Fairweather

Mary Devlin (July 2007)

Longways duple minor

Tune: "Fairweather" © 2000 by Dave Bartley

Recorded on Bag o'Tricks / Tricky Brits CD, 2nd track, 2nd tune

A1

- 1-4 1s dance right shoulder around neighbor & back to place
- 5-8 Neighbor right-hand turn 1 1/2

A2

- 1-4 2s dance right should around (same) neighbor & back to place into...
- 5-6 All single file circle left 1/2
- 7-8 (with hands) Fall back with neighbor

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- 1-4 All dance forward, cross right shoulder with partner & turn right to face
- 5-8 Partners back to back
- 9-12 Set to partner & turn single
- 13-14 Circle left 1/2 &...
- 15-16 (keeping partner's hand & dropping neighbor's) 2nd diagonals lead partner into a curve round to the left to face new neighbors (like a 2-hand turn halfway, but done with only one hand connected)

Notes:

Note who the 2nd diagonals are at beginning of teaching

Needs some space up & down to allow the end figure to curve nicely

A parts – those dancing round their neighbors move in parallel with their partner; those being danced round remain still and in place

A2 – single file circle may need prompting to remind the 1s to move into it

The tune needs to be played slower than it is on the recording; ask musicians to play it as a relaxed jig. The dance should not feel rushed.

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