

## GAA Oral History Project

## Interview Report Form

<b>Name of Interviewer</b>	Ruth Walsh
<b>Date of Interview</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2009
<b>Location</b>	Interviewee's home, near Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo
<b>Name of Interviewee</b> (Maiden name / Nickname)	Kevin Gallagher
<b><u>Biographical Summary of Interviewee</u></b>	
<b>Gender</b>	Male
<b>Born</b>	<b>Year Born:</b> 1988 <b>Home County:</b> Mayo
<b>Education</b>	N/A
<b>Family</b>	<b>Siblings:</b> 1 brother and 1 sister
<b>Club(s)</b>	Ballyhaunis GAA Club [Mayo]
<b>Occupation</b>	Student
<b>Parents' Occupation</b>	N/A
<b>Religion</b>	Roman Catholic
<b>Political Affiliation / Membership</b>	N/A

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<b>Date of Report</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> July 2012
<b>Period Covered</b>	1988 – 2009
<b>Counties/Countries Covered</b>	Mayo
<b>Key Themes Covered</b>	Travel, Supporting, Playing, Training, Officials, Administration, Sponsorship, Education, Emigration, Role of Teachers, Role of Women, Role of the Club in the Community, Volunteers, Rivalries, All-Ireland, Club History, County History, Earliest Memories, Family Involvement, Childhood, Food and Drink, Socialising
<b>Interview Summary</b>	<p>Kevin talks about growing up in Mayo and his relationship with his local club. An active player in the club and at college, Kevin discusses the highs and lows of playing, and speaks more generally about the place of the GAA in Irish society</p> <p>00:00:45 – Kevin describes his earliest GAA memory.</p> <p>00:01: 07 – Kevin describes his family's GAA involvement.</p> <p>00:01: 19 – Kevin speaks about his relatives experiences in the GAA.</p> <p>00:01: 28 – Kevin discussed how the GAA affected his family life.</p> <p>00:02: 03 – Kevin describes what it was like to support his club and county when he was younger.</p> <p>00:02: 50 – Kevin describes two games from his life time that he enjoyed.</p> <p>00:03: 37 – Kevin talks about the impact that the GAA has had on his life.</p> <p>00:04: 00 – Kevin discussed the role of his club in the community.</p> <p>00:04:31 – Kevin speaks about who he admires in the GAA.</p> <p>00:05: 04 – Kevin discusses the GAA as part of his school and college life.</p> <p>00:05: 53 – Kevin tells me the lack of songs and poems from</p>

	<p>his local area.</p> <p>00:06: 01 – Kevin discusses the biggest changes in the GAA.</p> <p>00:06: 33 – Kevin tells me the changes in his community and how they have affected his club.</p> <p>00:07: 02 – Kevin speaks about the improvement of the role of women in the GAA.</p> <p>00:07: 27 – Kevin tells me the role of the churches and the clergy in his club and how it has changed.</p> <p>00:07: 38 – Kevin describes the connection between politics and the GAA.</p> <p>00:07: 51 - Kevin discusses the main disappointments that he has had with the GAA.</p> <p>00:08: 10 – Kevin tells me how the GAA has shaped his identity.</p> <p>00:08: 27 – Kevin speaks about the role of the Irish language and culture in his club and on his personal involvement in the GAA.</p> <p>00:08: 35 - Kevin speaks about the importance of local rivalries.</p> <p>00:08: 55 - Kevin tells me the importance of volunteers.</p> <p>00:09: 15 – Kevin describes his experiences as a supporter and player.</p> <p>00:09: 42 – Kevin discusses his experience with the GAA outside of Ireland.</p> <p>00:09: 48 – Kevin speaks about the change in media coverage.</p> <p>00:10: 31 – Kevin tells me the biggest challenges facing the GAA in the future.</p>
<b>Involvement in GAA</b>	<p>✓ Supporter   ✓ Player   <input type="checkbox"/> Manager   <input type="checkbox"/> Coach   <input type="checkbox"/> Steward</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chairperson   <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Member   <input type="checkbox"/> Grounds-person</p>

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	<input type="checkbox"/> Caterer <input type="checkbox"/> Jersey Washer <input type="checkbox"/> Referee <input type="checkbox"/> None  <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____
<b>Record as a Player</b> (Titles won; Length of time played)	East Mayo N.S winner and captain.  East Mayo u-14 winner  All- Ireland 'C' Hurling runners-up medal  All- Ireland fresher's B medal (DCU)  All- Ireland Intermediate medal (DCU)
<b>Record as an Administrator</b> (Positions held; how long for)	N/A
<b>Format</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Audio <input type="checkbox"/> Audio-Visual
<b>Duration</b>	Length of Interview: 00:11:04
<b>Language</b>	English

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**To be filled in by Interviewer:**

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Signed: Ruth Walsh

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 2009

