

"Newport Braes" is about getting the "Fifies" (the ferries that used to shuttle across the Tay before the bridge was built) and how children found it really exciting waiting in the queue and then playing and eating sandwiches on the other side. Sheena sang *A Man's a Man* (by R Burns) at the opening of the Scottish Parliament in 1999.

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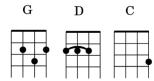
Sheena Wellington

G D G (G)

[G]Lang years ago, when eh wis young, we never hid much [C]money
But we were never [G]shoart on fun when the [D]summer days were sunny
Fir ma [G]granny wid mak sandwiches we'd wear oor ahldest [C]claes
An we'd go an catch the [G]Fifie fir the bonnie [D]Newport [G]Braes

[G]For the Broughty Beach wis sandy, an the Medlin Green wis [C]near But they never gave us [G]half the thrull o queuing at the [D]Fifie [G]pier.[G]

[G]For the Fifies they were magic, always cheengin in oor [C]sight Jist depending on what [G]picture we'd [D]seen on Friday night It wid [G]be oor stately galleon or a warship sleek an [C]grey Or we'd fly the Jolly [G]Roger a the wey [D]across the [G]Tay.



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[G]An when we got tae Newport, up the Boat Brae we wid [C]run
Tae be first ane tae the [G]Horseshoe wis a [D]great pert o the fun
An we'd [G]sweem an climb an play at tig while the big fowk biled up [C]tea
An we'd gether pails o [G]whulks an dulse tae eat back [D]in Dun[G]dee.

[G]For the Broughty Beach wis sandy, an the Medlin Green wis [C]near But they never gave us [G]half the thrull o queuing at the [D]Fifie [G]pier.[G]

[G]But when the sun was settin ower Invergowrie [C]Bay
It's 'The moarn's weary [G]Monday an yer [D]Da's tae earn his pay'
But [G]if ye a behave yersels fir jist the next few [C]days
We'll bring ye back next [G]Sunday tae the bonnie [D]Newport [G]Braes

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Pat sings & plays 2 lines

[G]Well, the Fifies they are gone now, in their place a great bridge [C]stands

An the Dundee bairns are [G]scattered tae a [D]hunder foreign lands

(all pick up pace again) But [G]the sweetest part o memory still hails the summer [C]days

When happiness wis the [G]BL Nairn an heaven wis the [D]Newport [G]Braes!

Chorus x2 (straight in to 2nd chorus, no extra G) (slow down from 'queuing') finish with <G>