

## RSCDS Sheffield Branch Social Dance

Chosen by Alison Harries and Alison Moore. Dancing to recorded music. **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026. 7:30-11:00 pm.**  
**St John's Church Hall, Abbeydale Road South, Sheffield S17 3LE. £6 (£5 for RSCDS members), paid in arrears.**

### YAN TAN TETHERA (J8x32) 3C (4C set)

- 1- 8 1s cross RH, cast 1 place, 1L dances a 1/2 Fig of 8 round 2s **while** 1M dances 1/2 Fig of 8 round 3s
- 9-24 1s dance Corner Chain with 1st & 2nd corners : -  
`1s change pl RH with 1st cmrs, 1st cmrs turn LH in centre & return to places giving RH to 1s who turn LH in centre to face 2nd cmrs  
`1s change places RH with 2nd cmrs, 2nd cmrs turn LH in centre & return to places giving RH to 1s & 1s end turning LH 3/4 to face 1st corner
- 25-32 1s dance reels of 3 on opposite sides giving LSh to 1st comers & cross to 2nd place own sides

### A TRIP TO BAVARIA (R4x32) 4C set

- 1- 4 1s & 4s cross RH **while** 2s+3s dance 1/2 RH across, 1s+3s & 2s+4s change places LH on sides
- 5-16 Repeat 1-4 another 3 times (end cpls cross RH, middle cpls 1/2 RH across; cpls in 1st+2nd place **also** 3rd+4th place change places LH) All finish in original places
- 17-24 1s set to 2s & cross over to face 3s (2s dance up), set & cross to face 4s (3s dance up)
- 25-32 1s set to 4s & cross over to 4th place on opposite sides (4s dance up), all Adv+Ret 2 steps & 1s change places RH (2H popular) to retire to own sides

### LINNEA'S STRATHSPEY (S8x32) 3C (4C set)

- 1- 8 1s set & cast 1 place, 1s cross passing LSh & cast RSh round 1st corners into face them
- 9-16 1s dance 'Hello-Goodbye' setting & end passing RSh to face out in 2nd place own sides
- 17-24 Promenade (Chaperoned) Chain progression:  
`17-18 2s & 3s 3/4 turn partner RH into middle **while** 1s dance clockwise 1/4 round the set picking up 2L/3M ...  
`19-22 who promenade 1/2 way clockwise **while** middle people (2M + 3L) turn LH 1.1/2.  
`23-24 2s & 3s turn partner RH 3/4 to own sides **while** 1s dance clockwise 1/4 round to end in 2nd place, all 3 couples in middle facing up 3 1 2
- 25-32 3s+1s+2s dance Allemande

### FAREWELL TO BALFOUR ROAD (J1x96) 5C set

- 1- 8 1s+2s circle 4H round & back
- 9-16 1s+2s Set+Link; 1s+3s Set+Link
- 17-24 **\*2s start\* while** 1s+4s+5s dance mirror reels of 3 on sides (1s in/down, 5s in/up to start)
- 25-32 1s set, cross down RH to 4th place (4s step up); 1s set, cross down LH to 5th place (5s step up)  
*\*New top couple start every 16 bars. Repeat until 1s back in 1st place, they stand for 16 bars while 5s continue bars 17-32 ending back in 5th place\**

### SWIRLING AND TWIRLING LEAVES (J8x32) 3C (4C set)

- 1- 8 1s+2s set, dance 1/2 RH across. 2M followed by 2L casts, crosses below 3s to 3rd place own side (1s+3s step up 7-8)
- 9-16 1s+3s set, dance 1/2 LH across. 3L followed by 3M casts, crosses below 2s (3rd place) to original places (1s+2s step up 15-16)
- 17-24 1s set, dance in & cast, meet below 3s & dance up to 2nd place in middle (2s step up 21-22)
- 25-28 1M+2M+3M dance LH across **as** 1L+2L+3L dance RH across

- 29-32 1s dance up, cast to 2nd place own side

### CITY OF BELFAST (S3x32) 3C set

- 1- 8 1s dance 1/2 Fig of 8 round 2s, 1L+2M turn RH 1.1/4 times **while** 1M+2L turn LH 1.1/4 times & 1s end BtoB facing opp sides
- 9-16 1s+2s dance reel of 4 across in 2nd place. 2s end in 1st places **while** 1s pass LSh to face 1st corners
- 17-24 1s set to 1st corner & 2nd corner ending (turning to right) between corners, all set & 1s cross RH
- 25-32 1s+3s dance Espagnole:-  
`25-26 1s+3s cross (Ladies lead across RH passing between Men) with Ladies changing places RH  
`27-28 1s+3s cross back (Men lead across RH between Ladies) with Men changing places RH  
`29-32 3s turn RH as 1s turn LH to end 2 3 1

### THE TATTIE BOGLE (J8x32) 3C (4C set)

- 1- 8 1s set, cross down RH & face partner, set & turn LH to face 1st corners
- 9-16 1s set to 1st corners, full turn corner RH to dance 1/2 diagonal reel of 4 with 1st corners & pass LSh to face 2nd corners
- 17-24 1s set to 2nd corners, full turn corner RH to dance a 1/2 diagonal reel of 4 with 2nd corners & into centre
- 25-32 1M dances RH across with 3s (in 1st place) & 1L dances with 2s, 1s end in 2nd place opposite sides & 2s+1s+3s chase clockwise 1/2 way

### ALISON ROSE (S4x32) 4C set

- 1- 8 1s lead down to bottom, all set & circle 8H round to left 2 places (end with Men at top of dance & Ladies at bottom)
- 9-16 Men dance LH across & Ladies RH across once round, continue but change places with partner when passing thru middle in order 1 4 3 2
- 17-24 As 1s (+4s+3s+2s) meet again (Men drop RH) & leads his prtnr round to end 1s (followed by 4s+3s+2s) leading up to top, all 1/2 turning RH into...
- 25-32 All dance Allemande ending 2 3 4 1

### HARROGATE HAT DANCE (R8x32) 3C (4C set)

- 1- 8 1s dance down between 2s out between 2s & 3s & around 3s, back up to top & cast to 2nd place (2s step up on 7 & 8)
- 9-12 **2s & 1s Allemande LEFT**  
(2s & 1s advance for 1 (giving L hand to partner) ladies turn under men's arms & curve to the L back to place as men retire)
- 13-16 2s & 1s LH across
- 17-20 1s & 3s repeat 9-12 but **Allemande RIGHT**
- 21-24 1s & 3s RH across
- 25-32 2s, 1s & 3s circle round and back

### Interval

### THE ZOOLOGIST (J8x32) 3C (4C set)

- 1- 8 1s cross down between 2s+3s & cast to right to face 2L/3M, dance 1/2 LSh reel of 3 across (1L with 2s, 1M with 3s) & end facing 1st corner (pstrn)
- 9-16 1s dance 1/2 diagonal reel of 4 & pass RSh to face 2nd corner (pstrn), 1s dance 1/2 diagonal reel & end in double triangle positions (facing opp sides)
- 17-24 1s dance Double Triangles & end in middle facing opposite sides RSh to RSh
- 25-32 1s dance LH across (M with 3s at top & L with 2s), 1M followed by 3M+3L **also** 1L followed by 2L+2M pass RSh diagonally across to change ends & loop round to right to end on own sides. 2 1 3

**SANDS OF MORAR (S8x32) 3C (4C set)**

- 1- 8 1s dance Fig of 8 round 2s giving hands when possible
- 9-16 1s dance reflection reels of 3 on own sides (1s dance down between 2s to begin)
- 17-24 1s turn 2H & dance down middle to 3rd pl **as** 2s+3s continue reel & dance down behind 1s, all set & 1s followed by 2s+3s cast up to orig pls
- 25-32 1s+2s dance the Tourbillon : -  
 `1s & 2s turn partners 2H 1/2 way, 1M & 2L lead partners on 1 place clockwise to end 1s on Ladies side & 2s on Men's side, 1s set to 2s  
 `1s & 2s 1/2 turn partners 2H, 1L & 2M lead partners on 1 place to end 2s in 1st pl & 1s in 2nd pl & 2s+1s cross RH to own sides. 2 1 3

**BLUE JOHN REEL (R8x32) 3C (4C set) Sheaf 4\*\***

- 1-8 1s turn RH. 1s cast to 2nd pl. (2s step up 5-6), 2s + 3s petronella to line up and down centre **whilst** 1s set and turn ¼ to L (1W faces down, 1M up).
- 9-16 2s, 1s & 3s dance a weasel reel:-  
 2s+3s dance part reel of 4 up/down middle but when reaching either end they dance clockwise to top/bottom & re-enter reel **while** 1s dance clockwise to replace dancer leaving the reel & all end where they started.
- 17-24 2s+3s petronella to opposite side **whilst** 1s set and all set again. 1s dance ½ LSh reel of 3 on the side.
- 25-32 1s dance diagonal R&L.

**THE SCALLYWAG (J8x40) 3C (4C set)**

- 1- 8 1s dance in & cast (2s step up); 1s turn 1.1/4 LH to face 1st corners
- 9-16 1s set to corners, turn corner RH to end 1L between 2s facing 2L & 1M between 3s facing 3M. 1/2 LSh reels of 3 across ending in lines of 3 across facing down/up
- 17-24 All Adv+Ret; 1s dance RSh round each other to face 3rd corner pstns
- 25-32 Repeat 9-16 ending with 2s+3s facing in & 1s facing each other up/down
- 33-40 1s set advancing joining RH, set with Lady turning under Man's arm. 1s face up RH joined, lead up, cross & cast. 2 1 3

**THE FLOWER O' THE QUERN (S4x32) 4C set**

- 3s & 4s start on opp sides
- 1- 8 1s+2s & 3s+4s circle 4H round to Left to end in middle, 1s facing 2s, 3s facing 4s. All set, 1s+4s turn inwards towards partner & cast in 1 pl down/up (2s dance up, 3s dance down one pl) & 1M+4L **also** 1L+4M change places LH on sides 2 (4) 1 (3)
- 9-12 1s+4s lead out of ends, cross & cast. 1s+4s change places LH on sides.
- 13-16 1s & 4s repeat 9-12, leading out other end, cross & cast & 1s+4s change places LH on side. 1s face down, 4s face up
- 17-24 All dance reels of 4 on sides & end facing same person as at start of reel. 2 (4) 1 (3)
- 25-32 2s+4s also 1s+3s set facing on sides, 1s & 4s turn end couples (dancing between ends) & dance 1/2 Figs of 8 round end couples to end 2 4 (1) (3)

*We hope to dance with you again at the ASCDS Festival on May 9th and at our President's Dance at St John's on July 4th.*

**BRATACH BANA (R8x32) 3C (4C set)**

- 1- 8 1s turn RH & cast 1 place (2s step up); 1s dance LSh round 1st corners to 2nd place opp side facing 2nd corners
- 9-16 1s dance 1/2 RSh reel of 3 on sides & dance 1/2 LSh reel of 3 across (1M with 3s at top, 1L with the 2s, LSh to 3rd corner position). 1s end in 2nd place own side. (3) 1 (2)
- 17-24 1s turn 3/4 LH, turn 3rd corner (pstn) RH & pass RSh to turn 4th corner (pstn) RH ending in 2nd pl own side in prom hold with 4th corner (pstn)
- 25-32 1s+corners promenade diagonally across (passing RSh) to diag opp corner & 1/2 turn to end 1s in 2nd pl opp side, 1s dance 1/2 Diag R&L (M up, L down).  
 End 2 1 3

**TORRIDON LASSIES (J8x40) 3C (4C set)**

- 1- 8 1s cross & cast 1 place, 1s dance LH across (1L with 2s, 1M with 3s) & end facing 4th corner
- 9-16 1s set to corners then to partner up/down the dance & end facing 1st corners, turn corners RH & pass partner LSh to face 2nd corners
- 17-24 1s dance 1/2 diagonal reel of 4 with 2nd corners & pass LSh to face 3rd corners, 1s set to corners then set to partner across the dance & end facing 4th corners
- 25-32 1s turn 4th corner (pstn) RH & pass partner LSh to face 1st corners, 1s dance 1/2 diag reel of 4 with 1st corners & pass RSh to BtoB (1M facing up)
- 33-40 1s dance RSh round 2nd corners & 1/2 Fig 8 (1L up, 1M down) **while** 2s+3s set & cross RH, set (facing up/down) & change pl RH on sides. 2 1 3

**THE ROBERTSON RANT (S80) Sq.Set**

- 1- 8 All circle 8H round & back
- 9-16 All Ladies dance RH across 1/2 way & turn opposite Man LH, all Ladies dance 1/2 RH across & turn partner LH
- 17-24 1s+3s dance reel of 4 (Ladies start by passing LSh **as** Men set)
- 25-32 All set (HS) to corners, turn 2H twice
- 33-40 2s+4s dance reel of 4 (Ladies start by passing LSh **as** Men set)
- 41-48 All set (HS) to corners, turn 2H twice
- 49-56 All Ladies circle left to face partners (Ladies BtoB), set to & turn partners 2H
- 57-64 All Men circle right to face partners (Men BtoB), set to & turn partners 2H
- 65-72 All dance Grand Chain
- 73-80 All take allemande hold & dance anticlockwise once round set, bringing Ladies into centre for bow/curtsey

**THE HIGHLAND RAMBLER (R8x40) 3C (4C set)**

- 1- 8 1s dance in & cast to 2nd place, dance RH across with 3s
- 9-16 2s+1s dance LH across, 1L followed by partner cast up round 2L & dance down middle to 1L between 3s & 1M between 2s
- 17-24 1s+2s+3s dance down the middle & back
- 25-32 1M followed by partner dance up, cast down round 2L to 2nd places on own side & turn RH
- 33-40 2s+1s+3s circle 6H round & back

\*\* Full dance description and diagram available to download from <https://sites.google.com/view/rscds-sheffield>