

Goudhurst+District u3a tunes group meeting, 5th January 2026

Crowborough concert song #1

Rolling Home

Composed by John Tams, adapted by Roy Bailey; transcribed and arranged by Gavin Atkin

!!!All instruments and voices on all choruses, please, but silence on verses except for velvety chords and root notes !!!

$\text{♩} = 120$

Chords indicated in the score: A, D, Bm7, A, A7, D, Em, D, A, G, D, Bm7, A7, D, D, Bm7, Em, G, A, D, Em, D, A, D.

1. Round goes the wheel of fortune, don't be afraid to ride,
There's a land of milk and honey, lies on the other side,
There'll be peace and there'll be plenty, you'll never need to roam,
When we go rolling home, when we go rolling home.
Ch. Rolling home, when we go, rolling home, when we go,
Rolling, rolling, when we go rolling home.
2. The gentry in their finery do prosper night and morn,
While we into the fields must go, to plough and sow their corn,
The rich, they steal the power, but the glory's ours alone,
When we go rolling home, when we go rolling home.
3. The frost is on the hedgerows, the icy winds do blow,
While we poor weary labourers, strive through the driving snow,
Our dreams fly up to glory, up where the lark has flown,
When we go rolling home, when we go rolling home.
4. The summer of resentment, the winter of despair,
The journey to contentment is set with trap and snare,
Stand true and stand together, your labour's all your own,
When you go rolling home, when you go rolling home.
5. So pass the bottle round, and let the toast go free,
Here's a health to every labourer, wherever they may be,
Fair wages now and ever, let's reap what we have sown,
When we go rolling home, when we go rolling home.
[Chorus with instruments - as with earlier verses]
[Chorus sung acapella with (no instruments)]
[Final chorus with instruments]

Crowborough concert song #2

To be clear, please play bars 3-8.

The Leaving Shanty

Also known as The Padstow Leaving Shanty and The Cornish Leaving Shanty, this song has mysterious origins. It is said by some to have been found in a chapbook by Padstow area man Mervyn Vincent, who set it to music; others say it was discovered by Alan Molyneux who found it tucked into a book in Plymouth Library. Perhaps both tales are true! Still others say it was composed by Mr Vincent. Transcribed and arranged by Gavin Atkin

!!!Sing and play freely and slowly. All instruments and voices on all choruses, please, but silence on verses, except for velvety chords and root notes !!!



1. It is time to go now,
Haul away your anchor,
Haul away your anchor,
'Tis our sailing time.
2. Get some sail upon her,
Haul away your halyards,
Haul away your halyards,
'Tis our sailing time.
3. Get her on her course now,
Haul away your foresheets,
Haul away your foresheets,
'Tis our sailing time.
4. Waves are surging under,
Haul away down Channel,
Haul away down Channel,
On the evening tide.
5. When your sailing's over,
Haul away for Heaven,
Haul away for Heaven,
Lord be by your side.
6. It's time to go now,
Haul away your anchor,
Haul away your anchor,
'Tis our sailing time.

Set: Archie's Fancy/Orkney Rope Waltz

Archie's Fancy

Billy Pigg

Archie's Fancy

Elsey's Waltz

Archie Dagg

Elsey's Waltz

Coleman's March

Chords: D G Em C Am G G D D

Chords: G D C G D C 1 G D 2 G

Chords: Em Em D D C C G G G D

Chords: C G D 1 G 2 G