

WILL STARR

A two couple 32 bar jig.

1-6 First couple lead down the middle and up.

7-8 First couple cross above the second couple and cast into second place.
Second couple step up on bars 7 and 8.

9-16 Second and first couples dance rights and lefts.

17-24 Second and first couples dance a ladies' chain.

25-28 All take hands on the sides and advance and retire.

29-32 First couple turn $1\frac{1}{2}$ with the right hand.

Repeat having passed a couple.

Devised 15/4/2013. Clearly a teaching dance for ladies' chain. I followed this with "The Daisy Chain" from my Cane Toad Collection which has a ladies' chain in Strathspey time. The presence of the rights and lefts gives time for the first couple to prepare for the ladies' chain. Any good jig, preferably played ABAB. I used "Fairly Shot O' Her," as recorded by the Scotsmen. Hence the recommended tune is either *Fairly Shot O' Her*, or *Jacky's Return*, both of which are traditional.

Will Starr ("King of the Scottish Accordion") was a famous Scottish accordionist from the middle of the 20th Century (1922-1976). The legend is that he had one speed ("faster"). Whilst he did not record many tracks for SCD, like Hector MacAndrew on the fiddle, he left a wealth of Scottish music. His record are available and definitely interesting to listen to.