

PLAYER PROFILE BALLINA GAA



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| Name | Martin McKeogh |
| Nickname | |
| Year of Birth & Age | 1986 |
| Occupation (Student/ work – if Student, where) | Allianz Insurance (Account Manager) |
| Favourite Hurling Position | Goalkeeper |
| What's your earliest memory of playing for Ballina? | At about 7 or 8 coming on for my cousin James in goals, at some u10 match in Ballina for about 3 minutes, playing against someone in black & amber stripe jerseys. I think it was my uncle Danny that told me to go in goals..... he must of spotted something in me like a lack of pace or fitness!!! |
| What is the highlight of your hurling career to date? | County Intermediate Final 2013 |
| Who was your toughest opponent? | I normally find the ref/umpires a good battle but I'm beginning to behave! Eoin Reid (Kilkenny) – although it was only ever in training he was unbelievable to take a goal chance! |
| What GAA sports person do you most admire? | No particular individual, but am thankful for the effort & time club members have put in to move the club forward & hopefully make us a successful & respected senior club for years! |
| Sportsman you admire the most outside of GAA? | Brian O'Driscoll – always put everything into a match! |
| What is your favourite sport aside from Hurling? | Golf |
| One word to describe you? | Honest |
| If you could attend any sporting event in the world what would it be? | An All Ireland Hurling final with Ballina men playing for Tipp, preferably as captain going up the Hogan stand! (No pressure Mikey or Steven!) |
| What is your advice to younger players? | Hurling is way better when you are winning – learn from losses but when you win always remember “a clap on the back is only ever 6 inches from a kick up the arse!” |
| Best dresser on the team | Diarmuid Healy.....any lad that can consistently find a pair of size 14 shoes & 40 inch leg trousers must know a good shop or 2! |
| Worst dresser on the team | Aidan Hanley – has lost his pants a few times apparently, must be the style.....although Jim McGraths short's would be a close 2nd! |
| Best dancer on the team | Rumor has it that Brian McKeogh & Kevin Cosgrove do a lovely Tango routine! |
| Best singer on the team | Rody Kennedy – its not about the voice its about the performance! |