

# The College Groves

Reel (D Mixolydian) (Transcribed by Kevin Burke)

Traditional Ireland

The musical score for 'The College Groves' is presented in eight staves. It begins in the key of G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The notation includes various rhythmic ornaments such as triplets and doublets, as well as 'V' markings. The piece features a first and second ending in the third staff. The score is transcribed by Kevin Burke and is based on a traditional Irish reel.

*The College Groves* was taught by Kevin Burke at the Easter fiddle masterclass held at the Canberra School of Music 2007. Although the score is written in the Key of G major, the chords shift from D major to C natural, a feature of D mixolydian mode.

The tune is Kevin's version from several sources and includes his own variations. The second alternative turn around on the next page comes from Bobby Casey, the Clare fiddler. There is a version of this tune in the O'Neill's collection c. 1903, 1850 Irish Melodies under the title *The New Demesne*. Kevin recorded this tune on his first record, *Sweeney's Dream* back in the 1970's.