Spark O' Water

32-bar strathspey for two couples in a three- or four-couple longwise set

- 1-4 1st and 2nd couples dance four hands round to the left.
- 1st and 2nd couples, giving both hands, turn partner one and one quarter around to end in a line along the centre of the dance, men facing down, women facing up
- 9-16 1st and 2nd couples dance a reel of four.
- 17-20 1st and 2nd couples dance a petronella turn to own sides and set.
- 21-24 Giving right hands, 1st and 2nd couples turn partner, ending in allemande hold.
- 25-32 1st and 2nd couples dance an allemande to change places.

 Repeat, having passed a couple.

Devised by Duncan and Maggie Keppie

Maggie's inspiration for the title of the dance comes from Song for the Mira: "The stars on the river they sparkle and spin".

Recommended music: "Spark O' Water" on the CD Spark O' Water, Music for Scottish Country Dancing by Keith Smith and Muriel Johnstone

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