

Blue Baron

"Cruising Down The River"

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CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER (On a Sunday Afternoon)

Blue Baron/Russ Morgan

- words and music by Eily Beadell and Nell Tollerton,
two middle-aged women

who wrote the song to win a British songwriting contest
in 1945

- sung by the crew of H.M.S. Amethyst as it made its
historic dash down the
Yangtze River in 1949

Cruising down the river on a Sunday afternoon
With one you love, the sun above waiting for the moon
The old accordian playing a sentimental tune
Cruising down the river on a Sunday afternoon
The birds above all sing of love, a gentle sweet refrain
The winds around all make a sound like softly falling
rain
Just two of us together, we'll plan a honeymoon
Cruising down the river on a Sunday afternoon

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