

Anne and Five Partners

A jig for five couples in a five couple set

Bars

- 1 - 4 1st lady and 3rd man, 3rd lady and 5th man set to each other then cast, ladies down and men up.
2nd and 4th ladies step up and 2nd and 4th men step down on bars 3 and 4.
- 5 - 8 1st lady and 3rd lady dance round 4th and 5th ladies respectively by the left shoulder (half figure of eight on the side) then dance across to face second corners. 3rd and 5th men dance similarly round 1st and 2nd men and finish facing second corners.
- 9 - 16 1st lady and 3rd man turn second corners with the right hand, each other with the left hand, first corners with the right hand and each other with the left hand. 3rd lady and 5th man dance similarly with their corners.
1st lady finish facing 2nd lady, 3rd lady facing 4th lady, 3rd man facing 2nd man and 5th man facing 4th man.
- 17 - 24 1st lady and 3rd man dance a diagonal reel of four with 2nd couple while 3rd lady and 5th man dance similarly with 4th couple.
1st lady finish facing 4th lady, 3rd lady facing 5th lady, 3rd man facing 1st man and 5th man facing 2nd man.
- 25 - 32 1st lady and 3rd man dance a diagonal reel of four with 4th lady and 1st man while 3rd lady and 5th man dance similarly with 5th lady and 2nd man.
1st lady, 3rd lady, 3rd man and 5th man finish facing second corners.
- 33 - 40 1st lady and 3rd man set to second corners, pull back right shoulders on bar 34 to face each other up and down the dance (as in set to corners and partner) then set to each other and turn with the right hand once and a quarter to face first corners. 3rd lady and 5th man dance similarly with their second corners.
- 41 - 44 1st lady and 3rd man set to first corners, pull back right shoulders on bar 42 to face each other across the dance on opposite sides (as in set to corners and partner) then set to each other. 3rd lady and 5th man dance similarly with their first corners.
- 45 - 48 1st lady and 3rd man, 3rd lady and 5th man cross giving right hands and cast, ladies down and men up.
4th and 5th ladies step up while 1st and 2nd men step down on bars 47 and 48.
Finish in the order 2,4,1,5,3 on the ladies' side and 3,1,5,2,4 on the men's side.

Repeat with a new partner. After five turns all dancers will have danced from each position and with five different partners.

This dance can also be danced by three couples in a three couple set with a similar progression and change of partners.

A dance presented to Anne Walker, RSCDS Western Australia Branch, on the occasion of a significant birthday.