

## GAA Oral History Project

## Interview Report Form

<b>Name of Interviewer</b>	Emma Kavanagh & Eadaoin Leahy
<b>Date of Interview</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2012
<b>Location</b>	Eddie's home, near Inistioge, Co. Kilkenny
<b>Name of Interviewee</b> (Maiden name / Nickname)	Eddie Keher
<b><u>Biographical Summary of Interviewee</u></b>	
<b>Gender</b>	Male
<b>Born</b>	<b>Year Born:</b> 1941 <b>Home County:</b> Kilkenny
<b>Education</b>	N/A
<b>Family</b>	<b>Siblings:</b> 1 sister <b>Current Family if Different:</b> Married with 5 children
<b>Club(s)</b>	The Rower-Inistioge GAA [Kilkenny]
<b>Occupation</b>	Retired
<b>Parents' Occupation</b>	Garda Sergeant [Father]; Shopkeeper [Mother]
<b>Religion</b>	Roman Catholic
<b>Political Affiliation / Membership</b>	N/A
<b>Other Club/Society Membership(s)</b>	N/A

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<b>Date of Report</b>	25 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2012
<b>Period Covered</b>	1941 – 2010
<b>Counties/Countries Covered</b>	Kilkenny
<b>Key Themes Covered</b>	Travel, Supporting, Grounds, Facilities, Playing, Coaching, Administration, Celebrations, Fundraising, Education, Role of the Club in the Community, Identity, Rivalries, All-Ireland, Club History, County History, Earliest Memories, Family Involvement, Childhood, Impact on Life, Career, Socialising
<b>Interview Summary</b>	<p>Eddie recalls his GAA exploits at club and county level in Kilkenny. A successful hurler, he won county titles and captained Kilkenny to an All-Ireland hurling title. He talks about the successes he enjoyed and what they meant to him. Later he became involved in administration and joined the panel of the Disputes Resolution Authority. He discusses his post-playing involvement in the GAA and reflects on the changes he has witnessed in the Association over the years.</p> <p>00:15 His role in the GAA. Being on the executive committee in Innistioge and fundraising.</p> <p>00:40 Being vice-chairman of Kilkenny Supporters Club.</p> <p>01:15 Being involved in county coaching courses.</p> <p>01:35 Being on the panel of the Disputes Resolution Authority.</p> <p>02:00 Reasons for GAA involvement.</p> <p>02:25 Playing in school when he was young.</p> <p>03:20 Family involvement in GAA. Father from Roscommon and working as a Garda in Tullaroan, Inistioge and Ballyhale.</p> <p>04:20 Role of GAA in the community. Community divided into Rower and Inistioge.</p> <p>05:50 Changes he has seen in the GAA. Improvement in facilities nationwide.</p> <p>07:50 Success in his parish. Celebration when a local team won the Under-14 championship in 1948. Successes he enjoyed as a player with the club.</p>

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	<p>08:50 Strides made by camogie in the area.</p> <p>09:20 Making the Kilkenny senior hurling team in 1959 and his experience of that. Reaching an All-Ireland final in 1963. Fr Tom Murphy on the team.</p> <p>10:15 Winning a county final in 1968 and how that made him feel.</p> <p>11:20 Rivalries with Tipperary and Wexford when he was playing at county level.</p> <p>12:10 Atmosphere on match days. Nerves on All-Ireland final day. Bus ride to Croke Park.</p> <p>13:50 Impact of GAA on his life. Making friends. Benefits at work.</p> <p>15:20 Memorable games - 1968 county final against Bennettsbridge and winning the All-Ireland as captain of the county team.</p>
<p><b>Involvement in GAA</b></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supporter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Player <input type="checkbox"/> Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Coach <input type="checkbox"/> Steward</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chairperson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Committee Member <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds-person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Caterer <input type="checkbox"/> Jersey Washer <input type="checkbox"/> Referee <input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____</p>
<p><b>Record as a Player</b> (Titles won; Length of time played)</p>	<p>6 All-Irelands medals; 5 All-Stars; Hurling of the Year (1972); 3 National Hurling Leagues; 1 Kilkenny Hurling Championship; 10 Leinster Hurling Championships</p>
<p><b>Record as an Administrator</b> (Positions held; how long for)</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>Format</b></p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Audio <input type="checkbox"/> Audio-Visual</p>
<p><b>Duration</b></p>	<p>Length of Interview: 00:16:23</p>
<p><b>Language</b></p>	<p>English</p>

**To be filled in by Interviewer:**

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_