The Eight-Hand Reel, Cor Ochtair

An 11-1/4 x 32 bar reel for a square set of 4 couples.

(First make people aware of their partner, corner, contra-corner, and opposite).

(16) Opening: Lead Around & Back.

(80) Body: Slipsides, Chain Home, Side Across, Return Chain, Men Go Back to Back, Around the House.

- (8) Slipsides to change places with your partner and the next dancer (your contra corner). Finish a quarter of the way around the set, (men have moved Right, ladies Left).
- (8) Chain home:
 - (2) Men turn the lady on your Right (your opposite) and face back home.
 - (4) Chain home.
 - (2) Turn partner in place.
- (32) Side Across: 7s & 3s.
 - (4) Head men face Right and change places with a sidestep. Pass face to face. Set. (You are now next to your opposite.)
 - (4) Side men the same.
 - (8) Men turn the lady on your Right (who is your original opposite) 1-1/2 by the Right and then your original corner by the Left. Men finish one place Left of home. Ladies need to anchor themselves at home.
 - (16) Repeat but turn the lady on your Right once by the Left hand then turn your partner to by the Right to finish (she is in the other direction around the set).
- (16) Return Chain: Give *LEFT* hand to your contra corner to start.
- (8) Men Go Back to Back: Heads with sides on their Right.
- (8) Around the House with the couple <u>not</u> danced with.
- (32) 1st Figure: Advance & Retire twice and Around the House. First heads, then sides.

- (80) Body: Slipsides, Chain Home, Side Across, Return Chain, Men Go Back to Back, Around the House.
- (32) 2nd Figure: Ladies' Chain and Around the House Heads, then sides.
- (80) Body: Slipsides, Chain Home, Side Across, Return Chain, Men Go Back to Back, Around the House.
- (40) Closing:
 - (32) **Bend the Ring & Circle.**
 - (8) **Lead Around** to place.

Caller's Notes for The Eight-Hand Reel:

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- (32) 1st Figure: Advance & Retire and Around the House.
- (80) Body: Slipsides, Chain Home, Side Across, Return Chain, Men Go Back to Back, Around the House.
- (32) 2nd Figure: Ladies Chain, Around the House.
- (80) Body: Slipsides, Chain Home, Side Across, Return Chain, Men Go Back to Back, Around the House.
- (40) Closing: **Bend the Ring & Circle, Lead Around** to place.