

Originally un-broadcast pilot episode of the seaside saga of pier perpetuation, with Arthur Lowe's only appearance due to his subsequent death.

This sequel to 'Dad's Army' begins in 1948. Life post-Home Guard, sees Arthur Wilson now managing a bank and his former Captain and boss, George Mainwaring arrives in need of a loan...

Starring Arthur Lowe as Mainwaring and John Le Mesurier as Wilson. With Josephine Tewson, Dougie Brown and Haydn Wood.

To replace Arthur, the following full series had to be revamped to feature the Dad's Army characters played by Bill Pertwee and Ian Lavender instead. The series was later adapted for ITV by Yorkshire TV.

Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles, based on the characters originally created by Jimmy Perry and David Croft. Producer: Jonathan James-Moore.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in July 1981.

SAT 12:30 Gilbert Without Sullivan (b0076fc)

Series 1, Mr Foster's Good Fairy Confectioner, Cyril Foster harbours dark secrets from his past, until he's offered a most unlikely escape... Series one of short stories by WS Gilbert dramatised by Stephen Wyatt.

Starring Jonathan Coy as WS Gilbert, Ian Brooker as Cyril Foster, Sara Coward as the Fairy, Lennox Greaves as Jake and David Bannerman as Samuel.

Playwright and humourist, Sir William Schwenck Gilbert (1836-1911) is best known for his comic opera collaborations with Sir Arthur Sullivan, which first captivated audiences across the English-speaking world in the late 19th century.

Director: Sue Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2003.

SAT 13:00 AJ Cronin - The Citadel (Omnibus) (b0b9ftth)
Series 3

Manson's good friend, Dr Denny has new a job at a Medical Aid Society in a larger, more advanced town - and he wants Manson to join him.

Based on AJ Cronin's ground breaking novel about medical life before the NHS, set in South Wales in the 1920s. Omnibus - originally broadcast in five-parts.
Manson Richard Fleeshman
Denny Julian Lewis Jones
Christine Catrin Stewart
Gwyneth Fiona Clarke
Owen Stephen Marzella
Ed Chenkin Jason Done
Megan Kerry Gooderson
Nye Bevan Ben Addis
Garonwy James Kelly

Dramatised by Christopher Reason
Director: Pauline Harris
Producers: Pauline Harris and Gary Brown.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2018.
SAT 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b0b9tkgl)
Imtiaz Dharker
The award-winning Pakistani-British poet chooses 'Babu Samjho Ishare' from Chalti Ka Naam Gaadi, sung by Kishore Kumar, and 'Heroes' by David Bowie.
SAT 14:15 Sounds Natural (b0b9tkgp)
Norman Thelwell
Cartoonist Norman Thelwell welcomes Derek Jones to Hampshire to discuss kingfishers, water voles and a walnut tree. Brown Trout feeding and a Cormorant are among his choice of recordings from the BBC Sound Archives.
Norman Thelwell (1923 - 2004) was a prolific British artist known for his humorous cartoons of ponies and horses.
Produced in Bristol by John Burton
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1980.

SAT 14:45 The Fosdyke Saga (b007js02)
Flaming Fosdykes
"We're being forced out of business by them flaming Fosdykes." Fire blazes and plotting's afoot...
A classic tale of struggle, power, personalities and tripe. Bill Tidy and John Junkin's family saga - based on Tidy's Daily Mirror cartoon strip (1971-1985) parodying John Galsworthy's 'The Forsyte Saga' novels.
Starring Stephanie Turner as Rebecca Fosdyke, Philip Lowrie as Josiah Fosdyke, Miriam Margolyes as Victoria Fosdyke, David Threlfall as Tom Fosdyke and Christian Rodska as Roger Ditchley.
Other parts played by Nick Maloney, Nick Revell, Sally Grace, John Dougall and Christopher Barr.
Producer: Alan Nixon
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1983.
SAT 15:00 Archive on 4 (b03ygwmb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
SAT 16:00 Oscar Wilde (b007jr48)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 17:30 Michael Bentine - The Reluctant Jester (b01qxr7)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 18:00 Peter Redgrove - The Valley of Trelamia (b07tidxv)

Author John writes books about unusual phenomena around the world, but has never penetrated "our own mysterious Celtic back yard". So he travels deep into Cornwall, where he finds the Valley of Trelamia and a girl who lives at one with it ...
Stars James Aubrey as John, Maggie Tarver as Rose and June

Barrie as Mrs Treviles.
Director: Brian Miller
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1986.
SAT 18:45 Enid Bagnold - The Amorous Ghost (b00m9jbl)

Mr Templeman's wife is away, but it seems someone is sleeping in her nightgowns. Read by Paul Daneman.
SAT 19:00 Open Mike: Mike Craig's Radio Memoirs (b00c0077)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Old Harry's Game (b00bf9z0)
Series 4, Beautiful England

As Satan sets out to prove England is the worst nation, Scumspawn tackles a larger lout. Satanic sitcom stars Andy Hamilton. From April 2001.

SAT 22:30 Mark Thomas Presents (b0076vzd)
Stan Freberg
American satirist and comedian Stan Freberg performs at London's Comedy Store at the age of 79. From December 2005.

SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (b0bc29m9)
Sarah Keyworth. 2/2
The Comedy Club has two hosts of comedy. Plus Arthur Smith talks to Sarah Keyworth.

SAT 23:00 The Simon Day Show (b0112ydl)
Series 1, Tommy Cockles
Simon Day and his characters welcome listeners to The Mallard, a small provincial theatre somewhere in the UK. Each week one of Simon's characters come to perform at The Mallard and we hear the highlights of that night's show along with the back stage and front of house goings on at the theatre itself.

This week, comedy legend Tommy Cockles performs at the Mallard and is stunned to discover that manager Ron Bone has no idea who he is.
Cast list:
Tommy Cockles Simon Day
Catherine Catherine Shepherd
Goose Felix Dexter
Ron Bone Simon Greenall
Written by Simon Day
Produced by Colin Anderson.

SAT 23:30 Little Britain (b008jdxn)
Series 1, Episode 4
Back where it started out, Matt Lucas and David Walliams' oddball TV smash hit - without the cameras.

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SUN 06:00 The Little Ottleys (b012wzbb)

Series 2 Omnibus
It's 1916. The Little Ottleys, as they were called, have a new daughter and have moved from their very concise flat to a very concise house. Time has passed and Edith has tried to forget Aylmer Ross, but some startling news is about to break...

Continuing Ada Leverson's witty and wonderful social comedy set in Edwardian London
Ada Leverson.....Haydn Gwynne
Edith.....Juliet Aubrey
Bruce.....Bertie Carvel
Aylmer.....Jonathan Firth
Madame Frabelle.....Jane Whittenshaw
Hyacinth.....Alex Treagar
Dulcie.....Leah Brotherhead
Lady Conroy.....Joanna Monro

Omnibus of series 2 of Martyn Wade's five-part dramatisation
Director: Tracey Neale
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2011.

SUN 07:15 John Burnside - Tourists (b0075746)

A woman goes on holiday with her ex-husband, who wants to revisit the past and correct a mistake. Read by Tracy-Ann Oberman.

SUN 07:30 Kerry's List (b04n307k)
Series 2, Holiday

The Godlimans are off on holiday, and Kerry is stressed. In the last episode of the series, Kerry's list is dominated by all things vacation-orientated - including flatten stomach, deep vein thrombosis, learn Greek, shave legs and understand quantum physics.

Kerry also has to cope with another stultifying call with her morose father Martin who doesn't exactly celebrate the idea of her family going on holiday! Kerry prepares for her break by having a pedicure and manucure, but her nail technician definitely needs to get out more!

Pandemonium ensues as Kerry and husband Ben realise they have mislaid their passports and Kerry struggles trying to find the right sunscreen. She has another stress-filled call with best friend Hazel (Bridget Christie) and also shows off her packing skills.

We all know that going on holiday is stressful, but Kerry shows that, with her all important list, the experience is much more organised and calm - ish!

Produced by Paul Russell
An Open Mike production for BBC Radio 4.

SUN 08:00 The Clitheroe Kid (b0b9v0t0)
Series 3, All at Sea

Schoolboy Jimmy and his best pal Ozzie take desperate measures to escape homework woes.

Starring Jimmy Clitheroe. With Peter Sinclair as Grandfather, Patricia Burke as Mother, Diana Day as Susan and Leonard Williams as Theodore Craythorpe.

With Peter Goodwright, Rosalie Williams and Gordon Rollings. Just 4 feet 3 inches tall, the success of comic entertainer Jimmy Clitheroe (1921-1973) sprang from a BBC Variety Playhouse try-out in the late 1950s. His naughty schoolboy act was a smash and he even wore school uniform during recordings! At its peak, ten million fans were tuning into 'The Clitheroe Kid' on the BBC Light Programme.

Every week, the Kid's schemes sparked havoc - with the ever present threat of a good spanking from Grandad. The Clitheroe Kid clocked up 16 series in its run from 1956 to 1972.

Theme music by Alan Roper and played by the BBC Northern Dance Orchestra directed by Alan Ainsworth
Scripted and produced by James Casey.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in April 1960.
SUN 08:30 Take It From Here (b0b9v0t2)
From 28/02/1956

Eth's feeling the cold in 'The Glums' - and the perils of opening a fancy coffee bar.
Starring Professor Jimmy Edwards, Dick Bentley, June Whitfield, Alma Cogan and Wallace Eton.

Classic comedy scripted by Frank Muir and Denis Norden.
Music from The Keynotes and the BBC Revue Orchestra with Harry Rabinowitz.
Announcer. David Dunhill
Producer: Charles Maxwell

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1956.
SUN 09:00 Slay in Your Lane (Omnibus) (b0b9v0t4)
Two friends explore what it means to be young, black and female in the UK today.

Young black women are facing uniquely challenging experiences in all aspects of their lives. And these experiences are not necessarily the same in the UK as they are in the US. So, when best friends Yomi Adegoke and Elizabeth Uviebinené searched for a book that addressed these challenges they realised there was nothing that specifically addressed being black, British, young and female - and you could add to that smart, ambitious and mostly invisible.

Slay in Your Lane is the love child of exasperation and optimism - part guide, part history, part snapshot of the state of the nation. Examining aspects of life including education, work, health, and everyday racism, it's an honest and provocative book offering advice alongside some startling statistics, as well as stories and anecdotes from interviewees including some of the most successful black women in Britain today.

Omnibus. Written and read by Yomi Adegoke and Elizabeth Uviebinené with additional recorded interviews.
Abridged by Jill Waters and Isobel Creed
Produced by Jill Waters

A Waters Company production first broadcast in five-parts on BBC Radio 4 in July 2018.

SUN 10:10 The Listening Project (b04jmcrc)
Peter and Amy - Ronnie's Recipes
Fi Glover introduces a conversation about how a grandfather passed his love of cooking down to his granddaughter, even though he died when she was just six months old.

The Listening Project is a Radio 4 initiative that offers a snapshot of contemporary Britain in which people across the UK volunteer to have a conversation with someone close to them about a subject they've never discussed intimately before. The conversations are being gathered across the UK by teams of producers from local and national radio stations who facilitate each encounter. Every conversation - they're not BBC interviews, and that's an important difference - lasts up to an hour, and is then edited to extract the key moment of connection between the participants. Most of the unedited conversations are being archived by the British Library and used to build up a collection of voices capturing a unique portrait of the UK in the second decade of the millennium. You can learn more about The Listening Project by visiting bbc.co.uk/listeningproject

Producer: Marya Burgess.
SUN 10:15 Desert Island Discs Revisited (b0b9v0t6)
Designing Minds, John Stefanidis

4 Extra Debut. From Brahm's and Puccini, the interior designer shares his castaway choices with Kirsty Young. From July 2008.

SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (b0b9v0t8)
Series 7, Confidence: Too Much, Too Little?

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1956.
MON 08:30 It Sticks Out Half a Mile (b007jp9l)
 The Business Proposition
 It's 1948 and 'Dad's Army' veterans Arthur Wilson and Frank Pike receive a surprise visitor at their bank in Frambourne-on-Sea.
 A seaside saga of pier perpetuation starring John Le Mesurier as Arthur Wilson, Ian Lavender as Frank Pike, Bill Pertwee as Bert Hodges and Vivienne Martin as Miss Perkins.
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 Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles, based on the characters originally created by Jimmy Perry and David Croft.
 Producer: Martin Fisher
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in November 1983.
MON 09:00 Dilemma (b017fd5)
 Series 1, Episode 3
 Sue Perkins suits Shappi Khorsandi, Simon Munnelly, Fi Glover and Hugo Rifkind through the moral and ethical wringer in the show where there are no "right" answers - but some deeply damning ones...
 Can the panel manage to justify the murder of a pet - and the theft of a girlfriend?
 Devised by Danielle Ward.
 Producer: Ed Morrish.
MON 09:30 King of Bath (b048s4w0)
 Blessed Are We
 A Methodist minister threatens to cause the ruin of Bath.
 Can a fine upright moral guardian like Dr Collins ever be compromised? Beau Nash tries his best.
 Arnold Evans' six-part sitcom.
 Starring David Bamber as Beau Nash, Patrick Collins as Dr Collins, Rosamund Shelley as Lady Huntingdon, Alice Arnold as Fanny, Manon Edwards as Mrs Collins and Andrew Wincott as Dr Cheyne.
 Composer: John Hardy.
 Directed at BBC Wales by Alison Hindell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1999.
MON 10:00 Martin Boyd - Lucinda Brayford (b0076q1g)
 Episode 3
 Badly injured Hugo has refused to divorce Lucinda, leaving her torn between society and her own heart. Stars Juliet Aubrey, Jonathan Firth and Paul Rhys.
MON 11:00 Short Works: A Season of Murder, Mystery and Suspense (b0b9vghn)
 Series 2, The Crying
 When Jens buys an apartment in old Copenhagen, he thinks he's found a bargain: until he starts hearing noises coming from the wood-paneled walls.
 Read by Tim McNerny
 An occasional series of stories from life's murkier places.
 Taken from the 2018 collection 'Last Train To Helsingør' by Heidi Amsinck.
 Heidi Amsinck, a writer and journalist born in Copenhagen, has written numerous short stories for radio. A graduate of the MA in Creative Writing at Birkbeck, University of London, Heidi lives in Surrey.
 Producer: Jeremy Osborne
 A Sweet Talk production for BBC Radio 4 Extra.
MON 11:15 Sue Rodwell - The Last Trace (b00lbnvy)
 Tracing your ancestors can be fun - as long as they are quite, quite dead.
 Genealogy, murder and revenge in Sue Rodwell's black comedy.
 Stars Elizabeth Mansfield as Sally, Peter Dahlsen as Frank, David Bannerman as Jimmy, Jan Shand as Penny, Susie Baxter as Liz, Anny Tobin as Sheila, Elizabeth Kelly as Emily, David King as Tom and Paul Downing as Paul.
 Producer: Sue Wilson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1990.
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MON 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b007jy5m)
 Episode 6
 Meena visits a fortune teller who foretells things about her relationship with Anita.
 Actress and comedy writer Meera Syal continues her first novel - abridged in ten parts by Doreen Estall.
 12 year old Meena Kumar is an Asian girl living a fairly uneventful life in the Black Country village of Tollington near Wolverhampton in the 1970s - surrounded by her loving, if slightly eccentric, Punjabi family.
 Producer: Di Speirs
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1996.
MON 14:15 Sport and the British (b01cvk8l)
 Sport for All
 Clare Balding asks why and when did the British government get involved in sport. How did sport become part of politics, in a country which had always prided itself on keeping them

apart?
 The Nazis threw immense resources behind the German team for the 1936 Olympics in Berlin, while the British Foreign Office still thought sport should be, 'a private affair between private individuals' free of government interference. However by the 1950's post war politicians began to think that physical recreation and games might be a cure for the general apathy and discontent of British youth as exemplified by the teddy boys, mods and rockers of the era.
 Professor Tony Mason of The International Centre for Sport Culture and History at De Montfort University explains the importance of the 1957 Wolfenden Committee's report in broadening access to sporting facilities for all sectors of society.
 Technical presentation: John Benton
 Producer: Lucy Lunt.
MON 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b009x1bf)
 Winifred Holby - The Crowded Street, Episode 1
 Diana Griffiths' dramatisation of Winifred Holby's tale of a woman's journey into self-fulfilment.
 1/10. Muriel unwittingly disgraces herself at her first party and then has to face the harsh reality of boarding school. Life brightens, however, when she befriends the exotic and beautiful Clare Duquesne.
 Muriel Clare Goose
 Mrs Hammond Brigit Forsyth
 Mr Hammond David Fleeshman
 Clare Duquesne Victoria Brazier
 Miss Hancock Daryl Fishwick
 Young Muriel Ellie Sager
 Young Godfrey Jon-Paul Bell
 Directed by Pauline Harris.
MON 14:45 Book of the Week (b0607w1j)
 Georgina Howell - Queen of the Desert, Episode 1
 The story of Gertrude Bell and her crucial role in the foundation of the state of Iraq. A ferociously independent-minded young woman leaves Oxford and experiences the desert for the first time. A few years later oil is discovered in Mesopotamia.
 First published in 2006, Queen of the Desert by Georgina Howell has been reissued - partly to coincide with the Werner Herzog film of the same title, but also to provide the long view on the troubled history of a remarkable country.
 Using letters written by Gertrude Bell throughout the period, the book tells the story of an extraordinarily talented and determined woman who has often been overshadowed by her more famous friend T.E. Lawrence.
 Read by Sylvestra Le Touzel and Deborah Findlay (the letters) Abridged and produced by Jill Waters
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MON 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jp0y)
 Earthsearch II, Supermass
 With the Angel computers weakened, the starship Challenger is plunging into a black hole.
 James Follett's cult sci-fi drama is a gripping sequel to the original Earthsearch.
 Starring Sean Arnold as Commander Telson, Amanda Murray as Sharma, Haydn Wood as Dav, Kathryn Hurlbutt as Astra, Sonia Fraser as Angel One and Gordon Reid as Angel Two.
 Director: Glyn Dearman
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1982.
MON 18:30 A Good Read (b0076z95)
 Peter Bazalgette & Ali Smith
 Martha Kearney and her guests - TV executive, Peter Bazalgette and novelist, Ali Smith - discuss books by Henry Fielding, Suetonius and Grassic Gibbon. From 2006.
 'Lives of the Caesars' by Suetonius
 Publisher: Oxford World's Classics
 'Sunset Song' by Lewis Grassic
 Publisher: Gibbon Polygon
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MON 22:30 The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (b0076s5b)

Quintessential Phase, Fit the Twenty-Fourth
 Arthur's search for guidance and advice on the Planet Hawalius leads him to memorable encounters with The Smelly Photocopier Woman - an extravagantly flatulent Hawaiian soothsayer - and The Old Man On The Pole, who squats hundreds of feet up in the air on a series of tall sticks, swooshing about from one to the other nonchalantly. This is (a) off-putting and (b) irritating, and as the consensus of opinion among all the prophets and soothsayers seems to be that Arthur should go elsewhere and do something constructive with his life, he resolves to move on, catching a shuttle off the planet. His listlessness is not helped by his bereavement at the loss of his girlfriend Fenchurch, and his copy of The Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy is proving not much use at all, except maybe for eating his sandwiches off, because some strange female voice keeps interrupting its normally urbane sophisticated presence, advertising a 'Guide Mark II', which is 'Coming Soon'.
 Ford Prefect is in a position to help Arthur understand better what is happening to the Guide, but inconveniently he is thousands of light years away, having sneaked into the new Hitchhiker's Guide Building on Saquo-Pilia Hensha, with the help of a reprogrammed security robot called Colin. Ford has entered the office of the Editor of the Guide to discover that there's been a change at the top and the post is now occupied by a vaguely familiar and definitely sinister new Editor named Zarniwoop Van Harl. Zarniwoop explains that the Megadodo Corporation is now as defunct as a - um - Dodo, and some shadowy corporation called Infinidim Enterprises has taken over the Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy. Their brainchild, the Guide Mark II, is a complete redesign of the Hitchhiker's Guide. Instead of selling to penniless hitchhikers, the product will be aimed at businessmen and their wives, people with lots of income and a predisposition to dispose it on gadgetry, the purpose of which may be much more than they imagine.
 Zarniwoop further explains that whereas the business once relied on selling lots of old Guides to billions of people, the new plan depends on selling One Guide many many times to billions and billions of people. This is possible because the new Guide has been built to operate transdimensionally, available anywhere at any time across the layers of the multiverse. And instead of the voice of a plummy pompous pedagogue lecturing to penniless hitchhikers, it boasts a sultry Brantivogan Escort Agency VIP vamp voice.
 Ford is not over-impressed at this development but significantly more impressed - one might even say gsmacked - when Zarniwoop presents him with a Dine-O-Charge card in his name. Zarniwoop wants Ford to be the Guide's new restaurant critic. If the Quota Permits. Unfortunately the use of the word quota has the same effect on Ford as it has throughout the ages on all free thinking independent spirits in the Galaxy who sense fences being put up to protect Corporate Mediocrity, and without thinking he orders Colin to kill Zarniwoop. Rhetorically of course. The upshot is that Zarniwoop is rendered unconscious before Ford can reverse the order. However as a result Ford (naturally) looks through Zarniwoop's pockets and finds an Ident-i-Eze card which is going to prove VERY useful in gaining access to the Hitchhiker's Guide Accounting computer, where he can clear his more reckless expense claims once and for all.
 On the new Earth where Arthur Dent met and loved the disappeared Fenchurch, television reporter Tricia MacMillan lives in complete ignorance that a parallel, less blonde, more British version of herself called Trillian roams the Galaxy, once as a girlfriend of Zaphod Beeblebrox, now as a reporter for the Siderial Daily Mentioner. Tricia has longed to travel in space ever since she failed to get off with Zaphod Beeblebrox at a party, and when a party of aliens land their ship on her lawn and ask if she will go with them to the Planet Rupert and help calculate their astrophysical forecasts using her astrophysical expertise, she readily accepts.
 Arthur Dent meanwhile is in a shuttle which fails to make a hyperspace jump at the Lamuella Nexus. It plunges towards the nearest planet and certain doom, with Arthur hoping very hard that the planet is NOT called Stavromula Beta, the location where the unhinged reincarnated creature called Agravaj more or less predicted he would die (see Tertiary Phase Episode 4, Fit The Sixteenth).
 Back in the Hitchhiker's Guide Building, Ford enters the Virtual Reality computer-generated Universe that once existed only in an upstairs office for Zarniwoop's sole use, but now has spread through an entire basement level. Here it is, among staggeringly realistic computer-generated lofty mountains and distant seas, from rocky crags to lonely huts on beaches, that the Guide's accounts are manipulated using a three-dimensional ecosynthetic multidimensional interface. Having used Zarniwoop's Ident-i-Eze card to clear all
MON 23:00 Dead Ringers (b0b94wzc)
 Series 18, Episode 6
 The topical satirical show that mixes political vituperation with media mauling and celebrity savaging.
 As England crashes out of the World Cup, Theresa May fights a mass cabinet resignation and Trump visits London, the Dead Ringers team takes aim. Watch out for that blimp!
 The series is written by Private Eye writers Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain, together with Tom Coles, Ed Amnsden, Sarah Campbell, Laurence Howarth, James Bugg, Laura Major, Max Davis and others.
 The series stars Jon Culshaw, Jan Ravens, Lewis MacLeod,

Debra Stephenson and Duncan Wisbey.
A BBC Studios Production.
MON 23:30 The Museum of Everything (b00gs2nj)
Series 3, Natural Science
The birds and the bees, blue plaques and the human body all on show this week. With Marcus Brigstocke. From August 2006.

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Paul Temple and the Spencer Affair. Concerning Judy Milton The debonair sleuth and wife Steve must uncover the link between a rare soundtrack record - and a murder. After the untimely death of actress Mary Dreisler in her London flat, her theatre impresario father has sent for Paul Temple.
Francis Durbidge's thriller stars Peter Coke as Paul Temple and Marjorie Westbury as Steve in another intriguing case for BBC radio's smoothest sleuth and his glamorous wife.
With James Thomason as Sir Graham Forbes, Brewster Mason as Rupert Dreisler, Hugh Manning as Vosper, James Beattie as Charlie, John Graham as Eric Lansdale, Isobel Dean as Terry Gibson, Simon Lack as Adrian Frost, June Turbin as Judy Milton and Thomas Heathcote as Pete Roberts.
From 1938 to 1969 the fictional crime novelist and detective Paul Temple, together with his Fleet Street journalist Steve, solved case after case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated world of chilled cocktails and fast cars, where the women were chic and the men wore cravats - a world where Sir Graham Forbes, of Scotland Yard, usually needed Paul's help with his latest tricky case.
Producer: Martyn C. Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1957.
TUE 06:30 In Search of Richard Yates (b01n6sj8)
Nick Fraser argues that the work of Richard Yates should receive greater recognition. Yates is best known for his first novel, the remarkable Revolutionary Road, which was published to great acclaim in 1961. However, his subsequent books failed to gain the same readership and Yates slowly faded from view. By the time of his death in 1992 he was largely forgotten.
Friends, family and biographer Blake Bailey reveal the stark beauty of his prose, the heart-breaking complexity of his characters, and how his own struggles with alcohol and mental illness informed his work.
Fraser seeks to uncover the mystery of Richard Yates and examine how a writer so well-respected, loved by his peers, capable of moving his readers so deeply, fell so quickly out of print. He explores the reasons why his work has, in recent years, enjoyed a revival and why his stories sit nicely alongside the public's affection for programmes such as Mad Men.
Producers: Jessica Treen and Stephen Garner.
TUE 07:00 Second Thoughts (b007jx2l)
Series 1, Negative Vetting
Faith's not impressed to discover what Bill's mum thinks about her...
Sitcom about the battles of divorcees Bill MacGregor and Faith Greyshot trying to forge a relationship whilst balancing the demands of his ex-wife, Liza and her teenage children, Hannah and Joe.
Stars Lynda Bellingham as Faith, James Bolam as Bill, Kelda Holmes as Hannah, Mark Denham as Joe, Belinda Lang as Liza, Celia Imrie as Hilary and Guy Brougham as Steve.
Series one of four inspired by the real lives of its writers, husband and wife Jan Etherington and Gavin Petrie.
A TV version made by LWT for ITV appeared in 1991 and ran for four series, with a spin-off 'Faith in the Future'.
Producer: Pete Atkin
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1988.
TUE 07:30 My Teenage Diary (b0b92wy4)
Series 8, Gyles Brandreth

Gyles Brandreth reads the diaries of this boarding school days at Bedales in the 1960s, and talks about his love of theatre and of wearing socks and sandals.
Presenter: Rufus Hound
Producer: Harriet JAINE
A Talkback production for BBC Radio 4.
TUE 08:00 As Time Goes By (b06jf7bz)
Series 3, Episode 6
Jean's sister-in-law Penny arrives with the news that she's left her husband Stephen.
Starring Judi Dench as Jean and Geoffrey Palmer as Lionel. With Moira Brooker as Judith, Philip Bretherton as Alistair, Jenny Funnell as Sandy, Paul Chapman as Stephen and Jennifer Piercey as Penny.
A six-part adaptation by Bob Larbey of series three of his popular BBC TV sitcom. Two former lovers Jean and Lionel have been reunited unexpectedly after losing contact for 38 years.
After falling in love in the early 1950s, army officer Lionel was sent to Korea, but they lost touch after a letter he sent to her never arrived. Both assumed the other had lost interest, but their paths have crossed again on his return to England.
Producer: Martin Fisher
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in March 1999.
TUE 08:30 The Men From the Ministry (b007k0vq)
A Turn for the Nurse
Operations at a hospital turn sickly from the bungling civil servants' cure.
Stars Richard Murdoch and Deryck Guyler.
With Norma Ronald, Ronald Baddley and John Graham.
Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966. Sadly many episodes didn't survive in the archive, however the BBC's Transcription Service re-recorded 14 shows in 1980 - never broadcast in the UK, until the arrival of BBC Radio 4 Extra.
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in August 1976.
TUE 09:00 Dead Ringers (b0b94wzc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]
TUE 09:30 Any Other Business (b012rb49)
Episode 1
After the local elections, Chesbury is in uproar. The undefeatable have been defeated, while the unelectable have been elected - and it looks like the unelectable will become Mayor...
Lucy Flannery's local government sitcom stars Nelson David, John Duttine, James Grout, Rosy Fordham, Nick Hardy, Howard Lew Lewis, Toby Longworth, Jan Ravens, Vivienne Rochester and June Whitfield.
Producer: Liz Anstee
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1995.
TUE 10:00 The Barchester Chronicles (b042d57m)
Anthony Trollope's Dr Thorne, Episode 1
Anthony Trollope's Dr Thorne by Michael Symmons Roberts
When Frank Gresham proposes to Dr Thorne's niece Mary on his twenty first birthday, his parents are horrified. Mary is poor and her parentage is unknown. To save the indebted Greshamby estate Frank must marry for money, not love. A rich heiress is hastily thrust towards him as a more suitable prospect.
Written by Michael Symmons Roberts
Directed by Susan Roberts
Produced by Charlotte Riches
Dr Thorne is the third instalment in a new series of dramatisations of Anthony Trollope's complete Barchester Chronicles. Dr Thorne has always kept the parentage of his niece and ward Mary a secret. When young Frank Gresham, the heir to the aristocratic Greshamby estate, expresses his desire to marry Mary, she suddenly finds her standing in society under scrutiny. Dr Thorne realises that the secret he has concealed for so long can no longer stay secret.
TUE 11:00 Joanne Harris - Jigs and Reels (b00ckcqk)
Faith and Hope Go Shopping
Bored with daily life, two friends plan to escape Meadowbank Old People's Home. Short story read by June Whitfield.
TUE 11:15 Georgia Pritchett - Stay (b007jw2n)
Lonely Lizzie runs a dog kennels. Her teenage daughter is aiming for sainthood. Tim, the kennels' handyman, strives daily to avoid the small calamities that seem to seek him out. But romance is in the air when the new doctor arrives...
Georgia Pritchett's romantic comedy stars Sophie Thompson as Lizzie, Duncan Preston as Dr Perkins, Sheridan Smith as Emily, Timothy Spall as Tim, Elizabeth Bell as Mrs Beresford and Gavin Muir as Dr James.
Director: Marilyn Imrie
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2000.
TUE 12:00 As Time Goes By (b06jf7bz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 12:30 The Men From the Ministry (b007k0vq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 13:00 Paul Temple (b007jzg2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 13:30 In Search of Richard Yates (b01n6sj8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b007jy6w)
Episode 7
Meena is called on to help with baby Sunil and sets about

healing the rift with Anita. Meera Syal reads her own novel.
TUE 14:15 Sport and the British (b01civr3s)
Golden Girls
In the final week of her series exploring how sport made Britain and Britain made sport, Clare Balding looks at the female British athletes of the 1960s who finally took centre stage on the podium and in the press.
She visits the home of the Birchfield Harriers in Birmingham, one of the country's leading athletics clubs. There she meets Norma Blaine who'd been coaching young women athletes since 1951. Norma remembers when women were unable to compete in any distance race over two hundred metres. Her friend, Diane Leather ran a five minute mile, (breaking the women's world record), the same week as Bannister broke the male world record but Diane's achievement was never acknowledged.
Clare explores the legacy of Anita Lonsborough, Dorothy Hyman, Anne Packer, Mary Rand and Lillian Board and asks if this golden age of female athletes can ever be repeated.
The series has been made with The International Centre for Sport History and Culture at De Montfort University in Leicester.
Technical presentation: John Benton
Producer: Lucy Lunt.
TUE 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b009x2q4)
Winifred Holtby - The Crowded Street, Episode 2
Diana Griffiths' dramatisation of Winifred Holtby's tale of a woman's journey into self-fulfilment.
2/10. Muriel has finished boarding school and is returning home to Marshington, where her mother aims to pair her off with Godfrey Neale. But then Muriel's friend Clare visits and turns the Hammond household upside-down.
Muriel Clare Goose
Connie Joanne Froggatt
Godfrey James D'Arcy
Mrs Hammond Brigit Forsyth
Mr Hammond David Fleschman
Clare Duquesne Victoria Brazier
Delia Vaughan Deborah McAndrew
Directed by Pauline Harris.
TUE 14:45 Book of the Week (b0617192)
Georgina Howell - Queen of the Desert, Episode 2
The story of Gertrude Bell and her crucial role in the foundation of the state of Iraq.
In 1917, Gertrude - Major Miss Bell - arrived in Baghdad to work for Sir Percy Cox as a political officer and part of the team who were determined to rebuild a region reeling from war and famine.
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Read by Sylvestra le Touzel and Deborah Findlay (the letters) Abridged and produced by Jill Waters
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.
TUE 15:00 The Barchester Chronicles (b042d57m)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
TUE 16:00 The Food Quiz (b083j269)
Series 3, 28/09/2005
On Jay Rayner's menu are Stephen Fry, Clarissa Dickson Wright, Henry Harris and Kimiko Barber. From September 2005.
TUE 16:30 Any Other Business (b012rb49)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
TUE 17:00 Second Thoughts (b007jx2l)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
TUE 17:30 My Teenage Diary (b0b92wy4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jp1d)
Earthsearch II, Deathship
Dragged into an artificial black hole, the Challenger crew must face Spaceguard Six. Stars Sean Arnold and Haydn Wood.
TUE 18:30 The Palace of Laughter (b0082b02)
Series 2, Swansea Grand Theatre
Geoffrey Wheeler reports on a South Wales success story, associated with the early career of actress Catherine Zeta Jones.
TUE 19:00 As Time Goes By (b06jf7bz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
TUE 19:30 The Men From the Ministry (b007k0vq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
TUE 20:00 Paul Temple (b007jzg2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
TUE 20:30 In Search of Richard Yates (b01n6sj8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
TUE 21:00 Joanne Harris - Jigs and Reels (b00ckcqk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
TUE 21:15 Georgia Pritchett - Stay (b007jw2n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
TUE 22:00 My Teenage Diary (b0b92wy4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
TUE 22:30 The Lach Chronicles (b04vt964)
Series 2, Home on the Range
Lach was the King of Manhattan's East Village and host of the longest running open mic night in New York. He now lives in Scotland and finds himself back at square one, playing in a dive bar on the wrong side of Edinburgh.

The story of Gertrude Bell and her crucial role in the foundation of the state of Iraq. One hundred years ago, Iraq did not exist as a nation. It was a region without borders or a ruler. In the aftermath of the First World War, great men - and Gertrude Bell - assembled to determine the future of such countries. First published in 2006, Queen of the Desert by Georgina Howell has been reissued - partly to coincide with the Werner Herzog film of the same title, but also to provide the long view on the troubled history of a remarkable country. Using letters written by Gertrude Bell throughout the period, the book tells the story of an extraordinarily talented and determined woman who has often been overshadowed by her more famous friend, T.E. Lawrence. Read by Sylvestra le Touzel and Deborah Findlay (the letters) Abridged and produced by Jill Waters A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4.

WED 15:00 The Barchester Chronicles (b042z668)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 16:00 Wordaholics (b01dhhs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
WED 16:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b007524c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
WED 17:00 Ring Around the Bath (b01hc2x1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 17:30 Josh Howie's Losing It (b07pgwp0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jp1w)
Earthsearch II, Megalomania

An android built by the computers on spaceship Challenger suffers severe logic failure. Stars Sean Arnold and Amanda Murray.
WED 18:30 Comic to Comic (b007tcjb)
Series 1, Chris Green
Writer-performer Chris Green talks to Bruce Morton about his character driven comedy, including American country and western singing sensation, Tina C. Series in which Bruce Morton talks to top stand-up comedians about life, the universe and comedy. Producer: Carol Purcell

First broadcast on BBC Radio Scotland in August 2005.
WED 19:00 The Navy Lark (b013bzbf)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 19:30 Round the Horne (b007js8b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 20:00 Paul Temple (b007jzbb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 20:30 Jackie and Me (b00v7znc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 21:00 Joanne Harris - Jigs and Reels (b00ckz8b)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
WED 21:15 Afternoon Drama (b03b2w1w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 11:15 today]
WED 22:00 Josh Howie's Losing It (b07pgwp0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 22:30 Welcome to Our Village, Please Invade Carefully (b04sl125)
Series 2, Tempting Fete

2/6: Tempting Fete. In this second episode of the series, Lucy borrows Kat's guitar and finds that this machine irritates aliens. Meanwhile tempers are fraught as preparations are made for the annual village fete, and Richard receives some surprising news from The Computer. Welcome To Our Village, Please Invade Carefully is a sitcom about an alien race that have noticed that those all-at-once invasions of Earth never work out that well. So they've locked the small Buckinghamshire village of Cresdon Green behind an impenetrable force field in order to study human behaviour and decide if Earth is worth invading. The only inhabitant who seems to be bothered by their new alien overlord is Katrina Lyons, who was only home for the weekend to borrow the money for a deposit for a flat when the force field went up. So along with Lucy Alexander (the only teenager in the village, willing to rebel against whatever you've got) she forms The Resistance - slightly to the annoyance of her parents Margaret and Richard who wish she wouldn't make so much of a fuss, and much to the annoyance of Field Commander Uljabaan who, alongside his unintelligent minions and The Computer (his hyperintelligent supercomputer), is trying to actually run the invasion.

Written by Eddie Robson
Script-edited by Arthur Mathews
Original music written and performed by Grace Petrie
Produced by Ed Morrish.
WED 23:00 Fabulous (b00hy947)
Series 1, Episode 4
Faye has money troubles, so she hopes her mum will lend her £10,000. Stars Daisy Haggard and Anne Reid. From June 2007.
WED 23:15 Hamish and Dougal: You'll Have Had Your Tea (b007k1n1)
Series 2, The Poison Pen Letters
The elderly Scotsmen investigate who's been snitching with green ink. Stars Barry Cryer and Graeme Garden. From March 2004.

WED 23:30 Delve Special (b007jm3s)
Series 2, The Archibald Gallery Robbery
Reporter David Lander reopens the investigation into 1983's Archibald Gallery robbery. Kevin Watts is the key suspect, but

was he framed?
Stephen Fry plays spoof undercover investigative reporter David Lander. Co-starring Brenda Blethyn, Stephen Frost, Tony Robinson and Arthur Smith. Delve Special ran for four series from 1984 to 1987 and later transferred to TV as: This is David Lander. Written by Tony Sarchet. Producer Paul Mayhew-Archer. First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1985.

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THU 00:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jp1w)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]
THU 00:30 Comic to Comic (b007tcjb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]
THU 01:00 Paul Temple (b007jzbb)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]
THU 01:30 Jackie and Me (b00v7znc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b00fy2gp)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]
THU 02:15 Sport and the British (b01cw7kv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]
THU 02:30 15 Minute Drama (b009x596)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]
THU 02:45 Book of the Week (b061728d)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:45 on Wednesday]
THU 03:00 The Barchester Chronicles (b042z668)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:00 Wordaholics (b01dhhs)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]
THU 04:30 Life, Death and Sex with Mike and Sue (b007524c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]
THU 05:00 Ring Around the Bath (b01hc2x1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]
THU 05:30 Josh Howie's Losing It (b07pgwp0)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]
THU 06:00 Paul Temple (b007jzjj)
Paul Temple and the Spencer Affair. That Old Intuition

The suave amateur detective confronts theatre impresario Rupert Dreisler - and fears for his wife Steve. Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke as Paul Temple and Marjorie Westbury as Steve in another intriguing case for BBC radio's smoothest sleuth and his glamorous wife. With James Thomason as Sir Graham Forbes, Brewster Mason as Rupert Dreisler, Hugh Manning as Vosper, James Beattie as Charlie, John Graham as Eric Lansdale. Isobel Dean as Terry Gibson, Simon Lack as Adrian Frost, June Turbin as Judy Milton and Thomas Heathcote as Pete Roberts.

From 1938 to 1969 the fictional crime novelist and detective Paul Temple, together with his Fleet Street journalist Steve, solved case after case in one of BBC radio's most popular series. They inhabited a sophisticated world of chilled cocktails and fast cars, where the women were chic and the men wore cravats - a world where Sir Graham Forbes, of Scotland Yard, usually needed Paul's help with his latest tricky case. Producer: Martyn C. Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in 1957.
THU 06:30 Bill Mitchell: The Man Who Wrestled Pumas... Probably (b001q7h)
Miriam Margolyes presents a documentary charting the life and career of her late colleague and friend Bill Mitchell, the voice-over artist who informed us the latest blockbusters would be 'at cinemas near you from Sunday', told us 'Carlsberg was probably the best lager in the world', and that Denim was 'for men who didn't have to try too hard'.

Born in Canada, he admitted that heavy drinking and smoking from his teens helped preserve the voice, and indeed drove his excessive lifestyle. He 'had to' abuse his body to maintain the voice and he 'had to' be in a Soho pub because it was handy for the recording studios. Bill's career spanned acting, voice-over work, plus a brief spell as 1970s pop outfit Yin and Yan with friend Chris Sandford. His remains ranked as one of the greats within the advertising industry.

Featuring contributions from Bill's daughter Amanda McAllister, musicians and friends Zoot Money and Kenny Clayton, and industry moguls Nick Angell and Rob Townsend.
THU 07:00 Hobby Bobbies (b037jm8d)
Series 1, Dangerous Dogs
The useless officers are dispatched to investigate a nuisance caller and her dangerous dog - but stumble into the local drugs racket. Britain's longest serving PCSO is paired with the laziest in Dave Lamb's sitcom. (Dave is the voice of TV's Come Dine With Me)
Geoff.....Richie Webb
Nigel.....Nick Walker
The Guv.....Sinead Keenan
Jermain.....Leon Herbert
Bernie.....Chris Emmett
Producer: Steve Doherty

A Top Dog production for BBC Radio 4.
THU 07:30 The Rest Is History (b079mhs)
Series 2, Episode 6
Frank Skinner loves history, but just doesn't know much of it. So he's devised a comedy discussion show in order to find out

more about it. Along with his historian in residence, Professor Kate Williams, Frank is joined by a selection of celebrity guests who help him navigate his way through the annals of time, picking out and chewing over the funniest, oddest, and most interesting moments in history. The guests are Josie Long and Kevin Eldon, who discuss Captain Blood, Drake's Drum, Bloody Mary and E.R.N.I.E. Produced by Mark Augustyn and Justin Pollard
An Avalon production for BBC Radio 4.
THU 08:00 J Kingston Platt (b01s6bkk)
My Discovery
The showbiz veteran recalls taking on a pupil with incredible results. Written and read by Peter Jones. From September 1993.
THU 08:30 The Goon Show (b008wf71)
The Nadger Plague
Neddie Seagoon turns to witchcraft to thwart Grytpype-Thymne and Moriarty. Stars Peter Sellers. From October 1956.
THU 09:00 The Personality Test (b00mf3kk)
Series 2, Roy Hattersley
Former Labour Deputy Leader and writer, Roy Hattersley quizzes a panel about his own career, whims and interests. With Sue Perkins, Lucy Porter, Robin Ince and Mark Dolan
Series with changing hosts who quiz the panel, Script by Richard Turner and Simon Littlefield
Devised and produced by Aled Evans.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2006.
THU 09:30 What Ho! Jeeves: Joy in the Morning (b00bt4vw)
Schemes and Ruses
Bertie Wooster is much in demand, but his best-laid plans go awry as he lands in a bit of pickle...
PG Wodehouse romp adapted in seven-parts by Chris Miller. Starring Michael Horden as Jeeves, Richard Briers as Bertie Wooster, Jonathan Cecil as Boko Fittleworth, Peter Woodthorpe as Percy, Lord Worplesden, Bronwen Williams as Florence Craye, Rosalind Adams as Nobby Hopwood and Denise Bryer as Edwin the Boy Scout.
Producer: Simon Brett
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1978.
THU 10:00 The Barchester Chronicles (b043wk0v)
Anthony Trollope's Dr Thorne, Episode 3
Anthony Trollope's Dr Thorne by Michael Symmons Roberts
After an enforced year away from Mary Thorne, Frank returns to Greshambury. Yet, with rumours that Frank did not spend his year alone and Louis deciding to re-direct his attentions to Mary, Lady Arabella is ever hopeful that Frank will do his duty and marry money.
Music composed by David Tobin, Jeff Meegan and Julian Gallant
Written by Michael Symmons Roberts
Directed by Susan Roberts
Produced by Charlotte Riches
The Barchester Chronicles are Anthony Trollope's much-loved series of witty, gently satirical stories of provincial life set within the fictional cathedral town of Barchester and the surrounding county of Barssetshire. With a focus on the lives, loves and tribulations of the local clergy and rural gentry, the canvas is broad and colourful, with a wonderful set of iconic characters whose lives we become intimately involved in as they grow up, grow old and fall in or out of love and friendship across the years.
THU 11:00 Joanne Harris - Jigs and Reels (b00cl7lx)
Gastronomicon
Disobeying rules for a silver wedding anniversary recipe book sparks unexpected consequences. Short story read by Lynda Baron.
THU 11:15 Afternoon Drama (b039d4bn)
Caroline Quentin - My Brilliant Divorce
Caroline Quentin stars in Geraldine Aron's radio adaptation of her Olivier nominated West End hit - a comedy drama about surviving divorce with your sense of humour intact.
Good-natured, slightly overweight, former window-dresser Angela (declared age 39, real age 51) thinks her marriage will last forever. But suddenly her husband Max, who has an irritatingly round head, loses his heart to beautiful young Rosa and moves out.
Cheerful about her unexpected freedom at first, Angela's spirits begin to droop as she copes with a mother who won't acknowledge the break-up because she considers divorce 'common', a misogynous solicitor, and Christmas alone (apart from Dexter the family dog and a number of help-line counsellors).
She gets regular updates on the wild expenditure and goings-on at the love nest via her cleaner, Meena, whose sister Leena - also a cleaner - works for Max.
As she tells us of the ups and downs of her life and wryly observes how society treats freshly single women of a certain age, Angela learns how to deal with - and even enjoy - life on her own.
Eccentric, poignant and funny, Angela's journey will resonate with anybody who's lived through a break up.
Written by Geraldine Aron
Producer: Liz Anstee
A CPL production for BBC Radio 4.
THU 12:00 J Kingston Platt (b01s6bkk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 The Goon Show (b008wf71)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

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Princess and produce an heir to throne. He faced a choice between giving up his true love or his royal status. With Julia Hills, Timothy Watson, David Timson, Janet Dale. Directed by Peter Leslie Wild.

FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (b0b9vv35)

Daljit Nagra: The Poetry Koan and The Paris Review Poet Daljit Nagra and Sarah Wade recommend favourite podcasts. Daljit chooses The Poetry Koan in which a guest prescribes a poem to make you feel better. A poem to have to hand in an existential First Aid Kit. They chat to its host, Steve Wasserman.

And The Paris Review podcast. The revered quarterly literary journal now has a podcast drawing on a treasure trove of interviews, readings and manuscripts from an archive stretching back 64 years.

If you would like to recommend a podcast, please email your suggestion to: podcastradiohour@bbc.co.uk.

FRI 12:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b011ppvg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Listen to Les (b01nchmv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Paul Temple (b007jzxx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 13:30 The Flower Fields (b01nb02j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 14:00 Meera Syal - Anita and Me (b007jvvd)

Episode 10

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

FRI 14:15 Sport and the British (b01cwpv9)

The State of Play

Clare Balding with Professors Richard Holt, Tony Collins and Mike Cronin explores the cultural importance of the great triviality that is sport.

The series was made in partnership with The International Centre for Sports History and Culture at de Montfort University.

Producer: Lucy Lunt

Executive Editor: Ian Bent.

FRI 14:30 15 Minute Drama (b009xysg)

Winifred Holby - The Crowded Street, Episode 5

Diana Griffiths's dramatisation of Winifred Holby's tale of a woman's journey into self-fulfilment.

5/10. Muriel and her mother visit Scarborough during the War but the Germans are shelling the town. A visit from Godfrey Neale changes the course of Muriel's life.

Muriel Clare Goose

Connie Joanne Froggatt

Godfrey James D'Arcy

Mrs Hammond Brigit Forsyth

Delia Vaughan Deborah McAndrew

Directed by Pauline Harris.

FRI 14:45 Book of the Week (b06172qn)

Georgina Howell - Queen of the Desert, Episode 5

The story of Gertrude Bell and her crucial role in the foundation of the state of Iraq.

With the new King, Faisal, safely installed, Gertrude's energies turned to the establishment of a museum in Baghdad to house the extraordinary collection of artefacts that chronicled Iraq's ancient history.

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FRI 15:00 Louis Robinson - Julie and the Prince (b0076kd0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:00 The Unbelievable Truth (b03phd4m)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

FRI 16:30 After Henry (b007qw7k)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

FRI 17:00 London Calling (b05p73y9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 17:30 Gaby's Talking Pictures (b0b9vjls)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 18:00 James Follett - Earthsearch (b007jp2r)

Earthsearch II, Earthvoice

The crew of spaceship Challenger's search is over, but Earth is not how they left it. Stars Sean Arnold and Amanda Murray.

FRI 18:30 Mastertapes (b02ykg3t)

Series 2, Spandau Ballet (A-Side)

John Wilson concludes the second series of Mastertapes, in which he talks to leading performers and songwriters about the album that made them or changed them. Recorded in front of a live audience at the BBC's iconic Maida Vale Studios. Each edition includes two episodes, with John initially quizzing the artist about the album in question, and then, in the B-side, the audience puts the questions. Both editions feature exclusive live performances.

Programme 5. "True" with Gary Kemp and Tony Hadley

Thirty years ago Spandau Ballet released their third album

"True". It became a worldwide smash hit featuring tracks such as

'Gold', 'Pleasure', 'Communication' and the title track, which spent 4 weeks at the top of the charts. Singer Tony Hadley and Gary Kemp, the man who wrote all of these songs, both came to the BBC Maida Vale studios to discuss their inspiration and influence.

Released in 1983 'True' became one of the stand out albums of the New Romantic movement. Recorded at the legendary Compass Point Studios in the Bahamas, Producers Steve Jolley and Tony Swain gave the band a slicker, more R&B sound aimed at squarely at the charts.

The B-side of the programme, where it's the turn of the audience to ask the questions, can be heard tomorrow at **3.30pm**

Complete versions of the songs performed in the programme (and others) can be heard on the 'Mastertapes' pages on the Radio 4 website, where the programmes can also be downloaded and other musical goodies accessed.

Producer: Helen Lennard.

FRI 19:00 I'm Sorry, I'll Read That Again (b011ppvg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Listen to Les (b01nchmv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 20:00 Paul Temple (b007jzxx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 20:30 The Flower Fields (b01nb02j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (b0b9vv35)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Gaby's Talking Pictures (b0b9vjls)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 22:30 BBC New Comedy Award (b0b9vvd6)

2018, Heat 3 - London

The third heat of the BBC New Comedy Award 2018, recorded at Up the Creek Comedy Club in London and hosted by Tez Ilyas. Ten new acts compete for a place in the Edinburgh semi-final of this prestigious new act competition.

Acts are: Adam Beardsmore, Adele Cliff, Ali Woods, Birds, Darran Griffiths, David McIver, Jenan Younis, Lulu Poplewell, Maddie Campion and William Stone.

The judges are: Steve Bennett (editor of chortle.co.uk), BBC Executive Producer Victoria Lloyd and comedian Dane Baptiste.

Produced by Lyndsay Fenner. A BBC Studios production.

FRI 23:00 Chain Reaction (b00mgd83)

Series 5, Dave Gorman interviews Frank Skinner

Chat show in which one week's interviewee becomes the next week's interviewer.

Dave Gorman interviews Frank Skinner, asking him about his return to stand up, censorship in comedy and the merits of outdoor toilets.