

# On the Wallaby Track

## A 32 bar Hornpipe for Three Couples

<b>bars</b>	<b>description</b>
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<b>1 - 8</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> man dances "solo rights and lefts":
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1<sup>st</sup> man, giving right hands, change places with 1<sup>st</sup> woman

1<sup>st</sup> man, giving left hands, change places with 2<sup>nd</sup> woman

1<sup>st</sup> man, giving right hands, change places with 2<sup>nd</sup> man

1<sup>st</sup> man, giving left hands, turn 1<sup>st</sup> woman half way round

At the end, first couple retain nearer hands joined.

<b>9 - 12</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> couple dance across the set between 2 <sup>nd</sup> couple, separate, and then cast, 1 <sup>st</sup> man around 2 <sup>nd</sup> woman and 1 <sup>st</sup> woman around 2 <sup>nd</sup> man, back to the men's side of the dance.
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<b>13 - 16</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> couple dance across the set between 1 <sup>st</sup> couple, separate, and then cast, 2 <sup>nd</sup> man around 1 <sup>st</sup> woman and 2 <sup>nd</sup> woman around 1 <sup>st</sup> man, back to the women's side of the dance.
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<b>17 - 24</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> couples, joining nearer hands with partner, set and dance right hands across half way round. All change places with partner by dancing a half turn giving right hands, and then all chase one place clockwise. 1 <sup>st</sup> couple are now in second place on opposite sides and 2 <sup>nd</sup> couple are in first place on own side.
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<b>25 - 32</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> couple lead up one place, crossing over, and cast off one place. 1 <sup>st</sup> couple dance down through 3 <sup>rd</sup> couple and cast up to second place on own side.
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Repeat, having passed a couple.

*This dance is inscribed to Robert Davidson, Chairman of the Sydney Branch, R.S.C.D.S., 1999 & 2000. For an internet biography, Robert referred to "his patchy employment history and wayward nature". "On the wallaby track" is a strine expression which refers to the Australian swagman going from place to place looking for work.*

Suggested Music: Kirk's Hornpipe (*trad.*) as on "Kardinia Kapers", an album of Scottish Dance Music by David South and his Scottish Dance Band (Dal Segno Music, DSMCD-001)

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