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## Highlights for week beginning

## Monday 18th March 2019

### **ROBIN'S NEST IS COMING TO TALKING PICTURES TV**

Robin's Nest, comedy spin-off from the popular series, Man about the House starts on Monday 18th March at 5.30pm. All 48 episodes from the six series will be shown, from 1977 to 1981. Starring Richard O'Sullivan, Tessa Wyatt and Tony Britton with Honor Blackman as Vicky's mother, (later replaced by Barbara Murray). Robin Tripp (Richard O'Sullivan) has become a qualified chef and now lives with girlfriend Vicky Nicholls, played by Tessa Wyatt. The pair have a flat in Fulham above a bistro called Robins Nest. Vicky's father, James, (Tony Britton), disapproves of Robin and is an over enthusiastic "sleeping partner" in the Bistro. The show was notable at the time for its portrayal of an unmarried couple living together. Extra laughs provided by Richard Kelly as the one-armed dishwasher, Albert.

Series begins: Monday 18th March at 17.30 and will air every weekday.



Monday 18th March - 11.10

#### **Circle Of Danger (1951)**

Drama, directed by Jacques Tourneur. Starring Ray Milland, Patricia Roc and Marius Goring. An American comes to England to discover the truth behind his brother's mysterious death in occupied France. His investigations reveal that it was not a German bullet that killed his brother, and there was a mysterious thirteenth member of the raiding party...



Monday 18th March - 17.30

#### **Robin's Nest Episode 1**

Series spin-off from Man About the House. Robin Tripp, a qualified chef, lives with girlfriend Vicky above a Chinese restaurant, owned by Vicky's father, James. The couple ask if Robin can re-open it as a bistro. Knowing Robin has no money, James comes up with a solution, and he and Robin are in business!



Robin's Nest will air every weekday at 5.30

Monday 18th March - 18.00

#### **Treasure Hunt (1952)**

Comedy, directed by John Paddy Carstairs. Starring Jimmy Edwards, Martita Hunt, Naunton Wayne and Athene Seyler. After reading Sir Roderick Lyall's will the family learn they are short on money.



Tuesday 19th March - 9.40

#### **Surprise Package (1960)**

Comedy, directed by Stanley Donen. Starring Yul Brynner, Noel Coward, Mitzi Gaynor, Lyndon Brook and Eric Pohlmann. A devil-may-care gambler had been deported to a Greek island where he meets a deposed king. The small-time hood plans to steal the king's crown after his gang double-crosses him by sending out his old girlfriend instead of his ill-gotten gains.



Tuesday 19th March - 11.40

#### **Kotch (1971)**

Comedy Drama, directed by Jack Lemmon. Starring Walter Matthau, Jack Lemmon and Deborah Winters. To avoid settling in a nursing home a retired salesman is obliged to leave his son's family. Embarking on an extended vacation, he helps a pregnant teenager, eventually setting up an unlikely, yet endearing, home with her.



Tuesday 19th March - 19.25

#### **Saloon Bar (1940)**

Directed by Walter Forde, starring Gordon Harker, Elizabeth Allan, Mervyn Johns. On the night before the planned execution of a man convicted of murder, can bookie and amateur sleuth Joe Harris prove that a former customer is innocent of the crime for which he is to be hanged? A comedy thriller made by Ealing Studios. Also on Saturday 23rd March at 10.45



Wednesday 20th March - 09.35

#### **The Captive Heart (1946)**

War film, directed by Basil Dearden, starring Michael Redgrave, Jack Warner, Rachel Kempson and Mervyn Johns. A Czechoslovak concentration-camp escapee assumes the identity of a dead British officer but ends up in a POW camp. He is forced to exchange letters with the dead man's wife to prove his identity. He escapes to England, where he confesses his love to his correspondent.



Wednesday 20th March - 15.25

#### **Encore (1951)**

Comedy, directed by Harold French, starring Nigel Patrick, Roland Culver, Kay Walsh, Noel Purcell, Glynis Johns and Terence Morgan. Three short stories by W. Somerset Maugham. 'The Ant & The Grasshopper', two brothers, one honest, the other a fraud, make amends when one has an unusual romance. 'Winter Cruise', an annoying lady cruise passenger is distracted by a fake admirer. 'Gigolo and Gigolette', a dangerous high dive act is becoming too much for the performer.





**Wednesday 20th March - 19.20**

**Who Goes There (1952)**

Comedy film directed by Anthony Kimmins, starring Nigel Patrick, Valerie Hobson and George Cole. A private in the Guards leaves his girlfriend in the empty house of a civil servant, whose son then falls in love with her.

Also on Saturday 23rd March at 21.10

**Thursday 21st March - 09.20**

**Nobody Runs Forever (1968)**

Action film directed by Ralph Thomas, starring Christopher Plummer, Rod Taylor and Lilli Palmer. An Australian detective arrives in London to arrest a top diplomat for the murder of his first wife, but delays when he discovers the man is in the middle of delicate peace negotiations. An assassination plot leads him to question the diplomat's guilt.

**Thursday 21st March - 19.15**

**Last Holiday (1950)**

Drama directed by Henry Cass, starring Alec Guinness, Beatrice Campbell and Kay Walsh. A dark comedy written by JB Priestley. A lonely salesman is told he has months to live and uses his life savings to go on an expensive holiday. Unexpected opportunities arise at the hotel, and a new diagnosis brings fresh hope.

**Thursday 21st March - 22.00**

**Soft Beds, Hard Battles (1973)**

Director: Shani S Grewal  
Comedy, directed by Roy Boulting, starring Peter Sellers, Curt Jurgens, Francoise Pascal, Rula Lenska and Jenny Hanley. In Nazi occupied France Major Robinson works with a brothel to aid the resistance. Sellers plays several roles in this 'under cover' scheme to dispose of the German officers taking advantage of the girls' 'hospitality'.

**Friday 22nd March - 12.40**

**Cover Girl Killer (1959)**

Crime film, directed by Terry Bishop, starring Harry H. Corbett, Felicity Young. Someone is murdering cover girl models leaving them in the same pose and place as featured in 'Wow' magazine. An insightful precursor to the sex and horror thrillers that became popular a decade later.

**Friday 22nd March - 15.20**

**The Good Die Young (1954)**

Crime thriller, directed by Lewis Gilbert, starring Laurence Harvey, Gloria Grahame, Richard Basehart, Stanley Baker and Joan Collins. Three good American men are lured into a scheme to commit a robbery because they need money. Each has his reason, but is it enough to justify the crime?

**Friday 22nd March - 18.00**

**Charley Moon (1956)**

Director: Guy Hamilton  
Starring: Max Bygraves, Dennis Price, Michael Medwin, Florence Desmond and Shirley Eaton. Hearing that Charley has no job when demobilised, Army friend Harold suggests they team up as stage comics. Things are not easy, but they gain experience and decide to try their luck in London...



**Saturday 23rd March - 12.30**

**The Lure Of The Wilderness (1952)**

Romantic adventure directed by Jean Negulesco, starring Jean Peters, Jeffrey Hunter, Constance Smith and Walter Brennan.

Tale of two outcasts wrongfully accused of murder in the American swampland of Georgia. A hunter stumbles upon them and is captured, but later befriends the man and his daughter, learning to live like them.

**Saturday 23rd March - 22.50**

**Jack The Ripper, Part One (1988)**

Series directed by David Wickes, starring Michael Caine, Armand Assante, Ray McAnally and Lewis Collins.

**Episode One** - the mutilated bodies of prostitutes are being found in London's East End and Chief Inspector Abberline is assigned to investigate. The killer is nick-named 'Jack the Ripper' after a letter is sent to Scotland Yard, and public outrage is erupting throughout the country.

**Sunday 24th March - 12.30**

**Night boat to Dublin (1946)**

Drama, directed by Lawrence Huntington, starring Robert Newton, Raymond Lovell, Guy Middleton and Muriel Pavlow. A British secret agent leads an attempt to prevent a Swedish atomic scientist who is unwittingly passing information to the Nazis through the neutral Irish Free state.

**Sunday 24th March - 16.00**

**The Blue Lamp (1949)**

Crime, directed by Basil Dearden, starring Dirk Bogarde, Jack Warner and Jimmy Hanley. A killer shoots a London policeman during a robbery, sparking a citywide hunt. This film inspired long running TV series 'Dixon of Dock Green'.

**Sunday 24th March - 17.45**

**The Big Noise (1944)**

Comedy starring Laurel & Hardy, directed by Mal St. Clair. Fifth of the six films the duo made for 20th Century Fox during the 1940s. The pair pose as detectives and go to the rescue of an eccentric inventor who has made a bomb, which his crooked neighbours want to steal. Madcap heroics ensue, including a daring escape by parachute from a remote control airplane.

**Sunday 24th March - 21.00**

**Armchair Theatre: 'High Summer' (1972)**

Drama written by Terence Rattigan, directed by Peter Duguid, starring Roland Culver, Donald Hewlett, Nerys Hughes and Margaret Leighton. Lady Huntercombe's stately home is a haven of peace and quiet in the height of an Edwardian summer. However, the calm is shattered when eldest son Jack returns from Paris to claim his inheritance. He wants to sell the estate and build social housing. The play is a comment on the vanishing world of the privileged few.

