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Weekly Highlights 1st–7th August

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SATURDAY 1st AUGUST

1.30pm THE GREEN MAN (1956)

A rather spiffing black comedy written by Frank Launder and Sidney Gilliat, who are perhaps best known for Hitchcock's *The Lady Vanishes* (1938) and the *St Trinians* movies. They worked on *Green For Danger* (1946) too, which also stars Alastair Sim – just don't make the mistake of getting that film and this one confused... Here Sim plays Harry Hawkins, a freelance assassin (yes, really!) whose latest assignment involves bumping off a pompous politician at the titular seaside hotel. However, his plan may be foiled by a salesman and his female sidekick. Sim's protégé George Cole co-stars, while Terry-Thomas, Colin Gordon, Dora Bryan and Richard Wattis are among the delightful supporting cast.

Did you know...? George Cole's then-wife, Eileen Moore, plays typist Joan Wood, who has a liaison with Raymond Huntley's Sir Gregory Upshott.



3.45pm REACH FOR THE SKY (1956)

Richard Burton and Laurence Olivier were the first choices to take the lead role in this biopic, but it's hard to imagine anyone but the charming Kenneth More playing renowned Second World War hero Douglas Bader. It charts how he rose to the rank of squadron leader in the RAF, despite having lost both legs in a horrific plane crash in 1931. Considered to be one of the most inspirational war movies of all time, it's hard not to be moved by Bader's determination to achieve his goals regardless of his disability. More and Bader met for a game of golf ahead of

filming – More, despite being no mean player himself, was, apparently, well beaten.

Did you know...? John Addison, who wrote the film's score, was Douglas Bader's real-life brother-in-law; Bader was married to Addison's elder sister, Thelma.



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SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST

5pm THE FOOTAGE DETECTIVES

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Every Sunday at 5pm, only on Talking Pictures TV.



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Hello fellow Footies! This week, we've a touch of the 'good life'!

Yes, we've found a lovely lost reel of the late Penelope Keith putting her wonderfully distinctive voice to good use...

She'll be teaching us how to communicate properly – and how to sell!

Then we're going behind the scenes of a 1960s newsroom!

A reel to take Noel back to his telecine days – cutting live news as it went out!

We'll be asking what happened to the strongwoman who tore up telephone directories?

And were you a secret lemonade drinker?

Great case files from you Footage Detectives too - like the link between *Whiplash* and *Star Trek*...

The con in *Z-Cars* who changed his ways...

And yet another chap's spotted a relative in one of our idents!

Plus, a great story about Sid James, a fish, and a cowboy outfit!

So do join us Sunday at 5 or Monday at 7 for...

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9.25pm CHASE A CROOKED SHADOW (1958)

Dubbed a “virtuoso study in suspense” by *The Monthly Film Bulletin* on its release, this dark thriller was the first project produced by Douglas Fairbanks Jr’s company Associated Dragon Films. While grieving over her father’s suicide and her brother Ward’s death in a car accident, heiress Kimberley Prescott receives a visit at her family home in Spain from a man claiming to be Ward. He has all the correct documents to prove his identity – could he really be back from the dead, or is someone playing an elaborate hoax? And if it’s the latter, who will believe Kimberley’s story? Anne Baxter is superb in the lead role, alongside Richard Todd and the always excellent Herbert Lom.

Director Michael Anderson ratchets up the tension, leaving viewers breathless.

Did you know...? Richard Todd and Michael Anderson previously worked together on *The Dam Busters* (1955) and *Yangtze Incident* (1957), and would reteam for *Operation Crossbow* in 1965.



MONDAY 3rd AUGUST



5.05pm DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE (1954)

Be still our beating hearts – Dirk Bogarde, in the film that turned him into a matinee idol, is at his sweetest, swoonsome best in the first of his four outings as Dr Simon Sparrow, the wet-behind-the-ears medic created by Richard Gordon in a series of comic novels. Here he begins his medical training alongside a few other familiar faces – including Kenneth More, Donald Sinden and Donald Houston – who look a little long in the tooth to be students, but add a lot of fun to the proceedings nevertheless.

Muriel Pavlow is the love interest, while James Robertson Justice threatens to steal the show as the formidable and unforgettable Sir Lancelot Spratt.

Did you know...? The film was the most successful in the Rank Organisation’s history; it’s believed around a third of the nation saw it at the cinema.



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TUESDAY 4th AUGUST

9pm ACCIDENT (1967)

More Dirk Bogarde, but by the time this drama was made, he'd moved on from playing the boy next door to playing characters you probably wouldn't want to be very close to at all. It's directed by Joseph Losey who, having worked with both Bogarde and Stanley Baker on other projects, brought them together for this



production – the tension between their characters was apparently mirrored on set. Bogarde plays a lecturer who, after one of his students is killed in a car crash near his home, looks back at his friendship with the dead boy and obsession with his fiancée (Jacqueline Sassard), who had been having an affair with a colleague (Baker).

Did you know...? The screenplay, written by Harold Pinter (who also penned Losey's *The Servant*, which starred Bogarde), was based on a novel by Nicholas Mosley, the son of notorious fascist Sir Oswald Mosley. Future *Dynasty* and *Emmerdale* star Maxwell Caulfield, then aged seven and billed as Maxwell Flindlater, plays Bogarde's son Ted.

WEDNESDAY 5th AUGUST



4.20pm THE BELLS GO DOWN (1943)

Tommy Trinder and James Mason – now there's a big-screen pairing you wouldn't expect. They work surprisingly well together, however, in a wartime propaganda movie from Ealing Studios about a bunch of new recruits in the Auxiliary Fire Service. The story follows them as they fight to save souls during the London Blitz. Shot in a semi-documentary style by acclaimed director Basil Dearden, it also stars Mervyn Johns, Philip Friend, William Hartnell and Finlay Currie.

Did you know...? Stephen Black was inspired to write the novel on which the screenplay was based by the experiences of his firefighter brother.



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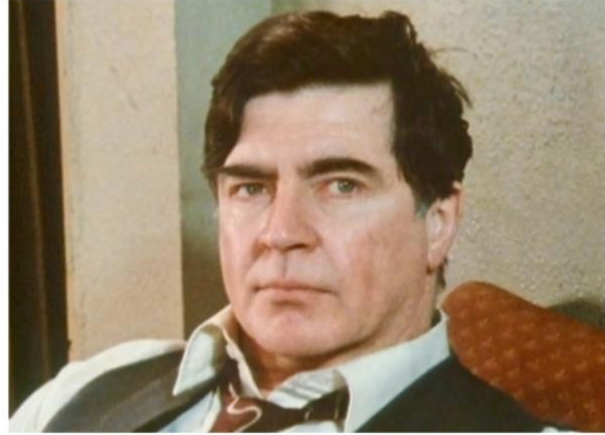
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8.35pm AN ENGLISHMAN ABROAD (1983)

Coral Browne and Alan Bates won Baftas for their performances in Alan Bennett's TV play – for Browne, her performance can't have been too much of a stretch because she plays herself. The plot is based on her real-life meeting with Guy Burgess, a member of the notorious Cambridge Spies, in 1958, seven years after he defected to the Soviet Union. She was on tour with the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at the time, performing in *Hamlet*, and the production reveals what happened after the pair struck up a conversation backstage.



Did you know...? Oscar-winner John Schlesinger directed the play during a lean period in his cinematic career – he won a Bafta for it, as well as one for another work by Alan Bennett, *A Question of Attribution* (about Burgess's fellow spy, Anthony Blunt), in 1991.

FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST



2.45pm MY BROTHER'S KEEPER (1948)

What? Good old dependable Jack Warner as a villain?! If you're only familiar with his later career, including his long-running role as Dixon of Dock Green, then the sight of him as a baddie in this tense drama may come as a shock. However, at the time the film was made, he was playing as many crooks as he was lovable, venerable old souls. He's good too in a tale that is reminiscent of Stanley Kramer's more

famous 1958 movie *The Defiant Ones*. Like the central characters in that film, the main protagonists are criminals handcuffed together and on the run from the law – Warner plays one of them, a hardened crook, while George Cole, in his first adult starring role, is the other, a naïve young man who may have been falsely accused of rape.

Did you know...? It was one of only two films directed by Alfred Roome (the other being 1949's *It's Not Cricket*). He spent most of his career editing comedies, including several *Carry Ons*.



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