

The Girl With The Blue Dress On



Rhythm: Polka
Contra

Book: Peter Ellis, "Collector's Choice, Vol 1", Victorian Folk Music Club Inc., 1986, p50

Discography: Bonny North Tyne 12TS239, Northumbrian Country Music

Notes: Variants of this tune were collected in Australia

- by John Meredith from Bill Cooper, as "Bill Cooper's Polka",
- by John Meredith from Keith and Vince Holland as "Fred Holland's Polka",
- by Chris Sullivan from Charlie Batchelor as "Harry's Polka".
- Bob Ballantine, a Northumbrian whistle player who lived in central Victoria for many years, played this as his signature tune.

Other versions were collected.

History: This tune is based on the "The Kitty Schottische" composed by Charles D'Albert
Published by Woolcott and Clarke, Sydney Australia around 1855.