

David Yaffe's Jig

32-bar jig for three couples

1-16 Tandem crossover reels of three

1-8 1st woman, followed by her partner, dances a reel of three with 2nd and 3rd men. She dances down to give left shoulder to 3rd man to begin.

9-16 1st woman, still followed by her partner, dances a reel of three with 2nd and 3rd women. She dances down to give right shoulder to 3rd woman to begin. 1st couple finishes at the top facing down, right hand in right hand, with woman on the man's right.

17-24 1st couple leads down for two bars; then, still dancing down, the man lifts his arm to turn woman under it in front of him as he dances behind her (she pulls back her right shoulder as she does so). They then dance back up on their own sides to end facing each other with both hands joined.

25-32 2nd couple steps in to join them in a poussette to change places.

Repeat, having passed a couple.

Music: The Sailor's Wife by Neil Gow

Devised in 1997 in honor of David Yaffe, a long-time member of the Baltimore Scottish Country Dancers, who put his name down on the dance-request sheet for our holiday party instead of the class sign-in sheet. Seeing this new dance called David Yaffe, I could not resist.