

## The Broderer

- Dance for 4 couples in a 4 couple longwise set 4x40 bar Strathspey
- 1-2 1st couple set advancing towards each other.  
3-4 1st couple turn once round with both hands.  
5-6 Retaining nearer hands, 1st couple dance down one place **while** 2nd couple step up.  
7-8 1st couple turn half way giving both hands, finishing facing 1st corners.  
9-10 1st couple set to 1st corners.  
11-12 1st couple turn 1st corners by the left hand.  
13-14 1st couple turn 2nd corners by the right hand, finishing in 2nd place on the opposite side of the dance.  
15-16 All four couples set to partners.  
17-24 All dance reels of four on the sidelines.  
25-26 1st couple set to each other.  
27-28 1st couple cast off one place **while** 3rd couple step up.  
29-32 1st couple dance half a figure of eight around 4th couple.  
33-34 1st and 4th couples turn once round giving both hands, opening out into...  
35-36 1st and 4th couples dance four hands round to the left half way.  
37-40 4th and 1st couples turn one and a half times with both hands.

Finish in the order 2,3,4,1, ready to start again.

Written for Joy Bradshaw, Christmas 1998. In 1998 Mrs Bradshaw was awarded The Broderer's Prize for her services to The Embroiderers' Guild.

**Tune:** The Thistle *(traditional, from Kerr's collection)*

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