



THE BOB O' FOOTDEE

Devised by John Drewry between 1972 and 1982

Reel - 4 couples - 32 bars

Tune - "Sord Colmeille" or
"Jenny Lind" - Allan's Collection of Reels, Strathspeys and
General Dance Music, page 46

In this dance 3rd and 4th couples start on opposite sides.

BARS DESCRIPTION

- 1-2 1st couple turn with the right hand half way round moving down to second place where they face up with nearer hands joined.
 2nd couple dance up on the sides to first place and then in to join nearer hands facing down;
 3rd couple dance down on the sides to fourth place and then in to join nearer hands facing up;
 4th couple turn with right hand half way round moving up to third place where they face down with nearer hands joined;
 (Each man now has his partner on his left).
- 3-8 1st and 2nd couples set and then dance right hands across once round to finish in the side lines with 2nd couple in first place on own sides and 1st couple in second place on opposite sides.
 3rd and 4th couples dance similarly to finish with 4th couple in third place on own sides and 3rd couple in fourth place on opposite sides.
- 9-12 1st and 4th couples, giving right hands to partners, cross over and then, joining nearer hands on the sides, set to partners.
- 13-16 1st and 4th couples repeat bars 9-12.
- 17-20 1st couple, joining nearer hands, dance up between 2nd couple and cast off to second place on opposite sides.
 4th couple, similarly, dance down between 3rd couple and cast up to third place on own sides.



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| 21-24 | <p>2nd couple, in first place, turn once round with right hand and finish with right hands still joined ready to dance into the next figure.</p> <p>1st man and 4th woman turn with the right hand one and a half times on the women's side. At the end, 1st man turns towards 4th woman to join nearer hands with her for an instant facing out.</p> <p>1st woman and 4th man turn similarly on the men's side to finish facing out.</p> <p>3rd couple, in fourth place on opposite sides, turn once round with the right hand and finish with right hands still joined.</p> |
| 25-32 | <p>2nd couple with 4th couple and 1st couple with 3rd couple dance double figures of eight across the dance.</p> <p>To begin:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">2nd couple dance down crossing over;4th couple dance out and up;1st couple dance out and down;3rd couple dance up crossing over. <p>The finishing order is 2, 4, 1, 3.</p> |

Repeat from new positions

NOTE Footdee (pronounced "FITTEE") was originally a fishing village on the north shore of the mouth of the River Dee. It has long been absorbed into the City of Aberdeen.

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