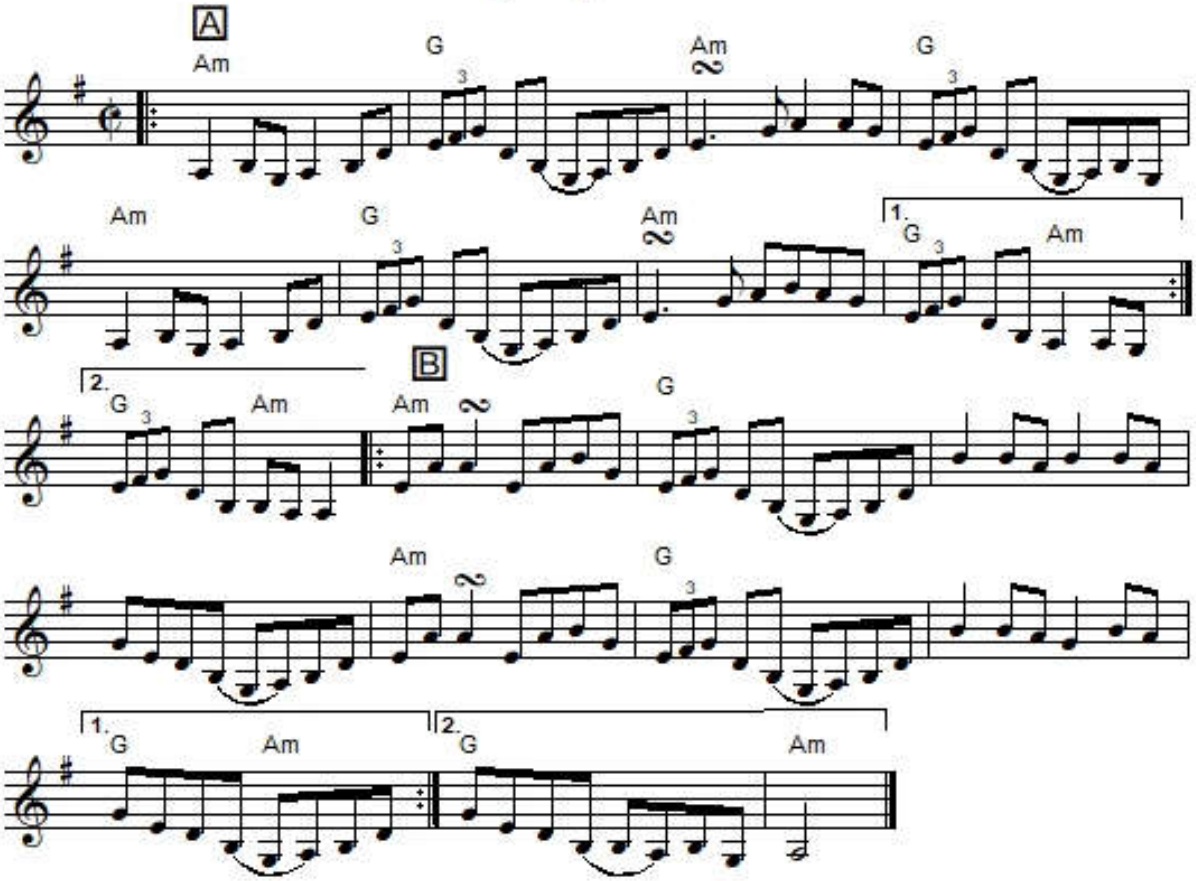
# Killarney Boys of Pleasure

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"Killarney Boys of Pleasure", in Gaelic "*Gaigíní Chill Áirne*", also known as "Docherty's Reel", "Doherty's Reel", "The Gweebara Bridge Reel", "Johnny Doherty's Reel" or "The New-Fashioned Habit" is an Irish reel in A Dorian (Brody/Boys of the Lough) or E Dorian (Breathnach, Miller & Perron). The parts are played AABB (Brody, Mallinson, Miller & Perron) and AA'BB' (Breathnach, Miller & Perron/2006).

The town of Killarney can be found in west Kerry, southern Ireland and its name means 'the cell among the sloe trees' (referring to a monastery or other religious site).

The reel, which is usually played in E Dorian, was popularized by Tommy Peoples. The reel is known as "*Ril a' Sean Nós*" ("The Old-Style Reel") in County Donegal. The Killarney title is from County Antrim.

It was printed Breathnach's **CRÉ III** (1985), Brody's **Fiddler's Fakebook** (1983), Bulmer & Sharpley's **Music from Ireland, vol. 1** (1974), Jordan's **Whistle and Sing** (1975), Mallinson's **100 Essential** (1995), Miller & Perron's **Traditional Irish Fiddle Music** (1977) and Miller & Perron's **Irish Traditional Fiddle Music, 2nd Edition** (2006).

It was recorded by Seán Keane on **Gusty's Frolics** (1975) and Boys of the Lough on **Boys of the Lough** (1973) (Appears as "Docherty's Reel").