Alvin Lee & Ten Years Later - Ride On (1979)



- 1- Ain't Nothing Shakin' [Live]
- 2- Scat Encounter [Live]
- 3- Hey Joe [Live]
- 4- Going Home [Live]
- 5- Too Much
- 6- It's A Gas
- 7- Ride On Cowboy
- 8- Sittin' Here
- 9- Can't Sleep At Nite

Personnel includes:

Alvin Lee (quitar);

Mylon Lefevre (vocals);

George Harrison, Steve Winwood, Jim Capaldi, Ronnie Wood

Released by Robert Stigwood's RSO label, 1978's "Ride On" always struck me as kind of an odd coupling. Best know for pop and dance acts, signing Alvin Lee and Ten Years Later was definitely a little bit outside of the company's normal zone of artistic comfort. Be interesting to know what the behind the scenes story was.

Produced by Bill Halverson, the album offered up a mixture of five new studio numbers and four live tracks. Sporting the following liner note 'This is a true and faithful recording of Ten Years

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Later on stage with no overdubs or effects added.' the live performances were quite good thanks in large measure to support from drummer Tom Compton and bassist Mick Hawksworth. Lee and company sounded tight and displaying more energy and enthusiasm than you'd see on lots of the earlier Ten Years After catalog. Shame the credits didn't provide any information on the live performances - where, when, etc. While I liked the in-concert performances, for me the big surprises were the studio efforts which were far more commercial that I would have expected. --- Scott Blackerby (Reston, Virginia)

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