## THE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE\*

## A 32-bar reel for three couples in a four-couple set

## **Bars**

- 1-2: 1st man and 2nd woman cross giving right hand.
- 3-4: 1st woman and 2nd man cross giving right hand.
- 5-6: 1st man and 3rd man cross giving right hand.
- 7-8: 1st woman and 3rd woman cross giving right hand.
- 9-16: 1st couple set, lead up to the top, cross and cast into second place.

  3rd couple step down on bars 15-16. (All are now on opposite sides in order 2, 1, 3)
- 17-24: 1st couple dance reels of three across, 1st man with 3rd couple and 1st woman with 2nd couple.
- 25-28: 2nd, 1st and 3rd couples advance and retire.
- 29-32: 2nd, 1st and 3rd couples turn by the right hand one and a half times.

Repeat from new places.

Devised by Ann Campbell 27 February 2018 for Laurie McConachie

\* Ann Campbell: A word of explanation about the dance — Laurie visited me a couple of weeks ago and as she was leaving she mentioned a long-standing joke with someone on the Board, I forget who, about when was she getting an award of excellence. So, while she was driving home I was devising the dance.