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REVIEW

In Good Company Palmer & Greg Loux



Chubby Dragon CD 1004

[Palmer & Greg Loux, 301 Mill Road, Havertown, PA 19083 (\$16.75 including postage)]

This is one of the finest old time fiddle recordings in a long time. It is full of grace and hot fiddling. Palmer Loux's style really shines when playing with other fiddlers. Teamed here with long time friend, Sue Shumaker, they play some lovely duets. Her playing with Rich Hartness is equally evocative.

Greg Loux is an innovative accompanist as he runs through an intriguing repertory of guitar tricks that manage to add to and not detract from his wife's playing. Other friends include Paul Sidlick, and Marvin Gaster, and Gordon Arnold who adds some nice touches on cello.

This is a sleeper that deserves your attention. A top notch Ray Alden production, it is required listening for all players of old time music.

- Bob Buckingham





PALMER & GREG LOUX 'In Good Company'

This is a lovely collection of 22 old-time tunes played by this couple, Palmer on fiddle and Greg on guitar, with occasional help from some friends on banjo, cello or second fiddle. Nicely produced by Ray Alden on his Chubby Dragon label, the strength of the album—in addition to the sensitive, unpretentious playing—lies in a wonderful selection of great tunes (tunings and sources are given for each tune in a nice 24-page booklet).

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BEST OLD-TIME MUSIC (New Recording)

- 1. ROU-0433 THE FREIGHT HOPPERS "Waiting On The Gravy Train" Back with another lively disc
- 2. CHUB-1004 PALMER & GREG LOUX "In Good Company" Excellent old time by this couple
- 3. SHAN-6027 NORMAN BLAKE "Chattanooga Sugar Babe" Usual nice job, with guitar
- 4. JL-97 KIM & JIM LANSFORD "Out In The Cold World" Nice duets, good songs
- 5. MERRI-01 ARNIE NAIMAN & CHRIS COOLE "5 Strings Attached With No Backing"