

Evening Primrose

A 32 bar jig for four couples in a longwise set.

This dance is for Hester Wallington, a very faithful participant of the Gay Gordons residential dance weeks. Hester lives on a narrow boat called Evening Primrose which is also home to a large number of guinea pigs who run all around it.

Bars Description

- 1-8 All dance mirror reels of four on the sides, 1st and 3rd couples start dancing down and in while 2nd and 4th couples start up and out.
- 9-12 1st with 2nd couples, also 3rd with 4th couples, dance half double figures of eight.
- 13-16 1st and 3rd couples each take promenade hold and dance half reels of three across with 2nd and 4th couples respectively, starting by giving left shoulder to 2nd and 4th men (who are currently on the womens side).
- 17-20 1st and 3rd couples dance right hands across with 2nd and 4th men who end in 1st and 3rd places.
- 21-24 1st and 3rd couples dance left hands across with 2nd and 4th women who end in 1st and 3rd places while 1st and 3rd couples end in the centre facing up with left hands joined.
- 25-28 1st and 3rd couples lead up to the top with the left hand, cross and cast down to 4th and 2nd places on opposite sides.
- 29-32 1st and 3rd couples, giving right hands, turn one and a half times to end facing out on their own sides ready to start again. The progressed order is 2,3,4,1.

Music

- Suggested tune: Jean Ireland (Jimmy Shand, Senior).
- Suitable recording: The Craven Jig (Marian Anderson and her SDB: Dancers Choice 1).

Hester

