

Stargazers

32 bar strathspey for 3 couples in a 3-couple set

by Tim Wilson, 2009

- 1-6 1st couple **turn** with **both hands** once round, **dance down** between 3rd couple (nearer hands joined) and **cast up** to second place own side. 2nd couple step up on bars 5-6.
- 7-8 1st couple **turn** with **left hands** to face 2nd corners.
- 9-12 **Corners pass and turn:** 2nd corners **turn with right hands** in the center, 1st couple **pass each other by left** shoulders on bar 12 to face 1st corners.
- 13-16 **Corners pass and turn:** 1st corners **turn with right hands** in the center, 1st couple **pass each other by left** shoulders on bar 16 to face partner's 2nd corner (i.e. 1st woman faces 2nd woman, 1st man faces 3rd man).
- 17-18 1st couple **turn** partner's 2nd corner with **both hands** to finish in lines of three on the sides (order 2 1 3). **While** 1st corners **set** to one another on the diagonal.
- 19-22 All dance **back to back** with partner.
- 23-24 All **set to the right and set advancing to the left** to meet partner for:
- 25-32 Three-couple **allemande**.

Finish in order 3 1 2; new top couple ready to begin.

Music: Mor a' cheannaich (traditional)

Note: This dance was presented to Jane Turton and Michael Gregg on the occasion of their wedding on July 4, 2009. One can easily see the stars in their eyes when they look at one another. On top of that, Michael is an astronomer by profession.