SNW 303 Lemon Tree (Just A) vocal recorded by: <u>Søren Christensen</u> Release Date: (vinyl) 2001 / 03 (MP3) not permitted

Singing Call MS-62

Original artist: Fools Garden

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ORIGINAL MUSIC DETAILS: WRITERS: Volker Hinkel, Peter Freudenthaler *PUBLISHERS: Spirit '91*

This song (A.K.A. Yellow Lemon Tree) has a comical sentiment and was a chart-topping tune in Continental Europe. It was originally recorded by "Fools Garden", a German group – founded in 1991 by lead guitarist Volker Hinkel and vocalist Peter Freudenthaler. The song tells of "un-requited" love and the "bitter" consequences...

A lot of effort was put into retaining the original song's structure. However, it was necessary to "speed up" the tempo in order to make the Square Dance version, which resulted in a slightly different "feel" – as you will hear when you listen to it! Almost everything from the original song is there – somewhere – and the song has a unique quality that makes it a little "different". Perhaps more of a gimmick song than a straight piece of music, it does have a place in anyone's collection – as a "fun" tune!

Additional Lyrics:

I'm sitting here in the boring room It's just another rainy Sunday afternoon I'm wasting my time, I got nothing to do I'm hanging around, I'm waiting for you But nothing ever happens and I wonder

I'm driving around in my car I'm driving too fast, I'm driving too far I'd like to change my point of view I feel so lonely, I'm waiting for you But nothing ever happens and I wonder

I wonder how, I wonder why Yesterday you told me 'bout the blue blue sky And all that I can see is just a yellow lemon-tree I'm turning my head up and down I'm turning turning turning turning around And all that I can see is just another lemon-tree I'm sitting here, I miss the power I'd like to go out taking a shower But there's a heavy cloud inside my head I feel so tired, Put myself into bed While nothing ever happens and I wonder

I'm steppin' around in the desert of joy Baby anyhow I'll get another toy And everything will happen and you wonder

Where, When and Who produced the music:

This was part of the fourth group of releases on Sting that were recorded in Nashville. A total of five songs were recorded during this session, which was arranged by both Stefan Sidholm and Ingvar Pettersson; although only Ingvar was available to attend this session. Also in attendance were Recording Artist: Robert Björk and Recording Artist (and future Owner and Producer): Paul Bristow; this was the first studio – music session that Paul attended.

Recorded in July 1996, the music features the top session musicians in Nashville, including: Gregg Galbraith – as band leader and playing on all lead Guitars, Doug Jernigan on Steel, Jerry Kroon on Drums and percussion, Roger Morris on Piano and Keyboard, Hoot Hester on Fiddle, David Smith on Bass Guitar and Bruce Watkins on Rhythm Guitar and Banjo. Also worthy of special mention is our engineer on these sessions – the studio owner: Kevin McManus.

Acknowledgement to Royal Records:

We are indebted to Jerry Story and Tony Oxendine who introduced us to the studio in Nashville and invited us to use the top-of-the-line professional session musicians that they had assembled, to play for Royal Records.