

# Crodh-Laoigh nam Bodach

## The Old Men's Milking Cows

Trad milking song

**gently**

SEISD Cm Cm Bb Gm

Crodh -laoigh nam bod- ach\_ Crodh -laoigh nam bod- ach\_ Crodh -

5 Cm Cm Bb F RANN Eb Eb

laoigh nam bod ach\_ Gan to -gail ri gleann Ma tha mo tho gair\_ Ma\_

11 Bb Gm Cm Cm Bb F

tha mo tho gair\_ Ma tha mo tho gair\_ Cha-n eil mo chrodh ann

### SEISD (CHORUS)

*Crodh-laoigh nam bodach x 3* The old men's milk cows  
*loo-oy nam bot-ach*  
*Gan togail ri gleann* Taking off up the glen  
*ghan toe-kal ree glee-aown*

### RANN (VERSE)

*Ma tha mo thogair x 3* So what do I care  
*ma haa moe hoe-ker*  
*Chan eil mo chrodh ann* My cattle aren't there  
*haan-yale moe hroe aown*

### SEISD

### RANN

*Crodh-laoigh nam bodach* The old men's milking cows  
*crow loo-oy nam bot-ach*  
*Air fiar 's air fodar* On grass and on straw  
*air fe-ars air foe-ter*  
*Crodh-laoigh nam bodach* The old men's milking cows  
*crow loo-oy nam bot-ach*  
*Gan togail ri gleann* Taking off up the glen  
*ghan toe-kal ree glee-aown*

Cows were often sung to when being milked, to keep them calm and still. Again the sound of the words, especially the soft vowel sounds, is the most important thing. Children could try making up their own lines of comforting phrases to this melody e.g. 'We're warm and cosy, we're not all frozy, we're tired and dozy, and ready for sleep'.