The Ring Dance

by McMurree

A 32-bar reel for four couples in a square set

Bars

- 1 8 All four ladies advance and retire twice while men dance figures of eight around their partners and corners, dancing behind partners to start and finishing back in original places
- 9 12 Men turn partners 1 3/4 once around with right hand
- 13 14 Ladies dance four hands across left half-way while men chase 1/4 way around clockwise
- 15 16 Men turn lady facing him once around with right hand
- 17 20 Repeat bars 13-16
- 21 24 Repeat bars 13-16, finishing in promenade hold facing anti-clockwise, with lady on outside and men on inside
- 25 32 All promenade once around.

Repeat 3 times from new places with new partners.

This dance was devised for a demonstration on the Berne Spring dance in May 2001 by MCMURREE which stands for Marianne Gerber, Christine Beyeler, Mieke Schwenk, Ursula Schneeberger, Rosemay McGuigan, Robert Schwenk, Eva Schneeberger, Eveline Zbinden.