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 Now when I learned to play the ukulele,
 G7 C
 I used to practice day and night.
 E7 Am
 My pals all roared as I fumbled at a chord,
 D7 G7
 But I couldnt get the darned thing right.

C A7 Dm G7
 They laughed when I started to play, they laughed so hearty.
 Dm G7 Am D7
 Only two lessons I had, I went up the scale and down the scale,
 G7
 It wasnt so bad.
 C C7 F C7 F
 But one chap, he said "Oh what a mug why you cant learn that way"
 G#7
 He took the uke off me and said "Now Ill have a try"
 C D7 G7
 Just then the G string bust and flew right into his eye.
 C A7 Dm D7 G7 C
 He laughed when I started to play, but he didnt laugh again all day.

Oh they laughed when I started to play, oh they laughed so hearty
 Strip poker thats a good game,
 Once I lost my trousers to a gambling dame
 But when, I started shuffling the cards, then the luck came my way.
 I won a frock and undies, she was left I declare
 As bare as any savage and as savages are bear
 She laughed when I started to play,
 But she didnt laugh again that day.

Now once I watched a game of water polo,
 With players from a ladies school.
 The girls all cried "Wont you make up a side?"
 So I dashed into the bathing pool.
 They laughed when I started to play, oh how they laughed so hearty.
 In goal, I paddled about, a big ball in the water soon I started to clout.
 Each time, that it came bobbing back, well I smacked it away.
 Just then the ball turned over and a girl said "No larks",
 "Seven times youve hit me where I cant show the marks."
 She laughed when I started to play,
 But she didnt laugh again that day.