The Electric Brae (5x32 strathspey)

1 – 8 1s and 2s double figure of eight (start-1s cast and 2s cross up. 1s finish facing out)

WHILE

3s, 4s and 5s mirror reels (and a bit!) of 3 on the side taking hands when they meet (5s in and up to start. 5s finish in middle between 4th and 5th place near hands joined while the 4s finish in 5th and the 3s in 4th place)

9 -12 1s and 2s turn on side once round (1s going outside, 1 Lady RH, 1 Man LH-1s finish in original place, 2s nhj facing up in the middle)

WHILE

5s using spare hand RHA on ladies' side and LHA on men's side (finish 3s and 4s in 4th and 5th place and 5s nhj facing up behind the 2s)

2s followed by the 5s dance up through the 1s and cast, 2s to 3rd place and 5s to 2nd place

WHILE

3s & 4s set and link to change places

- 17-20 1s and 5s (& 4s and 3s) 3/4 turn 2 hands, face up and down in line in the middle and set
- 21-28 1s and 5s (& 4s and 3s) half a Celtic reel movement. (This is very slow)

21-22 1s and 5s (& 4s and 3s) pass partner Rsh

23-24 1M (& 4M) and 5L (& 3L) dance c/wise WHILE 1L (& 4L) and 5M (& 3M) dance 3/4 Lsh round each other to face partner in line across

25-26 1s and 5s (& 4s and 3s) pass partner Rsh

27-28 1L and 5M (& 4L and 3M) dance c/wise WHILE 1M and 5L (& 4M and 3L) dance 3/4 Lsh round each other to face partner in a line up and down

- 29-30 1s and 5s (& 4s and 3s) 3/4 turn 2 hands (to side lines having changed places)
- 31-32 All 5 couples set

Finish 5,1,2,3,4.

Suggested music :- Far North Queensland (The Other Kangaroo Paw- Marian Anderson) or Anita's Dance (Birmingham Diamond Jubilee-George Meikle)

This dance was inspired by visiting the Electric Brae in Ayrshire on our 2018 branch trip. We watched water poured onto the road, swirl slowly around and then trickle in what "appeared" to be the wrong direction! We then sat on our coach and rolled backwards uphill!!!

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