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| **The John Allen reel** | |
| 32 bar Reel for 3 couples in a 4-couple longwise set  Music: Any good Reel.  Such as: CD - “For Old Tymes Sake by Bobby Brown & The Scottish Accent Band”, Track 9. | |
| 1 – 8 | 1st couple dance on own side in 6 bars, a figure of eight, round 2nd and 3rd couples. 1st couple start dancing in and down. On bar 6, 1st couple finish in the middle in top place facing down nearer hands joined. On bars 6-8, 1st couple dance down to 2nd place finishing back-to-back facing own side. 2nd couple step up. |
| 9 – 16 | 1st couple with 2nd and 3rd couples dance **Rotating Double Triangles**.  9-10. 1st couple join hands with 2nd and 3rd couples and set.  11-12. 1st couple set round each other to back-to-back facing the opposite side **while** corners dance a petronella turn on the square one place anticlockwise.  13-14. 1st couple join hands with 2nd and 3rd couples and set.  15-16. 1st couple set round each other to 2nd place own side **while** corners dance a petronella turn on the square one place anticlockwise. Corners are now in the diagonally opposite corner on opposite sides. |
| 17 – 24 | 1st couple dance diagonal Right’s and Left’s with 2nd and 3rd couples. |
| 25 – 32 | 2nd, 1st, and 3rd couples dance six hands round and back. |
|  | 1st couple repeat dance from 2nd place. |
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| Devised by George Ferrier, November 2023. | |
| Dance was devised as a thank you to John who assisted in organising for many a year Mervyn Short’s week and weekend dancing holidays. It represents the coming together of people from “a’ the airts”, their friendship and joyful participation in the holidays. | |