

Snake in the Hey!

Susan and Tom Amesse´

Duple minor Longways

Music: Snake in the Hey! by Tom Amesse´ (4 steps per bar)

- 1-2 Ones Gypsy Once around.
3-4 First Lady (followed by first man) Fig 8 around twos:
Down through twos, up around second man,
down through twos up around second lady to home
5-8 First man does NOT complete the figure 8,
But starts L shoulder hey across w/second couple.
(Pass second lady L shoulder to start)
Second Man ends hey by moving up outside,
First man ends in second place
(Men end progressed, ladies end home)
9-10 First Lady (w/second man) Gypsy Once around
11-12 First Lady (followed by 2nd man) Fig 8 through couple below:
Down through middle, up around first man,
down through middle up around second lady to home
13-16 Second man does NOT complete the figure 8,
But starts L shoulder hey across w/couple below.
(Pass second lady L shoulder to start)
First Man ends hey by moving up outside,
Second man ends in second place
(All end home)
17 Balance forward & back
18 Clover leaf turn single (ones up, twos down) into:
Column of four across:
Ones in middle face Partner,
Twos at ends facing in.
19-22 Full R shoulder hey across.
23-24 Ones 2H Turn — All face up
25-26 Line of four up a double & fall straight back
27-28 Twos gate Ones around into long lines
29-32 Four changes, R & L (give partner R to start)

Note: After the Gypsies in bars 1-2 and 9-10, the first woman should immediately start the figure 8. The man who is following her is “interrupted” by the second lady and he becomes – in Susan’s words – the “snake” in the hey.

We visited John Lam and Luanne Styles in their South Carolina home. Just outside their front door there was a small bale of hay. Susan saw a snake in the hay. Luanne assured us city folk that the snake was harmless and was helping keep down the insect population. Despite her assurance, Susan continued to avoid the hay bale all weekend.