

## The Warden's Wife

a reel in 32 bars for 3 couples in a longwise set  
recommended tune: Par for the Course (Dancing Fingers 5, Muriel Johnston)

- 1 - 4 1st couple cross over giving right hand and cast off on opposite sides  
(2nd couple step up on bars 3 and 4)
- 5 - 8 1st couple cross over giving left hand,  
lady cast up finishing between 2nd couple facing 2nd man,  
man cast off finishing between 3rd couple facing 3rd lady.
- 9 - 12 1st lady dance half a reel of three across the dance with 2nd couple,  
starting right shoulder to 2nd man  
while 1st man dance half a reel of three across the dance with 3rd  
couple, starting right shoulder to 3rd lady.  
Both finish in second place on own side facing out.
- 13 - 16 1st lady dance half a reel of three on own side with 2nd and 3rd man,  
starting right shoulder to 3rd man  
while 1st man dances half a reel of three on own side with 2nd and 3rd  
lady, starting right shoulder to 2nd lady.  
1st couple continue curving round to finish in second place on own sides  
facing each other.
- 17 - 24 3rd, 1st and 2nd couples dance "cross and rotate for three" as follows:
- 17-18 2nd and 3rd couple half right hand turn, while 1st couple dance  
two pas de basque turning on the spot about 3 quarters to the right.
- 19-20 All dance a quarter chase clockwise finishing facing partner up  
and down the dance.
- 21-22 All turn partner by the right hand half way round.
- 23-24 All dance a quarter chase clockwise back to own side
- 25 - 32 2nd 1st and 3rd couples dance six hands round to the left with 6 slip  
steps, pivot turn, and dance back to own side with 4 skip change of  
step.

*Repeat, having passed a couple*

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and dedicated to Ute Wieczorek,  
"The Warden's Wife" of the Youth Hostel Gemünd where the  
"Silvester Course" has taken place for the last 20 years  
and celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> Jubilee this year.