

SATURDAY 09 APRIL 2022

SAT 00:00 The Veldt by Ray Bradbury (m000fh8j)

A futuristic cautionary tale about the perils of smart technology, where danger prowls in the nursery...

Ray Bradbury's gripping sci-fi story first published in 1950.

Lydia/Witch... Diana Olsson

George... John Cazabon

Peter... Jon Hewitt

Wendy/Grethel... Nina Ludlow

David... Bruce Wightman

Adapted by Jack Pulman.

Producer: Frederick Bradnum.

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1959.

SAT 00:30 And the Academy Award Goes To... (b071h07x)

Series 6

Slumdog Millionaire

Somewhere between Bollywood and Hollywood, 'Slumdog Millionaire' captured the heart of the world, and 8 Oscars in 2009.

Paul Gambaccini tells the gripping story of the low budget independent production that got lucky.

He talks to some of those central to its creation, from Vikas Swarup, the Indian Diplomat who wrote the original novel, co-director Loveleen Tandem, who helped persuade the studios to let the child actors speak Hindi, and Resul Pookerty, whose magical soundscape of India won him an Oscar and changed his life for ever.

It's a film which took a city, a child of the slums, and a game show – and turned it into a star-crossed romance; a film which snuck past the infamous Foreign Language category and into the mainstream Best Picture category at the 81st Academy Awards - despite being at least 20% Hindi.

Winning 8 Oscars, the film had no star actors, but a cast of millions - the city of Mumbai. The real star name was Danny Boyle, a director who, according to screen writer Simon Beaufoy, discovered in Mumbai a city 'like the inside of his head' - vibrant, frenetic, dazzling, and full of extremes. It nearly went straight to DVD, but rose again to take Oscar after Oscar, from under the noses of studio films. Paul Smith of Celador Productions, describes how his company, who invented the game show, "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire", got lucky a second time - winning a Best Picture Oscar.

Producer: Sara Jane Hall

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2016.

SAT 01:00 Raffles (b01p3hkh)

Series 1

5. Wilful Murder

Bunny is horrified when gentleman thief Raffles calmly declares he wants to try a different crime - by planning to commit a murder.

Starring Jeremy Clyde and Michael Cochrane.

EW Hornung's early Raffles stories dramatised by David Buck.

AJ Raffles Jeremy Clyde

Bunny Michael Cochrane

Crawshaw Ron Pember

Sergeant/Waiter John Church

Inspector MacKenzie Henry Stamper

Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.

Director: Gordon House

A BBC Radio 4/World Service production first broadcast in November 1985.

SAT 01:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000hwf6)

1. A Small Killing in Hollywood

The Prime Minister discovers a film is set to be made about the "Kaiseroda" mine - Hitler's secret cave of treasures during the Second World War.

So did Winston Churchill meet Hitler in 1940?

Can the SIS (Britain's Secret Intelligence Service) uncover the truth?

The title of Len Deighton's riveting thriller XPD stands for Expedient Demise.

An alleged secret meeting between Churchill and Hitler in 1940 is at the centre of the tangled plot; Whitehall, the Kremlin and the CIA - plus a ruthless secret group - we are all somewhat anxious of that historical conference. Will the so-called Hitler Minutes prove Churchill a traitor?

Deighton described his book as "faction", a blend of fact and fiction "so skilful you can't see the join".

Dramatised in 8-parts by Michael Bakewell.

Boyd Stuart Trevor Nichols

Sydney Ryden David Garth

Charles Stein Bruce Boa

Max Breslow Bernard Hepton

Willi Kleiber Clifford Rose

Hitler Minutes Colin Starkey

Prime Minister Bernard Brown

Jennifer Jenny Funnell

Kitty Melinda Walker

MacIver Don Fellows

Billy Stein Ian Tyler

Director: Peter King

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1985.

SAT 02:00 The Female Persuasion by Meg Wolitzer (b0b3g009)

Episode 10

Greer Kadetsky is a shy college student in Connecticut when she meets Faith Frank, a dazzlingly persuasive and charismatic

activist who has been a pillar of the women's movement for decades. The meeting is made more resonant since she has just been the victim of a sexual assault on campus.

As Greer moves into her independent adult life Faith is to become her mentor figure, someone she looks up to and respects, until she is forced re-evaluate.

Cory visits Greer in New York. Greer raises her voice. Meg Wolitzer's witty novel about power and influence.

The Female Persuasion by Meg Wolitzer is a book written before the recent seismic shift in American politics and the advent of the #MeToo movement, but it illuminates the complexities of what it is to be a young woman coming of age in the early decades of the 21st century. As well as the relationship between Greer and her role model, the story explores how a young man copes with devastating loss and attempts to rebuild his life, and poses searching questions about feminism and the painful realities of love and loyalty. Writing in The New York Times Review Of Books, Lena Dunham described how "the novel ...deserves to be placed on shelves alongside such ornate modern novels beginning in college as A Little Life, The Secret History and The Marriage Plot... But when all is said and done, Wolitzer is an infinitely capable creator of human identities that are as real as the type on this page, and her love of her characters shines more brightly than any agenda."

Meg Wolitzer is author of The Interestings, The Uncoupling, The Ten-Year Nap, The Position, The Wife, and Sleepwalking.

Written by Meg Wolitzer

Read by Tanya Moodie

Abridged by Jill Waters and Isobel Creed

Produced by Jill Waters

A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2018.

SAT 02:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007nfd7)

Episode 5

Party plans are afoot for the heiress's 21st birthday and

Richardson makes a decision.

HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel.

Dramatised by Vivienne Allen.

Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith

Richardson Jordan Frieda

Lydia Juliet Aubrey

Nancy.....Clare Corbett

Alex.....Crispin Bonham-Carter

Mrs Sanderson.....Helena Breck

Blackie.....Robert Purdy

Tom.....Jamie Bamber

Bretherton.....Philip Fox

Director: Tracey Neale

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

SAT 02:30 Ken, Madge and the Strange Rock (b05nvj7g)

In January 2013 on Morecambe beach, Ken Wilman and his dog Madge found something they believed to be ambergris - an extremely unusual, rare and valuable product of sperm whales. What happened next turned Ken's world upside down.

Overnight, the story hit the international news with excitement at the prospect of a happy financial outcome for Ken. But things turned out not to be so straightforward.

Peregrine Andrews followed the story from the beginning - and he discovered that authenticating and selling one of the world's most mysterious substances is far from easy.

Produced by Peregrine Andrews

A Falling Tree production

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

SAT 03:00 Dr Wallace - Hand in Glove (m00163bq)

Series 2

2. Win Some, Lose Some

A Lake District holiday beckons for Dr Wallace, but there is a tricky piece of evidence to be delivered at the end of it.

For Barbara, the exams approach, but so does an alleged case of poisoning, an interview in a trackside hut and an unexpected proposal!

Set in 1920s Stirling, Stephen Mulrine's series about the town's Chief Pathologist, Dr Wallace.

Mrs Wallace Jan Moffatt

Dr Wallace Martyn James

Barbara Wallace Meg Fraser

Mrs Hendrie Elizabeth Bechman-Murray

Pritchard Michael Perceval-Maxwell

Davy Finlay Welsh

DC Curran Liam Brennan

Signalman Martin Docherty

Other parts played by members of the cast.

Director: Hamish Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.

SAT 04:00 Guess What? (b062r3z9)

Episode 4

Animal, vegetable or mineral?

Barry Took hosts a revised version of popular radio parlour game of 20 questions.

On the panel:

Geoffrey Durham

Neil Innes

Jan Ravens

Written by Michael Dines.

Producer: Andy Aliffe

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1998.

SAT 04:30 Bookcases (m0005772)

Series 2

Terminal Journals

Primus's latest plan to save the firm from ruin involves publishing deathbed memoirs of the famous.

A chance meeting with the poet Rossetti has him hoping for great things...

Starring Michael Cochrane and Maggie Steed.

Martyn Wade's sitcom set in a Victorian publishing house.

Primus Michael Cochrane

Cordelia Maggie Steed

Gerald David Horovitch

Edith Elizabeth Spriggs

Mrs Quirk Joan Sims

Simeon Charles Simpson

Prince Albert/Smiles Ioan Meredith

John Stephen Critchlow

Mrs Beeton Rachel Atkins

Lizzie Siddal Becky Hindley

Forster Gerard McDermott

Director: Cherry Cookson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2000.

SAT 05:00 All Those Women (b087ts6z)

Series 2

Episode 3

An unexpected death leads all four of the family to consider what's really important, as well as giving David a chance to spend some quality time (of sorts) with Maggie - much to Hetty's disapproval.

Comedy series by Katherine Jakeways about four generations of women living under one roof.

All Those Women explores familial relationships, ageing, marriages - it's about life and love and things not turning out quite the way that you'd expected them to.

Join Hetty, Maggie, Jen and Emily as they struggle to resolve their own problems, and support one another.

Hetty Marcia Warren

Maggie Lesley Manville

Jen Sinead Matthews

Emily Lucy Hutchinson

David Denis Lill

Vicar Catriona McFarlane

Carol Alison Belbin

Producer: Alexandra Smith

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2017.

SAT 05:30 Desolation Jests (b0858k3l)

Episode 2

David Jason stars with John Bird, Rory Bremner and Jan Ravens in David Renwick's dark sketch comedy that takes a post-apocalyptic and distinctly counter-factual look at the history of laughter....

JP Doom interviews Viktor Schmelling about his career in comedy from his humble beginnings as a joke writer for the Queen through to his current role as Emeritus Professor of Princeton University's Faculty of Laughter. His message - life is horrible - you better learn to see the funny side.

Among the classic comedy sketches Schmelling singles out for posterity are the atheist episode of Sunday Worship; an old lag and his pet orang-utan; and 1950's cult The Demob Mob's remarkable episode on Hitler, liquorish allsorts and the awesome power of the non-sequitur.

With:

David Jason

John Bird

Jan Ravens

Rory Bremner

Christopher Timothy

Adie Allen

James Lailey

Nick Underwood

Producer: Gareth Edwards

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2016.

SAT 06:00 Curtmantle (b06mw116)

Can Henry II rule his kingdom wisely and keep faith with his friends like Thomas Becket?

King Henry II was simple and royal, (his nickname of "Curtmantle" derived from the plain short cloak he wore) direct and paradoxical, compassionate and hard, a man of intellect, a man of action, God-fearing, superstitious, blasphemous, far-seeing, short-sighted, affectionate, lustful, patient, volcanic, humble and over-riding.

It's difficult to think of any facet of man which at some time he didn't demonstrate, except chastity and sloth.

Starring Brian Cox, Bernard Hepton and Barbara Leigh-Hunt.

Royal historical drama written by Christopher Fry

Henry II Brian Cox

Becket Bernard Hepton

Eleanor Barbara Leigh-Hunt

William Marshal Norman Rodway

Gilbert Foliot Hugh Dickson

Young Henry Roger Allam

Richard Andrew Secar

Geoffrey Stuart Organ

John Gary Cady

Roger Kevin McNally

Philip of France Simon Hewitt

Richard Anesty John Livesey

Blae Frances Jeater

Old Woman Katherine Parr
 Barber Stephen Thorne
 Juggler Alex Jennings
 Music composed and conducted by David Firman.
 Music played by Douglas Wootton and Keith Thompson
 Director: Jane Morgan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1982
SAT 07:30 Great Lives (b01r3hs)
 Series 45
 Simon Callow on Orson Welles
 Actor Simon Callow nominates one of the giants of the golden age of Hollywood, Orson Welles.
 He once said of himself he 'started at the top and worked his way down' never managing to recreate the film success he had aged 26 with Citizen Kane, which he wrote, directed and starred in.
 Welles's friend and collaborator Henry Jaglom talks about knowing him for the last years of his life when the movie industry had turned its back on him and he was strapped for cash and looking for work.
 Presented by Matthew Parris.
 Producer: Maggie Ayre
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2018.
SAT 08:00 The Write Stuff (b09md8r)
 Series 11
 John Grisham
 James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness.
 Team captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh are joined by Mark Billingham and Jane Thynne.
 Author of the week is John Grisham.
 Reader: Beth Chalmers
 Producer: Katie Marsden
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2008.
SAT 08:30 Spangles 'n' Tights (b04pcw9j)
 A Folk Song for Europe
 The Dublin theatrical costumiers get embroiled in rivalry between two Lancashire clog troupes.
 Christopher Fitz-Simon's five-part comedy.
 Dessie Doyle David Kelly
 Violet Doyle Pauline McLynn
 Antony Gogan Eugene O'Brien
 Mr McNamara Frank Kelly
 Mona Scrummitt Noreen Kershaw
 Mr Witherspoon Dave Hill
 Belfast Woman Maureen Dow
 Music played by John Trotter.
 Directed at BBC Belfast by Roland Jaquarello.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1998.
SAT 09:00 People Talking (b09ggc2f)
 Fi Glover trawls the archives for intimate stories of the everyday, tracing how curated wartime spirit developed into today's unmediated snapshots of life.
 Assisting Fi in her quest is writer and lido supporter, Tanya Shadrick.
 From Olive Shapley's Mass Observation-inspired recordings in the 1930s and 40s, via Radio Ballads and Down Your Way, they arrive at the verbatim examples of 20th Century Vox and The Listening Project, charting the development from patronised 'ordinary folk' to the autonomy of contemporary voices.
 Producer: Marya Burgess
 Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in November 2017.
SAT 12:00 My Favorite Husband (m000ndg5)
 Katy and Roscoe
 Life gets complicated when the Cugat's maid Katy lands them a mess.
 Her long-distance boyfriend Roscoe is coming to visit for the first time in 15 years – and she's not been too truthful about how she's been living...
 Starring Lucille Ball as Liz and Richard Denning as George.
 The story of Liz and George Cugat, a happily married couple living in Sheridan Falls. Based on the novels by Isabel Scott Rorick
 Liz Cugat Lucille Ball
 George Cugat Richard Denning
 Katy Ruth Perrot
 Roscoe Hans Conried
 The popularity of this radio series led to Lucille's ground breaking TV sitcom role, I Love Lucy. This was to cement her long-running position as one of America's favourite entertainers over several decades.
 First broadcast in the USA on CBS Radio in November 1948.
SAT 12:30 Dad's Army (b007jqvj)
 Series 3
 A Question of Reference
 Corporal Jones and Private Godfrey blunder on a Home Guard platoon exercise using live ammunition.
 The comic exploits of a Second World War Home Guard platoon in Walmington-on-Sea.
 Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.
 Captain Mainwaring Arthur Lowe
 Sergeant Wilson John Le Mesurier
 Corporal Jones Clive Dunn
 Private Frazer John Laurie
 Private Godfrey Arnold Ridley
 Private Pike Ian Lavender
 Private Walker Larry Martyn

Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1976.
SAT 13:00 Archive on 4 (m00161vg)
 Motortowns
 Many of Britain's car factory towns have had to face the fact that their days of producing cars are numbered.
 Sarfraz Mansoor tells the story of the motortowns through more than 70 years of archive and local oral history recordings.
 He also looks at the changing fortunes of Luton, Longbridge, Cowley, Halewood and Dagenham, where in 1929 Henry Ford sited the largest car production factory in Europe.
 Producer: Sara Parker
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
SAT 14:00 The Skivers (b00hr7g8)
 Series 3
 Michael Winner
 Calm down, dear! Special guest Michael Winner joins Nick and Tim.
 Skilful sketch show written and performed by Nick Golsan and Tim de Jongh.
 With:
 Peter Bradshaw
 Sally Phillips
 Special guests: Michael Winner and Patrick Allen.
 Producer: Jon Naismith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.
SAT 14:30 Chain Reaction (b00gsb89)
 Series 2
 Bill Bailey Interviews Simon Pegg
 Musician and comedian Bill Bailey interviews actor and comedian Simon Pegg.
 This is the tag talk show series where the guest turns interviewer in the next show.
 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.
SAT 15:00 HR (b00txgsc)
 Series 2
 Consulting
 Having nursed Peter through retirement blues, Sam himself succumbs to the dreaded sense of purposelessness. Then Peter gets an ad looking for experienced consultants. They're made! Nigel Williams' comedy drama series charting the misfortunes of a middle-aged HR officer and his trouble-making colleague.
 Peter Jonathan Pryce
 Sam Nicholas Le Prevost
 Waiter Sam Dale
 Director: Peter Kavanagh.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2010
SAT 15:30 A Look Back at the Future (b01s259p)
 2025
 Foreseeing ego transplants and the USA invading Narnia...
 Recorded in 1994, the futuristic show recalls the main events of 2025 - a year that was yet to happen.
 Starring:
 Brian Perkins
 Kate Robbin
 Nigel Planer
 Everything you wanted to know then, about the 21st century.
 Written by Mark Burton, John O'Farrell and Pete Sinclair.
 Producer: Caroline Leddy
 First broadcast (with the aid of a crystal ball) on Radio 4 in August 1994.
SAT 16:00 Curtmantle (b06mw116)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 17:30 Great Lives (b01r3hs)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 18:00 Sheridan Le Fanu - Carmilla (b016q215)
 Laura is a lonely girl living in a solitary castle in the south east of Austria.
 Into her life comes the beautiful and mysterious Carmilla, with whom Laura strikes up, what will prove to be, a dangerous friendship...
 Starring Anne-Marie Duff, Brana Bajic, David Warner and Celia Imrie.
 Joseph Sheridan Le Fanu's gothic novella was first published in 1871.
 Dramatised by Don McCamphill.
 Laura Anne-Marie Duff
 Carmilla Brana Bajic
 Father David Warner
 Madame Celia Imrie
 Duchess Jacqueline Pearce
 Doctor Nigel Anthony
 Martin Roger May
 Mountebank Kenneth Cranham
 Producer: Lawrence Jackson.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.
SAT 18:45 The Man in the Bell by William Maginn (m001682r)
 "A brother of the club knowing that the time had come for ringing for service, and not thinking that anyone was above, began to pull. At this moment I was just getting out, when I felt the bell moving; I guessed the reason at once - it was a moment of terror."
 A man is inexorably drawn towards a musical activity that has surprisingly alarming consequences.

Andrew Cruickshank reads William Maginn's short story.
 Producer: Joanna Scott-Moncrieff
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1977.
SAT 19:00 People Talking (b09ggc2f)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Alex Horne Presents The Horne Section (b01r51fb)
 Series 2
 Charlie Baker
 Comedy show hosted by Alex Horne and his five piece band and specially written, original music.
 This episode explores the theme of love including songs on chat up lines and romance in Bognor as well as a foray into drum and bass and a look at the history of the flute.
 Guest starring: Charlie Baker who deconstructs a classic love song.
 Alex's Horne Section are:
 Trumpet/banjo Joe Auckland
 Saxophone/clarinet Mark Brown
 Double Bass/Bass Will Collier
 Drums and Percussion Ben Reynolds
 Piano/keyboard Ed Shelldrake
 Producer: Julia McKenzie.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2013.
SAT 22:30 Agendum (b0lfydzqz)
 Series 1
 Fruit
 A current affairs parody and stupidly feasible visit to the 24-hour Hall of Opinion Mirrors. Because there are two stories to every story.
 A scientific breakthrough, a human rights scandal and Britain's favourite fruit come under the idiot microscope of a team of talking heads.
 Hosted by hostioneer Alexandra Palisades.
 Parody created and written by Jason Hazeley and Joel Morris.
 Starring Carrie Quinlan as Alexandra Palisades
 And the voices of:
 Justin Edwards
 Melanie Hudson
 Samson Kayo
 Jess Robinson
 Luke Sumner
 Tony Way
 Featuring Josh Berry
 Producer: David Tyler
 A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2018. .
SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0016kyv)
 Joz Norris 1/3
 From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. Iain Lee chats to Joz Norris.
SAT 23:00 The Simon Day Show (b011cfmx)
 Series 1
 Simon Day
 British comedy legend and star of The Fast Show, Down the Line and Bellamy's People, Simon Day visits The Mallard Theatre as "himself".
 Simon Day and his characters welcome you to this small provincial theatre somewhere in the UK.
 Each week one of them comes to perform - with highlights of that night's show plus all the backstage and front-of-house happenings.
 Written by Simon Day.
 Simon Day Simon Day
 Catherine Catherine Shepherd
 Goose Felix Dexter
 Ron Bone Simon Greenall
 Producer: Colin Anderson.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011.
SAT 23:30 The Skivers (b00j1ff4)
 Series 3
 Michael Fish
 High winds alert! Weatherman Michael Fish bids for stardom.
 Skilful sketch show written and performed by Nick Golsan and Tim de Jongh.
 With:
 Peter Bradshaw
 Sally Phillips
 Special guests: Michael Fish and Patrick Allen.
 Producer: Jon Naismith
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Saturday]

SUN 06:00 The Female Persuasion by Meg Wolitzer (Omnibus) (b0b4cvx3)

Episode 2

Distance and circumstance have put a strain on Greer and Cory's relationship. Looking back, Faith recalls her very first meeting with Emmett Shrader in the 1960s.

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Omnibus of the last five of ten-parts read by Tanya Moodie. Abridged by Jill Waters and Isobel Creed

Produced by Jill Waters and The Waters Company for BBC Radio 4 and first broadcast in 2018.

SUN 07:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07158fp)

Steve Earle

Singer Steve Earle chooses 'Shoo-Fly Pie and Apple Pan Dowdy' and 'I Am a Patriot' by Little Steven & The Disciples of Soul.

SUN 07:20 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (Omnibus) (b007jv19)

Episode 1

Winter has come to Eversford. As the first snowflakes of 1931 settle, Lydia Aspen has come to live with her two aunts.

Richardson, a young reporter on the local paper, watches as the shy heiress passes by in a Daimler. His editor tells him "go and get the story"...

HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel, first published in 1952.

Omnibus of the first five of ten parts dramatised by Vivienne Allen.

Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith

Richardson Jordan Frieda

Lydia Juliet Aubrey

Miss Bertie Margaret Tyzack

Miss Juliana Angela Thorne

Bretherton Philip Fox

Tom Jamie Bamber

Director: Tracey Neale

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

SUN 08:30 Doctor in the House (b0071mys)

Money Troubles

With their microscopes in at the pawn broker, the young medics need some cash in a hurry.

The misadventures of student doctor, Simon Sparrow.

Starring Richard Briers.

Adapted for radio by Ray Cooney from Richard Gordon's 'Doctor in the House' published in 1952.

Simon Sparrow Richard Briers

Sir Lancelot Spratt Geoffrey Sumner

Tony Benskin Ray Cooney

Taffy Evans Edward Cast

Lady Spratt Joan Young

The Waiter David Jason

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1968.

SUN 09:00 Something to Shout About (m000c2bz)

Series 3

Episode 3

Brave Michael volunteers to shed some pounds for the team's ad campaign for slimmer's bread.

Comedy set in London advertising agency - Apsley, Addis, Cohen, Barbican, Blythe, Giddy & Partners.

Written by Myles Rudge and Ronnie Wolfe.

Michael Michael Medwin

Janet Fenella Fielding

Mavis Joan Sims

Maggie Eleanor Summerfield

Adrian Nicholas Phipps

Doctor/Mr Morris Warren Mitchell

Music by The Jingle Belles and The Bernie Fenton Quartet,

under the direction of Cliff Adams.

Producer: John Simmonds

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1960.

SUN 09:30 Daliso Chaponda: Citizen of Nowhere (b0b2kpm2)

Series 1

The Helpers

Malawian Comedian Daliso Chaponda continues his look at the

relationship between the UK and Africa.

The UK and Africa have had a long a complicated past. This series looks at the history of this relationship and Daliso is our relationship guidance counsellor, helping us navigate the rocky historical waters between the two places.

A Malawian comedian who grew up all over the world, Daliso straddles cultural divides. He will help us all better understand how to sort out our differences. Or not...

In this episode, Daliso looks at charities and organisations who want to help the relationship.

Written and performed by Daliso Chaponda

The Other Guy James Quinn

Producer: Carl Cooper

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2018.

SUN 10:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00167xr)

Clue at 50

Willie Rushton

From Noel Coward to Bobby Vee.

Cartoonist, actor and writer Willie Rushton shares his castaway choices with Roy Plomley.

Willie was a much loved panellist on BBC Radio 4's antidote to panel games 'I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue'.

He explains how he came to be one of the magazine founders of Private Eye and recalls the early days of BBC TV's popular weekly satire series "That Was the Week That Was".

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1984.

SUN 10:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m000fgky)

Series 15

The ASMRnswer

"My question is about something I became aware of at a young age," explains Samantha Richter from Cambridgeshire.

"I was sitting on the carpet at school, being read a story by the teacher. My hair felt as though it was standing on end as waves of a tingly sensation washed over my head. I subsequently found certain scenes in films had this effect, when actors were talking softly, or someone was having their hair brushed."

"Then, a few years ago, I discovered that there is a name for the tingles, it's called ASMR. My question is, what is ASMR, and why do we experience it?"

In this episode, we explore the world of Autonomous Sensory Meridian Response. It's a trend which has risen quickly on YouTube, with devoted subscribers following their favourite 'ASMRtists' whose videos receive millions of plays.

Hannah speaks to Dr Nick Davis, who published the very first research paper on the phenomenon in 2015. And Adam is put to the test by Dr Giulia Paoeri, to see if he is susceptible to the sensation of ASMR. Are there any proven benefits for devoted fans, or is it just a YouTube fad?

We've concocted our very own Curious recordings so you can find out if your brain begins to tingle. You'll find them in our normal podstream, where you can enjoy Adam and Hannah crafting a very ASMRy cocktail for your listening pleasure.

Presenters: Hannah Fry, Adam Rutherford

Producer: Michelle Martin

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2020.

SUN 11:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m00167vx)

Series 12

Holding On, Digging Out & Hanging Up

True stories told live in the USA: Meg Bowles introduces stories where everyday moments have lasting impacts.

The Moth is an acclaimed not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the art and craft of storytelling based in the USA. Since 1997, it has celebrated both the raconteur and the storytelling novice, who has lived through something extraordinary and years to share it. Originally formed by the writer George

Dawes Green as an intimate gathering of friends on a porch in Georgia (where moths would flutter in through a hole in the screen), and then recreated in a New York City living room.

The Moth quickly grew to produce immensely popular events at theatres and clubs around New York City and later around the USA, the UK and other parts of the world.

The Moth has presented more than 15,000 stories, told live and without notes, to standing-room-only crowds worldwide. The Moth podcast is downloaded over 27 million times a year.

Featuring true stories told live on stage without scripts, from the humorous to the heart-breaking.

The Moth Radio Hour is produced by Jay Allison and Atlantic Public Media in Woods Hole, Massachusetts and is distributed by the Public Radio Exchange.

First heard on PRX in 2020.

SUN 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (b07158fp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 12:00 Poetry Extra (m00167xx)

Conversations on a Bench - Derby: Sophie Sparham

Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects Conversation on a Bench - Derby: Sophie Sparham. Anna Scott-Brown hears more stories from the people who stop to sit beside her on benches around the country.

In this edition, Anna sits on a bench in the centre of Derby.

Throughout the programme, a specially commissioned work by the poet Sophie Sparham draws on the voices of those passing by – and sometimes pausing on – the bench at 'the Spot' in the city.

These hidden stories are glimpsed through snatched moments and the painful and beautiful stories people tell Anna in this busy urban setting. One man talks of regaining his hearing after 18 years of deafness, another – a child of Caribbean immigrants

- of the pain he feels for the Windrush generation.

Stories of homelessness feature throughout the programme, including one young man who has turned his life around. And there is a final citation to hope, both in Sophie's poetry and in the contributors who have sat on the bench.

Sophie picks up on some of Derby's well known figures in her poems, and pays a moving tribute to the city she lives in, while expressing some of the tensions inherent in her love for it. Hidden lives are revealed, and common threads recur as Anna's gentle but insistent, and sometimes extremely direct, questions elicit poignant and profound responses from those sitting on the bench.

Presented and Produced by Anna Scott-Brown

An Overtone production for BBC Radio 4

First broadcast in 2019.

SUN 12:30 Tom Wrigglesworth's Open Letters (b01gvtj8)

Series 2

Insurance

Why is the insurance industry so confusing?

Award-winning comic, Tom Wrigglesworth returns for another series of his open letters.

Written by Tom Wrigglesworth, James Kettle and Miles Jupp. Producer: Simon Mayhew-Archer.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2012.

SUN 13:00 The Rub of Time by Martin Amis (Omnibus) (b0971xrt)

Martin Amis is one of the most celebrated authors of modern times.

This collection rounds up his non-fiction pieces from 1986 to 2016, with five compelling topics.

1. You Ask The Questions
2. On The Road
3. Iris Murdoch: Age Will Win
4. JG Ballard
5. Tennis

Omnibus of five parts read by Bill Nighy.

Producer: Duncan Minshull

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2017.

SUN 14:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07w0mjc)

Peter Greenaway

Film director Peter Greenaway selects Henry Hall's 'An Elephant Never Forgets' and Vivaldi's 'Bassoon Concerto in A Minor'.

SUN 14:20 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (Omnibus) (b00mp6nc)

Episode 3

1956: Neely's Hollywood career has collapsed. Back in New York she and Anne go to see Neely's old rival Helen Lawson in a new show.

Conclusion of Jacqueline Susann's 1960s best seller.

Three beautiful young women are best friends carving out careers in the entertainment industry.

Stars Madeleine Potter, Barbara Barnes, Kerry Shale, Sally Dexter and Coleen Prendergast.

Omnibus of the last five of fifteen episodes.

Dramatised by Yvonne Antrobus..

Anne Welles... Madeleine Potter

Neely O'Hara ...Barbara Barnes

Kevin... Kerry Shale

Helen Lawson... Sally Dexter

Attendant... Coleen Prendergast

Director... Nathan Osgood

Jennifer North... Julia Ford

Kevin... Kerry Shale

Claude ...Wayne Foskett

Dr Hall/Jerry ... Harry Myers

Nurse/Operator Susan Jameson

Jamie Glover Lyon Burke

Henry Bellamy ... Stuart Milligan

Other parts played by the cast.

Producer: Claire Grove

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2005.

SUN 15:30 Dr Hepcat and the Hepster's Dictionary (b04mcmml)

In 1938, the singer and band leader Cab Calloway became the first known African American to publish a book and call it a dictionary.

His book of jive talk, Cab Calloway's Hepster's Dictionary, translated some of the lively and inventive slang being used among musicians and entertainers in New York's Harlem, for a new audience of jazz fans who weren't yet 'hep to the jive'.

Poet Lemn Sissay finds out how Calloway, famous for his hit song Minnie the Moocher, came to write the dictionary, and how it became the official reference book of jive in the New York Public Library at a time when black people in America were still highly segregated from the white mainstream.

Lemn speaks to Cab Calloway's eldest daughter Camay Murphy who remembers Harlem in the 1930s and 40s, and Cab's grandson Christopher Calloway Brooks who is a bandleader himself.

Jive grew out of older African American vernaculars which had their roots in slave plantations in the 19th century. As people came up from the southern states to the northern cities to look for work, jive developed around the world of jazz music, entertainment and night life in Harlem. It was a private 'in the know' language, a form of protection and a way to get past the authorities, but it was also fun and incredibly creative.

Some words survive, like hip, chick, groovy, dig, cool and beat. Other jive terms may no longer be in use - like collar to

comprehend, pounders for policemen, or a rug cutter for a good dancer - but the words of jive remain a revealing portrait of Harlem in its heyday.

Producer: Jo Wheeler

A Brook Lapping production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in October 2014.

SUN 16:00 Harriet O'Carroll - Minuet (m00167xz)

The story of novelist Jane Austen's real-life love affair with a romantic young Irishman which fuelled her desire to become a writer.

Starring Helen McCrory as Jane Austen.

Written by Harriet O'Carroll.

Jane Austen Helen McCrory

Tom John Light

Mr Austen John Rowe

Mrs Austen Paula Jacobs

Eliza Geraldine Fitzgerald

With Frances Jeater, Tilly Gaunt, Giles Pagan and Harry Myers.

Director: Cherry Cookson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1999.

SUN 17:00 Poetry Extra (m00167xx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 today]

SUN 17:30 Tom Wrighlesworth's Open Letters (b01gvtj8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 18:00 Ghosts From The Past (m000drg7)

A Warden for All Saints by HS Bhabra

Dark forces are unleashed in this tale of revenge stalking the corridors of Oxbridge.

John Rowe stars in HS Bhabra's haunting drama.

Simon Evans John Rowe

James Montague Benjamin Whitrow

Mathew Moors Keith Drinkel

Lang/Voice David Learner

Waiter/Jack Ainsley Eric Allen

Lord Medway/Doctor Brett Usher

Leo Dart John Webb

Dramatised by Gerry Jones.

Director: Martin Jenkins.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1992.

SUN 18:45 Short Stories by LP Hartley (b0bbnx5)

4. Someone in the Lift

Mystery during a family's hotel stay, when only the son can see a mysterious figure when using the lift.

Read by Robert Lang.

Series of creepy tales written by LP Hartley.

Producer: Peter Kavanagh

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1988.

SUN 19:00 The Moth Radio Hour (m00167xv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

SUN 19:50 Inheritance Tracks (b07158fp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:10 today]

SUN 20:00 Harriet O'Carroll - Minuet (m00167xz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 today]

SUN 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00167xr)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry (m000fgky)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 today]

SUN 22:00 Tom Wrighlesworth's Open Letters (b01gvtj8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 today]

SUN 22:30 Seekers (b03c4htz)

Series 1

The Diary

Stuart is concerned that the gift he left Nicola in her desk drawer could be misinterpreted.

In fact, it's the worst gift in the history of gifts. Joe, uncharacteristically, offers to help and retrieve the gift (during a diversion created by Gary Probert). Joe only manages to make matters worse - or does he? Stuart could actually be finally getting somewhere with Nicola.

Steven Burge's comedy about the staff and the clients who frequent a Job Centre in the Essex town of Rayleigh.

Starring Matthew Horne and Daniel Mays.

Stuart Mathew Horne

Joe Daniel Mays

Terry Tony Way

Nicola Zahra Ahmadi

Mr Rutherford Alex Lowe

Mr Knowledge Alex Lowe

Gary Probert Steve Oram

Mrs Rossiter Hannah Wood

Producer: Katie Tyrrell.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2013.

SUN 23:00 Edge Falls (b00djdwf)

Series 2

Episode 4

A new pet shop is set to open at Edge Falls retail park, but it seems to be lacking pets?

Starring Frances Barber and Mark Benton.

Sitcom about the retail park where they stop at nothing to part you from your money.

Written by Paul Barnhill and Neil Warhurst.

Mick Mark Benton

Sonya Frances Barber

Rez Emil Marwa

Valerie Sarah Hadland

Darryl Paul Barnhill

Alan Ben Crowe

Ralph Neil Warhurst

Mrs Evans Joan Walker

Mum Liz Sutherland

Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2008.

SUN 23:30 Dan and Nick: The Wildebeest Years (b0089c0y)

Jelly Stinger

Dan Freedman and Nick Romero's pun-fest, where salty talk show host Jelly Stinger meets some fishy guests.

Comedy extravaganza written by and featuring Dan Freedman and Nick Romero.

With Richard Coles.

Music by the Gents.

Producer: Julian Mayers

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1998

MONDAY 11 APRIL 2022

MON 00:00 Ghosts From The Past (m000drg7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Sunday]

MON 00:45 Short Stories by LP Hartley (b0bbnx5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:45 on Sunday]

MON 01:00 The Rub of Time by Martin Amis (Omnibus) (b097lxrt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 13:00 on Sunday]

MON 02:10 Inheritance Tracks (b07w0mjc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:10 on Sunday]

MON 02:20 Jacqueline Susann - Valley of the Dolls (Omnibus) (b00mp6nc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:20 on Sunday]

MON 03:30 Dr Hepcat and the Hepster's Dictionary (b04mcmnl)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:30 on Sunday]

MON 04:00 Harriet O'Carroll - Minuet (m00167xz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 16:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:00 Poetry Extra (m00167xx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:00 on Sunday]

MON 05:30 Tom Wrighlesworth's Open Letters (b01gvtj8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 12:30 on Sunday]

MON 06:00 Raffles (b01p3mq2)

Series 1

6. The Chest of Silver

With Inspector MacKenzie's suspicions about Raffles' professional life growing, AJ decides it's time to visit Scotland.

But Bunny is not to go with him: as he has responsibility for guarding Raffles' illegally-acquired silver plate.

Starring Jeremy Clyde and Michael Cochrane.

EW Hornung's early Raffles stories dramatised by David Buck.

Inspector MacKenzie Henry Stamper

Man 1 at Turkish Baths David Garth

Man 2 at Turkish Baths Garard Green

Man 1 at Bank Richard Durden

Man 2 at Bank Robin Summers

Clerk Brian Smith

Porter Adrian Egan

Cabman Gordon Reid

Flunkey David Learner

Signature tune composed by Jim Parker.

Director: Gordon House

A BBC Radio 4/World Service production first broadcast in November 1985.

MON 06:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000hx33)

2. The House in Geneva

Charles Stein is on a mission to Switzerland to meet his old Colonel.

Can he discover the truth about the missing treasures from the Nazi Kaiseroda mine?

The title of Len Deighton's riveting thriller XPD stands for Expedient Demise.

An alleged secret meeting between Churchill and Hitler in 1940 is at the centre of the tangled plot; Will the so-called Hitler Minutes prove Churchill a traitor?

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Boyd Stuart Trevor Nichols

Charles Stein Bruce Boa

Colonel Pitman Barry Morse

Shumuk George Coulouris

Ian Tyler Billy Stein

Loden Bernard Brown

Mme Maurig Mary Wimbush

Kalkhoven Stuart Milligan

Ivan David Garth

Grechko David Sinclair

Hollis David Learner

Parker Colin Starkey

Producer: Peter King

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1985.

MON 07:00 Daliso Chaponda: Citizen of Nowhere (b0b3d42l)

Series 1

Border Patrol

Malawian Comedian Daliso Chaponda looks at the relationship between the UK and Africa.

The UK and Africa have had a long a complicated past. This series looks at the history of this relationship and Daliso is our relationship guidance counsellor, helping us navigate the rocky historical waters between the two places.

A Malawian comedian who grew up all over the world, Daliso straddles cultural divides. He will help us all better understand

how to sort out our differences. Or not...

In this final episode, Daliso talks about the process of immigration.

Written and performed by Daliso Chaponda.

The Other Guy... James Quinn

Theme tune by Lavi

Image by Steve Ullathorne

Producer, Carl Cooper

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2018.

MON 07:30 The Unbelievable Truth (m00162mw)

Series 28

Episode 1

David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies and compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents.

Lucy Porter, Holly Walsh, Tony Hawks and Alan Davies are the panellists obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as Advertising, Essex, Candles, and Water.

Produced by Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4

MON 08:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00j2j7e)

Series 2

Episode 8

A bizarre slice of Shakespeare - and a poem for a man with a plan.

A sequential entertainment for radio starring Ronnie Barker.

With:

Terence Brady

Pauline Yates

John Graham

Pianist: Gordon Langford

Guitarist: Dick Abell.

Written by Chris Allen, Peter Campbell, Ted Clayton and

Patrick Ennis, John Graham, Roy Lomax, Donald Monat and

June Dixon, Frank A Terry and Harold Arphor.

Producer John Fawcett-Wilson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1972.

MON 08:30 Chambers (b007jqnh)

Series 1

Trial By Television

Ruth gets a job as "Legal Eagle" on breakfast telly.

This leaves John Fuller-Carp desperate to make a bigger TV splash.

Clive Coleman's sitcom about the questionable practices of a group of barristers.

John Fuller Carp John Bird

Hilary Tripping James Fleet

Ruth Quirke Lesley Sharp

Vince Jonathan Kydd

Matthew Hoadley Robert Duncan

Trudy Susie Brann

Sylvie Jane Whittenshaw

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1996.

MON 09:00 Counterpoint (b010dh4d)

Series 25

2011 Heat 3

Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz. The questions cover every aspect of music - from the classical repertoire to world music, show tunes, film scores, jazz, rock and pop.

The third trio of 27 competitors are in London as the 25th anniversary series continues.

Edward Halsted from Finchley, London

Ian Fennell from Worcestershire

Alison Rawlinson from Godalming, Surrey

Producer: Paul Bajoria

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2011.

MON 09:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b00mzslr)

Series 3

Episode 4

If Isaac Newton had been a middle aged woman he would have discovered gravity much sooner. But would he have joined a gym?

Fat is a feminist issue and everybody else's when Pamela takes action.

Sitcom set in the Cyber Pass' internet café.

Written by and starring Mervyn Stutter.

Merv Mervyn Stutter

Pam Lill Roughley

Dibden John Challis

Nev Gyuri Sarossy

Chantal Tracy-Ann Oberman

Dilkes Chris Etridge

Various Geoffrey McGivern

Songs by Mervyn Stutter.

Performed by Swamp Things.

Producer: Simon Nicholls

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2004.

MON 10:00 Dr Wallace - Hand in Glove (m00167kz)

Series 2

3. Not Proven

An attempted suicide succeeds belatedly and sets a difficult puzzle for DC Curran and Dr Wallace.

Barbara hears the results of her exams and finds herself having

to make an unexpected career decision.

Set in 1920s Stirling, Stephen Mulrine's series about the town's Chief Pathologist, Dr Wallace.

Wallace Martyn James
Mrs Wallace Jan Moffatt
DC Curran Liam Brennan
Pritchard Michael Perceval-Maxwell
O'Donnell/Stamley Billy Boyd
Barbara Meg Fraser
McDaid/Waite Frank Gallagher
Dr Randolph Alec Heggie
Mrs Hamilton/Sister Fagan Grace Glover
Blyth/Atkinson Robin Thomson
Dr Ibbotson Louise Beattie
Helen Jane Hensley
Director: Hamish Wilson
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997
MON 11:00 TED Radio Hour (m00167zm)
Series 9
The Public Commons
A journey through fascinating ideas based on talks by riveting speakers on the TED (Technology, Entertainment, Design) stage.
Manoush Zomorodi explores how can we create public places that feel welcoming and safe for everyone?
First broadcast in the USA on National Public Radio in 2021.
MON 11:50 Inheritance Tracks (m00167zp)
Annie Nightingale CBE
DJ Annie Nightingale CBE chooses Many A New Day from Rodgers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma and Three Little Birds by Bob Marley.
MON 12:00 Lines From My Grandfather's Forehead (b00j2j7c)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
MON 12:30 Chambers (b007jnhq)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
MON 13:00 Raffles (b01p3mq2)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
MON 13:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000hx33)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
MON 14:00 Big Pig, Little Pig by Jacqueline Yallop (b08wn2jk)
Episode 1
When Jacqueline Yallop moves to south-west France with her husband, she embraces rural village life and buys two pigs to rear for slaughter. But as she gets to know the animals better, her English sentimentality threatens to get in the way and she begins to wonder if she can actually bring herself to kill them. This is a memoir about that fateful decision, but it's also about the ethics of meat eating in the modern age, and whether we should know, respect and even love the animals we eat. At its heart, this book is a love story, exploring Jacqueline's increasing attachment for her particular pigs, and celebrating the enduring closeness of humans and pigs over the centuries. Written by Jacqueline Yallop
Read by Imogen Stubbs
Abridged by Amanda Hargreaves
Produced by Jill Waters
A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.
MON 14:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007jvlf)
Episode 6
After the death of his friend, Richardson cuts himself off from the group and their familiar surroundings. But while out walking one day he comes across a figure he recognises...
HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel (published in 1952)
Dramatised by Vivienne Allen.
Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith
Richardson Jordan Frieda
Lydia Juliet Aubrey
Tom Jamie Bamber
Nancy Clare Corbett
McKechnie Tom Mannion.
Director: Tracey Neale
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.
MON 14:30 Knutas on Britain (b00yqtxp)
Random musings from Finnish tango expert John Knutas on a trip to Britain. An outsiders view of British eccentricity from organ playing to portable saunas to dog trailing.
John Knutas visits Blackpool to explore the Tower Ballroom, dancing and organ playing, while a local clairvoyant tells him he has no future in radio.
He takes in Britain's largest spa shop in the affluent area of Knutsford and heads to Cumbria to discover more about hound trailing.
Then he explores urban horse riding back in London, reflecting on his trip to Britain, saying British eccentricity is an art form, a refreshing fact for a reserved Scandinavian.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.
MON 15:00 Dr Wallace - Hand in Glove (m00167zk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
MON 16:00 Counterpoint (b010dh4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
MON 16:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b00mzslr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
MON 17:00 Daliso Chaponda: Citizen of Nowhere (b0b3d42l)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
MON 17:30 The Unbelievable Truth (m00162mw)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 18:00 Charles Chilton - Space Force (b007jn3c)
Series 2
1. The Return of the Sun God
On patrol in Egypt - scanning the sky for asteroids - the crew of Space Force witness a massive ball of light coming towards Earth...
Charles Chilton's second intergalactic adventure series in six parts starring Barry Foster.
Captain Saxon Berry Barry Foster
Chipper Barnett Nicky Henson
Magnus Carter Nigel Stock
Lodderick Sincere Tony Osoba
With Wendy Murray, Willoughby Goddard, Bernard Brown and Mia Soteriou.
Charles Chilton wrote and produced many popular and successful radio programmes for the BBC - including the classic 1950s serial 'Journey into Space' - charting the adventures of Captain Jet Morgan. This fired the imagination of millions, years before the first moon landing. It was the last radio drama to record higher ratings than the new young upstart television!
Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1985.
MON 18:30 A Good Read (b03szh9c)
Lord Mervyn King and Arabella Weir
Mervyn King, former Governor of the Bank of England, and Arabella Weir, comic actor and writer, reveal their favourite books to presenter Harriett Gilbert.
Lord Mervyn King's choice: The Prince by Machiavelli
Published by Penguin
Arabella Weir's choice: A Short Gentleman by Jon Canter
Published by Vintage
Harriett Gilbert's choice: Love and War in the Apennines by Eric Newby
Published by HarperCollins
Producer Beth O'Dea
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2014.
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MON 22:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m00162mw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
MON 22:30 Liam Williams: Ladhood (b06ptymb)
Series 1
Truants
Liam Williams - a two-time Edinburgh Festival Award nominated comedian - shares his teenage misadventures in the Yorkshire suburbs.
With evocative monologues by "Adult Liam" being interjected with flashback scenes from his teenage years, this four-part series was recorded in Leeds and stars teens from Yorkshire. Each episode delves into Liam's memories of his first fight, virginity loss, the best house party ever organised, and his marvellous outwitting of an entire teaching staff.
This is the New Labour, post-mining, aspirational heartland, meeting 50 Cent and Generation Y ennui, represented in a bourgeois radio format - by one of Britain's most exciting comedians.
Adult Liam Liam Williams
Young Liam Alfie Field
Bradley Dixon Sam Shaw
Cranny Matthew Hudson
Ralph Fletcher George Richardson
Craig Cheng Ken Cheng
Mrs Pallister Amelia Lowdell
Liam's Mum Debra Baker
Liam's Dad Caoilan McCarthy
Mr Draper Ewan Bailey
Mr Bishop Gerard McDermott
Teacher 1 Evie Killip
Producer: Arnab Chanda
A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in November 2015.
MON 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0016kxy)
Joz Norris 2/3
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Iain Lee chats to Joz Norris.
MON 23:00 The Now Show (m001638t)
Series 60
Episode 5
Steve Punt and Hugh Dennis are joined by the voices of Chiara Goldsmith and Luke Kempner. Laura Smyth details her experience working as a remote teacher, and Chris Thorburn looks into the Grammys. Music is provided by Tim Sutton and Sooz Kempner.
MON 23:30 Sarah Millican's Support Group (b010twf6)
Series 2
1. 'My partner is too controlling - a fight for the TV remote'

"My partner is too controlling - a fight for the television remote"
"I'm a non drinker with no friends - should I just buy a cat?"
Sarah Millican returns as a life counsellor and modern-day agony aunt tackling the nation's problems head on, dishing out real advice for real people.
Assisted by her very own team of experts of the heart - man of the people local cabbie Terry, and self qualified counsellor Marion,
Sarah tackles the nation's problems head on and has a solution for everything.
Sarah Sarah Millican
Marion Ruth Bratt
Terry Simon Daye
Linda Diane Morgan
Matthew Will Smith
Written by Sarah Millican.
Producer: Lianne Coop
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2011.

TUESDAY 12 APRIL 2022

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TUE 06:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jctjf)
Series 1
1. Headless in Glasgow
Two unlikely cops, Detective Inspector Bob Boxer and Detective Constable Shona Doberman, probe an academics killing spree in Glasgow.
Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama series stars Finlay Welsh, Anita Vettesse and James Bryce.
DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the plodding old-school cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.
DI Bob Boxer Finlay Welsh
DC Shona Doberman Anita Vettesse
DCI Paton James Bryce
Rev Sammy Strangeweather Ralph Riach
Melanie Strangeweather Ann Scott-Jones
Other parts played by the cast.
Producer: David Jackson Young.
Made for BBC Radio 7 by BBC Radio Scotland and first broadcast in March 2009.
TUE 06:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000hwpg)
3. An Egg Farm in Norfolk
On the trail of wartime secrets, Boyd Stuart has been sent to Los Angeles by the British Secret Service to investigate a film company.
But he's being followed and his contact dies....
Len Deighton's riveting thriller XPD stands for Expedient Demise. Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.
Boyd Stuart Trevor Nichols
Charles Stein Bruce Boa
Max Breslow Bernard Hepton
Wever Carl Duering
Reader Colin Starkey
Case Officer Alan Thompson
Psychiatrist David Garth
Mrs Breslow Mary Wimbush
Mrs Wever Anne Jameson
Hitler David Sinclair
Producer: Peter King
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1985.
TUE 07:00 Fags, Mags and Bags (b092cncps)
Series 7
Burger, Burger, Burger, Burger, Burger
The return of more shop based shenanigans and over the counter philosophy, courtesy of Ramesh Mahju and his trusty sidekick Dave.
Set in a Scots-Asian corner shop, the award winning series returns with all the shop regular characters, and guest appearances along the way, from the likes of Sean Biggerstaff, Mina Anwar, Greg McHugh and Simon Greenall.

In this opening episode, we pick up on Dave's relationship with his best friend Lesley. Does Dave see a future in the friendship, and what does Lenzie think of his blossoming bromance?

Join the staff of Fags, Mags and Bags in their tireless quest to bring nice-price custard creams and cans of coke with Arabic writing on them to an ungrateful nation. Ramesh Mahju has built it up over the course of over 30 years and is a firmly entrenched, friendly presence in the local area. He is joined by his shop sidekick, Dave.

Then of course there are Ramesh's sons Sanjay and Alok, both surly and not particularly keen on the old school approach to shop-keeping, but natural successors to the business. Ramesh is keen to pass all his worldly wisdom onto them - whether they like it or not!

Written by and starring Donald Mcleary and Sanjeev Kohli.

Ramesh Sanjeev Kohli
Dave Donald McLeary
Sanjay Omar Raza

Alok Susheel Kumar
Malcolm Mina Anwar
Lesley Simon Greenall
Bra Jeff Steven McNicol
Hilly Kate Brailsford

Producer: Gus Beattie for Gusman Productions

A Comedy Unit production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in August 2017.

TUE 07:30 Teatime (m000fghv)

Episode 1

Comedy by Katherine Jakeways about a chaotic but loving family. Starring Philip Glenister, Samantha Spiro, Aimee-Ffion Edwards, Prasanna Puwanarajah, Katie Redford and Steven Brandon.

Newlyweds Vicky (Edwards) and Rav (Puwanarajah) have just got back from their honeymoon and are looking forward to their first quiet night in as a married couple. But a quiet night in proves impossible when Vicky's family invite themselves round. Vicky's parents Donna (Spiro) and Joe (Glenister) have separated, but Joe has been keen to rekindle the old spark. Vicky's sister Lisa (Redford) is scandalised by what she thinks she remembers happening at the wedding. And Uncle Bob (Brandon) makes a spirited attempt at breaking the world record for most spoons balanced on the face. 31 spoons to beat. So much for a quiet night in.

Teatime was produced by Sam Ward, and is a BBC Studios production.

TUE 08:00 The Goon Show (b007qzrx)

The Case of the Missing Heir

As a Dimberger, Neddie Seagoon sets out to dethrone a Heidelbergberger...

Groundbreaking, surreal BBC radio comedy written by Spike Milligan.

Starring:

Peter Sellers
Harry Secombe
Spike Milligan

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

With the Ray Ellington Quartet and Max Geldray.

Orchestra conducted by Wally Stott.

Announcer: Wallace Greenslade

Producer: Peter Eton

First broadcast on the BBC Home Service in January 1955.

TUE 08:30 One Foot in the Grave (b007jmxg)

Alive and Buried

Grumpy Victor Meldrew arrives at work to learn that he's no longer employed and is set to be replaced by a box.

With time passing very slowly in his enforced retirement, Victor gripes about newsmagazines and worries about becoming a lavatory junkie.

Richard Wilson stars as Victor and Annette Crosbie as his long-suffering wife Margaret.

Adapted for radio by David Renwick from his BBC TV script.

Victor Meldrew Richard Wilson
Margaret Meldrew Annette Crosbie
Mrs Warboys Doreen Mantle

Nick Swainey Owen Brenman
With Sally Grace and Jeffrey Holland.

Winning numerous awards, six series were made for TV plus numerous specials on BBC ONE from 1990 to 2000.

Producer: Diane Messias

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in January 1995.

TUE 09:00 The Now Show (m001638U)

[Repeat of broadcast at 23:00 on Monday]

TUE 09:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00v138x)

Series 2

London

Jago's been kidnapped and taken to London, but Dewey's far more interested in seeing "Bedlam", which is now in its sixth record-breaking year.

It's 1793 and in the small Cornish village of Drumlun Bay, heroic smuggler Tamsyn Trelawny is still running rings around the customs men, assisted by her drunken father Jago.

Written by Tom Jamieson and New Fountain.

Starring Sheridan Smith as Tamsyn Trelawny, John Bowe as Jago Trelawny, Cameron Stewart as Major Thomas Falconer, Andrew McGibbon as Captain Marriot, Martin Hyder as Squire Bascombe, Mark Felgate as Dewey and Mark Perry as Hobbs. Producer: Jan Ravens.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2004.

TUE 10:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters (b007jsvj)

1. Calf Love

The last novel from the author of 'Cranford' finds Molly faced with spending time away from Papa. Starring Tom Wilkinson.

Molly Kathryn Hurlbutt
Mr Gibson Tom Wilkinson
Clare Angela Pleasence
Squire Hamley Robert Lang

Mrs Hamley Lillias Walker

Lady Cuxhaven Anna Fox

Mr Cox Alex Jennings

BethiaPauline Siddall

Maid Carole Boyd

Mrs Gaskell Thelma Whiteley

Music composed by Rachel Portman

Directed By: Jane Morgan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1983

TUE 11:00 One Foot In The Grave - A Celebration Of A Comedy Classic (b068hyw4)

Would you believe it? In January 1990, BBC TV broadcast the very first episode of One Foot In The Grave, much of it filmed along England's South Coast.

Doreen Mantle - who played Mrs Warboys - looks back at the history of the classic TV sitcom about the ever grumpy Victor Meldrew (Richard Wilson) and his long-suffering wife Margaret (Annette Crosbie).

It ran for 6 series, plus festive specials and selected episodes were adapted for BBC Radio.

Featuring: series writer David Renwick, producer Susan Belbin, Richard Wilson, Annette Crosbie and Angus Deayton.

Producer: Richard Latto

First broadcast on BBC Radio Solent in December 2014.

TUE 12:00 The Goon Show (b007qzrx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

TUE 12:30 One Foot in the Grave (b007jmxg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

TUE 13:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jetjf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

TUE 13:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000hwpq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 14:00 Big Pig, Little Pig by Jacqueline Yallop (b08xd0v7)

Episode 2

When Jacqueline Yallop moves to south-west France with her husband, she embraces rural village life and buys two pigs to rear for slaughter. But as she gets to know the animals better, her English sentimentality threatens to get in the way and she begins to wonder if she can actually bring herself to kill them. This is a memoir about that fateful decision, but it's also about the ethics of meat eating in the modern age, and whether we should know, respect and even love the animals we eat.

At its heart, this book is a love story, exploring Jacqueline's increasing attachment for her particular pigs, and celebrating the enduring closeness of humans and pigs over the centuries. In this episode, the two pigs settle in well, but Jacqueline and Ed now need to move them to a bigger home.

Written by Jacqueline Yallop

Read by Imogen Stubbs

Abridged by Amanda Hargreaves

Produced by Jill Waters

A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.

TUE 14:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007jvlh)

Episode 7

After the death of his friend, Richardson cuts himself off from the group and their familiar surroundings.

Richardson decides he has to move on. Tom is happy, but storm clouds are gathering.

HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel (published in 1952)

Dramatised by Vivienne Allen.

Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith

Richardson Jordan Frieda

Lydia Juliet Aubrey

Tom Jamie Bamber

Nancy Clare Corbett

McKechnie Tom Mannion.

Phely.....Isabelle Joss

Bretherton.....Philip Fox

Director: Tracey Neale

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

TUE 14:30 My Pakistani Jazz Orchestra (b04n31w6)

Izzat Majeed could have retired quietly, but instead he formed the Sachal Jazz Ensemble and built a music studio in Lahore.

The London-based father of three was born and brought up in Lahore. He recalls a vibrant city full of music and culture.

When he was a child, Pakistan's film industry -nicknamed 'Lollywood' - produced 100 movies a year.

He recalls seeing the Dave Brubeck Trio playing in the city as part of America's Jazz Ambassadors Tour. This was the start of a lifelong affection for jazz. As the years passed, a less culturally tolerant society took shape in Pakistan. Izzat was extremely disheartened by this. Lollywood all but disappeared and the classical musicians at it's heart disappeared with it.

They had to make ends meet in any way they could, and music was no longer a way to do this. When Izzat retired, he decided to do something about it. The Sachal Jazz Ensemble was born. Contributors:

Sameer Khan

Peter Riley

Nijat Ali

Baqar Abbas

Izzat Majeed

Christoph Bracher

Jay Visvadeva

Amina Yaqub

Jagdeep Shah

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

TUE 15:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters (b007jsvj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

TUE 16:00 The 3rd Degree (b0bgcgc)

Series 8

Brunel University

A funny and dynamic quiz show hosted by Steve Punt - this week from Brunel University with specialist subjects including Politics, Theatre and Computer Science and questions ranging from La Dame Aux Camelias and XOR gates to wardrobe malfunctions and Axl Rose.

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 Justin Bieber. 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 Merton College Oxford, Dundee, Hertfordshire, Sheffield and Newcastle.

Produced by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2018.

TUE 16:30 Elephants to Catch Eels (b00v138x)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]

TUE 17:00 Fags, Mags and Bags (b092cnps)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 17:30 Teatime (m000fghv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 18:00 Charles Chilton - Space Force (b007jn4d)

Series 2

2. The Red Planet

The Space Force crew make a discovery in Egypt - while stowaways are reported on the Mars-bound ship.

Charles Chilton's second intergalactic adventure series starring Barry Foster.

Captain Saxon Berry Barry Foster

Chipper Barnett Nicky Henson

Magnus Carter Nigel Stock

Lodderick Sincere Tony Osoba

With Wendy Murray, Willoughby Goddard, Bernard Brown and Mia Soteriou.

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Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1985.

TUE 18:30 Soul Music (b06qjtqs)

Series 21

Nkosi Sikelel iAfrica

Nkosi Sikelel iAfrica (Lord Bless Africa) is a song that runs through the very soul of South African life. It was originally composed in 1897 by Enoch Sontonga, a Xhosa clergyman at a Methodist mission school near Johannesburg who is said to have been inspired by the melody of John Parry's 'Aberystwyth', a hymn that would've been shared by Welsh missionaries at that time. It went on to travel the African continent but most significantly it became one of the defining symbols of a united South Africa - a country that still holds this song at it's heart.

Having travelled through the country's Christian congregations it soon rang out from meetings and protest rallies throughout the apartheid era eventually becoming the unofficial anthem of the ANC (African National Congress Party). At a time of great hardship and pain, it was a song that offered hope and encouragement to millions of South Africans.

Having being sentenced to life imprisonment, Nkosi Sikelel iAfrica was the song that Nelson Mandela will have heard being sung out by his supporters as he and his fellow ANC members were driven away to Robben Island. Decades later it was the hymn that he would use to unify his country as it was adapted into the South African National Anthem.

Featuring interviews with: Albert Maziuko of Ladysmith Black Mambazo, Lord Joel Joffe, author

Sindiwe Magona, Edward Griffiths - former CEO of South African Rugby during the 1995 World Cup, music journalist Robin Denslow and the Za Foundation's Zakhele Choir.

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Produced in Bristol by Nicola Humphries

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

TUE 22:30 The Nick Revell Show (b007jp45)

Series 1

Holy Water

The life of a struggling writer with his dysfunctional friends and a talking geranium.

A sitcom for the 1990s, written by and starring comedian Nick Revell.

With Alistair McGowan, Caroline Gruber, Kate McKenzie and Brian Bowles.

Special guest star: Brian Johnston and Vince the geranium.

Producer: Jon Magnusson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1992.

TUE 23:00 The Pin (b08xscxk)

Series 3

Education

Double-act The Pin are back with more of their trademark offbeat nonsense.

In this episode, in a desperate bid not to be cut, Alex and Ben are determined to prove they can be educational.

With Steve Brody and Jo Enright.

Written and performed by Ben Ashenden and Alex Owen.

Produced by Sam Bryant.

A BBC Studios Production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.

TUE 23:30 The Million Pound Radio Show (b008ythm)

Series 2

Episode 3

Spooing the royals - and chatty dinosaurs. Andy Hamilton and Nick Revell's sharp-edged topical humour. From September 1986.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Tuesday]

WED 05:30 Teatime (m000fghv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd6wp)

Series 1

2. The Killings in Kirkcubrae

DI Bob Boxer and DC Shona Doberman probe a link between some nasty serial killings in Glasgow and some gruesome murders in an idyllic village in the remote Scottish Highlands.

Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama stars Finlay Welsh as DI Bob Boxer, Anita Vettesse as DC Shona Doberman and James Bryce as DCI Paton.

DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the grizzled old-school cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Radio Scotland.

First broadcast in March 2009.

WED 06:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j124)

4. The Hitler Minutes

Secret Service agent Boyd returns to England to question Wever, an ex-German soldier who claims he helped load the 'Kaiseroda' treasure on to the train and into Hitler's mine. Is he telling the truth?

Len Deighton's riveting thriller XPD stands for Expedient Demise.

Dramatised in 8-parts by Michael Bakewell.

Boyd Stuart Trevor Nichols

Charles Stein Bruce Boa

Max Breslow Bernard Hepton

Reader Colin Starkey

Kitty Melinda Walker

Billy Stein Ian Tyler

Mary Breslow Helena Breck

Deputy Secretary Garard Green

Case Officer Alan Thompson

Section Head Bernard Brown

Producer: Peter King

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1985.

WED 07:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b00xpkw7)

Series 7

Become a Successful Writer

The most curmudgeonly author is back for a new series, complete with his trusty companion Elgar, his pipe and his never ending capacity for scrimping and scraping at whatever scraps his agent, Ping, can offer him to keep body, mind and cat together.

This week sees Ed enrolled on a writing course which endeavours to teach him how to 'write successfully'. He naturally feels he's already mastered this art, as testified to in the 1976 issue of Films and Filming, and the fact that he teaches his own course at the local leisure centre. However, much persuasion by Ping and the mention of free food and drink for three days finally sways Ed into attendance. In the event, Ed does learn a thing or two about setting up his very own 'Script Doctor' service at £25 a consultation. Christopher Douglas stars as Ed Reardon.

Written by Christopher Douglas and Andrew Nickolds.

Ed Reardon Christopher Douglas

Felix John Fortune

Jaz Milvane Philip Jackson

Ping Barunka O'Shaughnessy

Heidi Matilda Ziegler

Window Cleaner Dan Tetsell

Pearl Rita May

Olive Stephanie Cole

Stan Geoffrey Whitehead

Houseowner Paul Merton

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2011.

WED 07:30 Conversations from a Long Marriage (m00162y4)

Series 3

Please Don't Ever Change

Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam star in Jan Etherington's award-winning comedy, as a couple who are passionate about life and each other. This week: Joanna feels it's time they move house - somewhere with fewer stairs, that Roger might find more manageable, since his knee op. She calls it free-upping rather than downsizing. But an unexpected twist of fate means, to her horror, that it's, suddenly, Joanna who can't make the stairs. Conversations from a Long Marriage won the Voice of the Listener & Viewer Award for Best Radio Comedy in 2020. Conversations from a Long Marriage is written by Jan Etherington. It is produced and directed by Claire Jones. It is a BBC Studios Production.

Details of organisations offering information and support with some of the issues in this episode are available at bbc.co.uk/actionline.

'Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam have had illustrious acting careers but can they ever have done anything better than Jan Etherington's two hander? This is a work of supreme craftsmanship.' RADIO TIMES

'Peppered with nostalgic 60s hits and especially written for the pair, it's an endearing portrait of exasperation, laced with hard won tolerance - and something like love.' THE GUARDIAN 'The delicious fruit of the writer, Jan Etherington's experience of writing lots of TV and radio, blessed by being acted by Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam. Treasure this one, produced by Claire Jones. Unlike many a current Radio 4 'comedy', this series makes people laugh' GILLIAN REYNOLDS. SUNDAY TIMES

'You've been listening at my window, Jan'. JOANNA LUMLEY 'The writing is spot on and Joanna Lumley and Roger Allam exquisite. So real, so entertaining. Please never stop making such terrific radio'. BBC DUTY LOG

WED 08:00 Hancock's Half Hour (b007jsvk)

Series 5

The Election Candidate

The electioneering lad battles to represent East Cheam in the Houses of Parliament.

Stars Tony Hancock.

With Sidney James, Bill Kerr, Hattie Jacques and Kenneth Williams.

Written by Ray Galton and Alan Simpson.

Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.

Producer: Tom Ronald

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in March 1958.

WED 08:30 If You're So Clever, Why Aren't You Rich? (b00spp7w)

Series 2

Christmas In Hell

Giles is planning to propose to Judith, but then neurotic alcoholic Felicity turns up.

Stars Douglas Hodge, Paul Bigley and Amanda Root.

Comedy drama series about three promising graduates still underachieving in their 30s.

Written by Paul Shearer and Richard Turner.

Giles Douglas Hodge

David Paul Bigley

Judith Amanda Root

Other parts played by Caroline Langrishe, Jacqueline Beatty, Pip Torrens, Patience Tomlinson and David Timpson.

Producer: Paul Schlesinger

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1996.

WED 09:00 The Write Stuff (b009rjdh)

Series 11

Jonathan Swift

James Walton takes the chair for the game of literary correctness.

Team captains Sebastian Faulks and John Walsh are joined by Peter Kemp and Andrew Davies.

Author of the week is Jonathan Swift.

Reader: Beth Chalmers

Producer: Katie Marsden

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2008.

WED 09:30 Spangles 'n' Tights (b04phxy)

Medieval Banquet

The Dublin theatrical costumiers dress a medieval banquet in a ghostly castle.

Christopher Fitz-Simon's five-part comedy.

Dessie Doyle David Kelly

Violet Doyle Pauline McLynn

Antony Gogan Eugene O'Brien

Mr McNamara Frank Kelly

Fidelma Fitzpatrick Roma Tomelty

High King Birdy Sweeney

Cliona O'Sloothrahan Anna Byrne

Cardinal Poggibonisi John Keyes

Court Jester Paddy Scully

Music played by John Trotter.

Directed at BBC Belfast by Roland Jaquarollo.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1998.

WED 10:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters (b007jsvt)

2. A Crisis

The prospect of a stepmother looms large on Molly's horizon.

Starring Tom Wilkinson and Kathryn Hurlbutt.

Molly Kathryn Hurlbutt

Mr Gibson Tom Wilkinson

Clare Angela Pleasence

Squire Hamley Robert Lang

Mrs Hamley Lillias Walker

Roger Hamley Michael Troughton

Lady Cummor Pauline Letts

Lord Cummor Kerry Francis

Lady Harriet Marian Diamond

Lady Cuxhaven Anna Fox

Lord Hollingford Geoffrey Collins

Mary Pauline Siddle

Robinson Nigel Graham

Bulter David Peart

Mrs Gaskell Thelma Whiteley

Music composed by Rachel Portman

Director Jane Morgan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1983

WED 11:00 Isy Suttie's Guide to Love and Romance (m000dqx6)

1. First Loves and Valentines

Comedian Isy Suttie gets in the mood for Valentine's Day using her unique brand of humour to share her lessons in life and love.

Suttie has often observed other people's love lives and regularly intervened, changing the action dramatically - for better or worse. Discussing 'all things love' in the 21st century with friends, gathering fresh contributions and introducing extracts from The Listening Project she builds a hilarious and often moving account of amour and desire.

With friends, her partner Elis James and the radio archive, Suttie relates real life anecdotes from her own, often disastrous, love life.

Features: 'Valentine's Day' by John Osborne [2013]

Producer: Stephen Garner

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

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Written by Jacqueline Yallop

Read by Imogen Stubbs

Abridged by Amanda Hargreaves

Produced by Jill Waters

A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.

WED 14:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007jvln)

Episode 8

After the death of his friend, Richardson cuts himself off from the group and their familiar surroundings.

When Richardson finally returns home, a startling discovery awaits him.

HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel (published in 1952)

Dramatised by Vivienne Allen.

Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith

Richardson Jordan Frieda

Lydia Juliet Aubrey

Helen Longworth.....

Margaret Tyzack.....

Phely.....Isabelle Joss

Bretherton.....Philip Fox

Director: Tracey Neale

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

WED 14:30 Night Visions (b01cwpv1)

A radiophonic journey into the extraordinary world of an aerial crime fighter, peace invader, beholder of night visions and all-seeing eye.

Poet Paul Farley takes a journey into the London night aboard the Metropolitan Police helicopter. From its base deep in Epping Forest the city lights can be seen twinkling in the distance.

Once the crew is scrambled and the helicopter takes off the illuminated metropolis begins to move beneath him as the the Air Support Unit dashes through the air from task to task. Be it searching for a missing person on a railway siding or a burglar hiding in gardens, taking on car pursuits or watching a house well out of earshot whilst an armed unit lays siege, it observes London and its inhabitants through thermal image cameras which turn night into day.

What the naked eye sees, however, is a vision of sublime beauty as the electric city lights up.

Farley reflects on this world of transformation and in his poem, The Asset, the helicopter takes on a life of its own.

Producer: Neil McCarthy

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.

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Series 2

The Great Martian Pyramid

Landing on Mars, the Space Force crew start explorations - but find their welcome is far from warm.

Charles Chilton's second intergalactic adventure series starring Barry Foster.

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Chipper Barnett Nicky Henson

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Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in May 1985.

WED 18:30 How Tickled Am I? (b007jp11)

Series 1

Les Dawson

"Hardship? He knew all about it..."

Mark Radcliffe profiles the career of the Mancunian wordsmith who started out playing piano in a Parisian brothel - and went on to become one of this country's most popular comedians. Featuring Roy Barraclough.

A six-part series exploring the tradition of the northern comedian.

Producer: Bernadette McConnell

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Series 3

Where's David?

Comedy's best kept secret ingredient returns with another series of his own sketch show.

In this episode, Kevin Eldon and his all-important cast return with sketches about the Napoleonic Wars, boiler parts and a nice rollercoaster.

Kevin Eldon is a comedy phenomenon. He's been in virtually every major comedy show in recent years, but not content with working with the likes of Chris Morris, Steve Coogan, Armando Iannucci, Harry Enfield and Paul Whitehouse, Stewart Lee, Julia Davis and Graham Linehan, he's also created his own comedy series.

Also starring Amelia Bullmore (I'm Alan Partridge, Scott & Bailey), Julia Davis (Nighty Night), Paul Putner (Little Britain), Justin Edwards (The Thick Of It), David Reed (The Penny Dreadfuls) and Rosie Cavaliero (Alan Partridge, Harry and Paul).

Written by Kevin Eldon with additional material by Jason Hazeley and Joel Morris (A Touch Of Cloth and, yes, those modern Ladybird books)

Original music by Martin Bird

Produced and directed by David Tyler

A Pozzitive production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in May 2017.

WED 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m0016kz0)

Joz Norris 3/3

From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Iain Lee chats to Joz Norris.

WED 23:00 Radio Active (b00hk2dn)

Series 7

The Mega Phone-In

The biggest ever phone-in attempted on radio gives you the opportunity to dial in from anywhere in the world - and talk to the engaged signal.

Starring Helen Atkinson-Wood, Angus Deayton, Geoffrey

Perkins, Philip Pope and Michael Fenton-Stevens.

Music by Philip Pope and Steve Brown.

Written by Angus Deayton and Geoffrey Perkins.

Producer: David Tyler

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1987.

WED 23:30 Rhys James (b09m10bz)

Rhys James Is ...

Privileged

Comedian Rhys James explores different aspects of himself

through live stand up, spoken word poetry and interview clips.

In this episode he examines his privileged status and chats to his mum and dad.

Written and performed by Rhys James

Music by Steve Dunne

Sound by David Thomas

Produced by Carl Cooper

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2018.

WED 23:45 Where Did It All Go Wrong? (b0076gmh)

Series 1

The True Confessions of Sherlock Holmes

Simon Munnery debunks the image of some iconic characters, starting with the 'science man' of Baker Street. From August 2003.

THURSDAY 14 APRIL 2022

THU 00:00 Charles Chilton - Space Force (b007jn4v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:00 on Wednesday]

THU 00:30 How Tickled Am I? (b007jp11)

[Repeat of broadcast at 18:30 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd6wp)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j124)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Big Pig, Little Pig by Jacqueline Yallop (b08xd1j7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007jvln)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 Night Visions (b01cwpv1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters (b007jsvt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 The Write Stuff (b009rjdh)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:30 Spangles 'n' Tights (b04phxy)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 Ed Reardon's Week (b00xpkw7)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 05:30 Conversations from a Long Marriage (m00162y4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd9h8)

Series 1

3. The Big Cheese

Detective Inspector Bob Boxer falls into the clutches of an old sadistic adversary. At first he resists the pressure to go over to the "other side" and swell the ranks of Villains Incorporated. But when his enemies exploit one of his deepest childhood fears, even Bob's cast-iron will begins to crack like a caramel log. Might a good cop go to the bad?

Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama stars Finlay Welsh as DI Bob Boxer, Anita Vettesse as DC Shona Doberman and James Bryce as DCI Paton.

DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the grizzled old-school cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Radio Scotland.

First broadcast in March 2009.

THU 06:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j1y)

5. Operation Siegfried

The 'Kaiseroda' treasure contains papers that could prove Hitler had a meeting with Churchill in 1940. Charles Stein knows where the papers are.

He's being watched by German, Russian and British agents.

They all want the papers...

Len Deighton's riveting thriller XPD stands for Expedient

Demise.

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Boyd Stuart Trevor Nichols

Charles Stein Bruce Boa

Reader Colin Starkey

Kitty Melinda Walker

Billy Stein Ian Tyler

Mary Breslow Helena Breck

Deputy Secretary Garard Green

Case Officer Alan Thompson

Section Head Bernard Brown

Max Breslow Bernard Hepton

M15 Man David Sinclair

Producer: Peter King

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1985.

THU 07:00 It's a Fair Cop (b062n1fc)

Series 2

Property Predicament

Policeman turned comic Alfie Moore gives himself a headache

seizing items from a real-life Bob the Builder.

Series in which the audience makes the policing decisions as

Alfie takes them through a real-life crime scenario.

Written and performed by Alfie Moore.

Script Editor: Will Ing

Producer: Alison Vernon-Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015.

THU 07:30 You Heard It Here First (m00162zt)

Chris McCausland asks a panel of comedians to live in an audio-only world, deciphering brainteaser sound cues for points and pride whilst trying not to muck about too much along the way.

In this pilot episode, contestants try and figure out exactly what it is that they're watching on the tele and which celebrity is talking to them with a mouthful of cake.

The competing comedians are Mark Maier, Amy Gledhill,

Marlon Davis and Eleanor Tiernan.

Producer: Richard Morris

Production co-ordinator: Beverly Tagg

Sound editor: David Thomas

Theme music 'Colour me Groovy' by The Rich Morton Sound

Recorded at the Backyard Comedy Club, Bethnal Green

THU 08:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter (b007jtc1)

Series 1

The Pick Up

When Gerald reveals he's happy to pick up hitchhikers in his

car, Diana is not impressed...

The convoluted chronicle of an optimistic crime writer written

by Basil Boothroyd.

Starring Ian Carmichael as Gerald C Potter and Charlotte

Mitchell as his wife and more successful writer, Diana.

With Jo Manning Wilson.

The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter ran from 1976 to

1981.

Producer: Bobby Jaye

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1976.

THU 08:30 After Henry (b007jq6v)

Series 3

A Box of Chocolates

"Any treaty drawn up with my mother would have to include strict boundary agreements. I'm afraid she has the same attitude to frontiers as Genghis Khan. And now I come to think of it, the similarities don't end there."

When Sarah meets an old flame 30 years on, her mother

manages to interrupt them once again.

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

Russell Benjamin Whitrow

Clare Gerry Cowper
 Peter Tom Wilkinson
 Doctor Julie Berry
 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 October 1987.
THU 09:00 Foul Play (b00zf4f)
 Series 4
 The Final Judgement
 Crime writers Jessica Mann and James Melville investigate a
 distinctly 'kinky' matter.
 With the help of witnesses played by Maria McErlane and Lee
 Simpson.
 Murder mystery panel game chaired by Simon Brett.
 Producer: Liz Anstee
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1998.
THU 09:30 Clare in the Community (b00z60tb)
 Series 3
 Brenda's Birthday
 Clare is coerced into helping Megan organise her one-year-old
 daughter's birthday party.
 Clare Barker is a social worker with all the politically correct
 jargon but none of the practical solutions. Award-winning
 sitcom by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.
 Clare Sally Phillips
 Brian Alex Lowe
 Simon...Andrew Wincott
 Ray Richard Lumden
 Helen Gemma Craven
 Irene Ellen Thomas
 Nina Conti Megan
 Gordon Lewis MacLeod
 Producer: Katie Tyrrell
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2007.
THU 10:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters
(b007jsw4)
 3. The New Mama
 In this novel from the author of 'Cranford', Molly has to come
 to terms with her father's betrothed. With Angela Pleasence.
 Molly Kathryn Hurlbutt
 Clare Angela Pleasence
 Mr Gibson Tom Wilkinson
 Squire Hamley Robert Lang
 Mrs Hamley Lillias Walker
 Osborne Hamley Adam Bareham
 Roger Hamley Michael Troughton
 Lord Cumnor Kerry Francis
 Lady Cumnor Pauline Letts
 Lady Harriet Marian Diamond
 Mr Preston Brett Usher
 Miss Browning Diana Bishop
 Miss Phoebe Hilda Schroder
 Maid Carole Boyd
 Mrs Gaskell Thelma Whiteley
 Music by Rachel Portman
 Director Jane Morgan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1983
THU 11:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00167xr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 11:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry
(m000fgky)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 12:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter
(b007jtc1)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 12:30 After Henry (b007jq6v)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd9h8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 13:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j1yg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 14:00 Big Pig, Little Pig by Jacqueline Yallop
(b08xd2cz)
 Episode 4
 When Jacqueline Yallop moves to south-west France with her
 husband, she embraces rural village life and buys two pigs to
 rear for slaughter. But as she gets to know the animals better,
 her English sentimentality threatens to get in the way and she
 begins to wonder if she can actually bring herself to kill them.
 This is a memoir about that fateful decision, but it's also about
 the ethics of meat eating in the modern age, and whether we
 should know, respect and even love the animals we eat.
 At its heart, this book is a love story, exploring Jacqueline's
 increasing attachment for her particular pigs, and celebrating
 the enduring closeness of humans and pigs over the centuries.
 In this episode, Ed and Jacqueline are determined to slaughter
 the pigs themselves so they have a good death.
 Written by Jacqueline Yallop
 Read by Imogen Stubbs
 Abridged by Amanda Hargreaves
 Produced by Jill Waters
 A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first
 broadcast in July 2017.
THU 14:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007qgdn)
 Episode 9
 Visiting Lydia in the sanatorium, Richardson catches up on
 events with Blackie.

HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel (published in 1952)
 Dramatised by Vivienne Allen.
 Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith
 Richardson Jordan Frieda
 Lydia Juliet Aubrey
 Blackie.....Robert Purdy
 Dr Baird.....Tom Calder
 Nurse.....Nididi Del Fatti
 Director: Tracey Neale
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.
THU 14:30 Evita's Odyssey (b01105dq)
 When Eva Peron, Argentina's most famous First Lady died in
 1952, her body was embalmed. Three years later in 1955, her
 widower, Juan Peron, was deposed in a coup.
 Evita was the most potent symbol of Peronism, and military
 officers feared her corpse could become a rallying point of
 protest against the new government. So they stole it. It probably
 spent time in a van parked in Buenos Aires, the city's
 waterworks, behind a cinema screen, and in the offices of
 Military Intelligence. But wherever it stayed, it is said that
 candles and flowers appeared. Clearly a more long-term
 solution was required...
 In 'Evita's Odyssey', Linda Pressly tells the stranger-than-fiction
 tale of what happened to her body over the next two decades -
 in Argentina and Europe.
 It's an extraordinary story - one that takes in more grave-
 robbing, kidnap, murder, a revolutionary guerrilla group, and
 the occult. Through interviews with key players - like the man
 who repaired the damage to Evita's body when it finally
 returned to Argentina in 1974 - this programme provides a
 fascinating glimpse of Argentina before it descended into its
 darkest and bloodiest days of military dictatorship in the 1970s.
 It is a story that will stay with you.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2012.
THU 15:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters
(b007jsw4)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:00 Foul Play (b00zf4f)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
THU 16:30 Clare in the Community (b00z60tb)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
THU 17:00 It's a Fair Cop (b062n1fc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 17:30 You Heard It Here First (m00162zt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 18:00 Charles Chilton - Space Force (b007jn58)
 Series 2
 A Test of Endurance
 Held captive in an underground city on Mars, the Space Force
 crew are set to learn their fate...
 Charles Chilton's second intergalactic adventure series starring
 Barry Foster.
 Captain Saxon Berry Barry Foster
 Chipper Barnett Nicky Henson
 Magnus Carter Nigel Stock
 Lodderick Sincere Tony Osoba
 With Wendy Murray, Willoughby Goddard and Bernard Brown.
 Charles Chilton wrote and produced many popular and
 successful radio programmes for the BBC - including the classic
 1950s serial 'Journey into Space' - charting the adventures of
 Captain Jet Morgan. This fired the imagination of millions,
 years before the first moon landing. It was the last radio drama
 to record higher ratings than the new young upstart television!
 Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1985.
THU 18:30 Great Lives (b0b2jg2w)
 Series 45
 Mica Paris on Josephine Baker
 For soul singer Mica Paris, when she first dreamt of becoming a
 singer it was Josephine Baker who inspired her most.
 Baker was a young black American dancer who became an
 overnight sensation in Paris in 1925 after performing wild,
 uninhibited routines in the skimpiest of costumes. So can Mica
 Paris make the case for Baker who wore a string of bananas and
 little else while performing the 'banana dance'?
 Helping to tell the story of Josephine Baker is author Andrea
 Stuart.
 Producer: Perminder Khatkar
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 2018.
THU 19:00 The Small, Intricate Life of Gerald C Potter
(b007jtc1)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 19:30 After Henry (b007jq6v)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 20:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jd9h8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 20:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j1yg)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 21:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m00167xr)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Sunday]
THU 21:45 The Curious Cases of Rutherford & Fry
(m000fgky)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:45 on Sunday]
THU 22:00 You Heard It Here First (m00162zt)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 22:30 Brian Gulliver's Travels (b01m5n7s)
 Series 2
 Gravinia and Plumpf
 Brian Gulliver, a seasoned presenter of travel documentaries,

finds himself in a hospital's secure unit after claiming to have
 experienced a succession of bizarre adventures.
 More memories as Brian relives his adventures in Gravinia, a
 land where the military are revered above everything.
 Brian Gulliver Neil Pearson
 Rachel Gulliver..... Mariah Gale
 Fillick Marcus Brigstocke
 Chaplain Adrian Scarborough
 Guest Tracy Wiles
 Host..... Patrick Brennan
 Stegga Barunka O'Shaughnessy
 Barista..... Harry Livingstone
 Dragit Nick Mohammed
 Glugas Hold Dan Tetsell
 Producer: Steven Canny
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2012.
THU 23:00 The Maltby Collection (b00y2x2m)
 Series 2
 Episode 6
 Love is all around? It is Prunella and Julian's wedding day. Stars
 Geoffrey Palmer and Julian Rhind-Tutt. From July 2008.
THU 23:30 A Look Back at the Future (b015d666)
 2099
 The year that time ran backwards.
 Recorded in August 1994, Brian Perkins, Kate Robbins and
 Hugh Dennis host a retrospective on 2099.
 Everything you wanted to know then, about the 21st century.
 Written by Mark Burton, John O'Farrell and Pete Sinclair.
 Producer: Caroline Leddy
 First broadcast (with the aid of a crystal ball) on Radio 4 in
 August 1994.

FRIDAY 15 APRIL 2022

FRI 00:00 Charles Chilton - Space Force (b007jn58)

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[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]

FRI 01:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j1yg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]

FRI 02:00 Big Pig, Little Pig by Jacqueline Yallop
(b08xd2cz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]

FRI 02:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007qgdn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:15 on Thursday]

FRI 02:30 Evita's Odyssey (b01105dq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]

FRI 03:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters
(b007jsw4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]

FRI 04:00 Foul Play (b00zf4f)

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FRI 05:00 It's a Fair Cop (b062n1fc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]

FRI 05:30 You Heard It Here First (m00162zt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]

FRI 06:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jdp91)

Series 1

4. The Seat of Evil

When a much-loved Scottish comic is killed in the street by a
 falling safe, it looks like an unlucky one-off accident. But then
 there are more celebrity killings and a pattern starts to emerge.
 Is it a brand new case for Boxer and Doberman - or a
 continuation of the one they're on already? The plot thickens
 like fog on the Clyde....

Alastair Jessiman's gritty comedy police drama stars Finlay
 Welsh as DI Bob Boxer, Anita Vettesse as DC Shona Doberman
 and James Bryce as DCI Paton.
 DC Shauna Doberman is regarded as the smart one in the crime-
 fighting duo, whilst DI Bob Boxer is the grizzled old-school
 cop, who aims to reach the right conclusion.

Producer: David Jackson Young.

Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra by BBC Radio Scotland.

First broadcast in March 2009.

FRI 06:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j35p)

6. A Safe House for Moscow

Two men have broken into a German computer and discovered
 something called 'Operation Siegfried'. Then they are
 murdered.

Boyd Stuart suspects his own people and tries to resign. But you
 don't resign from the Secret Service.

Len Deighton's riveting thriller XPD stands for Expedition
 Demise.

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell.

Boyd Stuart Trevor Nichols

Sydney Ryden: David Garth

Max Breslow: Bernard Hepton

Willi Kleiber Clifford Rose

Prime Minister Bernard Brown

Project chairman Bruce Boa

Seymour William Roberts

Kalkhoven Stuart Milligan

Wyn Louh Hirsch

Parker Colin Starkey

Kitty Melinda Walker
 Secretary Garard Green
 Producer: Peter King
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1985.
FRI 07:00 All Those Women (b088jj62)
 Series 2
 Episode 4
 Layla and Stu are having their new baby Barclay christened and have asked Maggie to be the godmother. She's thrilled. Jen's 'completely fine' with that.
 Add in a newly released prison penpal, some impulsive behaviour, and a free bar and inevitably it's not a party that runs very smoothly...
 Comedy series by Katherine Jakeways about four generations of women living under one roof.
 All Those Women explores familial relationships, ageing, marriages - it's about life and love and things not turning out quite the way that you'd expected them to. Every week we join Hetty, Maggie, Jen and Emily as they struggle to resolve their own problems, and support one another.
 Hetty Marcia Warren
 Maggie Lesley Manville
 Jen Sinead Matthews
 Emily Lucy Hutchinson
 Stuart Nick Underwood
 Layla Katie Redford
 Kenneth Sam Dale
 Rosie Catriona McFarlane
 Producer: Alexandra Smith
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2017.
FRI 07:30 Desolation Jests (b085wjb8)
 Episode 3
 David Jason stars with Jan Ravens, Rory Bremner and John Bird in David Renwick's dark and original comedy.
 Interviewer JP Doom asks cultural icons of our times what sketches would bring a smile to their faces with oblivion just around the corner.
 Lucian Bile, aka Rot Caries, Britain's first and only punk dentist chooses his favourite moments from a not-altogether-accurate history of comedy, including most of an announcement from the Ministry of Unfinished Business, a clock shop with a Rabbi in the window, and a sinister case from the files of Ofcom Squad.
 With:
 David Jason
 John Bird
 Jan Ravens
 Rory Bremner
 Producer: Gareth Edwards
 A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in December 2016.
FRI 08:00 Dad's Army (b007jqxp)
 Series 3
 High Finance
 Captain Mainwaring realises Corporal Jones's money troubles involve the whole platoon.
 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 and Pearl Hackney as Mrs Pike. Adapted for radio from Jimmy Perry and David Croft's TV scripts by Harold Snood and Michael Knowles.
 Producer: John Dyas
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1976.
FRI 08:30 Bristow (b00chnyq)
 Series 1
 Sun, Sea and Sabotage
 The buying clerk's traditional summer plans are threatened by the arrival of a new boy at Chester Perry's.
 Michael Williams stars as Bristow, the Chester-Perry buying clerk. He is but a small cog in a gigantic wheel... and he knows it.
 Adapted from by Frank Dickens from his famous newspaper cartoon strip. Syndicated internationally, it ran for 51 years from 1961.
 Bristow Michael Williams
 Jones Rodney Bewes
 Hewitt Owen Brennan
 Mrs Purdy Dora Bryan
 Fudge Jon Glover
 Post Boy Simon Schatsberger
 Check-in GirlKatie Odie
 Music: John Whitehall
 Producer: Neil Cargill
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1999.
FRI 09:00 Guess What? (b063r9k0)
 Episode 5
 Animal, vegetable or mineral?
 Barry Took hosts a revised version of popular radio parlour game of 20 questions.
 Regular Geoffrey Durham is joined by Geoffrey Durham and Hattie Hayridge.
 Written by Michael Dines.
 Producer: Andy Aliffe
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 1998
FRI 09:30 Bookcases (m0005gy3)
 Series 2

Merger Most Foul
 As Spavin and Spavin's fortunes decline, Edith's success as a writer increases.
 But her refusal to let the firm publish her books leads to desperate plans for a merger...
 Martyn Wade's comedy set in a Victorian publishing house. Starring Michael Cochrane as Primus, Maggie Steed as Cordelia, David Horovitch as Gerald, Elizabeth Spriggs as Edith, Joan Sims as Mrs Quirk, Charles Simpson as Simeon, Ioan Meredith as Prince Albert/Smiles, Stephen Critchlow as John, Rachel Atkins as Mrs Beeton, Becky Hindley as Lizzie Siddal and Gerard McDermott as Forster.
 Director: Cherry Cookson
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2001.
FRI 10:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters (b007jswc)
 4. Mr Osborne Hamley's Secret
 Molly overhears some shocking information regarding the Squire's son. From the author of 'Cranford'. Starring Kathryn Hurlbutt.
 CAST:
 Molly Kathryn Hurlbutt
 Clare Angela Pleasence
 Mr Gibson Tom Wilkinson
 Cynthia Anne Louise Lambert
 Squire Hamley Robert Lang
 Mrs Hamley Lillias Walker
 Osborne Hamley Adam Bareham
 Roger Hamley Michael Troughton
 Miss Browning Diana Bishop
 Mr Preston Brett Usher
 Girl Moll Leslie
 Gardener Peter Tuddenham
 Robinson Nigel Graham
 Mrs Gaskell Thelma Whiteley
 Music composed by Rachel Portman
 Director Jane Morgan
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1983
FRI 11:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000xfp0)
 Chocolate
 Natalie Haynes and Moy McGowan savour some chocolate podcasts. They discover how music can alter the taste of chocolate... and why the humble midge plays a vital part in the growing the bean that becomes your favourite bar! And they hear from Dame Cacao herself, the podcaster Max Gandy who is dedicated to crafting a sustainable and delicious world by changing the way we eat & understand chocolate.
 We'll also hear mouth-watering chunks of:
 You're Dead to Me
 The Food Programme
 Well Tempered
 The Slow Melt
 Chocolate on the Road
 The BBC Good Food Podcast With Tom Kerridge
FRI 12:00 Dad's Army (b007jqxp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 12:30 Bristow (b00chnyq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 13:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jdp91)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 13:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j35p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 14:00 Big Pig, Little Pig by Jacqueline Yallop (b08xd38g)
 Episode 5
 When Jacqueline Yallop moves to south-west France with her husband, she embraces rural village life and buys two pigs to rear for slaughter. But as she gets to know the animals better, her English sentimentality threatens to get in the way and she begins to wonder if she can actually bring herself to kill them. This is a memoir about that fateful decision, but it's also about the ethics of meat eating in the modern age, and whether we should know, respect and even love the animals we eat.
 At its heart, this book is a love story, exploring Jacqueline's increasing attachment for her particular pigs, and celebrating the enduring closeness of humans and pigs over the centuries. In this episode, with Christmas round the corner and guests arriving soon, the time has come to slaughter Little Pig - but the trauma of despatching Big Pig is still fresh in Jacqueline's mind.
 Written by Jacqueline Yallop
 Read by Imogen Stubbs
 Abridged by Amanda Hargreaves
 Produced by Jill Waters
 A Waters Company production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.
FRI 14:15 HE Bates - Love for Lydia (b007q99p)
 Episode 10
 As he helps her recovery, Richardson must face up to what love for Lydia really means.
 HE Bates's semi-autobiographical novel (published in 1952)
 Dramatised by Vivienne Allen.
 Older Richardson Tim Pigott-Smith
 Richardson Jordan Frieda
 Lydia Juliet Aubrey
 Blackie.....Robert Purdy
 Dr Baird.....Tom Calder
 Director: Tracey Neale
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.
FRI 14:30 When Stockhausen Came to Huddersfield

(b06pd3bt)
 Ian McMillan finds out what happened when the controversial German composer Karlheinz Stockhausen's visit to the 1988 Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival nearly ended in disaster.
 This superstar of the Avant Garde, who featured on the front cover of the Beatles Sergeant Pepper album, had been shocking audiences since the 1950s with his dazzling compositions. He was lured to the quiet West Riding mill town for its 10th anniversary festival, because the South Bank in London couldn't provide the rehearsal time and a suitable venue for his composition, Sternklang or 'Star Sound'. The Festival Director Richard Steinitz had promised him the cavernous council owned sports hall for the performance, which was turned into an indoor park for the occasion, complete with Christmas trees and artificial turf.
 While setting up for a concert in Huddersfield Town Hall part of the ceiling fell onto Stockhausen's mixing desk and narrowly missed injuring the great man himself. During his visit Stockhausen developed a taste for the local curry house, bought earplugs to get to sleep in the railway hotel and invited local people to get ready for 'visitors from outer-space'. His reputation had gone before him, and he didn't disappoint those who were lucky enough to be there.
 The visit put the festival on the map, and has become part of local folklore.
 Ian is joined by the writer and broadcaster Robert Worby, the then Festival Director Richard Steinitz, Technical Manager Steve Taylor, musician Peter Britton who trained the student performers, and Jim Pywell who was a music student at the Polytechnic at the time.
 Producer: Andrew Carter
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2015.
FRI 15:00 Elizabeth Gaskell - Wives and Daughters (b007jswc)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
FRI 16:00 Guess What? (b063r9k0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
FRI 16:30 Bookcases (m0005gy3)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
FRI 17:00 All Those Women (b088jj62)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
FRI 17:30 Desolation Jests (b085wjb8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 18:00 Charles Chilton - Space Force (b007jn5r)
 Series 2
 5. Living With Death
 Elevated to the priesthood of God-King Ra - the captive crew of Space Force seize a chance to escape.
 Charles Chilton's second intergalactic adventure series starring Barry Foster.
 Captain Saxon Berry Barry Foster
 Chipper Barnett Nicky Henson
 Magnus Carter Nigel Stock
 Lodderick Sincere Tony Osoba
 With Wendy Murray, Willoughby Goddard and Bernard Brown.
 Charles Chilton wrote and produced many popular and successful radio programmes for the BBC - including the classic 1950s serial 'Journey into Space' - charting the adventures of Captain Jet Morgan. This fired the imagination of millions, years before the first moon landing. It was the last radio drama to record higher ratings than the new young upstart television!
 Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in June 1985.
FRI 18:30 Sounds Natural (b01slst0)
 Peter Cushing
 Award-winning actor Peter Cushing takes a break from making horror films to discuss his enthusiasm for the British countryside and its wildlife - aided by recordings from the BBC Sound Archive.
 Peter tells Derek Jones how he used to spend hours with his late wife Helen watching wild birds from their home on the estuary at Whitstable in Kent.
 Peter Cushing, OBE: born 1913 - died 1994.
 Producer: John Burton.
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1972.
FRI 19:00 Dad's Army (b007jqxp)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
FRI 19:30 Bristow (b00chnyq)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
FRI 20:00 Boxer and Doberman (b00jdp91)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
FRI 20:30 Len Deighton - XPD (m000j35p)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
FRI 21:00 Podcast Radio Hour (m000xfp0)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 11:00 today]
FRI 22:00 Desolation Jests (b085wjb8)
 [Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
FRI 22:30 The Lawrence Sweeney Mix (b008tnzk)
 Series 2
 Episode 1
 From something your Dad did to something you save up for...
 Josie Lawrence and Jim Sweeney make it up as they go along!
 Faced with a live studio audience and a couple of microphones - the masters of improv create sketches from shouted out suggestions.
 Producer: Dawn Ellis
 First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2008.
FRI 23:00 State of the Nations (b088fp46)

Scotland

Elis James concludes his tour of the four UK nations at The Stand Comedy Club in Glasgow to discuss Scottishness.

With Jim Smith, Fern Brady and Scott Gibson.

The last of four stand-up shows from the four nations of the United Kingdom which explore what it means to be variously Welsh, English, Scottish and Northern Irish in today's United Kingdom

Producer: Richard Morris

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4 first broadcast in January 2017.

FRI 23:30 My Booze Hell, by Little Johnny Cartilage

(b00d67yf)

Frank Wignall

You and Yours presenter John Waite investigates the shocking claim that the Cartilages were not a real family.

The not-terribly-true autobiography of 1970s idol Little Johnny Cartilage.

Written by and starring Johnny Meres.

With:

John Waite

Ben Miller

Peter Serafinowicz

Geoff McGivern

Rosemary Martin

Deborah Berlin.

Producer: Gareth Edwards

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1996.

FRI 23:45 Bird Island (b01kbjdg)

Series 1

Episode 4

On one hand, Ben is on the trip of a lifetime to Sub-Antartica.

On the other, he's trapped in an icy hell with one other person, a dodgy internet connection and a dictaphone. Loneliness is something of a problem. His fellow travelling scientist Graham should alleviate this, but the tragi-comic fact is, they are nerdy blokes, so they can only stumble through yet another awkward exchange. Ben experiences all the highs and lows that this beautiful, but lonely place has to offer but fails miserably to communicate this to Graham. So, Ben shares his thoughts with us in the form of an audio 'log'.

Apart from his research studying the Albatross on the Island, Ben attempts to continue normal life with an earnestness and enthusiasm which is ultimately very endearing. We're with him as chats awkwardly with Graham, telephones his mother and as he tries to form a long distance relationship with a woman through Chemistry.com. In fact, we follow Ben as everything occurs to him. We also hear the pings and whirrs of machinery, the Squawks and screeches of the birds and the vast expanse outside. Oh, and ice. Lots of ice.

In this final episode, Graham gives the shock news that a new member of the team is joining them.

Graham Julian Rhind-Tutt

Ben Reece Shearsmith

Jane Katy Wix

Written by Katy Wix

Produced by Tilusha Ghelani

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2012.