

SATURDAY 09 NOVEMBER 2024

SAT 00:00 Soul Music (b04nrw25)

Series 19

A Shropshire Lad

"Into my heart an air that kills

From yon far country blows:

What are those blue remembered hills,

What spires, what farms are those?

That is the land of lost content,

I see it shining plain,

The happy highways where I went

And cannot come again."

So wrote the poet AE Housman lamenting the loss of his brother in the Boer war in his epic poem A Shropshire Lad.

It harks back to a simple idyllic rural way of life that is forever changed at the end of the 19th century as hundreds of country boys go off to fight and never return. George Butterworth adapted his words to music in 1913 just before the outbreak of the Great War.

We hear from those whose lives continue to be touched by the loss of so many young men between 1914 and 1918.

Broadcaster Sybil Ruscoe recalls visiting her Great Uncle's grave in a military cemetery in France with Butterworth's Rhapsody as the soundtrack to her journey.

A concert at Bromsgrove School in Worcestershire where Housman was a pupil remembers the former schoolboys killed in action, and singer Steve Knightley discusses and performs his adaptation of The Lads In Their Hundreds.

The Bishop of Woolwich connects his love of the countryside and Butterworth's music with his father's battered copy of Housman's poems which comforted him while held captive in Singapore during the Second World War.

Contributors:

James McKelvey

Phillip Bowen

Tish Farrell

Michael Igrave

Steve Knightley

Stephen Johnson

Sybil Ruscoe

Sam Adamson

Series about pieces of music with a powerful emotional impact

Producer: Maggie Ayré

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2014.

SAT 00:30 The Price of a Pint of Milk (b00jhf6)

Derrick Weaver has been a milkman in Birmingham for 44 years.

Join him as he shares his story while making his deliveries around the Harborne area of the city.

His day starts early at 2.15am when he loads his float at the depot, and he delivers milk until 10.30am.

On the way he has been known to be chased by poodles, asked to change old peoples' light bulbs and even find the odd corpse.

Producer: Rosie Boulton

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009

SAT 01:00 Whodunnits (b007jpmw)

Hercule Poirot - Death on the Nile

5. Suspicions

The Belgian sleuth's holiday has become a hideous nightmare.

Can he finally fathom out the murderous events afloat?

The conclusion of Agatha Christie's whodunnit.

Starring John Moffatt as Hercule Poirot.

Dramatised by Michael Bakewell

Hercule Poirot John Moffatt

Colonel Race Donald Sinden

Mrs Allerton Rosemary Leach

Pennington Stratford Johns

Linnet Ridgeway Elaine Pyke

Simon Doyle Robert Daws

Tim Allerton Nicholas Boulton

Jacqueline de Bellefort Amanda Barton-Chapple

Mrs Otterbourne Shirley Dixon

Rosalie Otterbourne Emma Woodvine

Joanna Southwood Joanna Monro

Monsieur Blondin Sean Baker

Rockford Ed Bishop

Fanthorp Robert May

Miss Van Schuyler Irene Sutcliffe

Dr Bessner Keith Drinkel

Thomas Cook Agent Timothy Alcock

Waiter Chris Pavlo

Director: Enyd Williams

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1997.

SAT 01:30 Paul Temple (b007jpbh)

Paul Temple and the Vandye Affair

5. Roger Shelley Makes a Suggestion

Debonair detective Paul Temple and his wife Steve are in Paris, when the telephone rings with a long distance call...

Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke and Marjorie

Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife.

Paul Temple Peter Coke

Steve Marjorie Westbury

Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams

Inspector Eden Frederick Treves

Terry Palmer Peter Wilde

Mary Desmond June Tobin

Bill McCall John Scott

Philip Droste Simon Lack

Telephone Operator Betty Baskcomb

Louis Franz Rolf Lefebvre

Dr Foy John Graham

Roger Shelly Richard Hurdall

Producer: Martyn C Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in January 1959.

SAT 02:00 Trapped (b0076h2t)

Series 1

The Art Class

Local art class tutor Mark is having commitment issues - until he meets a model who should be committed...

Starring Alex Lowe.

Six black comedies by Mark Maier and Daniel Maier.

Mark Alex Lowe

Moira Wendy Wason

Janice/Elsbeth Tracy-Ann Oberman

Donald Sam Kelly

Alan Roger Sloman

Bob Roger Sloman

Peter Mark Maier

Producer: Alex Walsh-Taylor

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2003.

SAT 02:30 Doctor in the House (b007jxsl)

Digs

Student medic Simon Sparrow gets saddled with vampish landlady, Mrs Robinson.

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 Pratt Geoffrey Sumner

Tony Benskin Ray Cooney

Taffy Evans Edward Cast

Vera Norma Ronald

Mrs Robinson Ann Murray

Producer: David Hatch

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1968.

SAT 03:00 Michael Spicer: Before Next Door (m000xmg7)

Series 1

Marketing Genius

What happens when a socially awkward and neurotic part-time comedian becomes a global internet sensation?

Should this married father of two quit as a copywriter for a kitchen worktop company to follow a calling that shows no sign of paying the mortgage, the bills or for a variety of bafflingly expensive anthropomorphic steam trains?

Or should he keep juggling the increasingly unmanageable balls of office work, family life and comedy?

As Michael's Room Next Door videos amass tens of millions of views online, he finally wins plaudits for his comedy. But it also leads to awkward encounters with fans, stressful award ceremonies and an audition to play an upbeat cheese string.

Michael's wife Roberta pushes him to take chances, wanting him to build on his success while also being desperate to leave her own disappointing job and manage him full-time.

After 20 years of making comedy under the radar, can an ordinary person like Michael successfully navigate the unpredictable road to fame?

Only you can decide.

By listening to the show.

Please.

Written and performed by Michael Spicer.

With:

Ellie Taylor

Joanna Nearsy

Peter Curran

Kiell Smith-Bynoe

Greig Johnson

Producer: Matt Tiller

A Starstruck production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2021.

SAT 03:30 Lizzie Siddal (m0024m1g)

5. Torment

Lizzie's ill fated love affair with Dante Rossetti and her poor health finally take their toll.

Lizzie Siddal's extraordinary story written by Lucinda

Hawksley.

Concluded by Susannah Harker.

Producer Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 2004.

SAT 03:45 One Down (b007s442)

5. Publication Day

Uproar created by extortion at tennis club, maybe? (6).

It's publication day for The Rainswick Mercury.

Will it be the last one?

Conclusion of Alison Joseph's puzzling drama series.

Julian Nicholas Le Prevost

Mary Adjoa Andoh

Abbie Helen Longworth

Ian Anthony Glennon

Tara Jasmine Callan

Gavin John Dougall

Newsreader Simon Treves

Newsreader Rachel Bavidge

Newsreader Joanna Pinnock

Director: Paul Arnold

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

SAT 04:00 All the Way from Memphis (b00mpqkn)

Series 2

Episode 6

James Walton tests and tickles the knowledge of industry

pundits and people passionate about pop music.

Regulars Tracey MacLeod and Andrew Collins are joined by:

* Singer, Clare Grogan

* Journalist, Danny Kelly

Reader: Beth Chalmers

Written and researched by James Walton

Producer: Dawn Ellis

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2006.

SAT 04:30 All the Young Dudes (b007ncd1)

Series 1

Homeward Bound

After 20 years away, Patrick finds himself back in a place he once called home.

But what are the chances of running into your best mates from school?

Comedy-drama written by and starring Jim Sweeney.

Patrick Jim Sweeney

Billy Steve Steen

Joe Stephen Frost

Moira Sadie Shimmin

Maria Flaminia Cinque

Charlie Izzy De Rosario

Removal Man Alex Lowe

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2001.

SAT 05:00 John Bunyan - The Pilgrim's Progress (b00fd62f)

3. Giant Despair

Christian is coming to the end of his eventful journey to the Celestial City.

But, as he gets closer to his destination, he strays from the right path and trespasses onto land belonging to Giant Despair.

Conclusion of John Bunyan's enduring 17th century classic novel.

Starring Anton Rogers.

Dramatised by Brian Sibley.

Anton Rodgers ... Bunyan

Neil Dudgeon ... Christian

Alec McCowen ... Evangelist

Don Warrington ... Beelzebub

Caroline Lee Johnson ... Elizabeth

Ioan Meredith ... The Jailer

Derek Waring ... The Judge

Philip Fox ... Sincere

Chris Moran ... Knowledge

Jaimi Barbakoff ... Angel

Lydia Leonard ... Angel

Cherie Taylor-Battiste ... Deceiver

Graham Crowden ... Faithful

Stephen Thorne ... Giant Despair

Rachel Atkins ... Ignorance

Damian Lynch ... Experience

Paul Medford ... Hopeful

Frances Jeater ... Mrs Despair

Declan Wilson ... False-Confidence

Director: Pam Fraser Solomon

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2004.

SAT 06:00 Ray Ball - Still Waters (m0024vj8)

Colin has become a passionate and extremely knowledgeable owner of a canal boat.

The trouble is that he hasn't quite got over his fear of water... Starring Christopher Godwin and Brigit Forsyth.

Comedy written by Ray Ball.

Colin Christopher Godwin

Kath Brigit Forsyth

Barnie Neville Barber

Veronica Noreen Kershaw

Angie Natasha Pyne

Brian Colin Kerrigan

Harry Malcolm Raeburn

Director: Tony Cliff

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1991.

SAT 07:30 How to Avoid a Climate Disaster by Bill Gates (Omnibus) (m0024vj8)

Bill Gates sets out his far-reaching plan for how the world can get to net-zero greenhouse emissions by 2050 and avoid a climate catastrophe.

Bill is a technologist, entrepreneur and philanthropist, and he brings together these three strands to propose an urgent, comprehensive and accessible plan to get the planet to net-zero emissions, before the worst effects of climate change are upon us.

He sets out the climate science simply and explores initiatives like wind power, which are already contributing to a reduction in greenhouse emissions, but he goes on to argue that these existing methods aren't sufficient.

Gates then turns to innovations in technology to get us all the way to zero, from new processes for making steel and cement, to developing the science fundamental to creating plant and cell-based meats, and growing wheat and rice varieties capable of enduring a warmer planet.

Lastly, he sets out a roadmap for governments and policymakers to adopt, to ensure that in every continent and country our fragile planet remains inhabitable. His ideas are

authoritative, expansive and inspiring.
An omnibus of five episodes abridged by Richard Hamilton.
Read by William Hope.
Producer: Elizabeth Allard
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2021.
SAT 08:45 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrp1)
2. Suburban Fauna
The humourist, writer and broadcaster muses on his beloved London district's golfish, geese and foxes.
Abridged in five-parts, Alan Coren (1938-2007) reads from his book 'A Bit on the Side' first published in 1996.
The son of a builder, Coren won a scholarship to Oxford, and also studied at Yale and the University of California. He planned to become a professor, but his experiences in the USA prompted him to take up comic writing. He was editor of 'Punch' magazine from 1978-1987.
Alan was also a regular panellist on BBC radio 4's The News Quiz and a team captain on BBC TV's Call My Bluff.
Producer: Aled Evans
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 1997.
SAT 09:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0178qpk)
Chain Reaction
A mix-up over packages sparks perplexity for the bungling bureaucrats.
A weekly tribute to all those who work in government departments.
Written by Edward Taylor and John Graham.
Lennox-Brown Deryck Guyler
Lamb Richard Murdoch
Mildred Murfin Norma Ronald
Sir Gregory Pitkin Ronald Baddiley
With:
John Graham
Corinna Marlowe
'The Men from the Ministry' ran for 14 series between 1962 and 1977. Deryck Guyler replaced Wilfrid Hyde-White from 1966
Producer: Edward Taylor
First broadcast on the BBC Radio 4 in July 1975.
SAT 09:30 The Morecambe and Wise Show (m0024vjd)
Episode 4
Eric and Ernie discuss hobbies before reimagining a classic desert island tale.
Starring Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise
A radio romp written by Eric Merriman.
With:
Elaine Taylor
Peter Hawkins.
Music from:
Anita Harris
The Mike Sammes Singers
Burt Rhodes and his Orchestra
Producer: John Browell
First broadcast on BBC Light Programme in August 1966.
SAT 10:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000llvw)
3. Grime of the Times
These are fractious times. But there have been fractious times before. Of all the ways of looking at history, the instinctive reactions of musicians to changing times, is one of the most fascinating.
From Hamish Henderson to Stormzy, protest music has come a long way.
In this programme, Billy Bragg takes time to savour and share the stories of great moments where musicians were inspired by unfolding events to protest, to perform and to preach of an alternative way. Billy is joined by Dorian Lynskey, Kirsty Fairclough and others.
Featured programmes:
'THE ART OF NOW BAND POLITICS' presented by Chris Hawkins (BBC Radio 4)
'CHILDISH GAMBINO' (BBC World Service 2018)
Producer: Dan Quick
Made for BBC Radio 4 Extra and first broadcast in July 2019.
SAT 11:00 Ray Ball - Still Waters (m0024vj8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
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SAT 15:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000llvw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SAT 16:00 Honore de Balzac - The Mysterious Mansion (m000bhm9)
19th-century French writer Honore de Balzac discovers La Grande Breteche - the ruins of an abandoned house and neglected garden in the Loire.
He's determined to uncover the story behind its tragic secrets...
Starring David Calder.
Honore de Balzac's grisly tale dramatised by Peter Mackie.
Balzac David Calder
Jean Dorian Thomas
Faillard Dillwyn Owen
Mde. Faillard Tessa Gearing
Gendarme Christopher Grimes

Rosalie Marilyn Le Conte
De Merret Nigel Carrington
Mde. de Merret Manon Edwards
Duvivier Alan Towner
Director: David Hunter
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 1993.
SAT 17:00 Ray Ball - Still Waters (m0024vj8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
SAT 18:30 How to Avoid a Climate Disaster by Bill Gates (Omnibus) (m0024vj8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
SAT 19:45 Alan Coren - Core Coren (b007jrp1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
SAT 20:00 The Men from the Ministry (b0178qpk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]
SAT 20:30 The Morecambe and Wise Show (m0024vjd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 09:30 today]
SAT 21:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000llvw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
SAT 22:00 Angstrom (b09lylpp)
Series 1
The Two Faces of Benny from ABBA
Matthew Holness stars as Knut Ångström, a brooding, alcoholic, maverick Swedish detective from the tough streets of Oslo. Scandinavian detective yarn adapted from the bestselling Ångström trilogy by Martin English (writing as Bjorgen Swedenssonson).
Following the death of his wife, Ångström is posted to the Njalsland peninsula where he becomes embroiled in a labyrinthine murder (or possibly not-murder) case which bears an eerie similarity to the Askeladden killings - a case from his distant past.
Ångström and Mina try to find out who tried to frame him for the death of Councillor Birgid Lundstrom.
It's a trail which leads them straight to the door of Benny from ABBA.
But when that door opens, why is Benny from ABBA now Mexican?
Written by Joel Morris and Jason Hazeley.
Knut Ångström Matthew Holness
Nina Oblong Nadia Kamil
Narrator Simon Kane
Also starring:
Kevin Eldon
David Reed
Freya Parker
Producer: Lyndsay Fenner
A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in January 2018.
SAT 22:30 The Secret World (b03m7zb9)
Series 4
Episode 5
Bishop Rowan Williams gets in deep water after deciding to celebrate Boxing Day with a game of knock down ginger.
William Hague finds himself stranded in a snowdrift with only some Belgian truffles for food.
And John Lydon ends up killing Sir Anthony Hopkins.
It can only be the weird goings on in the show that imagines the private lives of public people:
A seasonal edition of The Secret World with:
Margaret Cabour-Smith
Jon Culshaw
Julian Dutton
Lewis MacLeod
Jess Robinson
Duncan Wisbey
Written by Bill Dare, Julian Dutton and Duncan Wisbey.
Produced and created by: Bill Dare.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2013.
SAT 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00255nk)
Paulina Lenoir 1/2
From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes chats to the theatre-maker, designer and clown Paulina Lenoir.
SAT 23:00 Innes Own World (b0170r0p)
Episode 1
Famed for The Rutles and The Bonzo Dog Band, Neil Innes ruminates wryly on the nature of civilisation.
An opportunity to climb inside Neil Innes's head to find songs, atmospheric musings and some very irritating commercial breaks.
Written and performed by Neil Innes.
Script Editor: John Dowie
Producer: Claire Jones
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2003.
SAT 23:30 Rigor Mortis (b007k483)
Series 1
Episode 2
Professor Donaldson introduces a new medical empathy scheme, because 'a corpse is a person too'.
Laurence Howarth's sitcom set in the fascinating, but misunderstood world of the pathology lab.
Dr Anthony Webster Peter Davison
Dr Ruth Anderson Tracy-Ann Oberman
Professor Donaldson Geoffrey Whitehead
Gordon Tom Price
Chloe Marianne Levy
Simon Gus Brown
Mrs Renfield Rachel Atkins

Music by Paul Mottram and Stephanie Benavente.
Producer: Dawn Ellis
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2003.

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SUN 05:00 Billy Bragg's Changing Times (m000llvw)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Saturday]
SUN 06:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0024wvv)
Booker Prize Castaways
Howard Jacobson
Writer Howard Jacobson is castaway by Kirsty Young.
After many years of swiping at literary prizes, in October 2010 Howard walked off with the biggest one going, the Man Booker.
His book, The Finkler Question, was a study of what it meant to be Jewish in England. It's a subject that has been very near to Howard Jacobson's heart.
He says: "My sense of myself has always meant being on the outside. On the outside as a Jew, looking into genteel England, but also on the outside of Jewishness too. I have always felt myself to be on the outside of everything."
DISC ONE: Dame Janet Baker with the Bath Festival Orchestra, conducted by Yehudi Menuhin - Bach's Cantata No.82, "Schlummert ein, ihr matten Augen"
DISC TWO: Mario Lanza - Salvatore Cardillo & Ricardo Cordiferro's Core 'ngrato
DISC FOUR: Ella Fitzgerald & Louis Armstrong - Stars Fell on Alabama
DISC FIVE: Yossele Rosenblatt - Mirsatze B'Rachamim
DISC SIX: Graziella Sciutti & Eberhard Wachter with the Philharmonia Orchestra, conducted by Carlo Maria Giulini - Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's La ci darem la mano (from Don Giovanni)
DISC SEVEN: Alfred Cortot, Jacques Thibaud & Pablo Casals - Franz Schubert's Piano Trio No. 1 in B flat major
DISC EIGHT: Al Bowlly with Lew Stone and His Band - You're a Sweetheart
CASTAWAY'S FAVOURITE: Al Bowlly with Lew Stone and His Band - You're a Sweetheart
BOOK CHOICE: The Oxford Book of English Verse edited by Christopher Ricks
LUXURY CHOICE: Never ending supply of pressed shirts and trousers
Producer: Leanne Buckle
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.
SUN 06:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00yjtq4)
Series 2
Canopy
If you walk into a rainforest you are immediately met by quite literally a forest of trees.
All the tree trunks look like cathedral pillars, smooth and wet from the rain.
Not a single branch emerges from the trunk for tens of metres - and when they do you see a breath-taking interlocking jungle of branches and leaves, ferns and flowers and all number of creatures great and small.
The canopy is a bonanza of tropical forest life, in the bright light and gentle breeze - a far cry from the dark and humid underworld of the forest floor.
Not surprising then that Sir David Attenborough knew this would be a perfect place to film wildlife.
Producer: Julian Hector
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2011.
SUN 07:00 Poetry Extra (m0024wvx)
Tongue and Talk: The Dialect Poets - Isle of Man
Poet Daljit Nagra revisits the BBC's poetry archive and selects Tongue and Talk: The Dialect Poets - Isle of Man
Actor and writer Catherine Harvey returns to her family roots in the Isle of Man. She explores the voices of Manx dialect and language speakers, whose words are influenced by the Celts and Norsemen.
Catherine concentrates her search in two areas - the north of the island where her family are from and the west, an area associated with the speaking of Manx Gaelic.
She looks at the work of TE Brown, and the writers who were part of the Manx Cultural Revival.
In St Johns, she meets Dr Breesha Maddrell, Director of Culture Vannin, to discuss the influence of Manx Gaelic on the dialect of the island, before travelling north to talk to cultural activist, Bob Carswell, and members of The Michael Players - the only organisation in the world regularly performing plays in Manx dialect.

Meanwhile, Catherine asks the current Manx Bard, Annie Kissack, if the dialect and language spoken on the island today has changed – and whether one of them has ultimately triumphed.

A Made in Manchester production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in 2019.

SUN 07:30 Lizzie Siddal (Omnibus) (m0024wwz)
Struck by her good looks and her pale copper hair, the Pre-Raphaelite painters made Lizzie Siddal one of the best known faces of the Victorian era.

An artist's model from the London slums, she also made her mark as a poet and artist.

The extraordinary life story of Lizzie Siddal.

Omnibus in five parts written by Lucinda Hawksley.

Read by Susannah Harker.

Producer: Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2004.

SUN 08:40 Inheritance Tracks (m0002c9z)
Sir Tim Rice
Lyricist Sir Tim Rice with Lerner & Loewe's 'You Did It' from 'My Fair Lady' and Dylan's 'With God On Our Side' by Manfred Mann.

SUN 08:50 Alison Joseph - One Down (Omnibus) (m0024wx1)
When a mystery crossword appears in The Rainswick Mercury the staff are flummoxed.

But a local property developer thinks it's personal.

Alison Joseph's puzzling drama series Omnibus of five episodes.

Julian Nicholas Le Prevost
Mary Adjoa Andoh
Abbie Helen Longworth
Ian Anthony Glennon
Tara Jasmine Callan
Gavin John Dougal
Trent Simon Treves
Pete Harry Myers
Newsreader Simon Treves
Newsreader Rachel Bavidge
Newsreader Joanna Pinnoch
Director: Paul Arnold

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2007.

ONE DOWN Crossword Clues are flagged in each daily episode broadcast in the previous week on BBC Radio 4 Extra.

Here are the ONE DOWN Answers:
ACROSS

1 Old Spanish coin from Madrid? (4) REAL
3 Comic show according to Milne perhaps is after Oscar - rub it in (10, two words) OPERA BUFFA
10 Intimate meetings after first and second kinds of film, maybe? (15, two words) CLOSE ENCOUNTERS
11 Supply model showing exceptional poise with time (9) EPITOMISE
12 Corpse buried in forest, if found, is unlucky for Australian (5) STIFF
13 Eye-protection for saint going to hell (6) SHADES
14 Don't change boy's hat (7) STETSON
17 Insist on police following the letter ... (7) ENFORCE
20... Barking inmates housed in this kind of cell? (6) PADDED
23 Runs drug boxed with explosive at the river (5) TRENT
25 Plant entraps criminal Mafia leader, resulting in untidy fight (9) SCRIMMAGE
26 What 27 appears on collapses for use in the search for 10, perhaps? (15, two words) RADIO TELESCOPES
27 Programme that created such a moan and row when it moved without our consent initially (10, two words) WOMANS HOUR
28 Make English mustard-like filling (4) KEEN

DOWN

1 Uproar created by extortion at tennis club maybe? (6) RACKET
2 Get rid of offensive term for native with gusto - not again (7) ABOLISH
4 Little fingers might be invisible, say, when put in pastries (7) PINKIES
5 Kicks off afresh, raising cynical expression about operator (7) REOPENS
6 Holds together difficult situations (5) BINDS
7 Sea and fire confused graceful little people (7) FAERIES
8 When the leader drops to fifth, fans are one way of getting the message (8) ANSAFONE
9 Keep getting in the bitter I see (8) BEHOLDER
15 Local diseases finish off mice before starting to spread (8) ENDEMIC
16 Deserted airport without hotel may be penultimate destination? (8, two words) DEATH ROW
18 Fed new hash with impunity (7) FREEDOM
19 Little Elizabeth from Scotland is golfer's favourite height (7) ELSPEITH
20 Average location, mostly, for arriviste (7) PARVENU
21 Model who's slimmed down somewhat? (7) EXAMPLE
22 Wrestling hold is murder no less. second missing nightclub chief (6) NELSON
24 Prickly old character (5) THORN

SUN 10:00 Beyond Our Ken (b007jqr9)
From 22/07/1958
Kenneth Horne attends a cultural soiree and 'Hornorama' asks: "Art - do we really understand it?"
A madcap mix of sketches and songs written by Eric Merriman

and Barry Took
Starring:
Kenneth Horne
Kenneth Williams
Hugh Paddick
Betty Marsden
Ron Moody

Music from Pat Lancaster, the Malcolm Mitchell Trio and the BBC Review Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.

Announcer: Douglas Smith

Beyond Our Ken hit the airwaves in 1958 and ran to 1964 - featuring regulars like Arthur Fallowfield, Cecil Snaith and Rodney and Charles.

The precursor to 'Round The Horne' - sadly only 13 shows survive from the original run of 21 episodes in Series 1. Audio restored using both home and overseas (BBC Transcription Service) recordings.

Producer: Jacques Brown

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in July 1958.

SUN 10:30 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket (m0024wx3)
Series 2
The Fancy Dress Party
Evadne and Hilda are invited to judge at the Stackton Tressel Fancy Dress Dance.

Starring Dame Hilda Bracket and her lifelong companion Dr Evadne Hinge.

Brought to you from the genteel setting of the Suffolk village of Stackton Tressel, where the musical duo reside.

Written by Mike Craig, Lawrie Kinsley and Ron McDonnell.
Dame Hilda Brackett Patrick Fyffe
Dr Evadne Hinge George Logan
Maud Daphne Heard
Teddy Tranter John Savident

Three series ran on BBC Radio 4 between 1977 and 1979, with further spin-off seasons on BBC Radio 2 until 1990.

In the early 1980s, they expanded over to BBC TV with the series Dear Ladies.

Produced at BBC Manchester by James Casey.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today]

SUN 16:00 Alan Garner - The Weirdstone of Brisingamen (b097m5fm)
4. Escape?
Can Susan and Colin escape their pursuers and return the Weirdstone to the wizard Cadellin?
Conclusion of Alan Garner's fantasy novel starring Robin Bailey.

Dramatised by David Wade.
Cadellin Robin Bailey
Grimmir Robin Bailey
Susan Andrea Murphy
Colin Mark Kingston
Mossock James Tomlinson
Fenodyree George Parsons
Durathor Ronald Herdman
Angharad Anne Jameson
Gaberlunzie Edward de Souza
Selina Rosalind Knight

Directed at BBC Manchester by Caroline Smith.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 1989.

SUN 16:30 The New Catacomb by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m0024wx5)
Deep beneath the streets of Rome, Charles Benchley's new discovery proves irresistible to a fellow student of antiquity. But why is Benchley so prepared to share his discovery?
Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's short story dramatised by RJB Sellar. First published in 1898 in 'The Sunlight Year Book' under the title 'Burger's Secret'. In this dramatisation 'Burger' becomes 'Benchley'.

Kennedy Howard Marion-Crawford
Benchley Brian Wilde
Mary Pauline Yates
Producer: RD Smith

First broadcast in Thirty-Minute Theatre on the BBC Light Programme in November 1958.

SUN 17:00 Desert Island Discs Revisited (m0024wvv)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

SUN 17:45 David Attenborough's Life Stories (b00yjtq4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:45 today]

SUN 18:00 Poetry Extra (m0024wvx)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

SUN 18:30 Lizzie Siddal (Omnibus) (m0024wwz)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

SUN 19:40 Inheritance Tracks (m0002c9z)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:40 today]

SUN 19:50 Alison Joseph - One Down (Omnibus) (m0024wx1)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:50 today]

SUN 21:00 Beyond Our Ken (b007jqr9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

SUN 21:30 The Enchanting World of Hinge and Bracket (m0024wx3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today]

SUN 22:00 On the Town with the League of Gentlemen (b007k33i)
God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
It's Christmas! - but which town residents are celebrating?
The first incarnation of the award-winning black comedy, about the "local people" of Spent - before it hit TV.

Starring:
Mark Gatiss
Reece Shearsmith
Steve Pemberton

Written by the cast and Jeremy Dyson.

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

Producer: Sarah Smith

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1997.

SUN 22:30 Electric Ink (b0121pjk)
Series 1
Episode 6
A swathe of job cuts are predicted with circulation dropping, but who will survive the bloodbath?
Starring Robert Lindsay and Alex Jennings.
Old hacks meet new media in Alistair Beaton's satire set in the changing world of the newspaper industry.
Maddox Robert Lindsay
Oliver Alex Jennings
Amelia Elizabeth Berrington
Tasneem Zita Sattar
Masha Debbie Chazen
Freddy Ben Willbond
Announcer Matt Addis
With additional material by Tom Mitchelson.
Director: Sally Avens

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2009.

SUN 23:00 Old Harry's Game (b007k1p9)
Series 1
Redemption
The Wrath of God is invoked, sparking a heart-to-heart with Satan and a special request...
Andy Hamilton's devilishly funny sitcom set in Hell.
Satan Andy Hamilton
The Professor James Groust
Thomas Jimmy Mulville
Gary, The Demon Steven O'Donnell

Other characters played by:
Philip Pope
David Swift
Penelope Nice
Michael Fenton Stevens
Nigel Pegram

Producer: Paul Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 1995.

SUN 23:30 The Absolutely Radio Show (b08x4s7i)
Series 2
Episode 3
The Little Girl shares her views on what is or isn't the Truth, Frank Hovis inviting us to support his new charity and the Reverend McMinn having a surprise encounter in his local minimart with a visiting President.

The Tour Guide takes us on a trip round what may possibly be Edinburgh and Calum Gilhooley giving some unhelpful and unwelcome advice to a train ticket collector.

Plus songs about addiction to being healthy and the joys or otherwise of middle age, a look at the perils of box set bingeing and a brand new, same-as-all-the-rest police drama about a TV detective who is always off the case.

The cast of TV's hugely popular sketch show are back, revisiting some of their much-loved sketch characters, while also introducing some newcomers to the show.

Starring:
Peter Baikie
Morwenna Banks
Moray Hunter
Gordon Kennedy
John Sparkes
Gus Beattie

In 2013, the group that made their name on Channel Four in the 1980s and 90s got back together for BBC Radio 4's Sketchorama: Absolutely Special - which won the BBC Audio Drama Award for Best Live Scribed Comedy.

Producers: Gordon Kennedy & Gus Beattie

An Absolutely/Gusman production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2017.

Brigit Forsyth stars as Alannah.

Award winning novelist Kate Atkinson's first radio play.

Director: Pauline Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2003.

MON 15:45 Lap of the Gods by Julia Stoneham (b07djzwm)

All round them the aromatic cliffs rose, cupping warm air resonant with humming of bees.

'I have a sensation,' said the man, looking out past their boat, 'that nothing exists beyond this place ...'

What will a couple find dropping anchor in a quiet cove on a sailing trip?

Julia Stoneham's short story read by June Barrie.

Producer: Viv Beeby

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 1997.

MON 16:00 Sounds Natural (b0711167)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 16:30 Make Me A National Treasure (b018gqz5)

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MON 17:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xtt)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

MON 17:30 Paul Temple (b007rfb2)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

MON 18:00 Like They've Never Been Gone (b00b0qrc)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

MON 18:30 The Navy Lark (m0024wy8)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

MON 19:00 North by Northamptonshire (b018fnt1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

MON 19:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767d8)

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MON 22:00 Paul Sinha's Perfect Pub Quiz (m0024i40)

[Repeat of broadcast at 09:00 today]

MON 22:30 Ashley Blaker: 6.5 Children (m000xmz6)

Series 1

1. Too Many Kids

Stand-up comedian Ashley Blaker highlights his unusual home

life - starting with the downside to having a large family

Their morning routine is so challenging it would give Michael McIntyre a heart attack and an almost never ending need to replace phone chargers.

It's a mix of stand-up and observational documentary, all recorded in the Blakers' unusual home with the voices of his real family, and tackling parenting, adoption and raising children with special needs.

The series brings a whole new perspective to the subject of parenting. That is because as parents of six children, Ashley and his wife Gemma are trying to raise a family in a world that is only really set up for having two.

What's more, the Blakers' children are not just any kids. Three have special needs - two autistic boys and an adopted girl with Down Syndrome - and Ashley Blaker: 6.5 Children sensitively finds the funny in both raising children with disabilities and adoption.

Written and performed by Ashley Blaker - a comedian who's performed on five continents including tours of the UK, USA, Canada, South Africa, Israel and Australia. The New York Times called his 2018 Off-Broadway run 'a slickly funny stand-up show' and, in 2020, he returned with Goy Friendly at the prestigious SoHo Playhouse.

Ashley is joined by:

Shelley Blond

Kieran Hodgson

Rosie Holt

Judith Jacob

Also appearing as themselves are Ashley's own children:

Ami (17)

Ophie (15)

Simi (13)

Soroh (12)

Sruly (11)

Bina (7)

Producer: Steve Doherty

A Giddy Goat production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in June 2021.

MON 22:55 The Comedy Club Interviews (m00255np)

Paulina Lenoir 2/2

From 10pm until midnight, seven days a week, The Comedy Club has two hours of comedy. And tonight, Jon Holmes has another chat with the clown and performance artist Paulina Lenoir.

MON 23:00 Dead Ringers (m0024p3g)

Series 25

Dead Ringers: Ep 2. America Went There

What really swung it for Donald Trump and how did Joe Biden really react to the result? Kemi Badenoch's first decision as Tory leader, and Nigel Farage's Trump victory podcast.

This week's impressionists are Jon Culshaw, Jan Ravens, Lewis Macleod, Jess Robinson and Duncan Wisbey.

The episode was written by: Tom Jamieson and Nev Fountain.

Laurence Howarth, Ed Amsden and Tom Coles, Rob Darke, Edward Tew, Cody Dahler, Joe Topping, Peter Tellouche, Duncan Wisbey with additional material by Jennifer Walker and Vicky Richards.

Song lyrics by Bill Dare and Duncan Wisbey

Music by Duncan Wisbey

Executive Producer: James Robinson

Produced and created by Bill Dare

Production Co-ordinator: Caroline Barlow

MON 23:30 The Confessional (m001g1nn)

Series 3

The Confession of Jessie Cave

Stephen Mangan returns with his comedy chat show about shame, guilt and occasional repentance.

Each episode, Stephen invites a distinguished guest into his virtual confessional box to make three 'confessions' to him. An antidote to conventional talk shows, their stories don't reflect their proudest moments. Stephen could not be less interested in those. He wants them to open up about their darker side. Settle back for stimulating journeys through shame, regret and toe curling embarrassment.

The series begins with Harry Potter actor, writer, podcaster, cartoonist and illustrator, Jessie Cave in the hot seat.

Written and presented by Stephen Mangan.

With additional material by Nick Doody.

Producer: Frank Stirling

A 7digital production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in December 2022.

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TUE 06:00 Castles in Spain (m0004r2s)

2. Jock

'You can't even get your act together, you lot. Do you want Jock Cameron found, or would he be better left where he is?'

Armed with new information, bookseller Grahame Mayer is sent to Glasgow on the trail of Jock Cameron.

Starring Ray Brooks.

Edward Boyd's mystery thriller serial.

Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks

Coleman John Westbrook

Teresa Alexandra Mathie

Inspector McNeill Carey Wilson

Norah McGill Sybil Wintrop

Cameron Joseph Greig

Henderson Joseph Brady

Arnold Ian Thompson

Receptionist Jennifer Piercey

Passenger William Hope

Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1987.

TUE 06:30 Paul Temple (b007rgr1)

Paul Temple and the Vandyke Affair

7. Steve Entertains

The debonair detective tries to send his wife Steve away, for fear that reprisals are on their way.

Francis Durbridge's thriller stars Peter Coke and Marjorie

Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his

glamorous wife.

Paul Temple Peter Coke

Steve Marjorie Westbury

Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams

Charlie James Beattie

Inspector Eden Frederick Treves

Terry Palmer Peter Wilde

Mary Desmond June Tobin

Bill McCall John Scott

Roger Shelly Richard Hurdall

Marian Faber Betty Hardy

Nurse Sheila Grant

Sergeant Wrighton Hugh Manning

Producer: Martyn C Webster

First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1959.

TUE 07:00 Living with Betty (b09jhp1v)

Episode 5

Bill and Betty look at a new flat, but how will Katherine react if they move?

The East End meets Cheshire in Arline Whittaker's six-part sitcom.

Betty Barbara Windsor

Bill Glynn Edwards

Harold Peter Sallis

Muriel Rosalind Knight

Trevor Simon Molloy

Katherine Diana Mather

Producer: Mike Craig

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in 1986.

TUE 07:30 The Goon Show (b007jn48)

Series 6

The Jet-Propelled Guided Naafi

Grytpye and Moriarty set out to steal the plans for a secret new weapon.

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 1956.

TUE 08:00 Lemn Sissay's Social Enterprise (m000c4vm)

Episode 3

Every year since 2013, the poet, broadcaster and author Lemn Sissay has arranged a Christmas dinner for people aged 18-25 who have left the care system and have no one with whom to have Christmas dinner. No one to give presents or receive them. No-one on the other end of the cracker.

This is not a charity. It isn't even an organisation. It's a project Lemn undertook because he understands how it feels - at 18 he was released from a children's home and given an empty flat in Wigan, with no-one in the world who had known him for longer than a year.

Lemn Sissay's Social Enterprise is a four-part series for BBC Radio 4, considering what these dinners have taught him about charity, social enterprise, and people, through stand-up, interview and poetry.

This week he explores the idea of presents - with the help of Nick Cole, the UK project director for Operation Christmas Child, and comedian Jason Cook.

Written and performed by Lemn Sissay

Guest: Nick Cole.

Guest: Jason Cook

Producer: Ed Morrish

A Somethin' Else production for BBC Radio 4

TUE 08:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jmv5)

2. An Invitation from the War Office

It's 1914 and the trailblazing doctors Flora Murray and Louisa Garrett Anderson, get to work on the front line in war ravaged France.

Later, the success of the first military hospital they set up in Paris is to repeated close to France's border with Belgium, and in London, the War Office prepares to make an extraordinary invitation.

Endell Street is a tribute to Louisa Garrett Anderson and Flora Murray and their brilliant and courageous work. Putting aside their campaign for the suffragette movement, they made their mark by setting up and running two military hospitals in France and one in the heart of London, on Endell Street. Over the four years that Endell Street was in operation, Murray and Anderson treated thousands of wounded soldiers, and along with their staff of women surgeons, nurses and orderlies, they demonstrated their influence in different medical disciplines. Yet, when the war ended, their achievements were sidelined, and the part they played was forgotten.

Read by Jessica Raine

Written by Wendy Moore

Abridged by Katrin Williams

Produced by Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2020.

TUE 08:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767d8)

2. Tom

Town councillor Tom discovers unsettling news about the

husband of his long-term lover Norma.

Stan Barstow's gritty double love story set in Yorkshire in the 1960s, dramatised by his partner Diana Griffiths.

Bess.....Daryl Fishwick

TomDavid Calder

Norman.....Geoff Hinsliff

Bob.....Stan Barstow

Andrea.....Deborah McAndrew

Norma.....Sharon Duce

Director: Pauline Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

TUE 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024wk4)

The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.

TUE 09:30 Good Pop Bad Pop by Jarvis Cocker (m001748v)

2. Meningitis

Jarvis Cocker delves into the contents of his loft and considers each item before deciding whether to keep or cob (throw away) and, in doing so, explores the origins of his creativity and what exactly makes good pop work and why bad pop fails.

This inventory takes the form of a coming of age memoir revisiting Sheffield in the 1980s against the backdrop of the miners strikes and rising unemployment. With the aid of a collection of 1980s pop objects and a gallery of interesting shirts, Jarvis charts the early days of the band Pulp, from the humiliation of a concert in the school hall at lunchtime to an invitation to record a session for John Peel. This period of his life, living in a disused factory while trying to get the band off the ground, comes to a sudden end after a disastrous stunt to impress a girl changes his life - and his attitude to music making.

Jarvis Cocker grew up in Sheffield in the 1960s and 70s, founding the band Pulp with his friends while he still was at City School despite not being able to play an instrument. The band went on to perform regularly in local venues in the 1980s until eventually they found fame in the 1990s with the success of the single Common People, which made their name, and the albums His 'n' Hers (1994) and Different Class (1995).

Written and read by Jarvis Cocker.

Abridged by Isobel Creed and Jill Waters.

Producer: Jill Waters

A Waters Company production, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2022.

TUE 09:45 Daily Service (m0024wk6)

Remembrance - Love

A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music.

Theme: Remembrance - Love

Presenter: Ann Easter

Reading: John 15:9-17

Music:

O love that wilt not let me go (St Margaret) - Daily Service Singers

I give to you a new commandment (Peter Nardone) - Trinity College Choir, Melbourne

Love like none other - David and Yvonne Lyon

TUE 10:00 A Good Read (b09gg8tp)

Nish Kumar and Katy Brand

Comedians Katy Brand and Nish Kumar tell Harriett Gilbert about their favourite books.

Katy's choice is the hilarious Portnoy's Complaint by Philip Roth. But does it still stand up after all these years? Nish introduces the two white people in the studio to Why I'm No Longer Speaking To White People About Race by Reni Eddo-Lodge.

And Harriett recommends a collection of poetry, A Scattering by Christopher Reid, that expresses the pain of grieving the loss of a loved one.

Portnoy's Complaint by Philip Roth

Publisher: Vintage

Why I'm No Longer Speaking To White People About Race by Reni Eddo-Lodge

Publisher: Bloomsbury

A Scattering by Christopher Reid

Publisher: Arete Books

Producer: Beth O'Dea

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2017.

TUE 10:30 Women of the New Wave (b00r8hhz)

Singer Pauline Black meets some of the women who were in the vanguard of punk and new wave music, and asks what their legacy is for today's female artists.

Punk offered women the chance to get on stage and be themselves, free from the constraints of a previously male dominated music industry.

Artists such as Siouxsie Sioux, Poly Styrene and Gaye Advert started their own bands and expressed themselves in ways that female musicians hadn't been allowed to previously. They refused to be judged on their looks and asserted the right to sing about subjects that interested them rather than about broken hearts and lost loves.

As punk evolved into a wider musical spectrum that encompassed New Wave and Two Tone, bands such as The Selecter emerged through which singers such as Pauline Black tackled issues of racism and sexism in their lyrics.

Thirty years on, she asks some of those groundbreaking women what they think they've achieved for women of their and subsequent generations.

Producer: Maggie Ayre.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2010.

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TUE 11:30 Paul Temple (b007rgr1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

TUE 12:00 Living with Betty (b09jhp1v)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

TUE 12:30 The Goon Show (b007jn48)

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TUE 14:00 Act Your Age (b00g0nnv)

Series 1

Episode 4

Simon Mayo hosts a three-way play-off to establish which generation of comedians is the funniest.

Captains Jon Richardson, Lucy Porter and Roy Walker are joined by guests Holly Walsh, Justin Moorhouse and Barry Cryer.

Producers: Ashley Blaker and Bill Matthews

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in December 2008.

TUE 14:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b00mv1sx)

Series 3

Episode 3

The peace and tranquility of the CyberPass cafe is suddenly shaken to the core.

A huge emotional trauma engulfs them all - Neville is dumped by his girlfriend. Oh hold the front page!

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.

TUE 15:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gtkn)

1. Adventure

Rodney Stone and his friend Jim, two young lads from the country, find themselves drawn into the racy, colourful but dangerous world of boxing and gambling.

They become involved in a series of exciting adventures set in an England where the Prince Regent is all but King and Lord Nelson all but God.

Starring Sean Arnold and Stuart Organ.

Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and first published in 1896

Dramatised in four parts by Constance Cox.

Rodney Stone ... Sean Arnold

Jim Harrison Stuart Organ

Champ Harrison ... Henry Stamper

Mrs Harrison Charlotte Mitchell

Sir Charles Tregellis ... John Rye

Miss Hinton Jill Balcon

Anson Stone ... Peter Woodthorpe

Mrs Stone Jean Trend

Ambrose Michael Bilton

Lord Frederick James Kerry

Gypsy Lee James Bryce

Ellen Hilda Schroder

Director: David Johnston

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1983.

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[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]

TUE 22:00 Sarah Kendall: Talking Story (m000xfhh)

Nikesh Shukla

Sarah Kendall talks to three different storytellers about what 'story' means to them.

How have they developed their own style of storytelling in their respective mediums?

In this episode, Sarah talks to author Nikesh Shukla about the importance of truth in storytelling.

Sarah started out as a stand-up comic in late 1990s Australia.

After performing for 15 years around the world, she transitioned into storytelling.

Sarah wanted to create something on stage that felt like the sort of films she loved to watch, so she wrote an hour-long show with a single personal story. She reimagined her teenage years as though they had been directed by John Hughes, giving her memories a full, cinematic makeover.

This connected Sarah to her audience in a more meaningful way

compared to her original joke-based routines.

Producer: Carl Cooper

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2021.

TUE 22:30 The Penny Dreadfuls (b00gpbcn)

The Brothers Faversham

Leonidas Faversham

The story of Victorian Britain's most reckless living explorer - Leonidas Faversham.

The comedy sketch trio present swashbuckling tales of four brothers born into the same privileged aristocratic family - Horatius, Theseus, Leonidas and Augustus.

Written by and starring The Penny Dreadfuls:

Humphrey Ker

David Reed

Thom Tuck

Alexandra Faversham ... Ingrid Oliver

Narrator... Miles Jupp.

Producer: Julia McKenzie

Made for BBC Radio 7 and first broadcast in January 2008.

TUE 23:00 Clare in the Community (b062n4nb)

Series 10

Sisters

Clare and her estranged sister are forced to co-operate with one another, in between some Sparrowhawk team lead self-defence training.

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

A control freak, Clare likes nothing better than interfering in other people's lives on both a professional and personal basis.

Clare is in her thirties, white, middle class and heterosexual, all of which are occasional causes of discomfort to her.

Clare continually struggles to control both her professional and private life In today's Big Society there are plenty of challenges out there for an involved, caring social worker. Or even Clare.

Written by Harry Venning and David Ramsden.

Clare Sally Phillips

Brian Alex Lowe

Nali/ Megan Nina Conti

Ray Richard Lumsden

Helen Pippa Haywood

Simon Andrew Wincott

Libby Sarah Kendall

Joan/ Sarah Barker Sarah Thom

Scarlett Eleanor Curry

Stine Wetzel Amelia Lowdell

Hunter Neet Mohan

Dylan Elliot Steel

Producer Alexandra Smith.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2015.

TUE 23:30 Jason Cook's School of Hard Knocks (b03ws221)

Dumping and Proposals

Comedian Jason Cook dispenses more advice on how best to navigate the choppy waters of life.

This time, he looks at the two-sides of the romance coin: dumping someone and proposing to someone.

Stories from the audience help to throw more light on the matter in hand.

With:

Zoe Harrison

Neil Grainger

Producer: Sam Michell

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2014.

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WED 03:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767ds)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 on Tuesday]

WED 04:00 Act Your Age (b00g0nnv)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Tuesday]

WED 04:30 Getting Nowhere Fast (b00mv1sx)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Tuesday]

WED 05:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gtkn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Tuesday]

WED 06:00 Castles in Spain (m0004r2s)

3. The Nurse

'Remember, nobody knows what this Hanrahan looks like.

Nobody knows what name he's travelling under. So keep your door locked. And don't let anyone in you don't know.'

Bookseller Grahame unearths more clues about Jock Cameron

when he meets a nurse from the Spanish Civil War.
Starring Ray Brooks.
Edward Boyd's mystery thriller serial.
Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks
Coleman John Westbrook
Teresa Alexandra Mathie
Inspector McNeill Carey Wilson
Cameron John Hannah
Norah McGill Sybil Wintrop
Cameron Joseph Greig
Arnold Ian Thompson
Miss McLaughlan Yvonne Gilan
Pat Richard Jamieson
Paula Caroline Guthrie
Waiter Gordon Reid
Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1987.
WED 06:30 Paul Temple (b007rj64)
Paul Temple and the Vandyke Affair
8. Presenting Mr Vandyke
The suave sleuth throws a party and invites all the suspects, but can he finally unmask the culprit?
Conclusion of Francis Durbridge's thriller
Starring Peter Coke and Marjorie Westbury as BBC radio's smoothest investigator and his glamorous wife.
Paul Temple Peter Coke
Steve Marjorie Westbury
Sir Graham Forbes Richard Williams
Terry Palmer Peter Wilde
Charlie James Beattie
Bill McCall John Scott
Philip Droste Simon Lack
Roger Shelly Richard Hurdall
Marian Faber Betty Hardy
Producer: Martyn C Webster
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in February 1959.
WED 07:00 Winston (b007tzt5)
Winston in Europe
An Educated Woman
The family arrive in France and Father feels homesick.
Winston talks of Flaubert, Baudelaire and Renoir leaving Nancy feeling baffled...
Peter Tinniswood's bawdy comedy serial.
Winston Bill Wallis
Father Maurice Denham
Nancy Shirley Dixon
Rosie Liz Goulding
William Christian Rodska
Director: Shaun MacLoughlin.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1992.
WED 07:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283n)
Series 3
The Bequest
The Lad is set to inherit a fortune, but only if he can find a wife!
Ray Galton and Alan Simpson's classic comedy about the life and times of Anthony Aloysius St John Hancock.
Starring Tony Hancock.
With:
Bill Kerr
Sidney James
Kenneth Williams
Andree Melly
Theme and incidental music written by Wally Stott.
Music recorded by the BBC Augmented Revue Orchestra conducted by Harry Rabinowitz.
Producer: Dennis Main Wilson
First broadcast on the BBC Light Programme in November 1955.
WED 08:00 The Architects (b052hffj)
Series 2
Turret
Matt's got a problem with a turret, Sarah's got the clients from hell, Sir Lucien's got family trouble and Tim just got off with his old biology teacher.
Just a regular day at Sir Lucien and Partners.
Comedy set in a struggling architectural practice.
Written by Jim Poyser with Neil Griffiths.
Sir Lucien Geoffrey Whitehead
Tim Alex Carter
Sarah Anna Crilly
Matt Dominic Coleman
Jemima Hannah Genesius
Bob David Acton
Jane Jane Slavin
Dave Stephen Critchlow
Director: Toby Swift
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2015.
WED 08:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jpmn)
3. Early Days at the Military Hospital
Following their success in setting up two military hospitals in France, World War I doctors Flora Murray and Louisa Garrett Anderson are now in London, where they have opened up a third hospital in Endell Street. The casualties are beginning to arrive in large numbers. The work is exacting, but Murray and Anderson's all-women team are determined to offer the best available treatment to their patients.
Read by Jessica Raine
Written by Wendy Moore

Abridged by Katrin Williams
Produced by Elizabeth Allard
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2020.
WED 08:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767f4)
3. Kate, the lover's wife
With their affair still a secret, Andrea meets her lover's wife, Kate.
Stan Barstow's gritty double love story set in Yorkshire in the 1960s, dramatised by his partner Diana Griffiths.
Andrea.....Deborah McAndrew
Philp.....Robert Glenister
Mrs Warner.....Daryl Fishwick
George.....John Griffin
Kate.....Jo Anne Knowles
Director: Pauline Harris
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.
WED 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024wl7)
The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.
WED 09:30 Good Pop Bad Pop by Jarvis Cocker (m001744r)
3. School
Jarvis Cocker delves into the contents of his loft and considers each item before deciding whether to keep or cob (throw away) and, in doing so, explores the origins of his creativity and what exactly makes good pop work and why bad pop fails.
This inventory takes the form of a coming of age memoir revisiting Sheffield in the 1980s against the backdrop of the miners strikes and rising unemployment. With the aid of a collection of 1980s pop objects and a gallery of interesting shirts, Jarvis charts the early days of the band Pulp, from the humiliation of a concert in the school hall at lunchtime to an invitation to record a session for John Peel. This period of his life, living in a disused factory while trying to get the band off the ground, comes to a sudden end after a disastrous stunt to impress a girl changes his life - and his attitude to music making.
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Written and read by Jarvis Cocker.
Abridged by Isabel Creed and Jill Waters.
Producer: Jill Waters
A Waters Company production, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2022.
WED 09:45 Daily Service (m0024wl9)
Remembrance - Compassion
A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music.
Theme: Remembrance - Compassion
Presenter: Molly Boot
Reading: Lamentations 3:19-26
Music:
Amazing Grace - Melodees from Heaven
Nunc Dimittis - Young Choristers & BBC Philharmonic
Abide with me - Laura Wright & Daily Service Singers
WED 10:00 Archive on 4 (b00j283n)
Carl Sagan: A Personal Voyage
Professor Brian Cox looks back at the work of his all-time science hero, the American astronomer Carl Sagan.
As well as a well respected science career, Sagan is best known for his work in bringing the joy and wonder of science to as wide an audience as possible. His landmark 13-part TV series, of the early 80s, COSMOS has been seen by a record 60 million people to date.
He was involved in the early days of the US space programme, was a strong advocate for the Search for Extra Terrestrial Intelligence, and his passion for the grandeur of the universe we live in and our place in it inspired a generation of young scientists.
Brian takes a nostalgic look back at the TV show that he credits with leading him into a career in science, and the man who many have called the greatest science populariser of them all.
Producer: Alexandra Feachem
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2009.
WED 11:00 Castles in Spain (m0004tv9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 11:30 Paul Temple (b007rj64)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
WED 12:00 Winston (b007tzt5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
WED 12:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
WED 13:00 The Architects (b052hffj)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
WED 13:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jpmn)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 13:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767f4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
WED 14:00 Counterpoint (b02yk9fg)
Series 27
2013 Heat 8
Paul Gambaccini chairs the general knowledge music quiz.
Do you know which novelty dance became popular after Charles Lindberg's crossing of the Atlantic in 1927? Or which singer made the most successful recording of the soul standard

"The Shoop Shoop Song"?
There are extracts to suit all tastes, and plenty of musical trivia and anecdotes.
The contestant who can demonstrate the broadest general musical knowledge will win through to the 2013 semi-finals, which start in a fortnight's time.
This trio of competitors battling it out at the BBC's studios in Maida Vale, London are
Ray Allen from Brighton;
Paul Burgess from Cheltenham;
Terry Weids from Bristol.
Producer: Paul Bajoria
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2013.
WED 14:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrhd)
Series 1
Positive Thinking
Rosie's company goes New Age, promoting the Brighton leg of a lecture tour by a Californian positive-thinking guru.
Prunella Scales stars in Simon Brett's sitcom.
The trials and tribulations of Rosie Burns and her event management company.
Rosie Prunella Scales
Kate Arabella Weir
Jo Rebecca Callard
Bob Duncan Preston
Tess Annette Badland
Darcy Philpotts Alison Skilbeck
Lyndon Merchant Kerry Shale
Producer: Maria Esposito
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2000.
WED 15:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gtx5)
Episode 2
Rodney Stone travels with his uncle from Brighton to London, into a world of boxing and excitement.
Rodney Stone and his friend Jem, two young lads from the country, find themselves drawn into the racy, colourful but dangerous world of boxing and gambling.
They become involved in a series of exciting adventures set in an England where the Prince Regent is all but King and Lord Nelson all but God.
Starring Sean Arnold and Stuart Organ.
Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and dramatised by Constance Cox.
Rodney Stone ... Sean Arnold
Jim Harrison ... Stuart Organ
Champ Harrison ... Henry Stammer
Mrs Harrison ... Charlotte Mitchell
Sir Charles Tregellis ... John Rye
Mrs Stone ... Jean Trend
Anson Stone ... Peter Woodthorpe
Sir John Lade Adrian Egan
Sir Lothian Hume Nigel Graham
Jem Belcher David Sinclair
Gentleman Jackson Steve Hodson
Prince of Wales ... Roger Hammond
Charles Fox/Crab Wilson Ronald Baddley
Lady Lade ... Frances Jeater
Young Dutch Sam/Servant Colin Starkey
Joe Berks ... James Bryce
Landlord..... James Kerry
Lord Nelson Hugh Dickson
Lady Nelson ... Carole Boyd
Director: David Johnston
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1983.
WED 16:00 Archive on 4 (b00j283n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
WED 17:00 Castles in Spain (m0004tv9)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
WED 17:30 Paul Temple (b007rj64)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
WED 19:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767f4)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
WED 20:00 Counterpoint (b02yk9fg)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 today]
WED 20:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrhd)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today]
WED 21:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gtx5)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]
WED 22:00 Ivo Graham's Obsessions (m0024p0r)
6. Mike Bubbins & Siân Lloyd
In the last of the series, Ivo Graham travels to Cardiff to find out what obsesses his Welsh guests.

Ivo is joined by writer and star of BBC Two's Mammoth, Mike Bubbins, and former weather reporter and Welsh national treasure Siân Lloyd.
Mike loves the 70s, and what's more 70s than American cop show The Rockford Files? Siân has a remarkable sweet tooth and love of baking. Ivo also finds out what the Cardiff audience

are obsessed with, before being joined by a Very Obsessed Person, or VOP. Cath Pendleton, aka the Merthyr Mermaid, talks about her love of cold-water swimming, and the unbelievable feats she has accomplished in sub-zero temperatures.

Hosted by Ivo Graham

Featuring Mike Bubbins, Siân Lloyd and Cath Pendleton
Written by Ivo Graham and Tom Craine

Additional Material by Ruth Husko, Eleri Morgan, Christina Riggs and Peter Tellouche

Recorded at Cardiff Glee Club by Chris MacLean
Sound edited by Charlie Brandon-King

Production Coordinators: Katie Baum and Jodie Charman
Executive Producer: Pete Strauss

Produced by Gwyn Rhys Davies, a BBC Studios Audio production for Radio 4

An EcoAudio certified production
Show image: Matt Stronge

WED 22:30 Mark Thomas: The Manifesto (b01r7z8)
Series 5

London

Comedian and activist Mark Thomas creates a People's Manifesto using policies suggested by his BBC Radio Theatre audience in London.

Agenda:

- 1) Bedroom tax to be applied to MPs' second homes
- 2) Re-nationalise the railways
- 3) Make politicians more directly accountable

Researcher: Susan McNicholas

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2013.

WED 23:00 The Big Fun Show (b00lh0ty)
Episode 5

Sketch series with Paul Merton, Julian Clary, Tony Hawks and Josie Lawrence - before they hit the big time.

Written and presented by Paul Merton, John Irwin and Neil Mullarkey.

Also starring:

Josie Lawrence

Tony Hawks

Julian Clary

Music by Tony Hawks.

Producer: David Tyler

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 1988.

WED 23:30 Ken Cheng: Chinese Comedian (m0000ms5)
Series 1

1: Education

Stand-up series exploring British Chinese culture, from BBC New Comedy Award finalist Ken Cheng. In this first episode, Ken examines attitudes towards Education.

Produced by Lyndsay Fenner.

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

WED 23:45 Self-Storage (b01gykv4)

Series 1

Job Hunting

Living in a storage unit and separated from his wife, Dave tries to get his life back on track by getting a job.

But help from fellow Storage Garden tenant Geoff means it's harder than he expected...

Stars Reece Shearsmith and Mark Heap.

Sitcom written by Tom Collinson and Barnaby Power.

Dave Reece Shearsmith.

Geoff Mark Heap.

Ron Tom Goodman-Hill.

Judy Rosie Cavaliero.

Sarah Susan Earl.

Producer: Ed Morrish

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2007.

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2024

THU 00:00 Archive on 4 (b00jkv2j)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:00 Castles in Spain (m0004tv9)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Wednesday]

THU 01:30 Paul Temple (b007rj64)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Wednesday]

THU 02:00 Winston (b007tzt5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Wednesday]

THU 02:30 Hancock's Half Hour (b00j283n)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:00 The Architects (b052hffj)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Wednesday]

THU 03:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jpmn)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Wednesday]

THU 03:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767f4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 on Wednesday]

THU 04:00 Counterpoint (b02yk9fg)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Wednesday]

THU 04:30 Smelling of Roses (b007jrhf)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Wednesday]

THU 05:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

(m000gtx5)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Wednesday]

THU 06:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw8)

4. Clues

'Each of these postcards came from a place where there had been a bomb outrage. That, Mayer, is why we want to talk to Jock Cameron.'

Continuing his quest to hunt Jock down, Grahame meets a pop star and gets a lead on the holy pictures...

Starring Ray Brooks.

Edward Boyd's mystery thriller serial.

Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks

Coleman John Westbrook

Teresa Alexandra Mathie

Inspector McNeill Carey Wilson

Norah McGill Sybil Wintrop

Nuke John McGlynn

Apollyon Billy McColl

Millhouse William Hope

Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1987.

THU 06:30 P Division (b007jx5x)

Condition Purple

1. Body

The body of a prostitute is found in Blythswood Square - in the heart of Glasgow's prosperous business quarter.

Detective Chief Inspector Donoghue's men are on the case...

Stars John Buick and Kay Gallie.

Peter Turnbull's sixth P Division novel about his Glaswegian cops - first published in 1989.

Dramatised in four parts by Stephen Mulrine.

DC King John Buick

Diana Kay Gallie

DCI Donoghue Martin Cochrane

Dr Reynolds Gerard Slevin

Hazel Anne Marie Timoney

WPC Elka Willems Ann Louise Ross

Karen Gaylie Runciman

DS Ray Sussock Ralph Riach

Dino Alexander Morton

Produced at BBC Glasgow by Hamish Wilson.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1993.

THU 07:00 Coming Alive (m0019cgl)

Series 2

Off The Hook

Could Terry end up back in prison after his community centre success?

Starring Karl Howman and Phyllis Logan.

Jim Eldridge's sitcom about ex-convict Terry King's efforts to run a community centre.

Terry King Karl Howman

Sandra Gaines Phyllis Logan

Steve Addison Ben Crowe

Mr Preston David Holt

Annie Alison Pettitt

Mrs Barnes Jillie Meers

Mick Stevens Gavin Muir

Keith Standish David Thorpe

Gail Jennifer Wheelan

Producer: Marilyn Imrie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2000.

THU 07:30 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jq3p)

10. The Builder

The nationality of a workman reignites old Home Guard hostilities for Wilson, Hodges and Pike.

Starring John Le Mesurier, Ian Lavender and Bill Pertwee.

A seaside saga of pier perpetuation.

Written by Harold Snoad and Michael Knowles.

Arthur Wilson John Le Mesurier

Frank Pike Ian Lavender

Bert Hodges Bill Pertwee

Miss Perkins Vivienne Martin

Guthrie Glynn Edwards

Myrtle Spivey Stella Tanner

Wolfgang Fischer Gordon Clyde

The Builder's Receptionist Carole Harrison

The Irish Nun Katherine Parr

Based on the Dad's Army characters originally created by

Jimmy Perry and David Croft.

Producer: Martin Fisher

First broadcast on BBC Radio 2 in August 1984.

THU 08:00 Alex Edelman's Peer Group (m000fgsk)

Series 3

Mental Health

Award-winning comedian Alex Edelman uses personal experience to discuss mental health and why its relevance today.

With help from his "peer group" at the University of West London, Alex examines current attitudes to mental health, and how people deal with it.

Written and performed by Alex Edelman, with additional material from Alfie Brown, Rebecca Nicholson, David Burstein, Catherine Brinkworth and Kat Sadler.

Producer: Sam Michell

A BBC Studios production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in February 2020.

THU 08:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jnbm)

4. Medical Research

Wendy Moore's book about the forgotten history of Endell Street, the WWI military hospital set up by the two trailblazing

doctors, Flora Murray and Louisa Garrett Anderson. The team see breakthroughs in medicine, but first of all, there's taxing work in the laundry room.

Read by Jessica Raine

Written by Wendy Moore

Abridged by Katrin Williams

Produced by Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2020.

THU 08:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767fk)

4. Tragic News

The tragic news of Norma's husband draws Tom closer, but at what cost to her children?

Stan Barstow's gritty double love story set in Yorkshire in the 1960s, dramatised by his partner Diana Griffiths.

Bess.....Daryl Fishwick

Tom.....David Calder

Norma.....Sharon Duce

Nick.....Ben Crompton

Caroline.....Naomi Radcliffe

Roger.....John Griffin

Shirley.....Ruth Herbert

Director: Pauline Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

THU 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024wfj)

The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.

THU 09:30 Good Pop Bad Pop by Jarvis Cocker (m00174d2)

4. Records

Jarvis Cocker delves into the contents of his loft and considers each item before deciding whether to keep or cob (throw away) and, in doing so, explores the origins of his creativity and what exactly makes good pop work and why bad pop fails.

This inventory takes the form of a coming of age memoir revisiting Sheffield in the 1980s against the backdrop of the miners strikes and rising unemployment. With the aid of a collection of 1980s pop objects and a gallery of interesting shirts, Jarvis charts the early days of the band Pulp, from the humiliation of a concert in the school hall at lunchtime to an invitation to record a session for John Peel. This period of his life, living in a disused factory while trying to get the band off the ground, comes to a sudden end after a disastrous stunt to impress a girl changes his life - and his attitude to music making.

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Written and read by Jarvis Cocker.

Abridged by Isobel Creed and Jill Waters.

Producer: Jill Waters

A Waters Company production, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2022.

THU 09:45 Daily Service (m0024wfl)

Remembrance - Hope

A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music.

Theme: Remembrance - Hope

Presenter: Richard Littledale

Reading: Isaiah 40: 26-31

Music:

Crossing the bar - Parry

Choir of Jesus College, Cambridge

In this place - Will Todd

Tenebrae

Adagio for strings - Barber

Academy of St Martin in the Fields

Lord of all hopefulness - Nils Greenhow

St Martin's Voices

THU 10:00 Great Lives (p00glx57)

Charles M Schulz

Journalist and biographer Valerie Grove chooses the creator of the Peanuts cartoon strip, Charles M Schulz, as her great life.

Schulz's widow Jeannie provides biographical insights.

Anita O'Brien, curator of the Cartoon Art Trust, puts the cartoon in its historical context.

Presented by Francine Stock.

Producer: Mary Ward-Lowery

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2005.

THU 10:30 Herman Melville's Sea Change (b06zqpc)

Melville's Moby-Dick is one of the weirdest great novels. Most people know that. What not many people know is how Melville came to write the book and how he nearly didn't and how he almost became a Liverpoolian in the process. Paul Farley, poet and Liverpoolian, salutes an almost-ran and looks out after Melville across the Atlantic.

Melville had one of the strangest and saddest lives. He died broke. Very few copies of Moby-Dick had been sold in his lifetime. Earlier he had a bizarre interlude in his life when he thought of settling in Liverpool and being thereby 'annihilated' as he called it. Taking this as his starting point Paul tracks Melville, his work and inspiration and his life, and looks at the novel and its author from the western-facing seaports of Britain.

How did the white whale and all that it has come to mean and suggest come from Melville's crossing of the Atlantic? What does it mean to undergo a sea change? Are we all eligible?

With Chris Routledge, Philip Hoare, Philip Davis and Horatio

Clare.
Producer: Tim Dee
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2016.
THU 11:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 11:30 P Division (b007jx5x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]
THU 12:00 Coming Alive (m0019cgl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]
THU 12:30 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jq3p)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]
THU 13:00 Alex Edelman's Peer Group (m000fgsk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]
THU 13:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jnbm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]
THU 13:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767fk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]
THU 14:00 Dilemma (b05rzn1n)
Series 4
Episode 4
Sue Perkins presents another edition of the show that puts the big moral and ethical questions to a mixed panel to see the direction in their moral compasses point. This week, it's the turn of comedians Iain Stirling and Shappi Khorsandi, journalist Suzanne Moore, and writer and actor Dan Tetsell. Collectively they rate the merits of getting the money or the credit for something's success, as well as quickly resolving issues such as inheritance, racism, childhood dreams and Beyoncé. Episode four of six.
Dilemma is presented by Sue Perkins.
Devised by ... Danielle Ward
Producer ... Ed Morrish.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in April 2015.
THU 14:30 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b007jrz3)
Series 1
A Fete Worse than Death
Robin and Wendy continue their unhealthy obsession with a model village in their garage.
When inspiration strikes for a son et lumière display, what could possibly go wrong?
Written by and starring Kay Stonham and Simon Greenall.
Robin Simon Greenall
Wendy Kay Stonham
Maureen Debra Stephenson
Derek Phil Cornwell
Receptionist Jo Enright
Man Ewan Bailey
Woman 1 Arianwen Flores
Woman 2 Zoe Allen
Producer: Mario Stylianides
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2002.
THU 15:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gvkr)
Episode 3
The day of the big fight draws near, but will Rodney Stone's friend Jim Harrison be able to take part?
Stars Sean Arnold.
Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and first published in 1896
Rodney Stone and his friend Jim, two young lads from the country, have been drawn into the racy, colourful but dangerous world of boxing and gambling.
Dramatised by Constance Cox.
Rodney Stone ... Sean Arnold
Champ Harrison ... Henry Stamper
Mrs Harrison ... Charlotte Mitchell
Sir Charles Tregellis ... John Rye
Sir Lothian HumeNigel Graham
Sir John Lade Adrian Egan
Jem Belcher David Sinclair
Gentleman Jackson Steve Hodson
John Cummings/Bill Warr Peter Wickham
Mendoza Timothy Bateson
Berkeley Craven ... David Peart
Landlord..... James Kerry
Ostler ... Alex Jennings
Gentleman/Lorimer Peter Tuddenham
Director: David Johnston
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 1983.
THU 16:00 Great Lives (p00glx57)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]
THU 16:30 Herman Melville's Sea Change (b06zqpc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today]
THU 17:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]
THU 17:30 P Division (b007jx5x)
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[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 today]
THU 20:30 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b007jrz3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today]
THU 21:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gvkr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]
THU 22:00 Unspeakable (m0024lzx)
Series 1
2. Bodily rumbles and holiday grumbles
Jo Brand and Lou Sanders both coin new words for taboos in the world of etiquette, while Kiell Smith-Bynoe creates a term for a holiday feeling that many of us know all too well.
Ever struggled to find the right word for a feeling or sensation?
Unspeakable sees comedian Phil Wang and lexicographer Susie Dent invite celebrity guests to invent new linguistic creations, to solve those all too relatable moments when we're lost for words.
Hosts: Phil Wang and Susie Dent
Guests: Jo Brand, Lou Sanders and Kiell Smith-Bynoe.
Created by Joe Varley
Writer: Matt Crosby
Recorded by Jerry Peal
Producer: Jon Harvey
Executive Producers: Joe Varley and Akash Lockmun
A Brown Bred production for BBC Radio 4
THU 22:30 Sami Shah's Beginner's Guide to Pakistan (b06fn26p)
Episode 2
Sami turns his attention to Pakistan's social and cultural history. From its music and cinema, to its increasing religious conservatism as the nature of Islam in the country has changed through the years, all the way to the best brewery in Pakistan. Alright, the only brewery in Pakistan.
Award-winning Sami Shah is one of Pakistan's most successful comedians.
From Birmingham -Sami concludes his quick guide to Pakistan. Written and performed by Sami Shah.
The Voice of the Guide: Anita Anand
Producer: Ed Morrish
A BBC Radio Comedy production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in September 2015.
THU 23:00 I've Never Seen Star Wars (b01qdvsy)
Series 5
Dame Evelyn Glennie
Dame Evelyn Glennie, despite having appeared in the Olympic 2012 ceremony as the rhythmic backbone, had never seen it. She watches it for the first time, and also watches Downton Abbey, goes on a Go-Kart, and throws a pot. She gives her verdicts to Marcus Brigstocke.
Produced by Bill Dare.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in February 2013.
THU 23:30 The Hudson and Pepperdine Show (b007jnz9)
Series 1
Episode 2
Mel and Vicki have an unexpected visit from their landlord. With more rent owing than they can possibly afford, it looks like Mel will have to pay in kind...
Variety meets sitcom meets sketch show.
Written and performed by Mel Hudson and Vicki Pepperdine.
With:
Martin Hyder
Jim North
Keith Wickham
Script editor: Graeme Garden
Producers: Claire Jones and Helen Williams
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2000.

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FRI 00:00 Great Lives (p00glx57)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 on Thursday]
FRI 00:30 Herman Melville's Sea Change (b06zqpc)
[Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 on Thursday]
FRI 01:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw8)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 on Thursday]
FRI 01:30 P Division (b007jx5x)
[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 on Thursday]
FRI 02:00 Coming Alive (m0019cgl)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 on Thursday]
FRI 02:30 It Sticks Out Half A Mile (b007jq3p)
[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 on Thursday]
FRI 03:00 Alex Edelman's Peer Group (m000fgsk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 on Thursday]
FRI 03:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jnbm)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 on Thursday]
FRI 03:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767fk)
[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 on Thursday]
FRI 04:00 Dilemma (b05rzn1n)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 on Thursday]
FRI 04:30 Robin and Wendy's Wet Weekends (b007jrz3)
[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 on Thursday]
FRI 05:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (m000gvkr)
[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 on Thursday]
FRI 06:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)
5. Death
'Whatever you think it is, bookseller, Terry copied pictures. End of story. Right?'
Will Forrest's death release bookseller Grahame Mayer from the business of tracking down Jock Cameron?
Starring Ray Brooks.

Conclusion of Edward Boyd's mystery thriller serial.
Grahame Mayer Ray Brooks
Coleman John Westbrook
Teresa Alexandra Mathie
Dr Lovat Roy Hanlon
Joseph Greig Cameron
Produced at BBC Scotland by Patrick Rayner.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in November 1987.
FRI 06:30 P Division (b007jx62)
Condition Purple
2. Mystery
The police post-mortem has shown that prostitute, Stephanie Craigellachie had an 'I belong to Dino' tattoo.
But who is Dino and what did he have to do with her murder...?
Peter Turnbull's P Division novel about his Glaswegian cops.
Stars Martin Cochrane and Ralph Riach.
Dramatised by Stephen Mulrine.
DCI Donoghue Martin Cochrane
DS Ray Susscock Ralph Riach
Karen Gaylie Runciman
DC King John Buick
DC Montgomery Frank Gallagher
Tuesday Noon Alex McAvooy
Mr Keyes Robert Trotter
Mrs Olive Keyes Kay Gallie
WPC Elka Willems Ann Louise Ross
Dino Alexander Morton
Produced at BBC Glasgow by Hamish Wilson.
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 1993.
FRI 07:00 Trapped (b0076h5p)
Series 1
A Boy in a Well
A local TV news team are desperate for a dramatic story to boost their ratings.
Pennine News Network needs a big story to go national and keep them all employed. So when 9-a year-old boy falls down a well - will he be trapped there long enough for the team to keep their jobs?
Black comedy by Mark Maier and Daniel Maier.
Ben Paul Poppellewell
Trevor Chris Pavlo
Mrs Pickery Catherine Tate
MacFee Ralph Ineson
Becky Catherine Shepherd
Mike Paul Copley
Stuart ... Philip Jackson
Producer: Alex Walsh-Taylor
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in October 2003.
FRI 07:30 Doctor in the House (b007jsz4)
Anatomy
More hospital mayhem, as student medic Simon Sparrow struggles with dissecting bodies.
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 Cost
Vera Norma Ronald
Producer: David Hatch
First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 1968.
FRI 08:00 Michael Spicer: Before Next Door (m000xtc1)
Series 1
Silver Badge
Things are taking off for our socially awkward and neurotic part-time comedian now he is a fully fledged internet sensation.
Michael is asked to attend the Webber's Comedy Awards, but he is only needed to present an award, not to receive one. Even so, this is the first time Michael has been invited to such a prestigious industry event and wife Roberta insists he attends - as long as she can come too.
Roberta is more excited about the awards ceremony than Michael, as she spies a chance to network and create new opportunities for his burgeoning comedy career.
And the stress of Michael's day job as a copywriter at a kitchen worktop company intensifies after an ominous corridor encounter with a new recruit.
As Michael's anxiety goes full throttle, even a call from 1920s cabaret star and war heroine Josephine Baker fails to calm his nerves and he gives the most explosive presentation speech in the history of the Webber's Comedy Awards. Or does he?
As Roberta attempts to become Michael's manager and thrust him into the limelight outside the social media where he has become successful, will he break through into television and radio? It's only Episode Two so this is still in your hands. Listen to the show. He's been trying for 20 years with only cult success until now. So give it a sympathetic listen, if nothing else. That would be good.
Cast: Michael Spicer with Ellie Taylor, Joanna Neary, Paterson Joseph, Susan Wokoma, Greig Johnson, Kiell Smith-Bynoe, Tara Flynn and Peter Curran.
Writer: Michael Spicer
Producer: Matt Tiller
A Starstruck and TillerVision production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in 2021.
FRI 08:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jph0)
5. The Last Days

In Wendy Moore's book about the military hospital set up during the First World War, the final days of the hostilities approach., but it is "darkest before dawn".

This is the story of the trailblazing women who set up three military hospitals during WWI and is a tribute to their brilliant and courageous work.

Louisa Garrett Anderson and Flora Murray were the two doctors who put their campaigning for women's suffrage to one side, so that they could turn their attention to the war wounded. They made their mark by setting up and running a hospital on Endell Street in the heart of London, where over the course of the war they treated 26,000 wounded soldiers. However, when the war ended, Murray and Anderson's achievements were once again side-lined, and the story of Endell Street was forgotten.

Read by Jessica Raine

Written by Wendy Moore

Abridged by Katrin Williams

Produced by Elizabeth Allard

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in June 2020.

FRI 08:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767g1)

5. Infidelity

Can Andrea and married Philip manage to keep their affair secret?

Stan Barstow's gritty double love story set in Yorkshire in the 1960s, dramatised by his partner Diana Griffiths.

Agnes.....Naomi Radcliffe

Andrea.....Deborah Mclandrew

Philip.....Robert Glenister

Landlord.....Geoff Hinsliff

Director: Pauline Harris

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2002.

FRI 09:00 Yesterday in Parliament (m0024xw6)

The latest news from Westminster - and beyond.

FRI 09:30 Good Pop Bad Pop by Jarvis Cocker (m00174k8)

5. Struggle

Jarvis Cocker delves into the contents of his loft and considers each item before deciding whether to keep or cob (throw away) and, in doing so, explores the origins of his creativity and what exactly makes good pop work and why bad pop fails.

This inventory takes the form of a coming of age memoir revisiting Sheffield in the 1980s against the backdrop of the miners strikes and rising unemployment. With the aid of a collection of 1980s pop objects and a gallery of interesting shirts, Jarvis charts the early days of the band Pulp, from the humiliation of a concert in the school hall at lunchtime to an invitation to record a session for John Peel. This period of his life, living in a disused factory while trying to get the band off the ground, comes to a sudden end after a disastrous stunt to impress a girl changes his life - and his attitude to music making.

Jarvis Cocker grew up in Sheffield in the 1960s and 70s, founding the band Pulp with his friends while he still was at City School despite not being able to play an instrument. The band went on to perform regularly in local venues in the 1980s until eventually they found fame in the 1990s with the success of the single Common People, which made their name, and the albums His 'n' Hers (1994) and Different Class (1995).

Written and read by Jarvis Cocker.

Abridged by Isobel Creed and Jill Waters.

Producer: Jill Waters

A Waters Company production, first broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2022.

FRI 09:45 Daily Service (m0024x6y)

Remembrance - Peace

A space for spiritual reflection with a Bible reading, prayer and a range of Christian music.

Theme: Remembrance - Peace

Presenter: Leslie Griffiths

Reading: John 20:19-23

Music:

Immortal love, forever full - St Martin's Voices

Deep Peace - Laura Wright & The Daily Service Singers

Make me a channel of your peace - Aled Jones

FRI 10:00 Soul Music (m00187b3)

Ne Me Quitte Pas

Ne Me Quitte Pas is a song about begging someone not to go; or promising the world to them, if they'll only stay.

From Haiti to New York, Provence to Glasgow... in versions by Nina Simone, Dusty Springfield and Scott Walker... we hear stories of what Jacques Brel's song has meant to people around the world.

With contributions from France Brel, Johane Celestin, Alastair Campbell, Brendan McGeever, Peter Hawkins and Malaika Kegode.

Produced by Mair Bosworth for BBC Audio.

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 2022.

FRI 10:30 Open the Box (b0075rhq)

Set against the relentless 24-hour story of the telephone box's life, from late-night revellers calling for cabs to the clean-up teams that scour out the box ready for another day.

Sara Parker meets those for whom the telephone box is far more than somewhere to place a call.

Producer: Simon Elmes

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in January 2000.

FRI 11:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 11:30 P Division (b007jx62)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 12:00 Trapped (b0076h5p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 12:30 Doctor in the House (b007jsz4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 13:00 Michael Spicer: Before Next Door (m000xtc1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 13:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jph0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 13:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767g1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

FRI 14:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m00138j0)

Series 27

Episode 1

David Mitchell hosts the panel game in which four comedians are encouraged to tell lies.

They compete against one another to see how many items of truth they're able to smuggle past their opponents.

The panellists are obliged to talk with deliberate inaccuracy on subjects as varied as pigs, underwear, camels and sausages.

With:

Alan Davies

Lucy Porter

Lou Sanders

Justin Edwards

Producer: Jon Naismith

A Random Entertainment production for BBC Radio 4, first broadcast in July 2021.

FRI 14:30 All the Young Dudes (b00cgys)

Series 1

School's Out

Having moved back to London, Patrick is still looking for a teaching post and tries for a job at his old school.

An unexpected voice from the past leaves him feeling cold...

The lives of Patrick and wife Helen as they settle back into the town where he was born.

Comedy drama written by and starring Jim Sweeney.

Patrick Jim Sweeney

Helen: Cathryn Harrison

Billy Steve Steen

Joe Stephen Frost

Moir Sadie Shimmin

Maria Flaminia Cinque

Charlie Izzy De Rosario

Mr Martin Geoffrey Whitehead

Announcer: Whispering Bob Harris

Producer: Steve Doherty

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in July 2001.

FRI 15:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

(m000gvjz)

Episode 4

Rodney Stone and his friend Jim, two young lads from the country, find themselves drawn into the racy, colourful but dangerous world of boxing and gambling, and become involved in a series of exciting adventures set in an England where the Prince Regent is all but King and Lord Nelson all but God. Sir Charles and Rodney rush to meet Jim Harrison to find out what prevented him from fighting Wilson. Stars Sean Arnold. Written by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, and first published in 1896, it is dramatised for radio in 4 parts by Constance Cox.

Rodney Stone ... Sean Arnold

Jim Harrison ... Stuart Organ

Champ Harrison ... Henry Stamper

Mrs Harrison ... Charlotte Mitchell

Sir Charles Tregellis ... John Rye

Lord Avon ... Terence Morgan

Miss Hinton ... Jill Balcon

Anson Stone ... Peter Woodthorpe

Mrs Stone ... Jean Trend

Sir Lothian Hume ... Nigel Graham

Ambrose ... Michael Bilton

Sir James Ovington/1st Officer... Peter Tuddenham

2nd Officer ... David Gooderson

Directed by David Johnston

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in 1983.

FRI 16:00 Soul Music (m00187b3)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:00 today]

FRI 16:30 Open the Box (b0075rhq)

[Repeat of broadcast at 10:30 today]

FRI 17:00 Castles in Spain (m0004xw1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:00 today]

FRI 17:30 P Division (b007jx62)

[Repeat of broadcast at 06:30 today]

FRI 18:00 Trapped (b0076h5p)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:00 today]

FRI 18:30 Doctor in the House (b007jsz4)

[Repeat of broadcast at 07:30 today]

FRI 19:00 Michael Spicer: Before Next Door (m000xtc1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:00 today]

FRI 19:30 Endell Street by Wendy Moore (m000jph0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:30 today]

FRI 19:45 Stan Barstow - A Raging Calm (b00767g1)

[Repeat of broadcast at 08:45 today]

FRI 20:00 The Unbelievable Truth (m00138j0)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:00 today]

FRI 20:30 All the Young Dudes (b00cgys)

[Repeat of broadcast at 14:30 today]

FRI 21:00 Rodney Stone by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

(m000gvjz)

[Repeat of broadcast at 15:00 today]

FRI 22:00 Parish Matters (m0024vpf)

Series 1

1. "Don't come crying to me when the robots take over!"

A new sitcom-sketch hybrid made in Belfast and starring voices from all over Ireland. Each week we join the eccentric inhabitants of the parish in their weekly council meeting to air their problems and grievances.

The parish is in the grip of a technological revolution and the council meets to try to understand what exactly it all means and where they can noisily wade in. So what will they do about the gargantuan data centre in the good field? Why do the drone deliveries keep blowing up? How did two council members nearly die? What's the update on the upcoming Manifestival? And can the best (and only) cop in town solve the case of the man going round stealing everyone's jobs?

Parish Matters is a window into an everlasting argument and an energetic and original comedy show written by Michael McCullagh and Phil Taggart and starring the writers alongside Michael Fry, Ciara Knight, Hannah Mamalis, Mary Flanagan, Michael Stranney and Peter McGann.

Producer: Keith Martin

Executive Producer: Sam Michell

A Fabel Radio production for BBC Radio 4

FRI 22:30 The Jason Byrne Show (b01f9sm2)

Series 2

Parents

Award-winning Jason Byrne's lowdown on what being a mum and dad really means.

Fast-paced stand-up comedy and sketch show

With:

Laurence Howarth

Anna Bengo

Producer: Julia McKenzie

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in August 2009.

FRI 23:00 Small Scenes (b072n66g)

Series 3

Episode 2

More overblown, melodramatic scenes from modern life. Meet the woman who uncovers the conspiracy behind cryptic crosswords, discover the real reason that dairy products have pictures of cows on them plus a man who's addicted to giving lifts.

Award-winning sketch show.

Starring:

Daniel Rigby

Mike Wozniak

Cariad Lloyd

Henry Paker

Jessica Ransom

Written by Benjamin Partridge, Henry Paker and Mike

Wozniak, with additional material from the cast.

Producer: Simon Mayhew-Archer

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in March 2016.

FRI 23:30 Bird Island (b042z66l)

Series 2

Episode 2

Young scientist Ben tests out a new coat, suitable for the cold climate in Antarctica. Meanwhile Jane celebrates her birthday.

Ben Reece Shearsmith

Graham Julian Rhind-Tutt

Shanghai Solitaire Voice Julian Rhind-Tutt

Jane Katy Wix

Atmospheric comedy about a cheery scientist based in Sub-Antarctica by Katy Wix.

It's Ben's trip of a lifetime, but in a vast icy landscape with dodgy internet. Feeling lonely, he shares his thoughts via an audio 'log' on his dictaphone.

Graham is a fellow nerdy scientist so their exchanges are mumbled. Ben's even more awkward around new arrival Jane, though he's not entirely sure why.

Producer: Tilusha Ghelan

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in May 2014.

FRI 23:45 Jigsaw (b04zfz7y)

Series 2

Episode 2

The power of a citizen's pardon - and what's sexier than a stocking?

The rapid-fire and surreal sketch show series.

Starring award-winning stand-up comedians Dan Antopolski, Tom Craine and Nat Laurantsema

Producer: Colin Anderson

First broadcast on BBC Radio 4 in September 2014.