

# 26 The Platinum Jubilee

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



Bars	Description
1-2	1st couple lead down.
3-4	1st couple giving right hand cross over below 3rd couple and cast up to second place, 2nd couple step up.
5-6	1st couple set.
7-8	1st couple turn right hand halfway.
9-12	2nd, 1st and 3rd couples dance six hands halfway round to the left.
13-16	1st man with 2nd couple and 1st woman with 3rd couple dance left hands across.
17-20	3rd, 1st and 2nd couples dance six hands halfway round back to the right.
21-24	1st man with 3rd couple and 1st woman with 2nd couple dance right hands across.
25-26	1st couple petronella to finish 1st man between 3rd couple and 1st woman between 2nd couple.
27-28	1st couple set.
29-30	1st couple petronella to opposite sides to finish between 2nd and 3rd couples.
31-32	1st couple, giving left hands, cross down to third place to face in, 3rd couple step up. Finish in the order 2,3,1.

Devised by Stephen Webb, January 2022.

Three tunes gifted to Stephen Webb in May 2022 by composer the late John Renton, in the order to be played for this dance.

*Anne Newton's Strathspey*

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*Jeremy Newton's Strathspey*

In the year 2022, The Late, HM The Queen, then Patron of the RSCDS, celebrated her Platinum Jubilee. And for the Berkhamsted Strathspey & Reel Club it was its platinum year too. Coming in threes, Jeremy and Anne Newton, past-presidents (1983-1985 & 2021-2023 respectively), also shared in the celebrations with their 70th birthdays in May. This dance, with its depiction of threes in the patterns, commemorates that remarkable year. (*Photo of HRH The Queen, 1926-2022, taken on 18 July 2018*)

## Teaching notes:

Bars 1-2 1st couple dancing down to meet use long steps to reach the bottom of the set.

Bars 7-8 1st couple curve into second place to flow into six hands round halfway.

Bars 13-16 2nd and 3rd couples change direction on bar 13 to dance left hands across.

Similarly,

Bars 21-24 2nd and 3rd couples change direction on bar 21 to dance right hands across.

Bar 32 1st couple quarter turn about to face in ie the short way.

For information, progression order: 1/2/3, 2/3/1, 3/2/1, 1/2/3.

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