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Dominic Stuart

INTERVIEW by [Ruth Minogue](#) on November 23, 2009

Interviewee	Dominic Stuart
Gender	Male
Birth Date	21/08/1937
Home County	Clare
Area-Townland	East Clare - Ballybroghan
Parish-Townland	Ogonnelloe - Ballybroghan
Family	Married with 2 sons
Occupation	retired engineer
Report Date	July 14, 2010
Period Covered	1937
Length of Interview	1hr 31mins
Thematic Areas Covered	Seasonal customs, School, Local traditions, Cures,
Description	Interview took place in the sitting room of Dominics new house in Ballybrohane, overlooking the house in which he was reared. Dominic returned to Ireland with his American wife, Diane in 2008 after 44 years in America.

Time	Description
0:00:00 - 0:01:17	Early Life - Dominic speaks about early life. Born in 1937, lived in Ballybrohane with parents. Contracted polio at 5 and went to live with his schoolteacher aunt in Ballyloughnane. Spent a year in Dublin for treatment also.
0:01:18 - 0:04:50	Family Background - Talks about his fathers family. His Dad was one of 16 children. All the children receive a full education and most went to boarding school. Talks a bit about some of them. His father took over family farm
0:04:51 - 0:16:39	School - Talks about Ballyloughnane school. Played hurling in field at back. Pupil knocked out one day and left when they went back to class. They walked about 1 mile through fields to get there. 25-30 pupils with his aunt Sarah teacher. Older kids helped younger. Liked been sent to gather sticks for fire. Parents expected to bring load of turf each year. Talks about Bishop coming to examine catachesism Bishop Fogarty hard on children. Subjects taken. Points out that noting taught about 1916 at this time. His aunt gave him extra tuition to ensure his scholarship to St. Flannans.
0:16:40 - 0:19:26	Family Background - Talks about his family again. Stuarts in Ballybrohane since at least 1800. Believed name many have derived from working as stewards.

