

MUSIC

Cape Breton's Diversity in Unity

Kelly's Cove

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Tune: "The Blackleg Miners"
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1. When Kelly's Cove began to work,
The happy miners came like dirt,
White backs and dirty shirts,
The yappy, happy miners.

Chorus:

Join the union or you'll die,
Join the union or you'll die,
Join the union or you'll die
Among the happy miners.

2. And when a vessel will come in,
Burchell will be on a pin;
He will make the miners spin,
The yappy, happy miners.

3. Big Flora, she keeps a hall,
Where the miners always call,
When they're coming in the fall,
The yappy, happy miners.

4. Young Charlie Sutherland went 'round,
Hauling coal from underground;
He swore he'd never haul a pound
For the yappy, happy miners.

Recording:

[Kelly's Cove](#), 1968. The Men of the Deeps. T-062. Beaton Institute, Cape Breton University.