

WHERE ARE THEY NOW? Barney Carroll



So, where are you living now and what are you up to?

I'm living back home in Co Galway now and working in Loughrea.

When did you play for the club and which teams were you on?

I think from about 2010-2015 but I could be well wrong!

What were the highlights of your time playing with the club?

I had a great time meeting great people involved in the club, both locals and blow-ins like myself! It's a great club.

Is there a particular match that stands out in your memory?

Beating Glenealy in a Junior Semi-final in Ashford one Sunday morning. It was a serious battle that we managed to come out on the right side of.

What mentors stand out who had a big impact on you?

Between Brenden Cuddihy, Gerry Walsh and Ciaran Goff you had three great hurling men there to keep you right.

Any funny or amusing story from your time with the club?

One evening playing Pat's down there and we had no free taker so I said I would have a go at them, I had 2 or 3 easy ones in front of the post and I was nearer hitting the corner flag than scoring a point. Goffer wasn't long about telling me I'm no Joe Canning and ending my free taking as quickly as it started!

Favourite teammate?

Mark Barry would have to get a mention here, he would stick you like superglue in training but would do the very same in a game, and Daniel O'Connor would have to get a mention too. He would die with his boots on for the club.

Have you played or been involved in Gaelic games at all since leaving the club?

No, when I finished in Eire og the hurl was hung up.

Any possibility of returning to Greystones and maybe evening wearing the jersey or getting involved in some capacity again?

Now that I am back in Galway full time I don't think I will get the opportunity to do so unfortunately.