

## So Comedy Presents Radio Active



## National Tour from 24<sup>th</sup> April – 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019 \*TICKETS ON SALE FROM NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018\*

Celebrating the **40**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary** of the show first being performed live onstage, Britain's favourite local radio station **Radio Active** is back once more on a tour of the UK. The original cast including **Angus Deayton**, **Helen Atkinson Wood**, **Michael Fenton Stevens** and **Philip Pope** reunited in 2016 at the Edinburgh Fringe, and again in 2018, performing some of their classic and best-loved radio scripts, and now they're back and better than ever.

Born out of a small sketch show created during their years in the Oxford Revue, Radio Active was originally written by **Deayton** and the late **Geoffrey Perkins**. It continued to grow at a rapid pace, being adapted for BBC Radio 4 where it ran for 7 award-winning series – a total of 53 episodes from 1980 until 1987. The show then transformed into **KYTV**, the exciting **BBC 2** television revival, and now it's a live stage show!

Expect to be reunited with all of your favourite characters, including long suffering radio host Mike Channel, original foodie Anna Daptor, and the accident-prone Martin Brown, as well as the cast's original musical creations, responsible for such parody bands as The Hee Bee Gee Bees and Status Quid.

## The Cast:

Angus Deayton is perhaps best known as the presenter of Have I Got News For You, which he
hosted for 23 series, along with Before They Were Famous, numerous New Year's Eve Shows,
and the first 3 series of Hell's Kitchen and Would I Lie To You. He's also starred in Rowan
Atkinson's Stage Show in the West End and on Broadway, and in sitcoms One Foot in the



Grave, Pramface and Nighty Night. More recently he's appeared in Waterloo Road and Death In Paradise.

- Michael Fenton Stevens is an English comedian and actor best known for being a founding member of The Hee Bee Gee Bees, as well as performing Spitting Image's number one hit single The Chicken Song. His television credits include roles in My Family, Coronation Street, Outnumbered, Action Team and Ballot Monkeys and as Sir Henry in Benidorm.
- Helen Atkinson Wood plays the loveable Mrs Miggins, a character created for her by Richard
  Curtis and Ben Elton in the classic comedy Blackadder The Third. Twice nominated Best
  Female Comedy Performer by The British Comedy Awards, she made her West End debut in
  Silly Cow by Ben Elton and now works extensively on stage, radio and television. Helen presented
  her own ITV series Private Lives and has made guest appearances on QI, Celebrity Pointless
  and Have I Got News For You.
- Philip Pope starred in Who Dares Wins and Chelmsford 123, as well as hugely memorable guest appearances in Blackadder and Only Fools and Horses. More recently Philip has appeared in BBC's The Life of Rock with Brian Pern, C4's Ballot Monkeys and Benidorm on ITV. As a composer he wrote hit songs for The Hee Bee Gee Bees and Spitting Image (notably The Chicken Song), as well as for TV shows including Not The Nine O'Clock News, Whose Line is it Anyway?, The Fast Show, Harry & Paul, Outnumbered and Yonderland.

## **Listings Information**

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April The Radlett Centre, Hertfordshire www.radlettcentre.co.uk/ / 01923 859291

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April Bloomsbury Theatre, London www.thebloomsbury.com/ / 020 3108 1000

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April Bloomsbury Theatre, London www.thebloomsbury.com/ / 020 3108 1000

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April The Stables, Milton Keynes www.stables.org/ / 01908 280 800

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Bridge House Theatre, Warwick www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk/ / 01926 776438

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Rhodes Arts Complex, Bishops Stortford

www.rhodesartscomplex.co.uk/ / 01279 710 200

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May Cornerstone, Didcot

www.cornerstone-arts.org/ / 01235 515144

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May Broadway, Letchworth

www.broadway-letchworth.com/ / 01462 681088

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May Artrix, Bromsgrove

www.artrix.co.uk/ / 01527 577330



Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May Savoy Theatre, Monmouth

www.monmouth-savoy.co.uk/ / (01600) 772467

Saturday 11th May McMillan Theatre, Bridgwater

www.mcmillantheatre.com/ / 01278 556677

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May Theatre Royal, Winchester

www.theatreroyalwinchester.co.uk/ / 01962 840 440

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May Tivoli Theatre, Wimborne

www.tivoliwimborne.co.uk/ / 01202 885566

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May Electric Palace, Bridport

www.electricpalace.org.uk/ / 01308 424 901

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May Corn Exchange, Exeter

www.exetercornexchange.co.uk/ / 01392 665938

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May Plough Arts Centre, Great Torrington

www.theploughartscentre.org.uk/ / 01805 624624

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May Red House Theatre, Plymouth

www.laughablecomedy.com/ /

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Trinity Theatre, Tunbridge Wells

www.trinitytheatre.net/ /01892 678678

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May Arts Centre, Colchester

www.colchesterartscentre.com/ / 01206 500900

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May Quarry Theatre, Bedford

www.quarrytheatre.org.uk/ / 01234 362337

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May Jubilee Hall, Aldeburgh

www.aldeburghjubileehall.co.uk/ / 07980 748547

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May Courtyard, Hereford

www.courtyard.org.uk/ / 01432 340555

Friday 31st May The Theatre, Chipping Norton

www.chippingnortontheatre.com/ / 01608 642350

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June Norden Farm, Maidenhead

www.norden.farm/ / 01628 788997

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Quarterhouse, Folkestone

www.quarterhouse.co.uk/ / 01303 760750

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