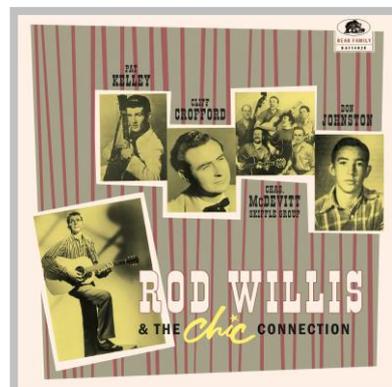


BEAR FAMILY RECORDS



PRODUCTINFO (Vinyl) November 4, 2022

Artist **Various Artists**
Title **Rod Willis & The Chic Connection**
Label **Bear Family Records**
Catalog no. **BAF14028** Price code: **BAF**
EAN-Code **4000127140289**
Format **10" vinyl LP (25 cm), 45 rpm, with 12-page booklet, postcard**
Genre **Rock 'n' Roll, Rockabilly**
No. of tracks **12** approx. **27:00 min.**
Release date **November 4, 2022**



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INFO:

- **Bear Family Records®** presents on this 10inch vinyl LP the Chic Records catalog from a Georgia-based label founded in 1956.
- **After about a year it was over again - but a great rockabilly legacy justifies this splendid release.**
- **Included are the 1957 singles *Somebody's Been Rocking My Baby* by Rod Willis and hot rockers by Pat Kelly, Don Johnston, and Cliff Crawford.**
- **Under license, Chic Records released *Freight Train* by the British Chas. McDevitt Skiffle Group in the U.S., a financially successful coup.**
- **Superbly remastered recordings, a stylish LP cover and an in-depth essay on the subject by Chicago expert Bill Dahl in the accompanying booklet round out this fantastic collector's LP!**

Thomasville, Georgia was a bit out of the way for a record company seeking national exposure to establish its headquarters, but that didn't stop Chick Thompson from situating his self-named Chic Records there in the summer of 1956. The diskery only existed for a little over a year but release several first-rate rockabilly platters—and they're all aboard 'Rod Willis & The Chic Connection.' Willis was one of Thompson's premier acts; his 1957 single *Somebody's Been Rocking My Baby*, waxed in Nashville with the vaunted A-Team in support, ranks with Chic's hottest rockers (his '59 NRC single is also here, both sides penned by Thompson). Chic entered the big leagues by snagging the U.S. rights to the British skiffle smash *Freight Train* by The Chas. McDevitt Skiffle Group Featuring Nancy Whiskey and thus scored its only national hit during the spring of '57. It's on this collection too, as are fine rockabilly outings by Pat Kelly, Don Johnston, and Cliff Crawford (better known under his legal surname of Crofford). In a brief timespan, Chic Records built an impressive rockabilly legacy given first-class treatment on this splendid LP.

TRACKLISTING:

Side A:

Rod Willis: *Somebody's Been Rocking My Baby* **Don Johnston:** *The Whipmaster* **Pat Kelley:** *The Stranger Dressed In Black*
Cliff Crawford: *A Night Of Love* **Rod Willis:** *Will Travel* **The Chas McDevitt Skiffle Group:** *Cotton Song*

Side B:

Rod Willis: *The Cat* **Pat Kelley:** *She's A Devil* **Cliff Crawford:** *Teenage Tears* **Rod Willis:** *Old Man Mose*
Don Johnston: *Whistle Bait* **The Chas. McDevitt Skiffle Group:** *Freight Train*

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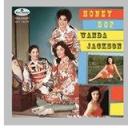
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ALSO AVAILABLE:

Wanda Jackson: Honey Bop

BAF14029 BAF
10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
EAN: 4000127140296



Various Artists: Left Behind 13 Black & White Rockers From The Felsted Vaults

BAF14022 BAFX
10inch vinyl LP, with 16-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD
EAN: 5397102140228



Jerry Reed: The Rockin' US. Male

BAF14024 BAFX
10inch vinyl LP, with 8-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD
EAN: 4000127140241



Gene Vincent: We Sure Miss You

BAF14019 BAFX
10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD
EAN: 5397102140198



Various Artists: Blue Moon keep on shining 12 Rockers from the Blue Moon & Bella vaults

BAF14018 BAF
10inch vinyl LP, with 8-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD
EAN: 5397102140181



Johnny Kidd: Please Don't Touch!

BAF14021 BAFX
10inch vinyl LP, with 12-page booklet, postcard
and bonus CD
EAN: 5397102140211

