

The People's March to the Polls

4 Couple Longways

Music: 'The People's March to the Polls' by Rachel Bell
of the American band 'Alchemy'

When I first heard this tune shortly after Rachel wrote it in November 2020 in honour of the U.S. presidential election result I became completely obsessed with it and was determined to write a dance to fit. It took a while, but as is often the way with these dances, once I had the idea, it only took about half an hour to actually get it written. Although the recording of the tune has not been publicly released, the notation can be found in Rachel's tune book.

A1: (1-4) 1st corners, set forwards & turn single back to place
(5-8) 1st corners give RH, balance & box the gnat

A2: (1-4) 2nd corners, set forwards & turn single back to place.
(5-8) 2nd corners give RH, balance & box the gnat

B1: (1-4) Working in 4s at each end, ½ double fig 8 [middles crossing through ends then casting to middle, ends casting to middle then crossing to ends]
(5-8) Middles ½ pousett [M1 & L4 push]

B2: (1-4) All 8 circle L ½
(5-8) Partner 2HT 1½

Progression: 3, 1, 4, 2.