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Introduction:

Thank you for buying (or even acquiring) a copy of these waltzes. It's a strange thing, but just the fact that you have a copy of this book in your hands makes all the hard work very worthwhile.

These tunes span my life from the age of 21, and the time when I started playing English and American Folk Dance Music seriously, to now - the ripe old age of 51. Over a quarter of a century of playing and composing music in this style.

We have a rich and vibrant folk culture in England that is largely ignored by the population and the establishment of this country. However, those of us who compose music, with it's Anglo/Celtic Roots, are showing that the tradition is not dead rather it is a lively, creative, eclectic and thoroughly living entity.

I have included some biographical notes as many people say they enjoy knowing about the background of the individual tunes.

So, please play these tunes wherever and whenever you wish, acknowledge their origin whenever you get a chance, and enjoy the experience. Like all tunes, once they are launched into the world, some will gain a life of their own and live and prosper, others will lie fallow waiting for the right time and the right place to show their heads. I wonder which ones, if any, will stand the test of time......

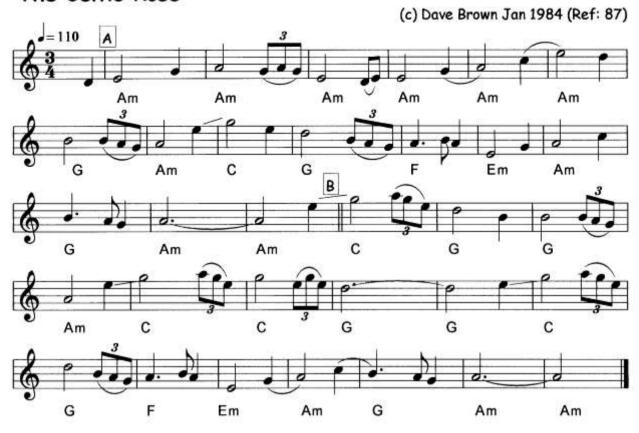
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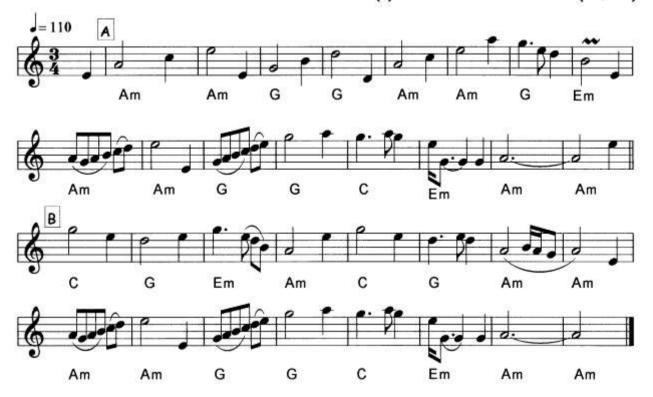
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The Celtic Rose



Fields of Corn

(c) Dave Brown 8th June 1984 (Ref: 91)



Columbine

Play stridently and with a bit of a lilt.



Charlotte



The Empty Years



The Unattached Waltz



Felicity (c) Dave Brown July 2002 (for Felicity Bird) Play with a swing style introduction Am7/G Am7/G FMaj⁷ FMaj⁷ 11 Am⁷/G Am7/G FMaj 7 Am Am FMai⁷ Am7/G Am Am Am Am Am7/G FMaj⁷ FMaj⁷ Em Em agitato G⁷ Dm Dm E7 E7 Am7/G Am Am dolce FMaj⁷ Em Em Am Am Am

Colin Hume has written a beautiful dance for this tune. It can be downloaded from my website at www.dlbmusic.org.uk/downloads.

Home on the Hill



Bm

Em

F#m

G

A7

D

Heidi's Waltz

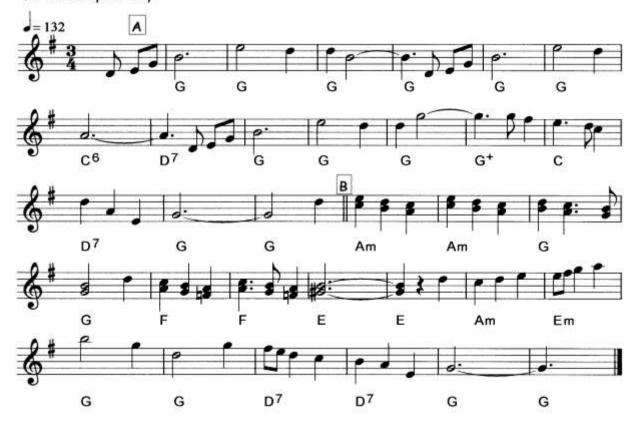
(c) Dave Brown June 1993 (ref:120)



Junior

for Christopher Day

(c) Dave Brown August 2001 (Ref:139)



Katharine the Great





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Colouring the Moon

(c) Dave Brown December 1984 (Ref:98)

play with a swing.



White Horse Waltz

(c) Dave Brown March 1981 (Ref:27)



Background Notes to the tunes in this book.

1. Celtic Rose:

A tune written after a storming argument. I found a quiet place to be, picked up my recorder and played myself into calmness while I promised never to be that cross again! The result is this beautiful tune.

2 Fields of Corn:

There is no story to this tune, just a beautiful lilting melody. It's up to you to make the atmosphere.

3. Columbine:

When I first heard this tune in my head I had the impression of a circus dancer or a comical pantomime- dancing clown. Columbine was born. Play this tune with gay abandon!

4. Charlotte:

This tune was commissioned by Barry MacNamara to celebrate the birth of his first Grandchild.

5. The Empty Years:

A sad tune from a miserable part of my life that, fortunately, did not last long.

6 The Unattached Waltz:

There is nothing to attach this waltz to anyone or anything.

7. Felicity:

Felicity is my dancing niece. She loves to dance and while she was staying with us in 2002 this tune appeared from nowhere. Check out the dance on my website. www.dlbmusic.org.uk.

8. Home on the Hill:

For a while I lived in a beautiful Jacobean manor house on the edge of the Cotswolds. This is to remember Woollas Hall, in Worcestershire.

9. Patience:

Patience is my wife. I wrote and recorded this tune at the time of our wedding in 1997.

10. Heidi's Waltz:

Written for Heidi Chapman in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA.

11. Junior:

On the occasion of the birth of Christopher Day there was great rejoicing and much to Shane and Julia's (mum and dad) surprise many people were asked to write tunes, which were duly played to Christopher, and presented to him in a book. This was my contribution.

12. Katharine the Great:

As the years go by I am trying to compose a tune for every member of my family. Well Katharine, this is your tune and you're great!

13. Krystina:

Written for Tina Brown.

14. Turtle Bay:

The Perhentian Islands are a beautiful collection of Islands in the South China Sea. Patience and I spent an idyllic time there in March 2004.

15. Colouring the Moon:

There is no story to this tune. It was just an unusual experiment.

16. White Horse Waltz:

The White Horse is a famous landscape carving near to our home in Wiltshire.

