

River Life

The Lacs

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Give a little more throttle, plane it out nice
Watch out for stumps, left means right
Drove my daddy round seven bush hooks
Can't learn about that in them old textbooks
Me and my buddies used to skip school
Jump in that boat and ride to half moon
Tried to be smooth till the plug popped out
Sunk daddy's boat and just about drowned
Daddy came home and found me outside
Beat me with a piece of electrical wire
Years went by, he bought a new boat
I said daddy can I drive, he says nope

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Before you know what makes that river flow
Boy, it's gonna take a lot of time and many miles
Just you and that old jon boat
But, if you learn to take sweet time
And realize the fish won't always bite
Son, there's so much life waiting for you in that river
Living that river life

I was raised up right, on the Altamaha
Some of the best cat fishing I ever saw
I still remember running ol' trout lines
And checking them out before supper time
Ain't nothing in the world like riverbank camping
Fishing all day just to see who's champion
Cheese grits and a little Bud Light
When the sun goes down we'll have a big fish fry
Get the grease hot while the fish are soaking
And don't take them up till they all are floating
Boy you gotta love this ol' river life
A poor man's beach and a country boy's paradise

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Put your cricket on and let him run with it till the hook's set
Good mess by the five gallon bucket
If you can't catch that man it ain't gonna cut it
Gotta go ahead and gut it when you get to the bank
Hit the cooker with the flame when you lit the propane
It's a damn good eating when you do it how it's done
Hell a bad day's fish, still a good day's fun
Damn right I was raised up like that
Ain't nothing but a redneck river rat

Still laugh when I think back to daddy saying
Boy you didn't do too bad

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