

Dances for April 15, 2019

Video: [Pelorus Jack](#)

Pelorus Jack

Book 41 – No. 1

1 – 4 1st couple, giving right hands, cross over and cast off to second place. 2nd couple step up on bars 3 – 4.

5 – 8 1st and 3rd couples dance right hands across to finish with 1st man facing his first corner and his partner behind him ready for a tandem reel.

9 – 12 1st couple, in tandem, dance a half reel with first corners as follows: 1st man, followed by his partner, passes right shoulder with 3rd woman then 1st couple each turn about by the right in corner position to change direction. 1st woman, followed by her partner, passes right shoulder with 2nd man to finish facing 1st man's second corner (2nd woman).

13 – 16 1st couple, in tandem, dance a half reel with second corners as follows: 1st woman, followed by her partner, passes right shoulder with 2nd woman then 1st couple each turn about by the right in corner position to change direction. 1st man, followed by his partner, passes right shoulder with 3rd man to finish facing 1st woman's first corner position (3rd woman).

17 – 20 1st couple, in tandem, dance a half reel with first

corners as follows: 1st man, followed by his partner, passes right shoulders with 3rd woman then 1st couple each turn about by the right in corner position to change direction. 1st woman, followed by her partner, passes right shoulder with 2nd man to finish facing the 1st woman's second corner position (2nd woman).

21 – 24 1st couple, in tandem, dance a half reel with second corners as follows: 1st woman, followed by her partner, passes right shoulder with 2nd woman then 1st couple each turn about by the right in corner position to change direction. 1st man, followed by his partner, passes right shoulder with 3rd man to finish in the middle of the set facing the women's side.

25 – 32 2nd and 1st couples dance left hands across. 1st couple, retaining left hands, dance a half turn to finish in second place on their own side. 2nd, 1st and 3rd couples, joining nearer hands, set.

Repeat, having passed a couple.

Pelorus Jack (named after Pelorus Sound in Marlborough) was a famous dolphin who piloted ships through Cook Strait for some 24 years (from 1888 to 1912). Although protected by an Act of Parliament in 1904, the dolphin disappeared after four Norwegian whaling ships passed through the Strait.

Devised by Barry Skelton, New Zealand, 1993.

Tune: Christian Catto (Copyright Deeay Music).

TACNotes:'

9–24 In each half reel the leading dancer dances beyond the corner position in order to loop together.

Video: [Cherrybank Gardens](#)

CHERRYBANK GARDENS

THE BANKHEAD BOOK, Part 1, Scottish Country Dances by JOHN DREWRY

December 1991

for Betty Keir of Perth to be used in promoting the "Tourist Trail"

Strathspey – 3-couple set – 32 bars

Tune – "Calluna" by J. Berry

1 – 4 1st and 2nd women and 1st and 2nd men, joining nearer hands, set and then "petronella in tandem" to finish facing down and up.

5 – 8 1st and 2nd women and 1st and 2nd men, joining nearer hands, set facing down and up and then "petronella in tandem" to finish on opposite sides in the order 2, 1.

9 – 12 2nd and 1st couples, joining nearer hands, set on opposite sides and then 2nd couple cross over giving right hands, while 1st couple cross over giving left hands.

13 – 16 1st woman dances right hands across with 2nd couple, while 1st man dances right hands across with 3rd couple. 1st couple finish in second place on own sides.

17 – 20 1st and 3rd couples, joining nearer hands on the sides, set and “link” to change places.

21 – 24 3rd and 1st couples dance four hands round to the left to finish with 3rd couple facing down and 1st couple facing up.

25 – 32 2nd, 3rd and 1st couples dance a grand chain.

Repeat with a new top couple.