Back on the Floor

A 32-bar strathspey for three couples in a longwise set

BARS	DESCRIPTION
1–4	1st couple, giving both hands, turn once round and cast off (2nd couple step up on bars 3–4).
5–8	1st couple, giving right shoulder, dance round the person on their right (1st man round 3rd man and 1st woman round 2nd woman).
9–12	1st woman with 2nd couple, 1st man with 3rd couple dance three hands round to the left, 1st couple finishing facing partner in the middle.
13–16	1st couple set and, giving both hands, turn to finish facing first corners.
17–20	1st couple dance half a diagonal reel of four with first corners, 1st couple passing by the left shoulder at the end to finish facing second corners.
21–24	1st couple dance half a diagonal reel of four with second corners, 1st couple finishing in second place on opposite sides.
25–28	3rd, 1st, and 2nd couples chase clockwise halfway round the set.
29–32	1st and 3rd couples, giving right hands, cross over to opposite sides, then dance four hands round to the left halfway to finish in the order 2, 3, 1.
	Repeat with a new top couple

For Birgit Stefanowicz, when she started dancing again after a lengthy recovery from an injury. Devised by Anselm Lingnau, Frankfurt Scottish Country Dance Club, December 2012.

