

# The Kookaburra Laughed

described as "a new song with words and music by Stan Wakefield" in 'Singabout' 1958. Stan was active in the Bush Music Club and his collection of songs 'Songs of Australia' was published posthumously in 1966.

**C** **F** **C** **G7**  
 Down to the lake came the old black horse Down to the lake for a drink.  
**F** **G** **F** **C** **F** **C** **Dm** **Am**  
 Well the croc-o-dile snapped his jaws of course That was the end of the poor old horse.  
**G7** **C** **D7** **G** **G7**  
 Said the croc "I'm king of all this land For none my might-y jaws can stand..."  
**C**  
 But the kook - a - - bur - ra laughed at the  
**F** **C** **G** **C**  
 boast - ful croc And the kook - a - bur - ra laughed "Ha! ha!"

Down to the lake came the buffalo bull  
 Down to the lake for a drink  
 Well he flipped his horns and the old man croc  
 Fell with a bump on a big hard rock  
 Said the bull "I'm king of all this land  
 For none my mighty horns can stand..."  
 But the kookaburra laughed at the boastful bull  
 And the kookaburra laughed "Ha! ha!"

The bull trod hard on a little brown snake  
 An the little brown snake was hurt  
 So he bit that bull on the leg so deep  
 That the buffalo bull went off to sleep.  
 Said the snake "I'm king of all this land  
 For none my poison bite can stand..."  
 But the kookaburra laughed at the boastful snake  
 And the kookaburra laughed "Ha! ha!"

Now the kookaburra laughed and he winked his eye  
 "Little snake how I love you.  
 Although you call yourself a king  
 To me you're just a tasty thing."  
 Then he glided down beside that lake  
 And swallowed him whole that little brown snake  
 And the kookaburra laughed "Ha! ha! Ha! ha!"  
 And the kookaburra laughed "Ha! ha!"