THE OAK TREE

A strathspey for 3 couples

BARS

- 1-2 All 3 couples set.
- 3 4 2nd couple turn both hands half way round [finish back to back in the middle].
- 5-6 All advance for one step, retire one step.
- 7-8 All dance forward for 2 steps, 1st couple face down, 2nd couple face in and 3rd couple face up.
- 9 16 All set, all circle to the left [3 steps], dance in, spiral out to sidelines [2nd couple still on opposite sides].
- 2nd couple turn left hand to face 1st corners, turn corner right hand, turn 2nd corner left hand, turn partner right hand to own side.
- 25 28 1st and 2nd couples dance right hands across half way and spiral out, **while** 3rd couple turn right hand half way and spiral out.
- 29 32 2nd couple turn left hand half way and spiral out out, **while** 1st and 3rd couples dance left hands across half way and spiral.

Repeat from new positions.

Devised by James McMillan, for Dorothy Hamilton, his pianist for many years – the Oak tree is the badge of the Hamiltons

