

Tune of the Month: South Wind

This is an Irish waltz written in the 1790s. In more recent times, new words have been written for it, lamenting closing time at a bar:

The barmaid has put on her coat,
 And the barman has emptied the slops,
 The manager's pals are afraid
 The music will bring in the cops.

Chorus:

Lay down the borrowed guitar
 Lay down the fiddle and bow
 You'd like one more drink at the bar
 But the manager says you must go.

Key G

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The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. Below the notes are guitar chord diagrams. The chords are: G, D7, G, C, G, D7, G, G, C, G, Em, G, D7, G.