

Christmas Eve Sunday

7:15am Runaround: Christmas Special (1979)

Classic children's gameshow. Hosted by Mike Reid and featuring Barbara Dickson.

7:45am Son of Monte Christo (1940)

Action. Director: Rowland V. Lee. Louis Hayward, George Sanders & Joan Bennett. The Duchess of Zona, is engaged in a power struggle with the evil General Gurko. [S]

9:40am Christmas Eve with Tom Baker: A Service For Christmas Eve (1993)

Tom Baker introduces a Dickens theme into the service from St Andrews United Reform Church in Eastbourne. [S]

10:50am When The Legends Die (1972)

Stars: Richard Widmark and Fredric Forrest. A Ute Indian youth leaves the reservation to enter the rodeo life. [S]

12.55pm Worzel Gummidge Christmas Special: A Cup O' Tea an' a Slice O' Cake. (1980). Stars: John Pertwee, Billy Connolly & Barbara Windsor.

Worzel looks destined to spend Christmas alone when the Crowman bans him from the Scarecrow Ball. [S]

2:00pm The Adventures of Robin Hood

The Borrowed Baby. (1957). Stars: Richard Greene, Bernadette O'Farrell & Sylvia Kay. The Sheriff plots to arrest Maid Marian for assisting Robin and the outlaws. [S]

2:30pm Christmas with the Larkins. (1958).

Stars: David Kossoff, Peggy Mount & Ruth Truener. Ada invites a miserable man to spend Christmas with them; Alf tries to defrost a meagre frozen turkey. [S]

3:10pm The Night Before Christmas.

(1946). A beautiful adaptation of the famous poem, mixing animation and live action. [S]

3:20pm Christmas Lights. (2004).

Comedy Drama. Directed by Paul Seed. Stars: Robson Green, & Mark Benton. Two lifelong friends forget what Christmas is really about when they take rivalries to the extreme. [S]

4:50pm Look at Life: A Year for a Day. (1961).

The business of Christmas and the individuals who spend most of the year contributing to the festivities.

5:00pm The Footage Detectives.

Join us on a journey of Christmases past! There's a festive Tommy Steel reel, we look at Christmas presents from times gone by, Christmas parties and a reel with great Christmas shopping advice. [S]

6:00pm Tell Me Another. (1976).

Personal anecdotes as told to Dick Hills. This episode stars Clive Dunn, Liza Goddard, Humphrey Lyttleton, Marjorie Proops, Mike Reid & Terry Scott. [S]

6:30pm Landfall. (1949).

War. Director: Ken Annakin. Stars: Michael Denison, Patricia Plunkett & Kathleen Harrison. At Coastal Command, an RAF pilot is suspended after sinking a British sub. [S]



8:15pm A Lifetime Ago with The Baim Collection

Big City London (1963). A glimpse of London 60 years ago, with two-way traffic in New Bond Street, Fleet Street, St Paul's Cathedral and Park Lane Hilton hotel.

8:50pm Look at Life The Old School Tie (1962). A brilliant visit to three of the most famous public schools, showing their background and prospects for the future.

9:00pm Manhunt A Different Kind of War. (1970).

Stars: Peter Barkworth, Moira Redmond & Julian Glover.

Vincent, Nina and Jimmy arrive at the house of a pre-war friend of Vincent, but something doesn't seem right. [S]

10:05pm Sex (Re) Education

Stars: Feodor Atkine, Sylvvie Granotier & Irene Jacob. Jacques suspects Rose of having a lover and sets out to expose her. Edouard detects a case of syphilis among the elderly. [S]

10:35pm A Ghost Story for Christmas

The Ice House (1978). Stars: John Stride, Elizabeth Romilly and Geoffrey Burridge.

A recently divorced man seeks solace in a countryside retreat. [S]

11:20pm Love, Cheat and Steal (1993).

Thriller. Director: William Curran. Stars: John Lithgow, Eric Roberts & Madchen Amick. After leaving prison, a man infiltrates his ex-wife and her husbands' lives. [S]

Christmas Day Monday

6:00am Child of Bethlehem (1941)

Director: Edwin Maxwell. The story of the birth of Jesus and his family's flight into Egypt.

06:20am The Sandwich Man (1966)

Comedy. Director: Robert Hartford-Davis. Stars: Michael Bentine, Harry H Corbett & Norman Wisdom. A man with a sandwich-board goes around London meeting people from all walks of life. [S]

08:20am Christmas Carols in 1947

Glimpses. A Christmas Carol singalong.

08:35am The Miracle Of The Bells (1948)

Drama. Stars: Frank Sinatra and Fred MacMurray. [S]

A Hollywood press agent brings the dead body of an actress home for burial.

10:55am Christmas Wishes (1944)

Charming Halas and Batchelor cartoon asking the public to 'post early for Christmas'.

11:00am Time to Remember

Over By Christmas (1959) Narrated by Sir Michael Redgrave. An overview of 1914; the rumblings of war become louder across Europe and the recruits leave to fight. [S]

11:30am Christmas in 1942

Charming footage of a traditional Christmas party in war time.

11:35am The Christmas Tree (1966)

Starring: Brian Blessed, William Burleigh, Anthony Honour & Kate Nicholls. Gary determines to get a tree for children who will be in hospital for Christmas. Director: Jim Clark. [S]



12:45pm The Christmas Truce of 1914 - Lest We Forget
With Alan Forbes. We visit the site where, on Christmas Eve our boys heard German troops singing and on Christmas Day, British and German soldiers met in no man's land.

1:00pm Sea of Sand (1958).

War. Director: Guy Green. Stars: Richard Attenborough, Michael Craig & John Gregson. The Long Range Desert Group are in North Africa to destroy a Nazi fuel dump. [S]

3:00pm The Saint Judith (1963).

Stars: Roger Moore, Julie Christie & David Bauer. After a young woman backs her car into Simon's, he becomes involved in a surprising adventure. [S]

4:00pm What's On TPTV With Noel. (Also Thursday 28th December 11.25am Friday 29th December 5.40pm Saturday 30th December 1.40pm)

Noel, founder of TPTV, answers your letters, discusses your queries and lets you know what he has found in the archives to bring to the channel.

4:10pm Scrooge (1951).

Drama. Director: Brian Desmond Hurst. Stars: Alastair Sim, Jack Warner, Kathleen Harrison & Sir Michael Hordern. Christmas is not a time of celebration for the tight-fisted Ebenezer Scrooge. [S]

6:00pm The Footage Detectives.

In this festive edition, Mike and Noel are joined by Sam Kydd's son Jonathan Kydd. They take a look at lost footage recovered by Sam, Christmas shorts and a lost film of Eartha Kitt is uncovered! [S]

7:00pm The Trouble with Angels (1966).

Comedy. Director: Ida Lupino. Stars: Hayley Mills, June Harding and Rosalind Russell. Two mischievous students turn a convent school upside-down at Christmas.

9:15pm A Ghost Story for Christmas Whistle and I'll Come to You (2010).

Stars: John Hurt and Gemma Jones. James Parkin travels to his old favourite destination for rambling, an off-season British seaside town. There he encounters an apparition on a desolate beach.

10:25pm Ten Little Indians (1965).

Mystery. Directed by George Pollock. Stars: Hugh O'Brian and Shirley Eaton. Film version of Agatha Christie's novel. Strangers attend a party at a mansion. [S]

Boxing Day Tuesday

7:20am The Great Rupert

(AKA: A Christmas Wish) (1950).

Christmas family drama. Director: Irving Pichel. Stars: Jimmy Durante, Terry Moore, Tom Drake, Frank Orth, Sara Haden and Queenie Smith. Rupert, a dancing squirrel, is left to fend for himself on the streets after his master turns bankrupt. Unsited for the hard life, Rupert devises a scheme to raise his master's family from poverty.



9:10am Made for Each Other (1939).

Drama. Directed by John Cromwell. Stars: Carole Lombard, James Stewart and Charles Coburn. After a whirlwind courtship, a young couple's love is put to the test. [S]

11:00am Sparrows Can't Sing (1963).

Comedy. Director: Joan Littlewood. Stars: James Booth, Barbara Windsor & Roy Kinnear. Charlie returns to the East End after two years at sea to find his house demolished and his wife gone.

12:50pm Adventures of Robinson Crusoe

(1954). Adventure. Director: Luis Bunuel. Stars: Dan O'Herlihy, Jaime Fernández & Felipe de Alba. Robinson Crusoe is stranded on a desert island. [S]

2.40pm Worzel Gummidge

Christmas Special:

A Cup O' Tea an' a Slice O' Cake. (1980).

Stars: John Pertwee, Billy Connolly & Barbara Windsor. The Crowman bans Worzel from the Scarecrow Ball. [S]

3.45pm Champions. (1984).

Drama. Director: John Irvin. Stars: John Hurt, Jan Francis, Edward Woodward & Ben Johnson. The true story of Bob Champion, a British jockey who was diagnosed with cancer.

6:00pm The Black Arrow Plot and Counterplot (1974)

Stars: William Squire, Simon Cuff & Eddie Byrne. Sir Richard is nearly killed; battle ensues at Lord Brock's castle. [S]

6:30pm Scotland Yard The Never Never Murder (1961).

Directed by Peter Duffell. Stars: Russell Napier, Genine Graham and Maurice Good. A dead body sets the police on the track of a fraudster.

7:05pm The Four Just Men The Slaver

(1960). Stars: Vittorio De Sica, Lisa Gastoni & Charles Gray. Ricco investigates a slave market based in Rome. [S]

7:40pm Dick Barton: Special Agent (1979).

Dick's Aunt (Stella Kemball) tells him that her house has vanished.

7:55pm Thunderbirds The Uninvited (1965)

Stars: Shane Rimmer, Sylvia Anderson and David Graham. Scott is shot down over the desert.

9:00pm Cinebox Memories: Runaround Sue by Dion
Enjoy the hit 60s tune.

9:05pm Maigret Maigret Versus Mr Cavre (1997) Stars:

Bruno Cremer, Nade Dieu & Jacques Boudet. Maigret travels to Belgium to help a friend whose brother-in-law has been accused of murder. [S]

10:55pm A Ghost Story for Christmas

The Stalls of Barchester (1971)
Stars: Robert Hardy, Clive Swift and Thelma Barlow. A mysterious box in the library of Barchester Cathedral reveals the strange story of a former archdeacon.

11:55pm Riddle Of The Sands (1978)

Adventure. Director: Tony Maylam. Stars: Michael York, Jenny Agutter & Simon MacCorkindale. Set in 1901; British yachtsmen discover a German plot to invade England.



New Year's Eve Sunday

8:25am Strictly For The Birds (1963)

Comedy. Director: Vernon Sewell. Stars: Tony Tanner and Joan Sims. Terry's ex-girlfriend arrives with a surprise. [S]

9:40am Flood Tide (1934)

Drama. Director: John Baxter.

Stars: George Carney, Peggy Novak and Leslie Hatton. Romance for a young couple. [S]

10:55am The House In Marsh Road (1960)

Horror. Director: Montgomery Tully. Stars: Patricia Dainton, Tony Wright & Sandra Dorne. A novelist and his lover plot to kill his wife. [S]

12:15pm Rage at Dawn (1955)

Western. Directed by Tim Whelan. Stars: Randolph Scott, Forrest Tucker & Mala Powers.

A private detective is sent to take down the Reno brothers. [S]

2:00pm The Adventures of Robin Hood (1956)

The Black Five. (1957) Stars: Richard Greene & Alan Wheatley. Robin & the Sheriff plot to get rid of the Duke of Moreville. [S]

2:30pm Swinging UK (1964) Musical from the 60s with

Brian Poole & the Tremeloe, The Merseybeats & Millie Small.

3:05pm The Ghost of Greville Lodge (2000) Mystery.

Director: Niall Johnson. Stars:

George Cole, Prunella Scales and Jon Newman.

A teenager stays at his uncle's mansion, where he discovers the house has many secrets. [S]

4:50pm Stars We Have Lost 2023

A time of reflection and remembrance, as we look at of some of the stars sadly lost this year.

5:00pm The Footage Detectives

Join us for a celluloid journey through the years! Do you remember Jamboree bags?

Who remembers The Packbeats? What does Boom oo yata-ta-ta mean to you? And we have an incredibly rare reel of The Rolling Stones! [S]

6:00pm Tell Me Another Showbusiness Colleagues (1976)

Personal anecdotes as told to Dick Hills. Stars: Liza Goddard, Alfred Marks, Jack Parnell, Joan Turner and Kenneth Williams.

6:30pm An Inspector Calls (1954)

Crime. Director: Guy Hamilton. Stars: Alastair Sim, Olga Lindo & Eileen Moore. It is 1912 and the rich and complacent Birling family are yet to be affected by coming war. [S]

8:05pm A Ghost Story for Christmas

The Signalman (1976) Stars: Denholm Elliott, Bernard Lloyd & Reginald Jessup. A lonely signalman is haunted by a hooded figure. [S]

9:00pm Manhunt Betrayal 1970.

Stars: Cyd Hayman and Robert Hardy.

Gratz closes in on Vincent. [S]

10:05pm Sex (Re) Education Episode 8

Stars: Feodor Atkine, Sylwvie Granotier & Irene Jacob. The management attempts to confine the syphilis epidemic. [S]

10:40pm Light at the Edge of the World (1971)

Adventure. Director: Kevin Billington. Stars: Yul Brynner and Kirk Douglas. In 1865, pirates try to capture a new lighthouse on Cape Horn.



New Year's Day Monday

9:05am Second Time Around (1961)

Comedy. Director: Vincent Sherman. Stars: Debbie Reynolds, Steve Forrest & Andy Griffith. A young widow and her children start a new life in Arizona. [S]

11am Time To Remember (1959)

The Plunge into Peace.

Narrator: Sir Michael Redgrave. 1920, Britain is at peace, but, in Ireland, industrial unrest. [S]

11:35am The Outer Limits (1963)

The Galaxy Being. Stars: Lee Philips, Jacqueline Scott & Cliff Robertson. A radio station operator contacts someone in another galaxy. [S]

12:35pm Look At Life (1965) Women at Sea.

A look at the various seafaring jobs for women.

12:55pm Heaven Knows, Mr. Allison (1957)

Drama. Director: John Huston. Stars: Robert Mitcham and Deborah Kerr. During WWII, a US marine and a nun are stranded on a South Pacific island. [S]

3:00pm The Saint Teresa (1963)

Stars: Roger Moore, Lana Morris and Eric Pohlmann. Simon helps a young woman solve the mystery of her missing husband. [S]

4:00pm Look At Life Jumping Jets (1965)

The new jet that takes off like a helicopter.

4:10pm The Trouble with Angels (1966)

Comedy. Director: Ida Lupino. Stars: Rosalind Russell, Hayley Mills & Binnie Barnes. A pair of students are assigned to a convent school.

6:25pm One Mile Square (1964)

A nice little trip around London in 1964.

7:00pm The Footage Detectives

It's our 100th episode! We have access to the private archives of Peter Byrne with special footage, scripts and letters.

One man spots his parents in an unknown reel, and is that Eric Morecambe? [S]

8:00pm The Brothers End of the Beginning (1972) Stars:

Jean Anderson, Glyn Owen & Richard Easton. The founder of Hammond Transport has died, leaving behind a widow, three sons and inevitable conflict.

9:05pm A Ghost Story for Christmas

A View from a Hill (2005) Stars Mark Letheren, Pip Torrens & David Burke. A historian is sent to authenticate an archaeological collection, but whilst there he discovers a gruesome local legend. [S]

10:00pm The Intruder (1953)

Drama. Director: Guy Hamilton. Stars: Jack Hawkins, Dennis Price, Michael Medwin, George Cole & Hugh Williams. An ex Colonel

catches one of his former men robbing his house and investigates why.

11:40pm Dr. Crippen (1963)

Horror. Director: Robert Lynn. Donald Pleasence stars as the notorious Dr Crippen, the monstrous Edwardian murderer. Also stars: Samantha Eggar & Coral Browne. [S]