Lesson 13c. "Stretched Out and Swinging"

The melody of the favourite tune has been stretched so that each original measure is now two bars in length. This may slow down the tune but now there is more room for adding all kinds of stuff including longer arpeggio passages which do not have to be blistering in speed.

Section "A" establishes the stretched melody in a chord solo with some fills.

Section "B" consists of arpeggiated melodic enhancement and some 3 part harmonies.

Section "C" elaborates on the arpeggio theme with some 4 part harmonies.

Notice that the original melody appears to more or less have been abandoned. Players are invited to digress from this arrangement by adding any kind of performance enhancing nuances that they can think of. As an example, the chords can be played staccato or legato. A grace note slide into just about any note is a very typical guitar player's move. Imagination is the key to bringing this solo to life.



Lesson 13c cont'd. (pg2) "Stretched Out and Swinging"



Can there be more to this blizzard of activity? You betcha! If your penchant is the blues, any song regardless of its basic happy quality can have some of that. There are already some "blues" effects in this arrangement.