

MacDonald of the Isles

32 bar Strathspey for three-couple sets

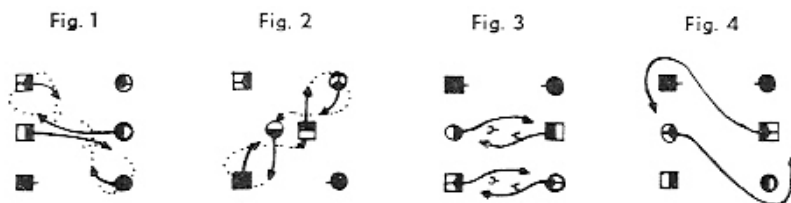


Fig. 1 Fig. 2 Fig. 4 Fig. 5

1-8 2nd couple dance a diagonal reel of four with 1st man and 3rd woman (see Fig.1) and finish dancing left shoulder round each other, ready for

9-16 A diagonal reel of four with 1st woman and 3rd man (see Fig.2). All finish in their original places.

17-18 1st couple cross, giving right hands, and

19-20 Change places with 2nd couple, giving left hands.

21-22 1st couple change places with 3rd couple, giving right hands, while 2nd couple, giving right hands, cross over at the top.

23-24 Giving left hands, 2nd couple change places with 3rd, while 1st cross over at the bottom, back to own sides.

(This figure is like a Grand Chain, with 2nd couple joining in on bar 19 and 3rd on bar 21.)

25-28 2nd and 3rd couples dance half right and left (see Fig.3).

29-32 3rd woman dances a half figure of eight round 1st woman, while 3rd man does the same round 2nd man (see Fig.4).

Repeat with a new couple leading.

Dance devised by Derek Haynes (Lancaster).

Tune: Carrick's Rant, also known as The Smith's a Gallant Fireman (Gow's 1st Rep. p.3, Athole Call. p.104, Kerr's Coll. p.7, Speyside, Book 1, p.20).

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