

# Yewbarrow

A 32 bar strathspey for three couples in a triangular set.

- 1-2 1st couple half turn with the right hand.
- 3-8 All dance a triangular espagnole-like figure:
- 3-4: 1st couple cross down by the right hand to end in 3rd woman and 2nd mans places while 2nd and 3rd couples cast up one position. 2nd woman and 3rd man end in 1st place facing down, 2nd man and 1st woman, also 3rd woman and 1st man are facing each other in 2nd and 3rd places respectively.
  - 5-6: All repeat bars 3-4 from new places. 2nd man and 3rd woman cast up again to end in 1st place.
  - 7-8: All repeat bars 3-4 again but with 2nd man and 3rd woman crossing down by the left hand (woman in front). 1st couple end coming in to face down in the centre with nearer hands joined. 2nd and 3rd couples end in swapped places with the men now having their partner on their left.
- 9-12 1st man dances left hands across with 3rd couple (in 2nd place) as 1st woman dances right hands across with 2nd couple (in 3rd place).
- 13-16 All continue the hands across but each pair cross over into the other hands across with those coming from the right hands across taking precedence (1st woman before 1st man, 2nd woman before 3rd man, but 2nd man before 3rd woman). 1st couple end facing down with right hands joined.
- 17-20 1st couple cross out of the bottom of the set (between 2nd man and 3rd woman) and cast up back to original places.
- 21-24 The men dance left hands across two thirds of the way round while the women all chase one third of the way round clockwise. Then all turn partners with the right hand and end facing them around the set in progressed places 3,1,2.
- 25-32 All dance interlocking reels of four around the set starting by passing partner by the right shoulder.

## Music:

- To be decided!

Yewbarrow (Wasdale, Cumbria)  
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