Isonville

From Dock Ison of Isonville, KY

(As transcribed & Arr. by Jim Mueller) Collected by Bruce Greene, ca. 1975

A Kentuckt tune introduced to the South Bay Old-Time Jam by Bert Raphael, who got it from Jim Mueller in a Lark Camp bowing lesson. The upper arrangement is based on Jim’s handout. (I’ve made my best guesses as to how to interpret his slur notation.)

The transcription below is what I hear on the original home recording, available in the Berea College archives at berea.access.preservica.com/file/sdb%3AdigitalFile%7C39d2a30a-f9ce-4992-aa45-7572634bc68d/ (BG-CT-212). It’s apparently a recording of several tunes played by Dock (fiddle) accompanied by one of his sons on guitar; this tune begins at about 25:19. The recording quality is poor: the name is not clear (but does not sound like "Isonville"), and after the first ‘A’ the fiddle is often drowned out by the guitar, making it hard to tell what Dock was playing.

(As transcribed from Dock Ison’s recording)

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