FLAKS FRA MERAKER Norwegian Couple Dance

Collected in 1968 by Egil Bakka in Meraker, near Trondheim. "Flaks" means unexpected good luck.

Source: Egil Bakka: Danse, danse lettut på foten; Noregs, Boklag, Oslo 1970

Music: 2/4, ct 1,2

Forma- Cpls in a large circle, W facing CW; M CCW. W has on ptr tion: shoulder, M has on ptr shoulder, M arms inside W arms.

Record: RCA Victor Norway LPNES 65 A8 "Polkett fra Romsdalen"

No introduction

Meas

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	I. FLAKS STEP
1	Hop on M R ft, W L; extend M L, W R twd ptr (ct 1). Retract
	extended ft and take wt on it while raising M R, W L behind (ct 2).
2	Hop on M L, W R, while extending M R, W L fwd ptr (ct 1). Re-
	tract extended ft and take wt on it while raising other ft behind (ct 2).
3-8	Repeat meas 1-2.
	The large circle of cpls progresses slowly CCW during this Fig.

Figure

II. THE TRANSITION

Come down with wt on both ft (ct 1). Step twd ptr with M R ft, W L ft (ct 2). Take modified shoulder waist pos: M hd almost as high as W shoulder blades.

III. PIVOT

- While executing 1/2 turn CW, M steps around CW with L ft, W steps behind with R ft (ct 1). While executing 1/2 turn CW, M steps behind with R ft, W steps around CW with L ft (ct 2).
- 3-7 Repeat meas 2, Fig. III.
- 8 Continue pivot ftwork, but maneuver so W faces CW in ring, M CCW. Take shoulder-shoulder pos.

Begin Fig. I again.

Dancers are free to choose duration of Figures I and III. I use 8 meas for ease of description.

Presented by Bruce Taylor