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WHY YOUR DOG HAS A WOLFISH  
STREAK

Inside every Pekinese there is a  
wolf trying to get out. Inside  
every other dog too, from a  
poodle to a doberman pincher,  
according to Anders Hallgren,  
a 36 year old Swede who can  
claim to be probably the world's  
only qualified dog psychologist.

If the thought of a wolf lurking  
inside the tiny snapping dog  
seems a little ludicrous, Mr.  
Hallgren's message is that it is  
forgetting the wolf that leads  
to all the traumas of a neurotic  
Dog . from shyness to excessive  
barking to naked aggression.

'A Dog is quite different to a  
man' he said. He is not a  
person on four legs. Inside he  
is his ancestor the wolf and he has  
basic needs which must never be  
neglected.

'He needs companionship, free-  
dom work and the right food'.  
Neglect those, and a lazy, irritable  
neurotic and aggressive 'problem  
Dog ' can result, he said.

Swedish survey showed that two-  
thirds of dogs spent 19 or 20 hours  
a day just lying around (That's  
the most common way of living  
for a Dog today, yet in the wild

a wolf works for eight perhaps  
16 hours a day.'

TROUBLE

A dog does not need that much  
stimulation, he said. But any  
dog left along for hours or  
allowed to sleep its way through  
the day could be trouble.

The problem with untrain-  
able dogs was training the  
owner, said Mr. Hallgren.

'Usually the dog owner  
is the cause: the dog is  
just the symptom. Mostly  
the owner is not meeting  
one or more of the basic  
needs.' Once they are  
met training the dog be-  
comes relatively simple.

But owners were not sole-  
ly to blame. He criticis-  
ed breeders too, for pro-  
ducing 'dumb blondes ' -  
'all good looks but with  
physical and mental illness-  
es built into the breeding.'

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EIREANN

The usual monthly Seisúin  
was held in the Geraldine  
Hall on September 27th.  
There were twelve Musicians,  
and the music was good.

Gus Malone & P. Sheeran  
danced the old style reel  
and Hornpipe.

Songs from T. Madden,  
P. Sheeran & Joe Harris.

A one minutes silence was  
observed for Mr. John Curran  
R.I.P., Vice Chairman and  
founder of the Branch.  
John will be sadly missed not  
only by the Branch, but by  
the Community as a whole,  
for his unselfish Co-operation  
and dedication to all the  
Parish activities. To his  
wife & family we extend our  
deepest sympathy.

Go ndeana Dia trócair e ar a  
anam .

NEXT SEISUIN OCT. 25th.

DRIVERS  
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FOR OUR



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NEWSLETTER

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GRAPEVINE

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

The official report sheet of the casualty unit  
of the Civil Defence service after the sponsored  
cycle ride showed no casualties. We know  
different.

A large lump of surgical sticking plaster had to  
be used to repair the directional sign at Lady-  
chapel, which the breeze had blown down. That's  
what might be called 'first aid the fence'

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Transcendental Meditation classes were being  
tried in Maynooth during the month of October.  
These classes are apparently to help the  
people relax and cope with life better. It is  
not needed in Maynooth - people are very relaxed  
at all times. As a matter of fact we thought  
most of them were asleep.

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CONGRATULATIONS:- To Stephanie Noonan  
Ladychapel & Christopher Malone, Clane,  
on their engagement.

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A number of arm bands will be made available  
to Senior Citizens by Courtesy of Messrs  
Car Care Centre.

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The sponsored cycle ride on Sunday October  
16th was thoroughly enjoyed by one and all,  
even if numbers were somewhat below last  
years. The weather was magnificent, as  
were the refreshments both official and un-  
official (those half-minutes of darkness)

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We have been asked to state quite un-  
equivocally by the two silvery - haired  
gentlemen living side-by-side on the Main  
Street, that they are not in the habit of  
taking each others wives for a walk. If  
you see them out walking you may take it  
they are with their respective wives.

At least that's what they tell us !

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The latest date for receiving items  
for inclusion in the December issue of the  
NEWSLETTER is November 13th.

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Remember that plant that someone was  
talking to in the early issues, well it  
is thriving. The person in question  
claims that it was the talking that did it.  
Personally we feel it was all the publicity  
we gave it in the MAYNOOTH NEWSLETTER.

# GRAPVINE

Not many people are aware that most nights trains pass through the station carrying acrolyne for the Japanese factory in Mayo. This is a highly dangerous substance and should an accident occur, the whole town would be in serious danger and would have to be evacuated in minutes. The worst feature is that our Fire Brigade are not properly trained or equipped to deal with any leakage of the Chemical. Is it not time we asserted ourselves in this matter. Can these trains not be prevented from passing through at least until suitable arrangements are made to deal with possible accidental spillage.

A recent stroll along by the Harbour and Playing Field revealed that Brambles are growing out of the I.C.A. Hall. The inference is that good ladies of the I.C.A. are taking their home wine-making very seriously indeed or else they have stagnated inside and become overgrown.

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With Christmas coming up soon we must advise everyone to be careful of their Wallets & Purses. This is the best time of the year for pickpockets and they are not fussy who they steal from. So be warned - **WATCH YOUR MONEY!!**

## GREENFIELD ESTATE

### RESIDENCE ASSOCIATION

**CAKE SALE:-** On Wednesday 12th October we had our most successful cake Sale to date. We would first thank D & C. Meats for the use of their shop and also all those residents and students who supported it so well.

### DINNER DANCE

Our sincere gratitude to Mrs Mary Fleming who was co-opted on to our Committee to help with the running of the Dinner Dance.

### FINAL REMINDER:-

OSBERSTOWN HOUSE, Nov. 18th

TICKETS - £4.

TIME - 9pm. - 2 am.

### GREENFIELD GREEN:-

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## MAYNOOTH VISTA

by Newcomer.

I note that a correspondent did not like my article in The September issue and was disappointed to see that it contained bias and slant. Indeed it did. It had bias against a Christian body allocating money to killers and it was slanted one way because it dealt only with the action of the World Council of Churches and the august and Christian body has not yet made an allocation to Ian Smith or to John Vorster but if and when it does I shall as roundly condemn it.

The trouble with us Irish is that when we embrace a cause we refuse to admit of anybody standing on impartial ground. He that is not with me must be automatically against me. If one condemns the killings one one side then ergo one condones the killings on the other. One is 'naieve' if one considers the killing of non-combatants by African 'Freedom' Fighters as murder on the plea, presumably, that the end justifies the means. Unfortunately they have killed more black non-combatants than white so that plea for ultimate justification will hardly hold up. Before lauding the Frelimo one should have a good hard look at Mozambique as it is today under the rule of the Freedom - Fighters of yesterday.

The pigmentation of a man's skin does not dictate the colour of his soul.

I hold no brief for the regimes of Vorster or Smith nor do I condone their oppression or their killings but when I condemn the World Council of Churches for allocating funds to those who slaughter

indiscriminately I am indeed in good company for so also does the Church of Ireland which is a member of the Council. My September article dealt with morals and not politics as our correspondent contends. Or, at least, I thought it did but if his contention is right and the World Council of Churches is a political organisation I apologise for my error.

I do not ask the colour of the skin of him for whom the bell tolls. I do ask whose hand held the gun or the bomb and was I instrumental in putting it there. If I was, may God forgive me for I could never hope to forgive myself.

However, it is nice for a columnist to learn that he is read by even one person despite any misinterpretation.

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And now - to fresh woods! We are to lose our priceless historic and pre-historic art treasures for almost two years while they go on exhibition in the United States. This, it appears, results from the decision of one man,

the previous Minister for Education, who, during his term of office was responsible for the National Museum. Included in the objects already in the U.S.A. are part of the Book of Kells, the Tara Brooch, the Ardagh Chalice, the Cross of Cong, and many gold ornaments. Such objects are irreplaceable and if lost, stolen or damaged what amount of money can compensate? Irish art treasures belong to the people and not to any Minister or Government and priceless objects of our heritage must never again leave this country by some backdoor method and without the full consent of the Irish people. I understand that even our elected representatives in Dail Eireann were not given the opportunity of voicing an opinion on the desirability or otherwise of these treasures going abroad. The decision to send them was arrogantly taken and foolishly implemented.

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## ST. MARY'S BRASS & REED BAND.

The Band would like to thank the people of the town for their wonderful support in our recent flag week-end collection which netted £240. Your support is especially welcome at this time as very shortly we will be purchasing a new set of uniforms for our members. It is hoped to have the Uniforms in time for Christmas.

The Band's Annual Mass for deceased members will be on Sunday 6th November.

Our junior members have made very good progress in the last year. Those playing with the Band during our Summer programme added greatly to the Band's performances in places like Clondalkin, Malahide, Coolmines, Walkinstown and others and benefitted greatly from the experience gained. Our remaining juniors are now practising with the Senior band and we hope to see them out playing with the Band for Christmas.

With these promotions we will be shortly starting a new junior class. A limited number of places will be available to boys and girls between the ages of 9 - 14 years. Those interested should attend at the Bandroom on Tuesday 15th November for an aptitude test at 8 p.m. Parents are also very welcome to attend on this night.

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Medals were presented to all the members of the victorious Under 13 football Team at a function in the School G. P. Room on Friday night the 7th of October. All the boys of last year's 6th Standard were invited in appreciation of the hard work they put into pre-paring for the Official Opening of the new Extension last May. A great night was had by all, thanks to the wonderful support we got from many generous people in the town. The huge amount of delicious food and drink supplied by these people had to be seen to be believed. To all these kindly parents and also to those ladies and girls who helped to prepare and serve the food on the night we extend our deepest gratitude. A special word of thanks to Maynooth G.F.H.C. who donated a very substantial sum of money and set of jerseys to us and whose amiable chairman - Mr. Sheehan presented the medals to the players. Also, many thanks to Mrs. Comerford and Mrs. Mc Ternan, without whose efforts the function would never have got off the ground.

Lastly - a word of apology to one of the footballers - Thomas Dunne of Old Greenfield, through an over-sight on my part, Thomas was not presented with a medal. I hope you will accept this apology, Thomas, and be assured that your medal is on the way.

Michael P. O'Connell,

PRINCIPAL.

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The Maynooth Branch of the Kildare Association of Parents & Friends of handicapped children wish to convey their

K.A.R.E. continued.

sincere thanks to all those who supported them in their recent Fashion Show in the Hitchin' Post, which was an outstanding success.

We wish also to thank most sincerely all those who contributed prizes. They were:-

Programme Prizes:-  
Maynooth D.I.Y. New Greenfield and D & C. Meats, New Greenfield.

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C. A. Coonan & Son, Auctioneers, Main St. "  
Greenfield Supermarket, "  
Happy Families, Maynooth Shopping Centre.  
Hula-Bou Fashions, Main St. Maynooth.  
Jim's Shoe Repairs, Maynooth Shopping Centre.  
Mrs. J. Mahon: Mr. Patrick McEvoy.  
O'Briens Supermarket, Maynooth Shopping Centre.  
Reilly's Dry Cleaners, Main St. Maynooth,  
& finally a special word of thanks to the Presentation Convent for their generous contribution.

A special word of thanks go to three young ladies, Ann Kelly, Nuala Kelly, & Orla Shannon, who having bought their tickets, forfeited their right to see the Show, and gave their full time to helping the Committee and Models. Well done girls, with you as an example of our 'YOUTH', we 'older ones' need have no worry about tomorrow!

A big 'THANK YOU' also to the Scouts & Cubs of Maynooth, who so cheerfully delivered our Annual Newspaper.

## Sponsored Cycle Ride

This Annual Event held on October 12th was again a great success and the participants enjoyed the beautiful weather. The successful entrants are now collecting their sponsorship and this should be returned to any of the following as soon as possible.

- 1) Any of the local clergy.
- 2) Mrs. Kennedy, Mill St.
- 3) Ted Kelly, Main Street.
- 4) John Reid, 86 Rail Park
- 5) Leo McGlynn, 757 Old Greenfield.

The services of the stewards were very much appreciated as it is no joke to have to stay at the same crossing point all day waiting for the entrants to come by

A special word of thanks is due to the good ladies ably directed by Mrs. Fegan who provided the light lunches during the day and to the I.C.A. for the use of their hall and equipment.

And where would we have been without our own St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band to play for us before the start and sooth our ragged nerves. Well done lads and Thank You Very Much.

The local casualty unit of the Civil Defence provided a first aid service for the event, but happily although they were not required to act, their presence was very much appreciated, and made everyone feel that much safer.



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# Community Council News

The October meeting of the Community Council was reasonably well attended and quite a number of items were attended and discussed.

The Results of the Tidy Towns Competition was read and discussed at length. (It is hoped to print this Report elsewhere in this issue or in the next issue.

A Representative of the Students' Union, St. Patrick's College also attended the meeting, taking the seat on the Community Council reserved for such representative and items of mutual interest were discussed at length.

Other items attended to included:- Alteration of the Consitution of the Council. The Constitution was amended to permit the co.option of extra members to permit greater selectivity of specialist members

RIVER CLEANING:- The Council were very pleased to see the the County Council had made such good progress in cleaning the Lyreen River and were very pleased indeed to hear from Councillor Durkin that the cleaning of the river in Parson Street is also under consideration. He also mentioned that some of the pollution in the rivers at the moment will be eliminated as soon as the new regional sewage scheme is in operation.

BOY SCOUTS ORGANISATION:- A letter was received from this Organisation thanking the public in general for their support of Jamborora 1977 and the Scouts, by way of a 'thank you' have offered to carry out some work as a practical 'THANK YOU' to all. At the request of the Council the Scouts have agreed to carry out certain surveys, etc. in this area.

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY:- The Council are having the water from public mains tested to see if it is up to standard. Many complaints have been received recently of discolouration, etc. in the supply and the water does not, at least, look wholesome. The report will be made public when received.

MAYNOOTH PLAYGROUP:- This recently formed service in the town to cater for very young children (3 - 4 years range) are making good strides and, like most services are limited in finance. They would be obliged if anybody who might have toys to spare would donat them to the Group - Large Leggo, plastic Meccano or similar items would be ideal.

ITEMS discussed with the Students' Union Representative included a proposal from thd Students' that the College Rag Week this year might be united with a Community Week thereby linking College and Town more closely. The Rag Week/Community to take place early in the New Year.

Next Meeting of the Council will be on Tuesday Nov. 8th.

## POST-PRIMARY SCHOOL, MAYNOOTH

A Scholarship valued at £500 and tenable at St. Patrick's College Maynooth has been awarded to Mary Boyd of Laraghbryan. Mary is a past-pupil of the Post-Primary School in Maynooth and is one of the many former students of this school at present studying for a degree in the College. This scholarship was open to students from 7 surrounding parishes, Leixlip, Kilcloon, Dunboyne, Celbridge, Kilcock, Clane, & Maynooth. Mary had previously secured one of the coveted places in the College of Speech Therapy, a position she now regretfully relinquishes.

Indeed, this is the second Scholarship awarded to students of this years Leaving Certificate Class in the Post Primary School in Maynooth, Gerard Nelson, Mariaville, Maynooth has already been awarded a scholarship and is now studying for his degree. Others from the Leaving Class to go on to third level educational institutions are Sally Barton, St. Patrick's, Maynooth. Kevin Eskins, U.C.D. Alan Burchell, Bolton St. & John Parkes, College of Art, Cork.



Mary Boyd, Winner of Maynooth College Scholarship.



# Maynooth Castle



## A Focal Point of Local History

Mary Cullen

FROM MAYNOOTH CASTLE TO CARTON HOUSE

Robert, the nineteenth earl, hoped at first to restore Maynooth Castle. When he found that this was not a practical proposition he turned his attention to Carton. He invited Richard Cassels to remodel and rebuild Carton in 1739. Cassels was a German architect who had first come to Ireland to rebuild Sir Gustaves Hume's house in Fermanagh. Later he moved to Dublin and became the most sought after architect of his day. His popularity seems to have been due to his charm as a dinner guest as well as to his ability in his profession. Carton was now remodelled to his design. This involved making the original back of the house the front, lengthening the body of the house and raising both it and the wings an additional storey. They were now joined to each other by open colonnades. Inside there were magnificent state apartments, and the ceiling of the Saloon was decorated in stucco by Paul and Peter Francini. The Francini brothers were Italian artists who made stucco modelled plasterwork, fashionable and popular in Ireland. The ceiling of the saloon at Carton is very ornate and elaborate with little putti, 'sitting on the cornice and dangling their chubby legs over the heads of the assembled company.'

Cassels' design for Carton, as for all his other buildings in Ireland, was in the architectural style known as English Palladian, which flourished during the eighteenth century. Palladianism derived from the buildings and ideas of the Italian architect Andrea Palladio (1508 - 80) who aimed to recapture the splendour of the buildings of ancient Rome. For twenty years Cassels was the most prominent architect in Dublin. He helped create the new fashion in town houses of cut stone for the nobility in place of the older timbered style. His public buildings included the Printing House in Trinity College, described as a 'little Doric Temple', and the College's new dining Hall. One of the best known was the new Music Hall in Fishamble Street opened in 1741. This was very successful. It could accomodate over seven hundred people, though this was only possible if the ladies left

### MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP.

May we take this opportunity to thank all those who helped make our Bazaar a tremendous success.

We would be extremely grateful for any donation of small suitable toys, for example, Junior Lego and Mecanno etc.

These may be handed in at the Geraldine Hall or to any member of the Newsletter Committee.

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their hoops at home and the gentlemen their swords. In the next year it was the scene of the first performance of Handel's Messiah, presented 'for the relief of the prisoners in the several gaols and for the support of Mercer's Hospital...and of the Charitable Infirmary' - Maurice Craig tells how the Rev. Dr. Patrick Delany of Delville, Glasnevin, the friend of Swift was 'so transported by Mrs Susanne Cibbers' rendering of 'He was Despised' that he rose in his seat and exclaimed, with more enthusiasm than tact, 'Woman, for this, be all thy sins forgiven'.

Records of the materials used in the rebuilding of Carton survive. These were drawn from many sources, from very near home and from far away.

They included home-made bricks, and Ardraccan limestone from the White Quarry which supplied the material for many of Dublin's great eighteenth century buildings. There were also Mountmellick flags, black-stone from the Leixlip Quarry, Portland stone imported from England, mountain granite, Palmerstown stone, and stone from the local quarries at Carton, Moygaddy and Maynooth. The beautiful pediment at the front of the house, was carved by John Houghton and John Kelly, for a charge of £60. It is made of Ardraccan limestone from Co. Meath and shows the impaled arms of the Kildare and O'Brien families. Robert, the nineteenth earl, was married to Lady Mary O'Brien, daughter of the Earl of Inchiquin, and one of the most famous beauties of the day. The earl was reputed to be extremely pious, and also 'extremely formal and delicate, in somuch, that when he was married to Lady Mary O'Brien, one of the most shining beauties then in the world, he would not take his wedding gloves off to embrace her'. However, they managed to produce a large family of eight daughters and four sons.

The earl served as a privy councillor over a long period, during the reigns of Queen Anne, and of George 1 & George 11, and also as lord justice. He was a founding member of the Incorporated Society for promoting Protestant Schools in Ireland, the organisation responsible for establishing the Charter Schools. Conditions in these residential schools were later to be the cause of much scandal and the subject of much inquiry. The earl provided the site and the money for the building of the first Charter School in Ireland at Castledermot, and in his will he left it £500 and another £500 each for charter schools at Maynooth and Strangford. He died in 1744 and in his will, left resources to his wife for completing the building at Carton.

Chief Sources: *The Marquis Of Kildare, The earls of Kildare.*  
Maurice Craig, Dublin 1660 - 1860  
Lord Walter Fitzgerald 'Carton' in *Journal of the Co.*

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Farnadum, Kilcock  
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Raheen, Donadea £5,800
- 6) Non-residential Farm  
28 Acres, Derry,  
Donadea. £22,000
- 7) Detached Residence,  
9 Butterfield Ave.  
Rathfarnham £18,000
- 8) Non-residential 16  
Acres, Ballina-  
brockney, Manor-  
Kilbride.  
Withdrawn Auction £10,000  
and sold afterwards at  
a higher figure.
- 9) Non-residential 57 Acre  
Farm, Cooleragh,  
Prosperous.  
Withdrawn Auction £62,000  
and sold afterwards at a  
higher figure.
- 10) Plot - 9 Acres,  
Ballinafagh, Prosperous  
£15,000

The Agents stated that the continued high percentage of properties being sold by Auction was an excellent indication of the current strength of the Market.



# Editorial

The results of the Tidy Towns Competition are now available and it is old news now that 'Multifarnham' were outright winners this year. Indeed very worthy winners, and great credit must go to all who organised and worked so hard to have achieved such success.

It is not without a shade of jealousy that we look on such an achievement. Jealous of the great spirit of co-operation that some towns seem to be able to whip-up on occasions like these while we cannot seem to get any response at all. A little jealous, perhaps, of the organisers who seem to know just how to get it over to the people in general that it is only with their whole-hearted help that any real progress can be made.

Reading over the lesser awards and the various placings we see that Maynooth even with no effort whatever is not at the bottom of the scale and, as a matter of fact with just a very modest effort on our part, we could be appearing in the category placings, if not at the very top itself. This is a very pretty little town, very nicely laid out and could easily be made very attractive.

Most of the work required to put Maynooth in the picture depends on the individual and on the way he, presents his premises (e.g. painting the outside, keeping the front tidy, keeping the public road and footpath outside his premises clean and neat). This should not present any problem to anybody but there are also areas which require the attention of work parties and this is where the co-operation of all able bodied townspeople is needed. This, indeed, is where we have always floundered in our efforts to sponsor Tidy Towns effort. This is why we speak of the 'shade of jealousy' that we feel as we do not appear to have found the secret to inspiring that sense of co-operation needed.

As it is intended to enter the town in next year's Competition, could we ask individuals to see what they can do with their premises to make them look good and can we also appeal to the younger and more energetic generation to rally round next Spring (or sooner for that matter) to try and tidy up some of the eye sores around us and make our town an attractive, pleasant place to live in, and a joy to behold.

## ICA News

The Guild has come back to full strength after the Summer recess and the October Meeting was well attended. A most interesting film and slides were shown by Bolands Mills, and as well as this, a very successful Bring & Buy Sale was held in aid of An Grianan.

The Guild is now busy helping and catering for a dinner & auction in aid of the Friends of the Rotunda, to be held in the Mansion House, on October 20th.

The 25th Anniversary Dance to be held on November 5th in the Parish Hall is keenly looked forward too.

The competition for October was a sponge cake and was won by Mrs. Bradshaw. The raffle was won by Mrs. Howard Williams.

Next meeting on Thursday Nov. 3rd. will be the Annual General Meeting.

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### HOMEMAKER FINALIST

Mrs. Marie T. Kelly, of Main Street, Maynooth, was one of nine contestants who qualified from several hundred entries for the final of Ireland's Homemaker of the Year, sponsored by Great Wool Carpets of Ireland Group. The finalists were interviewed in Dublin on Wednesday and at a reception later, Mrs. Rita Childers presented the prize of £1,000 to the winner who was from Limerick. The eight runners-up each received a rugplan kit.

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### TIDY TOWN REPORT 1977

The following are the marks received by and comments on Maynooth in the 1977 competition organised by Bord Failte.

**EFFORT** - Marks 25 out of 35  
There was a falling off in effort throughout the town this year, and there will have to be a coming together of the community and County Council to seek to improve marks under all headings and a good example can be taken from the high maintenance standards of the Ecclesiastical properties throughout the town. There were a few isolated cases of well maintained individual houses and open areas, but these unfortunately were in the minority.

**TIDINESS** - Marks 11 out of 20  
Quite a number of litter bins were to be seen in the main street, but where they were missing, there were some signs of scrap paper. The derelict sites to the rear of the Presentation Convent must receive attention as they give a bad impression on the rear approach. On the Dublin Road a little flyposting was to be seen - this should be removed as soon as possible and this practice discouraged. The four derelict cars at the railway bridge on the Rathcoffey Road should be removed.

### PRESENTATION OF BUILDINGS.

The Church property was very well presented.  
The Garda Station and Coonan's shop were well maintained. The Shopping Centre on the Dublin Road also looked well. The new toilets and sub-station in the main square have yet to be completed and it is hoped that the site works will be of a good standard. The forecourt the carpark of the Livestock Sales will have to be screened with mature trees to soften up the

appearance of the large amount of tarmac.

### PRESENTATION OF NATURAL AMENITIES Marks 19 out of 25

Maynooth has many natural amenities, including its ancient and modern architectural character, its fine main street and stately home, but probably most of all, and most neglected, the canal area. This area could be a key issue in Maynooth winning an award in the Tidy Towns Competition and an action plan should be drawn up to capitalise on the wonderful possibilities that this waterway presents. The children's play area near the fire station is a fine amenity, but its unfinished condition gives a depressing appearance. The two old caravans parked near this area could easily be dealt with by the efforts of the community and the local authority combined.

### APPEARANCE OF ROADS - Marks 10 out of 20.

The general appearance of the approaches was spoiled by lack of attention to verge, and weeds growing at fences and on top of walls.  
In back streets, where smaller properties have distinct, charming and colourful appearances, the road surfaces leave a little to be desired. There is a need for more floral displays which always add to the overall presentation of an area. The approach from Dublin is somewhat spoiled by inattention to verges on the approach to O'Neill Park, and the approach from Celbridge has too many weeds which detract from the fine open space allocated for the new swimming pool.

### APPEARANCE OF ESTATES Marks 12 out of 15

Some excellent estates were noted. However, there is

still plenty of room for community effort in maintaining open spaces to a higher standard. Greenfield Estate has some very fine open spaces, but the area around the Shopping Centre and in particular the long space along the field at Greenfield Drive remain unattended. Clooneeven Estate has great potential, with its tree-lined avenue, but the road surface here is very potholed and uneven. The fences and gates on Old Greenfield Road need to be painted. The telephone Kiosk and goal posts also need to be painted. Railway Park looks very nice, its grass having been cut, but there is still more work to be done, particularly to verges and the main road.

O'Neill Park has good entrance verges, but the small roundabout was completely overgrown and gives a very bad impression. Houses on Rathcoffey Road have a depressing air, with overgrown verges, fences needing attention etc. Only a few good individual efforts were noted here.

**STREET FURNITURE** -  
(Road Signs, litter bins etc.)  
Marks 9 out of 15  
All the water pumps need a coat of paint and that with the water handle could have its protective jacket removed. There is a need for more public seats and it is suggested that these could be placed in open areas in residential estates.  
**COMMENTS:-**

The total marks received by Maynooth were 102 out of a possible 150 and we were placed in 15th position out of 18 entrants. While this is not very good the winner of our section was 'DUNMANWAY' with 130 marks which is only 28 more than we got. So with a little effort on our part, we might get among the prizes next time.

## CHURCH OF IRELAND

### MAYNOOTH PARISH NOTES

Harvest thanksgiving Services were held in Maynooth & Kilcock Church on different Sundays. The churches were decorated with flowers and vegetables and all the well loved harvest hymns were sung.

Kilcock Church had previously been damaged by lightning. The conductor was torn off the tower, there was a hole in the roof of the church, the E.S.B. fuse box torn off the wall and fittings damaged. However it was cleaned up in time for the service and the hole in the roof repaired at once. We hope soon to have everything in order again.

A Jumble Sale will be held in the Parish Room, Dunboyne on Saturday, 26th November, in aid of the Heating fund of Dunboyne Church.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

**CORRWAY:** The Family of the late Margaret Corray, Greenfield, Maynooth, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavment. Those who sent Mass Cards, wreaths & messages of sympathy. Those who attended the removal of the remains and the funeral. A special word of thanks to all who were so kind to her during her last illness. The Clergy, & the local nurse & Doctor who were always at hand when needed.

Trusting that this will be received by all in grateful acknowledgement as it would be impossible to thank everyone individually.

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## CIVIL DEFENCE NOTES

**CASUALTY** - Members of Casualty Unit are busy at present preparing for Team Competition.

Anyone interested in First Aid are welcome to come along any Tuesday night at 8.30 pm. in I.C.A. Hall.

First Aid Lectures will commence in the New Year.

Members were on duty for Sponsored Cycle Ride on Sunday 16th October.

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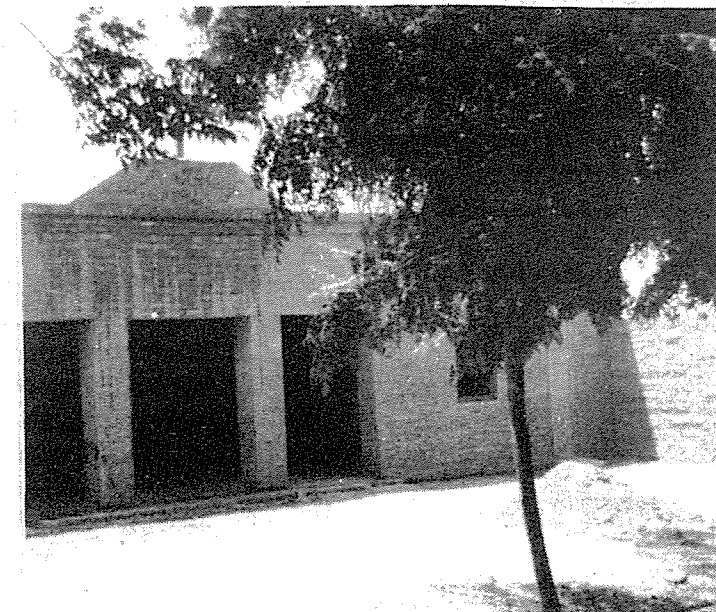
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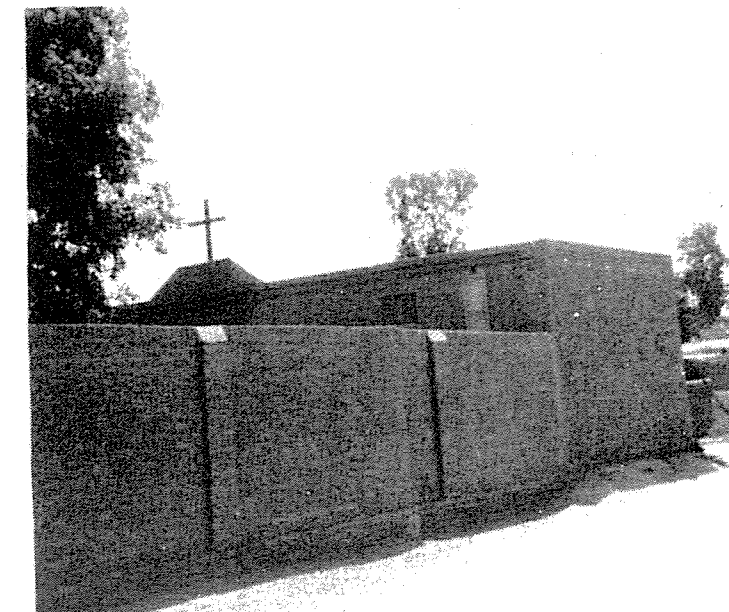


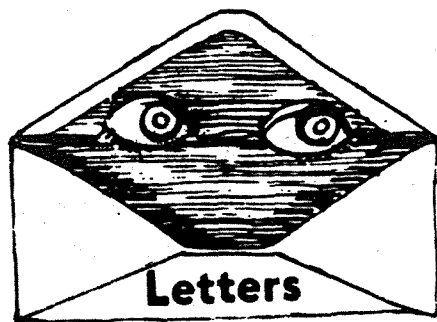
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Church built by Fr. Nevin mainly with contributions sent from here

Top & Bottom left .

Scenes at the opening and blessing of Fr. Nevins Church.





## to the Editor

Extract from letter sent by  
Fr. John Nevin to Mr. G. McTernan

'As to what I have been doing recently, we completed the little church in village 88. The blessing was in June and I enclose some photos of the occasion which may give you some idea of the scene out here. You all got honourable mention at the blessing and prayers were asked for your intentions. I hope you felt the effects.

I have a group of about 40 kids here. They form the choir for the church and also play a bit of football and cricket together. I took them on a camping trip to the mountains up north for a week, financed by your collection at home. They really had a wonderful time. They cooked for themselves and had a rare time running up and down the mountains. We live about 200 miles from these mountains and it was the first time the kids saw mountains. I think it was money well spent and thanks to you and your collectors for making the trip possible.

With more of the money collected I opened a tailoring centre in one of the poor slum areas in the City. We bought four sewing machines, plus all the other equipment. There was a tailor in the area and now he is teaching two classes of 15 boys. They can already make their own shirts and pants and it is really a great help to the people. Some, we hope, will pick up the trade and will carry on. The others will be able to make their own clothes and those of their children in later years.

*I think most of the money has reached me now and please thank all those involved and let them know what I have been doing with the funds.'*

This letter was not sent by Fr. Nevin for publication and the extract is from a personal letter to Mr. McTernan. However, we thought that Fr. Nevin's own words were far more eloquent than ours.

You will have a further chance to help Fr. Nevin in his work in Pakistan towards the end of the month, when the annual Joint Sale of work will be held (see details elsewhere in this issue or watch out for posters).

### MAYNOOTH GIRL GUIDES

### BUION CATHERINE LABOURE

The Anniversary of our First Enrolment is on 14th November and we are glad to record a very successful First Year.

We now have 24 members and while we emphasise that quality is more important than quantity, we would be very pleased to welcome some new members

During the year we took part in several Guide activities despite the fact that as a new Company we were not eligible to take part in Official Competitions. One of the highlights of our year was our participation in the Organisation's 'Parents Day' at Iveagh Gardens in June.

We were very pleased to take a special part in the Parish 'Corpus Christi' Procession

We are planning several hikes and other outdoor activities for this year and we have already entered teams for the 1977/78 competitions.

We have entered for the Shield Competition in which one of the tests is called 'The CARRAUNTOOHIL CHALLENGE' - the challenge is to climb as much of it as possible - but as we live so far from Carrauntoohil, we are allowed to climb a number of 'known heights' in or around Dublin & Kildare.

We have also entered teams for the 'NATURE STUDY CUP' - the 'CAMP-FIRE CUP' and 'THE IRISH HISTORY CUP' which consists of a project on an Historical Monument or Building.

### BRIGINI GUIDE COMPANY

We hope to establish a 'Brigini Guide Company' which caters for girls from 7 - 11 and we would be glad to hear from those who are interested.

Girl Guides Meet every Saturday, at 3.30 pm. in the All Purposes Room of the Presentation Convent, Maynooth.

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### STUDENTS' UNION NEWS

The Students Union is currently organising a Babysitting service in conjunction with the Community Council. It is hoped to have everything organised by the beginning of November.

Under the system the Students Union would compile a list of students in different areas (e.g. Greenfields, Cluain Aoibhinn etc.) who are interested in Babysitting work. They could then be booked by Residents in these Areas over the Telephone as required. About one days notice would be required. Wages have not been finally decided, but although normal rates will be charged, a fixed rather than a negotiable rate would be preferred.

### COMMUNITY ACCESS:-

The College Governing Body discussed the possibility of increased freedom of access to the College by the local Community, at its last Meeting. It was finally decided to view favourably the possibility of allowing Students permission to use the 'COLLEGE POOL' during certain morning hours for Swimming Classes. No final decision was reached, however.

Access to College functions and Meetings is fully allowed.

### UNION CLUB:-

Legal Rules do not allow the automatic entry of non-members to the Student Union Club on the New Campus.

Students & College Staff may, however sign in a limited number of non-members over the year.

### EVENTS:-

Two important dates however may be mentioned here. The first is a Seminar on Unemployment which is being held from 10am. - 6 pm. on Saturday Nov. 5. Among the list of invited Speakers are Prof. Liam Ryan, Bros. Vivian Cassels, U.S.I. Dr. Noel Browne, Bros. S. O'Suilleabhain, Eamon Smullen, etc.

The second major event will be on the first weekend in December when it is hoped to present the 'Ronnie Scott Quartet' in concert. Ronnie Scott has gained a reputation as being one of the Top Jazz Musicians in the World, and is paying what will probably be a once only visit to Maynooth.

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## Senior Citizens

At the Annual General Meeting the following officers were elected:-

Chairman - Toni Read  
Secretary - Marie Kelly  
Treasurer - Bridie Brady.

Our first fund-raising event this year will be the Annual Sale of Work on November 29th in the Parish Hall and our first function will be a bumper Christmas Party on Sunday 4th December in Parish Hall, with invitations to all our old and new friends and also some friends from Newbridge and a special guest - SANTA

We hope also to have a raffle during the Wednesday Bingo session sometime before Christmas.

A fashion show will be held in the Parish Hall on February 23rd 1978.

Now we appeal to all organisations, clubs and associations to put forward 2 members for our Committee, and anyone else who might care to help are very welcome. The wages are the satisfaction of a job well-done and the work is great fun.

For further details contact any of the above officers or the Newsletter Committee.



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# SPORTS PAGE

## ATHLETICS N.A.C.A. (I)

In the 26 mile French Marathon Road Race in France on Sunday Oct. 9th, Peter Keegan (Staff) St. Patrick's College, was on the Irish team, together with John Fox, and Christy Keogh of Cucullain A.C. Dublin. Out of a field of 280 runners, from several countries, they finished 5th, 8th, & 10th and won the Team Award.

Peter, a member of Dunboyne A.C. trains five hours per day (5 am. - 7am. and 6pm. - 9pm.) covering 30 - 40 miles each day.

Congratulations - Well done Peter!

## BOYS' SOCCER CLUB

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### SILVER CIRCLE DRAW

We would like to thank all who are helping out with this draw. We hope to start shortly with our New Club House on the Moyglare Road. When we start we hope to get all the Voluntary help you can give us.

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bryne, Maynooth - 354  
£10 - W. Fogarty, 65 Maynooth  
Park - 534  
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Drive, Maynooth - 141  
£2 - T. McGorven, Greenfield,  
Maynooth - 466  
£2 - W. Moore Straffan Road,  
Maynooth - 191  
£2 - P. Kerns, 37 Maynooth Pk.  
Maynooth - 219  
£2 - E. Dunne, 860 Green-  
field, Maynooth - 115  
£2 - K. Murphy, 482 Straffan  
Way, Maynooth. - 487  
£1 - E. Kavanagh, Newtown,  
Maynooth - 408  
£1 - A. Graham, Greenfield,  
Maynooth - 412  
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Kilcock - 458  
£1 - P. O'Toole, c/o 5  
Maynooth Park - 167  
£1 - A. Kerwin, Cluain  
Aoibhinn - 329  
£1 - Mrs. A. Kenny, Straffan  
Road, Maynooth - 485  
£1 - D. O'Dowd, 29 Laurence  
Ave. Maynooth - 22  
£1 - P. Connolly, c/o  
B.& I. Dublin - 8  
£1 - Mrs. Pendergast, 2 Pound  
Lane, Maynooth - 302  
£1 - P. Smith, 60 Coillduff,  
Naas - 338



### SILVER CIRCLE DRAW SEPTEMBER

£50 - Andrew Graham Senr.  
Greenfield, Maynooth - 411  
£20 - Brian Wogan, R.A. Burke,  
Dublin - 320  
£10 - Leo McGlynn, Greenfield,  
Maynooth - 468  
£5 - Celine & Charles Murphy,  
Lucan - 109  
£2 - Michael Daly, 42 Maynooth  
Park - 178  
£2 - Frank Feeney, R.A. Burke,  
Dublin - 315  
£2 Peter Nevin, Barrelstown,  
Maynooth - 473  
£2 - P. Reid, 57 Cluainn Aoibhinn,  
Maynooth - 75  
£2 - L. McNally, Lucan, Dublin  
478  
£1 - Bill Allen, Moyglare, Maynooth  
469  
£1 - Jack Tierney c/p B. Redmond  
519  
£1 - Jimmy Leavy, Celbridge,  
345  
£1 - Mary Carroll, 39 Rail Park,  
Maynooth - 591  
£1 - F. Kelly, St. Patrick's Rd.  
Celbridge - 339  
£1 - Benny Farrelly, Kilcock Rd.  
Maynooth - 354  
£1 - Tommy Murray, 7 Maynooth Pk.  
Maynooth - 216  
£1 - Mrs. O'Flaherty, Ballygoran,  
91  
£1 - Lenny Murphy, Greenfield - 268  
£1 - Pat Sherlock, R.A. Burke,  
Dublin - 317

Next Draw 10th November.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held in St. Mary's Hall  
on Sunday 25th November 1977  
at 3.00. All Members and  
intending members are welcome  
to attend.

Our Football Season starts  
in February 1978 and we  
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### MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Well it did not happen, we just thought it might, they say even in these days miracles do happen, and we hoped one would happen for 'The little Swimmers at St. Raphael's', and that contrary to our expectations some parent or parents (especially those who have children going swimming for the last couple of years or more) would come forward in answer to our appeal and offer to Steward the Bus, and supervise the children, even on a rota system. - alas there were no Takers. The Childrens Session ends on Friday December 9th, when we are afraid they must say Goodbye to Swimming and St. Raphael's Pool, as it is too nerve racking and time consuming each week trying to find out if there is any-body available to go with the Bus. We in the Club feel responsible for the Children given into our care, but unfortunately no member of our little Committee can at present travel with the Children's Bus. We are very grateful to Mrs Nell Byrne, Old Greenfield, and Mrs. Murray, Greenfield Drive, who have been helping us out on a temporary basis, only for them we could not have continued this Session.

The Committee wish also to say a special word of thanks to John Burns of Maynooth Park, who though a comparative-ly new Member of the Club, has taken on the responsibility of collecting, and returning the Floats and Roll Book. These Floats cost the Club over £1 each so you can understand why we appreciate John taking care of them.

ODD ISN'T IT WE HAVE 35 CHILDREN ON THE ROLL, AND ROUGHLY 40 ON THE WAITING LIST, EVERYBODY WANTS TO GET THEIR CHILDREN INTO THE SWIMMING CLUB, BUT NOBODY WANTS TO TAKE THEM SWIMMING !

The ADULT SESSION at St. Raphael's will end on Monday 5th December, and we have opened a List for a further 10 weeks course starting about mid January, once again the membership will be limited, so if you are interested give your name to our treasurer Ann Power, 51 Greenfield Drive, Phone 286404 or Eoin Byrne our Chairman, Greenfield, Phone 286514.

As stated in our last notes we hope to get the 'Family Swim' going again when Spring comes.

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