## Keyworth Ukulele Strummers

## How to Pluck (or scoop) Chords

When chords are **strummed** the strings are played **one after the other.** 

When chords are **plucked**, all four strings are played **simultaneously.** 

- G string Thumb
- C string Index finger
- E String Middle finger
- A String Ring finger

**To place the chord** - curl your **I**, **M** and **R** fingers around so that they are very slightly under the <u>right</u> side of the **C**, **E**, and **A** strings. The strings will be running across your fingertips. Keep your hand as relaxed as possible, curved as if around a tennis ball. Tuck the tip of your little finger, out of the way, behind your ring finger. Your **T**humb is placed on the <u>left</u> of the **G** string.

**To play the chord** - pull your fingers and thumb upwards, clear of the strings. Maintain the curved shape of your hand, ready to place the next chord.

- First practice plucking open strings
- Then practice plucking chords