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Weekly Highlights
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SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

1.45pm HMS DEFIANT (1962)

Avast me hearties – we're heading onto the high seas with Alec Guinness and Dirk Bogarde, but it won't be plain sailing. Guinness plays the commander of a British warship fighting in the Napoleonic Wars who has to contend with an uprising led by his right-hand man.



The villain will stop at nothing – including tormenting his superior officer's son, who is also serving aboard the vessel. Anthony Quayle, Maurice Denham and Tom Bell are among the excellent supporting cast of a film co-written by Nigel 'Quatermass' Kneale.

Did you know...? Guinness made the movie during a two-month break from shooting *Lawrence of Arabia*. It's also known as *Damn the Defiant!* in some quarters, and was directed by Lewis Gilbert, whose previous seafaring experience involved helming 1960's *Sink the Bismarck!*



9.10pm PRUDENCE AND THE PILL (1968)

CHANNEL PREMIERE

In what must have been a rather racy affair at the time it was made, David Niven and Deborah Kerr play a couple trapped in a loveless marriage. He swaps her birth control pills for aspirin in the hope she will fall pregnant by her lover, allowing him to pursue his own extra-curricular activities. However, he's not the only member of his household up to mischief... The comedy's excellent cast also includes Judy Geeson (in a role originally intended for Hayley Mills), Keith Michell, Edith Evans and Robert Coote.

Did you know...? This was the last of five films Niven and Kerr appeared in together. The others are *Separate Tables* (1958), for which Niven won his only Oscar, *Bonjour Tristesse* (1958), *Eye of the Devil* (1966) and *Casino Royale* (1967).



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*****REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER*****

We're celebrating the heroes and heroines who gave their lives in the service of our country via a collection of moving programmes and films.



We begin at 9.45am with the documentary ***Lest We Forget***, in which historian Alan Forbes travels to Belgium and France, where he recalls the harrowing battles that took place at Flanders and the Somme before visiting the memorials to those who died.

After a minute's silence and the *Last Post* in ***We***

Will Remember Them at 11am, settle down for the classic 1958 movie ***Carve Her Name with Pride***. Virginia McKenna deservedly won a Bafta for her incredible performance as real-life British secret agent Violette Szabo, who volunteered for the Special Operations Executive, carrying out daring missions behind enemy lines.



We then get a chance to find out more about how the Royal British Legion supports veterans in ***Review No1 29th Year*** at 1.25pm, which also includes a brief history of the charity.

Finally, at 1.35pm, is the 1943 film ***Nine Men***. Produced by Ealing Studios at the height of the Second World War, it charts the experiences of troops

during the Western Desert Campaign. Gordon Jackson is the most recognisable of the largely little-known cast.



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5pm THE FOOTAGE DETECTIVES

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



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Well fellow Footage Detectives – ‘Shut That Door!’ – because we have a very special guest joining us on this week's show!

Yes, we're welcoming the very lovely Isla St Clair to the studio – ‘What are the scores on the doors Isla?’

We'll be hearing all about Isla's childhood memories, her music career, working with Larry Grayson and much, much more... Including some fantastic footage that Isla's found!

And talking of footage, I've discovered a reel from one of the first TV stations to transmit from home – long before we did!

Great case files from you too! There's the link between Mark Saber and the Second World War... A miracle of biblical proportions in The Vicious Circle...

And did you spot a young Sean Connery hanging around the bar in The Rossiter Case?

So, join us and the delightful Isla St Clair for all this and more on Sunday at 5...

Or Monday at 7 on...

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7pm MY COUSIN RACHEL (1952)

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A sumptuous adaptation of Daphne du Maurier's novel, which gave Richard Burton his first Hollywood role. He received a Best Supporting Actor Oscar nomination for his performance as Philip Ashley, a young man living in 19th century Cornwall who believes his cousin is a murderer, but his investigation is soon hindered by romance. Olivia de Havilland plays the object of his affections, who may or may not be a villain...

Did you know...? According to his posthumously published diaries, Greta Garbo told Burton she would make her acting comeback in the film if he would be her leading man and her friend, George Cukor, directed. Burton agreed, but both Cukor and Garbo dropped out – she never made another movie.



TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER



8.45am SUSAN LENOX (HER FALL AND RISE) (1931)

CHANNEL PREMIERE

Initially banned in the UK due to the scandalous nature of the book on which it's based, this pre-code melodrama was eventually re-edited and released under the title *The Rise of Helga*. Greta Garbo plays the lead role of an illegitimate orphan raised by a cruel uncle. After escaping from his

clutches and an arranged marriage, she falls in love, but a series of unfortunate events force her into a life of prostitution. Clark Gable plays the man of her dreams – can she win him back?

Did you know...? This was the only film on which Garbo collaborated with Gable, probably because they despised each other – he thought she was stuck up, while she described him as 'vulgar'. Author David Graham Phillips, who wrote the original novel, was murdered in New York in 1911 by an obsessive fan.



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THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

4.35pm JULIUS HAGEN SEASON – SCROOGE (1935)

Bah humbug! Yes, we know it's still a while away, but if ever there was a tale to get you in the festive spirit, it's Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*. The 1951 Alastair Sim version is more famous, but there's a lot to admire about this adaptation, including the atmosphere generated by director Henry Edwards and the cinematography of Sydney Blythe and William Luff, which has been compared to German expressionism. The central performance of Seymour Hicks is impressive too, but he'd had plenty of practice in the role of the miser who receives life-changing visits by various ghosts on Christmas Eve 1843 – he'd played it many times on stage and in a 1913 silent movie.



Did you know...? This was the first film to be released by Hagen and Arthur Clavering's Twickenham Film Distributors Ltd. US President Franklin D Roosevelt loved it so much, he showed it at the White House on Christmas night, 1935. An uncredited Robert Morley makes his big screen debut here – see if you can spot him.

FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER



9pm THE CELLAR CLUB – CAPTAIN KRONOS: VAMPIRE HUNTER (1973)

Caroline Munro is back, and this time it's personal! She's one of the stars of Hammer's inventive take on the vampire myth, playing gypsy girl Carla, who's rescued from torture by Captain Kronos and his friend Professor Hieronymus Grost. They're travelling the country in search of bloodsuckers who have been draining the life-force of anyone who has the misfortune to cross their path. Horst

Janson plays Kronos (his voice is dubbed by Julian Holloway), with John Cater as Grost. John Carson, Shane Briant, Wanda Ventham and Ian Henry offer excellent support.

Did you know...? This was the only film to be directed by writer and producer Brian Clemens, who is best known for his work on classic 1960s TV series *The Avengers*. It was intended to be the first in a series of movies featuring the title character; sadly, no further entries were made.



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*** COMING ATTRACTIONS ***

And don't forget about these gems which will also be appearing on the UK's No 1 nostalgia channel in the coming weeks:

- The Day The Earth Stood Still starring Michael Rennie, Patricia Neal & Hugh Marlowe. Showing 17th October and you can see our trailer [HERE](#).
- A Nice Little Bank That Should Be Robbed starring Tom Ewell & Mickey Rooney. Showing 18th October and you can see our trailer [HERE](#).
- Our Man Flint starring James Coburn, Lee Cobb & Gila Golan. Showing 24th October and you can see our trailer [HERE](#).
- NEW SERIES Lillie starring Francesca Annis, Anton Rodgers & Patrick Holt. Series starts 24th October and you can see our trailer [HERE](#).



TPTV Encore

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