THE THREE-LEGGED CAT

A three couple, 32 bar jig.

- 1-4 First couple advance for two steps and retire for two steps.
- 5-8 First couple dance around each other by right shoulders.
- 9-12 First woman with second couple dances left hands across once round and one more place to finish in second man's place, second woman in first woman's place and second man in his partner's place.
- First woman, followed by second woman and second man, casts up round first man. First woman dances across the set above first couple's place and behind first woman's place to finish facing down in second woman's place, second woman dances across the set to finish facing out in first woman's place, and second man finishes facing in in first man's place.

 First man steps down on bars 15-16 and faces down.
- 17-24 Second, first and third couples dance reels of three on the sides. First and third couples pass by left shoulder to begin. First couple finish in second place, first man facing out.
- First man followed by first woman dances down around third man and up the centre between third and second couples, first woman drawing level with first man on own sides at the end of bar 30. First couple cast off into second place on own sides.

Repeat having passed a couple.

Devised in July 1991.

Dedicated to Tripod, a tortoiseshell and white female cat, who lost her front right leg in a motor vehicle accident. Hence, first woman does not use her right hand.

Recommended tune: Berwickshire Volunteers (Traditional) played AABB

Suitable music: Jigs 8x32 on Side B recorded by Duncan Smith and Susan Worland

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