

## ‘Old Leigh Regatta’ performed by Jack Forbes

*Down, down, won't you come down, down to the regatta in Old Leigh  
Town*

*Down, down, won't you come down, to the Old Leigh Town regatta*

*[Music begins]*

You have a go, sing it!

*Down, down, won't you come down, down to the regatta in Old Leigh  
Town*

*Down, down, won't you come down, to the Old Leigh Town regatta*

That's not bad from the floor here, let's have all those up in the balconies up there, all those in those up in the seven and six-penny seats, and the ten bob seats at the top—

*Down, down, won't you come down, down to the regatta in Old Leigh  
Town*

*Down, down, won't you come down, to the Old Leigh Town regatta*

Sing it out!

*Down, down, won't you come down, down to the regatta in Old Leigh  
Town*

*Down, down, won't you come down, to the Old Leigh Town regatta*

*[Music continues]*

Recorded at Southend Folk Club and broadcast on Essex Radio's Essex Folk programme in autumn 1981. The song was written and performed by Jack Forbes, a legend on the Southend folk scene. Read more about the recording on Essex Archives Online: [SA 30/3/6/1](#)