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The Austen-tatious Assembly

A Festive English Country Dance with Selections from the days of Cromwell and Charles II to Jane Austen

Dance Mistresses: Sue Dupré & Judi Rivkin Musicians: John Burkhalter, Wes Steenson & Susie Lorand

Monday Evening, November 29, 2004, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Liberation Hall, Carl A. Fields Center, 86 Olden St. (at Prospect), Princeton, NJ



Dances will be selected from the following list:

The Bishop
Childgrove
Mr. Beveridge's Maggot
The Collier's Daughter
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Mr. Beveridge's Maggot
The Physical Snob
Shrewsbury Lasses
The Spaniard
Trip to Tunbridge

The columns in the dance descriptions that follow, from left to right: 1) define a particular section of the tune (A1, A2, etc.); 2) list the number of bars for a given section (how many measures of music for the steps listed in the last column); and 3) note the directions for the dance. For example, seeing "1-4" does not mean there are four steps to dance a given section; it could mean 8 or even 12 steps, depending on the time signature (but who's counting?)

The Bishop

1778, Triple minor, longways

Al	1-4 5-8	1st gent cast to middle place and set to 3rd lady//2nd gent turn up to top place (bars 1-2). 1st gent and 3rd lady 2-hand turn.
A2	1-4 5-8	1st lady cast to middle place and set to 3rd gent// 2nd lady turn up to top place (bars 1-2). 1st lady and 3rd gent 2-hand turn.
B1	1-4 5-8	2's gate the l's up and around to middle place// 3's gipsy R-shoulder. Circle six half-way round.
B2	1-4 5-8	3's gate the 1's up and around to middle place// 2's gipsy R-shoulder. Circle six half-way round.

Childgrove

1701, Duple minor, improper, longways

A1	1-4	All w/partner, Sharp siding (over by the L-shoulder, back by the R-shoulder), into
	5-8	Partner R-shoulder back-to-back.
A2	1-8	All w/neighbor the same.
B1	1-4 5-8	W/neighbor, 2-hand turn w/skipping step, 1-1/2x. W/partner, 2-hand turn lx.
B2	1-8	1's dance a full figure-8 through 2's above, w/skipping step.

The Collier's Daughter

Playford 1728	Duple minor,	longways
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		I's cross R-shoulder and dance down to 2nd place//
		2's pause and lead up.
	5-8	1's 2-hand turn 1-1/2x.
A2	1-4	I's cross R-shoulder and dance down to next place below//2's stand still.
	5-8	1's 2-hand turn 1-1/2x.
B1	1-8	I's lead up through one couple, end below original 2's

- (bars 1-2), and circle L with them 1x (bars 3-6).
 All turn single L (bars 7-8).

 B2 1-4 Facing partner, 4 quick changes of a circular hey
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 - 5-8 All 2-hand turn partner.

The Comical Fellow

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Al	1-4 5-8	lst gent set forward to 2nd lady, then fall back. Those two 2-hand turn.	
A2	1-4 5-8	1st lady set forward to 2nd gent, then fall back. Those two 2-hand turn.	
B1	1-8 9-12	I's lead down the center, turn toward partner, skip back to the top and cast off around the 2's//2's wait, then lead up. All clap own hands 4x, then 2-hand turn partner half.	
B2	1-8 9-12	Slipping circles L and R. All clap own hands 4x, then 2-hand turn partner half.	

Duke of Kent's Waltz

1799, Duple minor, longways

- Al 1-4 l's and 2's R-hands across.
 - 5-8 I's and 2's L-hand across.
- A2 1-4 I's take 2-hands and dance two chasse steps down the center, then back.
 - 5-8 I's long cast to 2nd place//2's pause, then lead up to lst place.
- B 1-4 All take R-hand w/partner, balance forward and back, then change places, turning the lady under.
 - 5-8 All take L-hand w/partner, balance forward and back,
- C 1-4 All R-hand turn R-diagonal person lx.
 - 5-8 All L-hand turn partner lx.

The Fandango

1774, Three-couple set, longways Repeat dance three times.

- Al 1-4 l's R-hand turn, end facing up.
 - 5-8 I's long cast to 2nd place//2's wait, then lead up one place.
- A2 1-4 I's L-hand turn, end facing up.
 - 5-8 I's long cast to 3rd place//3's pause, then lead up one place.
- B1 1-8 All take hands in a ring for slipping circles left, then right.
- B2 1-6 I's lead up the center to the top, separate and cast around one person to end in 2nd place//3's pause, then dance down.
 - 7-8 l's "buttonhook" turn single down (gent R, lady L).

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The Fandango (continued)

l's 2-hand turn R-diagonal person (1st gent w/3rd lady// A3 1-8 1st lady w/2nd gent), then 2-hand turn each other. **A4** 1-8 I's 2-hand turn L-diagonal person, then 2-hand turn each other, finishing with skipping step back to own side. 1st gent look at 2's above, lady at 3's below, and ... I's dance full figure-8, with skipping step – gent w/2's В3 1-8 (pass 2nd lady R-shoulder), lady w/3's (pass 3rd gent R-shoulder). End couples stand still. I's change ends, and with that other couple, dance B4 1-8 heys-for-3 across the set – gent w/3's (pass 3rd lady L-shoulder to start), lady w/2's (pass 2nd gent L-shoulder to start). I's meet in 2nd place and lead down//3's dance up to 2nd place.

Lilliburlero

Playford 1690, Duple minor, longways

- Al 1-4 I's lead down through 2's, separate and cast back to place.
- A2 1-4 2's lead up through 2's, separate and cast back to place.
- Bl 1-4 lst corners cross R-shoulder, then 2nd corners cross R-shoulder.
 - 5-8 All take inside hand w/neighbor and fall back. Come forward, turning single R.
- B2 1-4 All pass partner R-shoulder. Face up and down the set (2's above face up, 1's are below facing down) and change places w/neighbor, backing up and passing R-shoulder.
 - 5-8 Face partner, and with a skipping step, dance 3 changes of a circular hey.

Mr. Beveridge's Maggot

Playford 1695, Duple minor, longways

- Al 1-2 l's cross R-shoulder, falling back into partner's place.
 - W/neighbor, dance a back-to-back. At end, I's start a quick turn-single-R , into ...
- A2 1-2 R-hand turn w/neighbor lx.
 - 3-4 I's cross w/L-hand, falling back to place.
- B1 1-2 I's cross R-shoulder and dance down to 2nd place// 2's move in, lead up and face each other.
 - 3-4 All back-to-back w/partner, ending in a line-of-4 facing up 1's in the center improper, 2's at the ends proper
 - 5-6 Lines dance up the hall 6 steps.
 - 7-8 Lines fall back 3 steps, then I's drop hands w/each other, and 2's keep falling back, placing the I's in 1st place above, still improper.
- B2 1-6 I's dance a full figure-8 w/skipping step down through 2's.
 - 7-8 I's cross R-shoulder and dance down//2's move in and lead up.

The Physical Snob

1800, 3-couple set, longways Repeat dance three times.

- Al 1-4 Ladies take hands in line of 3, and with 1st lady in the lead, dance counter-clockwise around the gents' line and back up to place (skipping/skip-change combination step).
- A2 1-4 Gents the same, only clockwise.
- B1 1-4 All take 2-hands w/partner. I's and 2's dance a half poussette clockwise, then I's and 3's dance a half poussette counter-clockwise.
 - 5-8 I's and 3's (again) dance a half poussette clockwise, then 1's and 2's dance a half poussette counter-clockwise. All home.
- B2 1-4 I's cross R-shoulder and dance to 2nd place// 2's lead up. I's cross again and dance to 3rd place// 3's lead up.
 - 5-8 I's lead up the center and cast to the foot of the line.

Shrewsbury Lasses

1765, 3-couple set, longways			Repeat dance 3 times.
Al	1-4 5-8	lst gent, slow step-and-honor R. Those two 2-hand turn.	, then L, to the 2nd lady.
A2	1-4 5-8	lst lady, slow step-and-honor R, then L, to the 2nd gent. Those two 2-hand turn.	
B1	1-2 3-6 7-10	s quick cast to 2nd place//2's lead up. s and 3's circle L lx. st gent skip up and around 2nd couple above and own to middle place improper AS 1st lady skips around rd couple below and up to middle place improper. s 2-hand turn half in middle place.	
B2	1-2 3-6 7-10	3's quick cast to 2nd place//l's le 2's and 3's circle L lx. 3rd gent skip around 2nd couple middle place improper AS 3rd la couple below and up to middle p 3's 2-hand turn half in middle pl	e above and down to dy skips around 1st place improper.

The Spaniard

Apted Collection, 1777, Duple minor, longways

Al	1-4 5-8	1st man set forward to 2nd lady; those two turn single R. 1's 2-hand turn.
A2	1-4	1st lady set forward to 2nd gent; those two turn single R. 1's 2-hand turn.
B1	1-8	1's lead down the center, turn toward partner, skip back to place and cast off around the 2's// 2's wait, then lead up.
B2	1-8	1's and 2's, slipping circles L & R.

Trip to Tunbridge

1793, 3-couple set, longways			Repeat dance three times.
Al	1-8	I's cast down the outside to dance back to the top.	the foot, "take a peek", then
A2	1-8	I's dance down the center, to face up, skip to the top, s the 2's// 2's pause, then lead	1
B1	1-4 5-8	I's pass R-shoulder, then R I's pass R-shoulder, then R I's pass R-shoulder again, to out//Others turn and face of	hand turn 2nd corner. o end in middle place facing
B2	1-4 5-8	Lines-of-3 lead out a double face partner just at the end. 2's at the top 2-hand turn 1 long cast to bottom//3's in 1 moving up to middle place.	x//l's in middle place dance a bottom place 2-hand turn

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