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Community Council News

At the May Meeting of the Council, members expressed their extreme disappointment, at the lack of response for membership of the New Council. It would seem that nobody is interested in being a member of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

This is apparently part of the general apathy, prevalent in the area, but this is no excuse. A Community Council is a necessity in this day and age, as a buffer between the County Council and the local Residents Association. It is much more effective if one strong voice speaks for an area rather than small weak ones or none at all. It is unfortunate that while the estates in Maynooth have Associations to look after their interests, the town itself has no representation at all, other than the efforts of individuals.

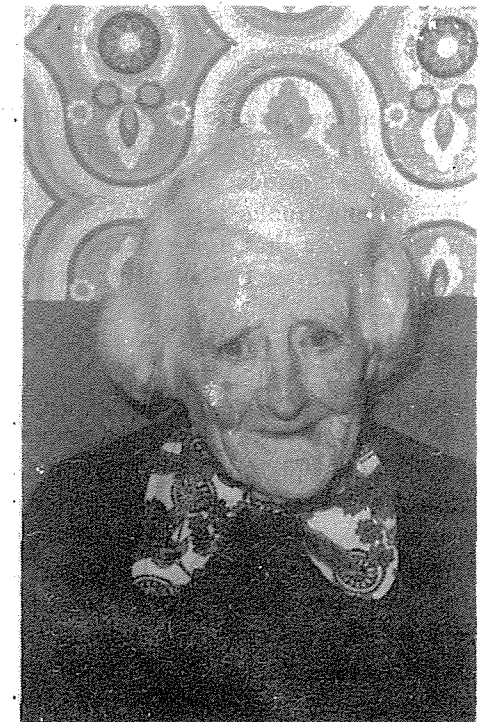
Perhaps you felt that the Old Community Council was not truly reflective of the feelings of the area and therefore did not warrant your full support. This is a situation full of disaster. No Committee can exist without the general body of the Community behind it, whether or not they are critical of its aims or fully in accord.

Your support is vital
Your criticism is vital
Your views are vital
Your antagonism is vital

We are therefore making one last effort to keep the Council in existence by holding a public meeting in the Geraldine Hall on Tuesday June 6th at 8 p.m. Everybody is welcome particularly those already involved in other Associations.

Your attendance is vital to the betterment of our Community.

In order that the NEWSLETTER continue in existence, whatever the fate of the Council itself, it was proposed, seconded and carried that the Newsletter Committee will be a complete and separate entity with no connection whatever with the Community Council itself.



CONGRATULATIONS:-

To Mrs Coughlan, Moyglare
and her twin sister Mrs.
Morgan on celebrating
their 87 birthday.

Mrs. Coughlan is still
strutting around like a
teenager, long may she
enjoy herself. Her sister
is in Navan Hospital at
the moment. May we wish
her a speedy recovery.

WHERE ARE

" THE LITTLE FOLK "

Editorial

Many of the older residents in the town will be almost amused at our bringing up the question of a road by-passing the town. They will have heard this matter discussed over the past twenty years or thirty, but beyond rumours that the road will pass here, or there, or yonder, they have seen no move from the Authorities in the matter whatsoever, in all that time.

Be this as it may, the matter of traffice through the town has now become a serious problem. Not alone the volumn of traffice but the weight and speed through the town has reached the stage where something serious must be done.

Perhaps people living on the Main Street suffer most from the various aspects of the problem, as they probably suffer all the inconveniences. Noise, is perhaps, the most annoying and those who have not to live with it both day and night cannot fully appreciate this. Perhaps you have tried to carry on a conversation on the Main Street when heavy traffic is passing and which may gibe you some idea of this form of inconvenience. Damage to houses through heavy trucks vibrating walls continuously is another hazard while all townspeople suffer from the sheer volumn of traffic in the daytime and the speed of the traffic during the periods of low volumn. In the daytime the speed of cars and trucks is bad enough but at night it is no exaggeration to say that some vehicles pass through the town at speeds approaching 100 miles per hour.

Speed zones have been set for the whole town but these are more renowned for being broken than kept. Vehicles completely ignore the zebra crossing, although, to be fair, most drivers stop. Unfortunately, however, the pedestrian does not know if a speeding car is going to give way. Children are very vulnerable on the crossings, and very likely to be ignored by motorists. (We might add here that only one pedestrian crossing is not sufficient in the town

The town is approaching complete traffic congestion and it looks as if nothing will be done about it until we protest in a strong manner to the Authorities. We are told that the road which was supposed to by-pass Maynooth is started but work has ceased at the Dublin County Boundary. We are informed rightly or wrongly, that Meath Co. Council are holding up matters on some technicality about payments. If this is the case, it is an absolute disgrace. It is up to us to put pressure on our County Councillors and T.D.s and urge them to have our plight properly aired in the right places.

In the meantime, we feel sure there is something can be done to improve the situation. Better controlled crossings can be erected, perhaps a 'washboard' surface could be put on the roads at each end and through the town to slow traffic to a reasonable pace. Stricter watch could be kept on speed violations and failure to respect the zebra crossings. These things would help but the only real solution is to press for the completion of the by-pass.

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DINNER DANCE:- We had our third Annual Dinner Dance at the Osta John Devoy on the 7th of April. It was one of the most successful yet and well enjoyed by all.

We would like to thank the Staff who provided an excellent Meal and service for the evening. The music was provided by the 'New Men' who played and sang their hearts out for the night.

A special note of thanks to the undermentioned friends of Cluain Aoibhinn who subscribed and donated such valuable prizes for the added enjoyment of the evening.

A Raffle was held the prizes were:-
Camera Set (Cahill May Roberts) won by John Duffin.
Tennis Raquet (Danny Casey - En-Tout-Cas) won by Mrs. J. Ryan.
Bottle Champagne (O'Brien's Supermarket) won by Michael Cox.

As we are approaching the end of another year in Office we wish to welcome all New Residents to the estate and say the Committee is at their service.

We held a Meet your Neighbours night recently

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We would like to congratulate the following residents on their new arrivals this year.

Mr. & Mrs. Costin on their daughter Neassa.
Mr. & Mrs. S. Tyrone, on their daughter Eleanor.
Mr. & Mrs. Haney, on their Son.

Gossip has it the stork knows his way blindfold to Cluain Aoibhinn. Finally our thanks to our local County Engineer, Mr. M. Jenkins for all the co-operation and assistance he has given us over the many problems we have had.

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RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

**GREENFIELD ESTATE
DEVELOPMENT:-**

The committee have had a number of meetings with Civil Eng. I. Ltd. regarding Site Development and Ground Rents due to Civil Eng. & Vaughan Builders Ltd. As we go to press a meeting of all residents has been called for 23rd May '78 and at this meeting it is intended to give all residents the up to date position regarding all ground rents due and the completion of Greenfield Estate.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE:-

We are pleased to announce that the 5th Annual Dinner Dance has been set for Friday 1st December '78 and will be held in The Osta John Devoy Hotel, Johnstown, Naas, Co. Kildare. Further details regarding ticket price menu etc. will be furnished later.

**GREENFIELD ESTATE
MAINTENANCE:-**

As we go to press it is intended to do a first grass cutting on the Green area at Straffan Way & Lawrence Ave. by contractor, and after this it is hoped that Residents in these areas will avail of the Association Motor Mower to do a once a month cutting.

All residents are requested to cut the grass verges outside their houses and thus help keep up the good appearance of Greenfield Estate.

GREENFIELD DRIVE:-

As promised Vaughan Builders have not yet appeared to clean and seed the green area at Greenfield Drive. Residents in that area are still hopeful that this work will be undertaken as soon as possible.

EQUIPMENT:-

At the moment the following equipment can be hired by paid up members of the Association - Extension Ladder at Dave Hogan's, 11 Greenfield Drive. Rate £1 per week - Booking deposit £5.00
Motor Mower at Pat Tynan's, 55 Maynooth Park. Rate £1 per hour.
It is hoped in the future to extend the amount of equipment available.

CHILDREN'S FIELD DAY:-

Plans are at the moment under way for yet another childrens field day - Volunteers are requested to contact Committee Member David McDonagh, 38 Maynooth Park, as soon as possible

**HOUSE MAINTENANCE
IN VAUGHAN BUILDERS
HOUSES :-**

We can find no foundation what so ever in a recent statement made "that at least 6 - 8 people were suing Vaughan Builders Ltd. for house maintenance" to date we only have knowledge of 1 confirmed

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SUPER DRAW:-**

It is hoped to restart the Superdraw and hold the First Draw on the first Monday of June '78. Again the prize money will be £50 to the winner and £2 to the collector of the winning number. It is hoped that all our residents will give full support to this venture, as it is the financial profit from the superdraw that funds such occasions as the Field Day and the children's Christmas party etc.

**KEEP GREENFIELD ESTATE
TIDY**

The committee request all Residents to refrain from parking vehicles on grass verges and green areas and also recommend the use of dust BINS rather than plastic bags as the latter tend to be an attraction for crows and dogs.

GROUND RENT:-

Until such time as a satisfactory group deal is made with Civil Eng. Ltd. and Vaughan Builders Ltd all residents are requested to continue the ground Rent Strike.

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Great News for residents this month. Kildare County Council have written to say that they intend definitely to take over the estate this year, when the weather improves. We are not too sure exactly what they are going to do, but we have written to them, asking what "taking over" means.

We have also learned that the road lighting in the Town is being improved to motoring standard, further lights are being put on the Straffan Road, and traffic lights will be erected in the village.

Our Cake Sale on Sunday 7th in the Parish Hall, unfortunately did not result in an abundance of cakes nevertheless, the receipts amounted to just over £22. Our heartfelt thanks to the lady members of the Committee for their great effort.

On the subject of ground-rents, this matter is under negotiation with the Ground Landlord and we hope to settle the matter shortly to everybody's satisfaction.

The next monthly meeting will be in the Geraldine Hall on Friday June 2nd at 8.30 p.m. and you are all welcome.

We have received several complaints from Residents regarding disturbances created by dogs in the estate.

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We have also been asked to inform Residents not to use the ditch at the back of the estate for their rubbish. Apart from the fact that the water is building up in the blocked ditch and undermining the garden wall, the rubbish does create a serious health hazard. Please use the County Council collection service for your rubbish and not the ditch.



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The A.G.M. of the Maynooth Branch was held in the Parish Hall on Thursday 11th May last. The following Officers were elected.

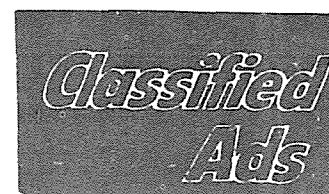
Chairman-----R. Supple
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Secretary-----Carmel Buckley
Asst. Sec.-----Mary T. Robinson
Treasurer-----Colm Kennedy.

A sincere word of thanks was passed to Donal Houlihan and his card-playing Associates for their exceptionally generous donation.

Last month the non-stop-draw started. Total prize-fund amounts to £2,000 all those interested in joining this draw and at the same time helping a very worthy cause, please contact Mick Murphy, 5 Lawrence Avenue, New Greenfield. Rose Comerford, Old Greenfield, or any of the Committee.

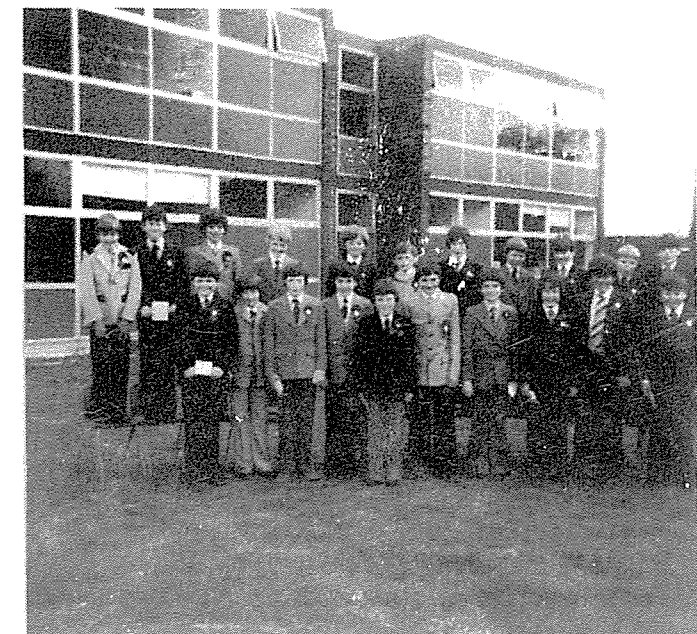


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A Special Public Meeting will be held in the Geraldine Hall on Tuesday June 6th at 8 p.m. to discuss the future of the Community Council. Your presence is necessary and will be greatly appreciated.

NOTE THE DATE AND KEEP IT FREE

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All items for inclusion in the July/August edition of the NEWSLETTER should be handed in by Sunday 18th. This is for the Summer Double issue, the next issue will not be out until September.

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Fr. O'Higgins and his brave volunteers set out this month on their 4 day cycle ride to KNOCK. This 300 mile marathon will it is hoped help to provide some much needed finance for the Parish Building Fund and Concern. No sponsorship will be refused no matter how small. So come along and sponsor one of the participants in this epic adventure.

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Now that the NEWSLETTER is separate from the Community Council, can we again ask your help in providing articles, News, Pictures etc. for publication. If you think you can help in any way, please contact any one of the committee. All it takes is about 2 evenings work per issue

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At a recent Co. Co. Meeting "The thing in the square or Maynooth Toilets" was aired in Reference Report in the Leinster Leader of 13 May '78.

Yes and theres talk of a Bandstand there too - won't Maynooth be unique in 'Spend a Penny to the Sound of Music' - "Pennies from Heaven" perhaps !

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CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Pamela Fegan, Maynooth, who had such a successful result with her Shorthorn entries at Ballsbridge, also to Mr. John Farrell who showed and prepared the Animals for Mrs. Fegan.



Mr. Niall O'Connell, Retail Manager, Irish Shell Limited, presented the Shellsport National Rally Championship Awards for 1977, the eleventh of the series, at a reception in the R.I.A.C. Dublin. Picture shows Mr. Niall O'Connell (left) presenting the Shellsport Drivers' Trophy and £100 to Mr. Joe McHale, Railpark, Maynooth, Co. Kildare winner of 1st. prize in "Cars up to 1350 c.c." Class.

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GRAPEVINE

When children get sick and they do this at all times of the day and night it is difficult sometimes to get a Doctor to attend them, but getting a prescription filled can be a bigger problem, especially on Wednesday afternoon when both the Chemists in the immediate area are closed.

As both of these gentlemen are extremely helpful in filling prescriptions after hours, could we suggest that one of them close on a different day or that they close on alternate Wednesdays. This would be a tremendous boom to parents of sick children and increase their standing in the Community enormously.

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Will all the little 'Tadpoles' in Maynooth and of course the 'Big Toads' too take note that MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB are starting the Summer Family Swim on Friday June 9th. Bus will leave the square for 'Coolmine Pool' at 6.45 pm. inclusive cost 85p. All are sure of a very enjoyable night out.

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The Principal of the Post-Primary School would welcome inquiries from anybody interested in doing a secretarial course in the Autumn - mornings only. This should appeal especially to young married women, or other women who find they have time on their hands and would like to take a secretarial qualification. The morning classes would appear to fit in quite conveniently for mothers of young children who will be away at school in the morning time thus leaving the Mother free at that particular time.

The Principal, Mr. Ashe, can be contacted at the Post-Primary School on any school day - Phone No. 286060

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Reports have it that drugs are being pushed in this area. It is essential that parents and guardians should be watchful and give any information, however small, to the Gardai without delay. ALL OUR CHILDREN ARE IN SERIOUS DANGER.

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Early application is advised because places will be limited.

Please note This course is not confined to those who are leaving school this year or who may have left recently. It is open to any adult who may wish to acquire secretarial skills.

Further information available from the Principal

Phone:- 286060

T. Ashe

OUR HERITAGE

Mary Cullen

While Maynooth Charter School was never included among those in which the worst abuses were disclosed it seems to have been considered to be less than satisfactory by the authorities of the Incorporated Society which maintained the schools. They eventually closed Maynooth School "suppressed" it in their own words, on May 5th 1919 and the house and lands were handed back to the Duke of Leinster. This was Augustus Frederick the 3rd duke and the grandson of James the first duke. Just eighteen months before the school was closed down it was inspected again. This time the visit of inspection was organised by the Society itself, which was disturbed by the fact that conditions in its schools had failed to improve even after the publicity given to the findings of the official enquiry. On behalf of the Society the Rev. Elias Thackeray visited Maynooth Charter School on December 12th 1817. He reported no gross abuses but it is clear that he found conditions far from satisfactory. The boys' attainments in reading, spelling, and writing he thought "limited". The bed-rooms were too crowded and the beds and bedding not clean enough. More care, attention and cleanliness were needed in his opinion. Linen was changed only once a week, and he was quick to notice that the judicious use of black stockings allowed of "too infrequent changes". The school had no catechist at the time of his visit. The local Committee which was supposed to supervise the running of the School assured him that things were improving, but it is clear that the Rev. Thackeray was not happy with the over-all situation, and the Society seems to have concurred.

It has already been noted that in 1824, five years after the suppression of the Charter School, nearly half the school-going children in Maynooth attended independent, privately run pay-schools, those conducted by Mary Roe, James Reilly, John McSweeney, and the enigmatic Rev. Andrew Staunton, the very existence of whose school was ignored by the local Church of Ireland vicar. The three private schools run by Catholics catered for both boys and girls, and two of them, and also Staunton's school, had both Catholic and Protestant pupils. Since these schools all charged fees and yet the combined number of children who attended them nearly equalled the numbers attending the free schools supported by the Duke of Leinster and backed by the Catholic Clergy it seems that they must have enjoyed some reputation. We do not know anything of them individually nor how long any one of them had been in existence. Of these schools run by an individual in his or her own house were likely to be relatively short-lived. Since the repeal of the penal laws prohibiting Catholic run schools towards the end of the 18th century private schools had proliferated. But we do know that there had been schools run by Catholics in Maynooth at least as far back as 1731, in spite of the laws forbidding their existence. Defiance of various aspects of the penal legislation led to an Inquiry on the State of Popery in that year, and it noted the existence of "several" popish schools in Maynooth.

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As for the quality of the education given in these schools, again we are ignorant of them individually, but there is the evidence given by the English philanthropist, John Howard before the Committee of 1788. He said "At the cabins on the road side I saw several schools, in which, for the payment of 3/3d Irish per quarter, children were instructed in reading, writing and accounts. Some of these I examined as to their proficiency and found them much forwarder than those of the same age in the Charter Schools. They are clean and wholesome, and consisted of the children of both Protestant and Catholic parents".

The somewhat discredited Incorporated Society was followed by others which instead of establishing their own boarding schools, gave financial aid to schools which met their requirements. These included the London Hibernian Society, the Baptist Society, the Association for discountenancing Vice and Promoting the knowledge and practice of the Christian Religion. the Sunday School Society, and the Lord Lieutenants Fund. None of these earnest organisations achieved much success in their endeavour to convert the people of Ireland. The reason for their failure was the refusal of parents to send their children to schools that were suspected of proselytism. In 1815 the state began to give an annual grant to a new organisation for the Education of the Poor, popularly known as the Kildare Place Society. The aim of this society was to maintain non-denominational schools throughout the country, and its board was composed of both Protestants and Catholics. It had a certain amount of success but ran into difficulties as the Catholic Church authorities began to expand the network of schools under their control and the management of the Society became more Protestant dominated. It was this situation that led to the major government enquiry into the whole position of elementary education throughout the country, and then to the decision to establish the "National Schools". But before the National School system was launched in 1831 Maynooth had acquired another school with the arrival of the Presentation Sisters in 1823



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Garda Siochana, Naas – 7333

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MAYNOOTH, CO. KILDARE

Brian Lenihan T.D. (Minister for fisheries) and Liam Lawlor T.D. are now attending at the Geraldine Hall , (The Harbour) to meet constituents.

If you have any problems please do not hesitate to call.

This month Liam Lawlor T. D. will be in attendance on Monday 12th June at 8.30 pm.

If you wish to join Maynooth Fianna Fail please contact any of the following: -

Liam Mc Namee, 14 Cluain Aoibhinn

Bill Lettis, Old Greenfield

Tim Cotter - Phone 288540 or call to our next meeting at the Geraldine Hall, Tuesday June 20th at 8.30 pm.

PARISH NOTES

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

The Procession takes place on Sunday, 28th May, starting from the Parish Church at 2.45 p.m., going up Moyglare Road, turning left towards the Hostels, and ending with open-air Benediction in front of St. Catherine's Hostel, as last year. St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band will take part. We hope that as many people as possible will join in this public veneration of our Eucharistic Lord. It is certain to bring great blessings on the people of the parish. The whole thing will be over before 3.30 p.m.

SPONSORED CYCLE TOUR

While the eleven riders whose ages range from 15 - 68 are training and practising earnestly for their long ride, the canvassers are working equally hard to recruit sponsors at as much per mile as they can coax out of them. A massive response is expected. A few people have suggested that the parish should have gone it alone. But there are two excellent reasons for doing it jointly with 'Concern' :-

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extensions, site-buying and eventually the building of an additional School and Church.

The President of St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Very Rev. Michael Olden D.D. has kindly agreed to perform the official send-off on Monday, 12th June, at 9 a.m. sharp.

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WE WISH TO THANK THE PEOPLE OF MAYNOOTH AND DISTRICT FOR THEIR PATRONAGE SINCE WE OPENED. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF OPENING OUR NEW LOUNGE FOR YOUR EXTRA COMFORT AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL

Senior Citizens

Well our last Party on the 7th May went with a bang. It was great to see so many of our Old Friends gathered for Mass celebrated by Frs. Joe Dillon S.V.D. John Ryan S.V.D. and Liam Flynn S.V.D. Fr. Joe & Fr. John got a great welcome from everyone on their return from Brazil & New Guinea respectively. Our sincerest thanks to all our local talent who gave of their time and talent e.g. The teaks, Cullen School of Dancing, Shirley, Noreen, Aisling Barton, Joe Kirwan. The S.V.D. group & especially to the S.M.A. group who provided the music.

Newbridge O.P. Committee invited a group from Maynooth to their Party on Sunday 21st May. A great time was had by all.

The Annual Outing is on Saturday 25th June, leaving

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Congratulations to Mrs. Coughlan, Moyglare Road & Mrs. Sherry, Leinster Cottages on their recent birthdays.

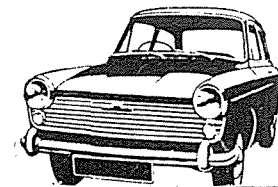
The Committee wish to thank all who have helped us throughout the past year, with entertainment, transport etc. and to all the Students who have visited some of the O.P. on a regular basis. We wish each & everyone a very happy and enjoyable Summer.

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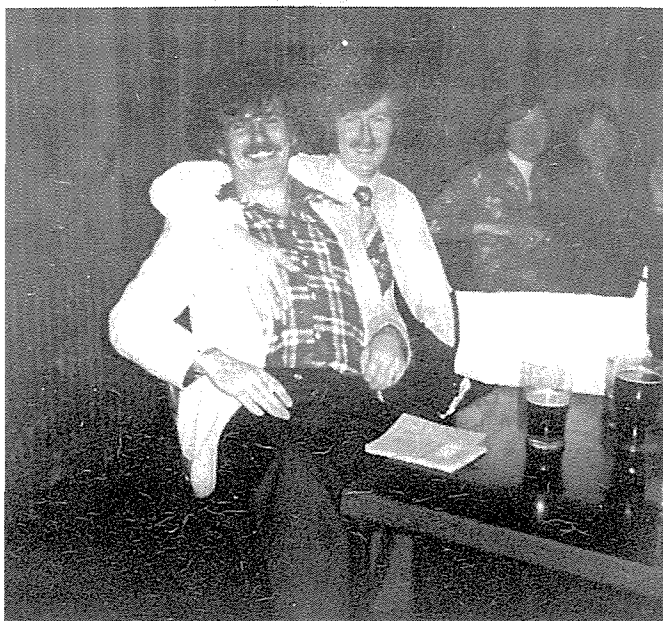
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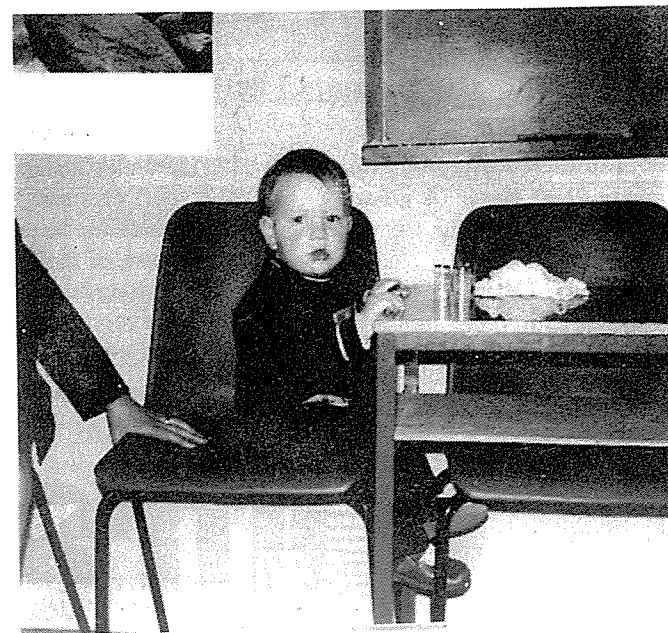
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Mr. & Mrs. Nial Bright and Mrs. & Mrs. Tony Mooney at Greenfield Residents Assoc. Annual Dinner Dance.



Mr. & Mrs. James Dowling at Greenfield Residents Assoc. Annual Dinner Dance.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

On the 27th of April the girls and boys of the Parish were confirmed by Most Rev. Dr. Dunne. It was a beautiful ceremony, and all the children involved deserve the highest praise for making it so. A word of praise and congratulations also to the parents and teachers who prepared the children so well.

On Saturday last the 13th of May a much younger group of girls and boys received their First Holy Communion. This too was a memorable ceremony and one which I'm sure the children will remember for a long time. Again, congratulations to the parents and teachers who prepared them so well and had them looking so lovely on the day.

BAZAAR & CRAFT EXHIBITION

The local guild at the I.C.A. will hold a Bazaar and Craft Exhibition in our School on Sunday 28th May from 3.30 pm. until 6 pm. This function is in aid of our school equipment fund and your support in coming along will be greatly appreciated.

Crafts demonstrated will be:-

Stitched Rugs: Carrickmacross
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Councillor B. Durkan attends at the Geraldine Hall every Saturday evening at 7.00 pm. to meet constituents, Bank Holiday week-ends excepted. Items discussed are treated in strict confidence

Sincere thanks to the good Ladies of this Guild who give so generously of their time and talents.

SPORTSDAY

Another date in the not too distant future I would ask parents and children to try and keep free is Sunday 2nd July. We are holding our Sportsday on that Sunday in the G.A.A. field, Moyglare Road.

As well as running, jumping, and novelty events for the children we hope to have a few interesting events for the parents also. Further details about this day will appear in the July issue of this NEWSLETTER.

COMHALTAS CEOLTOIRI EIREANN

At the Annual General Meeting held recently the following Committee were elected:-

CHAIRMAN - James Noonan
V. CHAIRMAN - Mrs. Curran.
SECRETARY . Jim Gilton
Asst /Sec. - Seamuis Grant
TREASURER . Thomas Madden.
AUDITOR & P.R.O. -
Frank McCarrick.

Co. Board Delegates:-

James Noonan.
Jim Gilton.

This was the first A.G.M. of the Maynooth Branch and after hearing the Chairman's & Secretary's Report all agreed that it was a very satisfactory year. A special word of thanks was given to the Ladies Committee - Mrs. Noonan, Mrs. Gilton, Mrs. Madden, Mrs. Curran, Mrs. Grant - who provided light supper at each "Seisuin". These ladies never spared

themselves and made everybody feel at home.

The Committee thanked most sincerely all Musicians, singers, dancers from other Branches for their loyal support during the year.

The Christmas Party held in the Geraldine Hall for the latter personnel was a great success. The presence of the local Parish Priest, Fr. O'Higgins at the Seisuns was greatly appreciated.

It was discussed as a matter of concern the fact that patrons arrived so late and the Committee hoped that this could be improved in the future.

The Committee extended their sincere sympathy to Bartley O'Flaherty (Branch Member) on the recent death of his father, and to the Family of Peter Clancy (Prosperous & Galway) who died recently, and will be sadly missed by all in Maynooth.

Go ndeana Dia trocaire air a anamacha.

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DUNNE - The wife & family of the late William Dunne, 292 Greenfield wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the removal of remains and the funeral.

A special word of thanks to the Parish Clergy for all their help and kindness.

To all our neighbours and the very many people who sent Mass Cards and Floral tributes.

A special appreciation to the staff of Dowdstown Stud. The Priests, Students and Staff of the S.M.A. Hostel. The Management and Staff of Haughton, Clothing Manufacturers, Leixlip. The Nuns from the Presentation Convent, and the tenants Associations.

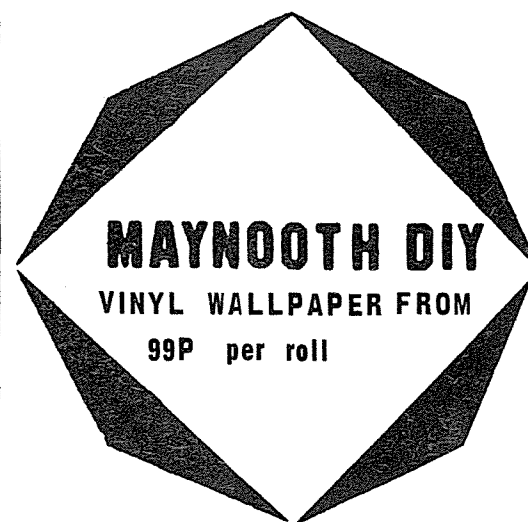
A very special thank you to the Boys' National School and fifth standard in particular.

Trusting this will be accepted by all as our grateful appreciation, as it would be impossible to thank each one individually.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intention.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Michael & Brid Shiel & Family, 47 Maynooth Park, wish to thank most sincerely all their kind neighbours and friends who helped them over their recent sad bereavement, those who called personally, attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral, those who sent Mass Cards, floral tributes, and letters of sympathy. Our gratitude to the priests of the parish especially Fr. Supple whose words were a source of great comfort to us all. We wish to thank the Sisters and Teachers of the Presentation Convent and all the little children. We trust this acknowledgment will be accepted by all as an expression of our gratitude, The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for the intentions of all.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

MULLIGAN - The wife & family of the late Thomas Mulligan, Main Street, Leixlip, will remember forever with deep appreciation all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement.

All those who attended the removal of the remains and the funeral.

Those who send Mass Cards, and floral tributes.

A special word of thanks to the Clergy of Maynooth who were so kind to him during his last illness.

We trust this will be received by all as a mark of our appreciation.



ICA News

The May Guild Meeting opened with the reading of the Minutes of the last Meeting and all correspondence was then dealt with. It is hoped to have a full days Summer Outing this year and this is being arranged at the moment. One of Our Members Mrs. Joan Howard - Williams is now Kildare Federation International Officer.

The Guild will be entering for a Flower Festival Competition in Newbridge on June 18th. Some members will also attend a Flower Show Festival in Christchurch Cathedral on 22nd May. Work for the Craft Exhibition in the Boys' School now almost complete, and it is hoped that this venture will be successful.

The Monthly Competition was won by Mrs. Simpson and 2nd place went to Mrs. Bradshaw. The Raffle was won by Mrs. Dunne.

Mrs. McGinn gave a very interesting and informative talk on I. C. A. affairs. This was much appreciated as we have many new members. Tea was served by the Hostesses and this concluded the Meeting.

The next Meeting is on 1st June at 8 p.m.

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FLOWERS AND ART

The "influence of floral arrangement in art" was the subject of a most interesting talk given by antique expert, Mrs. Fegan. Maynooth at the monthly meeting of Kells and District Horticultural Society. She illustrated her talk with numerous and often unusual objects d'art.

Mrs. Fegan pointed out that the Romans used Laurel wreaths to decorate their coins. This tradition of using floral arrangements on metal continued down through history to the present time she said.

During the 16th century nutmeg was used to camouflage the smell and taste of meats which were not too fresh. Soon all the tables of the rich had nutmeg graters. The speaker showed a grater

made from silver (about 1730) This was decorated with flowers.

Many people had tiny decorated bottles from the Georgian era which they believed were used as perfume bottles. However Mrs. Fegan claimed that these were used for holding white spirit which ladies of the period used for cleaning off their finger-tips.

Next Mrs. Fegan showed a magnificent gold sewing set made in 1815 decorated with Accanthus leaves. She also showed some items which illustrated how iris decorations became popular after Napoleon and the French invaded Egypt.

She then turned to the subject of floral decorations on fabrics. To illustrate her talk she used silks from India and lace from Carrickmacross, Limerick and Kildare.

She opened the eyes of the members to the use of flowers in unusual and also most ordinary things around them.

Mrs. Sarah Angel, also from Maynooth, arranged spring flowers in antique vases.

The most original and interesting talk and the floral arrangements were enjoyed by all the members and their friends.

I am indebted to Mrs. E. C. Porter, Balrath Road, Kells, for the above excellent Summary of the talk.

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SPORTS PAGE

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Well we held our Annual General Meeting in the Parish Hall on Thursday 18th May at 9 o'clock.

Much to our disappointment, it was the same old Story, only four parents turned up. So we were left with the same old Committee, as there was nobody to take over, it was either shoulder on or fold up. The extraordinary thing is that despite the lack of interest the Club is financially sound, and all the time the waiting list keeps growing.

We are all sad to loose Bros. Fillan and Michael. It has been a great experience for the children to have been taught by Bros. Fillan, and it is only in years to come they will appreciate all they have learned, but we knew we had him only on a temporary basis. However we have been lucky in finding another Swimming Instructor in Maynooth, who will join the Club Mid. September next.

We are working on a system of awards for our younger and

older Children and we hope to be able to present them before Bros. Fillan leaves us. So Children take heed and work very hard for the next few weeks.

WATER SAFETY:-

A Course in Water Safety, Elementary only is being held At. St. Raphael's Pool, Celbridge each Wednesday night from 8-9 o'clock

FAMILY SWIM:- As this proved so popular last Summer we have arranged another. This time we are going to 'COOLMINE' The Bus will leave the square at 6.45 pm. each Friday evening starting Friday June 9th

Coolmine is a lovely pool and there is a portion set aside for the very young ones as well as those set aside for Swimmers at various stages

The cost inclusive of Bus Fare, pool, instructors, life guard and insurance will be 85p per night. We hope all the Mammies, Daddies and little ones who enjoyed themselves so much last year will come along again.

All are welcome young and old The Bus belongs to Celbridge Transport, as Mr. Barton has a very booked up schedule on a Friday night, and is unable to let us have a coach.

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CYCLING

More good news for you cycling fans. Here are the results of the under 12 School Boy Races.

Sunday 15th April at Trim :-

John Nolan 1st. William Cannon 2nd. Michael Cannon (9 years old) won the sprint out of the bunch to finish 3rd.

Sunday 23rd April, Dundalk:-

John Nolan 1st (Navan)
William Cannon 2nd.
Aidrian Moran (Navan) 3rd.

Sunday 30th at Balbriggan.

John Tierney (Waterford 1st)
Michael Cannon 2nd. and
William Cannon 3rd.

Sunday 7th May at Monasterevan.

William Cannon 1st.
John Tierney (Waterford) 2nd
Michael Cannon 3rd.

Sunday 14th Drogheda.

John Nolan 1st
William Cannon 2nd.
John Tierney (Waterford) 3rd.

This is a splendid achievement by the young Cannon Boys, who it seems are destined for a great future. They are a credit to their parents and to our Parish. We should be ashamed that we provide no little facilities for them at all.

William has asked us to appeal this month to anyone under 12 on 1st January 1978 who is interested in cycling to get in touch with him at School or at 2, Rail Park. He is anxious to form a 3 man team with his young brother Michael.

So how about it Lads wouldn't a Maynooth Team be a great boost?

MAYNOOTH FIANNA FAIL

Brian Lenihan T.D. Minister for fisheries and Liam Lawlor T.D. informed our last monthly meeting that they had made representations to the Kildare C.C. with regards to the following matters and asked that they be attended to as speedily as possible.

- (1) Remove hedge cuttings along Dillons Row.
- (2) Move speed limit sign back to it's original position on Dillons Row.
- (3) Remove cars dumped between Kildare Bridge and McDonnalds Cross.
- (4) Erect STOP sign on road-way leading from College to Newtown Road.
- (5) Flooding at the following places

- a. At the houses of B. Edwards J. McCann and P. Hand.
- b. At J. Boyd's house Larabryne.
- c. At Mrs Flemming's house Oldgreenfield.
- d. On roadway between Ballygowran Cross and Pikes Bridge.

- (6) Two lights for Leinster Park and one outside Mrs Kelly's house Moyglare.
- (7) Cleaning of river at Parsons Street.

The Kildare C.C. informed the Minister that it would not be feasible to put a footpath from the graveyard to Maynooth Town on account of major road works which are imminent in this area. Cleaning and edging work will be carried

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Councillors Boylan, Cosgrave, and Mrs Byrne informed the meeting that we would have pedestrian lights in the main street this summer. The Councillors also informed us of the position of the following Estates.

(1) - Rail Park & Greenfield Estates.

The Council hope that the outstanding work will be completed within the next six months, and it may be possible to take it in charge.

Cluain Aoibhinn:-

A list of outstanding repairs has been sent to the developer and the council are pressing him in the matter.

The Cumman are pressing the Fianna Fail representatives to have the matter of vehicles parking on footpaths in and around the Main Street rectified as soon as possible.

HANDBALL

MAYNOOTH HANDBALLERS were very much to the fore in a recent tournament run by the Central Handball Council at Croke Park.

The Competition, divided into two sections was a tremendous success. In the first section Joe Rossiter & Pat Ryan of the St. Malachy's Club were the winners and in section two Paddy Power (Naomh Pdraig) & Noel Boylan (St. Malachy's) were victorious.

In a thrilling final Rossiter & Ryan, who are also the Dublin Representatives, came out on top on the score 21.15. - 21.15.

Trophies were presented to winners & losers by Mr. Joe Lynch of the Irish Handball Council.

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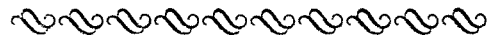
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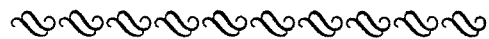


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