

Dances for October 24, 2011

Up to this point we have done dances with just skip change of step or the slipping step. This week we will start teaching a new step – Pas De Basque. We will start out slow and try to bring the step up to speed.

We will also review figures learned last week. The Findlay's Jig has an Allemande for three couples. Last week we did the Allemande for two couples. There are subtle differences but they are essentially the same. If time permits we will repeat Ecclefechan Feline from last week.

Here are the instructions for the dances we plan to cover this week.

THE FINDLAY'S JIG

32 bar jig for 3 couples

14 Social Dances for 2000, devised by Roy Goldring

Bars

1 – 8 1st couple lead down the middle and back finishing at the top in the centre. 2nd and 3rd couples step in on bar 8.

9 – 16 3 couple allemande.

17 – 20 1st couple dance in, face down and cast up to the top. 3rd and 2nd couples step down on 19-20.

21 – 24 2nd couple repeat bars 17-20. 1st and 3rd couples step down on bars 23-24.

25 – 32 6 hands round and back.

Repeat having passed a couple

Lassie Will Ye Come and Dance

A 32 bar jig for 3 Couples

J Trew, Let's All Dance

1-8 1st couple set twice, cross right hands and cast down

round 2nd couple on opposite sides. 2nd couple moves up on 7 & 8.

9-16.1 1st woman dances a figure of 8 round 2nd couple, passing 2nd woman by the right shoulder, while 1st man dances a figure of 8 round 3rd couple passing 3rd man right shoulders to begin. 1st couple finishes on opposite sides in 2nd place.

17-20 2nd, 1st, & 3rd C set twice with nearer hands joined on the sides.

21-24 1st couple turn with right hands 1 1/4 times to finish with 1st woman between 2nd couple and 1st man between 3rd couple.

25-28 1st woman with 2nd couple and 1st man with 3rd couple, set twice with nearer hands joined in threes across the set.

29-32 1st couple turn with right hands 1 1/4 times to finish on own sides in 2nd place.

ECCLEFECHAN FELINE

32 bar Jig for 3 couples

Bob McMurtry, Le Petit Chat Celtique

1 – 8 1st couple dance a figure of eight on their own side. 1st couple dance between the 2nd couple to begin, taking nearer hands briefly wherever possible.

9 – 16 1st, 2nd and 3rd couples dance a mirror reel of three on the sides, 1st couple dancing in and down, 2nd couple up and out and 3rd couple in and up to begin.

17 – 24 1st couple dance down for three steps, back for three steps and cast off one place, 2nd couple stepping up on bars 23 & 24.

25 – 28 1st man with 3rd couple and 1st woman with 2nd couple dance right hands across, passing right shoulders on the last bar to change places.

29 – 32 1st man with 2nd couple and 1st woman with 3rd couple dance left hands across. 1st couple finish in second place on own sides.

Repeat having passed a couple.