

The River Ness

Tune The River Ness

5 x 32 bar reel

A reel for five couples in a longwise set

Bars

1 - 8 1st and 2nd women also 3rd and 4th women turn halfway with the left hand while 1st and 2nd men also 3rd and 4th men turn halfway with the right hand. 1st couple finish back to back in the centre in second place, facing their own sides, 3rd couple back to back in the centre in fourth place, facing their own sides.

Joining hands all five couples dance six bars of double triangles.

1st and 3rd couples finish facing their first corners.

9 - 16 1st and 3rd couples dance corners pass and turn with first corners, pass right shoulders to face second corners, dance corners pass and turn with second corners, and pass right shoulders to finish

1st woman between 2nd couple facing 2nd woman across the set

1st man and 3rd woman back to back in the centre between 4th couple

1st man facing 4th man, 3rd woman facing 4th woman and

3rd man between 5th couple facing 5th man across the set. (Fig 1)

17 - 24 Right shoulder reels across the dance:

1st woman dances a reel of three with 2nd couple

1st man and 3rd woman dance a reel of four with 4th couple

3rd man dances a reel of three with 5th couple

At the end of the reel of four, passing left shoulders, 1st man dances up, 3rd woman dances down, to finish with 1st and 3rd couples in a line of four in the centre, men facing up, women facing down. (Fig 2)

25 - 32 1st and 3rd couples giving right hands turn three quarters round, cast off one place on the opposite sides, and turn with the right hand one and a half times to own sides to finish in the order 2, 4, 1, 5, 3.
4th and 5th couples step up on bars 27 & 28.

Repeat from new positions.

5 3 5

4 3 1 4

2 1 2

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Fig 1

5 3 5

4 3 4

2 1 2

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Fig 2

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