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## Racing Cars – 76 – 60, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert (DVD-Video)

Picture: C+    Sound: B-  
Extras: C    Concert: C+

Angel Air has issued a reunion concert with an early band that briefly signed with the Chrysalis Records label in the 1970s. Though they only issued three albums with them, the band known as Racing Cars still developed a following and even had some

hits. **76 – 60, 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert** brings back Gareth "Morty" Mortimer as lead singer and the other four original members in a concert with the usual reflections you get in such reunion deals.

The oddest thing is that they got a hit record out of a song inspired by Sidney Pollack's underrated **They Shoot Horses, Don't They?** About five years after the film was a critical and commercial success. It is not bad, but as for the band in general, they are good but not great. Fans will like this, but it will be nostalgia for others or just an outright surprise for those who associate Chrysalis with Pat Benatar and Blondie, the two acts that really put the label on the map.

The anamorphically enhanced 1.78 X 1 image is on the soft side and very likely not an HD taping, but color can be consistent and we have seen worse such productions. The Dolby Digital 5.1 mix is just active enough to qualify for its rating, though multi-channel does not sound like the intent of the original recording. The combination is passable. Extras include a text essay on the band, interviews and acoustic outtakes.

- Nicholas Sheffo



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