



## *Blaydon Races* Anonymous

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# Blaydon Races

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Music anon.

This song was made popular by a Tyneside comedian called J.C. Scatter (James Cosgrove). The famous sporting event that it describes was last held in September 1916.

**Strongly**

The musical score is written in 6/8 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features a rhythmic pattern of eighth and sixteenth notes, often with a 'chugging' feel. The vocal line is simple and melodic, with lyrics written below the notes. Chords are indicated above the vocal line. The score is divided into four systems, each with a vocal staff and a piano staff. The first system starts with a 'Strongly' dynamic marking. The second system includes the lyrics 'Ra - ces, 'twas on the ninth of June, Eight - een hun - dred and six - ty - two on a'. The third system includes 'sum - mer's af - ter - noon. I took the 'bus to Balm - draes and she was hea - vy'. The fourth system is labeled 'CHORUS' and 'ff' (fortissimo), with lyrics 'la - den, A - way we went up Col - ling - wood Street, That's on the way to Blay - don. And it's'. The piano accompaniment includes a large watermark 'O' in the center of the page.

**G** **D** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G** **f**

1. I went to Blay - don

**Am** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G** **C** **G**

Ra - ces, 'twas on the ninth of June, Eight - een hun - dred and six - ty - two on a

**A** **D** **G** **Am** **D<sup>7</sup>**

sum - mer's af - ter - noon. I took the 'bus to Balm - draes and she was hea - vy

**G** **C** **G** **D** **D<sup>7</sup>** **G** **CHORUS** **ff**

la - den, A - way we went up Col - ling - wood Street, That's on the way to Blay - don. And it's **ff**