Banks Of The Reedy Lagoon Gordon Bok [Intro] G D D7 G [Verse] The sweet scented wattle sheds perfume around Delighting the bird and the bee As I lie and take rest in me fern covered nest G D In the shade of the currajong tree [Verse] High up in the air I can hear the refrain Of a butcherbird piping his tune For the spring in her glory has come back again D D7 G To the banks of the Reedy Lagoon [Verse] I ve carried me bluey for many a mile Me boots are worn out at the toes And I m dressing this season in different style From what I did last year, god knows [Verse] Me cooking utensils, I m sorry to say Consist of a knife and a spoon And I ve dry bread and tea in a battered Jack Shay By the banks of the Reedy Lagoon [Verse] Oh, where is young Frankie, how he could ride

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And Johnnie the light-hearted boy?
They tell me that lately he s taken a bride
                      D G D
A benedict s life to enjoy
[Verse]
And Mac, the big Scotsman, I once heard him say
He d wrestled the famous Muldoon
But they re all gone away and it s lonely today
                           G
                                 D D7 G
By the banks of the Reedy Lagoon
[Verse]
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And where is the lady I often caressed
The girl with the sad dreamy eyes?
She pillows her head on another man s breast
                               G D
He tells her the very same lies
[Verse]
My bed she would hardly be willing to share
Where I camp by the light of the moon
But it s little I care, for I d never keep square
                           G
                                 D D7 G
By the banks of the Reedy Lagoon
[Instrumental]
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    A D G D
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