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# Hi There!

I am starting to write this in the middle of July. I finished writing 1.6 earlier today so what better time to start writing 1.7? I mention this to let you know how things are going with the writing side of Choreo-Wise.

You will be pleased to note that the number of errors is dropping. The reason being TIME. The more time I have to check things over the more likely it is that I will catch all the mistakes. Life is a bit like that. The more time we have to check things over the better things turn out. What a shame that time is one of our most limited resources.

You will notice on the back page of the last issue I printed the cue-sheet from my latest record, Beatle Mania. The figure is a gem. It is a little out of the ordinary, has nice flow and is very danceable. Thank you to Al Stevens for sending me the idea. Try the figure out on your dancers and see what they think of it.

The back page of this issue lists C-Bar-C and Seven C's records that are currently available. I have recently purchased the company. I like the music very much and will be re-releasing some of the records in the future, as well as some brand new music that has not been previously released. As it is, the records listed have, in many cases, been unavailable for some time. I like the music and have been impressed with dancer reaction when I have called using C-Bar-C music. The records listed can be purchased from Brian Hotchkies, Steve Turner and through Palomino Records in the United States. Life has certainly changed for a person, who only two years ago, thought that they were through with Square Dance calling.

At MiniLab, a couple of John Kaltenthaler's recurring comments I thought were spot-on. He said that too often Callers expect dancers to think like callers. And that we need to allow the dancers to win as often as possible. With this in mind, the following is a recent quote from a U.S. caller, after he had been calling material (he was calling a workshop on Dosado of all things) from quite Extended Applications:

"After that tip last night, a dancer of 25 years, and a good one at that, takes me aside to talk about the dosado from a wave. He stated that in all of his years of dancing he has always seen callers take the definition, and stretch them to the point that they may seem to snap. The one question he has had concerning this practice is, " Are the calls being used to challenge the dancers? OR, challenge the Callers? or Are they using the call from the strangest position they can to attempt to prove to the dancers that THEY, (the callers) are smarter than they are?? "

The bottom line is, in my opinion, to allow the dancers to DANCE. For them to do that we have to give them routines that they have a fair chance of being able to complete successfully. The routines should have good flow, be called to allow rhythmic movement to music, and give them some mental stimulation. That is the object of the game!

Do you like it when dancers request a particular singing call? I know I do. I like it when you guys request particular material in choreo-wise - it gives me pleasure to give you the material that you want. This is no easy task either. The number of subscribers has just gone over 60 and the range of experience goes from guys/gals just starting to some who have been calling for 50 years; guys/gals who are starting their first beginners class and others who are starting their first A-2 class. My aim in each issue is to provide a range of material that can be used in a whole pile of situations with dancers of vastly different experience.

I have been working on 3x1 lines for a few months, and it turned out that Jim Penrod (California) has been working on the same ideas. This issue is going to be devoted to 3x1 lines and diamonds. They are a lot of fun and help to allow dancers to gain a better understanding of the definitions when they have to apply the definitions from new formations and arrangements. I hope that you get a lot of pleasure from this month's material.



# Wheel Around

I try to make it easier for dancers to learn by giving them logical reasons for names of figures. Some figures have key words that help us. For example, if the figure is called Pass <and something> you know that the first part will be a Pass Thru followed by a ? (think about it - Pass the Ocean, Pass to the Centre, Pass In/Out, Pass & Roll). If the figure has the word Wheel in it, there is a good chance that some people are going to finish facing the opposite direction to the one they are facing at the start (Wheel & Deal, Ferris Wheel, Wheel Around).

The most common use of a Wheel Around is from a Promenade...

SS	
Allemande Left	
Come Back and Swing	
Promenade	
Heads Wheel Around	L1p
Pass Thru	
Wheel & Deal	
Centres Pass Thru	
Swing Thru	
Men Run Right	
Bend the Line	L1p

The next figure has no change of partner and times well for a 64 beat singing call...

SS Allemande Left
Come Back and Swing
Promenade
All Four Couples Wheel Around
Everyone U-turn Back

Star Promenade <Ladies Inside> Men Back Track Swing Partner, Promenade

There are other places where we can call Wheel Around where the dancers will probably not be expecting to hear it...

B1c Swing Thru Men Run Right Ladies Trade Couples Wheel Around Men Trade Couples Wheel Around Ladies Trade Wheel & Deal Sweep a Quarter Star Thru B1c

If you Ferris Wheel, or Wheel & Deal, from a left-hand two-faced line it gives you good flow into the next Wheel Around...

SS Heads Left Square Thru Left Swing Thru Girls Run Left Ferris Wheel Centres Wheel Around Split the Outside Two Seperate 'round 1 to a Line Star Thru Trade By B1c

L1p Star Thru Make a Left-hand Wave Men/Centres Trade Left Swing Thru Girls Run Left Wheel & Deal Everyone Wheel Around Centres Pass Thru First Couple Left, Next Right L1p

A Wheel and Deal from an out-facing line also gives the correct body-flow into a Wheel Around for the Centres...

Llp
Pass Thru
Centres Wheel Around
Swing Thru
Men Run Right
Bend The Line
Pass Thru
Bend The Line

The next routine is a singing call with Corner progression. It times well and has great body-flow...

L1p

Heads Square Thru Dosado Swing Thru Men Run Bend the Line Forward & Back Right & Left Thru & Turn a Quarter More Ladies Trade Couples Wheel Around Promenade

The theme for this issue is 3x1 lines. What better place to start than in the Basic pages...

SS Heads Pass the Ocean Swing Thru Extend **Centre Men Run Right Ends Circulate Centres Pass Thru Ends Run** Ends Trade **Centres Trade Centre Men Run Right** Star Thru **Centres Pass Thru** Pass Thru Wheel & Deal **Centres Pass Thru** B1c

This next figure has a different way to get to the 3x1 line...

Blc	
Touch a Quarter	
Split Circulate	

Centre Men U-turn Back Centres Right & Left Thru Ends Run New Centres Circulate Centre Men U-turn Back Centres Right & Left Thru Everyone Star Thru Centres Pass thru Square Thru three-quarters Allemande Left B1c

### SS

Heads Pass Thru Seperate 'round 1 to a Line Lines Pass Thru **End Ladies Run Left** Ends Run **Centres Pass Thru** Centres Run New Centres Trade Same Centres Run **New Centres Pass Thru Centre Ladies Run** Men Trade **Everyone Touch a Quarter** Single-file Circulate Face In Pass the Ocean Centres Trade Ladies Trade Lines Pass thru Bend the Line L1p

The next routine makes use of a 3x1 column as well as 3x1 lines...

Llp	
Touch a Quarter	
End Men Run	
Centres Circulate	
Ends Trade	
Ladies Touch a Quarter	
Men Face In	
Centres Trade	
Ends Pass Thru	
Centre Men Run	
Centres Trade	
Swing Thru	
Split Circulate	
Centres Trade	
Men Run	
Couples Circulate	
Wheel & Deal	B1c

For the Centres, the All Eight Circulate will be the same traffic pattern as a Trade.



# <u>3 x 1 Lines</u>

It is even easier to utilise 3x1 lines in the Mainstream program, mainly beacause of Hinge. Hinge allows you to quickly move in and out of 3x1 formations...

SS Heads Star Thru Double Pass Thru Face In Centres Pass The Ocean Same Ones Hinge All Eight Circulate Centres Walk & Dodge Everyone Partner Trade Slide Thru

Note that in the All Eight Circulate, the Ends are facing so, for them, it is the same as a Pass Thru.

B1c

The next routine comes from Lee Helsel - it requires dancers to count.

L1P

Right & Left Thru Dixie Style to a Wave Men/Centres Walk & Dodge All Eight Circulate Men Pass Thru Ladies Run Ladies Trade <by the right> Men Run Men Touch a Ouarter Ladies Face In Men Slide Apart Ladies Pass The Ocean Ladies Cast-off Three-quarters **Couples Half-Circulate** Bend the Line You're Home

SS Heads Square Thru Threequarter **Heads Courtesy Turn** Heads Dixie Style to a Wave Centre Men Trade Extend <to a leftv wave> Left Swing Thru Ladies Walk & Dodge Men Crculate Ladies Trade Cast-off Three-Everyone quarters Men Hinge Centre Men Trade Same Men Run Men Bend the Line Men Pass The Ocean Men Hinge **Everyone Split Circulate** Men Cast-off Three-quarters Ladies Hinge Centres Trade Ladies Fold **Double Pass Thru Face Right** Bend the Line L1p

The Cast-off from a 3x1 line has one couple casting from a mini-wave while the other couple cast as couple, with the centre working around the end.

A simple routine to get dancers used to finishing back to back with the dancer they are Sliding Thru with is...

SS	
Heads Slide Thru	
Pass Thru	
Slide Thru	
Pass Thru	
Tag the Line	
Face In	
Slide Thru	

Trade By	
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B1c

# Or. . .

Llp	
Right & Left Thru	
Half-sashay	
Slide thru	
Trade By	
Slide Thru	
Right & Left Thru	
Half-sashay	
Slide Thru	
Trade By	
Slide Thru	L1p

Or facing out. .

B1c	
Touch a Quarter	
Split Circulate	
Hinge	
Ladies Trade	
Ladies Run	
Wheel & Deal	
Slide Thru <you're facing<="" th=""><th>out&gt;</th></you're>	out>
Wheel & Deal	
Zoom	
Centres Pass Thru	B1c

A slide Thru, when facing the same sex, is the same as a Touch a Quarter for the men, and a Left Touch a Quarter for the Ladies.

### SS

Heads Slide Thru Double Pass Thru Leaders U-Turn Back <same sex> Slide Thru Centres Run Slide Thru Double Pass Thru Leads U-Turn Back Slide Thru Centres Run Slide Thru Centres Square Thru 3/4s B1c Allemande Left

### SS

Heads Pass thru Seperate Around 1 to a Line Pass Thru Tag the Line Leaders U-Turn Back <same sex> Slide Thru Cast-off Three-quarters Ends Trade Centres Pass Thru Cast-off Three-quarters Ends Trade

## Centres Pass Thru Cast-off Three-quarters Ends Face In Centres Slide Thru B1c

Have you ever danced the concept - those who can start, everyone finish? In the case of a Right and Left thru, those facing start by joining Right hands and pulling past, then everyone joins in by doing a courtesy turn...

SS

Heads Touch a Quarter Ladies Run Centres Pass Thru <same sex> Slide Thru Those Who Can start, Everyone finish...Right and Left Thru

Square Thru Trade By

The same can be done with a Swing Thru, where the designate people do the first part, the right hand, and those who can finish with the Left hand...

B1c

B1c Touch a Quarter Centres Trade Boys Start, everyone finish... Swing Thru Ladies Run Pass Thru Wheel & Deal Zoom

Look for your Partner, Swing

We can do the same sort of thing with a Spin the Top as well...

L1p Pass Thru Ladies Run <to a lefty wave> Centres Trade Ladies start, Everyone finish. . . Spin the Top Hinge <by the left> <in your own four> Split Circulate Ladies Run

Double Pass Thru	
Leaders U-Turn Back	
<with same="" sex="" the=""> Slide Thru</with>	
Ends Pass Thru	
Bend the Line	L1p



# <u>More 3 x 1 Lines</u> <u>Plus 3 x 1 Diamonds</u>

Explode and Anything is a very useful call which you can use with a great deal of variety.

I was calling Explode & ... from Halfsashayed waves recently, and noticed that many of the dancers were turning to face out rather than face in (basically the reverse of the problem I was talking about earlier in regard to the Slide thru from a half-sashayed formation). In the Explode the dancers should turn to face the person beside them and then wait for the Anything call.

B1c	
Swing Thru	
Explode &	
Left Touch a Quarter	
Split Circulate	
Men U-turn Back	B1c

The Anything call doesn't have to be done with the person you are looking at...

L1p Pass the Ocean Ladies Trade Recycle Relay the Deucey Explode & Circle Left

B1c

Pass The Ocean Fan the Top Swing Thru

## Explode & Roll

B1c

I don't know if you have noticed this as well, but it seems to me that the Explode & Anything call is probably used more than the Explode the Wave itself.

A couple of nice routines that I have used with the Explode the Wave are...

Llp	
Right & Left Thru	
Dixie Style to a Wave	
Men Trade	
Explode the Wave	
Partner Trade	
Pass Thru	
Bend the Line	L1p

The aspect of the above figure that I particularly like is the Explode coming from a Left Hand wave, which allows dancers to use alternate hands, instead of the Right hand twice.

Blc	
Slide Thru	
Pass the Ocean	
Trade the Wave	
Explode the Wave	
Courtesy Turn	
Slide Thru	B1c

This figure follows on the previous one, especially in regards to hand action - by finishing with a Courtesy Turn we are using our Left hand so as to continue with alternating hand action.

In Issue 1.3 I featured Dixie Grand. Part of the article talked about looking for a trigger so that you could sight a resolution using Dixie Grand. I mentioned that the trigger is having paired couples in the centre and unpaired couples on the outside. If the formation is a Double Pass Thru, part of the trigger can be that if the Key Man in the Centre has his corner behind him the entire formation will be in sequence.

Interestingly this is the same trigger for another get-out.

If all the dancers are looking towards their home you can use the following get out...

SS

Heads Pass Thru

Partner Trade & Back-away

Sides Square Thru Threequarters

Cloverleaf

Centres touch a Quarter

Centres Follow Your Neighbour and Spread

<here is our trigger - the centres have their partners facing their way in the wave, the outsides have their partners on the other side of the square - and everyone is looking towards their home position>

Ping Pong Circulate

Centres Explode & You're Home Bow to the Partner

### Singing Call Right-hand Lady Progression

This months' Plus singing call figures feature a Right-hand Progression - the dancers will notice - its gives a nice piece of variety.

Heads Flutterwheel & Sweep 1/4 Double Pass Thru Track II All Eight Circulate Swing Thru Hinge Men Run Right Men Walk Across Swing the Opposite Promenade

Heads Touch a Quarter Men Run Right Swing Thru Hinge Men Run Right Pass Thru Wheel & Deal Double Pass Thru Track II All Eight Circulate Swing Promenade

Heads Touch a Quarter Walk & Dodge Spin Chain & Exchange the Gears Explode the Wave Courtesy Turn Ladies Lead (put the girls in front) -Double Pass Thru Face Left Promenade

Heads Flutterwheel Heads Touch a Quarter Walk & Dodge Single circle to a Wave Men Trade Ladies Fold Peel the Top Explode & Single circle Rear-back Pass Thru Trade By Swing Promenade



### Chris Froggatt (N.S.W.)

From a squared set: Heads Pass the Ocean Follow Your Neighbour Everyone Follow Your Neighbour (Ladies going in) And Spread Men Trade Men Run Ferris Wheel Centres Square Thru Three-quarters B1c (Zero Box)

Allemande Left In The Alamo Style Balance Left Swing Thru Balance Left Swing Thru Again Now With Your Left Hand, Cast Off ¾ Make An Allemande Thar Girls In (Boys Push)

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## Even More 3 x 1 Stuff

This is a nice little figure which has the flexibility to be used with great variety. It can be easily adapted to a Basic level dance by calling it as "Ends, Do Your Part of a Bend The Line".

The CallerLab definition is: "From any formation with the ends in a line: the ends do their part of a Bend the Line. Note that dancers can Roll after this call. For teaching this can be called a Half Run."

By controlling the sex arrangement of the dancers the call can be used with great variety.

From a #1 Line (Men together at the lefthand end)

SS	
Heads Pass Thru	
Clover & Centres Spread	
Lines Pass Thru	
Ends Bend	
Ends Star Thru	B1c

From a Half-sashayed Line

B1c
Touch a Quarter
And Cross
Ends Bend
Ends Star Thru
Track Two
Linear Cycle
Lines Pass Thru
Wheel & Deal
Centres Left Square Thru 3/4s
<right free)<="" hand="" is="" td=""></right>
Blc

The next routine has some nice features which I will go through now. You might like to refer to these notes as you work through the routine.

The routine features an Ends Bend from a #4 Line (i.e. with Ladies on the ends). The next choreographic aspect to take note of is that The Ladies are doing a Circulate at the same time that the Men are doing a Chase Right in the centre. I like to have the ends and centres working at the same time as each other, even if they are working on different figures. As a dancer I don't like to be standing still while other dancers are having the fun. The third feature that I like is that with the Recycle from a Left-handed wave, as the Ladies are leading it leaves the dancers in a 'normal' state which makes it easier and feels more comfortable for them.

Heads Star Thru	
Double Pass Thru	
Quarter In	
Pass Thru	
Wheel & Deal	
And Spread	
Lines Pass Thru	
Ends (Ladies) Bend	
Ends (Ladies) Touch a Quai	rter
And Spread	
Ladies/ends Circulate	
Men/centres Chase right	
Cast A Shadow	
Men/Centres Trade	
Recycle <it's a="" lefty=""></it's>	
Pass To The Centre	
Centres Pass Thru	B1c

The next routine can be a nice finish to a hoedown. It 'Stirs the Bucket' one position to the left and has a surprise finish.

SS Four Ladies Chain Heads Square Thru Centres In Cast-off Three-quarters Ends Bend Everyone Star Thru Bow to Your Partner



#### It happens so fast they've got in and out before they realise where they are...

One technique I like to use, and dancers seem to enjoy, is that of rapidly changing from one formation to another.

I believe that if you do a lot of work from, say a Box Formation, it won't matter how much variety you give in that formation, the dancers don't notice the variety as much as we might imagine. By moveing dancers in and out of different formations, it feels to them as though they are doing a lot of different things even though we might actually do very little apart from actually change the formations.

I'll show you what I mean...

<ul> <li>Heads Square Thru Standard, nothing special</li> <li>Touch a Quarter Normally we work in a box from this call</li> <li>Centres Trade We work in a wave, with people from, what is normally, the other side of the square</li> <li>Same Sex Trade We have broken into groups of two for this</li> <li>Split Circulate We have moved back out of our wave and into our box</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Ladies Trade</li> </ul>
We have connected the wave again
Swing thru
Still in the wave
<ul> <li>Hinge</li> <li>Changing the axis of the wave by 90 degrees</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Centres Trade</li> </ul>
This helps to connect the wave
<ul> <li>Swing Thru</li> </ul>
Still in the wave
<ul> <li>Men run</li> </ul>
Line now
<ul> <li>Pass Thru</li> </ul>
Still in a line
<ul> <li>Wheel &amp; Deal</li> </ul>
Double Pass Thru Formation
<ul> <li>Double Pass Thru</li> </ul>
Still in Double Pass Thru Formation
<ul> <li>Leaders U-Turn Back</li> </ul>
Working with the same sex again, in an Eight
Chain thru Formation
<ul> <li>Swing Thru</li> <li>Back into a Wave</li> </ul>
Men Run
Back into a Line
<ul> <li>Pass the Ocean</li> </ul>



Back into a Wave... Hinge Changing into Parallel mini-waves... Scootback Still in Parallel mini-waves... Extend Into a Three-quarter Tag Formation... ✤ Ladies Swing Thru Ends and Centres are working seperately now... Men Trade This gets the Men facing in... Ladies Extend Back into Waves... Split Circulate Into Boxes now... Ladies/Centres Trade

- Swing Thru
- Men Run
- ✤ Star Thru
- Pass Thru
- Trade By

Star Thruc trd
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 b ru
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- st

dancers can more easily understand what I want them to do I'm going to do it. I want the dancers to enjoy the movement to music and I want the dancers to be challenged by interesting combinations of movements. I don't want to confuse them.



# <u>Getting More</u> Out of Hexagons

In last month's special feature I looked at routines that work in both normal squares and in Hexagons. This month I go a bit further on the same theme, and look at routines that are different and are written specifically for Hexagons. In the following routines there are four Head couples and the usual two Side couples.

## Heads Pass Thru & Step Ahead Heads Bend the Line Sides step Ahead - Join the Line Everyone Right & Left Thru L1c

This is a nice way to get into a Zero Line...

L1p Lines of Six - Pass Thru In groups of Three - Wheel & Deal Double Pass Thru First Three go Left Next Three go Right L1p

The double Pass Thru has three Tandem Couples working across - I find that the dancers find it a nice joke if I call the figure a Triple By-pass rather than a Double Pass Thru...

L1p	
Pass Thru	
Tag the Line	
Face In	
Pass Thru	
Tag the Line	
Face In	L1p

This figure actually does work the same in a regular, 4-couple square, but as we are tagging in lines of three I thought that I would include it anyway...

Heads Pass	Thru	&	Step	Ahead
Face In				L1p

# Singing Calls

With Corner progression

Heads Pass thru Seperate Around 1, make a Line Move Forward Up & Come On Back Pass Thru Wheel & Deal On the Double Track -2 Ladies Chain Right & Left Thru Pass Thru Wheel & Deal Centres Pass Thru Corner Swing Promenade

Heads Touch a Quarter Walk & Dodge Swing Thru Men Run Tag The Line Cloverleaf On the Double Track Dixie Style to an Ocean Wave Ladies Circulate Twice Men Scootback Allemande Left Promenade



# A-2 Singing Calls

## **Corner Progression**

Heads Square Chain Thru Touch a Quarter Split Counter Rotate Split Transfer Split Circulate Hinge Scootback Extend Swing Corner Promenade

Heads Split Square Chain Thru Trade By Touch a Quarter Slip Swing Thru Scoot & Weave Slip Swing Corner Promenade

Heads Pass the Sea (or Ocean) Extend Explode and a Right & Left Thru Dixie Style to a Wave Slip Switch to a Diamond Flip the Diamond Centres Cross-Run All Eight Circulate Men Run Right Promenade Heads Pass Out Swing Thru Switch to a Diamond 6x2 Acey Deucey Cut the Diamond Ferris Wheel Centres Facing Recycle Centres Single Wheel Centres Pass Thru Everyone Pass Thru Swing Corner Promenade

Heads Pass In Double Pass Thru Zig-Zag & Roll Centres Pass Out Cloverleaf & Spread Lines Pass thru Centres Trade Ends Fold Double Pass Thru Track Two Slip Corner Swing Promenade

Heads Wheel Thru Touch a Quarter Split Counter Rotate Split Circulate Quarter In Pass the Ocean Cast-off three-quarters Scoot & Weave Turn Thru Swing Promenade



## New Releases - August '98

• <u>Beatle Mania</u> Chicago Country 53 - David Cox

A lively piece of music that will have the dancers hopping or stretching out a march. You could have some fun with this and may be worth considering. (ST) HEADS PROMENADE HALF-WAY - RIGHT & LEFT THRU - SQUARE THRU - TOUCH A QUARTER - WALK & DODGE - PARTNER TRADE - MEN WALK ACROSS - SWING

• <u>Three Little Fishes</u>

Chicago Country 55 - Loren Hildebrand

A pleasant change of pace with this release being re-pressed from Eureka label onto Hi Hat label. The figure features a Threequarter Tag the Line and this could be substituted for "Half Tag and the Girls Circulate". (ST) FOUR LADIES CHAIN 3/4 - HEADS STAR THRU - DOUBLE PASS THRU - LEADERS TRADE - DOSADO - TOUCH A QUARTER -CENTRES TRADE - CENTRES RUN - THREE-QUARTER TAG - SWING

• <u>Chick A Boom</u> Royal 1102 - Nathalie Bollen

The music captures the feel of the Rock/Pop tune of the same name from the 1960's. There is a very strong down-beat

throughout the record as well as a strong melody. (DGC) HEADS PROMENADE HALF-WAY - SQUARE THRU - SWING THRU - MEN RUN - FERRIS WHEEL - SQUARE THRU 3/4 - SWING

### • <u>Silhouettes</u>

Silver Streak 103 - Milt Floyd

Nice bright music with harmony vocals. The down-beat is very strong and has an unusual rhythm that the dancers will enjoy moving to. The music needs to be sped-up by a couple of revs for best effect. (DGC) HEADS PROMENADE HALF-WAY - PASS THE OCEAN - EXTEND - SWING THRU - MEN RUN - HALF TAG - SCOOT BACK - MEN FOLD - DOUBLE PASS THRU - LADIES U-TURN BACK - SWING

### Best Selling Records for July

1. Swing Low	
6	Royal 233
2. I Just Want To Dance With You	
	ESP 1029
3. Whoop Square It Is	
L	ou Mac 210
4. Bear Tracks	
	Royal 320
5. Ballad Of Jed Clampet	
Q	uadrille 922

### Best Selling Records for June

1. Imagine	
	Aussie Tempos 1006
2. Do That To Me One N	lore Time
	Jo Pat 7008
3. Blueberry Hill	
	Global 923
4. Amarillo By Morning	
	Rhythm 147
5. Come Monday	
	Global 922

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# August 1998 record review . . .

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LOOK FOR THE SILVER LINING

BS-2446 / Johnnie Wykoff / Plus

Although the tune had been released by Blue Star in August 79, this is not a re-release of the same music. This *new* look, bright instrumental is very up-beat, and has a key modulation at the beginning of the closer. Figure is innovative, and seems to flow well, which is a pleasant change from some of the hum-drum material presently doing the rounds. Johnnie's vocal is first class (as usual).

Intro. Break & Closer: Walk Around Corner, See Saw Partner, Men Star Right, Star Promenade, Girls Roll Back, L.A., Weave the Ring, Swing, Promenade.

**Figure:** Four Ladies Chain 3/4, Heads 1/2 Square thru, Swing Thru, Boys Run, 3/4 Tag, Boys Spin the Top, Girls Cloverleaf, Extend, Boys Run, Promenade.

### ONCE IN A WHILE

Chinook 132 / Ken Bower / Basic

Ken puts in a guest appearance (which is good because his regular label has been very quiet for over 12 months) to call a dance which is right up his tree. Most callers will be able to handle this one, but those who are blessed with good singing voice will be able to *make it their own*. Intro., Break and Closer choreography is easy, and has been intelligently selected to take good advantage of the song's lyrics. Although the Figure is conventional and easy, it does have a nice variation from the norm.

**Figure:** Heads Square Thru, Swing Thru, Boys Run, Ferris Wheel, Pass Thru, R.H. Star (full turn), Girls Turn Around, Swing, Promenade. 8 Kato Close Kanwal, NSW, 2259

### HH 5219 / Kip Garvey / Basic

Another re-release that many callers have been waiting for. Formerly "Eureka 1007", this instrumental and vocal are well worthy of another *run in the sunshine*. Intro., Break and Closer choreography features Do-Paso to an Allemande Thar. Figure flows well and is straight forward, and interesting without being boring.

Figure: Heads Lead Right, Veer Left, Couples Circulate, Chain Down The Line, Pass Thru, Wheel & Deal, Centres Pass Thru, R & L Thru, Square Thru 3/4, Corner Swing, Promenade.

### DO THAT TO ME ONE MORE TIME

### JP/ESP 7008 / Bill Harrison & Tim Marriner / Mainstream,

I may be wrong, but I don't recall this tune ever having been done as a square dance before. It's one that most dancers will know, & I suspect will want to sing-a-long with as the caller puts them through their paces. Bill and Tim do an excellent job on the vocal side. Intro., Break & Closer choreo. is very conventional, but has been carefully written to fit the music. A key modulation at the beginning of the Closer will help the caller give dancers an extra lift during that section. I'm going to buy this one for my own collection, and I'm sure that many other callers will do the same.

Figure: Heads Prom. 1/2, Square Thru, R.H. Star, Heads Star Left across to the other Side Couple, Touch 1/4, Scootback, Corner Swing, Promenade.

### <u>DADDY'S HANDS</u>