

THE DANCING CLOWN

(S32x8) 2C (4C set) , Méaudre Reel 2026
devised by Sophie Marchand

Cette danse a été créée à l'occasion des 70 ans de Gérard, danseur au Méaudre Reel depuis plusieurs années. J'ai beaucoup d'affection et d'admiration pour Gérard, un clown au grand coeur, laissant toujours les problèmes de côté pour n'afficher qu'un regard espiègle et un sourire malicieux. Gérard, clown mais aussi acrobate, ne rate jamais une occasion de montrer ses talents, avec ou sans kilt. Ses tours et spectacles sont toujours plein de poésie, d'où ce strathspey plein de charme, élégance et moments magiques.

This dance was devised for the 70th birthday of Gérard, who has been dancing with the Méaudre Reel for many years. I have great affection and admiration for Gérard, a clown with a big heart, who always sets aside his troubles to show only a mischievous look and a playful smile. Gérard, a clown but also an acrobat, never misses an opportunity to show his talents, with or without a kilt. His tricks and performances are always filled with poetry, hence this strathspey full of charm, elegance and magic moments.

- 1- 8 1s set advancing and dance a full turn with both hands
 1s dance down between 2s and cast up to dance back to 1st place
- 9-16 1s and 2s dance a Bourrel
 1M and 2L set advancing, dance a 3/4 turn with both hands and twirl to end back to back in the middle of the set (lady facing up and man down), while partners chase anticlockwise to face partner
 1s and 2s set to partner and turn RH back to own sides
- 17-24 2s and 1s dance half a turn LH and twirl to opposite side (pulling back LSh)
 2s and 1s dance 4 hands round to the right
- 25-32 2s and 1s dance half a turn RH and twirl to own side (pulling back RSh)
 2s and 1s dance 4 hands round to the left

Anne and Gérard, 2 clowns wearing a kilt to dance, mime and sing during the Burns Night, January 2026
Anne et Gérard, 2 clowns en kilt pour danser, mimer et chanter lors de la Burns Night de janvier 2026

