

### **The Scholar's Bus: 8x 32 Jig for 3 Couples in a 4 couple set**

- 1 – 4            1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> couples petronella to the centre of the set. The ladies face down & the men face up as 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> couples set to their partners.
- 5 – 8            1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> couples turn partner by the right hand once. Finish with 1W & 3M facing clockwise, while the 1M & 3W face anti-clockwise.
- 9 – 12           1M & 3W turn by the left hand 1&1/2; times as 1W, 2<sup>nd</sup> couple & 3M chase halfway round the set. On bar 12, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> couples face partners in a line up & down the dance & the 2<sup>nd</sup> couple are in second place on opposite sides.
- 13 – 16           1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> couples set to partners. Giving right hands 3<sup>rd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> couples & turn right hands 3/4, finishing in the centre facing up, while 2<sup>nd</sup> couple turn right hands 1/2 way to finish in the centre in the order 3 2 1.
- 17 – 22           3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 1<sup>st</sup> couples dance an allemande for 3 couples. On bar 22, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> couples face up in the centre of the dance, while 3<sup>rd</sup> couple faces down.
- 23 – 24           Bars 23 & 24: 1<sup>st</sup> couple casts into 2<sup>nd</sup> place & face in, 2<sup>nd</sup> couple dances up to the top & face out, while 3<sup>rd</sup> man pulling right shoulders back & 3<sup>rd</sup> woman pulling left shoulders back, cast to their own side in 3<sup>rd</sup> place & face out.
- 25 – 32           2<sup>nd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> couples dance mirror reels of 3 on the sides. 1<sup>st</sup> couple dances in & down, 2<sup>nd</sup> couple out & down, 3<sup>rd</sup> couple out & up to begin. Finish in the order 2 1 3, ready to begin again.

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Music: CD 15 social Dances: "Celebration Jig".

In the mid 1950s my sister & I attended Finsbay School on the Island of Harris for a short while. The same school my father & his siblings attended in the years after the Great War. The Quidinish scholars who lived far from the school had to walk to the nearest roadhead, as there was no road down to their crofts, & from there they would catch a ride in a van to school. The van passed my aunt's house & as she was the school teacher, both she & my sister & I had a ride to school.