Notation for the Original Molly Dances

Birds-a-Building

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1st time:

Square as in Moral: one to the middle, one on the spot, one to the side, one to turn (no twizzle); repeat

Top couples lead down i.e. 1 & 2; 5 & 6

Double-arm swing right 8 steps: each couple changes place with their neighbour.

2nd time:

Repeat with central four only (3& 4; 5&6), others stand until swing.

Lead-down: top pair only (3&4)

Swing: middles swing right and change position with each other; top and bottom pairs swing but <u>don't</u> change.

3rd time:

All do squares. Lead down is top couples as in 1st time (i.e. 1&2, 5&6) All swing and all changes place with neighbouring couple in fheir square.

4th time:

Middle four only do squares. Top couple out of the middle four (3&4) do lead-down. All swing and change.