Dances for March 4, 2024

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Ann Campbell — Who's Who in Toronto
A 32-bar Jig for three couples in a four-couple set

- 1-8 1st couple set, cast off one place, cross over giving right hands, and cast, 1st man round 3rd woman and 1st woman round 2nd man, to finish 1st woman between 2nd couple facing down and 1st man between 3rd couple facing up. 2nd couple step up on bars 3-4.
- 9-12 1st man with 3rd couple and 1st woman with 2nd couple advance and retire.
- 13 16 1st couple change places up and down giving right hands and cast to the right to finish in second place on opposite sides, while 2nd and 3rd men and 2nd and 3rd women turn giving right hands.
- 17-20 1st man with 2nd and 3rd women, and 1st woman with 2nd and 3rd men, advance and retire.
- 21 24 1st man dances a half figure of eight round second couple and 1st woman dances a half figure of eight round 3rd couple to finish in second place.
- 25 28 1st man dances right hands across with 3rd couple while 1st woman dances right hands across with 2nd couple. 1st couple pass by the right shoulder.
- 29 32 1st man dances left hands across with 2nd couple while 1st woman dances left hands across with 3rd couple. 1st couple finish in second place.

Repeat from new places.

Devised in October, 2004. Written to mark significant birthdays of Carole and Ron Bell.

Suggested Music: "The Dancing Bells"
Bobby Brown & The Scottish Accent
Celtic Fire in the Music (Disc 2, Track 2);

Video: Bedrule

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RSCDS Book XXXIII (Strathspey)

1—8 1st and 2nd women, and at the same time 1st and 2nd men, turn once round with both hands, opening out on the side lines and continuing into four hands round to the left and then 1st and 2nd couples turn partners once round to finish in the middle of the set, ready for promenade. On bar 8, 3rd couple dance in and take promenade hold.

9-16 1st, 2nd and 3rd couples promenade. On bars 15-16, 1st couple cast off to second place, while 2nd couple dance up to first place and 3rd couple return to original place.

17—20 1st and 3rd couples dance right hands across, finishing on the sidelines.

21—24 1st and 2nd couples dance left hands across, 1st couple finishing in second place facing down.

25—32 2nd, 1st and 3rd couples dance reels of three on the sides. 1st couple begin the reels by giving right shoulder to 3rd couple, and at the end they face down ready to repeat the dance.

Repeat, having passed a couple.

Devised by Betty Grant, Toronto, Ontario, 1984, in memory of

her great, great grandmother Elizabeth Turnbull Dickson who left her home, Bedrule, near Jedburgh, in 1834 to emigrate to Canada.

The Manual of Scottish Country Dancing:

Bar 20 1st woman dances into second place on her own side pulling her right shoulder back, to prepare for left hands across.

Bar 24 1st woman dances straight out to second place on her own side, to give right shoulder to 3rd woman as she enters the reels of three.

TACNotes:'

- 1-8 1st & 2nd cpls stay in the middle at end of bar 6, & flow into the 2H turns.
- 17-20 On bar 20, 1st woman turns R about into sidelines & faces up ready for LH across.
- 21-24 On bar 24, 1st woman dances into 2nd place, facing down, to enter reel with 3rd woman.
- 25-32 1st cpl finish facing down, 3rd cpl facing up, ready for bar 1 of repetition.