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01. *Two Of A Kind* (James "PeeWee" Madison) - 4:41 02. *Reconsider, Baby* (Lowell Fulson) - 4:37 03. *Everybody Has To Lose Sometime* (trad., arr. by James "PeeWee" Madison) - 8:20 04. *Blues With A Feeling* (Little Walter Jacobs) - 4:44 05. *How To Set Fire To An Elephant* (Ian Clyne) - 19:20 Personnel: - Phil Manning - guitar, vocals - Ian Clyne - organ - Mal Capewell - saxophone, flute - Barry Sullivan - bass - Barry Harvey - drums + - James "PeeWee" Madison - guitar, vocals - George "Mojo" Beauford - vocals, harmonica

Two Of A Kind was a comparatively low-key affair by Chain's standards. Of the four cuts featuring Madison and Beauford from Muddy's band, only the title track (written by Madison) and Little Walter's "Blues With A Feeling" provide any real excitement, despite the typically robust backing that Chain supplies. And some observers at the time found "Elephant" tediously self-indulgent. The album sold in only moderate numbers and by the time of its release in December, Chain had undergone further personnel shifts, Little Goose being the first to leave. He went on to considerable success with the Kevin Borich Express and later formed his own eponymous outfit. His replacement, Tony Lunt, was formerly drummer for Carson and Alta Mira, and he brought his bandmate, the in-demand keyboardist Mal Logan with him. However, this arrangement was short-lived and in July the mighty Chain was laid to rest. Chain's recorded legacy was fittingly commemorated with the fine double-LP compilation, *History Of Chain*, issued in December '74. --- milesago.com

Chain are an Australian blues band formed in Melbourne as The Chain in late 1968 with a lineup including guitarist, vocalist Phil Manning; they are sometimes known as Matt Taylor's Chain after lead singer-songwriter and harmonica player, Matt Taylor.

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