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What's the Rumpus? Square Dance Choreo

Opener

(Circle Left.)

I came home late on Sunday; the house was a screaming zoo.* I couldn't tell if it was a party, or a wrecking crew. (Smile at your corner.) Allemande Left the corner, come back, do a Do Sa Do.. Boys Star Left in the middle of the ring, it's once around you know. Come on boys, meet your partner, Turn her by the Right, she's waiting there. Allemande Left, come on back, Full Promenade go 'round the square. Hey (pah) da da da, yah, (ha, hey). What's the rumpus? What's the story boy? Come on now, what's the rumpus?

Figure

Heads [sides] do Half Sashay, and now you Pass Thru, but don't roam.
Heads [sides] Turn Left, go Single File and Promenade outside back home.
Sides [heads] Star by the Right in the center, it's once around you know.
All get back to home, and face your Corner, get ready, set and go!
Do an Allemande Left your Corner, come on back Turn partner by the Right I say.
Back to the corner, Turn her by the Left, keep her and Promenade all the way.
Hey (pah) da da da, yah, (ha, hey). What's the rumpus?
What's the story boy? Come on now, what's the rumpus?**

Tag

Circle Left and everybody sing. Hey (pah) da da da da, yah, (ha, hey). What's the rumpus? (Hey.)

Alternate Lyrics

*Half a dozen dancers, doing hornpipes here and far, Something running in my kitchen, I think it's my car. (Grin at your corner.)

*People hanging out my windows, and bowling down the hall, Music loud enough to shake the walls. (With your corner, say, "Boo!")

**Cad e an sceil a buachail? What's the rumpus? (Last line in the original song.)