We learned the creed at Hungerford
We learned the creed at Bourke
We learned it in the good times
And we learned it out of work
We learned it by the harbour side
And by the billabong
No matter what a mate may do
A mate can do no wrong, wrong, wrong

He's like a king in this respect
No matter what they do
And Kinglike shares in storm and shine
The throne of life with you
We learned it when we were in jail
And put it in the song
No matter what a mate may do
A mate can do no wrong, wrong, wrong

Now pick it out now

They'll say he said a bitter word
When he's away or dead
But we're loyal to his mem'ry
No matter what he said
And we should never hesitate
But strike out good and strong
And jolt the slanderer on the jaw
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