## A Holywood Production

A 32 bar strathspey for three couples in a longwise set. The dance starts with 2 nd and 3 rd couples setting the scene. 1 st couple only make their entrance on bar 5 . 1 st couple's path in bars 9-16 is very like the "pass half round" figure. The "push-me pull-you" reels in bars 17-24 were devised by Terry Glasspool in Back To Back (An Itch to Dance).

The dance is for Patrick Brunskill who is responsible for filming, editing and occasionally appearing in the excellent series of Belfast Branch videos (many thanks also to the other members of their demonstration team). Patrick lives in the Holywood district of Belfast which is pronounced exactly like the more famous film district of Los Angeles.

## Bars Description

1-4 2nd and 3rd couples dance mirror set and link: 2nd couple dance down the centre, touching nearer hands, as 3 rd couple cast up. 1st couple stand.

5-8 1 st and 3 rd couples dance mirror set and link: 1 st couple dance down, touching nearer hands, to end facing out in 2 nd place as 3 rd couple cast up. The order is now 3,1,2.

9-12 1 st couple cast to their right around 3 rd corners and come in to face each other on the 2 nd corner diagonal, briefly taking both hands.
Meanwhile 3rd and 2nd couples advance diagonally, briefly taking hands in a circle (1st corners offering their hands palm up) and retire to place.

13-16 1 st couple pull right shoulder back and cast to their right around 2 nd corners to end in 2 nd place facing in.
Meanwhile 3rd and 2nd couples again advance and retire as in bars 9-12 and end facing down and up on the sides.

17-24 All dance "push-me pull-you" reels on the sides. 1 st couple follow the track of a left shoulder reel of three while 3 rd and 2 nd couples dance back to back on the sides twice, first passing left shoulder on bar 17, then right shoulder on bar 21. 1 st couple end on the centre line, right shoulder to each other, 1 st man below 1 st woman.

25-28 1 st woman with 3 rd couple at the top and 1 st man with 2 nd couple at the bottom dance left hands across. At the end 1st couple pass left shoulder to face each other up and down on the centre line, 1 st man above 1 st woman.

29-32 1 st couple set to each other then turn three quarters with both hands to end on the sidelines in the order 3,1,2.

## Music

- Suggested tune: J Scott Skinner (J Murdoch Henderson).
- Suitable recording: The Sands of Forvie (Keith Smith and Muriel Johnstone: Vintage Goldring).


## Diagrams (music at the bottom)

| Bars 9-12 | Bars 13-16 | Bars 17-18 | Bars 19-20 | Bars 21-22 | Bars 23-24 | Bar 25 |
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