Saturday] SUN 03:30 A Good Read (b00p2hfv) [Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Saturday] SUN 04:00 Noel Coward - Blithe Spirit (b01ghlgw) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Saturday] SUN 05:30 Great Lives (b04g8jh3) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday] SUN 06:00 Hercule Poirot (b007 ivp9) [Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Saturday] SUN 06:30 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpg) [Reneat of broadcast at 13:30 on Saturday] SUN 07:00 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpl) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Saturday] SUN 07:30 Hercule Poirot (b007 ivpv) [Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Saturday] SUN 08:00 Hercule Poirot (b007jvpx) [Repeat of broadcast at 01:30 on Saturday] SUN 08:30 Home to Roost (m000hpnm) Series 2 Mother's Not Well Full of cold, Olive spends the day in bed as William attempts the housework. Mollie Sugden and Deryck Guyler play Olive and William Wheeler, After 40 years working for the same company, William has retired and is trying hard to adapt to his new life of leisure. Olive, on the other hand, is trying to adapt to having her husband under her feet all day, for the first time in their marriage. William Wheeler Deryck Guyler Olive Wheeler Mollie Sugden Jack Bailey Norman Rossington Nev John Baddeley Mrs Cox Linda Polan Mrs Shipley ... Joyce Latham Writer: Anne Jones Theme music composed and played by Alex Walsh and his Producer: Trafford Whitelock. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1975. SUN 09:00 Jerome K Jerome - Three Men on the Bummel (b01dhllx) Episode 2 "In Prague we did our sightseeing with the aid of a guide. His English was decidedly weak. Indeed it was not English at all. For the first hour it was difficult to rid oneself of the conviction that the man was choking." George, Harris and J attempt to navigate Germany by bike, but find their sense of direction sorely tested. Adapted and performed in three episodes by Jeremy Nicholas. Music by Jeremy Nicholas. Performed by The Grimethorpe Colliery Band Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1984. SUN 09:30 Millport (b00761z4) Series 2 Dark Secrets Irene enlists Bob's help when strange events send the tiny Scottish island into disarray. The team take the audience on a posh day out. Starring Tim de Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something island barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland. ... Lynn Ferguson

Moira/Agnes Janet Brown

Jongh, William Vandyck and Tim Firth. From January 1991.

SAT 23:00 That Mitchell and Webb Sound (b00m6bhh)

and music. With Angela McHale and Steve Brown. From

SAT 22:30 And Now in Colour (b007 jscz)

March 2005.

Stately Home

Series 2

Series 4

Episode 1

Alberto/Robert/Doctor Lewis McLeod Ena/Bunty Gabriel Quigley Dougie Matt Costello Bob/Ministe rRobert Patterson Music arranged by Olly Fox. Producer: Lucy Bacon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2001.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b09ydbdd)

Damien Hirst

From The Clash to Joni Mitchell. Artist Damian Hirst shares his castaway choices with Kirsty Young. From 2013.

SUN 10:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0002hdv)

Love Birds

Growing up in Pakistan Zubaira Ahmad had always been surrounded by animals, and since moving to England in the early 1990s, had dreamed of owning a pet bird again. She and daughter Noor, share the story of their secret mission to make the dream a reality - and why it captured the hearts of global Twitter users.

Plus Multi Story presenter, Becca Bryers and her boyfriend discuss the impact of Indi the cat on their relationship.

SUN 11:00 Radiolab (b0b1q69d)

Series 3 Ghost Stories

Radiolab hears from people try to pin down, and make peace with, mysterious figures that haunt them. With Jad Abumrad and Robert Krulwich.

Radiolab is a Peabody-award winning show about curiosity. Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and the human experience.

First broadcast on public radio in the USA. SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (b0bfxjs3)

Poetry and Planets: Simon Armitage

Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's radio poetry archive with

'Poetry and Planets' featuring Simon Armitage plus an interview from 'Start the Week' where he discusses his inspiration. 'Poetry and Planets': When poet Simon Armitage invested in a powerful Russian telescope to scan the night skies above his native Huddersfield, he produced a sequence of almost 90 poems about the constellations and their modem imaginative resonances. Simon introduces and reads his favourite poems

from the sequence. Producer: Robert Ketteridge, From 1998

'Start The Week': Simon Armitage talks about his collection

CloudCuckooLand with Melvyn Bragg. Producer: Olivia Seligman, From 1997

SUN 12:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme (b06whsx1)

Series 5

Episode 3

John Finnemore - writer and star of Cabin Pressure and John Finnemore's Double Acts, regular guest on The Now Show and The Unbelievable Truth - returns for a fifth series of his multiaward-winning sketch show, joined as ever by a cast of Margaret Cabourn-Smith, Simon Kane, Lawry Lewin and

Carrie Quinlan. This week we look back at a career in accounting, hear of an over-rated experience and, we're sorry to say, Patsy Straightwoman returns with an interview sketch.

"One of the most consistently funny sketch shows for quite some time" - The Guardian

"The best sketch show in years, on television or radio" - The Radio Times

"The inventive sketch show ... continues to deliver the goods" -The Daily Mail

"Superior comedy" - The Observer

Written by and starring ... John Finnemore Original music composed by ... Susannah Pearse

Original music performed by ... Susannah Pearse & Sally Stares

Producer: Ed Morrish A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first

broadcast in 2016.

SUN 13:00 Comedy Greats (b007jthv) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Saturday]

SUN 16:00 Penelope Fitzgerald - The Blue Flower

(m000hpnp)

The Blue Flower

By Penelope Fitzgerald Dramatised by Peter Wolf

With Samuel West as Fritz

In Germany in the late 18th century, a university student's quest to find his ideal vision of love leads him to a frail but spirited 12-year-old girl. Will she fulfil his high expectations ...?

Sophie Abigail Docherty Bernhard Alison Pettitt Father John Rowe

JacobGiles Fagan Karoline Elizabeth Conboy

With Tessa Worsley, Ben Crowe, Gerard McDermott, Harry

Myers and Tilly Gaunt

Director: Cherry Cookson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1999. SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (b0bfxjs3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme

(b06whsx1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 18:00 RL Stevenson - The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde (b01hxn39)

Edward Hyde was so much smaller and younger than Henry Jekyll. Even as good shone upon the countenance of one, evil was written plainly on the face of the other. What inexplicable link bound these two men so closely together?

Robert Louis Stevenson's classic tale of one man's evil alter ego dramatised by Jill Brooke.

Stars Michael Aldridge, James Bryce and Bernard Hepton.

Michael Aldridge ... Dr Henry Jekyll James Bryce ... Edward Hyde Bernard Hepton ... James Utterson Ronald Herdman ... Whitemore Pauline Letts ... Landlady

David Garth ... Poole

Graham Blockey ... Enfield Garard Green ... Dr Lanyon

John Rye ... Inspector Newcomen Verity Anne Meldrum ... Girl

Producer: Glyn Dearman

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1985.

SUN 19:00 Radiolab (b0b1q69d) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 20:00 Penelope Fitzgerald - The Blue Flower

(m000hpnp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b09ydbdd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today] SUN 21:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0002hdy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme

(b06whsx1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today] SUN 22:30 Radio Shuttleworth (b007qs2x)

Series 1 Episode 1

Sheffield aspiring singer-songwriter John Shuttleworth takes over the BBC airwayes. With Leo Saver, From November 1998. SUN 23:00 The Secret World (b012rf47)

Series 2

Episode 5

Prince Charles ends up helping his driver move a sideboard. Jon Culshaw explores famous folk's private lives. From July 2010. SUN 23:30 Edge Falls (b00d9vq6)

Series 2

Episode 2

The retail park is licensed for marriage with traumatic results Stars Mark Benton and Frances Barber. From September 2008.

MONDAY 27 APRIL 2020

MON 00:00 RL Stevenson - The Strange Case of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde (b01hxn39)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday] MON 01:00 Comedy Greats (b007 ithy) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Saturday]

MON 04:00 Penelope Fitzgerald - The Blue Flower

(m000hpnp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (b0bfxjs3) [Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 John Finnemore's Souvenir Programme

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday] MON 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hmbb)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6

The Six Napoleons Holmes why identical, cheap plaster busts of Napoleon are being destroyed.

CAST. Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley Inspector Lestrade Humphrey Morton Horace Harker Alan Dudley

Harding Leroy Lingwood

Morse Hudson.... Allan McClelland Gelder Geoffrey Wincott Sandeford Arthur Lawrence

Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and dramatised by Michael Hardwick.

Producer: Martyn C. Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1966.

MON 06:30 Dick Francis (b007jpxx)

Threats and Menaces

Kit Fielding, champion jockey is engaged to Danielle de Brescou the niece of his employer Princess Casilia. The Princess recruits Kit to fend off Henri de Brescou, a dangerous cousin trying to involve her in the armaments business But Kit also has problems of his own...

Dick Francis's racing thriller dramatised in five-parts by John Ashe.

Kit Fielding Eric Allan Princess Casilia Sian Phillips Danielle Elizabeth MacGovern Henri John Bull .. Jack May Greening ... Dusty Christian Rodska

Thomas Steve Hodson

Allardeck Bill Wallis Roland .. . Simon Carter

Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1994

MON 07:00 Says on the Tin (b00gqzw0)

Chowder

Comedy by Christopher William Hill.

Eliott, Esther and Hannah compete aggressively to promote

American Chowder to the British. Eliott Thurber Michael Brandon Esther Finn Samantha Bond

Hannah Walker Pippa Haywood Zadie Joannah Tincey

Baz Inam Mirza

Sal John Guerrasio

Other parts played by Stephen Critchlow, Jonathan Tafler, Dan Starkey, Gunnar Cauthery and Donnla Hughes

MON 07:30 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (m000hdkm) Series 4

The Petsman

As cat and dog owners go to war, Milton turns to social media to calm things down. That usually works, right?

Mention Milton Jones to most people and the first thing they think is "Help!". Each week, Milton and his trusty assistan Anton set out to help people and soon find they're embroiled in a new adventure. Because when you're close to the edge, then Milton can give you a push.

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

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

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

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, Josie Lawrence and Ben Willbond (Yonderland, Ghosts).

With music by Guy Jackson

Produced and directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4

MON 08:00 The Navy Lark (b007xwmd) Deliberately Abandoned

Can the inept crew of HMS Troutbridge discover where the rest of the fleet has gone?

Stars Leslie Phillips as the Sub-Lieutenant, Jon Pertwee as the Chief Petty Officer, Stephen Murray as the Number One, Richard Caldicot as Captain Povey, Heather Chasen as Heather, Ronnie Barker as Commander Bell, Tenniel Evans as Uncle and

Michael Bates as the Sea Lord Laughs afloat aboard British Royal Navy frigate HMS Troutbridge. The Navy Lark ran for an impressive thirteen

series between 1959 and 1976. Scripted by Lawrie Wyman

Producer: Alastair Scott Johnston.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1967. MON 08:30 Dad's Army (b007jr7l)

Time on my Hands The Home Guard platoon try to capture a German pilot hanging off the Town Hall clock in Walmington-on-Sea.

Starring Arthur Lowe as Captain Mainwaring, John Le Mesurier as Sergeant Wilson, Clive Dunn as Corporal Jones, John Laurie as Private Frazer, Arnold Ridley as Private Godfrey, Ian Lavender as Private Pike, Bill Pertwee as Hodges, Frank Williams as the Vicar, Larry Martyn as Private Walker, Erik Chitty as Mr Parsons and Fraser Kerr as the German pilot.

Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Producer: John Dyas First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1976.

MON 09:00 Whispers (b00n90xf)

Episode 1

Gyles Brandreth chairs the scandals quiz with Anthony Holden. Lucy Moore, Penny Junor and Julian Fellowes. From October 2005.

MON 09:30 Chambers (b007 ip9b)

A Case With a View

When barrister John Fuller-Carp's ambitions take a downward turn, he takes some extreme action. Stars John Bird. From June 1998

MON 10:00 John Bunvan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fcd6c)

Episode 1 John Bunvan ... Author

Brian Sibley ... Dramatist Anton Rodgers ... Bunyan Neil Dudgeon ... Christian

Alec McCowen ... Evangelist Don Warrington ... Beelzebub Anna Massey ... Interpreter

Peter Bowles ... Caged Man Caroline Lee Johnson ... Elizabeth Ioan Meredith ... The Jailer

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Derek Waring ... The Judge Philip Fox ... Pliable Chris Moran ... Obstinate Ms Jaimi Barbakoff ... Help Lydia Leonard ... Goodwill Cherie Taylor-Battiste ... The Angel Sophie Levy ... Child Nyla Levy ... Child

MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m000hmbf)

Series 7

Trust and Consequences

Guy Raz explores how our lives are fuelled by trust in loved ones, colleagues and leaders. How do we restore it if it's lost? In this episode, TED speakers explore our relationship with

First broadcast on NPR in the USA in 2015.

MON 12:00 The Navy Lark (b007xwmd)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 18:00 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000xwy)

The Vertical Ladder by William Sansom

A dare turns into an exercise in fear limitation as Cleggy finds himself high up and hanging on. But he is not alone. Written by William Sansom.

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Gasometer..... Pippa Haywood ...Daniel Anthony Cleggy..... Leah.....Kathryn Drysdale Tyler.....Toheeb Jimoh Riz.....Luke ThompsonSamantha Dakin Alice.....

Director: Karen Rose

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

MON 18:15 Never Trust a Rabbit by Jeremy Dyson (m000hmbh)

We Who Walk Through Walls

Johnson, a student, is hired for work by the enigmatic magician Trapido.

One of five stories from League of Gentleman writer, Jeremy

Dyson

Read by Stephen Critchlow.

Producer: Lizzie Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000.

MON 18:30 A Good Read (b00qhrx8) Chris Packham and Stella Duffy

Wildlife TV presenter Chris Packham and author/performer Stella Duffy join Sue MacGregor to discuss favourite books by Penelope Fitzgerald, Peter Nichols and JD Salinger.

Offshore by Penelope Fitzgerald

Publ. Fourth Estate

A Voyage For Madmen by Peter Nichols

Publ. Profile Books

Raise High the Roof Beam, Carpenters and Seymour: an

Introduction by J. D. Salinger

Publ. Penguin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2010. MON 19:00 The Navy Lark (b007xwmd)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

MON 22:00 Thanks a Lot, Milton Jones! (m000hdkm)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 22:30 Chain Reaction (b00gsb89)

Bill Bailey Interviews Simon Pegg

One comedian grills another in the tag talk show, where the guest is next week's interviewer.

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

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

Producer: Tilusha Ghelani.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2005.

MON 23:00 The News Quiz (m000hhtv)

Series 102 Episode 2

Angela Barnes hosts series 102, leading a panel of regular News Quiz comics and journalists in rounding up the news stories of the week. Joining Angela this week is Hugo Rifkind, Tom Allen, Lucy Porter and Sophie Duker

Produced by Suzy Grant A BBC Studios Production

MON 23:30 Radio Active (b007k3ny)

Series 6

Bogie Awards

The stars are out for the Bogies! Who'll win the much coveted gold-plated award?

Starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deavton, Geoffrey Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens Music by Philip Pope, Steve Brown and Michael Fenton-

Stevens. Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins with Michael

Producer: Paul Mavhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1986.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Monday] TUE 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007zl1r)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6

The Boscombe Valley Mystery
The sleuth probes a murder in Herefordshire, but the crime's roots are down under. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle thriller from 1966

Sir Arthur Conan Dovle ... Author Michael Hardwick ... Dramatist Carleton Hobbs ... Sherlock Holmes

Norman Shelley ... Dr Watson Nigel Graham ... James McCarthy Geoffrey Wincott ... Coroner

Humphrey Morton ... Inspector Lestrade Sheila Grant ... Alice Turner

Bruce Beeby ... John Turner
TUE 06:30 Dick Francis (b007jpyf)

Horses Begin to Die

Henri de Brescou, bent upon obtaining authority from the French Government to make plastic guns, threatens Roland,

Princess Casilia's frail and elderly husband. Starring Sian Phillips as Princess Casilia, Eric Allan as Kit Fielding, John Bull as Henri de Brescou and Bill Wallis as Allardeck.

Author Dick Francis is acclaimed as one of the greatest thriller writers in the world. Dramatised by John Ashe

Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.

TUE 07:00 HR (b00tt4lt) Series 2

Remodelling

Comedy drama series by Nigel Williams that charts the misfortunes of a middle-aged HR officer and his troublemaking colleague

Sam, fearing the sense of purposelessness that often hits retirees, decides to redecorate his house. But, his housemate

Peter worries, has he some darker purpose in mind? Peter Jonathan Pryce

Sam Nicholas Le Prevost

. Tony Bell

Director: Peter Kavanagh.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2010. TUE 07:30 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000hfyw)

The Environment Stand-up Ellie Taylor has some opinions she'd like to get off her chest. In this episode she looks at the environment and wonders whether the planet really is worth saving. She discusses her views with help from the studio audience and her side-kick Robin Morgan. She also welcomes on a special expert guest to talk about how to survive the end of the world...the first man to walk the length of the Amazon, explorer Ed Stafford. Ellie Taylor's Safe Space is produced by Sam Michell and is a

BBC Studios Production.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b014s6hl)

The Secret Escritoire

Neddie Seagoon's furniture is at the centre of a Malayan manshrinking plot. Stars Peter Sellers. From September 1955.

TUE 08:30 J Kingston Platt's Showbiz Handbook (b007k02m)

Dick Turpin

The veteran of many parts recounts a disastrous TV adaptation where he experienced robbery of a different kind. Stars Peter Jones, From June 1986.

TUE 09:00 The News Quiz (m000hhtv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:30 Such Rotten Luck (b0667t0l)

Series 2

We Poets All Rejoice

Determined to scoop a rival biographer, the struggling writer visits Berlin. Stars Tim Pigott-Smith. From December 1991. TUE 10:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress

(b00fd2td)

Episode 2 John Bunyan ... Author

Brian Sibley ... Dramatist

Anton Rodgers ... Bunyan

Neil Dudgeon ... Christian Alec McCowen ... Evangelist

Don Warrington ... Beelzebub

Caroline Lee Johnson ... Elizabeth

Ioan Meredith ... The Jailer Derek Waring ... The Judge

Philip Fox ... Watchful

Chris Moran ... Clerk Jaimi Barbakoff ... Prudence

Lydia Leonard ... Charity Cherie Taylor-Battiste ... Piety

Graham Crowden ... Faithful

Stephen Thorne ... Cobb Eve Karpf ... Discretion

Rachel Atkins ... Talkative Damian Lynch ... Timorous

TUE 11:00 Telling Tales (m0002mqx)

Jad Abumrad BBC Radio 4 Extra celebrates factual storytelling with Jad Abumrad Back in 2002 Iad created Radiolab a radio show which explores our weird and wonderful universe, with awe-

inspiring tales. This episode features a universal tale from the Radiolab, titled The Primordial Journey. In fact, we couldn't get much more universal in this week's theme, because our protagonists are the

stem cells of the species. The story begins in the very early stages of embryonic development and an epic struggle plays out, as a pugnacious band of cells marches toward a mysterious destiny, with the

future of humanity resting on their shoulders. As a factual storyteller, Jad prefers to let listeners experience something for themselves, rather than explain. Whilst Radiolab might sound conversational, each episode is meticulously produced, and Jad gives us an insight into his award-winnin

methods. Jad also reflects on the evolution of Radiolab, from a one-man passion project, to a community of curious programme-makers,

creating stories for millions of fans. Produced and presented by Ali Gardiner.

First broadcast on Radio 4 Extra in 2019. TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b014s6hl)

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(b007k02m) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] TUE 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007zl1r) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] TUE 13:30 Dick Francis (b007 ipvf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Jest a Minute (b0183rrm) Series 2

Episode 6

Rhod Gilbert's comedy quiz from the Glee Club in Cardiff. With Paul Tonkinson, Tom Wrigglesworth, Lloyd Langford and Chris Corcoran.

Producers: Paul Forde and Gareth Gwynn

First broadcast on BBC Radio Wales in 2009.

TUE 14:30 Such Rotten Luck (b0667t0l)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 15:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fd2td)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 Telling Tales (m0002mqx)

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TUE 17:00 HR (b00tt4lt)

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TUE 17:30 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000hfyw) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000y8q)

The Speciality of the House by Stanley Ellin

A restaurant has a gourmet dish for only the select few. But what are its ingredients?

Written by Stanley Ellin.

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Producer: Karen Rose A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

TUE 18:15 Never Trust a Rabbit by Jeremy Dyson (m000hmd0)

City Deep

Foster reluctantly takes a journey on the London Underground. One of five stories from League of Gentleman writer, Jeremy Dyson

Read by Stephen Critchlow. Producer: Lizzie Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000.

TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b0075zdm)

Series 1

Abide with Me

Exploring why Henry F Lyte's words and William H Monk's tune resonate with so many people from Malawi to India. From 2000

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

TUE 22:00 Ellie Taylor's Safe Space (m000hfyw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 Life: An Idiot's Guide (b044mc1g)

Series 3

Belief and Opinion

Stephen K Amos is joined by comedians Wil Hodgson, Gavin Webster and Shazia Mirza to present a guide to belief and

TUE 23:00 Where Did It All Go Wrong? (b0076gv2) Series 1

Heinrich Prikk's Considered Conclusions

Simon Munnery conjures all sorts of conundrums in the guise of a philosopher with a severe view. From September 2003. TUE 23:15 The Pin (b07vs3n6)

Series 2

Record

Following a hugely successful first series, which drew praise from the likes of David Walliams and Ben Stiller, Alex and Ben are back with their weird twist on the double-act sketch show. Strap in for a 15 minute delve in to a world of oddness performed in front of a live studio audience.

This week, The Pin are out to achieve a very rare record... a

About The Pin

The Pin are an award-winning comedy duo, and legends of Edinburgh festival. They deconstruct the sketch form, in a show that exists somewhere between razor-sharp smartness and utterly joyous silliness

After a sold-out run in Edinburgh, and a string of hilarious performances across BBC Radio 4 Extra, BBC 3, Channel 4, and Comedy Central, this is The Pin's debut solo show for Radio 4. Join them as they celebrate, make, collapse and rebuild

their jokes, each other, and probably the radio too For fans of Adam and Joe, Vic and Bob, and Fist of Fun - a show of absurd offerings from two loveable idiots.

'The Pin prove it's still possible to play with the conventions of the medium of sketch comedy.' - The Guardian

'Knowing and inventive: a 15-minute blast.' - The Times

'The sketches are funny, and made special by Ben Ashender and Alexander Owen also examining, subverting and reversing familiar tropes. The material is excellent.' - Radio Times

'Eviscerating their chosen form completely.' - The Sunday

- 'A very classy, very funny show indeed.' - The Telegraph Producer: Sam Bryant

A BBC Studios Production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.

TUE 23:30 Think the Unthinkable (b01hznxh) Series 3

Wagstaff and Mutual

The management consultants try to help an investment bank with some bad financing. Stars Marcus Brigstocke. From July 2004.

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Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6

The Crooked Man

Probing a military murder, the sleuth exposes a cryptic connection to Colonial India. Sir Arthur Conan Dovle thriller from 1966.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle ... Author

Michael Hardwick ... Dramatist Carleton Hobbs ... Sherlock Holmes

Norman Shelley ... Dr Watson

Allan McClelland ... Corporal Wood Douglas Hankin ... Sergeant Barclay

Alan Dudley ... Major Murphy

Eva Stuart ... Miss Morrison

William Eedle ... William Flinn

Beth Boyd ... Jane Stewart WED 06:30 Dick Francis (b007 ipvx)

Bolt

Hostile Intelligence

Danielle de Brescou is followed and terrified by two men in hoods, while two of Princess Casilia's finest racing horses are slaughtered with a bolt gun.

Starring Sian Phillips as Princess Casilia, Eric Allan as Kit Fielding, John Bull as Henri de Brescou and Elizabeth

MacGovern as Danielle de Brescou. Author Dick Francis is acclaimed as one of the greatest thriller writers in the world.

Dramatised by John Ashe. Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994.

WED 07:00 Tomorrow, Today! (b017071k)

Series 2

Squab is not the Language of Love

Comedy series by Christopher William Hill, set in 1962. A BBC producer struggles to make a radio soap set in the

unimaginably futuristic world of 2008. Radio writer Hugo defects to TV.

Nigel Lavery Peter Bowles Sylvia Hann Cheryl Campbell

Godfrey Winnard John Fortune

Sir Angus McNairn Gary Waldhorn

Hugo Kellerman Joseph Kloska Douglas Bennings Jon Glover

Keith Wood Sam Pamphilon

Georgina Barrett Carolyn Pickles

Burton Peter Marinker. First broadcast on Radio 4 in 2008.

WED 07:30 The Wilsons Save the World (b09h6x6p)

Series 1

The Block

Michael and Maxine Wilson and their daughters, Lola and Cat have resolved to live a more ethical life. Millions of people try every day to make 'good' choices and do the 'right thing'. It's hard. Most of us live with hypocrisy and failure all the time but keep on trying. The Wilsons are trying about 20% harder and learning to live with about 19% more failure.

In the last episode in the series Max and Mike attempt to get their heads around the sensitive subject of S.E.X. and technology. Their teenage daughter Cat's latest relationship seems to be mainly conducted through the phone and they fear she doesn't have a clue on the risks attached in sharing intimate images. However, a full and frank adult conversation seems to be beyond Mike who has hang-ups of his own and Max and Mike's attempt to educate the children on the dangers of pornography on the web via a complex metaphor of Brexit and a possible desensitisation to 'David Davis' leaves Lola simply well-versed in European politics and Cat angry. Meanwhile,

Max, in attempt to addressing society's obsession with technology, makes a clanging faux pas via her local library web seminars. As the usual family harmony disintegrates it looks like their annual visit to the 'Words and Curds' festival in Wales is set it be a real downer until they bump into Caitlin Moran on her way to a book signing. Is it possible that this celebrated feminist author of a number of books including 'How to be a Woman' will have the answers they crave?

Producer...Julia McKenzie

Production Coordinator...Tamara Shilham

A BBC Studios Production

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007synp)

Series 4

The Old School Reunion

Surprises are in store as the lad heads back for prize-giving day at his old school.

Starring Tony Hancock, Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Kenneth Williams and Hattie Jacque

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. WED 08:30 After Henry (b007jn96)

Series 2

The Romantic Approach

Clare's been dumped, Eleanor finds a friend and Sarah's listening.

Simon Brett's comedy about three generations of women struggling to cope after the death of Sarah's GP husband - who never quite manage to see eye to eye.

Starring Prunella Scales as Sarah, Joan Sanderson as Eleanor, Benjamin Whitrow as Russell, Gerry Cowper as Clare, Lockwood West as Aubrey and David Learner as the Delivery

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

Producer: Pete Atkin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1986. WED 09:00 Counterpoint (b00jhg36)

Series 23

2009 Heat 5 From Manchester, chairman Paul Gambaccini hosts the music

quiz spanning every era. With Alan Douglas of Worcestershire, Lesley Ford from

Newcastle and John Keir from Kirkaldy in Fife.

Producer Paul Bajoria.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009. WED 09:30 The Change (b0076p0j)

Series 3

Episode 2 Ken is surprised to find that he has a new bedmate - but not the

one he'd hoped for. Starring Lynda Bellingham as Carol, Philip Jackson as George, Maureen Beattie as Maureen and James Vaughan as Ken. Series 3 of the sitcom about a married couple's attempts to smooth over their singularly troubled midlife funk - Carol is hormonal and 15-stone George is a transvestite. Onlookers can't

quite agree on the nature of their dynamic Written by Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.

Producer: Elizabeth Freestone

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004. WED 10:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress

(b00fd62f) Episode 3

John Bunvan ... Author Brian Sibley ... Dramatist Anton Rodgers ... Bunyan Neil Dudgeon ... Christian

Alec McCowen ... Evangelis Don Warrington ... Beelzebub

Caroline Lee Johnson ... Elizabeth Ioan Meredith ... The Jailer Derek Waring ... The Judge

Philip Fox ... Sincere Chris Moran ... Knowledge Jaimi Barbakoff ... Angel Lydia Leonard ... Angel

Cherie Taylor-Battiste ... Deceiver Graham Crowden ... Faithful Stephen Thorne ... Giant Despair

Rachel Atkins ... Ignorance Damian Lynch ... Experience Paul Medford ... Hopeful

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Frances Jeater ... Mrs Despair Declan Wilson ... False-Confidence

WED 11:00 Steve Penk's Radio Nightmares (m000hn28)

2: One More Time

Broadcaster Steve Penk digs out some of the funniest clips of live radio mistakes and provides listeners with exclusive access to his own collection of audio material from around the world. Radio bloopers have been around for as long as radio itself. They're mainly endearing and add a humanising element to the radio and to the presenters on it. A blooper is defined as an embarrassing public blunder, but as long as it's someone else's mistake, most of us are quite capable of getting past the embarrassment to enjoy the humour. The immediacy of live-toair radio is part of its strength, but also very exposing. If there's a slip of the tongue, it's broadcast into the ether moments later, especially in the early days of broadcast radio when almost everything was done live on the air. There have been some celebrated 'bloopers' over the years - from 'colourful' language, to laughing fits, technical glitches to amusing mispronunciations.

Producer: Stephen Garner

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first heard in 2018.

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The Black Cat by Edgar Allan Poe

Dark classic tale about the psychology of guilt.

Written by Edgar Allan Poe.

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Louisa.....Samantha Dakin

Police......Samuel Barnett & Kenneth Collard

Director: Karen Rose

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WED 18:15 Never Trust a Rabbit by Jeremy Dyson (m000hn2b)

A Last Look at the Sea

The tide goes out for George and Tessa on a trip to Cornwall, in more ways than one.

One of five stories from League of Gentleman writer, Jeremy

Read by Stephen Critchlow

Producer: Lizzie Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000.

WED 18:30 Short Cuts (b06kcbvy)

Series 8

Copycat

Howling like a wolf, stolen identities and poetry composed from borrowed words. Josie Long presents stories of imitation and plagiarism

Featuring:

Inspiration

Feat. Tom Robinson Howling Cameraman

Feat. Rolf Steinmann

http://rolfsteinmann.de/

Produced by Rachel Simpson

Turd Ferguson

Feat. Alex Edelman

Produced by Sophie Black

No More Ouestions

Written and produced by Ross Sutherland Series Producer: Eleanor McDowall

A Falling Tree production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in

WED 19:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007synp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

WED 19:30 After Henry (b007jn96)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

WED 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jr3d)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] WED 20:30 Dick Francis (b007jpyx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

WED 21:00 Steve Penk's Radio Nightmares (m000hn28)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

WED 22:00 The Wilsons Save the World (b09h6x6p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

WED 22:30 Warhorses of Letters (b03srddp) Series 3

Episode 4

The last in the series of the epistolary equine love story starring Stephen Fry as Napoleon's horse Marengo and Daniel Rigby as the Duke of Wellington's mount Copenhagen, with an introduction by Tamsin Greig.

Old age has come to our horses, and Marengo is sick.

Copenhagen is determined that he and his true love will be truly together just once before Marengo quits this earthly life for a new paddock in the sky.

In perhaps the most moving exchange of letters ever sent by one horse to another the final act of this tragic love story unfolds. Written by Robbie Hudson and Marie Phillips

Produced by Gareth Edwards.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.

WED 22:45 Guy Browning's Small Talk (b0076n58)

Series 2

How to Get Out More

From popping out in order to stay in, to the delights of camping, the writer shares life-coaching tips. From September 2004.

WED 23:00 Clare in the Community (b01693gs)

Series 7

Basic Attraction

Finally, it's Clare and Brian's wedding day! But first there's the Hen Party and Stag Night to get through.

Sally Phillips is Clare Barker the social worker who has all the right jargon but never a practical solution.

A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.

Each week we join Clare in her continued struggle to control both her professional and private life

In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

Enisode 6 'Basic Attraction' Cast:

SALLY PHILLIPS Clare

ALEX LOWE Brian NINA CONTI Megan / Nali

RICHARD LUMSDEN Ray

LIZA TARBUCK Helen

ANDREW WINCOTT Simon

SARAH KENDALL Libby TRACY WILES Nina / Mrs Mellish

GERARD MCDERMOT Registrar

ADAM BILLINGTON Gavin / Terry

VICTORIA INEZ HARDY Nurse / Trudi

Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden Producer Katie Tyrrell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

WED 23:30 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01dsv7d)

Isy Suttie

Comedian Alex Horne is joined by his own 5 piece jazz band for a brand new series of music and comedy. This time they make music on the subject of 'hard water'; shine a spotlight on the troubled life of the double bassist and reveal the haunting sound of the 'ocarina'. The band are joined by guest comedian Isy Suttie who persuades Alex to sing in a duet.

Producer Julia McKenzie.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

THURSDAY 30 APRIL 2020

THU 00:00 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000yjz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday] THU 00:15 Never Trust a Rabbit by Jeremy Dyson

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:15 on Wednesday] THU 00:30 Short Cuts (b06kcbvv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wed

THU 01:00 Sherlock Holmes (b007jr3d) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Dick Francis (b007jpyx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Counterpoint (b00jhg36)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday] THU 02:30 The Change (b0076p0j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday] THU 03:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress

(b00fd62f) [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Steve Penk's Radio Nightmares (m000hn28)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 on Wednesday] THU 05:00 Tomorrow, Today! (b017071k)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 The Wilsons Save the World (b09h6x6p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday] THU 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hpj8)

Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6

Wisteria Lodge

Holmes investigates the brutal murder of a Spanish-speaking man in Surrey.

Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley John Scott Eccles John Baddeley

Inspector Baynes Allan McClelland

Inspector Gregson Geoffrey Wincott

Miss Burnet Gladys Spencer

Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and dramatised by Michael Hardwicke.

Producer: Martyn C. Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1966. *THU* **06:30 Dick Francis (b007jpzb)**

The Killing Game

Prince Litsi faces terror, hanging by his finger tips from the top

of the old stand at Bradbury race-course. Starring Sian Phillips as Princess Casilia, Eric Allan as Kit Fielding, John Bull as Henri de Brescou and Sam Dastor as

Author Dick Francis is acclaimed as one of the greatest thriller

writers in the world. Dramatised by John Ashe Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill. First

broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994. THU 07:00 The Architects (b03zdkk7)

Series 1

Multi-Faith Comedy by Jim Poyser and Neil Griffiths, 25 years on, Sir Lucien is still bitter about the rejection of his designs for Shakespeare's Globe in reinforced concrete. Finally he's going

to do something about it. Directed by Toby Swift.

THU 07:30 Ability (b0b3d42g)

Series 1

Episode 4 Matt is 25. He has cerebral palsy and can only speak via an app on his iPad. Everyone who cares about Matt knows that this isn't the defining thing about him. He is funny and clever and "up for stuff" - partly because he is keen to show that there's nothing he can't do, but also because, if he's honest, he's aware that he's less likely than other people to get the blame. Now Matt's left home for the first time and moved in to share a flat with his best mate, Jess, But when Bob (Allan Mustafa) shows up as the new carer, the fun really starts. Bob is new to the job and, although willing, domestic duties are not really his

forte. He's better at selling weed and dealing in knocked off iPads But he likes Matt and treats him like a real person. So, as far as

Matt is concerned, Bob is here to stay. Ability is the semi-autobiographical co-creation of Lee Ridley, otherwise known as Lost Voice Guy. Like his sitcom creation, Lee has cerebral palsy and can only speak via an app. Lost Voice Guy is - probably - the first stand up comedian to use a communication aid. He won the BBC New Comedy Award in 2014, has done three full Edinburgh shows and been tour support for Ross Noble, Patrick Kielty and Jason Cook. Lee has previously worked for Sunderland City Council's

communications team, and the BBC in Newcastle and London as well, as various local newspapers. Katherine Jakeways is the co-creator and co-writer of Ability. Katherine is a multi-award nominated writer. She has written North by Northamptonshire, Guilt Trip and All Those Women for BBC Radio 4 as well as numerous radio plays. She has also

written for Crackanory and The Tracey Ullman Show for TV along with a BBC 1 pilot, Carol and Vinnie.

A Funny Bones production for BBC Radio 4. THU 08:00 Frankie Howerd (m000hpjb)

Series 2

The King of Titters goes for a medical and recalls 'special'

lessons he learned in London's Soho. Ably assisted by June Whitfield and Ray Fell, Francis titters and teeters through his eventful life and illustrious career as he

Written by David McKellar and David Nobbs. Music from the Bill McGuffie Quartet.

First broadcast in BBC Radio 2 in July 1973 $\it THU$ 08:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00thy17)

Series 4

writes his memoirs.

Producer: David Hatch.

Episode 10

British seafarers - and John Cleese in reverse. More quick-fire sketches, terrible puns, humorous songs and parodies.

Stars Tim Brooke-Taylor, John Cleese, David Hatch, Jo Kendall and Bill Oddie

Written by Bill Oddie, Graeme Garden, Eric Idle and Peter

Originating from the Cambridge University Footlights revue 'Cambridge Circus', ISIRTA ran for 8 years on BBC Radio and

quickly developed a cult following.

Music and songs by Dave Lee and Bill Oddie.

Producer: Humphrey Barclay

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in December 1966. THU 09:00 It's Your Round (b01946wq)

Series 2

Episode 3

Another panel of comedians endeavour to beat each other at their own games, watched over by Angus Deayton.

The rounds this episode include:

Will Self's "What's In My Hand?"...further explanation unnecessary. Glyes Brandreth's "It's My Party", in which panellists must all

pitch their own, new political party. Sara Pascoe's "Tax Loss Entertainment", in which panellists

must improvise the worst play in history Arthur Smith's "How Much Would It Cost For You To?", a refinement of a game he's played before in which panellists

must guess the money they'd require in order to complete various unpleasant tasks.

Producer: Sam Michell. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

THU 09:30 Millport (b0076221)

Series 2

Avowal

Irene and Moira aren't speaking, Alberto and Ena have fallen out over the minestrone and Agnes has declared World War III on the Minister's trousers. Just how are villagers going to solve their dispute if no-one is talking to each other...

Bittersweet comedy written by and starring Lynn Ferguson as 30-something island barmaid Irene Bruce, who hankers after a better life on the mainland.

Stars Lynn Ferguson as Irene, Janet Brown as Moira/Agnes, Lewis McLeod as Alberto/Robert, Gabriel Ouigley as Ena/Bunty, Robert Patterson as Bob/Minister and Matt Costello as Dougie.

Music arranged by Olly Fox.

Producer: Lucy Bacon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2001.

THU 10:00 Drama (b06lth6p)

Dodie Smith - I Capture the Castle

Episode 1

In the ruins of medieval castle, deep in rural 1930's Suffolk, funny, intelligent 17 year old Cassandra Mortmain attempts to capture her family's life in a journal.

Their isolation is disrupted by the arrival of rich American brothers Simon and Neil and desperate to escape the family's grinding poverty Cassandra's beautiful older sister Rose determines to marry Simon.

Dodie Smith's rags-to-riches tale and moving coming-of-age

novel with a cast of eccentrics.

Dramatised in two parts by Jane Rogers. Cassandra Holliday Grainger

Rose Scarlett Alice Johnson

Mortmain Toby Jones

Topaz Charlotte Emmerson Thomas Sam Hattersley

Stephen Harry McEntire

Simon John Macmillan

Neil Henry Devas

Shop Assistant Martha Loader

Director: Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2015

THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b09vdbdd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

THU 11:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0002hdv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday THU 12:00 Frankie Howerd (m000hpjb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 12:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00thy17) [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

THU 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hpj8) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 13:30 Dick Francis (b007jpzb)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 14:00 It's Your Round (b01946wq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

THU 14:30 Millport (b0076221)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today] *THU* **15:00 Drama** (b06lth6p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

THU 16:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b09ydbdd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday] THU 16:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0002hdv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]

THU 17:00 The Architects (b03zdkk7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

THU 17:30 Ability (b0b3d42g) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 18:00 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories

(m0000xqm)

Leiningen versus the Ants by Carl Stephenson

Classic story about a plantation owner who stubbornly refuses to leave his land when he is confronted by a seemingly unstoppable army of killer ants.

But how long can he hang on for?

Written by Carl Stephenson.

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Thal's pick of stories by new authors alongside classics of the

genre. It was credited with introducing a new generation to the horror tradition - back in the 1960s, volumes were handed round in school playgrounds in the same way that kids trade computer games today.

The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.

Leiningren.....Timothy Watson

Rica......Kathryn Drysdale Luiz Adam James

Director: Karen Rose Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

THU 18:15 Never Trust a Rabbit by Jeremy Dyson (m000hpjd)

The Maze

Carver's quest for a childhood memory takes him on a strange journey

One of five stories from League of Gentleman writer, Jeremy

Read by Stephen Critchlow.

Producer: Lizzie Davies.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000.

THU 18:30 Great Lives (b04g8m0t)

Series 34

Stella Rimington on Dorothy L Sayers

Dame Stella Rimington, former director of MI5 and a celebrated crime writer herself, nominates for a Great Life that of Dorothy L Sayers.

Sayers' first Lord Peter Wimsey novel was published in the 1920s, the Golden Age of crime fiction, and he is still very much with us, appearing often on BBC Radio 4 Extra. She went on to enjoy a huge popularity with her crime novels and then turned to writing Christian essays and plays, most notably the series for the BBC on the life of Christ - which stirred up a great controversy as no-one had before impersonated Jesus on the radio.

Dame Stella tells Matthew Parris why the paradoxes and contradictions in Dorothy Sayers' life fascinate her, and explains how Sayers' writing influences her own. With Seona Ford, chairman of the Dorothy L Sayers Society.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014. THU 19:00 Frankie Howerd (m000hpib)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

THU 19:30 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b00thy17)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today] THU 20:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hpj8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

THU 20:30 Dick Francis (b007 ipzb) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

THU 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b09ydbdd)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]

THU 21:45 Multi Story Shorts (m0002hdv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday] THU 22:00 Ability (b0b3d42g)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

THU 22:30 Friends Like These (m000hpjg)

Equal Ops

Whilst attempting a sponsored pedalo ride, work colleagues Bernice and Jen sink and are marooned on an island Duck

Sanctuary.

Part of a collection of comic plays about friendship, each

featuring a different comedy partnership.

Written by Cicely Giddings and Abigail BurdessCicely Giddings Bernice

..Abigail Burdess

Director: Claudine Toutoungi. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 on 5th April 2006.

THU 22:45 Quando, Quando, Quando (b0082bz0) The Christmas Rush

When the Christmas snipping gets out of hand and the salon clients get too crazy, Carlo decides he's had enough. It's time to do something about it...

Brothers Rene, Carlo and Charlie Ouando chop, snip and crimp their lucky clients into shape at London's finest hair salon. Six-part comedy written and performed by Rainer Hersch and Mark Maie. With Stephen Greif and Catherine Tate.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1999.

THU 23:00 The Skivers (b007zn0i)

Henry Cooper

Producer: Claire Jones

Peter Sissons and Alan Hansen's secrets are revealed. Nick Golson and Tim de Jongh welcome guest Henry Cooper. From February 1995

THU 23:30 At Home With The Snails (b007in95)

Episode 4

With 2000 snails in Alex's shed, there are fears that they will take over the village. Stars Gerard Foster and Geoffrey Palmer. From July 2001.

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FRI 05:30 Ability (b0b3d42g) [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hq14) Sherlock Holmes with Carleton Hobbs - Series 6

The Dving Detective

Watson is shocked to find his friend gravely ill, seemingly hours from death.

CAST:

Sherlock Holmes Carleton Hobbs

Doctor Watson Norman Shelley Mrs Hudson Barbara Mitchell

Inspector Morton Alan Dudley

Staples Arthur Lawrence

Culverton Smith David March Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and dramatised by Michael

Hardwick. Producer: Martyn C. Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1967.

FRI 06:30 Dick Francis (b007qg3v)

Bolt

Nemesis for Two Champion jockey Kit Fielding gets wind that Henri de Brescou plans to kill more horses. Kit is determined to put a stop to this needless slaughter.

Starring Sian Phillips as Princess Casilia, Eric Allan as Kit Fielding John Bull as Henri de Brescou and Bill Wallis as Allardeck.

Author Dick Francis is acclaimed as one of the greatest thriller writers in the world

Dramatised by John Ashe. Directed by Shaun MacLoughlin at BBC Pebble Mill.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1994 FRI 07:00 Electric Ink (b01k68hg)

Episode 4

by Alistair Beaton and Tom Mitchelson.

A comic satire set in the struggling world of newspapers. The paper gets a hot tip about a Lib-Dem MP. Could they be about

to unseat the coalition?

Maddox John Sessions Oliver Alex Jennings

Freddy Stephen Wight

Carol Polly Frame

Masha Debbie Chazen Julie Compton Joanna Monro

Producer Sally Avens Alistair Beaton and Tom Mitchelson's satire is set in the world

of modern newspapers. A group of dysfunctional journalists attempt to cover major news stories at the same time as grappling with the demands of working in a multi-platform environment, watching circulation figures plummet and the recession causing half the workforce to be laid off.

At the heart of the comedy is the relationship between Maddox Bradley; a journalist who mourns the day of proper investigative journalism and Freddy, the online editor who will regurgitate a press release quite happily and call it a story. But they have a grudging respect for the each other as Freddy helps Maddox stay afloat in the world of Twitter, Facebook and podcasting and Maddox shows Freddy how to sniff out the real story. Both are at the mercy of Oliver, the pragmatic editor more concerned with keeping his job, and Carol, the news editor who believes that circulation will increase if they run pieces on Big Mac eating orang-utans and 'intelligent' skunks rather than Maddox's moral crusading diatribes. And only Masha, the Russian head of online communities, who wants to give away all their content because that is true democracy, knows Freddy's secret; that he's a posh boy from Eton rather than a hypercool kid from the street; well that's what Freddy thinks anyway.

FRI 07:30 Just a Minute (b043wvy3)

Series 69

Episode 1

Just how hard can it be to talk for 60 seconds without hesitation, repetition or deviation? Paul Merton, Jenny Eclair, Julian Clary and Vanessa Feltz find out. Nicholas Parsons watches the clock and keeps the scores

FRI 08:00 The Men from the Ministry (b00yjy0z)

The Hole

The time-wasting twosome get bogged down in a building

A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments

Starring Wilfrid Hyde White as Number One and Richard Murdoch as Number Two.

With Norma Ronald, Roy Dotrice and John Graham. Written by Johnnie Mortimer, Brian Cooke and Edward Taylor

'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC

Producer: Edward Taylor,

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in October 1965. FRI 08:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b008hgpz)

Series 3

Episode 5

Radio 4 Extra.

Shady lawyer Waldorf T Flywheel takes on an amusement arcade.

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.

Starring Michael Roberts as Groucho Marx as Waldorf T Flywheel and Frank Lazarus as Chico Marx as Emmanuel Ravelli. 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 August 1992.

FRI 09:00 The 3rd Degree (m00075jf)

Series 9

University of Aberdeen

A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from the University of Aberdeen with specialist subjects including Law, Language and Linguistics and Music and questions ranging from Scottish Gaelic fishing jargon to Scottish Stop and Search Law via mallets, marimbas and a dead

The programme is recorded on location at a different University each week, and it pits three Undergraduates against three of their Professors in an original and fresh take on an academic quiz.

The rounds vary between Specialist Subjects and General Knowledge, quickfire bell-and-buzzer rounds and the Highbrow and Lowbrow round cunningly devised to test not only the students' knowledge of current affairs, history, languages and and quite possibly Ed Sheeran. In addition, the Head-to-Head subjects, offering plenty of scope for mild embarrassment on

Holloway University of London, Plymouth, St Catharine's College Cambridge, Brighton and Oxford Brookes. Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 09:30 1835 (b0129v0m)

Haircut Sir?

encounter demon barber Sweeney Todd. Stars Paul Rider. From June 2004

Episode 2

world of wealth in London and Cassandra finds herself in turmoil, pining for Simon and trying to cope with her father's

Cassandra Holliday Grainger Rose Scarlett Alice Johnson Mortmain Toby Jones

Topaz Charlotte Emmerson Thomas Sam Hattersley

Simon John Macmillan Neil Henry Devas Director: Nadia Molinari

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2015

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000hq16)

Presenters recommend their favourite podcasts and speak to the people who make them.

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 The Marx Brothers' Flywheel, Shyster and Flywheel (b008hgpz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

science, but also their Professors' awareness of television, sport, rounds see students take on their Professors in their own

Other Universities featured in this series include Royal

Aristocrat Belport and servant Ned join the police and

FRI 10:00 Drama (b06np7nx)

Dodie Smith - I Capture the Castle

Following Simon's marriage proposal, Rose is whisked off to a increasingly bizarre behaviour in their ruined castle.

Conclusion of Dodie Smith's classic rags to riches love story dramatised by Jane Rogers.

Stephen Harry McEntire

FRI 12:00 The Men from the Ministry (b00yjy0z)

FRI 13:00 Sherlock Holmes (m000hq14) [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today] FRI 13:30 Dick Francis (b007gg3v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 The 3rd Degree (m00075jf) [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today] FRI 17:00 Electric Ink (b01k68hg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Just a Minute (b043wvy3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 The Second Pan Book of Horror Stories (m0000z4y)

The Judge's House by Bram Stoker

A scholar moves into the former home of a judge with an evil reputation.

Written by Bram Stoker.

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The Second Pan Book Of Horror Stories, published in 1962, was considered to be one of the best. Anita Sullivan has selected five from this edition for her own fresh interpretation.

Malcolmson.....Luke Thompson Dempster......Kathryn Drysdale Director: Karen Rose

Producer: Karen Rose

A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in September 2018.

FRI 18:15 Never Trust a Rabbit by Jeremy Dyson

(m000hq18)

All in the Telling

Fletcher finds himself in a seedy club, with the urge to tell a

One of five stories from League of Gentleman writer, Jeremy Dyson

Read by Stephen Critchlow

Producer: Lizzie Davies

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2000

FRI 18:30 Off the Page (b0076wrz)

Kissing Arse

Dominic Arkwright presents the series featuring new writing and stimulating discussion. Guy Browning, Amanda Mitchison and Wilfred Emmanuel Jones take on the brown-nosers and lickspittles of the corporate world.

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FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000hq16) [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Just a Minute (b043wvv3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today] FRI 22:30 Paperback Hell (m000hq1b)

Series 2

Travelodge Travelogue

Tales of a travel writer's hotel tour in a spoof literary chapter. One of a selection of chapters culled from books that bear a striking resemblance to something you might've read before. Paperback Hell is determined to destroy the good name of

literature. Starring Michael Fenton Stevens, Rebecca Front, Mel Hudson,

Alex Lowe and Dan Tetsell,

Written by Danny Robins and Dan Tetsell.

Producer: Lucy Armitage First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2004.

FRI 22:45 Steven Appleby's Normal Life (b007jmz1)

Series 1

Normal Love When his wife leaves him for a kettle, the cartoonist looks for love elsewhere. Stars Paul McCrink. From August 2001.

FRI 23:00 Little Britain (b008l1sx)

Series 1

Episode 5

Back where it premiered, Matt Lucas and David Walliams's oddball TV smash hit - without the cameras. From March 2001.

FRI 23:30 The Maltby Collection (b00v2x2m)

Episode 6

Love is all around? It is Prunella and Julian's wedding day. Stars Geoffrey Palmer and Julian Rhind-Tutt, From July 2008