

# March 2011 Newsletter

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## **2010 ALBUMS OF THE YEAR**

1. Joey & Rory – Album #2 \$30
2. Shane Worley – Honky Tonk History \$30
3. Dale Watson – Carryin' On \*\*\*\*In bargain bin!!
4. Marti Brom – Not for Nothing \$28
5. Justin Trevino & Amber Digby Keeping Up Appearances \*\*\*\$20
6. Lonnie Spiker – Coming to a Honky Tonk Near You \$30
7. Miss Leslie – Wrong Is What I Do Best \$30
8. Tony Booth – Other Side of Life \$30
9. Amber Digby - Another Way to Live\*\*\*\*\*\$20
10. Brennan Leigh – The Box \$30

## **REISSUE OF THE YEAR - A tie!!**

\*\*A Girl Called Johnny Cash. If you are a fan of Stoney Edwards, one of the greatest country singers ever...no exception, or if you don't know who Stoney Edwards is, but love Merle Haggard then you NEED this album. It contains 10 Stoney Edwards tracks, 9 of which are released for the first time. All the Stoney songs has him singing songs about other artists. The first, "The Night the Ernest Tubb Show Came to Town" reminds of that great Johnny Cash song, "The Night Hank Williams Came to Town" BUT that appeared many years after Stoney recorded his...how could it be. Stoney also sings: NOTE...there are 8 other great non Stoney tracks too.

- The Carter Family
- Cash
- Roy Acuff, King of country Music
- The Jimmie Rodgers Blues

- Bob Wills, The Fiddlin' Man
- Hag sang Me a Song
- Red Foley
- Bill Monroe – Daddy Bluegrass
- Hank & Lefty Raised My Country Soul (this was a hit of course) but the other 9 *ONLY* appear on this cd

**\*\*Silver Meteor – A progressive Country Anthology** This is the greatest country rock anthology ever. The original album was based around the Warner Brothers album Clarence White (Byrds) recorded when he was killed by a drunken driver. That original 12 track cd has been expanded to a massive 26 tracks and whilst not all the artists are well known it is uniformly great. So for anyone who likes country rock this would be an absolute pleasure for you. I had a ridiculously warped record for years and put up with it solely as it was *that* good.

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**The greatest pure honky tonker of the last 20 years**  
**DALE WATSON**, returning to Australia in April.

**Melbourne**

April 19<sup>th</sup> Cherry Bar, AC-DC Lane in Melbourne

April 20<sup>th</sup> Cherry Bar, AC-DC Lane in Melbourne

April 21<sup>st</sup> San Remo Hotel, Phillip Island

**Sydney**

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Bald Faced Stag Hotel, Leichhardt. Note 6pm start. No support act.

**Byron Bay Blues Festival**

April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1.30pm Main Stage

April 24<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm Main Stage

I hear a rumour that Bob "Don't Call Me Zimmo" Dylan will be backed by Asleep at the Wheel, so look out for some possible Asleep at the Wheel shows around this time as well.

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## **YESTERDAY & TODAY RECORDS BOOK OF LISTS**

As a special treat I have asked two great friends to get busy and give me some lists of their favourite albums so I can pass it on. The first comes from Ben Nestrell, the Swedish Cowboy, who has the motto a pickled herring a day keeps the doctor away. Ben is one of the most anal people I know, but in the nicest way. He can analyse a cd like no one else I know. But also has superb taste. Second, is that rascal from Warren, Russell Cleaver, who has similar tastes to my own and can spin a yarn better than anyone I know. So hear they go. **IF YOU ARE SIMILARLY INCLINED AND WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT A LIST PLEASE DO SO.** It can be anything...best/worst/favourite/least favourite/whatever.. I would like to see it. Scrawled on a bit of paper, typed or emailed it doesn't matter.

### **Ben's All Time Best Country Albums**

1 Darrell McCall: Lily Dale (Columbia)

2 Red Steagall: Lone Star Beer And Bob Wills Music (ABC)

- 3 Red Steagall: Party Dolls And Wine (Capitol)
- 4 Jerry Jaramillo: Favorites (Little Richie Records)
- 5 The Country Drifters: Country The West Coast Way (Trio Club)
- 6 Darrell McCall & Johnny Bush: Hot Texas Country
- 7 Justin Trevino: Texas Honkytonk
- 8 Dale Watson: Cheatin' Heart Attack (Hightone)
- 9 Vernon Sandusky: Same
- 10 Norman Wade: Close Every Honky Tonk (Artic)
- 11 Arkey Blue: The Best Of
- 12 Conrad Pierce: It's Hard to Be A Cowboy These Days (Phoenix)
- 13 Jerry Jaramillo: same (LRJ)
- 14 Dale Watson: Blessed Or Damned (Hightone)
- 15 Red Steagall If You've Got The Time, I've Got The Song (Capitol)
- 16 Wild Bill Emerson: Harlan County (E&R)
- 17 Heather Myles: Highways & Honky Tonks
- 18 David Oxford: same
- 19 Carmol Taylor: Song Writer (Electra)
- 20 Clyde Brewer's Original River road Boys: Texas Swing Houston Scene (Texas Ranger)
- 21 Clyde Brewer & Bob White and The Original River Road Boys: The Texas Touch (Longhorn)
- 22 River Road Boys: Country Music High (Longhorn)
- 23 Darrell McCall: Pictures Can't Talk back
- 24 Kathy Robertson: At The Cantina
- 25 Dale Watson: I Hate These Songs (Hightone)
- 26 Darrell McCall: A Way To Survive (ARTAP)
- 27 David Jones: Bridges
- 28 Darrell McCall: All She Did Was Fall In Love
- 29 Norman Wade: Pure Country (Ritason)
- 30 Jimmy Windrow: A Bigger Man's Shoes
- 31 Bill Arwood: Walk Away (Bob Grady Records)
- 32 Red Steagall: Somewhere My Love (Capitol)
- 33 Stephanie Davis: River Of No Return
- 34 Billy Keeble: Unchained Country
- 35 Johnny Bush: Talk To My Heart
- 36 John Fitzwater: In A Country State Of Mind (Award)
- 37 Roger Martin: Almost Gone (Premier One)
- 38 Curtis Potter, Ray Sanders & Darrell McCall: Texas Dance Hall Music (Hillside)
- 39 Dean Dobbins: Me And The Boys (DDB Records)
- 40 David Price: A Texas Songwriter (BGM)

Many of these are on LP only but you can use this as a guide. Some of the best cds are in these very pages. One thing has always puzzled me...Note Ben's list "Jerry Jaramillo" now, that name...Spanish of course pronounce the "J" as an "H" so is it pronounced "Herry Haramillo"....I wonder???

I will publish the next 40 in Ben's list next newsletter. Note: Ben did this list quite a while ago and acknowledges it is inaccurate as it doesn't include the likes of Justin Trevino. Amber Digby & Miss Leslie...all top 20

#### Ben's All Time Top Country Song (Major Labels)

1. Alan Jackson: Here in the real world
2. Randy Travis: 1982
3. George Jones: He stopped loving her today
4. Red Stegall: Jerry's Bar An' Grill
5. Vernon Oxford: Baby sister
6. Vern Gosdin: If you're gonna do me wrong (do it right)

7. David Allan Coe: Tennessee whiskey
  8. Red Stegall: Lone Star Beer and Bob Wills music
  9. Rosie Flores: He cares
  10. Reba & Ronnie Dunn: Oklahoma wind
  11. Keith Whitley: On the other hand
  12. Mark Chesnutt: Too cold at home
  13. Emmylou Harris: Roses in the snow
  14. David Allan Coe: Pouring water on a drowning man
  15. Dwight Yoakam: It won't hurt
  16. Alvin Crow: A fiddler's lady
  17. Emmylou Harris: Blue Kentucky girl
  18. George Jones: Pyramid of cans
  19. Tammy Wynette: Stand by your man
  20. Dolly Parton: False eyelashes
- Some very interesting choices.

#### Russell's Ten Must Have Items

1. Wynn Stewart – Best of the Challenge Masters
2. Hank Williams – The Complete (Mercury label box)
3. Merle Haggard – Hag (Bear Family box set)
4. Louvin Brothers – Close Harmony (box set)
5. George Jones – A Good Year For the Roses (Bear Family Box sets)
6. Buck Owens – Open Up Your Heart (Bear Family Box)
7. Arnold Sanford – That's Why I Sing This way (best indie ever!)
8. Vern Gosdin – Chiselled in Stone
9. Willie Nelson – Shotgun Willie
10. Johnny Paycheck – The Little Darlin' Years.

#### Russell's Greatest other Independent Artists (alphabetical order)

1. Arkey Blue
2. Marti Brom
3. Ron Gaddis
4. James Hand
5. Cornell Hurd Band
6. Larry Jackson
7. David Jones
8. Vernon Oxford (has been major as well)
9. Norman Wade
10. Chris Wall / Dale Watson just to keep it at 10!!

#### LISTS WANTED

I would also like to invite suggestions for the TEN greatest country artists ever and FIVE worst. My own thought on the former is that Johnny Cash must rate as the greatest country artist ever. I say this for longevity and influence. Anyone who has watched the Bear Family dvds will know that he was the STAR back in 1958 and remained at the top for over 40 years. Maybe you could say George Jones was there for 50 years and Hank Williams out-influenced them both. BUT PLEASE DON'T KEEP IT TO YOURSELF...DROP ME A LINE. Of course many of you know which artist I think is the worst.

#### **ALL THE LATEST**

The Great Recession Orchestra "Have You Ever Heard of Milton Brown"  
**\$28** Some things are meant to be played loud and this is one. It has a real ambiance. Now, when it comes to tributes there is one thing I hate and that is over familiarity of material. There have been umpteen Bob Wills tributes and you can guarantee that all are gonna have that horrid

**"Roly Poly" on them...heck, I even hate Bob's version now!! But when an artist has a massive volume of work....I mean Bob's work plus the Tiffany Transcriptions would extend to 40 cds...maybe more....and what do we get, basically the same 10-12 songs every time. Similarly I was disappointed with Lacy J Dalton's Hank Williams tribute cd last year. Same thing. The songs you have heard a hundred times. So what I like about this it has a great freshness about it. Aficionados will know that Milton was a little jazzier than Bob and that is well handled by the G.R.O. There 12 official members, including one Bubba, but I reckon he may have the name by default as seemingly a couple more could gladly claim that moniker. The instrumental star is J D Smith on fiddle, who rips lines off like Ali's jab. He is ably assisted by Warren "Bubba" Stephens on guitar and Ray Austin on steel and dobro. I really love the slower "Yes Sir" with its great "Fever" style bass line (a la Peggy Lee). Another error with tributes is that the proponents tend to overdo the faster stuff but there is a fine balance here. This contrasts with the upbeat "You're Bound to Look Like a Monkey", with some great guitar solos. Even the better known tracks have a freshness. Finally, let me say this is one of the nicest cd packages I have seen. A triple fold cover featuring a new illustration of Milton Brown, has good notes and tells you who plays everything, though a song by song rundown of the lead vocalists may have been good. "Sitting on Top of the World" is nice and bluesy. As I said turn it up!!!**

**DVD TruCountry Season 2 \$48 3DVDS...12 episodes. The first dvd set was a monster and the second is just as good. This is a US cable Tv show which was produced by everyone's favourite Heather Myles. It is extremely well recorded. It has clarity and sound to match the great Austin City Limits, which has set the standard for many years. The artists who appear on these dvds are the ones WE treasure. No Johnny come lately Nashville major label bum with swivel hips and minimalist talent, these are the real deal. A full list of artists on Season Two follows:**

- 1. Tony Booth**
- 2. Georgette Jones on two of the shows. Will surprise & enchant!**
- 3. Bobby Flores**
- 4. Jake Hooker**
- 5. Kimberly Murray**
- 6. James Hand**
- 7. Jett Williams**
- 8. Curtis Potter**
- 9. Heather Myles**
- 10. Bob Gothar**
- 11. Justin Trevino (including a couple of gospel numbers)**
- 12. Amber Digby**
- 13. Mona McCall**
- 14. Darrell McCall**
- 15. Bode Barker (no cd but you will say "we want one"!**

**So around 6 hours of pure excellence.**

**We still have SEASON ONE which is equally as good and it has Miss Leslie and Leona Williams (no Tony Booth/Georgette or Jett). Also 6 hours \$48. Many know I am not a fan of dvds...well not as much as the cds, but this is absolutely rivetting,**

**Other DVDS....There is not much released country wise I'm afraid but these are all in stock and recommended.**

**\*\* DVD David Allan Coe "At Billy Bobs" \$30** This is a two fold dvd. There are 20 songs in the show, but then we get a long interview with the man, which will have you shaking your head, laughing, cussing and all those groovy things. The show is great and the opener "Heaven Only Knows" has to be seen to be believed. Just Coe and his electric guitar (played as though acoustic) it is a wonderful tale which could have been off Bruce Springsteen's "Nebraska" album. Love it all, but if you are offended by four letter words better not get it...as DAC likes to cuss...and often.

**\*\*DVD David Frizzell and Friends "This Is Our Time" \$30** This live dvd has Leftys younger brother singing with a great array of our favourites. He does Lefty's "If You've Got the Money" with Haggard, "Soemthing About You" with Lacy J, "Long Black Veil" with the great Gene Watson and so on. Would love to see a full duet cd with his younger brother Allen Frizzell.

**\*\*DVD Gary P Nunn – "Texas Roadhouse Presents" \$35** Texas honky tonk show from a true legend of Texas Country music.

**\*\*DVD T G Sheppard "Partners in Rhyme: T G Sheppard Sings Duets with Country Music Legends" \$35** 2cds plus DVD. Has behind the scenes and special features as well. Guests include Oak Ridge Boys, Haggard, Jones, Skaggs, Willie, Ray Stevesn etc. Has proved to be very popular.

**\*\*DVD Statler Brothers Farewell Concert \$30** 30 tracks of songs and anecdotes. Goes in and out of print quite regularly, so now, at least for a while is in print.

**\*\*DVD Texas Tornados "Live at Austin City Limits" \$30** My favourite music DVD with Doug Sahm, Freddy Fender, Flaco Jimenez and Augie Meyers being in superb form. The visuals and sound are first class and the time runs at around 80 minutes. All do leads and all display great instrumental dexterity. Flaco of course is the master of the button accordion but Augie plays the traditional piano style accordion as a fine counterpoint. Flaco does some wonderful traditional numbers and Doug does fine renditions of Sir Douglas Quintet favourites "She's About a Mover" and "Mendocino". Freddy shows great guitar and vocal skill. 10 out of 10.

**\*\*DVD Timejumpers "Jumpin Time" \$35** Every Monday night at the Station Inn in Nashville, a group of pickers and singers get together to play some wonderful music. This is a 2 hour dvd with 26 songs plus behind the scenes that will have you thinking you were there. It has swing, shuffle, honky tonk and even a little bluegrass. Former Waylon steel guitarist John Hughey, has passed on since this recording but what a wonderful legacy to his talent. They have a fine bunch of soloists and vocals are handed around. Featured is Dawn Sears & husband Kenny, who is a great fiddler and a fine counterpoint to Aubrey Haynie. Best vocalist for mine is Carolyn Martin, a great singer with a fine personality. The Station Inn used to be a bit out of the way, but is now surrounded by highrise buildings in what has become a "trendy" area. But no guessing why the place is packed to the rafters every week. They are *thatgood*.

**Kenny Seratt "The Best of Kenny Seratt Volume 2" \$30** The best of Kenny Seratt Volume 1 was our best selling cd of the last 2 years and this is bound to do similarly well because it is *that darn good*. This is a mix of new recordings plus Hillside recordings. Kenny has a classic Lefty/Merle/

Stoney drawl which handles the ballads and uptempo songs with equal aplomb. Marty Robbins' "Cigarettes & Coffee Blues" is a ripping toe tapper with some great steel guitar (is it Buddy Emmons?) and piano (assumably Hargus "Pig" Robbins). The old and new recordings are virtually indiscernible. His new duet with Leona Williams "Just Between the Two of Us" is stunning as is their other duet "The Shoe Goes on the Other Foot", a great "if you cheat then so will I" classic. "Brothers Strangers & Friends" is another duet with the wonderful Curtis Potter. Great contrast of voices. "I'm An Old Man" is a medium pace number that sounds like something George Jones would have cut. 15 tracks and none are anything but grand. Kenny is up there with the best. An absolute stunning cd and though I don't like to say this, if you are Merle Haggard fan you 100% NEED this. Fabulous.

Johnny Bush & Darrell McCall – Hot Texas Country \$28 Just back on a very limited basis. Two of the greatest Ray Price inspired vocalists on the one album. How good can it get!! Answer: about as good as this. Please refer to Swedish Cowboy list for its lofty position.

Marty Robbins "I Walk Alone/ It's a Sin" \$32

Johnny Paycheck "Someone to Give My Love To" \$32

Johnny Rodriguez "Introducing/ All I Ever Wanted To Do was Sing" \$32

Cal Smith – "My Kind of country/ Just Came Home to Count the Memories" \$32

Hux Records in the UK have had some great cd releases. They may not have a chronology about them, but they are great and that is not a thing you would want to argue about. None of these have been on cd before. The Marty Robbins date from 1968 & 1969 and feature Marty in a relaxed setting and at the piano on some tracks. "I Walk Alone" was one of his biggest hits whilst the second album featured his own version of "You Gave Me a Mountain", which the words oft covered only begins to state how it is.

The Paycheck cd consists of his second & third Epic albums when he was still the hardest of the hard country singers and the model for George Jones future style. His first Epic album "She's All I Got" has already appeared on cd. He covers a gamut of styles including covers of George Harrison's "Something" and Neil Diamond's "Song Sung Blue" but it is his own songs and on things such as "It's Only a Matter of Wine" where he shines

Johnny Rodriguez has been shamefully ignored in the reissue market but this reissue of his first two Mercury albums changes all that. He hit the ground running with "Pass Me By If you're Only Passing Through", a top ten (and written by Tom T Hall's brother, Hillman). Rodriguez wrote the title track of the second album with Tom T himself. As was often the case he chose a standard and sang it half in English and half in Spanish. This is great Haggard influenced honky tonk.

Cal Smith made his name as a storyteller and singer of songs with a message. Always flinched at the cover of "My Kind of Country" with Cal having the deepest drag on a cigarette or is it a thin cigar....don't worry it is the content that counts & these two albums from 1975 & 1977 are both gems.

Jody Nix "Twin Fiddles Turn Me One" \$30 Jody is the son of Hoyle Nix, a one time member of Bob Wills' group and on the Wills' album "For the Last Time" is actually responsible for the hollers as Bob was too ill to do that himself. But, this isn't actually a swing album, more in the shuffle side of things, but he also delves into honky tonk territory with gems

such "It's the Cheatin' She Loves", what a great country song. Of course there is a little swing such as the easy going "She's Killin' me". He does a great cover of Marty Robbins' "Ever Since My Baby Went Away". The reactivated Hillside Records has its home in Florida but has its heart in Texas and they will give Heart of Texas label a run for its money. I have always liked Jody and have had several discs over the years. They were hampered a little by the over familiarity of the material. Definitely not a problem. A little like Jake Hooker in spots, and you know that is a great recommendation.

Conway Twitty "Sings/ Look Into My Teardrops" \$30

Conway Twitty "Country/Here's Conway Twitty" \$30

Conway's first 4 Decca albums, sees his transition from rock & roller/pop singer on MGM, all with a healthy touch of country mind you to a full on country artist on Decca and an eventual country superstar.

We also have "I Love You More Today/ To See an Angel Cry" \$30

Conway Twitty "Ballads" (Bear Family) \$32

Carolina Chocolate Drops "Genuine Negro Jig" \$30 This won a Grammy for best folk album, but is classic old timey music as you may expect from the likes of the Old Crow Medicine Show, but the Carolina Chocolate Drops are African American as the title may indicate. Back in the early days country music was not the sole domain of the white population & in this regard I point you to the box sets section, notably "From Where I Stand: The Black Experience in Country Music" which explores the early black string bands. In this regard the recent Bear Family release "Black, White & Bluegrass" by Allerton & Alton (\$32) The cd features 27 tracks of classic country duet singing from the forties including 3 radio shows where they do a great version of the brother duet classic "Kentucky", taken at a much slower pace than you may have heard.

Stonewall Jackson " Life of a Poor Boy" \$28 Great new 30 Columbia track cd on Omni with only a minimal duplication of anything else on the market, including the Bear Family box set. The scary "Drinking & Driving" is a great message song..."ifferin' you want to live"...that's hillbilly talk. You also get the similar "Blues Plus Booze (Means I Lose). Many of Stonewall's songs were pure honky tonk but with redeeming values and a careful guarded warning to not be so tempted, such as "The Neon Light Don't Care Who They Burn". These are some of the rare singles and album tracks that are featured on this cd which also has a 28 page book. The World Is a Monster (Omni) \$28 Great 32 track from the Columbia vaults 1948-1958. Lonesome jivin' & blue hillbillies. 32 of the grimmest and delicious slabs of hillbilly misery & mayhem.

\*\*\*\***DUE SOON On Omni**\*\*\*\*

Grandpa Jones "Makes the Rafters Ring/ Yodelling Hits" \$28 These are his Monument label albums on cd for the first time. They are augmented with some singles plus a few tracks from his third Monument album "Sings Real Folk Songs" plus some singles.

Dottsy "Meet me in Texas" Heart of Texas \$30 Full name Dottsy Brodt but billed as just "Dottsy" when she recorded two albums on RCA and charted with several Top 10 singles . Definitely first in a while. Produced by Justin Trevino it also features Justin on the duet "We Talk about the Weather".

Jack Greene "Precious Memories/Treasured Friends" \$30 All new duet album, well 9 duets and 3 solo tracks. The duets are with George Jones

(the track that was on Ray Charles "Friendship" album "Two Old Cats Like Us"), Lorrie Morgan ("You Don't Know Me"), Merle Haggard ("The Last Letter") Vince Gill ("There's a Whole Lot About a Woman"), Charley Pride ("Lord I Need Somebody Bad Tonight"), Larry Gatlin ("Bitter They Are"), Little Jimmy Dickens & Heather Cornelius ("You are My Treasure") plus Jeannie Seely & Riders in the Sky.

Whitey Morgan "Whitey Morgan & the 78s" \$28 Wayne the Train style honky tonk for the masses. Also have the earlier album "Honky Tonks & Cheap Motels" \$30

Curly Putman "Write 'em Sad & Sing 'Em Lonesome" \$28 The first cd ever from one of the most successful songwriters in country music. Although 80 he is in fine voice, certainly he never would have reached the vocal heights of George Jones, but has maintained a charm that shines through and is probably comparable to the voice George now has. Three duets with Deborah Allen, Dolly Parton and Sarah Johns. It is the amazing version of "Green Green Grass of Home" that is the star, the kind of things that gives goosebumps. It is handled with an earnest approach that the many others versions seem to lack and when you know you are referring to Tom Jones & Porter Wagoner that is indeed something. Sadly, the album came about as result of the passing of Curly's grandson who died from Ewing's sarcoma, a horrible and crippling form of cancer. The duet with Sarah Johns, a great looking sort who had an excellent Heather Myles style, is a beauty. He may not be quite as "curly" but the result is more than worthwhile, and to think he wrote all those songs!

Others:

- \*\*Bare, Bobby – Singin' in the Kitchen/This I Believe (gospel) \$28 2on1
  - \*\*Berry, Benny – Give Me a Good Country Song \$30
  - \*\*Berry, Benny – Things I want to sing about \$30
  - \*\*Big Bopper: Hello Baby Complete Recordings (Bear Family) \$32
  - \*\*Camp, Shawn 1994
  - \*\*Jackson, Wanda The Party Ain't Over \$28
  - \*\*Jones, Georgette – Slightly Used woman \$30
  - \*\*Myles, Heather – In the Wind \$30
  - \*\*Nunn, Gary P – Taking Texas to the Country
  - \*\*Penny, Mike & Moonshiners – Don't Start Breathin' Down my neck \$30
  - \*\*Robbins, Marty Have I Told You Lately That I Love You/ I've Got a Woman's Love 2 on1 \$30
  - \*\*Seratt, Kenny – Best Of Volume 1 \$30 (read review above Vol 2)
  - \*\*Swan, Billy Do With Me What you Will \$28 Brand new album of mainly home demos.
  - \*\*Wagoner, Porter – What Ain't to Be Just Might Happen/ Sings His Own \$28 2 on 1 cd
  - \*\*Wagoner, Porter – Cold Hard Facts of Life (Bear 3cd set \$90) has 6 lps worth: 1)Cold Hard Facts2) Soul of a Convict 3)Confessions of a Broken Man 4)Skid Roe Joe 5)Bottom of the Bottle 6)Carroll County Accident
  - \*\*Wagoner, Porter Cold Hard Facts of Life/Soul of a Convict 2on1 \$28
  - \*\*Walker, Wayne How Do You Think I feel \$32
  - \*\*Watson, Gene – Matters of the Heart \$30 20 track MCA compilation
  - \*\*Wilson, Jason lee Big Gun (rockabilly) \$30
  - \*\*Shane Worley. \$30 We have small quantities of all his great albums.
- Don't miss out
1. Heartaches & lies
  2. Shotgun House
  3. What's Goin' On

4. Rosie's On a Roll
5. Feelin' Haggard (Merle Haggard Tribute)
6. Mister Purified Country

## DUE SOON

\*\*Amber Digby "Live at Swiss Alp Dance Hall" TBA... cd and DVD (hell's bells that would be great) But no info yet, so please stand by. The excitement is mounting.....Cd supposed to be end of March and dvd in mid April....Most I think will need a dvd!!

\*\*Joe Paul Nichols Friends in High Places \$30 14 duets look at the line up:

1. When My Blue Moon Turns To Gold with Moe Bandy
2. There's A Little Bit Of Everything In Texas with Johnny Bush
3. Have I Told You Lately That I Love You with Norma Jean
4. Gotta Travel On with Jan Howard
5. Houston's Just Another Name For Blue with Chuck Hancock
6. Waltz Of The Angels with Darrell McCall
7. I Won't Take Less Than Your Love with Frankie Miller
8. Let's Fall In Love Again with Barbara Fairchild
9. Old Fashioned Love with Dawn Sears
10. I Miss My Mind The Most with Curtis Potter
11. Cherokee Maiden with Kenny Seratt
12. Nobody's Darlin' But Mine with Melba Montgomery
13. Someone To Care with Amber Digby
14. Louisiana Man with Jimmy C. Newman

\*\*George Hamilton IV "In the Heart of Texas" \$30 including duets with Darrell McCall (on his biggest hit "Abilene",) Justin Trevino and Tony Booth.

\*\*Ken Mellons – "Rural Route" His still great voice shines on this latest bluegrass style offering.

## Bear Family Feature

### Latest Releases

Bear Family are releasing quite a lot early in the year, so will be combining orders with their February, early and mid March releases all together. \*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*\* Whilst we try and get enough to cover orders that are not as yet received it isn't always possible so to be 100% sure, please ensure we have your order by **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March.**

So here is a run down.

Bristol Sessions: Big Bang of Country Music 5cd + 120 pge hardcover book. This is 12"x 12" size box. 124 tracks 6hours 25 minutes. \$210 Johnny Cash has called this "The single most important event in the history of country music" when Ralph Peer travelled to Bristol Tennessee to make the first major label recordings of country artists. The spiel indicates there were "Ballad singers, street evangelists, string bands, gospel quartets, harmonica virtuosos, holiness preachers, blues guitarists and rural storytellers. Of course The Carter Family and Jimmie Rodgers went on to the loftiest of heights but other artists provided

much of the colour that was to be the basis of the history of country music as we know it. There are even *alternate takes* and of course Bear Family sound. Other artists include Ernest V Stoneman, Blind Alfred Reed, Johnson Brothers, Ernest Phipps, Uncle Eck Dunford, Henry Whitter, the Stamps Quartet, Smith Brothers, Palmer Sisters, Shortbuckle Roark & Family and many more with varying levels of rusticity in their names.

**Sun Ballads (1953-1957)** 3cd digipak, 78 tracks, 3 hours 24 minutes. \$90 This is in the form of the Porter Wagoner "Cold Hard Facts of Life" set with fold out paper sleeve. Whilst primarily known as a rockabilly & blues label Sun rockers also sang some ballads. Notable among those present here are Conway Twitty, Johnny Cash, Carl Mann, Jerry Lee Lewis and just about all the names that became legends along with Edwin Bruce (yes he dropped the "win" bit and achieved biggest fame as singer/actor Ed Bruce), Ray Smith, Miller Sisters and arguably the greatest ballad put out on Sun, The Prisonaires "Just Walking in the Rain", which of course became a smash for Johnnie Ray, though anyone who has heard the original would say emphatically it wasn't bettered. The Prisonaires simply present one of the greatest vocals ever. Written by Johnny Bragg the Prisonaires were a bad lot, and were actual inmates. Includes a track by track commentary by Canadian Country authority Hank Davis.

**George Hamilton IV "My North Country Home"** 3 cd digipak 82 tracks 4hours. \$90 Includes 68 page book and concentrates on his fascination with Canadian songwriters such as Gordon Lightfoot, Dick Damron, Ian Tyson, Ray Griff, Joni Mitchell, Leonard Cohen etc. Between 1965 and 1975 George recorded 6 albums of Canadian recordings and all are included here with extras. Notes say he recorded 16 Gordon Lightfoot songs, more than any other artist. Now Tony Rice may have something to say about that claim but George was up there and had the good sense to do stunning versions of Lightfoot's fabulous "Did She Mention My Name" and "Second Cup of Coffee", which are my too favourite Lightfoot songs. The third cd sees George singing entirely about Canadian places..."Farewell to Nova Scotia", "Squid Jiggin' Grounds", "Cape Breton Lullaby" etc. A must for George Hamilton IV fans and much on cd for the first time.

**George McCormick & Earl Aycok "Better Stop Look & Listen: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight"** 29 tracks 66minutes \$32 Better known as just "George & Earl" and are considered as some of the greatest country male duet singers ever, right up there with both the Louvin Brothers & the Everly Brothers. They were heavily influenced as well by Hank Williams and 3 songs had been written in anticipation of Hank recording them. They also adapted their sound to the rockabilly era and this cd features many of their uptempo numbers. The title track and "Going Steady With the Blues" are their best known tracks.

**Bonnie Guitar "By the Fireside: Velvet Lounge"** 15 tracks 33 minutes of previously unreleased Bonnie Guitar featuring production skills, and also some of the songs, of Don Robertson, one of Nashville's most talented writers and musicians; Floyd Cramer's piano style came directly from that of Don. This featured Bonnie singing with just one guitar accompanying her a la the Johnny Mathis album "Open Fire – Twin Guitars" (yeah...but Bonnie had only one of them). NONE of these songs are on her other Bear Family cd, "Dark Moon" which is still very popular. Tracks include: "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry", "Slowly", "I Don't Hurt

Anytime", "I Almost Lost My Mind" etc. Along with Patsy Cline, Bonnie is country music's ultimate stylist.

Jerry Lee Lewis "Old Time Religion: Rare Recordings of Jerry Lee Lewis In Church: Preachin', Shoutin' and Singin'" 20 tracks, 36 page booklet, 65 minutes. \$32 If I recall correctly this came out on one set of the Jerry Lee Lewis LP boxes but wasn't on the cd boxes. It was to me the quintessential Jerry Lee gospel, extremely well recorded and live where he really shines. BUT most of his live recordings were rock & roll, this is the only one devoted to gospel. He informs us he was saved 3 days 2 hours and 21 minutes ago (not *that* time exactly but similarly precise). It was also recorded in church with his road band led by Kenny Lovelace on guitar and fiddle. This is the country side of Jerry Lee and a must have item. It also reminds us what a great singer Jerry Lee is especially on defining versions of country gospel classics such as "I'll Fly Away", "The Old Rugged Cross" etc. And there is a certain tongue in cheek that only Jerry Lee can pull off. Yes please!!

Bobby Lord "Everybody's Rockin' But Me: Gonna Shake This Shack Nonight" 24 tracks 57 minutes. \$32 One of the great singers on Columbia label who was perhaps overshadowed by Marty Robbins to whom he is sometimes compared. But even Marty, as good as his early uptempo recordings were in defining the country side of rockabilly was not able to out distance Bobby who had gem after gem, with many appearing on CBS rockabilly compilations. The best included "No More, No More, No More" (really wild!!) and "Beautiful Baby". Mind you it didn't hurt that he was backed by the likes of Chet Atkins & Hank Garland. A rare look at mid 50s country is provided with a complete session from 1956...the same that featured "Beautiful Baby".

Acadian All Star Special: The Pioneering Cajun Recordings of J D Miller 3cds 78 tracks 3 hours 29 minutes plus 80 page hardcover book. This is the 12"x12" size package. Typical of Bear's resolve to only bring out boxes when they know they have everything is this box, compiled by Cajun music expert, Lyle Ferbache and literally years in the making. Included are Jimmy C Newman's first recordings plus Terry Clement's original version of "Diggy Liggy Lo" and Papa Cairo's "Big Texas" (presented here in both English & French) which Hank Williams adapted to "Jambalaya". Plenty of Sonniers, Choates and Thibideaux's. Anyone with any passion for Cajun music needs this set.,

Dick Damron "More than Countryfied: The Early Recordings of Dick Damron 1959-1976" 3cd digipak, 86 tracks, 3 hours 25 minutes \$90 He was a country singer who started out singing rockabilly and became one of Canada's best. He also was a great songwriter and had many songs recorded south of the border (I say Canadian border, that is) with the biggest being "Countryfied". In the seventies he made some outlaw recordings in Nashville which stand up to the best Waylon and co had to offer. He even did some fine rodeo songs.

Charlie Phillips "Sugartime" 35 tracks 72 page book 86 minutes \$32 West Texas singer who was a contemporary of Buddy Holly and features Buddy on Charlie's "Sugartime", an oft covered song in pop and country. Includes previously unreleased recordings with the Texas Playboys as well as an unreleased song called "You're my LSD"...what was he thinking!!

That'll Flat Git It Volume 27 Sage and Sand Records 34 tracks 74 minutes \$32 The latest offering in this fabulous rockabilly series has some of the greatest recordings of that sub genre including Dwight "Whitey" Pullen who is dynamite on "Walk My Baby Back Home" plus the somewhat mysterious Lonnie Barron, who was murdered in rather bizarre circumstances...read all about it., Other known artists include Jimmy Patton, Don Deal. Eddie Dean, Tex Atchison, who had been a member of the Prairie Ramblers, Rusty York and Donnie Bowser who actually sang rockabilly from a wheelchair. Just a superb series.

Glen Reeves "Johnny on the Spot; Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight" 25 tracks 1 hour, 44page book. He recorded "Heartbreak Hotel" first, and for a treat the original demo version is included here and appeared on a number of labels singing rockin' country, some in a rockabilly style.

Jimmy Spellman: "Doggonit:Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight" 28 tracks 58 minutes 40 page book \$32 An inductee in the rockabilly hall of fame with the title track. He was the first to record for Lee Hazelwood's Viv label which was where Lee recorded Duane Eddy & Sanford Clark, as well as Al Casey, a cross genre guitarist of the highest order who is featured on guitar on these.

Odd Couples: What Were They Thinking?? 20 tracks 58 minutes 48 page book \$32 The title may need a bit of explanation as Bear Family collects a series of duets where the two participants seem somewhat mismatched but manage to pull it off nonetheless. Mind you I don't know what Tennessee Ernie & Ella Mae Morse are doing here as they both were two of the most versatile vocalists ever and their pairing was a natural. Probably more than you could say of Perry Como with the Sons of the Pioneers or Don Gibson with Los Indios Tabajeras or Sister Rosetta Tharpe with Red Foley (Sister Rosetta cooks on guitar). Interesting the Sons of Pioneers also duet with South Pacific legend Ezip Pinza. A quirky but I am sure satisfying cd.

Clyde Stacy "Hoy Hoy: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight" 22 tracks 53 minutes 28 page booklet \$32. The title track is a classic of the rockabilly sub genre. Pure energy. It was also done admirably by the fabulous Collins Kids but Clyde's version is better. "So Young" sounds like a slow rockabilly Mel Street song replete I might add with sexy female vocals. He basically stayed in his home Texas, hence he was not so widely known.

Big Joe Turner "Rocks" 28 tracks \$32 one of the pioneers of the R&B oriented rock and roll. Hits include "Shake Rattle & Roll", "Honey Hush", "Lipstick Powder & Paint"....love the "Is you Is or Is you Ain't" line."Corrinne Corinna" and the oft covered "Boogie Woogie Country Girl"

Billy Red Love "Gee I Wish: The Sun Years Plus" 26 tracks, 73 minutes 48 page booklet. R & B oriented boogie woogie & blues piano player features Sun label tracks recorded between 1951 & 1954.

#### Velvet Lounge Series

Ann-Margret & Al Hirt "Beauty & the Beat \$32 15 tracks 24pg book 40 minutes. Ann-MArgret with trumpeter ("Java") Al Hirt.

Eartha Kitt & Shorty Rogers "St Louis Blues" 12 tracks 35 minutes 32 page booklet. Eartha and the guy who played trumpet in the Warner

Brothers Cartoon gem "Three Little Pigs"....which featured Stan Freberg on vocals....how do I know this?? I just do!

**A BEGINNER's GUIDE TO BEAR FAMILY MUST HAVE CDS  
(more next newsletter) special price on these \$25 order by  
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1. Eddy Arnold – Thereby Hangs a Tale/Cattle Call
2. Charline Arthur – Welcome to the Club
3. Browns – A country Music Odyssey 36 tracks
- 3a) Johnny Burnette Rock & roll Trio – Rockabilly boogie
4. David Allan Coe – Unchained/Son of the South Plus
5. Jimmy Dean – Bog Bad John
6. Don Gibson – A Legend in My Time
7. Bonnie Guitar – Dark Moon
8. Merle Haggard – Same Train Different Time
9. Roy Hall – Roy Rocks
10. Tom T Hall – Ballad of 40 Dollars/ Homecoming
11. Tom T Hall – I Witness Life/100 Children
12. George Hamilton – To You & Yours: The Drugstore's Rockin'
13. Johnny & Jack – For Old Times Sake
14. George Jones & Gene Pitney – George Jones & Gene Pitney
15. Pee Wee King – Blue Suede Shoes: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
16. Peter LaFarge – As Long as the Grass Shall Grow/On the Warpath
17. John D Loudermilk – Blue Train
18. Bob Luman – Rocks
19. Skeets McDonald – Heartbreakin' Mama: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
20. Maddox Bros & Rose – Ugly & Slouchy: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
21. Ned Miller – From a Jack to a King
22. Roger Miller – King of the Road
23. Billy Joe Shaver – Honky Tonk Heroes
24. Carl Smith – Hey Joe: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
25. Warren Smith – Classic Recordings 1956-1959
26. Hank Snow – The Goldrush Is Over: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
27. Hank Thompson – A Six Pack to Go: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
28. Ernest Tubb – Thirty Days: Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight
29. Leroy Van Dyke – Walk on By
30. Malcolm Yelvington – It's Me Baby: The Sun Years Plus

**Rarities: out of print gems, that are just about impossible to get. Some of the very greatest albums we have ever had. Most, one copy only. Please be quick or face disappointment!**

**Anderson, Bill Greatest Hits (Varese) \$40** This is out of print and stands as the best cd by Bill with the classics "Mama Sang a Song" & "Golden Guitar" hard to get. Of course all original versions.

**Arwood, Bill Collector's Series (Bob Grady Records) \$40** Bob Grady Records is as close as royalty as you can get. They define classic independent country music at its best. No swivel hips with questionable talent these guys sing about the good things in life...well in the fantasy world of great country music anyway... drinking & cheating & lying and combinations of all three. This is a collection of Bill's singles which were popular in Europe. 15 pure honky tonk tracks, for fans of Vernon Oxford, Norman Wade & George Jones.

**Atkins, Chet/Jerry Reed Sneakin' Around \$30** Great album that followed on Chet's equally great effort with Mark Knopfler & earlier albums with Les Paul & Merle Travis. Lots of good time humour and some great guitar.

**Ball, David Steppin' Out \$35** This was going to precede "Thinkin' Problem" and in their wisdom RCA didn't release it. A pity as it is very good with originals & covers. A must for David Ball fans, and isn't that just about everyone?? Note we have previously had this listed as just "DAVID BALL". Same album but this is an even rarer version. Only one I've seen with this title.

**Bandy, Moe No Regrets \$35** very rare Curb album from 1988. It includes Moe's version of "Nobody Gets Off in This Town" which preceded a version included on Garth Brooks' debut album.

**Bandy, Moe 20 Great Songs of the American Cowboy \$35** This is the original 1990 version. 10 track versions pop up every now and then but this is the full 20 tracker

**Bellamy Brothers Rebels Without a Clue \$30** Their MCA album from 1988 was their best with the title track, "Fountain of Middle Age", "The Courthouse" & "Andy Griffith Show" being just some of the classics. This is perhaps the only album they made like this...where every track hits the mark.

**Berry, Benny Some Things Never Change \$40** Hawk Records from Northern Ireland was the company that released Oklahoman Benny's first 4 albums. Everyone who was a Merle Haggard fan loved Benny. He had a similar timbre in his voice and was ably backed by a team led by Mike Headrick, a picture of whom is hung on the Swedish Cowboy's wall and to whom the (highly religious) Swedish Cowboy says a prayer of thanks every night, Includes his great cover of the Mel McDaniel song "God Made Love" and a top remake of Stoney Edwards "Pickin' Wildflowers". His own songs are just as good.

**Bogguss, Suzy/Chet Atkins Simpatico \$20** Extra special price. One of Chet's last albums and one of Suzy's best, if not the best. A must have. Highlights are many but personally can't go past the fabulous Johnny Cash song "I Still Miss Someone" and Elton John's "Sorry Seems to Be the Hardest Word". Wonderful song with Chet showing why he is so revered, great guitar "Two Shades of Blue" may be better with a hint of accordion.

**Boone, Larry One Way to Go \$28** Great ballad singer.

**Boone, Larry Swingin' Doors, Sawdust Floors \$30**

**Boone, Larry Down That River Road \$35** All 3 are as good as it gets. A great songwriter & singer he reminds of George Strait in the late 80s! Superb, Mrs Johnson. The first listed was his first CBS album & may be the best value in the entire newsletter. The last includes his "Everybody Wants to be Hank Williams" with the almost scary refrain "...but nobody wants to die". All rate enormously.

**Brown, Roger – Rodeo Boogie \$35** Had a wonderful 5 tracker on MCA which had superstar written all over it but MCA never went on with it. This is his one full length album, a combination of swing a la Junior Brown I guess and honky tonk with a real Texas feel. Still hoping for another.

**Browne, Jann Tell Me Why \$35 1990 gem long OOP** As well as being a cracker singer she is a great writer with the highlight being "Louisville". Emmylou guests.

**Browne, Jann It Only Hurts When I Laugh \$25** Her 2 Curb albums (this and the one previous) were both crackers but she was and is a west coast artist with an affinity for the music of Buck Owens and I guess she was hard to promote out of Nashville. Emphatically great and Heather Myles fans would adore Jann.

**Burton, Charlie Rustic Fixer Upper \$20** A favourite of Yesterday and Today Records fans of the quirky. Great track "Livin' on Borrowed Time (Livin' On Borrowed Money)" is typical Charlie with a great country backing and witty lyrics "one day we're gonna look back & laugh, but now it ain't funny" and "Suzy needs a new pair of shoes, shucks I can't afford the laces". A favourite.

**Cartwright, Lionel Lionel Cartwright \$30** Was nominated as one of 1989's 3 best new artists along w. Clint Black and Garth Brooks. He loses absolutely

nothing in comparison. Whilst a stunning songwriter Paul Overstreet's "Like Father Like Son" is a knockout.

**Cash, Tommy Let An Old Racehorse Run \$28** 12 track indie on Playback inc 2 duets with Jeannie C Riley, who we are told turned Tommy's life around (along with the lord). Don't you just love liner notes!!

**Cash, Tommy Classics \$25** 15 tracks on his own label has Johnny cash on 4 tracks plus Connie Smith, Tom T Hall, George Jones, Hoyt Axton etc. These are different to the duets on the following album.

**Cash, Tommy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Album \$30.** This is the gem which features George Jones, Johnny Cash, Connie Smith & Tom T Hall. The three gents combine with Tommy on the patriotic "Thoughts on the Flag".

**Coe, David Allan 1990 Songs for Sale. \$45** 20 new original recordings (not re-recordings of hits) was first on the DAC label. All great Coe songs such as "A Marriage Made in Heaven Went to Hell", "The Devil was to Blame", "Tennessee Waltz With Me" plus the great tale of luck "The Penny" etc. Easily up there with the best of Coe and impossible to get...what more can you say.

**Conlee, John Fellow Travellers (16<sup>th</sup> Avenue) \$35** This gem had a short release as the label went out of business. Big voice of Conlee is unmistakable and great songs on this Bud Logan produced gem.

**Craddock, Billy "Crash" Back on Track" \$35** This 1989 album on Atlantic is perhaps the best straight country album of his career, which started in the 50s. At one time he headed a show in Sydney with underlings such as the Everly Brothers. He was as big as it gets.

**Craft, Paul Brother Jukebox \$35** Apart from being a great writer...yes he did write the title song (covered with equal aplomb by Mark Chesnutt & Keith Whitley) he also wrote "Hank Williams You Wrote My Life" (Paul's version is on this album) and "Drop Kick Me Jesus" (not here). What we get is 17 tracks. Many have a humorous quality. "Take Another Swing At Me" has a note which tells us "the coffee cup was thrown from a distance of about 3 feet and missed me by 4" Highlight is a wonderful song "My Own sweet Time" featuring a vocal trio of Craft, John Starling and Claire Lynch. 20 pages booklet with all lyrics.

**Cryner, Bobbie Bobbie Cryner \$35** I always say this gem is the best album by a female we have ever had & (until Miss Leslie came along) the only time I have heard a female sing like George Jones. Very much like Melba Montgomery to these ears. Wonderfully produced by Carl Jackson, it also includes a great duet with Dwight Yoakam on the classic "I Don't Care", a classic for Webb Pierce.

**Curtis, Sonny No Stranger to the Rain \$30** Sonny Curtis was an original Cricket...yes with Buddy Holly....see next album for more info on that....who is also a great songwriter and singer. As a writer he wrote the title track, of course a massive hit (biggest in fact) for Keith Whitley, part of the 5 in a row #1 singles Keith had and also CMA Song of the Year, when such an accolade really meant something. He also wrote "I Fought the Law" (on next album) plus several hits for Buddy Holly. Also a fine singer. This was a UK only release from 1990.

**Curtis, Sonny The Elektra Years Volume 1 \$40** Typing the name "Curtis" just reminded me the great King Curtis Laukea passed away at the end of last year. How could it not have been the lead news story. BUT, back to Sonny. He had several albums on Elektra and as mentioned was a member of the Crickets. He was an original who left and then returned. As such "The Real Buddy Holly Story" is worth the price alone. On it he sings about the fallacies (many in fact) that were on the Buddy Holly Movie, which starred Gary Busey. We also get Sonny's rendition of "I Fought the Law" as well as "Walk Right Back" which he also wrote. He is equally fine singer/songwriter/guitarist.

**Dalton, Lacy J – Survivor \$40** This rates as her very best album which is really saying something given the overall quality. Her version of Guy Clark's "Old Friends" ranks as one of the best recordings ever!!! "Hard Luck Ace" makes reference to both Waylon & Janis Joplin. A magical album. As good as it gets.

**Dalton, Lacy J Crazy Love \$30** Stunning album which features a great version of Van Morrison title but the highlight is "Little Boy Blue" one of the best things you'll ever hear, a touching ode to her son.

**Daniels, Clint Clint Daniels \$35** This was typical of the mid to late 90s. Great albums which were shelved whilst the overall standard went down. This was eagerly awaited and would have been on Arista. Alas it was never released. A great bunch of musos and all but three songs were by Clint. When I tell you the other songs were by Larry Cordle & Dean Dillon you know it is special. This has both back and front covers, something that is exceedingly hard to get.

**Davies, Gail – The Other Side of Love \$30** one of our favourites and certainly in the very top echelon of Nashville female writers and singers. Wrote 8 of the songs on this self produced capitol album. Vince Gill guests.

**Davis, Joey "Love Songs, Waltz's True Stories & Lies" \$40** The spelling may be a bit out but 17 superb honky tonk tracks are as good as it can go. "Barroom Hall of Fame" may be the best Everybody loves this album.

**Delray, Martin What Kind of Man \$28** Second of only 2 albums by a man whose real name is Mike Martin and is now a top tennis coach. Great deep voice and also a great guitar player. Stunning version of Steve Earle's "Sometimes She Forgets". This should be in every collection.

**Dillon, Dean I've Learned to Live \$48** second of his Capitol albums. Impossible to find. Inc. his version of the song he wrote with Vern Gosdin, "Back in the Swing of Things" as well as "Changes Going On" which hit for Alabama. Still more, a great duet with Tanya Tucker. Terrific album. Very hard to get.

**Draper, Rusty Greatest Hits \$28** Out of Print 18 tracker which was out on Collectors Choice, an excellent label which is now in limbo, having been bought out by a major player. All the hits inc. "Whispering Shifting Sands"

**Dunn, Holly Across the Rio Grande \$38**

**Dunn, Holly Holly Dunn \$38**

**Dunn, Holly Cornerstone \$38** Holly Dunn's first 3 albums on the MTM label were definitely her best with the self titled one containing her biggest hit in "Daddy's Hands", the second "Cornerstone" maybe her best with 2 stunning tracks in "Strangers again" & a delightful version of Jim Croce's "Lovers' Cross" whilst the final MTM album had her delightful version of the title song, also done by Reba, but Holly wins!! All 3 albums are delightful.

**Earle, Steve The Hard Way \$28** and still in the Long box. Includes "Billy Austin" a wonderful tale of a condemned man. Followed his "Copperhead Road" album.

**Edwards, Stoney Just For Old Times Sake \$55** Stoney was part African American and part native American and sang with a Lefty Frizzell influenced voice that was the equal of that other Lefty influenced character...one Merle Haggard. This was his last album, sadly. But it was as good as his wonderful Capitol albums. Stunning and not a track undeserving of the highest accolades. Many of the songs were by the producer Billy Joe Kirk. The best news from last year was Bear Family's "A Girl called Johnny Cash" which unveiled 10 previously unissued Stoney recordings. Just like a gift from heaven.

**Freberg, Stan Capitol Collectors Series \$20** 21 tracks. The sound and presentation is stunning. Collects the best of Stan's musical parody tracks plus his "Green Christmas" tracks.

**Frickie, Janie Labor of Love \$28** This 1989 CBS release was one of her best two with the highlight being stunning version of Steve Earle's best song, "My Old Friend the Blues".

**Frickie, Janie Saddle the Wind \$30** Ironically her best two albums were ones in which she changed the spelling of her true name "Fricke" to reflect the pronunciation. This even starts with a stunning swing number in "Sugar Moon".

**Frizzell, Allen A Piece of My Heart \$65** Wow, double wow and triple wow. Allen is the younger brother of both Lefty and David Frizzell and I always thought

he was a better singer than David. He was married to David's duet partner, Shelly West, and that relationship broke up when Allen & Shelley did. This album was only ever released in Europe, Netherlands I believe but was recorded in Nashville, and it is interesting to note vocal harmonies by Eddie London & Keith Palmer. I only have a copy of this only and to be honest I never thought I'd get a real one again. Without doubt a must have item if the wonderful Lefty drawl is your forte.

**Gaddis, Ron Chip Off the Old Block \$40** Ron was for many years the bandleader for George Jones and he was the guy who duetted with George on live versions of "No Show Jones". He was also the first husband of Lorrie Morgan; now that is a lot of water under the bridge story. Obviously there was no lasting acrimony as Lorrie joins him on "All Day All Night Thing", a great song. The all out honky tonker "I Fell Off the Wagon" features his former boss, The Possum himself and Porter Wagoner joins on "When the Shiny Silver Eagle meets the Great Speckled Bird". As you might expect there is more than a little George Jones influence. Hard to believe this is Ron's lone album, A superb one too.

**Grand, Gil Famous Last Words** Never actually released. \$20 has partial graphics & have just acquired the only one I have ever had with full graphics **\$35**  
**Green, Lloyd Ten Shades \$30** Album that was released on cd in 1993, although recorded in 1976. Great support from Johnny Gimble, Charlie MccOy and co. A must for steel guitar fans & I can assure you very hard to get.

**Greene, Jack The Jolly Green Giant \$38** 20 MCA & Decca tracks long deleted. Only time the originals have been on cd. Inc. 3 duets with Jeannie Seely. This came out on the Edsel label out of the UK. Good notes by John Lomax III

**Haggard, Merle Capitol Collectors Series \$25** 20 tracks. The best single cd of Merle at his best. As a guide the Capitol Collectors series of releases were simply the best sounding and compiled of any label,

**Haggard, Merle My Farewell to Elvis \$35** Long out of print cd which has Merle singing 9 Elvis classics, sandwiched between "From Graceland to the Promised Land" and a short tribute by Merle to Elvis.

**Haggard, Merle Chill Factor \$20** Original album which had one of Merle's last number ones in "Twinkle Twinkle Lucky Star"

**Haggard, Merle His Greatest And Best \$25** MCA collection which is very well compiled and features his great tribute to Tommy Collins, "Leonard", one of his best ever songs IMO!

**Hardwick, Billy Too Country \$25** A great singer and writer's only album. Like Dean Dillon somewhat vocally and does a stunning version of Dillon's "You Sure Got This Ol' Redneck Feelin' Blue". For those of us hoping for a follow up album I think we can now stop holding out breathh A+

**Harms, Joni Hometown Girl \$35** Joni's original Capitol album. Very hard to get. Joni has carved out a career for herself singing western oriented songs and this hold sup remarkably well, perhaps as production by Jimmy Bowen and song choice are both first class.

**Hobbs, Becky All Keyed Up \$25** Best ever female honky tonk album, with the best track being "Jones on the Jukebox". Becky is the consummate show gal. Whilst known for her rompers the ballad "She Broke Her Promise" is superb as well. Originally on the MTM label

**Homer & Jethro America's Song Butchers: The Weird World of Homer & Jethro. \$35** Great humour and equally fine musicianship. Apparently they were originally billed by their real names till some guy forgot who they were & on the spur of a moment said..."Here are Homer & Jethro" and it stuck. They created a niche with their parodying of hit songs which featured equally fine musicianship, especially Jethro Burns on mandolin 20 track on Razor & Tie. OOP

**Honeys Capitol Collectors Series \$40** Not a country one but a classic of female pop mixed with surf elements as Marilyn Rovell married Brian Wilson of the Beach Boys. 20 great tracks. Very influential. Again, a gem on the Capitol Collectors series.

**Horton, Steven Wayne Steven Wayne Horton \$28** Capitol album from

1989 was sadly his one & only. What you get is a great upbeat album a la Marty Stuart "Hillbilly Rock" but better.

**House, James James House \$35** Debut album was well received in all quarters but didn't do much chart wise...hence he only had a 2 album run on MCA plus an album later on Epic...believe me the MCA were better. Still sounds good especially the first single "Don't Quit Me Now" and the upbeat "Lucinda".

**House, James Hard Times for an Honest Man \$40** His second MCA album was even better than his first self titled album & is very very hard to get.

**Husky, Ferlin Capitol Collectors Series \$38** This is a wonderful cd. The entire Capitol Collectors Series is a must and though repeating myself represents an artist's best output. 20 tracks

**Jackson, Stonewall & Friends A Tribute \$35** 23 track tribute with a virtual who's who guests list...just to rattle off some: Grandpa Jones, Little Jimmy Dickens, The Whites, Riders in the Sky, Hal Ketchum, John Conlee, Joe Diffie, Porter Wagoner, Paulette Carlson, Alison Krauss, Connie Smith...come to think of it may be easier to mention who is not there!!!

**Jackson, Larry The Blue Highway \$45** Hard to believe he only had two albums. The superb songs are matched by the superb production and voice. Not a honky tonk album but essentially one of losing in love and Larry sounds very convincing. The title track is a stopper..

**Jenkins The Jenkins \$35** Record companies are in general a brainless bunch as proved by the fact this album didn't get a release. It is a gem and featured a mother & two daughters. Sound is superb with a reminder of the Judds & McCarters.

**Johnson, Johnnie & Kentucky Headhunters That'll Work \$28** This was just a one off unfortunately as Chuck Berry's piano player worked very well with the Kentucky Headhunters, who had an amazing rhythm section, which is why they could fit inside the country genre.

**Jones, David Bridges \$30** Was his only album and again hard to believe. Hard core honky tonk which features the fabulous Manuel Brothers, Abe & Joe, who of course toured with that Merle Haggard bloke. Unrelenting superb honky tonk highlighted by the upbeat "I Found a Honky tonk Angel" and the pseudo tearjerker "The Tears Outweigh the Whiskey":

**Jones, George Friends in High Places \$30** All duets including Emmylou Harris, Randy Travis, Vern Gosdin (wow!!), Buck Owens, Ricky Van Shelton and more, but hard to beat "IF I Could Bottle This Up" with Shelby Lynne.

**Jones, George Wine Colored Roses \$45** 1986 album is very very hard to find on cd and includes classic Jones on "The Right Left Hand" q surprise duet with Patti Page.. "You Never Looked That Good When You Were Mine" and "Ol' Frank"

**Jones, George Alone Again/Grand Tour \$40** 2 on 1. "Alone Again" is only available here & is rated one of his very best albums.

**Jones, George One Woman Man \$35/\$30** Personal favourite. "Place in the Country" is one of his best unknown songs. Right up there with "He Stopped Lovin' Her Today" & with the delicious irony he only gets his wish when he is buried! Also includes his hit "Yabba Dabba Do" which is an amazing song about a guy getting tanked (something on which George had done a lot of research ) drinking out of an Elvis decanter of Jim Beam and from a Fred Flintstone glass, which previously held jelly beans. Now if you think that sounds bizarre you are right but George pulls it off. Because Hanna Barbera made Epic change the title to "The King Is Gone" I offer 2 copies...\$35 with "Yabba Dabba Do" and \$30 with "The King is Gone"....same song, just an enforced change on the latter.

**Jones, George You Oughta Be Here With Me \$38** This was the last album he did for Epic & it may be his best. Superb songs & he is in absolutely wonderful voice. "Hell Stays Open All Night Long" is about a guy driven away from a relationship. "I Sleep Just Like a Baby" is wickedly witty with the refrain..."I wake Up every Hour & I Cry". I thought George perhaps in the overall schme of things has done too many novelty songs. Not so here...these are the wittiest of the lot.

**Jones, Geo./Melba Montgomery Vintage Collection \$55** 20 classics!! Out of print and has all the wonderful United Artists' label duets. His best duet partner.  
**Jones, George The Rock: Stone Cold Country 2001 Radio Special \$35** these are one offs and a must for fans of George, with conversations with the great man and the likes of Alan Jackson and Brad Paisley.  
**Jones, George Who' Gonna Fill their Shoes \$100** Have only had one copy on cd before and this one in mint condition. Includes duets with Lacy J Dalton & Lynn Anderson plus a great song selection...love "The One I Loved Back Then (The Corvette Song)"  
**Jones, George The Battle/Memories of Us \$35** Out of print two on one cd on Koch. Albums date from 1976 and 1975 respectively.  
**Jones, George/Tammy Wynette "We Love to Sing About Jesus" \$30** Out of print gospel album from George and Tammy  
**Keeble, Billy Keepin' It Country \$25** One of the great independent artists, which is highlighted by a duet with an equally fine artist in Curt Ryle.  
**Kane, Keiran Find My Way Home \$20** Rare post O'Kanes album.

**Kemp, Wayne One Song at a Time \$30** One of the best honky tonk writers is a shamefully under-recorded singer as well.

**Kendalls 20 Favorites \$35** The Kendalls made one album for Epic where they went and re-recorded their hits. The result was even better than the originals with the highlight being Royce's lead on "Pittsburgh Stealers".

**Logan, Josh Somebody Paints the Wall \$50** sung in his style, sound & spirit of Mel Street.

**Logan, Josh Something Strange \$40** Bob Grady label...just when you think you'd never hear of Josh again he pops up on Bob Grady's wonderful label with a couple of wonderful Mel Street covers, best being "Hell Yes I Cheated"...the way Josh sings the refrain..."And I'd Do it Again" would have Mel smiling down from above (or may that would be up from somewhere else!)

**Logan, Josh Gentle Rain \$30** Another unexpected and out of print honky tonk delight...drinking and *especially* cheating.

**Lyda, Jacob Three Times the Charm \$30** Great indie album with the great indie producer Mike Headrick in tow.

**McCarters The Gift \$30** Impossible to get debut.

**McCarters Better Be Home Soon \$20.** Hard to believe they only ever had 2 albums. This billed as "Jennifer McCarter & the McCarters" features a stunning take on the Crowded House song. Has slight bluegrass leanings & great songs.

**McDaniel, Mel Rockabilly Boy \$35** There is no better song than "You Can't Play the Blues in An Air conditioned Room"!!!!

**McDaniel, Mel Country Pride \$35** Great album on the defunct DPI label from 1991, and I believe the last album of new material for Mel. Great album including Mae Axton's "If I Live to Be A Hundred I'll Die Young" and the fabulous "Annual Blount County Snuff Dipper's Ball" Not a Tom T Hall song but sounds like it could be, doesn't it.

**McEntire, Reba Oklahoma Girl 2cds** 40 Mercury tracks. Double cd case with attractive slip sleeve & book **\$28** (on sale\*\*\*\*) Her best & most country. Have one without slip case **\$18**. Both the full 40 tracks. A far cry from today's diva...this is real!

**McQuaig, Scott Scott McQuaig \$35** Haven't given up hope of a second but won't hold my breath. And whilst Scott wrote 5 songs on this album, all of which are great his version of "My Friend the Bottle" is as good as that other ode to the inanimate object, Johnny Bush's version of "Bottle Bottle". Certainly vintage George Strait fans will (pardon the pun), lap this up.

**McRight, Alecia For Love's Sake \$25** rare independent album from the wonderful Alecia Nugent. Not sure if "Nugent" is married/single/ married again or divorced name but this is a great album prod. by Carl Jackson.

**Martin, Mario Keep it on the Country Side \$55** This along with the above Mel McDaniel cd was on the now defunct DPI label...now defunct is probably incorrect as it was defunct back then. Produced by James Stroud the amazing thing is that Mario was only 17 at the time. I still think about how this could be his only album. A 17 year old is so darn convincing when he sings honky tonk songs. How could that be.. I don't know. Still as stunning and as perpelexing (in the sense of where is he now??)

**Martin, Sonny I've Always Been Country \$38** Great indie with the saddest song ever on it. "Rock A Bye Baby" makes Little Jimmy Dickens' "Raggedy Ann" seem jolly! Great deep voice to boot.

**Mensy, Tim "Stone By Stone" \$28** 1990 release by a stunning vocalist, guitarist and songwriter, responsible for all tracks on this Epic label gem

**Miller, Roger Best of Volume One: Country Tunesmith \$48** This gem focusses on Roger's own versions of songs that were hits for others. As such the 20 tracks are ultra rare & essential. They include "Tall Tall Trees", "Don't We All Have the Right", "Husbands & Wives", "Half a Mind" etc. Not hits for Roger which makes it even better & rarer..

**Miller, Roger Best Of Volume Two: King of the Road \$30.** Best single cd of his hits. Long OOP. Great companion to the previous cd.

**Moffatt, Katy Greatest Show on Earth \$22** Taken of the market a Ringling Bros objected to the title. Superb album & purists will need this version. It was later reissued as "Evangeline Hotel".

**Montgomery, Melba/ Norma Jean First Ladies of country 22 tracks \$28** Only place you'll get Melba doing "No Charge".

**Moore, Lattie I'm Not Broke But Badly Bent: Best of King-Starday recordings 1953-63 \$40** 29 great tracks on defunct Westside label Great honky tonker

**Morgan, George Room Full of Roses: the George Morgan Collection Razor & Tie OOP \$30** Has a rare duet with Lorrie.

**Morse, Ella Mae Capitol Collectors Series XXSALEX \$25** Mixed her styles from big band to country

**Mowrey, Dude Honky Tonk \$28** another fresh face who made two albums. This one from 1991, produced by Jimmy Bowen is a stunner and hard to find. Highlight is the Curtis Wright song "If I Ever Love Again"

**Nelson, Leo Under Neon Lights \$55** Want to know my all time favourite independent, yeah not one of but the top spot?? This is it. Great album produced by Bob Grady with assist from the great Mike Headrick. 12 great tracks with a duet with Bill Arwood on the title track. I think on reflection a 3 way tie with Ron Sweet and Arnold Sanford is in order. Alas both Ron & Arnold have gone and heaven knows where Leo is?? To me the jewel is how easy Leo sings. Marsha Britton contributes harmony vocals.

**Nelson, Willie A Horse Called Music \$35**

**Nelson, Willie Promiseland \$35**

Two of Willie's very best CBS albums. The former is one I remember selling to a customer who swore he never liked Willie, would never buy a Willie cd. Well guess what he bought this and changed his mind on the spot. "Nothing I Can Do About It now", the jaunty opener from Beth Nielsen Chapman and "If I Were a Painting" co written by Skip Ewing could not be more different style wise but are equally stunning.

**O'Kanes O'Kanes \$45**

**O'kanes Tired of the Running \$35**

**O'kanes Imagine That \$20** Superb duo of Jamie O'Hara & Keiran Kane. Wonderful songs with a touch of bluegrass. The debut self titled is almost impossible to get.

**Owens, Buck Hot Dog \$30**

**Owens, Buck Kickin' In \$30**

**Owens, Buck Act Naturally \$40** His 3 comeback albumsthe latter is very hard to get as it features the likes of Emmylou, & Ringo (who did vocal on the Beatles' version of 'Act Naturally' & duets here)

**Paycheck, Johnny Survivor \$30** His last hurrah, out of print w. the highlight "I Can't Quit Drinking". Also issued as "I'm a Survivor" (\$25)

**Pennington,R/Buddy Emmons Swinging by Request \$35  
Going Out Swingin' \$35**

Ray Pennington was honcho of Step One Records, a Nashville independent label which had a wonderful roster. He was also a fine Ray price inspired vocalist & as many steel players would say BuddyEmmons is the best ever. The Step One House band, so to speak, was none too shabby with Rob Hajacos on fiddle, Bobby All on acoustic guitar and Bunky Keels on piano. This has 21 tracks & Clinton Gregory is an excellent vocalist on 2 tracks. They are a mix of vocal & instrumentals, with "Little Brown Jug" featuring some extraordinary steel from Mr Emmons. The second cd is equally greta and includes Curtis Potter as a guest on 2 tracks.

**Price, Ray Portrait of a Singer \$50**

**Price, Ray Step One Records Hall of Fame Series \$40**

**Price, Ray Heart of Country Music \$60** Now Ray's albums on Step One were all special. The first and third were double records. The first of these has Ray covering what could mainly be construed as pop songs, whilst I have it on good authority the 3<sup>rd</sup> is Ray's personal favourite of all the albums he made and why wouldn't it be as he interprets 20 country classics Ray Price style, which means as good as you are ever gonna hear them Even then it is impossible not to go past his version of "Is Anybody Going to San Antone" as one of the greatest songs you have ever heard. The "Hall of Fame " cd is actually new recordings so not sure how the name came about but the recordings are stunners all.

**Price, Ray Touch My Heart/Burning Memories \$30** Out of print 2 on1 cd from the Koch label,

**Reeves, Del Silver Anniversary Album \$30** Now you are probably not gonna believe me when I tell you how good this is and the opening track is Achy Breaky Heart. Well he takes the mickey out of it nicely as he imitates Roy Acuff, Johnny Cash & Walter Brennan doing it. That is the only novelty and he is very good all round. Stunning is "I'm Really Gone" which was also done by Charlie Sizemore. On the defunct Playback label.

**Reeves, Jim Live at the Opry \$25** The Country Music Hall of Fame label and only time this 20 tracker has been on cd. Now out of print.

**Rhodes, Kimmie West Texas Heaven \$22** In the top 2-3 female folk-country albums ever & has duets with Willie, Waylon & Townes Van Zandt. A steal.

**Rich, Charlie Pictures & paintings \$38** His wonderful last album on Warner Brothers is just as much jazz and blues as country. Shown with a lighted cigarette we wonder if it was perhaps lit with the same lighter he set fire to the envelope with when he announced John Denver as Male Vocalist of the year in the early 70s!

**Ritter, Tex Capitol Collectors Series \$35** 25 tracks in this great series. Has all you need if you only want one disk! Blood on the Saddle/

Deck of Cards/ Hillbilly Heaven/ Just Beyond the Moon. Brilliant selections

**Rogers, Roy Tribute \$25** Roy's final hurrah was indeed a fitting one with great duets and Roy was in fine voice. He yodelled surprisingly well especially on the opening "That's How the West was Swung" in which he was joined by the Kentucky Headhunters. Equally fine is "Little Joe the Wrangler" with Emmylou and another yodelling gem, "When Payday Rolls Around" with Ricky Van Sheltoin.

**Ryle, Curt Life Time Guarantee \$30** With Mike Headrick in charge you know this is going to be good and you are not disappointed. Curt is responsible for most songs including "Mirrors Don't Lie" which was also recorded by Gene Watson. But Curt's own verision loses nothing in comparison.

**Sahm, Doug Texas Rock For Country Rollers \$40 (by Sir Doug and the Texas Tornados)**

**Sahm, Doug Get a Life \$40** The first was originally out in 1976 and is one of Doug's most country albums with superb versions of "Wolverton Mountain" and his own "Cowboy Peyton Place" But even they can't compare with the wonderful "You Can't Hide a Redneck Under Neath that Hippy Hair"...not for the faint of heart.

The second is the European issue of the SDQ 98 album which is probably his most country. It is largely unplugged and was only around for a very short while as the label went out of business (Watermelon). Wonderful version of Tom Russell's "St Olav's Gate" and great fun on "Balald of Davy Crockett".

**Sanford, Arnold That's Why I Sing This Way \$55** Many rate this the *best* indie ever and they are certainly on the right track. The first 10 songs are from the great Max D Barnes, including the title cut which was also recorded by Daryle Singletary and as good as it was it was no match for Arnold's original version. 12 tks in all. Simply stunning crying in your beer album. Hell...it is probably the best ever. "Not Enough Jack Daniels in This World" has you believing Arnold truly lived the life he sings about and sadly he has passed on so this stand alone cd is it, unless a miracle happens.

**Scott, Jack Capitol Collectors series \$35.** 23 Capitol tracks including the hit "What in the World's Come Over You" Also has 4 previously unissued tracks. All great! He is one of the great country-pop vocalists of all time.

**Sears, Dawn What a Woman Wants to Hear \$20** WB 1990 album Great traditional feel. She appears on the dvd of the Timejumpers and her solo career was probably curtailed by being a member of Vince Gill's touring band for a while.

**Shafer, Sanger D "Whitey" I Never Go Around Mirrors \$35** 10 tracker by the writer of many of Lefty Frizzell hits who also sounds a lot like Lefty. He of course was responsible for the title song and does a top version of "Does Fort Worth Ever Cross Your Mind". The rest are great honkytonkers that should be as well known as these two.

**Shafer, Sanger D "Whitey" So Good So Long \$35** The opener "All My Ex's Live in Texas", written by Whitey is of course a classic but to me the jewel is "Heaven Was a Drink of Wine", which was done superbly by Hank Cochran on an lp called "With a Little Help From My Friends". Well friends, Whitey does even better. An absolute drinking song classic "...tonight I went to hell ...and heaven was a drink of wine". Can't get better honky tonk singing than this.

**Simpson, Red The Man Behind the Badge/ Roll Truck Roll \$30** Great UK two on one cd with two classic albums on one cd...the former has the original version of "Highway Patrol", since covered of course by Junior Brown.

**Smith, Russell This Little Town \$30** Great solo album Amazing Rhythm Aces vocalist. All great and what a voice.

**Springfield, Bobby Lee All Fired Up \$35** Great honky tonk with rockabilly feel. Includes the original "Hank Drank". Bound to be an only album, which is a shame.

**Stanley, Ralph Saturday Night And Sunday Morning 2cdis \$38**

**Stanley, Ralph Clinch Mountain Country 2cdis \$38** Both are now out of print. Also check out "Clinch Mountain Sweethearts" in the bluegrass section to get the great trifecta. The first of these 2 has 31 tracks..one cd of religious and one cd of non religious songs. Guest include Dwight Yoakam (on quite a few tracks), George Jones, Alison Krauss, Vince Gill, Ricky Skaggs, Emmylou, Bill Monroe etc. The second has 36 tracks and features all these (except Bill Monroe) as well as vern Gosdin, Junior Brown, BR549, Porter Wagoner, Joe Diffie and many more. Great defining albums that are a must have.

**Starr, Lucille The French Song \$30** Expanded 17 tracker, now out of print. And yes these are all original recordings.

**Sweet, Ron Ten in Tennessee \$55** Fabulous indie. He has a classic country drawl deliver which is especially fabulous on "I Play Haggard", a great song in

which he uses titles of well known Haggard songs to spell out the message. He also can handle the uptempo songs such as the title song and wraps his voice wonderfully around Vern Gosdin's "Baby That's Cold". Magic.

**Thompson, Hank Capitol Collectors Series \$25** 20 great Capitol tks including "Blackboard of My Heart", which rarely pops up. Again, you can do worse than aspire to get every cd issued in this series.

**Thompson, Jeff Jeff Thompson \$40** No, not Thommo, but a fine singer who was going to have the first album release on the Arista country label but the album never came out. Has a style reminiscent of Ricky Van Shelton with a great deep voice. Does a superb version of "The Greatest Man I Never Knew", a hit for Reba, but Jeff wins hands down!! Equally grand is the wonderful "It's a Good Thing I Don't Love You Anymore", with a superb lyric and the upbeat "Today is Elvis' Birthday".

**Thornton, Marsha Marsha Thornton \$38** Includes the original and easily best version of "Bottle of Wine & Patsy Cline" One of the last albums produced by Owen Bradley & yes Patsy fans love it.

**Thornton, Marsha** Maybe the Moon Will Shine. Second of only 2 is equally good. Gets away from Patsy influence. **\$25**

**Tubb, Ernest Live 1965 \$28** OOP on Rhino 1965 was a vintage year for live recording and this captures ET at the Texas Troubadours at their absolute peak. His band included both Jack Greene & Cal Smith.

**Wade, Norman For A Minute There \$40** Think Vernon Oxford meets George Jones with a bit of Hank Thrown in. This one was his second & last cd on the Bob Grady label and what can I say is stunning. We sold them by the bucket & every one loved them. His "new" album which was due out "next month" (about 10 years ago) is still coming!! Hopefully.

**Wagoner, Porter Greatest Hits \$28** Great compilation on Pair label (all original RCA recordings) Top selection includes "Rubber Room". 20 tracks

**Wall, Chris No Sweat \$28** Great Texas artist's album from way back in 1991, on the Tried & True label through Ryko, Great Texas honky tonk again everyone who hears...does like.

**Watson, Gene Back in the Fire \$45** Great singer as he is & no correspondence will be entered into on that fact, this is his best album, a Warners album from 1989 with the best version ever of "Dreams of a Dreamer", which was also done by Darrell McCall so there is plenty competition plus arguably Gene's best ever ballad "The Great Divide"

**Watson, Gene The Good Old days \$30** Step One with a superb selection excellently produced by Ray Pennington who also contributed 4 Songs. Like all Step One releases this is out of print.

**Watson, Gene Jesus Is All I Need \$30** Great 1997 gospel album on the defunct Step One. Good thing about this is that he really only does 3 standards, the rest are less known, with several from the pen of Bobbie Bost.

**Watson, Gene In Other Words \$40.** This was a hard to get (even at the time) cd on the Broadland label. All 10 songs are on this album only and include "Old Porch Swing", "Class Reunion" (also done by Oak Ridge Boys & John Conlee) and the rather upbeat "She's no Lady"

**Watson, Gene Uncharted Mind \$30** Step One gem, which includes Gene's version of the Curt Ryle gem "Mirrors Don't Lie" and if you don't think Gene is one of the greatest ever country vocalists you will change your mind when you hear his version of "You Gave Me a Mountain". Wow!!

**Watson, Gene At Last \$25** His second and last Warner Brothers album from 1991. The title track is a classic and anyone who has heard Etta James version may say Etta who after hearing Gene's. Great selection with highlights many, but the witty "You Can't Get Arrested in Nashville" and "This Country's Bigger Than Texas" stand out for mine.

**West, Speedy/Jimmy Bryant For the Last time \$25** (Step One label)

**Whitley, Keith I Wonder Do You Think of Me \$35.** The album he had just finished when he died. One of the greatest ever country vocalists. Deep rich voice with his own nuances. Pity the wonderful honky tonk songs were lived out so tragically with his alcohol overdose. He was seemingly taking over from Randy Travis as country's premier vocalist and had the unheard of 5 number one country singles in a row.

**Whitley, Keith Kentucky Bluebird \$35** 15 tracks not on his other albums. Augmented with some historical and rare clips.

**Wild Rose Listen to your Heart \$28**

**Wild Rose Breaking New Ground \$28** two great albums by talented gal group led by Pam Gadd & Wanda Vick

**Williams, Hank Rare Demos First to Last \$25 CMF**

**Williams, Hank The Health & Happiness Shows 2cds \$35**

**Williams, Hank Live at the Grand Ol Opry 2cd book cover \$28**

Only place to get these. They are not on the box set.

**Young, Faron Live Fast Love Hard: Original Capitol Classics 1952-1962 \$28** Country Music Foundation label

**Young, Faron & Ray Price Memories That Last \$28** Great cd which was on the great Step One label. Excellently produced by Ray Pennington, who actually duets with Faron on one of the tracks, seems Ray Price's master vocal had a tape glitch. Fine stuff

#### Various

**Are You From Dixie Great Country Brother Teams of the 1930s \$30**

**Ragged But Right Great Country String Bands of the 1930s \$28**

**Something Got a Hold on Me: A Treasury of Sacred Music \$25** These were part of the short-lived RCA Heritage Series and they were all superb. I have all three myself and if you want 1930s country in its best sound these are they. The first features the Blue Sky Boys version of the oft covered title song as well as their wonderfully sad original of "I'm Here to Get My Baby Out of Jail". Also includes likes of the Dixon Brothers, Allen Brothers, Monroe Brothers, Delmore Brothers etc.

The second features Riley Puckett on the title song, and gems from the Prairie Ramblers, JE Mainers etc, but possible star is Gid Tanner with original version, as we know it, of "Ida Red" and "Soldier's Joy".

The third is my favourite though all are equally essential. It has the original versions of classic gospel songs that have been performed over and over but never as heartfelt as here. On that front Grady & Hazel Cole's "Tramp on your Street" will bring goosebumps. A P carter takes a rare lead on "Something Got a Hold on Me" and the Dixon Brothers may have been grammatically incorrect but who cares as they nail "I Didn't Hear Nobody Pray". Again, the sound on all three is stunning.

**Beverly Hillbillies Soundtrack** Classic country songs presented by likes of Ricky VanShelton, Doug Supernaw, Lorrie Morgan, Joe Diffie etc. **Tops \$22**

**Mamas Hungry Eyes Tribute to Merle Haggard** with John Anderson, Alan Jackson, Clint Black, Vince Gill, Lorrie Morgan etc **\$25** Vince's version of "The Farmer's Daughter" may be his best ever vocal.

**Next of Kin Soundtrack \$70** No, not a mistake. Check out the Swedish Cowboy's favourite songs list at the beginning of this newsletter and you will see one of his selection is George Jones "Pyramid of Cans" ONLY on this. What a drinking song it is..."I drink from cans & stack 'em...in a pyramid so high as a monument to how I feel since she told me goodbye". Sheer poetry. The rest is great with Ricky Van Shelton shining on the ballad "Hillbilly Heart" and the Sweethearts of the Rodeo wonderful on the rockabilly "Paralysed". But George...how great and again I bow to the Swedish Cowboy's good taste.

**Red Hot & Country \$22** An Aids benefit project with gem after gem, though easy to pick the best as a wonderful mix of Carl Perkins, Duane Eddy & the

Mavericks on "Matchbox". Johnny Cash does a superb take on the Bob Dylan song "Forever Young" and Mark Chesnutt is superb on the Haggard (via Tommy Collins) gem "Goodbye Comes Hard to Me" 17 great tracks.

### **Town South of Bakersfield Volume 1 & 2 \$28**

### **Town South of Bakersfield Volume 3 \$25**

The town they are referring to is of course Los Angeles and all the artists on these two cds got their start playing in LA, mainly at the Palomino Club. Sadly the Pal as it was known closed in 1995 supposedly due to fire regulations which, having had the pleasure of being there once was probably true. It now apparently is a banquet hall specialising in Eastern cuisine. Was always a rather dodgy area. But through those doors came the greatest country artists and the last lot lose nothing in comparison to the greats. All the tracks on these are unique to these albums. It is the unknowns that rule for me. Whilst Vol 1 has Jim Lauderdale, Jann Browne, Lucinda Williams, Jeffrey Steele etc it is Re Winkler (pronounced Ray Winkler) with Anne Harvey and Ree Van Vleck who rule on the Buck Owens song. "Mister Love". Similarly Volume 2 boasts Dwight!, Billy Swan, Rosie Flores with Albert Lee, George Highfill etc it is the Eddys "Big Big Love" that rules. Volume 3 boasts Dale Watson, Wylie & the Wild West Show actor Harry Dean Stanton etc it is Patty Booker's "99" that rules. As with all in this section they are out of print.

### **White Country Blues 1926-1938 A Lighter Shade of Blue \$30 2cds 48**

tracks of white country blues starting with Frank Hutchison and including the Carlisle Brothers, Charlie Poole, Roy Acuff (with the great Clell Summey aka Cousin Jody on slide). Great notes.

## **\$5 CDs**

Ackles, David

Acuff, Roy

Anderson, John

Asleep at Wheel

Austin's Bridge

Autry, Gene

Bakker, Tammy Sue

Ball, David

Bentley, Dierks

Bentley, Dierks

Berg, Matreca

Bonamy, James

Boone, Larry

Brooklyn Cowboys

Breese, Rob/Doug Rowe

Brokop, Lisa

Brooks & Dunn

Brooks & Dunn

Burgess, Sonny

Buttercup

Campbell, Glen

Campbell, Stacy Dean

Carpenter, Mary Chapin

Cash, Johnny

Cash, Laura

Charles, Ray

Clark, Roy

Clark, Terri

Clark, Terri

American Gothic

King of Country Music 25 tks

Solid Ground

Tribute to Music of Bob Wills Dance mix cd

Times Like These

Essential 1933-46 (CBS Legacy) 18 tks

There Is a Medicine (gospel) yep!

Amigo ...a classic

Dierks Bentley

Up on the Ridge

Sunday Morning to Saturday Night

Roots & wings ("Daddy Never Had a Chance in Hell"...what a gem)

Get in Line

Doin' Time on Planet Earth

Anytime Now

Lisa Brokop

Steers & Stripes

If You See her

Sonny Burgess (Rounder) 1996 album

Evil for You

Old Home Town

Lonesome Wins Again

Come On Come On

Very Best of Johnny Cash Live (14 tks)

Awake But Dreaming

Super Hits (reissue of "Friendship" album)

Hymns from an Old Country Church

Terri Clark

How I Feel

Cochran, Tammy  
Cochran, Tammy  
Corbin, Easton  
Coster, Stan  
Cyrus, BillyRay  
Dalhart Imperials  
Dallas, Rex  
Davis, Jimmie  
Dean, Eddie  
Domino Kings  
England, Ty  
Everett, Jace  
Fairchild, Shelley  
Faucett, Dawnett  
Frizzell, David  
Gentry, Bobbie  
Golden Smog  
Golden, William Lee  
Goldens  
Greig, Ricky Lynn  
Griggs, Andy  
Guthrie, Woody  
Hank Flamingo  
Hellecasters  
Henderson, Michael  
Hildebrand, Diane  
House, Gerry

Howard, Rebecca Lynn  
Ingram, Jack  
Jackson, Alan  
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Jackson, Alan  
Jaron & the Long Road  
Jeffries, Herb  
Jones, Kacey  
Jones, Rickie Lee  
Judd, Wynona  
Judd, Wynona  
Kane, Ray  
Keith, Toby  
Kelley, Irene  
Kershaw, Sammy  
Kershaw, Sammy  
Lawrence, Tracy  
Lee, Robin  
Lee, Johnny  
Leigh, Danni  
Lewis, Jerry lee  
Little Big Town  
Mccoy, Neal  
McCready, Mindy

Tammy Cochran  
Life Happened  
Easton Corbin  
I Wouldn't Be Dead for Quids  
Some Gave All  
Finally  
Heartland  
Midnight Blues 1929-1933  
Very Best (Varese)  
Life & 20  
Two Ways to Fall  
Red Revelations  
Ride  
Taking My Time  
David Frizzell 2001  
Best (20 tks)  
On Golden Smog  
The Artist (inc. 30 min. interview)  
Rush for Gold  
Ricky Lynn Greig  
You Won't ever Be Lonely  
Dust Bowl Ballads  
Hank Flamingo (Trent Summar & co-horts)  
Essential Listening  
Country Music Made Me Do It  
Early Morning Blues & Greens  
Bull (A Nashville DJ who also sings. Some great songs with a touch of humour. Worth twice this just for the Dwight parody "My Jeans are Too Tight"!!!!)  
Forgive  
Big Dreams & High Hopes  
A Lot About Living  
Don't Rock the Jukebox  
High Mileage  
Everything I Love  
Here in the Real World  
Who I Am  
Getting Dressed in the Dark  
The Bronze Buckaroo Rides Again  
Sings Mickey Newbury  
Naked Songs Live & Acoustic  
Wynona (her great debut)  
Revelations  
Wa'ahilka (Hawaiian guitar)  
Greatest Hits Vol 1  
Thunderbird  
Labor of Love  
Maybe Not Tonight  
Time Marches On  
Very Best  
Greatest Hits  
29 Nights (the female Dwight)  
The Platinum Collection  
The Reason Why  
Greatest Hits  
Ten Thousand Angels

Malo, Raul	Lucky One
Mattea, Kathy	Lonesome Standard Time
Mellons, ken	Ken Mellons
Messina, JoDee	Unmistakeable Love
Milsap, Ronnie	True Believer
Mitchell, Waddie/Don Edwards	Bard & the Balladeer
Moffatt, Katy	Child Bride
Montgomery Gentry	You Do Your Thing
Montgomery, John Mich.	John Michael Montgomery (Grundy County)
Montgomery, John Mich.	Life's a Dance
Montgomery, John Mich.	Letters from Home
Moore, Justin	Justin Moore
Moorer, Alison	Getting Started
Morgan, Lorrie	Watch Me
Morgan, Lorrie	Greater Need
Morgan, Lorrie	Shakin' Things Up
Morris, Gary	Hits
Mowrey, Dude	Dude Mowrey
Neville, Aaron	Grand Tour (NAILS the George Jones gem)
Newton, Juice	American Girl (not a compilation)
Norwood, Daron	Daron Norwood...whatever happened to...
Parker, Ed	Still a Lot of Good Miles Left in Me
Parks, John Andrew	John Andrew Parks
Parsons, Gordon	Legendary
Parr, Paul	Saints & Sinners
Perkins, Al	Big Dog (steel player)
Peterson, Michael	Being Human (his 2 <sup>nd</sup> album)
Pirates of the Mississippi	A Streetcar Man Named Desire
Poole, Reg	Way it Used To be Before GST
Preacher Jack	Pictures fRom Life's Othe rSide
Previn, Dory	Dory Previn
Previn, Dory	We're Children of Coincidence and Harop Marx
Randall, Jon	Willin'
Randolph, J R	Goin' Strong
Rankin Family	Fare Thee Well Love
Raven, Eddy	Live at Billy Bobs
Reed, Jerry	Let's Git It On
Rogers, Kenny	Back Home Again
Rusby, Kate	the Girl Who Couldn't Fly
Sawyer Brown	Greatest Hits
Ryan, Tim	Tim Ryan
Scott, Ray	My Kind of Music (title track worth \$20 alone)
Seals, Brady	Play time
Sears, Dawn	Nothing But Good
Snider, Todd	Songs from the Daily Planet
Springer, Roger	Roger Sringer Band (writing on cover)
Sugarland	The Incredible Machine
Thomson, Cyndi	My world
Tillis, Pam	Homeward Lookin' Angel
Tobin, Karen	Carolina Smokey Moon
Trailer Choir	Tailgate
Travis, Randy	Full Circle
Travis, Randy	Storms of Life
Trit, Travis	T R O U B L E
Trevino, Rick	Rick Trevino
Trooper, Greg	Make It Through This World
Turner, Josh	Everything Is Fine

Wayne, Jimmy	Sara Smile
Wilkinsons	Highway
Williams, Don	Great Country (13 Capitol label tracks)
Womack, Lee Ann	Lee Ann Womack
Woodruff, Bob	Dreams & Saturday Night
Wright, Chely	Single White Female
Wright, Curtis	Curtis Wright
Wills, Bob	Essential 1935-1947 (CBS Legacy) 20 tks
Wills, Bob	Anthology Disc 2 (Rhino) 16 tks
Womack, Lee Ann	Lee Ann Womack
Yarbrough, Glen	Yarbrough Country/Let Me Choose Life
Various	
*Alligator Stomp Vol 2	Cajun & Zydeco Classics (Rhino)
*Come Together	America Salutes the Beatles
*Music Inspired By Into the West TV series	
*Peace in the Valley	Gospel (Books & Dunn/Jackson/ Arista label)

## **\$10 Cds (3 for \$25)**

Adkins, Trace	Definitive Greatest Hits 2cds
Anderson, John	Seminole Wind
Anderson, John	Greatest Hits Vol 2 (WB)
Area Code 615	Area Code 615/Trip in the Country
Baker, Sam	Cotton
Barnett, Mandy	Mandy Barnett
Barnett, Mandy	I've Got a Right to Cry (both stunning)
Bellamy Brothers	Jesus is Coming (inc. Old hippy 3)
Bibb, Eric	Natural Light
Bibb, Eric/Leon	A Family Affair
Black, Clint	Killin' Time (a 1989 classic. Must have)
Bogguss, Suzy	Greatest Hits (Capitol)
Bogguss, Suzy	Aces
Brooks & Dunn	Greatest Hits Collection (faux leather cover)
Brown, Gregg	If I had Know: Essential Recordings cd+dvd
Brown, Marty	High & Dry (MCA debut is stunner)
Browns Ferry Four	24 Sacred Songs
Byrom, Jim	Whiskey Uniform
Cari Lee & Saddle-ites	Red Barn Baby
Carlisle, Cliff	Rough & Rowdy Hillbilly of the 1930s
Carlson, Paulette	It's About Time
Carpenter, Mary Chapin	State of the Heart (with "This Shirt"!)
Carpenter, Mary Chapin	Shooting Straight in the Dark
Carter, Carlene	I Fell in Love
Carter Family	Country Music Hall of Fame (MCA)
Cash, Johnny	Hymns By 1 bonus tk
Cash, Johnny	American V
Cash, Johnny	American Recordings
Chapman, Marshall	Big Lonesome
Chesney, Kenny	Hemingway's Highway
Chesney, Kenny	In My Wildest Dreams
Chesney, Kenny	Me & You
Chesney, Kenny	Be As You Are (Songs from an Old Blue Chair)
Chesnutt, Mark	Too Cold at Home
Chesnutt, Mark	Greatest Hits
Chesnutt, Mark	Longnecks & Short Stories
Chesnutt, Mark	Almost Goodbye
Chesnutt, Mark	Thank God for Believers

Collie, Mark	Born & Raised in Black & white
Collie, Mark	Mark Collie
Confederate Railroad	Notorious ("Elvis & Andy")
Conley, Earl Thomas	Treadin' Water
Cook, Elizabeth	Hey Y'All
Daniel, Davis	I Know a Place
Dement, Iris	My Life
Dement, Iris	The Way I Should
Derailers	Genuine
Desert Rose Band	Pages of Life (Chris Hillman/Herb Pederson)A+
Domino, Fats	swings
Doobie Brothers	World Gone Crazy 2010 cd+dvd
Dunn, Holly	Milestones: Greatest Hits
Eberhardt, Cliff	500 Miles:The Blue Rock Sessions
Eberhardt, Cliff	School for Love
Elliott, Ronny	Poisonville
Escovedo, Alejandro	Street Songs of Love
Evans, Sara	Three Chords & the Truth ***This is 5 star!
Farrar, Jay/Ben.Gibbard	One Fast Move Or I'm Gone
Faithfull, Marianne	Faithless (her superb country album)
Foster, Radney	Del Rio Texas 1959
Frizzell, David	Very Best ...all his original hits inc. the superb "I'm Gonna Hire a Wino To Decorate Our Home"
Gibson, Nate	& Gashouse Gang Sing All the Way Home
Gill, Vince	The Key ....a must have item
Gill, Vince	I Still believe in You
Gill, Vince	When I Call Your Name
Gill, Vince	Souvenirs
Gill, Vince	Next Big Thing
Gill, Vince	Pocket Full of Gold
Gill, Vince	Let's Make Sure We Say Goodbye
Gill, Vince	I Never Knew Lonely (RCA album)
Gilmore, Jimmie Dale	Spinning Around the Sun
Greenwood, Lee	Perfect Ten (10 duets with female partners inc Tanya Tucker, Suzy Bogguss, Lacy J etc. Tops)
Griffith, Nanci	Other Voices Other Rooms
Griffith, Nanci	Wings to Fly & a place to Be (GH)
Griffith, Nanci	Loving Kind Radio Special
Guthrie, Sara Lee/Johnny Irion	Exploration (Arlo's daughter)
Haggard, Merle	1996
Haggard, Merle	If I Could Only Fly
Haggard, Merle	Roots Vol 1
Hampton, R W	The One That I Never Could Ride
Hampton, R X	From Austin to Boston (Great western singer)
Hardin, Tim	Best Of (original "If I Were a Carpenter" etc)
Harris, Emmylou	White Shoes
Harris, Emmylou	Heartaches & Highways: Very best
Harris, Emmylou	Ballad of Sally Rose
Heads, Hands & Feet	Old Soldiers Never Die (Albert Lee)
Hensley, Trey	It is What it is
Hill, Brenn	Equine (great western stuff!!)
Hinojosa, Tish	Culture Swing
Hinojosa, Tish	Best of Watermelon Years
Honky Tonk Hangovers	Giant Country
Houser, Randy	They Call Me Cadillac ...good as Jamey Johnson
Jennings, Waylon	This Time
Jennings, Waylon	Essential

Jennings, Waylon  
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Jones, David Lynn  
Jones, George

Kendall, Jeannie  
Kendalls  
Kimes, Royal Wade  
Kirchen, Bill  
Kristofferson, Kris  
Ledoux, Chris  
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London, Eddie  
Loveless, Patty  
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McEntire, Reba  
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Marshall, Adam  
Mavericks  
Mitchell Trio  
Mitchell Trio  
Mitchell, Joni  
Moody, Ruth  
Moorer, Alison  
Murphey, Michael  
Nelson, Willie  
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Nichols, Joe  
O'Connell, Maura  
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Oak Ridge Boys  
Ozark Mth Daredevils  
Peterson, Michael

Pirates of Mississippi  
Rhodes, Kimmie  
Richey, Kim  
Richman, Jonathan  
Ringer, Jim  
Robbins, Marty  
Robison, Charlie  
Ruthie & Wranglers  
Russell, Johnny  
Russell, Johnny

Never Say Die Live  
New Classic Waylon  
The Eagle  
Mixed Emotions  
Live on Louisiana Hayride  
the sorry plonkers in Australia didn't release)  
All the Girls I Am  
So Many Hits  
Hangin' Round the Moon  
Word to the Wise  
Essential 2cds  
Anthology Vol 1 (20 tracks)  
Ultimate Colelction 2cds  
Do It Right (Merle Haggard style. Great!)  
Honky Tonk Angel  
On Down the Line  
The Trouble With the Truth  
Only What I Feel  
On Your Way Home (cd + dvd)  
When Fallen Angels Fly  
Mountain Soul  
Long Stretch of Lonesome  
Greatest Hits (MCA)  
Unquestionably the most consistent female  
vocalist of the past 25 years. Some of the very  
best albums in that period.  
Reba # 1s  
All the Women I Am (latest now billed as just  
"Reba")  
The Last Marshall  
Music for all Occasions  
That's the way It's Gonna be/Violets of Dawn  
Slightly Irreverent/Typical American Boys  
Blue (classic)  
The Garden (of wailin' Jennys)  
Alabama Song (what an album)  
Cosmic Cowboy Souvenir (pre Martin)  
Yesterday's Wine (classic concept album)  
Gospel Favourites (reissue of "Family Bible")  
Man With a Memory  
Stories  
Naked with Friends  
Blue is the Colour of Hope  
Boys are Back (2010)  
Concert Classics  
Michael Peterson (with one of the greatest ever  
songs "When the Bartender Cries")  
Best  
Rich from the Journey  
Wreck Your Wheels (2010)  
Jonathan Goes Country!  
Band of Jesse James: The Best  
The Early Years 18 tracks  
Life of the Party  
Life's Savings  
Actin' Naturally  
Greatest Hits

Russell, Tom	The Long Way Around
Russell, Tom	Box of Visions
Sanders, Ray	Funny How Time Slips Away
Seals, Dan	In a Quiet Room
Shaver, Billy Joe	Tramp on Your Street
Shelton, Blake	Barn & Grill
Shocked, Michelle	Short Sharp Shocked
Shocked, Michelle	Arkansas Traveller
Simpson, Red	Truck Drivin' Fool
Skaggs, Ricky	Life is a Journey
Skaggs, Ricky	My Father's Son
Snow, Hank	I'm Movin' On (20 great tracks RCA USA)
Sonnier, Jo-El	Have a Little Faith
Sonnier, Jo_El	Tears of Joy
Steagall, Red	Wagon Tracks
Stone, Doug	From the Heart
Stone, Doug	More Love
Strait, George	Ocean Front Property
Stuckey, Nat/Connie Smith	God Will (gospel album delight)
Supernaw, Doug	Red & the Rio Grande
Swift, Taylor	Speak Now
Taylor, Chip	Red Dog Tracks (w. Carrie Rodriguez)
Taylor, Chip	New Bye Bye (2010) (w. Carrie Rodriguez)
Thomas, B J	Most of All/ Billy Joe Thomas 2 on 1
Tom, Leslie	High Maintenance
Tomblin, Lucky Band	Honky Tonk Merry Go Round (Redd Volkaert)
Tomblin, Lucky Band	In a Honky Tonk Mood
Travis, Merle	Legend of
Travis, Merle	Country Routes
Travis, Randy	Passing through
Tritt, Travis	Greatest Hits from the Beginning
Tucker, Tanya	Greatest Hits 1990-1992
Turner, Josh	Haywire (deluxe edition)
Turner, Josh	Your Man
Van Shelton, Ricky	Loving proof
Van Shelton, Ricky	Wild Eyed Dream
Van Shelton, Ricky	Greatest Hits Plus
Wagoner, Porter	The Versatile
Wagoner, Porter	The Best I've Been
Walker, Clay	Hypnotise the Moon
Walker, Clay	Rumor Has It
Walker, Clay	If I Could Make a Living
Walker, Clay	LiveLove Laugh
Walker, Clay	Clay Walker
Wayne, Dallas	Big thinking
Wayne, Dallas	I'm Your Biggest Fan
Weavers	Rarities (from the Vanguard Vaults)
Weems, Shayne	Perfect Place
Welch, Kevin	Patch of Blue Sky (2010)
Wells, Kitty	Country Music Hall of Fame
West, Shelley	Very Best Of
White, James M	Broken Spoke Legend
Willett, Slim	Boppin' Hillbilly Series
Williams, Hank	Alone & Forsaken
Williams, Hank Jnr	127 Rose Avenue
Williams, Hank Jnr	Essential (MGM)
Williams, Lucinda	Sweet Old World

Williams, Tex	Vintage Collection (Capitol stuff)
Wilson, Gretchen	I Got Your Country Right Here
Wolf, Kate	The Wind Blows Wild
Wright, Curtis	Curtis Wright
Wrights	Red and Yellow, Blue & Green
Wylie & the wild West	Hang-n'Rattle (2010)
Yates, Billy	If I Could Go Back (...just get it..A++)
Yates, Billy	Billy Yates (Choices/ Flowers)
Yoakam, Dwight	This Time (his best)
Yoakam, Dwight	Just lookin' for a Hit
Yoakam, Dwight	Under the Covers
Yoakam, Dwight	Last Chance for a Thousand Year

### Various

As Good as it Gets: Skiffle Vol 1 2cds  
 As Good as it Gets: Skiffle Vol 2 2cds  
 Avalon Blues: A Tribute to Mississippi John Hurt  
 Bread & Roses: Festival of Acoustic Music (2lps on 1 cd)  
 Capitol Country Classics 1940s 26tk  
 Capitol Country Classics 1950s 26tk  
 Capitol Country Classics 1970s 26tk Great UK series EMI UK  
 Classic Sounds of New Orleans (Smithsonian Folkways)  
 Common Thread Songs of the Eagles (Clint Black, John  
 Anderson, Jackson, Bogguss, Gill etc)  
 Country Inspiration 2cds Time Life 30 track gospel with not the usual  
 songs or artists.  
 Great American Train Songs 20 tracks CMH label!!  
 Greatest Hits of Hickory Records Vol II  
 Hank Williams Songbook 20 tracker Sony legacy series  
 Heartworn Highways  
 Hillbilly Boogie 20 tracker sony Legacy  
 Hillbilly Fever: Legends of the West Coast.  
 Imus Ranch Record II (w. Jamey Johnson, Levon Helm, etc)  
 Return of the Grievous Angel: Tribute to Gram Parsons inc Mavericks,  
 Emmylou, Steve Earle etc)  
 Spirit of the Hawaiian Slack steel Guitar

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**Time-Life Feature** Put out by Time-Life these are excellent compilations; with career spanning coverage. All original with great sound and presentation. They are put out by the Country Music Hall of Fame in conjunction with Time Life. They are now out of print, so don't miss out:

**Legendary Country Singers series** \$18 25 tracks on each.

\*\*Cline, Patsy  
 \*\*Haggard, Merle  
 \*\*Jones, George  
 \*\*Price, Ray  
 \*\*Pride, Charley  
 \*\*Wynette, Tammy (\$20) only one copy of Tammy.

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The size is approx 14 x 26cm or if you prefer 6 x 10", with 36-40 lavishly illustrated glossy pages. Postage on one of these is \$6.50.

\*\*Merle Haggard – "The Original Outlaw" Some incredibly rare photographs and great notes by Robert Price & Colin Escott (who is also compiler). Some wonderful reproductions such as the excerpt from "The Bakersfield Californian" date December 26<sup>th</sup> 1957. "Haggard, his 17 year old wife and a third suspect were taken into custody during the early morning hours. It goes on to talk about prisoner A-45200....and he did turn 21 in prison, even if parole was not out of the question.

\*\*George Jones "The Hits then Till Now" Intro by George himself (that's the country way of saying himself BTW). Have to again say the array of photographs reproduced are spectacular...did you know George's dad was "George Washington Jones"?? This has even longer booklet 44 pages. Incredible photo captioned "King & Queen of country Music" will show you dress sense is something that may have bypassed George. Notes by Colin Escott. Includes Starday, Mercury, United Artists, Musicor and more tracks.

\*\*Jerry Lee Lewis – "Whole Lot of Shakin' Going On: A Half Century of Hits" Notes by Colin Escott. Actually has 66 tracks with the last 2 cds being virtually all country and the first mainly rock & roll. It even includes an ultra rare pre-sun label 1952 recording of a Lefty Frizzell song "Don't Stay Away Till Love Grows Cold" backed with an original "New Orleans Boogie". Great notes illustrate how tough his life was. His elder brother was killed by a hit and run driver whilst his father was in gaol for bootlegging!! And many of Jerry Lee's quotes will have you laughing out loud. Also included is a recording outtake of Jerry Lee discussing religion with Sam Phillips in 1958!

\*\*Stanley Brothers – "The Definitive Collection 1947-1966" again, the photographs reproduced are stunning. Features a forward by Ricky Skaggs and notes by bluegrass authority, Gary Reid, (no relation.) Covers, Columbia, Mercury, Starday/King & more right through to Rebel.

\*\*Various – Four Decades of Folk Rock whopping 64 page book. Not country of course but a great set. \$45 (this one only)

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Acuff, Roy

Albert, Christine

End of the World (Hickory tracks) \$20

Texas France \$20 A fascinating & great album in which Texas gal performs 11 songs in the folk country style in both ] English & French. There are several Edith Piaf songs and Christine does them full justice. Unique & stunning!

Allen, Rex

Anderson, John

Voice of the West \$18 (Bear Family)

I Just Came Home to Count the memories

Asleep at the Wheel	Reissue of WB classic \$18 Western Standard Time/ Keepin' Me Up Nights \$18 2 on 1
Baillie & the Boys	Lights of Home \$18 Kathy Baillie' crystal clear voice is as good as that of Suzy Bogguss & the material on this matches the voice.
Ball, David	Sparkle City \$20
Ball, David	Thinking problem \$18
Ball, David	Heartaches by the number \$20
Barker, Aaron/Curtis Wayne	Straight from the Horse's Mouth \$20
Bell, Delia	Delia Bell \$20 produced by & featuring Emmylou Harris. Great album
Berry, Benny	Give Me a Good Country Song \$20 Only 1 copy at this price.
Bice, Steve	Sixty Minutes of Sin \$20 gem
Bice, Steve	Sin Citizen Sessions \$22 You'd have to love a guy who wrote a song called "Rubber Room" that is different to the Porter one <i>but</i> just as good. 17 tracks
Blue, Arkey	The Hills of Old Fredericksburg \$20
Boland, Jason	High in the Rockies: A live Album \$20
Bonanza	Bear Family Box 4cds complete in mint condition but no box or book (nor special gift from Hop Sing) \$58 93 tracks
Booth, Tony	Essential \$20 original Capitol recordings
Bosworth, Libbi	Outskirts of You \$22 Only album from great Texas singer a la Marti Brom.
Brennan, Walter	Old Shep \$18 (formerly Dutchmans Gold)
Brooks, Kix	Kix Brooks \$20 1989 original
Brown, Junior	Down Home chrome \$18
Browne, Jann	Buckin' around \$20 ...tribute to Buck
Browns	Complete Hits \$20 (Collectors Choice)
Buffett, Jimmy	Living & Dying in $\frac{3}{4}$ Time \$18
Burleson, Ed	Cold Hard Truth \$20 autographed. Great Texas dancehall honky tonk
Burnette, Johnny	Ballads \$22 (Bear)
Burns, Brian	Eagle & The Snake \$18
Burns, Brian	Angels & Outlaws \$20
Burns, Brian	Highways, Heartaches & Honky tonks \$20
Butler, Carl & Pearl	Best of (inc. 5 tracks by Johnny & Jonie Mosby) \$20
Byrds	Sweethearts of Rodeo \$15 Gram parsons
Cargill, Henson	On The Road \$18
Carter, Carlene	Musical Shapes/Blue nun 2 on 1 \$18
Carter Family	Sunshine in the Shadows 2cds 48 tks \$18
Cartwright, Lionel	I Watched It All on the Radio \$15
Cash, Johnny	Rocakabilly Blues \$18
Cash, Johnny	At Madison Square Garden \$18)
Cash, Johnny	Sunday Morning Coming Down \$18
Cash, Johnny	Johnny Cash Is Coming to Town/ Boom Chicka Boom \$20 (Mercury 2 on 10 great
Cash, Johnny	Johnny 99 OOP \$20
Cash, Johnny	Country Classics 3CD \$25 Readers Digest
Cash/Nelson	VH1 Storytellers Live \$20 Sheer magic.
Cash, Tommy	Fade to Black \$18 (2010)
Cash, Tommy	Very Best \$18

Casello, Chris	Done Moved on \$18 scorching rockabilly
Chapel, Leon	Automatic Mama \$18 (Bear Family)
Charles, Bobby	See You Later Alligator \$20 (Bear Family)
Charles, Ray	Friendship \$18 duets 2 bonus tks
Chieftains	Bells of Dublin \$18 w. McGarrigles, Nanci Griffith, Marianne Fathfull etc
Chieftains	The Long Black Veil \$18
Chieftains	Another rCountry \$20
Clark, Gene/Carla Olson	In Concert 2cds \$20 19 tks + 7 Gene solo
Clark, Gene	Silverado ' 75 \$18
Clark, Sanford	Shades \$15 (Bear Family)
Clark, Terri	Live \$18
Cletro, Eddie	Flying Saucer Boogie \$20 (Bear Family)
Collie, Mark	Hardin County Line \$20 Fabulous 1990 cd
Comeaux, Amie	Moving Out \$18 Fine young singer who was tragically killed in car accident.
Conlee, John	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus \$15 gospel
Cooper, Wilma Lee & Stoney	Songs of Inspiration \$15
Dadi. Marcel	Nashville Rendezvous \$25 2cds with Chet
Dalton, Lacy J	Greatest Hits (CBS) w. 16 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Davis, Jimmy	Country Music Hall of Fame \$18
Dean, Lonnie/Will Taylor	Texas Honky Tonk Shuffles \$20
Dee, Billy	When the Vow Breaks \$20 Dale Watson.
De Leon, Bianca	Love, Guns & Money \$18 Live from Austin
Delmore Brothers	Freight Train Boogie (Ace) Uk \$20
Dement, Iris	Infamous Angel \$18
Dement, Iris	Lifeline \$15
Diffie, Joe	Ultimate Collection \$15 20 tks
Diffie, Joe	Homecoming \$18 2010 bluegrass style
Digby, Amber	Another Way to Live \$20
Digby, Amber	Here Comes the Teardrops \$20
Digby, Amber	Passion, Pride & What Might Have Been \$20....you can't get better than Amber.
Digby, Amber/Justin Trevino	Keeping Up Appearances \$20
Dillard, Rodney	I Wish Life Was Like Mayberry \$18 The Dillards had a continuing part on the Andy Griffith Show as "The Darlings" & Rodney makes an album about the values & wisdom as displayed in that iconic TV show. It is ostensibly bluegrass but Rod is just as much country & does a fine cover of Bellamys "Andy Griffith Show".
Dillard/Haynes Band	There Goes the Neighbourhood \$20
Dobson, Bonnie	Rodney Dillard & the great Bruce Haynes
Dodd, Landon	Viva La Canadienen (Bear) \$20 (folk)
Dunn, Holly	Call of the Wine \$20 Brilliant
Dusty, Slim	Blue Rose of Texas \$18
Eaglesmith, Fred	Australia Is His Name \$20 3cds OOP
Earle, Steve	Tinderbox \$20
Earle, Steve	Ain't ever Satisfied 2cds \$20
Edwqards, Don	Guitar Town \$15
Edwards, Jonathan	Moonlight & Skies \$18 classy
Elliott, Ronny	Honky Tonk Stardust Cowboy \$15
Ely, Joe	Valentine Roadkill \$15
Ely, Joe	Honky Tonk Masquerade \$18
Ely, Joe	Dig All Night \$15
	Love & Danger \$15

Ely, Joe	Twistin' in the Wind \$15
Ely, Joe	Live at Liberty Lunch \$18
Ely, Joe	Letter to Laredo \$18
Ewing, Skip	Naturally \$18
Ewing, Skip	Will to Love \$20
Fargo, Donna	Best \$20 Possibly out of print
Firefall	Firefall \$18 (great country rock)
Flatlanders	Hills & Valleys \$18
Flores, Bobby	Direct from Blanco County \$20
Flores, Bobby	Elevn Roses \$20
Flores, Bobby	Neon Lights \$20 \
Flores, Rosie	Single Rose \$18 live album which begins w. the great "Palomino Days".
Foley, Red	Best 1944-1958 \$18 (edsel UK)
Ford, Tennessee Ernie	Vintage Collection \$18 Good .
Ford, Tennessee Ernie	6000 Sunset Boulevarde \$20 23 tks in stunning sound from his radio show. One of the best singers anywhere.
Foster & Lloyd	Faster & Louder Great album by Radney & Bill. Lots of twangy Dwight Style. Recommended.
Foster & Lloyd	Foster & Lloyd \$20 Great 1987 debut OP
Frickie, Janie	After Midnight \$18 completes 4 Frickies!
Gatlin, Larry	Pilgrimage \$18 (with "Johnny Cash Is Dead & the House Burned Down")
Gauthier, Mary	Between Daylight & Dark \$18
Gauthier, Mary	Drag Queens in Limousines \$20
Gauthier, Mary	Filth & Fire \$20
Gibson, Don	Legend in my Time (Bear) 1 only \$18
Gosdin, Vern	Back in the Swing of Things \$20 (reissue of "The Voice")
Gosdin, Vern	Never My Love \$18
Gosdin, Vern	You've Got Somebody \$18
Gosdin, Vern	Truly Great Hits \$15
Gosdin, Vern	Late & Great Voice \$18
Gosdin, Vern	10 Years of Greatest Hits \$18
Green, Bill	Dang These Texas Honky Tonks \$22
Greene, Lorne	The Man \$20 28 tks
Griffith, Nanci	Best/Retrospective \$15ea 2 different cds same tracks...one US & one UK
Griffith, Nanci	Lonestar State of Mind \$18
Griffith, Nanci	Poet In My window \$18
Guthrie, Jack	Loving Kind radio Special \$20
Haddock, Durwood	Oklahoma Hills \$20 (Bear Family)
Haggard, Marty	The Texas Honky Tonk Blues \$18
Haggard, Merle	Writer of "There She Goes" Honky tonk
Haggard, Merle	Borders & Boundaries \$18 a gem
Haggard, Merle	I Am What I Am \$20 (2010 gem)
Haggard, Merle	Kern River/Chill Factor \$20
Haggard, Merle	I'm a Lonesome Fugitive/Branded Man \$20
Hall, Tom t	Portrait of Merle Haggard/Keep Movin' On \$20
Hall, Tom t	Songs from SopChoppy \$20
Hancock, Wayne	Sings Miss Dixie & Tom T \$20
Hand, James	Thunderstorms & Neon Signs \$20
Hard Hat Dave	Shadows Where the Magic Was \$20
	And the Honky Tonk Knights \$20

Harris, D B	Can I Return These Flowers \$20
Harris, Emmylou	Brand New Dance \$18
Harris, Emmylou	Angel Band \$18
Hayes, Wade	Place to Turn Around \$20
Hill, Goldie	Don't Send Me No More Roses \$20
Hillman, Chris/ Herb Pederson	Edwards Barn \$20 (only 1 at this price)
Holiday, Jolie	Lucky Enough \$18
Hollister, Doug	There Is a Time \$20
Hooker, Jake	Lost Along the way \$20
Hudgins, Lucas	The World Left Is Mine \$18
Hurd, Cornell	Beyond the Purple Hills \$20
Hurd, Cornell	Live at Jovitas \$20
Hurd, Cornell	A Bad Year for Love \$20
Husky, Ferlin	Country Music Is Her to Stay \$18
Intveld, James	Have Faith \$18
Jackson, Alan	34 Number Ones \$20      2cds
Jackson, Stonewall	Best \$20 24tk
Jackson, Wanda	Heartache \$18
James, Sonny	Complete Columbia & Monument Hits \$18
James, Sonny	In Prison in Person/200 Years \$20
	The In prison album features the prisoners playing & is superb.
James, Sonny	Capitol Collectors Series \$15
Jennings, Waylon	Cowboys Sisters Rascals & Dirt \$18
Jennings, Waylon	Old Waylon Sings Old Hank \$20
Jennings, Waylon	Love of Common People/ Hangin' On \$20 2 on 1
Jiminez, Flaco	Partners \$20 What a lineup. Flaco & likes of Dwight, Emmylou, Linda, Ry Cooder!!
Johnnie & Jack	Best \$18
Johnson, Jamey	The Guitar Song 2cds \$22
	The saviour of country music. Like the greatest stars in country he is also a <i>bad</i> man!! Like them he is also great!!
Jones, George	We All Get together/ Let's Build a World Together 2 on 1 with Tammy \$20
Jones, George	She Thinks I Still care 2cds OOP \$30
Jones, George	United Artist Years
Jones, George	Anniversary: Ten Years of Hits \$18
Jones, George	Homecoming in Heaven \$20
Jones, George	In a Gospel way \$18
Jones, George	I Am what I Am \$18
Jones, George	Essential 2cds \$15
Jones, George	The Grand Tour \$15
Jones, George	And Friends \$25 2 dvd + cd.
Jones, George/Merle Haggard	Kickin' Out the Footlights \$18
Jones, George	A Collection of My Best Recollection \$18
	Only in Crackerbarrel stores w. 2 extra tk
Jones, George	Jones By George \$20 2cds early years
Jones, George	Essential Spirit of Country \$28 2cds
Jones, Grandpa	Country Music Hall of Fame \$18
Joss, Scott	A New Reason to Care \$20 Scott was in Dwight's band and now is in Haggard's Band...looks good on his qv! He is also a great honky tonk vocalist in his own right with a stunning original voice. Was produced by fellow Dwight band



**Showbiz", one of the best ever songs about the wiles of being a performer.**  
**Midnight Radio \$15**  
**Trilogy 2cds three albums Midnight Radio**  
**Evangeline Hotel & Hearts Gone Wild \$25**  
**Very Best \$20 all the originals**  
**Regal Zonophone Singles 3cds \$18**  
**A Moment in Time \$18 Is this the 10<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>....album silly not husbands!!**  
**The Color of Roses 2cds w. bonus tks and interviews. \$20**  
**Insomnia Blues \$20 (rockabilly)**  
**You Win Again \$20**  
**I' I Sail My Ship Alone/ Mr Honky tonk Man \$22 Two rare 60s albums on 1**  
**The Continuing Story \$18 27 tks**  
**Ultimate Collection \$18 21 tracks**  
**Highways & Honky tonks \$20**  
**Complete Liberty Recordings 2cd \$25 45 tracks.**  
**Six Hours in Pedernales \$20 with the great Curtis Potter. On Step One.**  
**Just One Love \$20 This OOP gem on Justice is Willie's 2<sup>nd</sup> best album IMO (AINW) just behind "Phases & Stages" & has 12 great tracks inc. 2 with Kimmie Rhodes + one gem w. Grandpa Jones.**  
**Willie & Family Live 2cds \$20 expanded**  
**Country Classics 3cd Readers Digest \$20**  
**Rainbow Connection \$18 Took a while but now I love this. The title track & his great version of "I'm My Own Grandpa"!!**  
**Real Things \$18**  
**The Price Is Right \$20 Ray Price tribute**  
**Tree of Life \$20 mainly gospel.**  
**Guess That Comes from Being Poor \$20**  
**Beautiful Obsession \$20 hard to get 2<sup>nd</sup>.**  
**Together Again/My Heart Skips a Beat 15**  
**Sings Tommy Collins \$15**  
**I Don't Care \$15**  
**I've Got a Tiger by the Tail \$15**  
**On the Bandstand \$15**  
**Collection 1959-90 sampler \$15**  
**Before You Go No One But You \$15**  
**SEE ALSO RARITIES & BOX SETS**  
**Mercury Years Volume 1 \$20**  
**Mercury Years Volume 2 \$20 long OOP**  
**Hits Alive \$20 2 cds**  
**Greatest Hits Vol 2 \$20 Truckin'**  
**Anthology: Sacred Hearts & Fallen Angels 2cds now deleted last copy \$28**  
**Doggonest Feelin' \$18 one of 2010 best. In fact it is great.**  
**Fairest of Them All/ My Favourite Songwriter Porter Wagoner \$20 2on1**  
**Heartsongs \$20 great 23 track live**  
**The beginning Little Darlin' Sound \$15**

Paycheck, Johnny  
Paycheck, Johnny  
Pierce, Webb  
Potter, Curtis

Powers, Freddy  
Prairie Oyster  
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Price, David  
Price, Ray  
Price, Ray  
Prine, John  
Prine, John  
Prine, John  
Reefer, Sean

Ritter, Tex  
Rodriguez, Johnny

Russell, Leon  
Russell, Tom  
Russell, Tom  
Sadler, SSgt Barry

Sasaki, Hank  
Silverstein, Shel  
Smith, Cal  
Smith, Carl  
Smith, Carl  
Smith, Connie  
Smith, Connie

Snow, Hank  
Sousley, Rick

Stanley, Nathan

Statlers  
Statlers  
Stewart, Gary  
Stewart, Wynn/Jan Howard  
Stone, Billy  
Strait, George  
Strait, George  
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Strait, George  
Street, Mel

Stringer, Jim  
Stuart, Marty

Shakin' the Blues (Bear Family) \$20  
The Soul & Edge: Best \$20 23 tks  
High Geared Daddy \$20 (Bear Family)  
The Survivors \$20 w. Darrell McCall &  
Tony Booth.  
Silver Eagle \$18  
Everybody Knows \$20  
Blue Plate special \$18!  
A Texas Songwriter \$20  
The Essential 1951-62 \$18 20 tracks  
Faith \$18 Gospel album  
Missing Years \$20  
In Spite of Ourselves \$20 duets  
John Prine \$18 his debut)  
Texas Hill Country \$20 like Hank III  
& Wayne the Train....in fact great!!  
High Noon (Bear) \$20  
Some of Mine Some of Theirs \$20 His  
glorious 2010 independent release is  
stunning....as good as he has ever done.  
Best of Hank Wilson \$20 22 tks Great  
Hurricane Season \$18  
Road to Bayamon \$20  
Ballads of the Green Berets \$20 + bonus  
(Note: this reissue has sold 75,000 +)  
Songs from my Heart \$20  
Freakin' at the Freakers Ball \$20 + bonus  
Stories of Life \$20 (Step One)  
sixties Hits 24 tks \$20  
Essential 1950-56 \$15 20 tks OOP  
Essential \$18 20 RCA gems.,  
Love Never Fails \$18 gospel album with  
Barbara Fairchild & Sharon White  
Country Music legends \$18 2cds  
Patsy Prof. \$20 Good cd wondrous title  
song!!  
My Kind of Country \$20 He is grandson of  
Ralph & has an amazing number of guest  
artists as he cover mainly standards, 21  
songs with Vince Gill, John Anderson,  
Patty Loveless, Ralph Stanley etc  
Radio Gospel Favourites \$18  
Words & Music \$20 hard to get  
Best of Hightone Years \$15  
Very Best \$20  
West Texas Sky \$18 (Bear Family)  
50 # 1s \$20 cds  
Love Collection 2 cds \$15  
Beyond the Blue Neon \$15 (his best)  
22 More Hits Strait \$15  
Twang \$20 His latest & one of his best.  
20 Greatest Hits \$20 (king of the  
cheating song..daylight second)  
Triskaidekaphilia \$15  
The Pilgrim \$20 His concept album is  
OOP. It is his best & includes the only  
recorded duet of Emmylou & George

Swan, Billy	Jones...which is as good as it sounds.
Sweeney, Sunny	Greatest Hits \$20 20 tks
Taylor, Chip	Heartbreaker's Hall of Fame \$18
Taylor, Chip	Ungloious Hallelujah 2 cd \$18
Taylor, Jackson Band	Yonkers NY 2cd book cover \$20
Taylor, Jackson Band	Live Locked & Loaded at Longhorns \$20
Taylor, Larry Joe	Dark Days \$20 ...hard rockin'!!
	Heart of the Matter \$18 ...the Texas
	Jimmy Buffett
Taylor, Larry Joe	From Port A to Port B \$18
Texas Tornados	Live from Austin City Limits \$18
Texas Tornados	zone of Our Own \$15 18
Thompson, Hank	Country Music Hall of Fame \$15(MCA)
Thompson, Hank	Best of Hank Thompson 1966-79 \$18
Thompson, Hank	Treasures \$15nreleased Capitol tracks
Thompson, Hank	Hank world \$15 radio transcriptions 23tk
Thompson, Hank	My Personal Favourites \$15
Thompson, Hank	Hank the Hired Hand 2cnds \$22
Tillman, Floyd	Country Music Hall of Fame OOP \$18
Tillotson, Johnny	All the Early Hits & More (Ace UK) \$20
Travis, Merle	Merle Travis Story \$20 CMH
Travis, Merle	Hoedown Shows \$18 transcriptions 25tk
Trevino, Justin	Loud whiskey & Strong wine \$20
Trooper, Greg	Upside Down Town \$18
Twitty, Conway	25 Number One Hits \$20
Twitty, Conway/ Loretta Lynn	Definitive Collection \$20
Two Tons of Steel	Vegas \$18
Two Tons of Steel	Not That Lucky \$18
Van Dyke, Leroy	Leroy Van Dyke Show \$15ltd ed.
Wagoner, Porter	Essential \$18 RCA
Wagoner, Porter	The Rubber Room \$18 29 tks
Wainwright, Loudon III	Her Come the Choppers \$18
Watson, Dale	Carryin' On \$18 (2010)
Watson, Dale	Whiskey or God \$18
Watson, Dale	Blessed or Damned \$20
Watson, Dale	Dreamland\$18
Watson, Dale	From the Cradle to the Grave \$18
Watson, Dale	I Hate These Songs \$20
Watson, Doc	Good Deal! Doc Watson in Nashville \$18
Watson, Gene	Sings \$20
Watson, Gene	In a Perfect World \$20
Watson, Gene	Taste of the truth \$20
Watson, Gene	Then 7 Now \$20
Weller, Freddy	Very Best \$18 22 great tracks.
West, Hedy & Bill Clifton	Getting Folk Out of the country \$20 Bear
West, Speedy/Jimmy Bryant	Stratosphere Boogie \$15
Wheeler, Billy Edd	Big Bag of Songs \$18 28tks
Whiting, Margaret/ Jimmy Wakely	Wakely Till we meet Again \$15 32 tks
Whitley, Keith	Greatest Hits \$20 (only place for "Tell Lorrie I Love Her" + the duet w. Lorrie "Til a Tear Becomes a Rose".
	Essential \$20 inc. his first album "Hard Act to Follow" in its entirety.
Whitley, Keith	LA to Miami \$18 First cd from 1985!!
Wilder, Webb	Town & Country/ Acres of Suede \$20
	2 on 1

Williams, Hank III	Rebel Within \$18
Williams, Hank III	Straight to Hel 12cds \$15
Williams, Hank Jnr	Roots & Branches Best \$18 (MGM)
Williams, Hank Jnr	Greatest Hits Volume III \$15
Williams, Hank Jnr	That's How They Do It In Dixie: The Essential Collection \$18 NOTE: last 2 have "Tear in My Beer" on them
Williams/Hank/HankII/HankIII	Men With broken Hearts \$18
Williams, Lucinda	Ramblin' \$18
Williams, Lucinda	Happy Woman Blues \$18
	Excellent first 2 cds on Folkways
Williams, Ron	Natural Thing \$20 one of our very favourite vocalists. Son of Leona Williams & ex step son of Merle Haggard.
Wills, Bob	Boot Heel Drag: The MGM Years 2cds 50 track now OOP \$25
Wiseman, Mac	The Mac Wiseman Story \$20 20 tks CMH
Wynette, Tammy	Singing My Songs \$18
Yates, Billy	Harmony Man \$20
Yates, Billy	Country \$18
Yoakam, Dwight	Guitars, Cadillacs 2cds expanded \$20

#### VARIOUS

- \*\*Beehives & Bumper Bullets Country Girls of the 1960s \$18 22 tks.
- \*\*Califia: Songs of Lee Hazelwood ACE UK 25 tks \$20
- \*\*Caught in the Webb Tribute to Webb Pierce \$18 10/10!!! You need this if you don't have it!!
- \*\*Coalminer's Daughter: A Tribute to Loretta Lynn \$18 2010 with title featuring Loretta, Miranda Lambert & Sheryl Crow. Nice.
- \*\*Get with the Beat: Best of the Marvel Masters \$20 27 hillbilly tracks
- \*\*Gonna Shake This Shack Tonight \$18 (Bear Family)
- \*\*Hank Williams: Songwriter to Legend (Bear Family) \$15
- \*\*Hillbilly Bop & Boogie: King Federal Roots of Rockabilly \$20 Ace(UK
- \*\*Hobo Bop 30 tracks with theme of Hobos. \$18
- \*\*Livin' Lovin' Losin' Tribute to the Luvin Brothers \$18
- \*\*Man Who Robbed the Bank at Santa Fe \$20 Bear Family 52 pg booklet
- \*\*Old Faithful: Songs from the Saddle 27 tracks \$20
- \*\*Pearls in the Snow Songs of Kinky Friedman \$20 One of the best ever tributes with participants reading like a who's who with Dwight, Willie, Marty Stuart, Lyle Lovett etc 17tk
- \*\*Radiogram: 24 Songs That Inspired the Teenage Gram Parsons \$18
- \*\*Raise Your Window: A Cajun anthology 1928-1941 CMF OOP \$20 20 tk
- \*\*Rio Bravo: Western & Other Movie & TV Themes \$20 Bear Family
- \*\*Rounding Up the Girls: Great Female Vocals Volume One \$18 23 tks
- \*\*Songs of the Year \$20 Now OOP was sold only in Crackerbarrel. New artists redo hits none better than Randy Travis' "Chiselled in Stone".
- \*\*Touch My Heart Tribute to Johnny Paycheck \$18 16 trks featuring Hank III/ Billy Yates/ Dallas Wayne/ George Jones etc
- \*\*Unbroken Circle: Musical Heritage of the Carter Family. \$18 Great line up...Prine, Emmylou, Skaggs, Johnny Cash, Skaggs etc.

### **Bluegrass \$15 & up**

Auldridge, Mike	Eight String Swing (Sugar Hill) \$18
Blue Highway	Though the Window of a Train \$15

<p><b>Bluegrass Album Band</b></p>	<p>This was a great collection on Rounder which featured a core group of Tony Rice, J D Crowe, Doyle Lawson, Bobby Hicks &amp; Todd Phillips</p> <p>*The Bluegrass Album \$18</p> <p>*Bluegrass Album # 2 \$18</p> <p>*Bluegrass Album#3: The California Connection (w.Jerry Douglas) \$18</p> <p>*Bluegrass Album #4 \$18</p> <p>*Bluegrass Album #6 \$18</p> <p>&amp; Hicks/Phillips return</p>
<p><b>Bonham, Glen</b></p>	<p>Glen Bonham \$18 Classic native American singer who sings bluegrass like George Jones might. Superb.</p>
<p><b>Cordle, Larry &amp; Lonesome Standard Time</b></p>	<p>*Songs From the Workbench \$18</p>
<p><b>Cordle, Larry/Glen Duncan</b></p>	<p>Lonesome Standard Time \$18</p>
<p><b>Crowe, J D</b></p>	<p>Flashback \$18</p>
<p><b>Dailey &amp; Vincent</b></p>	<p>Sing the Statler Brothers \$18 (only sold in Crackerbarrel Stores) Great</p>
<p><b>Dailey &amp; Vincent</b></p>	<p>Dailey &amp; Vincent (Rounder)</p>
<p><b>Dillard's</b></p>	<p>Picklin' &amp; Fiddlin' / Back Porch Bluegrass 2 classics on 1 cd \$20</p>
<p><b>Dry Branch FireSquad</b></p>	<p>Live at Newburyport Firehouse 2cd\$20</p>
<p><b>Flatt &amp; Scruggs</b></p>	<p>Tis Sweet to Be Remembered 2 cd \$22</p>
<p><b>Flatt &amp; Scruggs</b></p>	<p>Complete Mercury Recordings \$18 2003</p>
<p><b>Flatt &amp; Scruggs</b></p>	<p>Complete Mercury Recordings \$15 1992</p>
<p><b>Gadd, Pam</b></p>	<p>Benefit of Doubt \$15</p>
<p><b>Fleck, Bela</b></p>	<p>Bluegrass Sessions \$18</p>
<p><b>Grisman, David</b></p>	<p>Dawgwood \$18</p>
<p><b>Haden, Charlie</b></p>	<p>Rambling Boy \$18 lots of guests 5 stars</p>
<p><b>Hartford, John</b></p>	<p>Gum Tree Canoe \$18</p>
<p><b>Hartford, John</b></p>	<p>RCA Country Legends \$18 17 great tracks</p>
<p><b>Johnson Mountain Boys</b></p>	<p>Blue Diamond \$18</p>
<p><b>Jones, Grandpa</b></p>	<p>Country Music Hall of Fame \$18</p>
<p><b>Kaukonen, Jorma</b></p>	<p>Blue Country Heart \$18</p>
<p><b>Kentucky Colonels</b></p>	<p>Livin' in the Past: Legendary Live \$20</p>
<p><b>Kentucky Colonels</b></p>	<p>Apalachian Swing \$20</p>
<p><b>Krauss, Alison</b></p>	<p>Too Late to Cry \$18</p>
<p><b>Krauss, Alison</b></p>	<p>Live 2cds \$18</p>
<p><b>Krauss, Alison</b></p>	<p>Everytime You Say Goodbye \$18</p>
<p><b>McCoury, Del</b></p>	<p>Cold Hard Facts \$18</p>
<p><b>Martin, Benny</b></p>	<p>The Fiddle Collection \$20 28 tks CMH</p>
<p><b>Monroe, Bill</b></p>	<p>Cryin' Holy Unto the Lord \$15 gospel</p>
<p><b>Monroe, Bill</b></p>	<p>Live 1956-1969 \$18 (Folkways)</p>
<p><b>Monroe, Bill</b></p>	<p>Live 1963-89 \$20 (w. Doc Watson)</p>
<p><b>Monroe, Bill</b></p>	<p>Gotta Travel On 25 tks \$15</p>
<p><b>Murphy, Jimmy</b></p>	<p>Electricity \$15 (w. Ricky Skaggs) A must</p>
<p><b>Nashville Bluegrass Band</b></p>	<p>The Boys Are Back in Town \$18</p>
<p><b>Nashville Bluegrass Band</b></p>	<p>Twenty Year Blues \$15</p>
<p><b>Nashville West</b></p>	<p>Nashville West \$20 (w. Clarence White)</p>
<p><b>Nugent, Alecia</b></p>	<p>Hillbilly Goddess \$20</p>
<p><b>Osborne, Bobby</b></p>	<p>Memories: Celebrating Booby's 60 Years As a Professional Entertainer \$18</p>
<p><b>Reno &amp; Smiley</b></p>	<p>On Stage 1957-58 \$18 (Copper creek)</p>
<p><b>Rice, Tony</b></p>	<p>Nightflyer \$15 singer songwriter coll.</p>
<p><b>Scruggs, Earl</b></p>	<p>With Family &amp; Friends at the Ryman \$18</p>

Seckler, Curly  
Seldom Scene  
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Skaggs, Ricky/ Whites  
Stanley, Ralph

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Stanley Brothers  
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Stoneman, Scotty  
IIIrd Time Out  
IIIrd Time Out  
IIIrd Time Out  
IIIrd Time Out  
White, Roland  
White, Roland  
Whites  
Whites

Various

All Star Jam Live at Graves Mountain \$18 25 tracks  
As Good As It Gets: Bluegrass 2cd 52tracks \$18  
Dark as a Dungeon: Songs of the Mines (rebel) \$18  
Harlan County USA: Songs of the Coal Miners Struggle \$18 \*\*\* (sadly  
very pertinent after the tragedy in New Zealand)  
Legend Lives On: Tribute to Bill Monroe \$18 2cds  
O Sister 2: A Woman's Blue grass Collection \$15  
Rounder Records Story 100page book 4 cds \$48 box set

**BLUEGRASS** \$5

Big Country Bluegrass  
Boxcars  
Brand New Strings  
Lawson, Doyle & Quicksilver  
Marley's Ghost  
O'Connell, Maura  
Reid, Lou & Terry Baucom  
Scott, Wayne  
Spring Creek  
Wheeler  
Various

Cold Mountain Soundtrack

**BLUEGRASS** \$10 3/\$25

Down in Caroline \$18  
At the Scene \$15  
Act 1 \$18  
Live at the Cellar Door \$18  
Salt of the Earth \$20  
Can't You Hear the Mountains Calling  
(w. Charlie Sizemore) \$18  
Clinch Mountain Country 2cds SEE  
RARITIES SECTION ABOVE.  
Clinch Mountain Sweethearts \$22 16 duet  
Ralph + various including Iris Dement,  
Melba Montgomery, Pam Tillis, Gillian  
Welch, Lucinda, Gail Davies etc  
Classic Bluegrass \$18  
Distant Land to Roam \$15  
Shine On \$15  
Almost Home \$18  
On Radio \$18  
Essential Gospel Masters \$18  
Earliest Recordings Rich-R-Tone \$20  
Angel Band: Classic Mercury \$15  
Live w. Kentucky Colonels \$20  
Erase the Miles \$18  
Puttin' New Roots Down \$18  
Live at the mac \$18  
Grandpa's Mandolin \$18  
I wasn't Born to Rock & Roll \$20  
Trying to Get to You \$18  
Lifetime in the Making \$20  
Greatest Hits (MCA) oop \$20

The Boys in Hats & Ties  
Boxcars (Mountain Home)  
No Strings Attached  
Light on My Feet, Ready to Fly (2010)  
Ghost town  
Walls & Windows  
Carolina Blue  
This Weary Way (Darrell's dad! Great)  
Way Up On a Mountain  
Wheeler

There are some never to be repeated bargains in this section. Mix with any other \$10 items in newsletter

Allen, Red/Farnk Wakefield	Kitchen Tapes
Baugus, Riley	Long Steel Rail (Sugar Hill)
Berline/Crary/Hickman	Chambergrass
Blaylock, Audie	Cryin' Heart Blues (2010)
Blue Highway	Blue Highway
Blue Highway	Wondrous Love
Bluegrass Band	Once Again from the Top Vol 1
Bluegrass Band	Once Again from the Top Vol 2
Bradley, Dale Ann	Don't turn Your Back
Bush, Sam	Circles Around Me
Byrd, Robert	Mountain Fiddler
Cherryholmes	IV Common Threads
Clifton, Bill/ Jimmy Gaudreau	River of Memories
Cordle/Jackson/Salley	Against the Grain (Carl Jackson)
Cox Family	Just When we're Thinkin' Its Over
Cox Family	Beyond the City (Rounder)
Cox Family	Everybody's Reachin Out etc (Rounder)
Crowe/Lawson/Williams	Old Friends Get Together (JD/Doyle/Paul) (Mountain Home)
Crowe Brothers	Brothers 'n Harmony
Daughters of Bluegrass	Back to the Well
Dry Branch FireSquad	Echoes of the Mountains (Rounder)
Emerson, Bill & Sweet Dixie	Southern
Emerson & Taylor	Appaloosa (webco)
Golden West	Foggy Hogtown Boys
Gordons	Our Time
Gordons	Time Will Tell Our Story Great family group inc. their son Noah Gordon.
Greene, Richard	The Greene Fiddler
Gulley, Steve/Tim Stafford	Dogwood Winter
Hartford, John Stringband	Memories Of (inc Hartford himself)
Ickes, Rob	Road Song
King, James	Garden in the Sky (Rounder)
King, James	The Bluegrass Storyteller
Kohrs, Randy	Old Photograph (Rural Rhythm)
Kohrs, Randy	I'm Torn
Krauss, Alison	A Hundred Miles or More
Krauss, Alison	New favourite
Krauss, Alison	Raising Sand (with Robert Plant)
Lawson, Doyle	Best of Sugar Hill Years
Lonesome River Band	Best of the Sugar Hill Years
Lulu belle & Scotty	Sweethearts Still
Lulu belle & Scotty	Sweethearts of country Music
Lynch, Claire	Whatcha Gonna Do
Monroe, Bill	16 Gems
Monroe, Bill	Country Music Hall of Fame
Monroe, Bill & Monroe Bros	Essential
Murphey, Michael Martin	Bluegrass Buckaroo
New Coon Creek Girls	Everything You Do gospel
O'Brien, Molly/Rich Moore	Saints & sinners (2010)
O'Brien, Tim	Red on Blonde (Dylan tribute)
O'Brien, Tim	Chicken & Egg
O'Brien, Tim	Traveler
O'Brien, Tim	Chameleon
O'Brien, Tim	Cornbread Nation

O'Connor, mark	20 Year Retrospective 2cds
Osborne, Bobby/Jesse McReynolds	Masters of Mandolin
Ostroushko, Pete	When the Last Morning Glory Blooms
Parmley & McCoury	Families of Tradition
Rowan, Peter/Don Edwards	High Lonesome Cowboy
Rowan, Peter	Best of the Sugar Hill Years
Scott, Darrell	A Crooked Road 2cds 2010
Sheton, James Alan	Guitar Tracks
Simpkins, Richie	Dancing on the Fingerboard
Sisk, Junior & Ramblers choice	Heartaches & Dreams (2010)
Skaggs, Ricky	Best of the Sugar Hill Years
Skaggs, Ricky	1946-1947 Honouring Fathers of Of Bluegrass
Skaggs, Ricky	Soldier of the Cross
Skaggs, Ricky	Bluegrass Rules
Skaggs, Ricky	Instrumentals
Smith, Kenny & Amanda	Live & Learn
Smith, Valerie/ Becky Buller	Here's a Little Song
Stanley Brothers	Complete Columbia Studio Recordngs
Stephenson, Larry	20th Anniversary guests
Stephenson, Larry	Thankful (gospel)
Sullivan, Jerry & tammy	At the Feet Of God
Travers, Fred	Time After Time dobro
Trischka, Tony	Territory(Smithsonian)
Ulisse, Donna	Walk This Mounatin Down
Ulisse, Donna	When I Look back
Vincent, Rhonda	A Dream Come True (Rebel)
Vincent, Rhonda	Back Home Again (Rounder)
Vincent, Rhonda	Trouble Free (WB)
Vincent, Rhonda	Destination Life (Rounder)
Vincent, Rhonda	All American Bluegrass Girl (Rounder)
Vincent, Rhonda	Ragin' Live (rounder)
Vincent, Rhonda	My Blue Tears (Rebel)
Vincent, Rhonda	Good Thing Goin' (Rounder)
	Note: These will sell quickly.
Wakefield, Frank	Ownself Blues
Williams, Robin/Linda	Buena Vista
Williams, Robin/Linda	Live
Williams, Robin/Linda	Good News
Williams, Robin/Linda	Deeper Waters
Wise, Chubby	In Nashville

Various

Face a Frowning world: An E C Ball Memorial Album (Tompkins sq.)

Legacy: A Tribte to the Firs tGeneration of Bluegrass (Sugar Hill)

**BOOKS**

Willie Nelson "The Tao of Willie" \$15 Willie's great book of anecdotes and lots of wit & wisdom Willie style .See how he really thinks of the RS

Bill C Malone – Country Music USA 2010 3<sup>rd</sup> edition \$30 1 only whopping 664 pages

Charles C Wolfe "Good Natured Riot Birth of the Grand Ol Opry" \$25 hardback.

Marshall Chapman They Came to Nashville \$20 hardback interviews

**Proper Box sets** (last copies) All 4cd + book. Numbers in brackets will be (number of tracks/pages in book) so for example Charlie Poole, (80/24) means 80 tracks + 24 pg book.

**\*\*Acuff, Roy "King of Country Music"** (100/40) Mr Roy as he was called was responsible more than anyone else post Carter family for bringing country music to the city. \$25

**\*\*Blazing Bluegrass** (103/52) \$30 each cd is titled: Bill Monroe/ Flatt & Scruggs/ Stanley Brothers/ Best of the Rest

**\*\*Bluegrass Bonanza** (109/40) Each cd gets a separate title from Stringbands 1927-38/Monroe Legacy 1936-45/Early Bluegrass 1944-50/ Classic Bluegrass 1946-50. \$30

**\*\*Boppin' Hillbilly to Red Hot Rockabilly** (118/68) Explores how hillbilly became hillbilly boogie and then rockabilly. Darn good. \$30

**\*\*Carter Family "Country Folk"** (103/44) Unbeatable value. All the standard are her along with some great rarities. \$30

**\*\*Crosby, Bing It's easy to Remember \$20 (99/36)**

**\*\*Domino, Fats "King of New Orleans Rock & Roll"** (86/48) This covers the 1949 ("The Fat Man") through to 1957 and features all his famous Imperial tracks, many produced by Dave Bartholomew.

**\*\*Foley, Red "Hillbilly Fever"** (100/44) \$30 Great collection of his Decca recordings including his duets with the like of Ernest Tubb, where the contrasting voices work magically.

**\*\*Good News: 100 Gospel Greats** (100/48) Black gospel including the wondrous Mahalia Jackson & Sister Rosetta Tharpe. \$25

**\*\*Guthrie, Woody "Some Folk"** (100/48) America's greatest folk artist with untold influence on country music as well. His famous ballads of the Oklahoma Dust Bowl and how itinerant workers were so harshly treated has never been bettered.

**\*\*Haley, Bill From Western Swing to R-O-C-K** (94/48) Believe it or not he was a superb yodeller taught by Kenny Roberts. This has some great examples leading to his electrified country boogie which saw him as the father (at least white father) of rock & roll. \$30

**\*\*Hittin' on All Six: History of Jazz Guitar 94/52)** From Django Reinhardt to Charlie Christian through lesser known. \$25

**\*\*Hoosier Hotshots - "Everybody stomp"** (100/36) The Spike Jones of country Music \$25

**\*\*Little Walter (and the Kings of the Blues Harmonica)**

**"Blowin' & Suckin'"** (108/56) Walter was the king of blues harmonica but every other great blues harmonica player is also included.

**\*\*Louisiana Hayride Story** (111/68) Has a cross section of this rival to the Grand Ol Opry with a similarly great line up. Some unknown or little known names and the out and out superstars including Mr Presley.

**\*\*Paul, Les & Mary Ford "In Perfect Harmony"** (108/44) The last one I have and the last one I can get. they are all gone. \$35 Don't miss it!

**\*\*Poole, Charlie Essential** (80/24) \$25 So, we all know how he got his priorities set by singing so he could support his bootleg liquor business. He could have been the biggest except for these "slight" diversions.

**\*\*Presley, Elvis "Tupelo Mississippi Flash"** (115/52) Begins with one side of Louisiana Hayride shows. \$30 Last ever copy

**\*\*Rare Rock & Roll Rampage** (100/44) Ic. Likes of Freddie Bell, Boyd Bennett, Jimmy Cavello, Eddie Fontaine etc. \$30

**\*\*Rock & Skiffle: Brit Beat beginnings** (100/40) Naturally there is a nice selection of Lonnie Donegan, but also the kikes of Tommy Steel,

Alma Cogan, Marion Ryan, Frankie Vaughan, Chris Barber etc...even some Winifred Atwell,

**\*\*Rockabilly** (120/68...what a whopper) A classic compilation that features rare and ultra rare tracks and traverses the hillbilly boogie to the wildest rockabilly imaginable. Great \$30

**\*\*Sons of the Pioneers "My Saddle Pals & I"** (100/52) The original 1930s trio recordings (with backing by the incomparable Farr Brothers) through to the 50s. Includes standards, gospel & secular songs.

**\*\*Steelin' It The Steel Guitar Story** (100/56) Covers all arrays of steel guitar playing from Hawaiian, through western swing, and weren't there some greats in that sub-genre, through to hard core honky tonk. Pedal & non pedal. A must have item for the steel guitar fan. \$30

**\*\*Swinging Hollywood Hillbilly Cowboys** (114/64) A great guide to the West Coast & Capitol records country music . \$30

**\*\*Tharpe, Sister Rosetta "The Original Soul Sister"** (81/40) Perhaps the most influential female blues performer ever with the ability to be jazzy or downright dirty (in the musical sense that is). Her amazing "Two Little Fishes & Five Loaves of Bread" may be the greatest thing you will ever hear!!

**\*\*Tubb, Ernest "Texas Troubadour"** (100/48) \$25 Classic country from one of Nashville's best serving bastions.

**\*\*Walker, T-Bone "The Original Source"** (90/44) \$25 Unquestionably the most influential blues guitarist of all time

**\*\*Williams, Hank "Hillbilly Hero"** (80+ 6 complete Health & Happiness Shows /52) \$30

**\*\*Wills, Bob "Take me Back to Tulsa"** (109/52) Has 2cds of his Columbia/ 1 of his Tiffany transcriptions and 1 of the MGM. \$30

**\*\*With My Little Ukulele in My Hand** (104/48) Again has every style from Hawaiian (Sol Hoopi) through jazz 9Lyle Ritz and illustrates how widespread the popularity of the instrument was. Naturally it wouldn't be complete without some Cliff "Ukulele" Ike Edwards or George Formby, who I adore. \$30

## **OTHER BOX SETS**

### **JSP label**

Another UK label covering a wide range of style: All feature regular jewel case cds in a slip case. Well compiled for all who enjoy the historic perspective.

"Cajun Rare & Authentic" 4cds 100 tracks \$35 Hackberry Ramblers/ Guidry Brothers, Thibodeaux Boys (must be a Thibodeaux in there somewhere to be authentic)/ Dixie Ramblers etc. Earliest tracks date from the 1920s.

Hoagy Carmichael – "First of the Singer Songwriters 1924-1946" Stardust/ Rockin' Chair/ Georgia on My Mind/ Lazy Bones/ Two Sleepy People/ Lazy River,...some jazz, some pop...101 tracks. \$35 whilst the stars sung his songs, he did them best himself....the full list of his songs will just amaze.

Carter Family "1927 -1934" 127 tracks. 5cds \$20 One only!!

"Classic Field Recording: Landmark Country Sessions from a Lost Era" 100 tracks including 12 by Johnny Barfield, who was very popular in Australia. Great titles such as Julian Johnson & Leon Hyatt's "T B Killed

My Daddy" plus the Rouse Brothers with the *original* "Orange Blossom Special".....I don't care if I do-die, do-die, do-die...maybe that was just an embellishment of Johnny Cash!!.

"Hotter Than Hawaii" 4cds...regular jewel case cds in clip case style box. Early hits from this unique musical style including the likes of Roy Smeck, Sol Hoopi, Ray Kinney & His Royal Hawaiians. 105 tracks. \$30

Memphis Jug Band with Gus Cannon's Jug Stompers 98 tracks 4cds \$35

Jimmie Rodgers "Recordings 1927-1933" \$35 5 cds 109 recordings including all the great blues yodels. Excellent value.

## **BEAR FAMILY New (20% off)**

1. Browns – The Three Bells Complete Recordings from 1954-1967 I rate this the best sounding box set on Bear Family. 8 cds plus a book. \$270 less 20% = \$216

2. Cash, Johnny – "Come Along & Ride This Train" 4 cds All his themed albums on one set. Basically equal to 8 lps and most are only available on this box. \$120 less 20% = \$96

3. Jones, George "Walk Through this World With Me: The Musicor Recordings Part 1 1965-1971" 5cds + book \$180 less 20% = \$144  
Jones, George – "Good Year for the Roses: The Musicor Recordings 1965-1971 Part 2" 4cds + book \$150 less 20% = \$120

4. Oxford, Vernon "Keeper of the Flame" 5cd + book he was too country for country back when country was still country. One of the most popular artists we have ever had. \$180 less 20% = \$144

5. Robbins, Marty "Under Western Skies" 4 cd + book All of Marty's Western songs in one fabulous package. Includes all the lyrics. \$150 less 20% = \$120

6. Smith, Connie – Born to Sing 4cds + book The RCA recordings of Connie Smith are as good as you could here. She hit the ground running with mentorship from the great Bill Anderson and became the best proponent of singing Bill's songs. \$150 less 20% = \$120

Various

7. Next Stop Is Vietnam: The War on Record 1961-2008 13 cds plus 1 300 page book. Every song about the war and a cross section of styles.  
\$390 less 20% = \$312

**Used** all in great shape. ...save heaps.

1. Carter, Wilf "Cowboy Songs" 8cds + book \$140

2. Jim & Jesse "Bluegrass and More" 5cds + book \$100

3. Reeves, Jim & Friends Radio Days 2 4cds + book \$50

4. Rodgers, Jimmie- The Singing Brakeman 6 cds + book \$130

## **THE REST**

**\*\* Best of Broadside**. Smithsonian Folkways \$70 5 compacts discs and 89 songs which many would term protest songs. Includes cameos by Bob Dylan as his alter ego...Blind Boy Grunt and not to be outdone...Janis Ian as "Blind Boy Grunt". Spectacular packaging, it was Grammy nominated as the best historical album and best notes. The notes are spectacular. There is at least a page of notes per song. Wonderfully presented in a spiral binder inside a sturdy cover. Includes Pete Seeger, Phil Ochs, Peter LaFarge, Tom Paxton, Buffy Saint-Marie etc

**\*\* Eagles "Eagles Catalogue CD Album Box 7 original asylum albums:**

1. Eagles
2. Desperado
3. On the Border
4. One of These Nights
5. Hotel California
6. The Long Run
7. Eagles Live (2cds)
8. Christmas single bonus

All in mini size lp covers. Great. \$55

**\*\* Felts, Narvel Limietd Club Edition** 2cds 44 tracks \$20

**\*\* From Where I Stand: The Black Experience in Country Music** 3cds \$48 put out by the Country Music Association in association with WB records is now out of print. 60 page book. Each cd has a separate theme:

1. The Stringband Era with Deford Bailey being the best known
2. The Soul Country Years with likes of Big Al Downing, Ray Charles, Arthur Alexander
3. Forward With Pride, which naturally features Charley Pride along with Stoney Edwards, O B McClinton, Ivory Joe Hunter etc.

**\*\* Holiday, Billie** Complete Decca Recordings \$35 Nice Denim bound long box with 40 page booklet on the GRP label

**\*\* Jim & Jesse " The Old Dominion Masters"** 4cds in lp size box on Pinecastle 101 tracks 16 page lp size book \$60

**\*\* Johnny Cash At San Quentin Legacy Edition**. This is in a Longstyle box and comes with a separate 40 page booklet plus 2cds & A dvd. It was brought out in Australia in just a regular jewel case. Typical local shoddiness but this is a real box. \$40

**\*\* Monroe, Bill Essential 1945-1949** On the Columbia Country Classics, this feature his pre Decca Recordings and the first recordings featuring Lester Flatt & Earl Scruggs,. 2cd longbox style package. 36 page book with complet discography.

**\*\* Judds The Judds** Collection \$35 3cds in great denim bound box 32 page book.

**Nelson, Willie - One Hell of a Ride** 4cds \$50 Great set with nice packaging qnd 100 tracks. It starts with his first song, "When I Sang My Last Hillbilly Song" which shows he hit the ground running...and kept going...though thank goodness he changed the title of "Crazy" from its

original "Stupid", it just doesn't scan right does it. As a bonus the set ends with a new version of "When I Sand My Last Hillbilly Song" he recorded just for this. Just great and then some.

**\*\*Owens, Buck Collection \$48 3 cds plus spectacular 80 page book in mainly full colour. This is a must have item for any fan of Buck Owens. Done extremely well by fabulous US reissue specialist, Rhino records this is now out of print. All the big hits including the two that charted in Australia, "Made in Japan" and "Monster's Holiday". 62 tracks**

**\*\*Rogers, Kenny "A Retrospective Through the Years" 4cds 80 tracks. Pre plastic lizard eyes Kenny when I always thought how distinguished he looked. Includes solo hits, duet hits, First Edition hits and more.. with 32 page book. Very nice and great value \$40**

**\*\*Ronstadt, Linda Box set \$55 (original name!..must have taken them hours to come up with that) 4cds in nice long box style packaging with 64 page book with complet discography. 86 tracks including one cd of rarities.**

**Strait, George Strait Out of the Box \$40 4cds Long box style with nice 72 page colour book. Quiet a few items only on this box.**

**\*\*Twitty, Conway Collection \$60 Great 89 tracker with a handful of MGM tracks plus a delightful selection of Decca/MCA tracks including many duets with Loretta Lynn. Great book**

**\*\*Williams, Hank Jnr The Complete Hits 45 tracks in long style box with 20 page booklet. All his warner brothers/Curb era hits and it does have "Tear in My Beer'...with is daddy**

**\*\*Williams, Hank Jnr "Living Proof The MGM Recordings 963-1975" \$50 Very hard to get. 82 tracks with 24 page book with full discography.**

**\*\*Yoakam, Dwight Reprise Please Baby \$58 4cds 86 trcaks including one full cd of unissued recordings plus a smattering throughtout the other 3 cds as well. 56 page booklet with many rare photographs. Seemingly an actor as much as a singer now, and a surprisingly effective one, especially when playing a dastardly character which is usually the case. A must have for Dwight fans, and frankly, who isn't??**

**Various**

**Decca Country Classics 1934-1973 60 tracker on 3cds with 2 hours 40 minutes of playing time. Suffice to say there are many rarities and a 36 page book which gives a track by track run down. \$30**

Finally, if anyone watches American Idol on Fox, there is a young guy on there who has the potential to be a great and already has one of the best voices I have ever heard. Reminds of Randy Travis. His name is Scotty McCreery and he has just turned 17. Scotty is a superb singer but is frankly clueless as to what to sing...copying Josh Turner is okay but he could mine the Keith Whitley catalogue & then he would shine even more.

Thanks for reading. If you would like help with any item, or would like some suggestions please do not hesitate to ask.