

Mrs. McLeod's Reel - Hop High Ladies

*Appalachian Old Time setting Donna Hébert
lyrics from Uncle Dave Macon & Fields Ward*

A A A E7

drone an open E over the fingered A string

A A A7 D Bm7 E7

and open A over fingered E string

A A A E7

A A D Bm7 E7

Lesson: Droned double-stops. The melody moves, the drone is played on the nearest open string that fits the chord. There are a few drone notes where the interval is dissonant. Along with the natural dissonance of the fourth-finger unisons, this is one of the charming characteristics of Appalachian Old-Time fiddling.

LYRICS:

1. Did you ever go to meetin' Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe? (3X) I don't mind the weather, so the wind don't blow

CHORUS:

Hop high ladies, for the cake's all dough (3X)
How I get the time, Lord, I never know

2. Will your horse carry doublee, Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe? (3X) I don't mind the weather . . . CHORUS

3. Is your horse a single-footer, Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe? (3X) I don't mind the weather . . . CHORUS

4. Would you rather have a pacer, Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe (3X) I don't mind the weather . . . CHORUS

Lyric from *Old Time String Band Songbook*, John Cohen & Mike Seeger, eds. Oak Publications 1964, 1976