

THE SWIMMING SONG

Loudon Wainwright 111

BREAK **G // Am7// G**
 D Em
 Em C
 D Em
 D7 G

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This summer I went swimming
 D Em
This summer I might have drowned
 Em C
But I held my breath and I kicked my feet
 D Em
And I moved my arms around.
 D7 G
I moved my arms around.

G // Am7// G
This summer I did the backstroke,
 D Em
And you know that that's not all.
 Em C
I did the breast stroke and the butterfly,
 D Em
And the old Australian crawl,
 D7 G
The old Australian crawl.

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 D7 G

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This summer I did swan dives and
D Em
Jack knives for you all.
 Em C
And once when you weren't looking
 D Em
I did a cannonball
 D7 G
I did a cannonball.

G // Am7// G
This summer I swam in a public place
 D Em
and a reservoir to boot,
 Em C
At the latter I was informal,
 D Em
At the former I wore my suit,
 D7 G

I wore my swimming suit.

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BREAK x 3 **1st time soft – banjo's only**
 2nd&3rd– all in - with harmonica

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