

The Wee Bairn's Noo Awa

32 reel for three couples in a four-couple longwise set

Bars	Description
1-8	1st couple cross and cast off one place, cross left hand, cast off another place, meet and lead up to centre in promenade hold.
9-16	1st couple dance a reel of three (right shoulder) with 2nd and 3rd ladies, except 1st lady crosses the set between 2nd and 3rd men on bar 13, and casts around 3rd man's position to meet her partner with a quick turn. 1's finish in the centre, facing up in promenade hold. (1st man has danced all 8 bars of the reel.)
17-24	1st couple dance a reel of three (left shoulder) with 2nd and 3rd men, except 1st man dances down the middle of the set on bar 21 and casts up around 3rd lady's place. 1's finish on opposite sides, in 2nd place. (1st lady has danced all 8 bars of the reel.)
25-32	While 2nd and 3rd couple set and cross right hands, and set and cross back, 1st couple dance up, cast off (on opposite sides), meet, dance down and cross over below 3rd place. Cast up into 2nd place, own sides. Repeat having passed a couple.

Music: The Mason's Apron

This dance was inspired by Carol and Peter Schut. They used to bring their young baby to class, and as he started crawling, he would sometimes stray. Carol and Peter would each take turns leaving the set to return the little one to his play area, or as happened the first time the dance was performed, pick him up, and rejoin the set in mid formation.

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E-cribs Team Comment:

- original instructions from the Wayback Machine on August 23, 2007;
- nothing has been changed in the description itself;
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