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IRISH JUGGLING EXPERT OF CORK HIBERNIANS

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NEW YORK, N.Y.-Adrian Walsh, a Cork born upholsterer who has played soccer for the Luton and Watford clubs in Ireland, is accompanying the Cork Hibernians soccer team on its transcontinental tour throughout the United States to play the eleven clubs of the American Soccer League.

Walsh's claim to fame is that he has set what appears to be a world record in juggling a soccer ball 8,700 times with his head, feet, shoulders and knees for one hour and twenty minutes non-stop without the ball touching the ground. The achievement will now probably "make" the Guinness Book of Records, for so far ball juggling is not included in the records. Walsh flew to England a few weeks ago to have his stunt officially recognized there by the Guinness Publishing firm.

His trip to the United States is being underwritten by the Irish Wheelchair Association, and he will put on ball juggling exhibitions before and between games on the Cork Hibernians' tour soliciting funds for the Irish paraplegics between halves.

Adrian advises "since I have been thirteen or fourteen I have been messing around with a ball, but it never entered my head that I should try for a world record until some friends suggested it recently. My best effort is 8,700 which has been authenticated by Michael Geary, Secretary of the Galway Football Association. I now want to top 10,000. I regularly do a few thousand every day.

"I know two people who tried ball juggling for entertainment. One David Burnside, the former Southampton player, who now operates a soccer side-show, and the other is Pele, who tried to do tricks with an orange."

Walsh puts in two hours training daily juggling a soccer ball and includes physical exercise as well as ball control practice. He is seeking other professional soccer players to "have a go at it" in order to insure that the Guinness Record Book definitely will include his feat in its annual compilation.