

# Welcome to Gary Mitchell's Comedy Bit.

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## CURRENT

Gazza tends not to produce much comedy outside of his groups, so you'll need to view those pages for further details.

Pics - Gary doing stand-up in the 1990s (left), and with Will Shakespeare at the 'COSO' (Comedy Of Stratford Origin) awards (right).



## OLD STUFF?

For the years to 2007 see '[Previous Life \(to 1996\)](#)'. See also the (currently inactive) '[Project X](#)' and '[Radio Boscombe](#)' - and for activity of '[The Drunkards' Estate](#)'.

View '[Shop](#)' at for details of current 'product'. Gary has also had material broadcast on '[The APS Variety Hour](#)', broadcast via '[Nerve Radio](#)' (<http://www.nervemedia.org.uk/listentonerve/>).

Only one solo album since 2007 '[Life In The Old Git Yet](#)', released 2014.



## BIBLIOGRAPHIC BIT

*Timings are only given for mastered recordings.*

RADIO BROADCAST, 06/12/2017, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Kimari Raven and with special guests Jezza The Red Squirrel and Cerys the work-experience girl. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcasts of: All I Want For Christmas Is To Sit In My Room And Be Depressed (The New Forest Pit Ponies) / Queen's Speech (The Drunkards) / Xmas Narrativity / Wolrd Cup #1 / Elderly menace / Last Christmas (all Radio Boscombe) NOTES: Festive mayhem.

RECORDING SESSION, 27/11/2017, Bournemouth (Gary's house). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: Girlfriends In the Wild (2:30) NOTES: Comedy recording of piece by and for student Alex Ackroyd.

RECORDING SESSION, 27/10/2017, Bournemouth (Gary's house). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: When A Knight Won His Spurs (0:56) / Jezza's Message (0:25) NOTES: The first part of '[Knight](#)' from recordings made in 1967, by the Mitchell family, that Gary inherited from his Dad.

RADIO BROADCAST, 04/10/2017, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Kimari Raven and with special guest top local poet Abby G Poetree ([Facebook Pages/](#)), top local stand-up Andrew White ([Facebook Pages/](#)), and top local Marxist activist Jezza The Red Squirrel. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). NOTES: More local live comedy mayhem.

RADIO BROADCAST, 06/09/2017, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Kimari Raven and with special guest top local poets Myriam San Marco and Matt Miles ([Facebook Pages/](#)) to promote local poetry and events. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: The Ministry Of Brexit, Pt 1. (Live On 'Hope FM') (0:40) / Appen Ab Kernow, Pt 3. (Live On 'Hope FM') (8:01) / Political Correctness (Live On 'Hope FM') (2:06) / Purbeck Service Broadcasting #1 (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:38) / The Ministry Of Brexit, Pt 1. (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:01) . NOTES: More local live mayhem.

RECORDING SESSION, 14/8/2017, Bournemouth (Gary's house). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: Appen Ab Kernow, Insert 1 / Appen Ab Kernow, Insert 2 NOTES: A new idea, to perform a sketch - live on the radio - using pre-recorded inserts as part of the material.

RADIO BROADCAST, 05/07/2017, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Kimari Raven and co –presenter Ross Coombes. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Appeal (2017 Version) (Live On 'Hope FM') (3:22) / The Rock And The Hard Place (Live On 'Hope FM') (0:28) / Pinball Wizard (Live On 'Hope FM') (3:44) / Cornish Live Link-Up (Live On 'Hope FM') (3:31) / Unrecorded Blur (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:13) / Brexit (Live On 'Hope FM') (0:28) / Alpaca (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:43). NOTES: A Gary solo live album on the cards?

RADIO BROADCAST, 07/06/2017, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Kimari Raven and co –presenter Ross Coombes with special guest top local poet Abby G Poetree ( [Facebook Pages/](#) ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Political Love Island (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:45) and broadcasts of The Drunkards 'Theme Form 'Henley High School Musical' and 'Do You Remember?' NOTES: None

RADIO BROADCAST, 03/05/2017, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Kimari Raven with special guest top local poets Myriam San Marco, Damian O'Vitch ( [Facebook Pages/](#) ) and Emanuelle Glitter Poet. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). NOTES: Broadcast to promote local poetry and events.

RADIO BROADCAST, 27/04/2017, Verwood ('Forest FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with presenter Paul Rockshow ( [Facebook Pages/](#) ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Thursday Rockshow' ( [Facebook Pages/](#) ) broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Pirate Weather (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:00) / European Gig Guide (Live On 'Forest FM') (3:22) NOTES: Talking about and larking about rock music with comedy pal from Radio Boscombe, Paul Jerome.

RECORDING SESSION, 15/4/2017, Bournemouth (Gary's house). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: I Can't Go To Your Party (2:13) NOTES: Amazingly surviving material from '76 via Gary' 'Gary Von Mitchell's Aardvark' this Mitchell/Mark Sainsbury song simultaneously in The Drunkards canon. It's complicated...

RECORDING SESSION, 25/03/2017, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: The Split (0:39). NOTES: Re-master of recording made ??/06/1977 about 'Gary Mitchell is to split up'. Obviously Drunkards era, in conserving their unreleased material this one was obviously for him alone.

RADIO BROADCAST, 02/11/2016, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with guests Hope And The New Flowers Generation ( [Facebook Pages/](#) ), Sir George Attwill and Tin Heywood again returned to twiddle the knobs (oh, er, missus). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). NOTES: Surprisingly well behaved.

RECORDING SESSION, 08/10/2016, Wimborne (David's House). PERSONNEL: Gary, David Wylie, Russell Biles, Luke Ackroyd, George Lock, Nguyen Thao Ly. ITEMS RECORDED: 'Narrativity' Episodes 1-4; Narrativity Christmas Special. NOTES: New podcast show in the offing – available via [Facebook Pages/](#) .

RADIO BROADCAST, 07/09/2016, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary plus with Barry The Hedgehog. Usual suspect Tim Heywood ill – so station manager Kevin Potter twiddling knobs - with guests singer and author Kimari Raven, Bournemouth poet Laurate Myriam San Marco, and poet Simon Bailey ( [Facebook Pages/](#) all). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). NOTES: Last minute changes – get well soon Tim.

RADIO BROADCAST, 04/05/2016, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary plus usual suspects Chinners & Tim Heywood with Kevin Potter and special guests Stanford Road ( [Facebook Page/](#) ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Star Wars Intro (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:18) and broadcast of Radio Boscombe's 'Pub Historian'. NOTES: The usual malarkey for 'Star Wars' day.

RECORDING SESSION, 15/02/2016, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: Song Of The Volksturm (1:44) / God Bless (3:26) NOTES: Covers and stuff for solo album #2.

RADIO BROADCAST, 03/02/2016, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary with Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Tim Heywood and special guest writers Louis Bodie and Harriet Mandley ( [Facebook Pages/](#) ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Star Wars And Peace (Live On 'Hope FM') (2:21) / How To Write Dead Good Poetry (Live On 'Hope FM') (3:05) NOTES: Guest writers Gary's students from the local writing college...

RADIO BROADCAST, 02/09/2015, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, plus usual suspect Tim Heywood and special guest poet Aaron Lowney ( [Facebook Page/](#) ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Traffic Report (Live On 'Hope FM') (1:37) NOTES: The usual malarkey...

RADIO BROADCAST, 07/05/2015, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Tim Heywood and special guest poet Louise Schachter ( [Facebook Page/](#) ) in an election night special. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Parlez-Vous Politics (Live On 'Hope FM') (4:54) / Engineer Gag (Live On 'Hope FM') (0:31) NOTES: Election night special, as it says on the tin...

RADIO BROADCAST, 08/01/2015, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspect Tim Heywood. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). NOTES: Comedy archive retrospect...

RADIO BROADCAST, 10/09/2014, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood and special guests girlband The Mood Swings ( [Facebook Page/](#) ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcast of 'Hospital Sketch' by Gary's band Radio Boscombe. NOTES: Gaz flies solo as other RB members now around...

**RADIO BROADCAST, 08/01/2014, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL:** Gary, David Wylie, James Cottle, John Thornton and Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood . **ITEMS RECORDED:** Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcast of 'A Little Bit Racey' ( [Facebook Page/](#) ), 'Paint It Blue' and 'Aspiring'. **NOTES:** The launch of Gaz first ever solo album after 'forty years in the business' (sic).

**RECORDING SESSION, 02/01/2014, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Aspiring (3:27) / My Blackberry Is Not Working (3:27) **NOTES:** Enough to run with now for the dreaded 'solo album'.

**RECORDING SESSION, 14/11/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Hark The Herald Angels Sing (Live At 'The Featherstone Arms' 13.12.13) (2:35) **NOTES:** Technical massaging of live track from the night before.

**LIVE PERFORMANCE, 13/12/2013, Salisbury, The Featherstone Arms. PERSONNEL:** Gary, The Numpties. **ITEMS PERFORMED:** Hark the Herald Angels Sing. **NOTES:** Festive offering by Gaz, singing live with Mike and the boys 'a festive thing we used to do with The Drunkards in the Green Dragon Stratford'.

**RECORDING SESSION, 03/11/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Toothpaste Smile (2:34) **NOTES:** Rap added to track laid down by Gary and daughter Olivia back in the spring...

**RECORDING SESSION, 01/11/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Nothing Ever Happens (3:47) **NOTES:** Gaz' version of 'the song I most wish I'd written', by Justin Currie of Del Amitri. Watch out for cameo appearance by Winston Churchill.

**RECORDING SESSION, 28/10/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Uxbridge Man (7:29) **NOTES:** Work on the solo album - an old Gary and Louis sketch.

**RECORDING SESSION, 17/10/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** An Obituary For Common Sense (2:18) / Fluctuations (0:18) **NOTES:** Work on the solo album...

**RECORDING SESSION, 12/09/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Paint It Blue (2:52) **NOTES:** Tribute to local blues band Paint It Blue ( [Facebook Page/](#) ) inspired by Gary's getting in to trouble for not telling his WADS where he was, the first time he saw them. Wife Julia on (recorded) piano, natch...

**RADIO BROADCAST, 04/09/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL:** Gary, with Lennon Moody, David Wylie, Zelly Murphy, Sean Tracey, James Cottle, Sam Hutchinson and Barry the Hedgehog plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcast of 'A Little Bit Racey' ( [Facebook Page/](#) ) and 'Literature' by Radio Boscombe. **NOTES:** Lennon top comic and guitarist with top punk band Escpae From '98



**RECORDING SESSION, 30/08/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** EL James Does Bosworth (6:21) **NOTES:** Inspired by Gary's trip to the annual battle of Bosworth reenactment - and historical distortions about Richard III.

**RADIO BROADCAST, 07/08/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL:** Gary, with David Wylie, Leighton Haberfield, George Lock, EA Ahmed and Barry The Hedgehog plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcast of 'A Little Bit Racey' ( [Facebook Page/](#) ) and 'Army Sketch' by Salisbury Community Circus. **NOTES:** Top actor Leighton guests...

**RECORDING SESSION, 06/08/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Working From Home (2:19) **NOTES:** Another Mitchell & Webb cover - suggested by Barry now Gary is 'working from home'.

**RECORDING SESSION, 15/06/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Eighteen (2:16) **NOTES:** Lyrics added - Barry now firmly installed as Gaz' 'solo album' producer.

**RECORDING SESSION, 11/06/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Olivia Mitchell. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Valerie (Demo) (3:28) / It's Always A Good Time (Demo) (2:49) / Eighteen (Demo) (2:13) **NOTES:** Joint dabbling by Dad and Daughter...

**RADIO BROADCAST, 05/06/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL:** Gary, with Sam Hutchinson, James Cottle, David Wylie, Zak Dell-Clutterbuck and Jack Martin-Jones plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included Politics Slot #7 With Tory Marginal (Live On 'Hope FM') (3:51) and broadcast of Episode 2 of 'A Little Bit Racey' ( [Facebook Page/](#) ). **NOTES:** Complete 'chayos'...

**RECORDING SESSION, 01/06/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Blonde Actress Explains Cheating (5:30) **NOTES:** Re-arranged cover of a 'Key Of Awesome' original.

**RECORDING SESSION, 27/05/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Non Vicious Studio Chatter (2:53) **NOTES:** Inspired by the gat TV series - a dusting off of an old unused Mitchell/Caulkin sketch.

**RECORDING SESSION, 22/05/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL:** Gary. **ITEMS RECORDED:** Celebrity Arrest (0:58) / British Beaches (2:46) **NOTES:** Gone too far? As Gaz says - 'if The Drunkards were famous today we'd live in fear of 'Operation Yewtree'.

**RECORDING SESSION, 18/05/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: It's Always A Good Time (Radio Edit) (1:26) NOTES: Happy pop song as sardonic protest - only shorter.**

**RECORDING SESSION, 10/05/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: It's Always A Good Time (Long Version) (3:59) NOTES: Happy pop song as sardonic protest.**

**RADIO BROADCAST, 01/05/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, with Sam Hutchinson, James Cottle, David Wylie, Yogi Bargi and James Murphy plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcast of Episode 1 of 'A Little Bit Racey' ( [Facebook Page](#) ). NOTES: We need a longer show...**

**RECORDING SESSION, 27/04/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL: Gary, Barry The Hedgehog. ITEMS RECORDED: Jesus Teaches About The Good Samaritan (2:27) NOTES: A D.Mitchell/Webb cover.**

**RADIO BROADCAST, 03/04/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, George Attwill, Barry The Hedgehog with Sam Hutchinson, James Cottle, Lloyd Morgan, David Wylie and Tom Harrison plus usual suspects Chinners and Tim Heywood. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included broadcast of the pilot of 'A Little Bit Racey' ( [Facebook Page](#) ). NOTES: Improv rules KO - young George winning the opening show.**

**RECORDING SESSION, 09/03/2013, Bournemouth (Gary's House). PERSONNEL: Gary. ITEMS RECORDED: EuroEnglish (1:57) / Airport Announcements (1:53) NOTES: Track featuring airport pranksters**

**RADIO BROADCAST, 06/03/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, George Attwill, Barry the Hedgehog, Sam Hutchinson and James Cottle of 'A Little Bit Racey' and DJs Chinners of 'Rock Regeneration' and the Kernish legend that is Tim Heywood with special guests top rock band Voodoo Vegas ( <http://voodoovegas.com/> ). ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total) plus promo jingles afterwards. Included broadcast of Rock Hobbit by The New Forest Pit Ponies. NOTES: Mainly a band show with some promo for *Comic Relief* ( <http://www.comicrelief.com/> ).**

**RADIO BROADCAST, 06/02/2013, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, George Attwill, Barry the Hedgehog, Jasmine Newsome-Stone, Sam Hutchinson and DJs Chinners of 'Rock Regeneration' and the Kernish legend that is Tim Heywood. ITEMS RECORDED: Official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.120:00 total). Included: Hospital Sketch (4:23) / and songs Dust Tracks / Memories Of You / Forest from Jasmine. NOTES: Sketch from George that narrowly missed being recorded by Radio Boscombe.**

**RADIO BROADCAST, 02/07/2008, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, Sam Laurilla, George Attwill. ITEMS RECORDED: Off-air and official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.60:00 total). Included: No Hope FM (2:50) / Killing Me Softly (3:54) / The Analyst (3:21) / Star (3:33) and broadcasts of tracks: Soulmate (Sam Laurilla) / Learning Curve (Sam Laurilla) NOTES: Young George impersonates Gordon Brown, Sam sings live (twice); and Gary and George perform a venerable Mitchell/Coward composition (for Mat's website see <http://homepages.phoncoop/matcoward/>).**

**RADIO BROADCAST, 07/05/2008, Bournemouth ('Hope FM' studio). PERSONNEL: Gary, George Attwill. ITEMS RECORDED: Off-air and official recordings of 'Livewire Live' broadcast (c.59:00 total). Included: Merchant Banker (3:48) / Vocational Guidance Counsellor (4:44) / Improv Politics (3:11) and broadcasts of tracks: Learning Curve (Sam Laurilla) / Parrot (George Attwill) / An Average Day In Parliament (George Attwill) / Soulmate (Sam Laurilla) / The Jermaine Recoil Show, Ep. 3 (Radio Boscombe) / Spuds (Radio Boscombe) NOTES: The show must go on! Sam was due to sing live but was struck down ill so couldn't make the broadcast. Sub presenter Paul Woodland got struck in traffic - and Gary's voice started to give out! Panache carried the day!**

