

## Tune of the Month - Hull's Victory

This hornpipe/reel is shown here in the key of F, but can be easily converted to the key of D, using your open "A" as the starting point. The tune commemorates Hull's victory off the coast of Nova Scotia in the War of 1812. An American hero, Captain Isaac Hull, was commander of the frigate USS Constitution ('Old Ironsides'), which engaged the British frigate HMS Guerriere under Captain Richard Dacre in fierce combat in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, about 750 miles out of Boston. The battle lasted 55 minutes and left 101 dead. With the Guerriere dismasted and smashed beyond salvage, Captain Dacre struck his colors. The Constitution, heavier and more solidly built, suffered little damage and only 14 casualties. The impact of the clash, however, was to shock the British Admiralty and hearten America and the fledgling American Navy in the dark days of the War of 1812. (source: Fiddler's Companion)

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At the District 6 Thanksgiving jam (l-r):  
Bob Strelow, Willie Carter, and Jerry Parks.



Ila Mae Carmickle (l) and Darla Knudsen (r),  
helping to grow a fiddler.