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Left Anderson and Bert Reynolds

Joni lost in murky music

Joni Mitchell, Monday, Pine Knob.
CLARKSTON, Mich. — Joni Mitchell has given blonder, blinder, as her music has darkened.
The current Mitchell batch tops in a great cascade of luminous curly locks, the brightest thing in the Pine Knob bowl.
The music that came from underneath it probed ever further into shadowy corners and around dark bends in the psyche.



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THE OLDEST song of her reworked *Don't Go* from the 1970s, opened up with a technopop arrangement and dashing guitar lines. Laid Love, also on that album, came close to segue, while *Nobody* Mitchell trading her guitar for piano, stepped moodily through the slow, murky rhythm.
So how does this all shape up, in the "music of souls" she once mapped on albums, even with traces of techno-pop synthesis?

Burt runs out of gas

Stroker Ace, starring Burt Reynolds, Jim Nabors, and Ned Beatty, Wednesday, Odeon Windsor.
By John Laycock
Star Entertainment Writer

Burt Reynolds, the Rent-a-Wreck of American caravans, has finally driven by good-old-boy charm flat into the ground.
Reynolds has sickened his way through the American south from *White Lightning* to *Smokey and the Bandit* and *Cannonball Run*, every mile taken less seriously than the last.
Any time a plot quirts wheek, Burt could give his ass-shocks grace-we'd know he's only fooling, y'all.

Here, though, what once passed as casual grace no longer just plain lags. If the movie were any more retained it wouldn't run through the projector.
In this one Burt has carried his redneck roughness — one of the NASCAR circus, racing against poor instead of state troopers, has still hauling up barn and car and brand under stadium lights — forget the discipline of a high-speed business.

The story has Burt trying to get out of his promotion contract with chick-pickup Ned Beatty's chain of restaurants, and into Last Anderson's virginal yet undeniably good books. I won't bother you with the plot because the movie doesn't have one, except as an excuse for disjointed ideas that leave the actor wandering who their characters are.
Last Anderson's grin and proper crotch don't certainly join better than Burt's last halloo bands, Daily Perish Ned Beatty, an actor of large revenues, sees very few of them to stay like a villain. Bubba Smith as his chauffeur can be re-viewed the same as the Empire State Building: He's big and he's there. Parker Stevenson as Burt's rival isn't over their reach.

Only Jim Nabors, now a thinner version of Slim Pickens that not by much one who Reynolds is put everywhere on the surface makes him a valuable source of American composure, and a good to Reynolds' off-the-off look-alikes.
Most of his low-octane movies, though, should have stayed in the stock car pits.
Deadly Force, starring Wings Hauser, Glade Plaz: Skyway.
Rogue policemen, like rage elephants, must die in series, because on movie screens they are indestructible.
Here, the Dirty Harry role has been assigned to soap opera referee Wings Hauser. Fans he defences

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