

CIVIL DEFENCE NOTES.

CASUALTY UNIT: Three members did duty at the Kildare Civil Defence First Aid Competition in Naas on April 3rd. The new C.D. Casualty Unit from Leixlip took part in the Competition and are to be congratulated on an excellent performance.

The following Questionnaire was recently issued by Kildare Fire Service and seems very appropriate at the moment following the recent most unfortunate outbreak in Old Greenfield. Householders should seriously read the questions. Fires occur so quickly and the damage can be so extensive that it is worth taking the necessary precautions. 'Prevention is better than cure'

Anything short of 22 replys of 'Yes' to the questionnaire shows that there is a serious loophole in the fire precautions in your house.

HOUSEHOLD CHECK LIST

FIRES & HEATERS

1.

Are there proper secure fireguards for all fires & heaters & are they always kept in place?

Yes

No
2.

Do you follow these rules for Oil Heaters?
- Don't fill indoors
- Don't fill or carry when alight.

Yes

No
- Don't place in draughts or where they may be knocked over by elderly people, children or dogs.
3.

Do you regularly sweep the soot away from above the back of the grate?

Yes

No
4.

Do you know that if you have a chimney fire you should call the fire brigade?

Yes

No
5.

Does someone make sure that all fires are safe before the family goes to bed?

Yes

No
6.

Do you close all doors at night,

Yes

No

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

7.

Has your electrical installation been checked during the last five years?

Yes

No
8.

Have you sufficient points to take all electrical appliances you need without use of long leads or multi-way adaptors?

Yes

No

9.

Are you sure that all fuses in use are of the correct rating?

Yes

No
10.

Last thing at night are all electrical appliances not in use switched off and unplugged from the socket?

Yes

No
11.

Do you return your electric blanket for servicing at the intervals recommended by the manufacturer.

Yes

No

FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS

12.

Do you see that petrol or paraffin is NEVER used for lighting fires?

Yes

No
13.

Do you see that petrol is never kept or used inside the home.

Yes

No
14.

Do you keep paraffin out of doors, or if you have to keep it indoors do you restrict this to the smallest necessary quantity and keep it only in closed metal containers in a safe place?

Yes

No

IN THE KITCHEN

15.

Are you careful not to place clothes and linen too near a fire or cooker to dry and air?

Yes

No
16.

Do you know that, if fat catches fire, you should not attempt to remove the pan nor to extinguish with water but should, if possible turn off the heat and then smother the flames with a lid or a damp cloth gently laid over?

Yes

No

IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN

17.

Are matches and lighters kept out of the reach of young children?

Yes

No
18.

Do you ensure that young children are never left alone in the house?
19.

Do you use flame-resistant fabric when making or buying nightwear for children (and also elderly persons)?

Yes

No

SMOKING

20.

Do the smokers in your house USE the ashtrays?

Yes

No
21.

Do you warn them not to smoke in bed?

Yes

No

RUBBISH

22.

Are the attic and cellar and any space under the stairs kept free of rubbish and flammable materials.

Yes

No

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NEWSLETTER

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Community Council News

COUNTY COUNCIL :- No further progress was reported on matters relating to the County Council but Councillor B. Durkin is looking after our interests here and rest assured all items will be pursued with the utmost vigour.

CHILDRENS SPORTS COMPLEX:- We are co-operating with the Development Associating on this project and it is hoped that sufficient funds can be collected to allow this to be developed as planned. Some of the functions for this are the Fashion Show on May 2nd and a Sale of Work later on.

TALENT CONTEST:- This event, the funds from which are also going towards the Sports Field, is progressing quite well, and a sincere thanks is due to all who are working hard to make this a success.

CANAL:- A special Public Meeting has been arranged for May 10th at 9 o'clock in the Geraldine Hall. Dr. Ian Bath will give a lecture and show slides and it is hoped that everyone will attend and let their views be known.

The next Meeting of the Council will be held on Tuesday May 10th at 10.00 p.m. in the Geraldine Hall.



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ICA News

The April meeting of the Guild took place at the beginning of the month. Following the business discussion, a 'spot' competition was held, with Mrs. O'Brien coming first and Mrs. Angel second. The raffle was won by Mrs. Gee with the second prize going to Mrs. Connolly.

Some of the members had attended The Federation meeting in March and met the new President, Mrs. Barber.

A beetle Drive to aid the Routunda Hospital Research into the Prevention of Mental and Physical Handicap to babies is to be held on Thursday 12th May at 8.30 p.m. in the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth. There will be many prizes and it is hoped this worthy cause will be well supported.

The competition for the May meeting will be a 'Spring Flower Arrangement' using a maximum of five blooms.

GRAPEVINE

A monthly and sometimes satirical review of local news, gossip, general chat and perhaps occasionally unbelievable rubbish.

The 'THING' in the square appears to have a new lease of life lately. At least there is plenty of activity on top. They could transfer some of the activity to the lower part, its being used anyhow!

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Some very fine talent was to be seen and heard in the recent competition in the Parish Hall, but many of the teams were disappointed at the lack of support from their own areas. This is particularly hard to understand as the acts were quite good and the entertainment value could not be equalled anywhere at such nominal prices.

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Congratulations to the following winners of our childrens colouring competition in the last issue. They are:-

Anita Murphy, 841 Greenfield.
Margaret McGlynn, 857 Greenfield
Brigid Holton, 16 Maynooth Park.
Alan Donohue, 24 Maynooth Park.
Darren Gaffney, 6 Rail Park.

and each will receive £1 shortly.

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The Parents & Friends Association Committee of St. Raphael's, Celbridge wish to thank all who kindly subscribed & supported their Fashion Show & Cabaret. It was a most successful evening.

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The latest date for receiving items for publication in the June Newsletter is May 23rd.

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In our last issue we appealed for news of coming events so that they could be published in the NEWSLETTER. It seems that there are no events planned for Maynooth in the coming months as nobody has contacted us.

This is surely unbelievable, but then perhaps the organisers of the events are so sure of full houses that they don't want free publicity. Perhaps that is where the problem lies. Maybe in future we should charge for this free Publicity?

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In previous issues of the Newsletter we commented on the practice of people talking to trees and plants. During the past month a report in one of our national daily papers carried a news item about an exhibition being held in London at which a talking plant was demonstrated.

Apparently by connecting an activity translator to the plant its reaction to various words can be monitored and the signal received used to activate sounds or lights as required.

The mind simply boggles at the spectacle of plant being used for purposes such as, reading a novel to you as you relax, singing your favourite song, cooking the dinner by turning on the cooker, or perhaps the ultimate of minding the children while you and the missus go off to the Costa Brava on a holiday.

Perhaps we might even persuade a couple of them to produce the NEWSLETTER for us.

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Last month we gave some vital information on the number of teaspoons your car should do per mile. We must warn our readers of the dangers of trying to disprove our figures as one local gentleman in attempting to do so filled the petrol tank of his car with teaspoons and the car hasn't stirred since.

This month we give some data of a more general nature as not everybody owns a car. The average mans shoe is 1 foot long. Laid end-to-end it takes 5,280 shoes to cover one mile or 87,120 to go from Maynooth to Dublin. As the average walking pace is 4 miles per hour you could say that an average man walks at 21,120 shoes per mile. To arrive at the equivalent speed for ladies the above figures should be multiplied by 4.286 for every 2½ ladies shoes.

Editorial

The Talent Contest seemed like a good idea at first and, indeed, it proved itself to be one. It achieved its purpose right from the beginning - the bringing together of the various areas of Maynooth - the old and the new the young and the old. It also showed a wealth of talent in the area as a whole.

Initially, when the matter was first discussed at Community Council level, some considered that it could not be got off the ground and that the various areas would not be persuaded to field teams. Instead of a certain amount of apathy there was considerable enthusiasm from all sides. It was a pity indeed that the ideas was not considered earlier in the year as it was found necessary to rush the arrangements and contestants did not really have an opportunity of producing their best. At the same time, we are not in any way detracting from the very good performances given.

Although it was originally intended that it should be a purely local contest, it would have been just a little mean if we did not allow Lucan to field a team, as they had a team prepared to compete for the Fr. Michael Cleary Cup which was not held this year and we could not let down old friends. The Rathcoffey team is composed of people from Ladychapel/Rathcoffey area and technically from part of Maynooth.

The fine performances in the two preliminary rounds have wetted our appetities for the final, on 24th April. (Unfortunately after we go to press), between:-

Cluain Aoibhinn winners of Section A.
Old Greenfield winners of Section B.
Lucan best of the Losers.

It is very gratifying to see the response from all sections of the community to this inter-area contest and it is to be hoped that it is just a commencement to much more lively and invigourating co-operation in the future. Unfortunately, there is a slight tendency on the part of the older residents to speak of the 'new people' and vice versa. In future we trust there will be neither 'old' or 'new' - just residents, with a friendly but keen rivalry between the areas. This must produce a fine community.

If there is any regret from the contest it is that the whole matter was very rushed and that some teams did not have a chance of showing their best but perhaps this could be rectified with a fresh competition next Season - perhaps towards the end of the year.

Unfortunately, through an error, the Ladychapel team was shown in the Programme as the 'Rathcoffey' team and, to avoid confusion it was thought better to continue to refer to it as the 'Rathcoffey Team' for the rest of the Contest.

FIRE

A COMMITTEE has been formed to help the Victims of the recent fire in Greenfield.

We know that you will support this most worthy cause. You will be contacted about this in the near future.

ROYAL CANAL

A special Public Meeting is being held in the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth on Tuesday May 10th at 9 o'clock to discuss the restoration of the Royal Canal.

This meeting will be addressed by Dr. Ian Bath and will include a slide-show and talk. It is hoped also to formulate a plan of campaign for the future and to elect a steering committee. All members of the Public are cordially invited to attend the above mentioned Meeting, so that all ideas can be fully aired and the interests of all safeguarded.

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GREENFIELD (OLD) RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.

SYMPATHY is extended to the Healy Family whose home was destroyed by FIRE recently. A fire disaster fund has been set up, the following Committee have been selected:-

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Eileen Nolan (Treasurer)
Liz. Farrell (Secretary)

Committee Members.

Nellie Finnan, Vera Lettis,
Rose Comerford, Lima Higgins,
Lily Newton, Leo McGlynn,
Brian Farrell, Anne McGarry.

Disco's will be run and a full attendance at these functions will be very much appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS:- To Mr. & Mrs Dominic Nugent, Grange William Stud on the Birth of A Son.

TIDY TOWNS:- Now that Maynooth has entered for the Tidy Towns, we hope that the Residents of Old Greenfield will set an example for the rest of the Community by keeping the front Gardens Tidy and the Paving in front of the house painted. If there is any person Old or Invalided who cannot cope, Please get in touch with Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield who will be only to willing to organise a helping hand.

SYMPATHY is extended to Mrs John Nolan on the death of her Sister, and to Mr. Michael Murphy on the death of his Wife.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Pauline McKeown, Ballygoran Stud on her win of £250 in the Kilcullen Draw.



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Maynooth Castle

A Focal Point of Local History

Mary Cullen



Maynooth Castle was restored to the earls of Kildare in 1552, but times were changing for the FitzGerald's and for Ireland. From this time the Kildare FitzGerald's virtually disappear from the history books where up to this time they occupy such a prominent place in Irish affairs. The growing power of the English state under the Tudor monarchs from Henry VIII to Elizabeth I was now strong enough to begin the serious attempt to really control and govern all Ireland. For one thing this involved a policy of no longer allowing powerful subjects like the Kildares to rule as deputy of the king, but instead to appoint English soldier-administrators whose first loyalty was to the English state and its ambitions. Religion became a factor in this new Anglo-Irish relationship. The Irish parliament of 1536-7 that had attainted Silken Thomas and his heirs also made the English king legally the supreme head of the Church in Ireland. Legally also Ireland moved in line with England through the further stages of the Reformation but the actual results were very different. Before the end of the sixteenth century England was both legally, and in fact, a Protestant nation, while Ireland was legally Protestant but the vast majority of the population, of both Irish and English descent, remained Catholic. So religion became an integral factor in the last struggle of Gaelic Ireland to resist English control. In this struggle the Kildare FitzGerald's played no leading part though they were involved on the fringes. Their cousins of Desmond played a leading and tragic role for part of this struggle, and it culminated in the almost successful attempt of the Great O'Neill, Hugh, earl of Tyrone, to unite and rally all Ireland against Elizabeth's armies.

During the reign of Mary Tudor, 1553-8, England had become officially Catholic again, but with the accession of her sister Elizabeth in 1558 came the final move to Protestantism. In this year the earl of Kildare conformed to the established religion, and in the following year the queen granted to him the lands which had formerly belonged to the College of Maynooth. The College of course had originally been endowed with these lands by the Great Earl. At this time the government was concerned about the power and rebelliousness of Shane O'Neill. The earl of Kildare, who was a cousin of Shane, was deputed to bring him an invitation from the queen to visit her court in England. Shane asked that Kildare be allowed accompany him. He did so and the visit was a great success though Shane caused some anxiety to the English Privy Council by attending Mass at the Spanish embassy. But the court was impressed by his bearing and his colourful appearance, followed everywhere by his guard of gallowglasses, armed with axes, their heads uncovered and their long hair falling in curls, and dressed in saffron-died shirts and hairy Irish mantles. The amused courtiers dubbed him 'O'Neill the Great, cousin to St. Patrick, friend to Queen Elizabeth, and enemy to all the world besides'

In 1569 the act of attainder of 1536 against Silken Thomas and his heirs was repealed by a new act of parliament. at the petition of the queen's faithful and humble subjects, Gerald FitzGerald now earl of Kildare, Edward FitzGerald, brother to the said earl, Margaret, Elizabeth, and Cicile, sisters

to the said earl'. In 1573 the earl carried out repairs to Kilkea Castle and installed in the dining room a chimney-piece which can still be seen. It carries the monkeycrest and is inscribed with the Kildare mottoes.

SI DIV PLET
CROMABO
1573

as well as the crest of his wife's family, an eagle

By this time the earl's cousins in Desmond were becoming involved in the resistance to Elizabeth, first the earl of Desmond's cousin, James Fitzmaurice, and later Gerald the fourteenth earl himself. It was impossible that the earl of Kildare would not be suspected of involvement. He was accused of plotting and arrested. History seemed for a while to repeat itself when his son and heir, Henry, Lord Offaly, like Silken Thomas before him, fled to his Irish foster-father, O'Connor of Offaly, who was ready to rise in support of the Kildares. Eventually he and O'Connor decided that the better policy would be to surrender himself to the Lord Deputy. Both father and son were sent to England for investigation of the charges, were found innocent and returned to Ireland. The earl of Desmond was killed in 1583 and the 'Great Geraldine Rebellion' ended.

In 1585 the earl of Kildare was present at the meeting of the Irish parliament, and he died in London towards the end of the same year. His body was brought back to Ireland and buried at Kildare. At his death he held the manors and advowsons of the rectories and vicarages of 'Maynooth, Kildare, Rathangan, Athy, Woodstock, Kildea, Castledermot, and Graney, in the Co. Kildare, Portlester, Ballyboggan, Newtown de Moyagher, Moylagh, and Kildalkie, in Meath, Geashill, in King's County, Ardglass and Strangford, in Down, Crom and Adare, in Limerick, and many other lands'. The manors of Maynooth and Graney he had settled on his countess, Mabel Browne, and she lived on in 'the fair house of Maynooth' until her death in 1610 when she was buried beside her husband at Kildare.

The twelfth earl had their second son Henry, their first son Gerald having died in 1580. The twelfth earl acquired the name Henry na Tuagh, or 'Henry of the Battleaxes' from the Irish. In 1597 Hugh O'Neill of Tyrone tried to persuade him to renounce his allegiance to the crown and join in his rebellion. The earl refused and instead he accompanied the Lord Deputy, Lord Borough, on an expedition into Tyrone against O'Neill. The marquis of Kildare describes what happened:

Having retaken the fort of Blackwater, the Deputy passed over the river on the 20th July, in order to erect a fort on the other bank. Tyrone, who, with his forces, occupied the adjacent forest, endeavoured to interrupt the works, and in the skirmish that ensued the Deputy was mortally wounded, and having been carried to Newry, died there a few days after. The Earl, on whom the command of the army devolved, drove back the assailants, but was also wounded, and twice thrown from his horse. and his two foster-brothers, sons of O'Connor Faly, were slain while assisting him to remount. He was so grieved by their death that he left the army broken-spirited, and as he was on his journey home, he was obliged to rest at Drogheda, where he died from grief and fever resulting from his wound, on the 30th September, 1597.'

The thirteenth earl was William, the third and last son of the eleventh earl. He was in England in 1598, and early the following year he planned to come back to Ireland with the Earl of Essex who had been appointed Lord Deputy by the queen to carry on the war against Hugh O'Neill. The Annals of the Four Masters tell the sequel,

'The Earl Of Kildare, whom we have spoken of in the last year as having gone to England, namely, William, son of Garret, son of Garret, prepared to return to Ireland in the Spring of this

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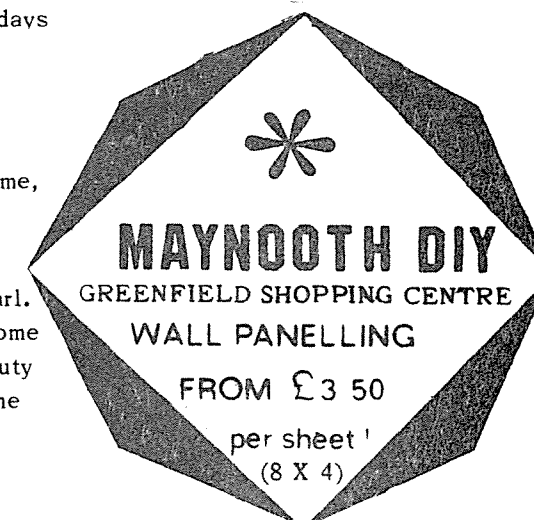


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David Norris.



year. He went into a ship with eighteen of the chiefs of Meath and Fingall, and after they had sailed till out of sight at sea, none of them was seen alive ever since; and it was from other countries, in two months afterwards, that an account of the certainty of their deaths arrived in England and Ireland.'

The duke of Leinster

The earls of Kildare.
Tudor and Stuart Ireland, Dublin
1972
'Maynooth Castle' in J.C.K.A.S.
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Map - *The great families of Ireland*, from Ruth Dudley Edwards.

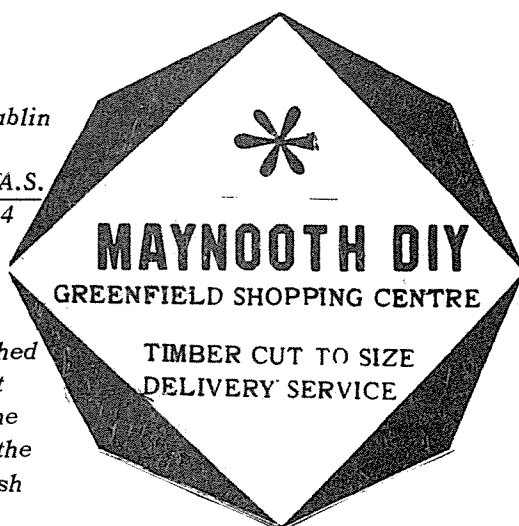
An Altas of Irish History:- The O'Byrnes & Tooles, the original leading families in the Maynooth area, and now established in Wicklow, were very active in the fight against English rule during the sixteenth century. In the Calendar of State Papers (Ireland) at the end of the century there is a list of the war cries of the Irish clans. It includes:

'KILDARE	CROM ABOE
O'BYRNE	SHILEA ABOE (<i>Shillelagh</i>)
TOOLE	FENNOCK ABOE '



To speak ill of others is a dishonest way of praising ourselves.

(Will Durant)



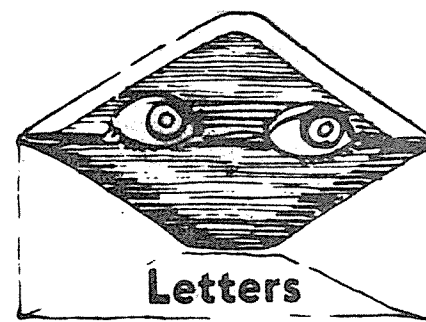
Portrait in the National Gallery of Ireland:-



Eilis, Deirfuir Thomais an t-Sioda.

The Fair Geraldine.

Francois Clouet. 1522-1572.



to the Editor

Dear Editor,

For some time back I have been nursing a grievance, and it has been brought to the boiling point by the Community Council Talent Competition, oh yes, it was an excellent idea, and I congratulate them, and I personally have enjoyed it to the fullest, and am looking forward to the Final. Trouble is I live in Maynooth Park, and I just cannot tolerate the LABEL which has been dubbed on us poor unfortunates in Straffan Way, Laurence Ave. Greenfield Drive and Maynooth Park viz - 'NEW GREENFIELD'.

For some unknown reason 'Rail Park' escaped this grouping and have kept their own identity, even though there was, and still is an older Rail Park. I did note, mind you, that Rail Park took no part in the Talent Competition,

I suspect the reason was they did not know who to identify with, as they do not think of themselves as New Greenfield, but Associate the Term with the 'Greenfield Residents Association'

Could you console me by telling me how long we must remain NEW before we qualify as OLD. For instance will we still be NEW Greenfield 50 years from now. I am quite sure OLD Greenfield resent those three letters before their name too, but then they got the best of the bargain, because the word OLD conjures up vintage, and vintage commands respect .

Why do we have to be NEW Greenfield even at Community Council level, it seems authomatic; ally to draw aline between the two areas.

Have you or your readers any suggestions, as to how both Greenfields could get rid of the prefixes some 'NITWIT' gave them. Naturally 'Greenfield' must keep their name, they had first claim to it, but could somebody not think of a new name for the 'four greenfields' (sorry I mean roads) mentioned above.
PLEASE HAVE A GO !

Peig Lynch,
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Mr. Ward also said that the Co. Council were dropping their proposed Legal Action against 'Carton Homes' as the Builders had promised to comply with all the planning regulations.

DINNER DANCE:- This year we are changing our venue to Osberstown House, and have booked Friday 18th Nov. pin this date in your entertainments calendar!! See you There!!!

CAKE SALE:- Our Annual Cake Sale takes place on Sunday 22nd May and as usual D. & C. Meats have given us their shop. To make it as successful as last year when you see your neighbour don't say 'HELLO' say 'BAKE A CAKE' Committee members will be around with more details this week.

FIELD DAY:- This will be our 1st venture into the Sporting Field. Mr. Paddy Lynch is organising this so we are all sure of a great day. We will give details later but don't anyone book anything else for June 19th.

T.V. AERIAL:- Work on this project is proceeding although at the moment there is little tangible progress to report.

TALENT CONTEST:- Congratulations to all our teams who took part at such short notice. A very special 'Thank You' to May Tynan, who set the whole in motion ably assisted by Carmel Hogan. Considering all the difficulties involved, I think our team acquitted us well. There was one sad note and that is the lack of support from the Estate. The shops had notices saying when we were on so even if you didn't know the actual people involved, you did know the Estate was being represented.

SEWAGE:- It has come to our notice that some Residents - those with the overflow drains in their garden - are having problems not of their own making. It seems that some Builders put in the wrong type of drain and this floods into the garden every few weeks. This is not a very pleasant job to have to do. We are trying to get the Builders involved to return to the Estate and correct this Health Hazard.

SUPER DRAW:- Last month's winner was Sean Dwyer, 50 Laurence Ave. and the collector was Tom Purcell. Keep up the good work!

E.S.B. :- We are still waiting for written confirmation as to the necessity of putting overground cables adjacent to the Green on Greenfield Drive. Mr. B. Durkan M.C.C. posses a letter from Carton Homes which states 'that these lines were only temporary'. But you know the E.S.B.!

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PARISH NOTES

HOLY WEEK & EASTER:-

Congratulations and thanks are due to all who helped in carrying out the Church's Solemn Liturgy so well - especially Sean Bean and his choir, Sisters Joseph & Aquinas at the organ, & Mrs. Ita McCormack who plays the organ occasionally & who sang the beautiful Paschal Praise at the Easter Vigil. A word of commendation is also owed to our part-time sacristan, Michael Lenihan, who really makes bits of himself to prepare all the necessary paraphernalia. The ladies of the Altar Society did their usual fine job, and the altar-boys were first rate. Nor must we forget the inspiring Passion Sermon on Good Friday night by Fr. Gerard McGinnitty, of Maynooth College. And the many readers who read the lessons & Passion so clearly - organized very efficiently by Mrs. Marie Kelly. Thanks, too, to all helpers at Ladychapel.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:-

This great event will take place on Saturday, 14th May, at 11 a.m. Mass. As the numbers grow, the church becomes more crowded, and we may have to consider spreading the ceremony over two days in future years. The Sisters, teachers & parents are doing their best to help the children to realize as well as they can at their tender age what it is all about.

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The Annual Service of the Mothers' Union was held in Dunboyne Church on 21st March.

This marks the end of the Session.

The Vestery Books and other Church records were taken by the Record Office, Dublin, to make micro films for a permanent record. They will be returned in three months.

Three Study Groups in the Union completed the forms on 'Partners in Mission'. We look forward to hearing the findings of other groups.

The man who makes no mistakes does not usually make anything.

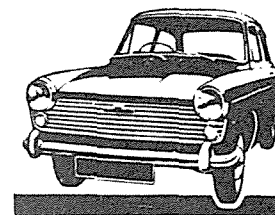
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Senior Citizens

Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely at our last party which was held at our old venue, the Parish Hall, and a special word of thanks is due to all who contributed their time and energy to the occasion.

The next and final Party of the Season will be held on Sunday May 8th in the Parish Hall from 4 'till 7 p.m. Everyone is very welcome and we hope to see you all at this gala event.

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Soccer Club

With the improving weather and the pitches becoming playable again, Maynooth Town is looking forward to one of the most exacting finishes to a Season since the club was formed. The First Team are leading their League - Div. 1 - with two matches remaining and must fancy their chances in the final stages of both Sheeran and Cruise Cups.

The Second Team are lying joint second in their League - Div. 11 - with ten matches remaining, having to play their nearest rivals at home, it would look as if their chances of clinching the title are far from remote.

The opening of the Gaffney Cup campaign was very auspicious with a 5 - 1 away win over a fancied E.P.C. team. Having beaten such formidable opponents, hopes run high

The trip to England by the younger members was thoroughly enjoyed by all and the boys must surely have a few tips of how to keep Maynooth at the top of the boards. All going well, it is hoped to make this an annual event.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB



Our footballers are still going well despite our defeat by Round Towers. Our present position in the league is, - we have played 8 games and we have 12 points and we are still in with a chance of winning this league.

We like to congratulate our Junior Hurdles on winning the 1976 Junior Hurling league. As you all know we have been at the wrong end of a couple of important decisions in the past. - beaten in the Championship final for 3 years. But on Saturday 2nd April we gained some compensation with a clear cut win over Suncroft. We were very quick to settle and by half time we were well on top. In the second half we were on the road to victory. Best for Maynooth with the score Maynooth 5-11 to Suncroft 3-4. Mich O'Brien, Brian Redmond, Cliff Murphy, Tony McTiernan, Seamus Grant, Vincent Duffe, Seamus Feeney, Eddie Bolger. We hope in the near future to arrange a night for all our Club Member's and present the Medals.

Our u/18 Football Team are due to play their first-Round Championship on Sunday 24/4/'77 in Allenwood at 3.00 (V Johnstown)

U/14 League starts in May next
U/12 Hurling League starts also in May.

Our Minors will also have league matches beginning in May and our Junior Footballers also will start the league in May.

SILVER CIRCLE DRAW
MARCH

1st. Prize £50 - Jim O'Reilly, c/o Barton s, Main Street, Maynooth. 431
2nd Prize £20 - Michelle Whelan, Newtown Maynooth. 265

G.A.A. FOOTBALL FIXTURES LEAGUE MATCHES UNDER 16

Friday April 29th	Maynooth	V	Carbury	Home
Friday May 13th	Maynooth	V	Ballymore	Away
Friday May 27th	Maynooth	V	Tower's	Home
Tuesday June 28	Maynooth	V	Clane	Home
Tuesday July 5	Maynooth	V	Allenwood	Away

We hope you will all come along and support your local children.

3rd. Prize £10 - J. O'Neill, c/o I.M.P. Leixlip. 275
4th Prize £5 Karen Body, Greenfield, Maynooth. 114
5th Prize - 5 prizes of £2.

1. John Caulfield, 7 Laurence Ave. Maynooth. 25
2. Jim Graydon, The Mill, Celbridge. 331
3. Mrs. Ann Quigley, Moyglare Rd. Maynooth. 199
4. Seamus Tracey, 20 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth. 368
5. Miss C. Maher, Kilarney Ave. North Strand, Dublin. 87.
6th Prize - 10 Prizes of £1.

1. Maeve McTiernan, 1026 Avondale, Leixlip. 206
2. John Nolan, L Leinster Cottages, Maynooth. 232
3. Eddie Kavanagh, Newtown, Maynooth. 408
4. John Lombard, 32 Maynooth Park, Maynooth. 546
5. Nial Bright, 845 Greenfield, Maynooth. 117
6. Mr. D. Breen, Main Street, Maynooth. 67
7. Mrs. A. Murphy, Newtown, Maynooth. 42
8. Danny Casey, 30 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth. 55
9. Joe Nevin, Ballygoran, Maynooth 90
10 Sean Farrelly, Dillon's Row, Maynooth. 378

We would like to thank you all for your support and we hope that more will join for APRIL. This Draw is for a worthy cause as we intend building a New Clubhouse on the Moyglare Road. We hope to start building in May or June this year.

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The children's Term will end on Friday 6th May, the next term will only be for 10 weeks as we will close for the holidays on July 15th. The children were allowed two extra weeks on this term, as the Pool was closed for repair one Friday, and the other in lieu of Good Friday. All those wishing to enroll for next term please notify some member of the Committee, or contact Peig Lynch, Secretary, 69 Maynooth Park. This term we will have to increase the fee a little as overheads are gone up. Inflation has no mercy even on little Swimmers and their parents.

Cheers, the Secretary did succeed in getting an hour for adults, thanks to the kindness of Bros. Malachi, who is in charge of the St. Raphaells Swimming Pool, Celbridge, and we got off to a great start on Friday April 17th from 8.30 - 9.30. As with all new ventures we were a little apprehensive, but it was a great success. Satisfaction and achievement was felt by all.

Our Instructors decided to use the same system with the adults as we have been trying with the children. This is the 'Rackham Method', did anybody ask who 'Rackham' is, just in case they did, he is George Rackham, the only British Swimmer, to win an Olympic Medal for Diving, he got a Bronze.

Approximately ¾ of those who joined were complete beginners, and quite a few actually afraid of water, yet before the hour was over, they could all Tuck Float, and most could push & glide half way across the pool, this without any artificial aids, as our Instructors laughingly remarked, if we give them a crutch, they may become to dependent on it, and reluctant to part with it, so instead let us take the fear of water from them by teaching them first that they cannot sink.

With this method you actually learn to Swim and Dive before you learn stroke. This way it is much easier to concentrate on stroke as you are completely relaxed in the water, before you start on the Breast Stroke. Remember once you can Tuck, Push & Glide - you can SWIM.

The Club sincerely hopes that again this course is over, we will have a couple of parents willing to become Instructors to our Children.

So far we have not succeeded in getting many of our adults to attend the Class held by our Instructor, at the Marist Hostel, Moyglare

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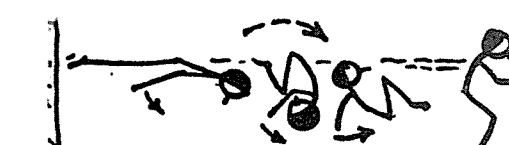
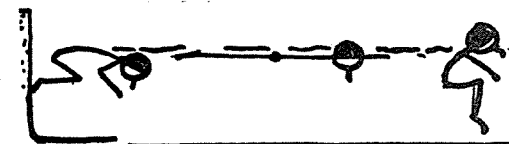
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Here is our programme so far:-

1. Tuck or Mushroom Float.
2. Tuck Push & Glide.
3. Tuck Push & Back Glide.
4. Tuck Push & Glide to Bottom.
5. Tuck & Somersault to standing
6. Tuck to Hand Stand.
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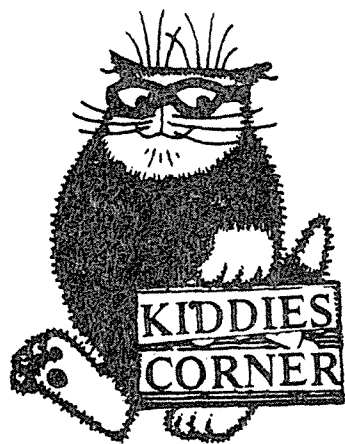
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Hello Boys & Girls,

We had a great response to our colouring competition in the last month's issue. The winners were Darren Gaffney, Rail Park Alan Donohue & Brigid Holton, Maynooth Park, Anita Murphy & Margaret McGlynn, Greenfield.

All the entries were of a very high standard and it is a great pity that we cannot print the winning pictures in the NEWSLETTER.

This month we are giving you another picture to colour. Send your entries to Kiddies

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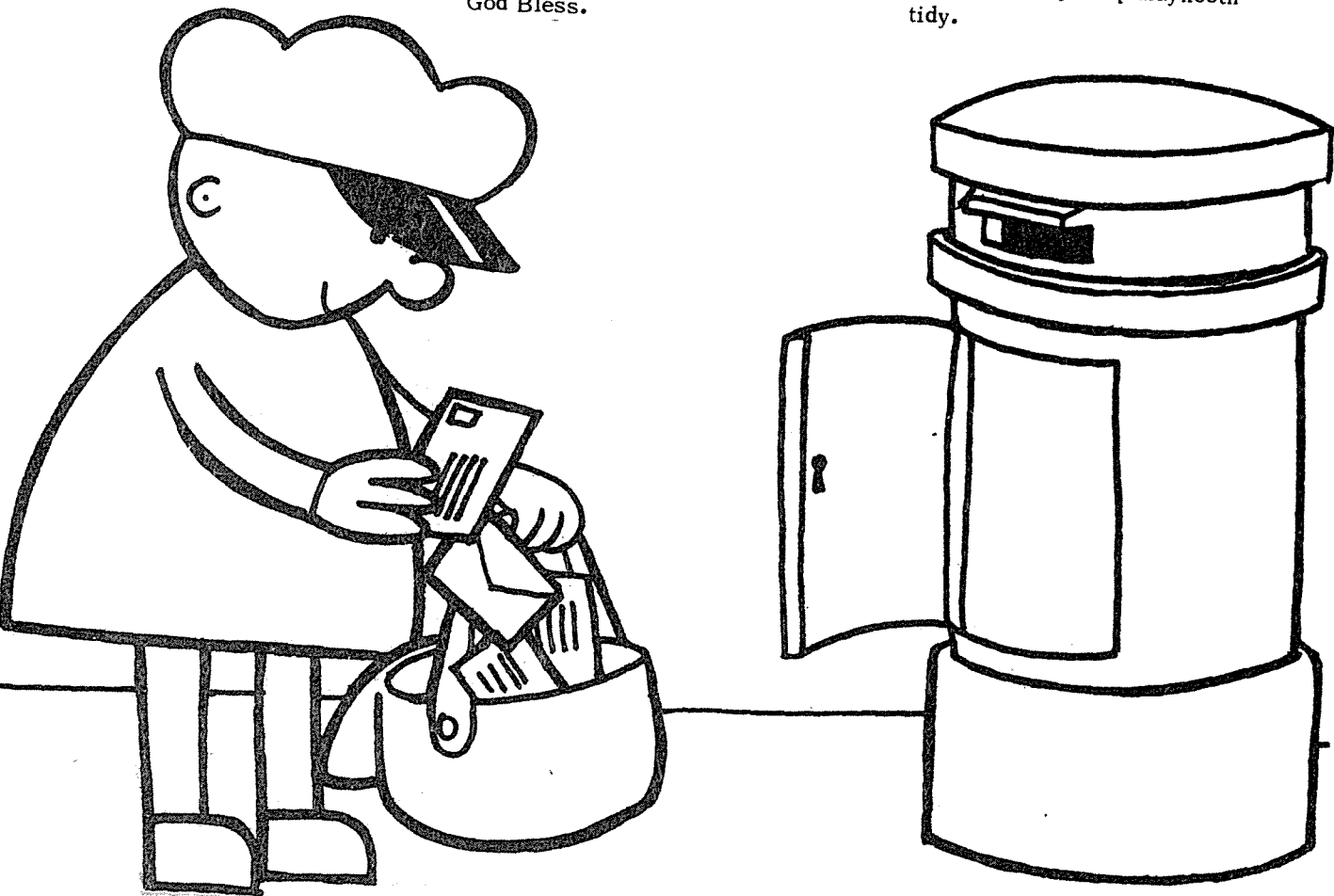
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BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL

Our equipment fund has increased considerably thanks to Lucan Dramatic Society's production of 'Juno'. To all those parents and their friends who supported us we convey our sincerest thanks. To the members of the School Board of Management who gave freely of their spare time to help make the play a success we also extend our thanks. Many thanks also to the following, who generously supplied us with prizes for the raffle - Caulfields, Bradys - Barrys: McCormacks (Chemist) O'B Markets (Hardware); Pat Noone - furnishers. also Mrs. Satchwell, who supplied six lovely bouquets for the lady members of the cast. Our gratitude too to Mrs. Agnes Boyd who spent a lot of the night dispensing refreshments behind stage, and last but certainly not least - Mrs. Rose Comerford whose tremendous work. before during and after the play ensured its success.

Gaelic Games time is here again and our two teams have had one outing each. The under 13 team had a fine win in dreadful conditions against Kilcock and are confident of going places. Our under 10's went down to a strong Clane team but hope to do better next time out.

Big dates approaching: First Communion 14th of May. Official opening and blessing of School 18th of May. More about this in next issue.

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Dear Friend,

In an effort to assist Mrs. Healy and her family, who have lost all their possessions in the unfortunate fire at their residence on Easter Sunday last, in Old Greenfield, a Fund has been set up to assist with the refurnishing of the new house when it is rebuilt.

A house-to-house collection has been organised in the Maynooth area and a collector will call to your house in the near future (if, in fact, one has not called already); when, it is hoped, that everyone will contribute as generously as possible.

To date, the following have been appointed by the Committee to collect:

Old Greenfield - Mrs. N. Fynan & Mrs. V. Lettis.

Greenfield Crescent - Mrs. L. Higgins and Mrs. Newton.

Newtown, Cluain Aoibhinn and Parson St. - M/s. B. Farrell and Leo McGlynn.

Collectors to other areas have not, as yet, been appointed but all collectors will have authorisation notes from the Committee signed by the Chairman - Rev. Fr. Supple; Secretary - Mrs. E. Farrell and/or Treasurer - Mrs. E. Nolan.

30th April 1977.