The McTurk

A medley of 3x32 bars strathspey and 3x32 bars reel

for three couples in a longwise set

Devised by John Tyler

For Cos Ahmet.

Bars	*Description*
1-4	1st couple turn right hand and cast off one place as 2nd couple step up.
5-8	1st couple turn left hand to face their 1st corners.
9-16	The McTurk Movement: 1st couple and their 1st corners pass right shoulder and face on the diagonal. 1st couple and their 1st corners half turn right hand and face on the diagonal. 1st couple and their 1st corners dance half a right shoulder diagonal reel of four. 1st couple end passing left shoulder to face their 2nd corners.
17-24	1st couple repeat the McTurk Movement with their 2nd corners and end facing each other across the set in 2nd place. All are on the opposite side in the order 3,1,2.
25-28	1st couple turn right hand once round while 3rd and 2nd couples dance half way round clockwise to their own side.
29-32	2nd, 1st and 3rd couples set on the side. 1st couple cross down left hands to 3rd place on their own side as 3rd couple step up.
	Repeat twice from new places in strathspey time, then three more times in reel time.

Music

The Iona Cross: Special Requests Volume 2 (track 4) by The Colin Dewar Quartet.



Barrie Gabbott, Ashley Weller and Cos Ahmet

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Cos was later our regular London class teacher for a while