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Carol Barton, Secretary,

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ARCHDEACON FISHER RETIRES

As you are probably aware Archdeacon & Mrs. Fisher are retiring on 1st May next, after 33 years of unstinted service to the Community.

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The Pre-School playgroup hopefully re-opens in the Geraldine Hall on Monday April 23rd. Mothers whose children attended prior to Christmas are asked to have them ready at the usual time.

Anyone interested in giving a hand to promote the playgroup are invited to come along also and enjoy the activities.

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The latest date for handing in items for inclusion in the May issue of the NEWSLETTER is Sunday April 15th

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NATIONAL SPORT for all week-end takes place on April 21st & 22. Why not get out and do your own thing on those days. Many organisations are organising some activity - you could join in too.
BE ACTIVE !

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Congratulations to Maynooth I.C.A. who came 3rd in the recent open quiz held in St. Patrick's College.

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Archdeacon Fisher retires next month. We, on behalf of the people of Maynooth wish to thank him for the many years of service he has given. We wish him and Mrs. Fisher every happiness in the future and sincerely hope they will have many years together to enjoy their well earned rest.

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THE SWIMMING CLUB is reported to be full with a long waiting list of potential members, yet we still have not got our own pool. Now is the time for all of us to write, phone and badger Councillors, T.D 's and anyone else we can think of to push for our very own pool.

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THE GREEN FIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our Annual Dance was held in Dowlings of Prosperous on Feb. 22nd. It was a most enjoyable night and a good time was had by all. The Music was supplied by The Fiddle-Sticks.

The Residents and Committee would like to thank all who supported & also the people who travelled from Leixlip who supported it. A special word of thanks to those people who gave spot prizes and they are as follows:- Phil. Brady - McCormacks Chemist. - M. P. O'Brien - Sean's Greenfield Shopping Centre. Pop ' Gay - Greenfield Super Market - Bartons - Kevin McNamara - Maynooth D.I.Y. - Brendan Edwards Snr. - D.C. Meats - Connolly Main St. - Barrys Newsagent - Elizabeth Farrell - O'Neill'd Butcher - Terry Edwards - Dan Logan - Bernard Durken M.C.C. - Leinster Arms - Greenfield Residents Association - Caulfields - Joe Buckley - Mary Malone, Hairdresser.

Congratulations to Alan Boyd - Alison Conlon - & Antoinette Higgins who won prizes in the Childrens' Art Competition held recently.

Our Boys between the ages of 7yrs and 12 yrs or under Soccer Team is well under-way and boys wishing to take part should contact Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield as soon as possible, as training will start soon. Meanwhile we would welcome competition from other estates. We would also welcome competition for our Ladies G.A.A. team.

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As reported in the

As reported in the last issue we have a new vigorous parents committee. At the inaugural meeting the following members were elected as officers:-

Chairman..... Pat Kiely
P.R.O.....
Secretary..... Kevin Kennedy
Treasurer..... Brian O'Malley

It was gratifying to report a full attendance and together with members of Unit Council the scene resembled the old Hollywood cliché "Cast of Thousands". Quite a change from the previous sparse ranks of the faithful!

Of immense importance to relate is the fact that Robin Reilly has assumed the vacant role of Unit Leader. To the outsider, Unit Leader means the equivalent of local commander-in-chief, co-ordinator, planner and the one figure who has no one to pass the buck to. Formidable though his role may seem there's no better man than Robin to be our "ACTION MAN" in Maynooth. Congratulations and best wishes from all of us!

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May we also say thanks to the following for kindly donating spot prizes - K. McNamara - The Roost - Barrys - Paddy Barton - Bradys - Caulfield - Tip Top Properties - Conroys Chemist - Happy Families - Burns Family, Grant Family - Greenfield Supermarket, - Sean's - Ultravision - Pop'n Gay -

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More good news, Fr. Liam Roe, has kindly agreed to become our new chaplain on the retirement of Fr. Kelleher, again our congratulations.

Our Lads have had an active time during the last weeks, some activities include - taking part in a "Inter-Denominational Prayer Service in Adam & Eves Church, Merchants Quay, together with other units of C.B.S.I., Catholic Girl Guides, Irish Girl Guides and S.A.I. on 25th Feb. Participation in St. Patrick's Day Parade, hike to Obelisk and outing to Mother Goose Pantomime in the Parish Hall.

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Community Council News

At the joint meeting in March of the Community Council and the Community Week Committee, it was decided to hold a further meeting for the Community Week on Thursday March 29th at 8 p.m. All persons who attended previous meetings and who were agreed to arrange events are asked to come along as a final time-table is in the process of being drawn-up.

The Community Council Meeting proper heard that the new foot-bridge on the Straffan Road was held up due to reasons beyond the control of the County Council but these had now been resolved and it was hoped to erect it shortly perhaps even before this NEWSLETTER is printed.

Delays in the postal services have been raised at County Council level and a reply is awaited. Enquiries are being made to decide if we can get one of our tidy towns prize - winning posters printed to use in a campaign to have the area cleaned-up. Also in this vein we have asked the County Council to provide proper covered rubbish bins in the town.

The next Meeting will be on April 10th at 8.30 p.m. in the Geraldine Hall.

GERARD BRADY

of Main Street, Maynooth was selected at the recent Fianna Fail convention in Rathcoffey to contest the forthcoming Local Election on June 7th for the Clane electoral area.

The Clane electoral area stretches from Leixlip/Celbridge, Maynooth, to, Allen, Robertstown & Carbury. This is the first time for some years that a Fianna Fail candidate has contested the local elections for Maynooth.

The Editorial Committee congratulate Mr. Brady on being nominated candidate in the forthcoming Local Elections on the 7th June.

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After a bad start in January, when the Geraldine Hall was un-available by reason of repairs, C.C.E. started the New Year with an excellent 'Seisiun' on the 27th February. I say "excellent" because once more our dedicated musicians - 24 - in all played their hearts out. J. J. Fallon, who hails from Boyle, Co Roscommon arrived early with his merry men from Trim, Co. Meath. There also was that great personality Mrs. Traynor (whose mother was Mrs. Crotty from Co. Clare, the well known traditional musician) from Summerhill, Co. Meath and the local group led by the ever youthful Mrs Curran & Bart Flaherty. Space does not permit me to name others in this edition but I want to assure you all that you are always very welcome and appreciated by this Branch.

Since our last notes I wish to mention that our Christmas Party went off with a "bang". The Ladies Committee prepared an excellent meal, and decorated the hall with candles, curtains and fairy lights. As our 35 faithful & dedicated musicians sat around the candle lit table our very dear friend Fr. O'Higgins (God Bless him always) started the night with 'grace' and as it turned out his last few words of encouragement to us, as Parish Priest. I wish to point out that the dinner is given to our musicians free in appreciation for their dedication to the Branch. However, this year our friends in the Trim Branch insisted on paying their share and as a result the extra cash made the night one to be remembered.

It appears that the people in the New Estates, the Town of Maynooth and the University have very little interest in Irish Music and our main support comes from

what we call the "country areas". If this trend continues the Committee will have to consider moving the Branch to an area outside Maynooth & nearer to the people who appreciate this type of music. This would be a pity, since it is intended to organise music classes in flute and accordion when the Branch grows stronger.

Our next 'SEISIUN' will be held on the last Tuesday night in March i.e. 27th, in the Geraldine Hall.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

KEARNEY :- The wife, sons, daughters, brothers, son-in-law, sisters-in-law and relatives of the late James (Sonnie) Kearney, Moyglare, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sent Mass Cards and letters of sympathy, those who called personally and who attended the removal of remains, Mass and funeral.

A special word of thanks to the neighbours, Father Supple, Father Roe, Priests, Sisters and staff of The Divine Word, The I.C.A., Parents/Teachers Assoc. Maynooth Post Primary School, G. 2 Post Primary School, Maynooth, Post Primary Past Pupils Union, Leaving Certs. 1975 Post Primary School.

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Taxation at the present moment is a very emotive word (almost a dirty word) and doubtless there is a lot of reason for it. We have seen the Government put on a tax and then, on agitation, withdrawing it. We have also seen an enormous demonstration by P.A.Y.E. workers to draw attention to this side of the question. As to who is right or wrong we do not intend to adjudicate. Money must be found to run the country or else, like any household lacking funds, it will fall apart.

The real question to be answered is - Who is to pay the Taxes and in what proportion? Of course, we all feel we are victimized as far as the taxman is concerned and this is only human nature. We should, however, only be asked to pay our just share and the important words here are 'just share'. Certainly the P.A.Y.E. worker, who has no additional source of income and this covers most workers in this category, is more than paying his 'just share'. While some self employed people and workers doing 'nixers' are getting away wholesale with tax evasion. This only increases the burden on those who are honest with their tax returns or who just cannot escape the net.

That tax evasion is rampant among those who have the opportunity is no secret and is distressing to those who have to pay. It is well known that if all paid their full taxes, it would mean a substantial reduction all round. There is certainly a serious injustice to one's neighbour and a suitable remedy will have to be found rapidly if there is not to be quite a deal of chaos in industry or a general refusal to pay tax.

It is not sufficient to say that at some future time steps will be taken to rectify matters. After all, one section of the community got an almost instant reply to their agitation and why not the rest. Unfortunately, the P.A.Y.E. worker is easy meat and there is no trouble in collecting from him (or her of course). To the taxman it is 'easy pickings' and, like the rest of us he (the taxman) takes the least line of resistance. It is now on the cards that something has to be done to ease the situation and the operative word is QUICKLY.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

PAST PUPILS UNION NOTES

Now that the Meetings are back in full swing the Committee take this opportunity to thank the Rev. Mother of the Presentation Convent, Maynooth for her kind donation towards the Scholarship Fund, also The Parents of the P.T.A. who will be running a Cake Sale on Sunday 29th April at 3 o'clock, in the Post Primary School to finance a scholarship.

The Past Pupils are also organising Special Sports Events the same day, for the Past Pupils Perpetual Trophy. Entry Forms are available from School Office. All Entries plus 20p fee must be in by April 9th (Fee 20p). Finally to finish off the Day's Events a Special Ceili and Supper will be held in the Parish Hall, where the successful sports people will receive their prizes. Hoping this will be supported by all.

Rose Burke,

Secretary.

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Mary Cullen

Maynooth Post Primary School is an example of modern trends in education. It is run by the County Kildare Vocational Education Committee, but the education it aims to provide marks a development far beyond the original purpose intended for such schools. These schools originated with the Vocational Education Act of 1930, and were then seen as one half of a split-level system of intermediate education. One level was the secondary school, fee-paying and privately owned, most often by a religious order, but with increasing financial support from the government. The secondary school provided an almost exclusively academic education. The Vocational Education Act provided for the other level, free publicly owned schools providing a quite different type of education. Under the Act Vocational Education Committees were appointed by the County Council or the Corporation, the local rating authority. Money came from local rates and government subvention. The committees were to provide both "continuation" and "technical" education. "Continuation" education was to continue the education begun in primary school and prepare pupils for jobs. The emphasis in Vocational Schools was on practical skills, commercial courses, domestic economy, woodwork, and metalwork, mathematics and mathematical drawing, with Irish and English also included. A network of schools all over the Country emerged supplying this kind of education. A much more limited network provided "technical" education, which trained students for specific trades and professions.

Since 1930 educational thinking has come to question the whole idea of a split-level educational system. It has been argued that all young people need to learn practical and manual skills as well as academic subjects, and that a well rounded education should provide both. It has also been argued that to channel children into such different systems as soon as they leave primary school is to virtually close off any possibility of choice or personal decision on the part of the child and is socially derisive. Recent years have seen a tendency for secondary and vocational schools, instead of continuing to run forever on parallel lines, to begin to converge. Some secondary schools are broadening their academically oriented curriculum to include manual skills, while vocational schools are broadening their curriculum to include a wider range of academic subjects. Maynooth Post-Primary School is one of the leaders in this trend. Its pupils have available to them a range of subjects, including the traditional vocational school metal work, woodwork, technical drawing, commercial courses, domestic economy, and also a wide range of academic subjects including mathematics, languages, history & geography, and science subjects, all of which can be taken to Honours Leaving Certificate standard. The school has a big advantage in that it is the only post-primary school in the town and so has the opportunity and incentive to cater for pupils aiming at a wide variety of jobs and careers. This in itself is an educational experience for the pupils and allows a broadening of horizons and new possibilities of choice and development. When we add to this the fact that the vast majority of young people in Maynooth taking part in second-level education attend the Maynooth Post Primary School, the result is a school that can be in a real sense of the word a "Community" school.

Another community aspect of the vocational education system is the provision of educational facilities for anyone who wants to learn more about anything. If a required minimum number of people ask for instruction in any particular subject it will be provided. This allows people to fill in gaps in the education they have already received, to take examinations such as the Intermediate and Leaving Certificates, or to branch out simply for pleasure, into totally new areas. Maynooth Post-Primary School runs a wide range of evening classes, and another complementary range is provided by St. Patrick's College.

This brings us to a unique part of our heritage. Maynooth is the only town of its size in Ireland to offer primary, post-primary and university education, plus the national seminary for the education of priests for the Irish Dioceses. St. Patrick's College was founded in 1795. For two hundred years, since the end of the sixteenth century to the end of the eighteenth, Irish Catholic Clergy had been educated on the continent in the great Irish Colleges, in

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The Irish bishops met in December 1793 and prepared a memorial which the Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Troy, presented to the Lord Lieutenant in January 1794. It stressed the constant loyalty and good affection to the government displayed by the Catholic hierarchy, their fears that Catholic Students sent abroad might be "contaminated by the contagion of sedition and infidelity" as well as their view that the existing Irish University, the University of Dublin with its one college, Trinity College, would not be suitable for the education of Irish priests, and asked for the King's permission "for the endowment of academies or seminaries for educating and preparing young persons to discharge the duties of Roman Catholic Clergymen in this Kingdom, under ecclesiastical superiors of their own communion".

The bishops original idea was to establish four seminaries one in each province. As the memorial suggests their first thoughts also concerned only the education of priests, but they extended this to include laymen on the advice of Edmund Burke, the Dublin born lawyer who had become one of the best known figures in the English debate on the corruption of political life and the balance of power between crown and parliament. Burke also advised the bishops to avoid any connection with Trinity College and not to accept any control by the State over the running of their college. Others disagreed with these proposals and thought that the unity of Irish People of different religious denominations would be better served by a system whereby Catholics and Protestants were educated together. Henry Grattan took this view and so did the United Irishmen and some Catholics. Grattan presented a petition, signed by many Catholics, opposing the scheme on these grounds. In spite of the petition the Scheme went ahead and received Statutory Sanction in an Act of the Irish Parliament of 1795, entitled "An Act for the Better Education of Persons professing the Popish or Roman Catholic Religion".

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The Residents Association held their fourth Annual Dinner Dance on March 2nd at the Osta John Devoy. A great night was enjoyed by all, thanks to the excellent entertainment provided by the band Volume 4 and superb meal served by the Hotel Staff.

A special word of thanks to Pat Reid, Freddie O'Melia and Tony Fahy for organising the function.

The Committee acknowledge with gratitude the spot prizes donated by the following:-

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ICA News

There was a large gathering at the March Meeting. The minutes were read by the Secretary and the statement of accounts was given by the Treasurer after which we had some short reports from the other officers.

The highlight of the night was the Fish Cookery Competition which was won by Mrs. Satchwell. We wish her every success as she now goes forward to take part in the Competition at Federation Level. The Raffle for March was won by Mrs. Bradshaw.

A very interesting demonstration on wine-making was given to the guild by Mrs. Bates. Three teams from the Guild took part in the Macra na Feirme Question Time in the College on the 14th March. Arts Promotor Mrs. Farrell, is once again very busy getting the

Guild ready to take part in the Maynooth Community Council Talent Competition. The Guild will also organise an event for one night during Community Week. Eight members of the Guild went to 'An Grianan' for Kildare Week from 20th to 24th March. Forty members will attend a Fruit Demonstration in the Keadeen Hotel on 5th April and a further 15 members attended a Federation Meeting in Monasterevin on 28th March.

On 23rd Feb. - 65 members, including members children, attended the Pantomime in the Gaiety. This was greatly enjoyed by all, and our thanks to Mr. Geraghty and Leavys Shop at Greenfield for donating sweets for the occasion.

N.B. Please note change of next Meeting - It will be held on Thurs. 12th April.

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April 1st - " " "

April 4th - A.G.M. Cluain Aoibhinn Residents in Geraldine Hall.

April 4th - Community Games Meeting Geraldine Hall at 8.30 p.m.

April 5th - I.C.A. Fruit demonstration in Keadeen Hotel

April 5th - A.G.M. Badminton Club Parish Hall at 9 p.m.


April 9th - Closing date entries Post Primary School special sports.

April 9th - Badminton Club Tournament - Parish Hall at 8 p.m.

April 10th - Community Council Meeting Geraldine Hall 8.30

April 12th - I.C.A. Monthly Guild Meeting

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April 15th - N.A.C.A. trip to Dunboyne

April 15th - Closing date - Newsletter colouring competition.

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April 21st & 22nd - National sport for all week-end

April 22nd - Old Folks Easter Party

April 22nd - Sponsored Walk in aid of St. Mary's Band.

April 23rd - Farewell Party - Archdeacon Fisher in Parish Hall

April 27th - Annual Dinner Dance - Badminton Club - Osta John Devoy

Apr 29th - Cake Sale in Post Primary School to finance Scholarship., also special sports & ceili and supper in Parish Hall.

May 10th - Closing date - team entries for Community Games.

May 27th - Sponsored Walk - Presentation Convent.

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RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our sixth Annual Meeting was held in the Geraldine Hall on 28th February 1979. The Committee were disappointed at the poor attendance at this meeting.

Mr. B. Gartland the Acting Chairman stated that the past year had not been a very scintillating one but that the problems were not insurmountable.

Discussions were held on the Ground Rents, the Fence on Laurence Ave., Finances of the Association and the condition of the estate and the area at the rear of the supermarket.

The Committee for the next year are as follows:-

CHAIRMAN. . . Mr. M. Gargan,
1 Laurence Ave.
SECRETARY. . . Mrs. A. Mc-
Stravick, 15 Laurence Ave.
TREASURER. . . Mr. T. Purcell,
49 Laurence Avenue.

Committee Members:- Mrs. C. Higgins
13 Laurence Ave.
Mr. P. Greene, 10 Straffan Way.
Mr. P. Nolan, 26 Maynooth Park.

Mr. P. Hogan, 70 Maynooth Park.
Mr. M. Farrell, 74 Maynooth Park.

You will notice that half the Committee members come from Laurence Ave. and that there are no committee members from Greenfield Drive. It is hoped to co-opt 2 members from Greenfield Drive and 1 more member from Straffan Way on to the Committee. In this way the committee will be more representative of the roads.

The new committee have already held a committee meeting and have set out some plans for the near future.

GROUNDS RENTS - A Sub-Committee consisting of Mr. T. Purcell, & Mr. P. Nolan has been set up to deal with the Ground Rents issue. They hope to re-open negotiations on this matter. While we can not guarantee "wonderful" results, we will do our best. We hope that members of the last committee who were dealing with the Ground Rents will come to the aid of the new Sub-Committee and offer their advice and knowledge.

66 BUS:- Representations are to be made to Carton Court Residents Association to jointly re-approach Kildare County Council

on the creation of turning point for the 66 bus near the estates.

FENCE ON LAWRENCE AVE:-

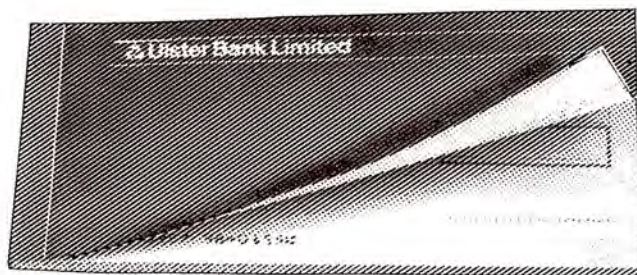
Plans for the fence on Lawrence Ave. are going ahead very well. The Planning Permission has been granted. Look out for our "Super" Raffle in aid of this project in the near future.

SUBSCRIPTIONS:- Subscriptions are now due. The Committee will be calling to each house shortly to collect them and listen to any complaints you may have.

Finally, the New Committee wish to thank the out going committee for the good work they have done in the past year.



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After the poor response we got to last months competition I am afraid we have to go back to painting again. Judging by your entries for the competitions, we think you all like painting the best, so we will try to give a Painting Competition as often as we can. This month we are giving a nice little picture to Paint. We hope to have a big entry - as big as the 'Tidy Towns' painting competition, so get busy. Sunday 15th April is the closing date. Get your entries in early.

As a special favour this month we are asking you to do something Special for the Old Folk. If you have a Granny, or an Aunt or some old Person living near you, we would like you to help them to make AN EASTER BONNET or you could even make one yourself and give it as a present for Easter. You could make them very happy and we are sure they would be very proud wearing it at the Old Folks Easter Party on April 22nd. They could win a prize for the best bonnet, so why not give them a hand.

The Greenfield Boys' Soccer team are still looking for teams from the other Estates to play them. So get a team together and contact any of the team mentioned below, or get in touch with Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield. Boys between the ages of 7 years and 12 years, are eligible to play. Please hurry as time is running out if you want to be included in the Community Games in June. We want teams of 11 and 2 subs. The Greenfield team is as follows:-

Terry Dunne - Darren Moran - Ger Horan - Leonard Murphy - John McGlynn - Robert McGlynn - David Thomson - Kenneth Cribbin - Darren Farrell & Noel Tracy. The winners of last month's competition were :-

Macdara McAuley, 64 Maynooth Park
Clare Hollywood, 118 Rail Park
Tadhg Lynch, 69 Maynooth Park
Niall O'Malley, 5 Laurence Ave.
Laurence Mulleaghe, 91 Rail Park
Helena Lynch, 69 Maynooth Park
John McGlynn, 857 Greenfield

Pamela Burke, Double Lane
Margaret McGlynn, 857 Greenfield
Ailing Barton, San Felia
Eoin Egan, 289a Greenfield
Mark Downey, 18 Laurence Ave.
Alan Downey, 18 Laurence Ave.
Gary Power, 51 Greenfield Drive.

Stephen Gillespie, 51 Maynooth Park
Enda Dunne, Newtown.
Breda McGarry, 757 Greenfield
Aisling Barton, San Feliu, Maynooth
Padraig Lavin, Moyglare.

The answer to last Months Competition is as follows:-

- 1 - Mohammed Ali
- 2 - Trevor Francis
- 3 - Mary Purcell
- 4 - Ray Treacy
- 5 - Eddie Keher
- 6 - Lester Piggot
- 7 - Mike Gibson
- 8 - Jimmy Keaveney

Send your Entries for this months competition to :-

John Read, 86 Rail Park
Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield.

Let us have a big reply, and don't forget the closing date April 15th. Until next month Cheerio and God Bless you all.

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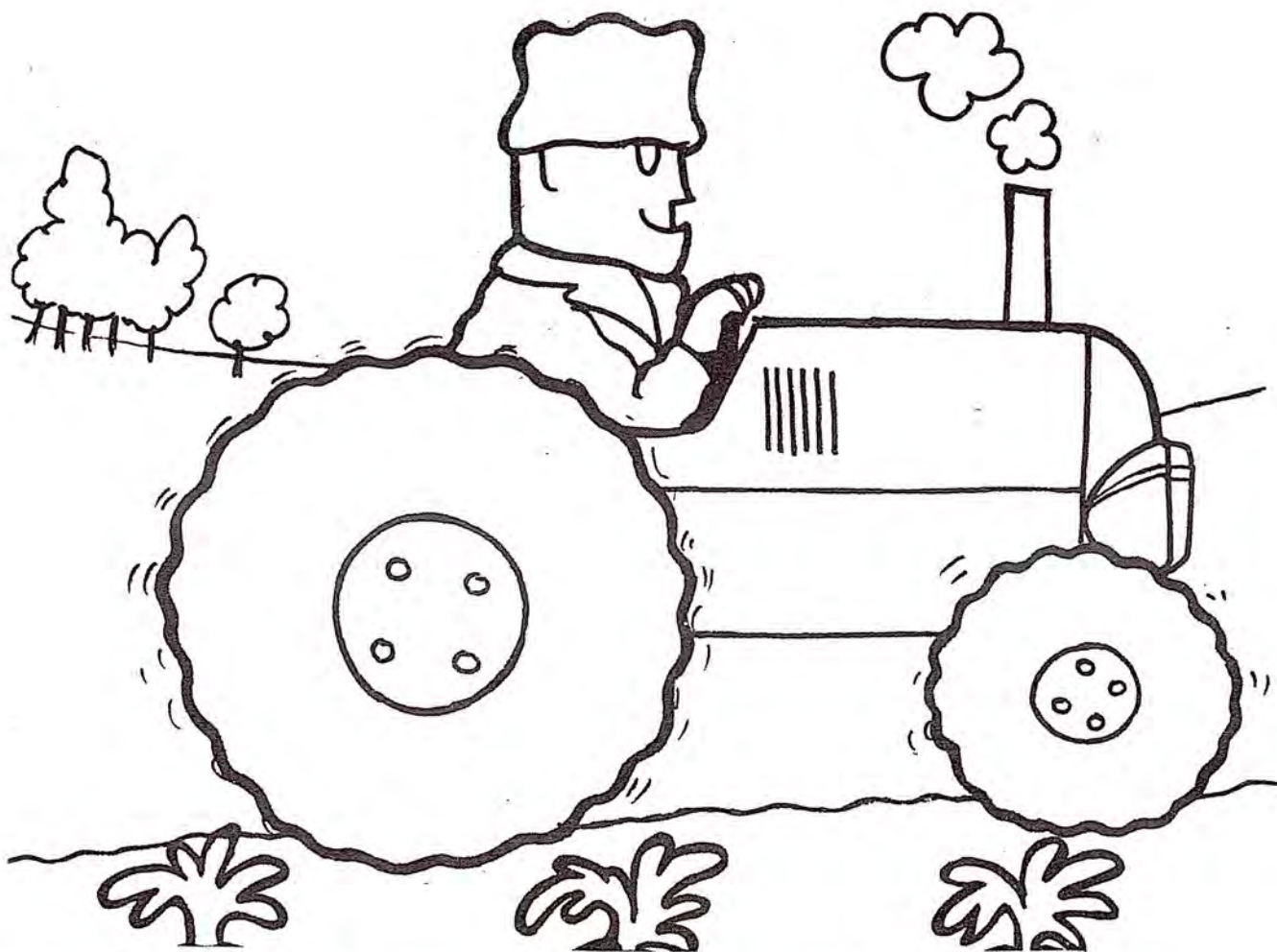
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To Yvonne Walshe, Kilgrague, Dunboyne and Tony Flynn, Moyglare, on their recent marriage.

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To Geraldine Broad, Dollinstown, kilcock and Francis Barrett, Dowdstown, Maynooth on their recent marriage.

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Birthday Greetings to Betty Begley, who has recently celebrated her 21st Birthday.

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To Pat & Patricia Cahill, 66 Maynooth Park, on the Birth of a Son - Adam.

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To Pat & Carmel Nolan, 26 Maynooth Park, on the Birth of a Son.

To Mick & Margaret Gillick, 56 Greenfield Drive - a Daughter - Michelle

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To Bridget Reynolds, Laurence Ave. & Desmond Tierney, Dublin on their recent marriage.

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To Edward & Eileen Healy on the occasion of their 25th Wedding Anniversary which they celebrated in their home with a dinner party for their Family & Friends.

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COMMUNITY GAMES

Delighted to report that there was a great turn out for the Community Games meeting, it was a pleasure to see new faces among the crowd. It was held in the Geraldine Hall on Wednesday March 7th at 8 o'clock.

The steering Committee stood down and a new Committee was elected as follows:-

Chairman. Pearse Breslyn
Secretary Judy Donlon
Asst. Sec. Peig Lynch
Treasurer Paddy Boyd
Assist. Chairman. . Barney Boyd
P.R.O. Nora McDermott

Committee - Jean Keatley - Michael Kelly - Brendan O'Rourke . Des. Walsh - Maureen Redmond - Jimmy Dunne - Paddy Power - Jim Carroll - Tommy Dolan.

All other present pledged their help and support when the big days arrive.

The dates for the games at Local Level, were set for the 9th & 10th June. Heats to be run on the Saturday and Finals on the Sunday.

Tommy Sheehan, Secretary G.A.A. promised to find out promptly if the G.A.A. pitch was available on those dates, he also suggested it would be a good idea to rope off the area which was in use, so as on lookers, (through over enthusiasm) could not interfere with the participants.

Entries will be taken for each event on the field. Once more it was stressed that the age limit was taken on the 31st July 1979, and to avoid disappointment at a later stage, it was suggest that all of the younger children wear a disc with their names, age and date of birth clearly marked on it.

FUNDS:- It was agreed that a house to house collection be made, as most families would have children taking part. Here it was thought the various Residents Association might deputise two members in each area to help with collection.

All Schools and Clubs please note that entries for team events must be handed in by May 10th.

The Principal of the Boys' National School, Mr. O'Connell, decided to forego their own yearly sports, and to throw their weight completely behind the Community Games. Would it not be a good idea if all our various Associations did the



same, and donate the amount of money they are in the habit of spending on their individual Sports to the Community Games. For this year 'LET US ALL BE ONE'

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The very bad weather in the past few months has meant small attendances each night. As a result the closing date for the Club Tournament has been extended to April 2nd and the tournament itself will be held on April 9th.

The Annual General Meeting takes place on April 5th and all members are requested to attend on these nights to ensure a successful conclusion to the season

The Annual dinner-dance has been arranged for April 27th in the Osta John Devoy and as this has been well supported in previous years, members are advised to purchase their tickets well in advance.

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MAYNOOTH BOYS SOCCER CLUB.

We resumed last week-end after a long lay-off. Three matches were played and we won all three. Under 13s won 3 - 2. Under 14s won 5 - 0 and under 16s won 6 - 1.

The under - 13s won a great match coming from behind to snatch the winner. These young lads are playing great stuff at the moment and we hope to see them among the honours this year.

What can I say about the U-14s. They are fabulous. They have already won the Shield, are on top of the league and look likely to stay there. With the Cup coming up, what about a Treble.

The under 16s are playing well now after a shaky start. They are well in the hunt for League Honours.

We are very sorry to see Mr. & Mrs. Peter Dejaney retire from Mini-Bus Service. They were a great help to our Club and never let us down. The Committee and Boys wish them both the best.

Tickets are on Sale for our Annual Raffle. Prizes are £100 - £25 - £10 - & three of £5. We ask for your support.

I would like to appeal to land-owners around the town for a Pitch. Surely there is some little field available where we can play football next Season and keep every little Boy Happy.

Paddy Foy,

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CLINIC

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Well now that the fine weather is with us again things are really happening for the Club.

The Adult session got under way, with a full booking on Wednesday 7th March, and thanks to the "Scouts" our Junior Award winners are having a good long swim in Kings on Saturdays - not that the Scouts are losing out as we brought Jim McLoughlin down for these to let Willie Crowley free for the more junior "Cubs".

Enthusiasm is the name of the game as far as all our Swimmers are concerned so it seems a shame that we still have no word of our Pool. As this is local Election year when someone knocks on your

door, get your priorities right and tell him "WE WANT OUR POOL".

Congratulations to Anne-Marie McDermott one of our able band who last Saturday 10th March came first in both under 13 and under 15 Freestyle at Sports Day in St. Patrick's College. Anne Marie is only 12 by the way.

If statistics are anything to go by then we must be the fastest growing swimming Club around. Last year we had 35 children & 30 Adults swimming. We now have 95 children and 30 Adults going.

Last but not least our thanks to all the parents who are working the Bus and car rota - keep up the good work.

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N. A. C. A. I.

The N.A.C.A.I. must be the greatest thing that has hit Maynooth, since the coming of the 'sliced pan'. That our young people have been starved for something to do is obvious, and that there is an awful lot of energy waiting to be harnessed into good clean sport is more than apparent.

The poor committee are still staggering under the impact, and are wondering if 'HEADACHES' have any free samples. Yes of course we were all thrilled with the response, and Tommy McDonnell, the National Organiser of the N.A.C.A. has never seen or heard of the likes before.

We are sure all the parents present are wondering what the total number of enrolments were, so to keep you in suspense no longer it was 350. So now you know why we needed 'headaches'. It was sheer bedlam, fair play to all the parents they tried their best to help. When it was all over the Committee sat down to try and sort things out, as we must never have that chaos again.

RESULTS:-

All young or junior members from 7 - 10 will train on Saturday mornings at the G.A.A. pitch, weather permitting, otherwise the Parish Hall from 10.30 to 11.30. As this is the group who will need most attention (Numbering 170 to date) until they understand what is expected of them we ask the co-operation of all available parents. It will be fun - just start giving a hand, and you will get fitter too.

Age group from 11 - 16 will meet at the Parish Hall on Tuesday nights at 7 o'clock - ½ hour physical training and ½ hour jog. Another jog will probably be arranged some evening for the

older age groups, but we must get organised first. Meanwhile form a group where you live and have a little jog every evening. In other words start getting fit.

The age 16 years & upwards, which includes Adults will meet on Tuesdays at 8 o'clock at the Parish Hall for a jog out the roads.

FEES:-

The annual subscription will be 50p for each child £2 for each adult £3 for a Family.

The Development Association got a great boost from the National Organiser of the N.A.C.A.I Tommy McDonnell, who pointed out to the young people present how lucky they were to have a Track nearing completion, as it would be only the 4th of its kind in Ireland. One in Dublin, one in Belfast, one just completed in Cork, and the 4th will be Maynooth. How about it "Development Association" could we all help you to get a great spurt on, why not let it be 'Maynooth Project' for this the year of the child. Remember we have 350 members enrolled, a little help from those parents and the Development Assoc. would be 'away on a hack'.

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The Committee is as follows:-

Tony Hart.....Chairman
Alan Burchell.....Secretary
Peig Lynch.....Assist. "
Paddy Lynch.....Treasurer
P.R.O.....Pearse Br€ lin

Committee - John Costin - Kevin McKevitt - James Harte - Mary Kennedy - Declan Murphy - Dominic Long.

INTER CLUB COMPETITION

In a later edition we will publish Field Fixtures. Sufficient now to say our first trip away from home will be to Dunboyne on Sunday April 15th.

A Bus will be organised to take the children to these venues, but what the organisers would like to see is the whole Family turning out, to cheer on their young ones, and all the Black & Whites. Let 'CROM ABU' be echoed across the plains.. As there will be fixtures on most Sundays, let us hope we will never again hear the complaint 'There is nothing to do on Sundays in Maynooth'

SOCCER NOTES

Although not setting the sporting world on fire Maynooth Town have just done enough to keep their supporters warm and reasonably happy during the months of January and February (you remember those two long, cold and wet months when pitches were in a quagmire) and now with a clearer view of the cup and league progress we await with interest to see if we can press on to the Final stages of some of these competitions.

The Club is at a very advanced stage of the William Sheeran Cup by virtue of some very fine performances by Tony McTernan, Paul McCourt, Tommy Gilligan, and Eddie Moen particularly. Recently at home to Spiddal Park (premier Div. Leaders) winning 2.1 after conceding an early goal, with goals coming from a Noel Homwood header - from E. Moen's pinpoint cross and a Terry Moore spotkick when T. Gilligan was brought down in the box.

After reaching the sixth round of the L.J. Cup the Town made their exit at the hands (or feet) of St. Mochta's, this was at the same stage and by the same means as last year i.e. 'The Penalty Rule' this most unfair method was employed after a 3 - 3 thriller on a mud - soaked pitch. After twice coming from behind with goals from Sean and Terry Moore and when Paul McCourt split the offence with an unstoppable header to give us the lead in extra time, we appeared to be home and dry however a last minute equaliser proved our downfall.

The League competition is hotting up for the three teams and there should be Games on the home pitch every Tuesday and Thurs. night

in April. The first Team are in with a great chance of winning the premier Div. but with a large backlog of fixtures success in these games will be crucial. The 2nd team are still hoping to finish in the top 4 of their Div. & after brilliantly defeating leaders Grov-nor Rovers 1.0 (a Willie Moore Goal) and experienced players M. Donnelly, S. Feeney, & Eamonn Led-with all playing well their chances are much improved.

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SPORTS PAGE

Pearse Brezlin is trainer for the Juniors & he wants all the help he can get.

Kevin McKeivitt is trainer for the Seniors.

The question arose as to whether the Ladies would need a special Trainer, whereupon Kevin McKeivitt said 'for the time being they could jog after the men' voice from the crowd "they have been doing that since time began !

We ask for the co-operation of the G.A.A. to put their field at our disposal, as quickly as possible, and keep 350 children fit. Try cutting a cross the red-tape there is too much at stake.

Only For Father Supple, bless him, we would not have gotten off to a start at all, while everybody else

was hemming and hawing he just let us have the Parish Hall, and the Motor Park, and the N.A.C.A.I. came into existence in Maynooth. So let 350 Children give three cheers for Father Supple !

Have just heard from Mr. Cross, Sallins, through his driver James Harte (a committee Member) that they will take 61 children on one of their Buses, to our first Sports in April.

The Trip will be Free, isn't that something ?

A big thank you to them both on behalf of the children, with a few more friends like these to help us over the first hurdles we are heading for success.

All children will have to produce Birth Certificates to have ages checked on our roll, and so avoid tears at a later date. They will run under whatever age they are on the 1st of January in a given year.

As we have no funds whatsoever, the Treasurer, Paddy Lynch, Maynooth Park, would appreciate if subscriptions are paid promptly. Membership cards are being printed.

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