LITTLE LARRIKIN

Music: 40 bar jig played ABABB.

For those not acquainted with Australianisms a larrikin is a hooligan.

This dance was dedicated to my youngest daughter Alice, when she was one year old and a little larrikin! She is now an elegant young lady

4 couples stand in a square set.

Figure 1

- 1 4 Commencing by facing partners all dance a quarter of a Petronella diamond.
- 5 8 The girls who are in the middle dance 4 hands across.
- 9 -12 All dance a quarter of a Petronella diamond (now in partner's place)
- 13-16 All turn partners by the right hand once round
- 17-20 All dance a quarter Petronella diamond.
- 21-24 Boys who are in the middle dance, 4 hands across (see diagram 1 for positions)

Diagram 1 Positions at end of Bar 24

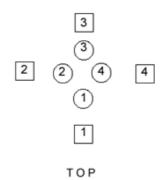


Figure 2

- 1 4 Couples 1 and 3 dance a half reel of four
- 5 8 Couples 2 and 4 dance a half reel of four
- 9 -12 Couples 1 and 3 dance a half reel of four
- 13-16 Couples 2 and 4 dance a half reel of four

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Figure 3

- 1 4 All turn partners by the left hand 1 turns to places
- 5 8 1st girl and 3rd boy dance a half figure of eight through the 4th couple whilst the 1st boy and 3rd girl do the same round the 2nd couple (see diagram 2)
- 9 -12 All turn partners once round by the right hand
- 13-16 1st and 3rd couples finish dancing their figures of eight back to places
- 17-20 All turn once by left hand
- 21-24 2nd girl and 4th boy, and 2nd boy and 4th girl dance a half figure of eight round the 1st and 3rd couples (diagram 3)
- 25-28 All turn partners by the left hand
- 29-32 2nd and 4th couples complete their figures of eight
- 33-40 Eight hands round and back.

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