

Bannockburn

A 4 x 32 bar Reel, for 4 couples in a square set.

NB It is possible to do this dance with only **three** couples, or even **five** couples standing in a small circle.
See Figure 1.

Bars

- 1- 8 All four couples **clap hands** for the first two bars: 1, 2, 3 and 4
- All four couples skip **four steps to the centre** of the set for two bars, raise their right hands up in the centre on four and hooch (Scottish for yell), or say “Hi!”
- All skip **four steps backwards to place** for two bars and then clap hands for two bars: 1, 2, 3 and 4 and finish facing partners.
- 9 – 16 All the 1s pass their partner by the left shoulder and do sixteen **skips all the way round the outside of the set** and back to place to face their partner.
- 17 – 24 All the 2s pass their partners by the right shoulders and do sixteen **skips all the way round the outside of the set** and back to place.
- All four couples finish facing in to the centre.
- 25 – 32 All four couples join hands with the person beside them and **circle round to the left for eight slip steps** (or just walk, or face round and march by themselves) **and back** to place for eight steps.
- Repeat the dance another three times through.

Music: “Clapyerhands” CD Track 4

Teaching Point: Co-ordinating movement for bars 1 to 8

Notes: Bars 1 to 8 show the men of a “Hedgehog” (see page 16) boosting their morale.
Bars 9 to 24 show them making sure that their “Hedgehog” has no weak points
Bars 25 to 32 show them confident that their strategy will be successful.