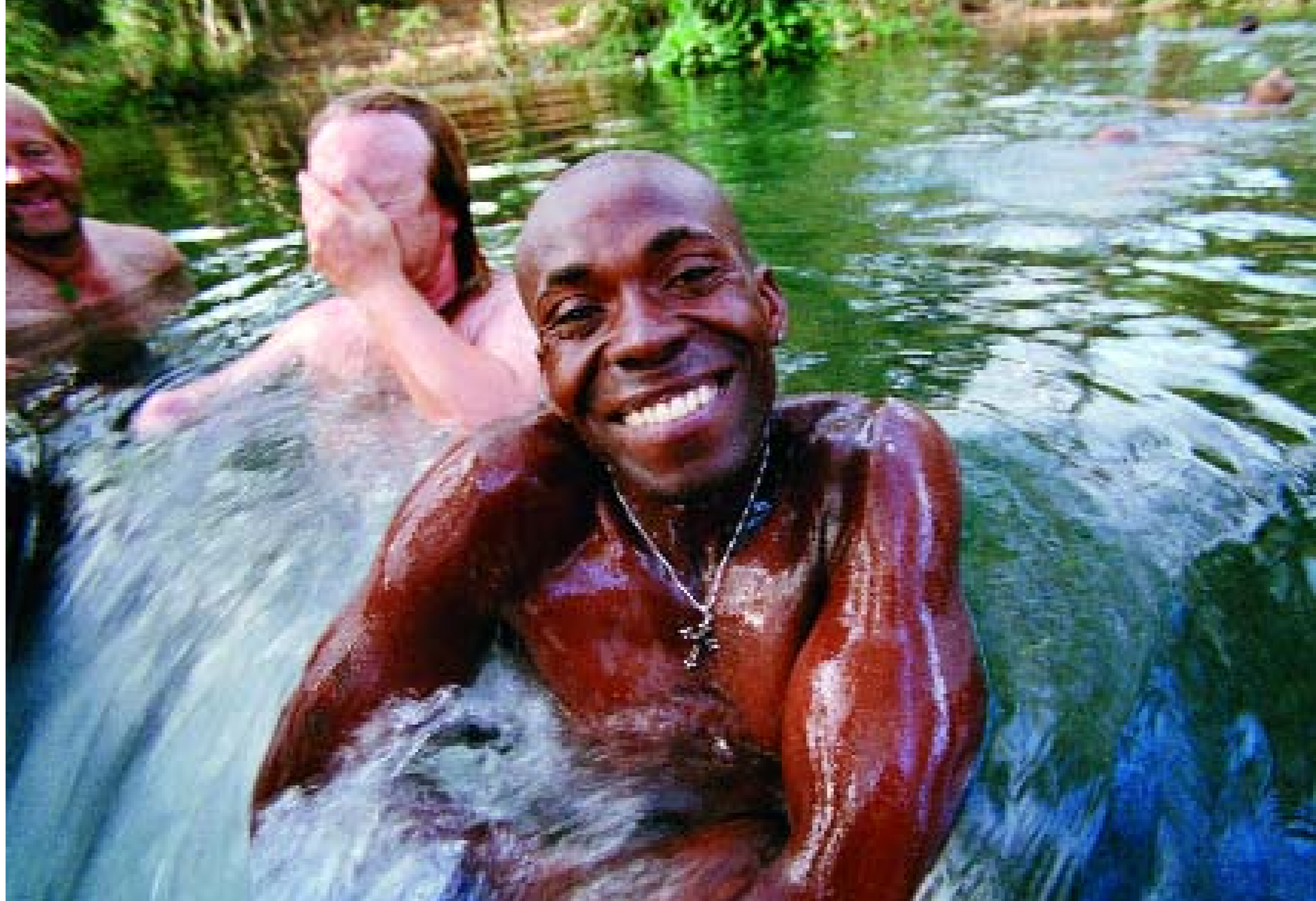
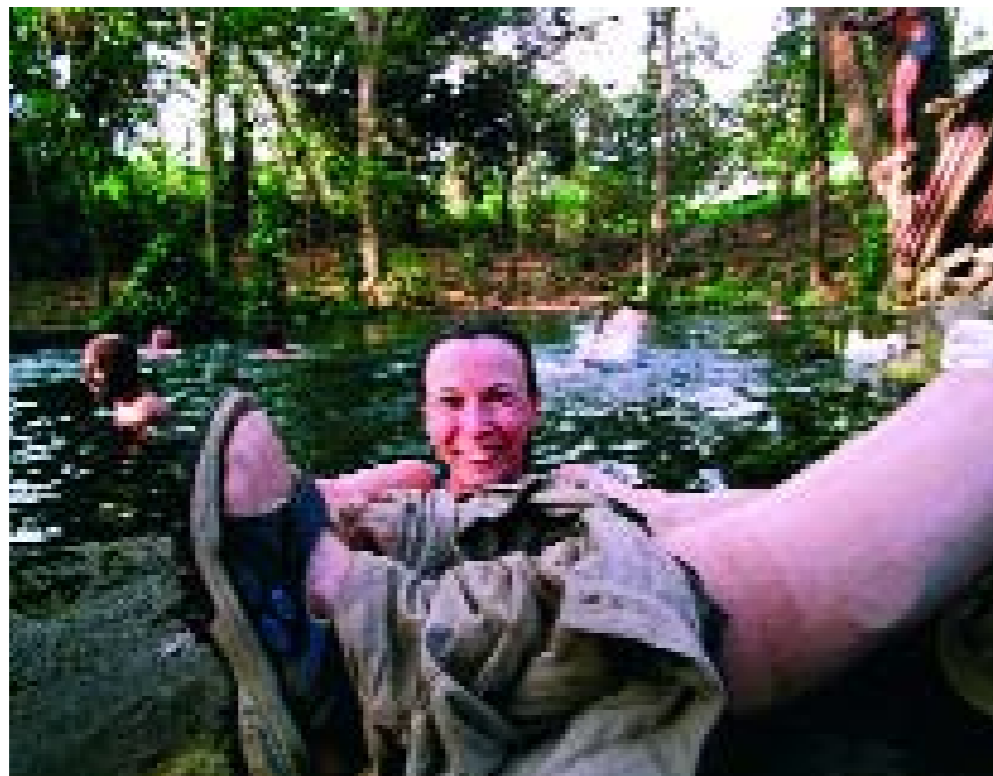


BEYOND BOUNDARIES

HOW DOES ONE CUT THROUGH DENSE UNDERGROWTH IN A WHEELCHAIR? HOW DO BLIND PEOPLE NAVIGATE A RAINFOREST? HOW DO YOU TELL A DEAF MAN THERE'S A CROCODILE BEHIND HIM?

These obstacles are just some of the problems faced by 11 intrepid adventurers in *Beyond Boundaries*, a new series which follows a group of men and women, each of whom has a physical disability, as they take on the trek of a lifetime across the rainforests, deserts, rivers and mountains of Nicaragua. The arduous and incredibly challenging route takes the participants from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean on a journey that will test them to their limits.

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THE HAIRY BIKERS' COOKBOOK

Dave Myers and Si King are two Northern lads on a mission to travel the world on a quest for great food. They've been doing this kind of thing for years, leaving their families and friends behind as they hit the road.

With their zest for adventure and their laugh-out-loud capacity for fun, the hirsute duo travel on motorbikes and anything else they can get their hands on in search of great meals – with some surprises along the way, too.

Their voyages around the globe include journeys into the Namibian desert, sailing a catamaran to the Isle of Man and Ireland and biking through Transylvania, sampling the culinary delights of the area as they go.

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SENSITIVE SKIN

Suddenly, it's sexy to be 60 in this dark comedy starring Joanna Lumley and Denis Lawson. *Sensitive Skin* looks at life through the eyes of a successful couple living in metropolitan London. Along with their friends, Al and Davina Jackson struggle with sexual temptation and professional jealousy and try to cope with their fear of the future.

Al is a pundit for a broadsheet newspaper and is paid to find imperfection in everything; Davina works in an art gallery and is paid to make life more beautiful. However, being 60 isn't simple. The couple's 30-year-old son, Orlando, refuses to acknowledge adulthood, while Davina's sister, Veronica, and her husband, Roger, intimidate the Jacksons with their confident and controlled grasp of life.

Davina is played by Joanna Lumley, Al by Denis Lawson, Orlando by James Lance, Roger by Nicholas Jones and Veronica by Maggie Steed. The cast also includes David Warner as Robert Ringwald, Frances De La Tour as Sarah Thorne and Sir Jonathan Miller as Dr Cass.

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THE SECRET LIFE OF ARTHUR RANSOME

Children's storywriter Arthur Ransome possessed a child-like innocence – but did the public image of this respected English gentleman mask a secret life?

Ransome was a romantic, enthusiastic and optimistic man, and at the centre of his world was a daughter he adored and a love for adventure. His travels, and a desire to escape a disastrous marriage, lured him towards a life in Russia, where he studied fairy tales, whilst absorbing himself within the Russian Revolution. Life in Russia proved exciting. A torrid affair with Trotsky's secretary followed, as well as close friendships with many of the country's top Bolsheviks, including Lenin.

Presented by Griff Rhys Jones, this one-off film investigates whether Ransome was really a secret agent working for the British Government, and looks at the inspiration for his timeless children's classic, *Swallows And Amazons*.

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Making SLOUGH Happy

Slough
Borough Council

Local government in the 21st century

One of the most unusual social experiments ever undertaken, *Making Slough Happy* asks whether a group of experts can really make people happy.

In recent years, neuroscientists, sociologists, psychologists, economists and public policy experts have been increasingly turning their attention to the study of happiness: what it is, when people experience it, and how we can generate more of it in our lives and communities.

In this extraordinary and informative series, five “happiness” experts, who combine theoretical knowledge with hands-on experience, come together to try to put this ground-breaking research into practice. Their challenge is to try to improve the happiness levels of volunteers from Slough – a unique British town. The series finds out whether they have bitten off more than they can chew, or if a crash course in positive thinking can really make the people of Slough happy.

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ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

In *Alternative Medicine*, scientist Kathy Sykes embarks on a journey to unravel the truth behind the world's most ancient medicines.

Kathy believes in the power of modern medicine. But millions have turned to “non-scientific” medicines to find a cure for their condition, often reporting remarkable improvements. Indeed, the best results seem to be generated for the very illnesses modern science finds most baffling.

In this series, Kathy, armed only with the tools of science, conducts her own experiments, reviews the latest science and checks her findings with colleagues. In the process, she reveals some breathtaking new evidence that will change the nature of the debate.

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THE ARMSTRONGS

**I WON'T SHIT ON ANYONE'S HEAD
UNLESS I HAVE TO, BUT IF I DO, IT
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HEIGHT!**

The Armstrongs is an access-all-areas insight into the unorthodox and sometimes ruthless business antics that are par for the course at U-Fit, Coventry's third biggest double glazing company.

Driven by the desire for profit, management team John and Ann Armstrong are constantly spying on their unwieldy Sales Force with CCTV cameras and phone taps. But motivating the team is an uphill struggle and John and Ann must resort to ever-more desperate measures to boost sales. Despite their best endeavours, though, their plans backfire with alarming frequency.

However, woe betide anyone who should get in the way of their dream of becoming multi-millionaires.

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BATTLE

At a time when religion dominates the news, this second series, at the heart of the BBC Two schedule, offers a refresher in how Christianity in Britain got to where it is today.

FOR BRITAIN'S SOUL II

Charting the religious history of Britain, the comprehensive series begins in the early 18th century and brings viewers right up to date. Presented by ad-man-turned-vicar, Reverend Peter Owen Jones, the programme is a fast-paced journey from the beginnings of non-conformism through the challenges of science and politics to the ultimate challenge of secularism. It discovers what forces shaped the established Church of England and finds out who the winners and losers were in this battle for Britain's soul.

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SPACE RACE

Space Race reveals the spectacular story of the rivalry between the two superpowers that spanned several decades. At its heart are two brilliant men who shared the same dream but never met, locked in rivalry from opposing sides of the Iron Curtain — the charismatic ex-Nazi Wernher von Braun in the American team, and the enigmatic Soviet project leader Sergei Korolev. Known mysteriously as **The Chief Designer**, Korolev was constantly shadowed by the KGB for fear he would be assassinated by the West, and his very existence was kept secret from the Russian people until after his death.

In what will be a genuine TV first, the BBC unites America and Russia in their first ever co-production, to reveal the true, untold story behind their race to land men on the moon. This drama-driven documentary is the story of America and the Soviet Union's dream to create the most powerful rocket and dominate the world. Culminating in the 1969 "giant leap for mankind", the series brings to life the struggles, both personal and professional, over a 20-year period, of the two recklessly daring scientists whose job it was to bring that dream to fruition. Their triumphs and failures came to symbolise the ultimate battle for supremacy between two global superpowers.

Combining astounding CGI and dramatic reconstruction with previously unseen archive footage, this is the story of two men prepared to stop at nothing for the prestige of winning.

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