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

Now that the Tidy Town Season is with us again, the area will be visited any day now by inspectors. Everyone should try and cut the grass and clean up rubbish. Very little effort is required to improve our position in this contest and everyone can do his share to help.

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Again on the matter of Tidy Towns can we ask all the Political Parties to ensure that ALL THEIR POSTERS ARE TAKEN DOWN

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What about the judge at the high jump at the Community Games, who kept shouting "second attempt for those who missed the bar". He didn't take kindly to the error of his ways being pointed out to him either. However all is well as the Games Committee have generously agreed to provide glasses for him for next year.

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A special vote of thanks to all those who contributed in no small way to making the First Community Games such an outstanding success. And also to the children who turned out in their hundreds and gave their all. We wish them the best of luck when they represent Maynooth in the County Finals in Newbridge on the 7th and 8th July.

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The Adjudicator at the Talent Contest remarked that she wondered what went on at I.C.A. Meetings, so do we. Don't tell any members of the I.C.A. but six of our top reporters have infiltrated the organisation disguised as ladies. We hope to bring you the full inside story in the coming issues.

The next issue of the NEWSLETTER will be the September issue and all articles for inclusion should be handed in by Sunday August 12th.

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Congratulations to those who were elected to Kildare County Council for the Clane area. They were Bernard Durkan, Gerard Brady, Terry Boylan, Emmett Stagg, Jim Gallagher, Seamus Reilly and Austin Groome.

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One of the high points of the Community Games was the Torch and Bowl of Light which added an Olympian touch to the occasion and made the whole event very professional

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Overheard at the Mart prior to the start of the parade for the Community Games :- "I'm not carrying a torch for anyone !"

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Daddy :- "I'm going down to the talent contest"

Mammy :- "Who's on to-night"

Little voice from the background - "Salvage 1 & The Riordans"

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We must sincerely apologise this week for the quality of the type in this Newsletter. Our machine went out of order and could not be fixed in time.

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COMMUNITY GAMES SOUVENIER BOOKLET ON SALE LATER THIS MONTH

C.B.S.I.

(8th KILDARE)

REGIONAL SOCCER - Regretably no final place for our Cubs this year. However taking part and enjoying yourself is just as important. On both counts our lads acquitted themselves with honour. There was one silver lining that Sunday - Noel Bennett achieved second place in the Penalty Kick competition and received a plaque for his efforts. Well done, Noel.

COMMUNITY GAMES :- Our Scouts & Cubs complete with leaders and regalia marched in the huge procession to the G.A.A. grounds. Needless to mention we were all delighted to participate in this highly successful and enjoyable venture. By way of participation we donated a perpetual trophy - this year won by Owen Byrne in the "Under 16 - Free-style Swimming section". Unit Leader R. Reilly did the presenting honour.

CUBS CAMP:- Another first / this year under canvas - will be held in Donadea 2nd - 6th August. A parents meeting for information purposes will be held in the Boys School on Wednesday July 18th. While still speaking of Cubs we should point out to parents of prospective Cubs that

with increasing numbers we now have a waiting list. If your son, is 8 or approaching the age, please have his name put on the list and avoid delay.

SCOUTS :- We are delighted to welcome a new Leader to our ranks namely Jim Treacy.

Finally before the Summer journalistic "lay-off" this issue portrait of a cub patrol. :-

FIONN PATROL:-

RI (Patrol Leader) ROBERT KILDUFF - O'Neill Park - Hobbies Football, Tennis, Favourite game in Cubs - Bulldog.

AIRE (Ass P.L.) - Darren Gaffney - Rail Park - Hobbies - Airfix - Soldiers Favourite Games in Cubs - Neckerchief game.

James Burke - Greenfield - Hobbies - Football & Throw Ball. Favourite Cubs games - Bull Dog & Time Bomb.

David Molloy - Mill Street - Hobbies - Fishing & Football. Favourite Cubs game - Bulldog.

Alan Simpson - Greenfield Drive - He will be invested in September. Hobbies - reading space books and playing football and cricket. Favourite Cubs Game - Sleeping

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Community Council News

The monthly meeting of the Council was quite a lively session, with most of the time spent discussing Tidy Towns and the Riverside project. On tidy towns J. J. Costan reported excellent progress with the Traders regarding improvements to their property. Some of these are already to be seen in the Town, while talks are progressing on other matters including the New Bank Building.

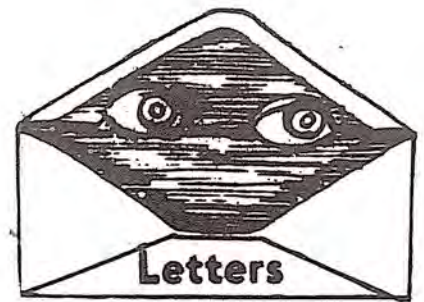
The grant of £7000 which the Council has been granted is to be used on cleaning the river from the Mill down towards the town. Some of the unemployed in the area will be used in this project and of course paid the appropriate rate for the work. This grant is a Government grant to be used for reducing unemployment in the area while at the same time doing Community projects. Full and final details to the project and operation of the grant are at present being finalised and will be available at the next meeting.

A special vote of thanks was passed to the hard-working members of the sub-committee for their magnificent work in running the first Community Games in Maynooth. The Talent Contest was also a huge success and on the final night late-comers had difficulty in getting seats such was the size of the crowd.

The Community Week which the Council had been trying to organise unfortunately fell through due mainly to lack of members to organise it, but now that the basis has been laid in the Community Games and Talent Contest, next year should see a marked improvement here.

The Council Passed a vote of congratulations to Bernard Durkan and Gerard Brady on their recent election to Kildare County Council and it was decided to invite them both along to the next meeting so that matters affecting the Maynooth area can be pursued by them.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday July 10th in the Geraldine Hall at 8.30 p.m.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The Committee of Greenfield Estate Residents Association wish to clear up any misunderstanding concerning the fence on Laurence Ave., and would like to point out the following :-

- 1) The Committee of the Residents Association are not erecting the fence on Laurence Avenue.
- 2) No money from the Residents Association funds has been paid out towards the fence.
- 3) The Fence Committee was started up at a General Meeting in the Geraldine Hall by the last Committee and was adopted by the present Committee as a Sub-Committee.

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Yours sincerely,
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The Fianna Fail Cumann in Maynooth wish to take this opportunity through our Local NEWSLETTER to congratulate Councillor Gerard Brady on his recent election to Kildare Co. Co. We wish also to thank the Maynooth people for their tremendous support in securing a Fianna Fail County Councillor in Maynooth for the first time, though the process of election. We also congratulate Councillors Terry Boylan & Austin Groom F.F. on their re election to K.C.C.

The Chairman also takes this opportunity to thank all the Cumann Members for their support throughout the whole campaign.

The Chairman also extends congratulations to Councillor Bernard Durkan on his Poll topping re-election to K.C.C.

The Cumann hold their monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of every month in the Geraldine Hall and would welcome new members at any of their meetings.

Signed :- James Brady, Hon. Sec.
Michael Nevin, Chairman.

I. C. A. NOTES

The June Meeting was well attended and one of the main topics of the night was 'Drugs'. We had a most informative talk and demonstration on drugs from Dr. Matthews, Eastern Health Board, Naas, and from Sergeant Noel Clarke & John McGroarty, Drugs Squad, Dublin Castle. Most of us have a lot more knowledge now on this topic and our grateful thanks to these people.

The highlight of June for the Guild was winning the Community Talent Contest. We are very thankful to all who took part and came out night after night for practice and not forgetting our helpers without whom we would not have been successful. Even after all that we are not letting our Arts Promoter, Mrs. Farrell take a rest. She is already organising our next competition for November which is Choir singing and to follow that a debating competition to take place in early '80. There is absolutely no stopping us at this stage. Thanks to Mrs. Farrell.

That did not end our winning success for June, as the Guild came up with two first Prizes at the Flower Festival in Newbridge on the 12 June. Congratulations to Mrs. Desmond, Mrs.

Angel, Mrs. M. Doyle and Mrs. Bradshaw on their winning entries in this competition.

Raffle winners for June were 1st. Mrs Tyrell - 2nd. - Mrs. Fegan - 3rd. Mrs. Byrne and 4th. Mrs. M. Doyle.

The competition for June was won by Mrs. O'Reilly with 2nd place going to Mrs. Satchwell.

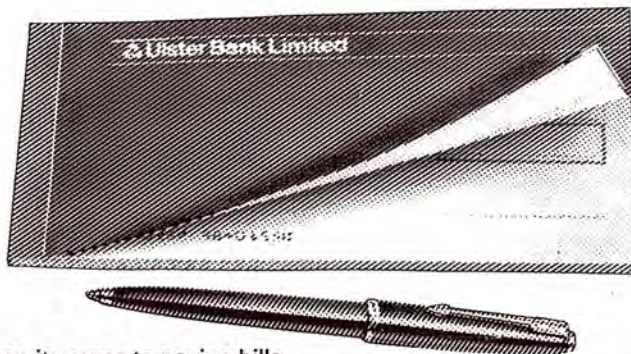
Preparations are now almost complete for our Summer Outing to Cavan in July, and it is hoped to have our coach full.

12 Guild members will attend a Federation Meeting in Allenwood on Tues. 26th June, and a further number of members will attend the Federation Garden Party in Heretson School, Clane on Saturday 7th July. Final Arrangements for our Flower Show will be made at a Meeting on 21st. June.

The Summer Council Meeting will take place in Tullamore on 12th July.

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The recent talent contest held in the Parish Hall was a tremendous success. However we must comment on the condition of the Hall, and the lack of facilities. Surely something could be done to improve conditions and provide mainance. After all it is our own Hall and it is up to us to see it is kept in good order.

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By Paddo

Well, they've come and gone. The European Elections, I mean, but I don't feel one bit different, do you? Nevertheless, now that the candidates have made their last promises and the successful ones have jetted out to Brussels, where no doubt they will continue sprouting until the next crop failure, perhaps this might be a good time for a light hearted look back at the Elections and maybe squeeze a laugh or two from you at their expense.

The pre-Election campaign itself was remarkable for its two contrasting styles. On one side we had the candidates and Party workers working themselves into a sweat trying to convince us that we needed 'A Man in Europe' while on the other side were the voters also working themselves into a sweat trying to figure out what good 'Your Man in Europe' would do for them.

There did, in fact, seem to be a great lack of interest in the Elections, so much so that the Dept. of Codology in Maynooth College carried out a survey in the locality on 'Apathy and the European Elections' and the results were forwarded to Leinster House, but we believe that Jack-you-know-who couldn't be bothered reading them.

As usual, the Party workers were a hive of busy bees buzzing from house to house and from pole to pole spreading their message far and wide - come to think of it, the town revived memories of the (Un) Tide Towns Poster competition organised by The Community Council last February and in my opinion, Garret Fitzgerald topped the pin-up pole (sorry) poll. We didn't have any trouble reading these posters either, with the petrol shortage we could walk round without any trouble - didn't Jack plan the Election date well!

The real turn-up of the Campaign was Garret's 'Gyrating' Musical Bus - John Read tried to sell him a second-hand 'CIE piped music bus' but no way, only the Fine (st) for Fine Gael! Of course, they may also be trying to tell us that the Party is going to change its tune !

Election Day itself brought its own problems. With the European and The County Council candidates on the voting paper, it seemed like the Wednesday night Bingo Session (without Owen Byrne) all over again. The 'Hector Grey Style' two-for-the price -of-one Election must have made life difficult for many of the voters and as a result, this surely ranks as the greatest 'pin-pricking' poll ever.

No matter what we say about them, I believe these Euro Boys have come up with a solution for our postal and telephone disputes. I believe that their Election buddies, the County Councillors are collecting Mail locally, sending it to Brussels for sorting by the Party Workers, collecting it again at the Airport and distributing it to their constituents, how's that for value for your 10p stamp? Your telephone problems will also be solved by dialling the operator in Brussels and getting say, Enfield, faster than you can say Tom Murray - also very good value for 5p. The petrol crisis (what crisis, Dessie?) has not yet been solved but if any information 'leaks' through, we'll 'Can' it and pass it on at a later date. One way or another, Jack has certainly put the country back on its feet, eh? Perhaps the real answer to this problem is a Coal(ition) Government!

The Elections are now over, and you have cast your Lott - there's no looking back, but don't forget to keep in touch with your Man in Europe, perhaps he might take you on a tour of his Chambers some day, that is, of course, if your not driven potty in the meantime trying to contact him.

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Dear Friends,

I wish to express my sincere thanks to everyone who supported me in the recent Co.Co. Election, to all who helped in any way during the campaign, in Maynooth and throughout the North Kildare area, and I look forward to continued service on behalf of the Community.

May I also extend my good wishes to my opponent Gerry Brady who was elected.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard J. Durkan. M.C.C.

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Editorial

The past month has been an eventful one in the annals of Maynooth, in modern times at least. Maynooth has seen many great days in its history, but the month of June 1979 will be remembered for many a year. It is difficult to say which event was the more important but we must start somewhere.

In our opinion really the highlight of the month was the COMMUNITY GAMES. Not so much the actual competitions but the spirit behind the Games, the generosity, the co-operation in fact the wonderful spirit of 'Community' shown everywhere in the preparation and running of the Games. It was a venture in which we may all feel proud, proud of the excellent financial contribution - proud of the wonderful cups and trophies contributed, proud of those who organized the Games and above all proud of the extraordinary spirit of the children who contested.

The spirit of the children was almost breath taking. Every one of them gave their utmost best in competition and whilst there could only be a few winners the losers accepted defeat in the finest possible manner, without rancour or jealousy of any kind. It was most heartening to see small children continue to run and complete the course when they knew that they had no hope of success, something which is difficult even for adults. It reminds one of the motto of the Olympic Games (true spirit that is) "It is more important to have competed than to have won". May the children at future games retain this fine spirit.

To pass by without mentioning the organisers and helpers would also be an injustice. In particular the organisers did Trojan work in running the games, and in this connection we feel obliged to single out Mrs. Peig Lynch, and Mr. Pearse Breslin, who did the lions share of the work.

The spectators at the Games were also great in the way they co-operated with the stewards and in the enthusiastic reception they gave to the winners.

All in all, it was an example of what we can achieve in Maynooth with co-operation and is perhaps a good omen of the future.

Co-operation of another sort gave us the next big event of the month, the election of two excellent young Maynooth Men to represent us on the County Council - Cllr. Bernard Durkan and Cllr. Gerard Brady. To both our heartfelt congratulations - doubly so to Cllr. Durkan on heading the poll. We feel sure that our interests will be well looked after by these sterling young men.

G. E. R. A.

The Committee wish to acknowledge the help received from the Post Primary School over the past few years with the Printing of circulars etc. We hope to have the pleasure of hearing about the facilities available in the school made known to us by one of the teachers at a General Meeting.

GROUND RENTS :- We have been unsuccessful in many efforts to get a meeting with Mr. Vaughan to discuss the Ground Rents, but we are still trying. Civil Engineers Ground Rents are at present being processed.

LADDER - MOWER :- For those who are unaware of it the Association have a mower and Ladder available for hire. The charge for the ladder is £1 per day and 50p for 1st 4 hours and 50p for each additional 4 hours for the mower. These facilities are available to paid up members only as anyone else would not be covered by our Insurance Policy. Prompt return after use would be appreciated. The Ladder is available at 49 Laurence Ave. and the Mower at 26 Maynooth Park. Our big Mower is out of order at the moment but is being repaired. We hope to have the greens cut before long.

FENCE :- The wood for the fence on Laurence Ave. has arrived. The erection of same will be commencing in the very near future. Any assistance or advice would be greatly appreciated.

SUBS :- There are still some subscriptions not yet paid. We would appreciate if these could be dropped into any committee members as soon as possible.

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As you probably know this money goes towards the repairs to the Band Hall and we are happy to report that the windows and doors have been made and were delivered this week. We are very pleased with them and they should do quite a lot for the general appearance of the Hall when the work has been completed.

We are now right in the middle of our Summer engagements so perhaps we should let you know where and when we are playing during this period.

May 23rd - Walkinstown Recital
June 9th & 10th Maynooth Community Games.
June 17th - Clondalkin Recital
June 23rd - Peamount Hospital Recital
June 24th - National Band Championships at R.D.S.
June 28th - Kildare Town Recital
July 1st - Lakeland Band Festival at Mullingar.
July 8th - Dunlaoghaire Pier - Recital
Aug. 26th - Swords Recital.

We would like to congratulate the hard working committee who organised the Community Games so splendidly, particularly for the first time and to express our own satisfaction with having made some small contribution to the Games. We must however apologise for arriving late for the Parade on the Saturday but not many people are aware that this is a normal working day for quite a few of our members, many of whom went to great lengths to be there, even if a little late, including the people who left home in the early hours of the morning to go to the country so they could get back in time. Under the circumstances I think you will agree that things could in fact have been worse than they actually were.

On the subject of engagements the one which gives us most satisfaction is that at Peamount Hospital where we play twice each year, indoors in the wards in January and outdoors in June. Many of the people here are long term patients, and it gives us a great lift to be able to bring a little light into their into their lonely world. On this subject too what do you think of our new uniforms? There have been varying shades of opinion on this subject since they were first 'unveiled' ranging from gaudy to grand but we ourselves feel that they add a great deal to the appearance of the Band and are a big improvement on the previous 'Regalia' which in fairness served us so well for many years. We people thought that our HAT FEATHERS leave many people "tickled pink"!

The next 'BAND BULLETIN' will not appear until September so in the meantime we wish all our readers a very happy holiday. See you then.



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PLAYGROUP

The following essay was entered by The Maynooth Community Playgroup, for a National Competition for Community Playgroups, held by the Irish Preschool Playgroups Association in 1978. The results were announced at the A.G.M. in May '78 and the Maynooth group won first prize of a Playhouse.

ESSAY:-

In the summer of 1977 Kay Harte and Mary Cullen felt that one of the things necessary but missing from life in Maynooth was a Community Play-group. They canvassed their friends, acquaintances and any one who would perhaps like to be involved in such a venture. With some talk, door knocking and the local grapevine there soon was a group of about 12 women interested in being actively involved and some others who wished to see the group succeeding and who were willing to help in any way they could. It was decided then that the group should (a) be available to anyone who wished to be involved. (b) it should operate with two playleaders in constant attendance and the other mothers helping on a rota basis. (c) that a minimum fee be charged and (d) that opening hours would be 9.30 to 12.00 on Mon, Wed, and Fri. mornings.

Having outlined the operation, the group then got down to practicalities. The premises were supplied by the trustees of the Geraldine Hall. Mr. D. Breen the caretaker was especially helpful in every way. The rent was set at £1.00 a week and an increase to £2.00 was negotiated when the oil heating was used. The building consists of one large hall and one room about 20ft. X 20ft. At first the main hall only was used. This needed a lot of bright posters to make it more pleasant. Our equipment was gathered from all sources willing to supply and consisted of lots of soft toys, a dress up box, various off-cut blocks, some bean bag toys, a playdough table and much to our delight one of the dads Mr. Kiersy supplied us with a lovely selection of Nursery Lego, a large Storage wardrobe and a number of unusual crayons. We also found the ideal solution to our need for and difficulty in getting sand - a box of grain. Mrs. Robinson supplied the first lot and Kavanagh's the local mill has promised to replenish our supply as necessary. Then, as the cherry to top the cake, Mrs. Donnelly who was not even involved heard about us and gave a

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beautiful piano. Tables were cut down to size and we went into action on the 12th September with Kay Harte and myself, Carmel Hogan as full time playleaders.

Funds were next on the Agenda. As the whole idea was to charge only 30p per week (50p once the heating went into use) fees could not be relied on to provide finance for equipment. A fund raising Bazaar was decided upon and September 17th was the big Day. All and sundry worked tirelessly to provide a very interesting array of stalls. Small bracelets and necklets were made from beads, and along with dinkies, soldiers and sweets were wrapped up for a lucky dip. Everybody made popcorn, a bargain at 5p a bag. One of the ladies decided to make fizzy orange and lemonade which was sold at 5p per glass. This proved to be a very profitable idea. We had a second-hand clothes stall and home produce. The Bric-a-Brac department provided bargains for all and many diets were forgotten when cream flans and luscious gateaux appeared on the cake stall. The local Post-man "BENGY" provided the gamblers with fun and high hopes with his mouse Derby. But the biggest (in every sense of the word) success of the afternoon was the visit from the McVitie Bear. The afternoon was enjoyed by all and earned the group £195

As interest grew in the group and its activities, many people expressed interest in further study of children. Mrs. Cullen then arranged with Fr. Liam Carey of Maynooth College for a course in Child Development. The course was given by Miss Ann Hickey who teaches in Rutland St. Pre-School. The course attracted not only playgroup mothers, but also private playschool leaders and other interested mums and dads. The course included a visit to the Pre-school. All who attended enjoyed it and benefited from Ann Hickey's knowledge and experience.

With winter then well and truly on the way and the distance to the hall seeming longer in the rain and bitter wind, we decided to investigate the possibility of the provision of a mini bus to collect and deliver the children. All mothers felt the children benefited from the joyride and the comfort thus provided. Mrs. Delaney was contacted and a very reasonable rate agreed with her.

The children in the group aged from 1½ years (with mothers) to 4 years old. After much thought and a day long visit to Rutland St. by Kaye and I, we were convinced of the necessity of dividing the group into 2 sections - one for toddlers and one for 3 year upwards.

The division was quite simple and made use of the smaller room for the Seniors as we felt the toddlers need space for running. When Una Walshe of 'Lets Pretend' gave us a demonstration of her toys we purchased equipment to meet the requirements. I am Playgroup Leader of the Senior Session with mothers on Rota.

The emphasis in the Senior Room is on extension of concentration and lengthening the attention span. We now have a totally absorbing story of Rhyme session of 15 minutes. The atmosphere in the room is generally comfortable and peaceful, although we naturally have the odd invasion of cowboys with guns made from construction sets, and jigsaw cars racing along highways of blocks and even a knight complete with cloak and lance. However, this does show that the stimulation is working, doesn't it!

The Mother and Toddler Session, under the watchful eye of Kaye operates simultaneously with, but independent of the Senior Session. The Play Leader of the mother and toddler session is also the administrator of the Play-

group ensuring that biscuits for snack-time stocked, fresh Playdough is made, the everlasting queue for the toilet is attended to in time, and that the grain and toys used at the session are tidied up at 12.00. There is now another duty for the administrator, ensuring that the Fruit/Veg. Co-op goes smoothly and that the budget balances, but I will deal with that later.

The equipment for the Mother/ Toddler Session has increased. One of the Fathers, Pat Tynan, was commissioned to make a slide/climbing frame and some easel/black-boards. We covered a large low table with Formica and it is used for Finger Painting. We have one difficulty with painting, washing facilities are not good. While the size of the hall does prove a problem when it comes to heating, it also means that we have space to run and play football, but are dry and safe as well. Kaye, who is Play-leader/Administrator in the Toddler Session, keeps watch for boredom which might indicate a need for more detailed and demanding tasks provided in the Senior Room. She also plays the Piano and tells stories to the little ones.

We are very pleased with the group from various points of view, firstly the fact that those involved are from both the old and new communities in Maynooth. We have had an enormous amount of help from the fathers of our children. One turns on the heating every morning, others provided us with equipment, another showed films at our recent Film night (more about that later). The parents of our children are not the only ones who have helped us towards success. Many friends contributed in time, effort and materially. Neighbours baked for our most recent fund raising function (a Cake Sale which incidentally made £45 to top up our rapidly vanishing Bank Balance). O'Brien's Super-Market supplies us with biscuits at a reduced price. Mr. Breen has cut off table legs, painted and repaired them and given us a large storage box. The Community Council have

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given us some financial help and have promised this as an on-going backing.

The Playgroup has had a number of events to involve the parents more fully in our activities. There was a Demonstration of Patchwork quilting held during one of the Mother/ Toddler Sessions. It was fascinating and many interested outsiders took advantage of the invitation to attend and enjoyed it thoroughly. We hired the IPPA films on 'Play with Paint, Clay and Sand' and Una Walshe & Phil Saunders attended. Una & Phil pointed out items of interest and thus helped the audience to ask many thought provoking questions. Phil Saunders then gave a fascinating talk on Children Painting which she illustrated with some charming examples from her own playschool children.

The Fruit and Vegetable Co-op which I mentioned earlier has been going for almost a month. One of the mothers travels into L. Reilly's, a wholesaler who agreed to supply us with fruit and to help us to get bargains at the vegetable market. The only profit we make is to cover the cost of travel to and from the city. The co-op serves two purposes, it saves us all some money and it means most mums see us at least once a week on pick up date.

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WHATS ON THIS MONTH

- July 1st. N.A.C.A. Sports Leixlip
- July 1st. St. Mary's Band - Lakeland Band Festival.
- July 5th - I.C.A. Guild Meeting
- July 7th - I.C.A. Federation Garden Party. Heretson School. Clane.
- July 7 & 8th - Community Games - Co. Finals in Newbridge.
- July 8th - St. Mary's Band - Dun Laoghaire
- July 10th - Community Council Meeting at 8.30 Geraldine Hall.
- July 12 - I.C.A. Summer Council Meeting Tullamore.
- July 13 & 14th - Annual Flower Show.
- July 15 - N.A.C.A. Sports Meeting Nth Kildare Grounds - Kilcock
- July 18th - Parents meeting re Cubs Camp in August - Boys School.
- July 28th & 29th - N.A.C.A. - All Ireland Championships in Belfield.
- Aug. 2nd & 6th - Cubs camp in Donadea.
- Aug. 12th - Closing date for Newsletter Competition and last day for items for September issue.
- August 26th - St. Mary's Band - Swords.

The first President of the New College was Dr. Thomas Hussey. He had studied at the Irish Collège at Salamanca, and had later been appointed Chaplain at the Spanish Embassy in London. Here he made friends in the literary and political worlds, and was close to both Dr. Samuel Johnson and Edmund Burke. He developed talent as a diplomat and King George III employed him on a diplomatic mission to Madrid. He was involved in the discussions of the Irish Bishops concerning the Catholic College project, and became its first President. Two years later in 1797, he was appointed Bishop of Waterford so his period of active connection with the College was limited.

A number of the early teaching staff in the College were French Scholars who had been forced to leave France by the revolution. Among them were Dr. Lewis Delabogue, a former Professor at the Sorbonne, who was appointed Professor of Moral Theology at Maynooth. Another professor of Moral Theology was Dr. Francis Anglade who had been a Professor at the University of Paris. Dr. Anglade, it will be remembered, later played an active part in bringing the Presentation Sisters to Maynooth in 1823. Dr. Peter Delort, formerly of the University of Bordeaux, became Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, and Abbe Darre, Professor of Logic, Metaphysics and Ethics.

A very interesting collection of portraits of members of the early staff of the College hang in the Resident Students refectory.

The College began its work during a very disturbed period of Irish History. The Society of United Irishmen, founded in 1791 as an open organisation working for parliamentary reform and the end of religious discrimination, had since then been outlawed and was now an underground secret society committed to rebellion. Its organisation was spreading throughout the counties of Ireland and the government was doing its best to suppress it. The authorities of the College, which was of course a state supported institution, had to tread carefully. During the early months of 1798 rumours of impending rebellion became more insistent each day. The Trustees instituted an inquiry and purge of the Student Body to discover and get rid of any who had United Irishmen affiliations. Sixteen students were expelled during May, just before the rising began. At least one of the expelled students was later executed for his participation in the rebellion, and the College did not escape accusation of widespread disaffection among its membership.

During these early years the number of students was growing and the college grew to accommodate them. The building of wing extensions at either side of Stoyte House had started immediately, and next came two blocks at right angles to each wing and forming, with the Stoyte House block, three sides of St. Joseph's Square. As one enters the square through either of the arches

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visible from the front gate on the right is New House, and on the left are Humanity and Dunboyne Houses. The history of the Dunboyne Establishment is one of the most bizarre and human stories of the early years of the College. Its central character is John Butler, the Catholic Bishop of Cork from 1763. The bishop was a member of the Dunboyne Branch of the great Butler family. In 1786 his young nephew, Lord Dunboyne, died and left the Bishop heir to the baronage and estates, and torn between commitment to his office and the duty, as he saw it, to marry and produce heirs to carry on the direct line. Though he was now over seventy years of age he petitioned the Pope for permission to marry, and was refused. He then conformed to the Established Church and married a cousin. Pope Pius VI wrote to him that he had 'shuddered with horror' at his 'excess of depravity' and tried to persuade him to repent. A contemporary Ballad lamented that

"In Cork of late for a small estate
A spiritual Lord revolted
From that noble ecclesiastical state
To which the Pope exalted. . .

"I'm sure you're worse than Henry the Eight
Who put away his consort,
Your virtuous spouse you did forsake
When the Holy Church you abandoned"

The Barons of Dunboyne held estates in Tipperary which were entailed and so could not be left to outsiders, and the estates in Meath which were not entailed. When 21st Baron died in 1800 he bequeathed his property in Co. Meath to the Trustees of Maynooth to use for the benefit of the College. His sister contested the validity of the bequest. The penal laws which had made it illegal for Catholics to bequeath land had been repealed by this time, but it was argued that person who "re-lapsed" into Catholicism from Protestantism could not benefit under the new legal position. So the question was whether or not Lord Dunboyne had been received back into the Catholic Church before he died. If he had it was claimed that his bequest to the College was invalid, but if he had died a Protestant the bequest was valid. So when the case was tried at Trim in 1802 the Trustees' case was that he died a Protestant, and the case for the plaintiff was that he died a Catholic. The only witness who could say of his own knowledge what had happened was the Rev. William Gahan who had visited the baron during his last illness and he pleaded the secrecy of the confessional and refused to say. For this he was committed to Trim Gaol for a few days for contempt of court. The jury found that Lord Dunboyne had died a Catholic, but the Trustees' counsel raised technical objections and the judge advised an agreed settlement. This was reached and the Trustees were ceded estates yielding a yearly rental of £500. The Government added a yearly grant of £700 and the Trustees used the money to found a school of Post Graduate Students called ever since the Dunboyne Establishment.

Sources - J. Healy - Centenary History of Maynooth College.
Journal of the Butler Society - December 1969

Comdt. Con Costello, editor of the Journal of the Co. Kildare Archaeological Society, has recently published a biography of Dr. Butler.

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THE PUPILS' MAGAZINE - A REVIEW

The production of a magazine, however trivial or inauspicious it may appear, is always something of an event. Anyone who has been involved with the production of the written word, be it at school, college, or local community level, will recognise not only the thrill of seeing one's name in public print, but also, perhaps with a sense of camaraderie, the intense effort and diligent organisation which has had to be carried on with perseverance before such a scheme could be brought to fruition. The advent of education on a broader front, and hopefully thereby, increased literacy, has not lessened the 'push' that is necessary to inspire would-be by-liners. Annuals, no less than periodicals, have their troubles. Lack of continuity and established features leave the Editor with the difficult task of finding a sufficient variety of material of interest.

BRAINWAVE - the Maynooth Post-Primary School's latest publication, is in light of what I have already said a laudable achievement. It is very readable, even on such abstruse topics as the Theory of Relativity. (Eat your heart out, Banesh Hoffmann!) It contains a lively cross-section of articles concerned with topics of local as well as purely school interest.

As well as involving many of students it is also noticeable that a number of the teachers participated at different levels. In an age when more attention is paid to the prowess of the body while lip-service is paid to the cultivation of mind, it is heartening to see that achievements in literature are as noteworthy as success in sports.

A note towards the future: Next year perhaps, when in their desperate campaign for support, the Editors of another BRAINWAVE make an appeal for 'any ol' article', would the present incumbents of B-4 not for get their own wonderful capabilities, so manifest at present, and continue to show us more of their talents. How little it takes, how much it means,

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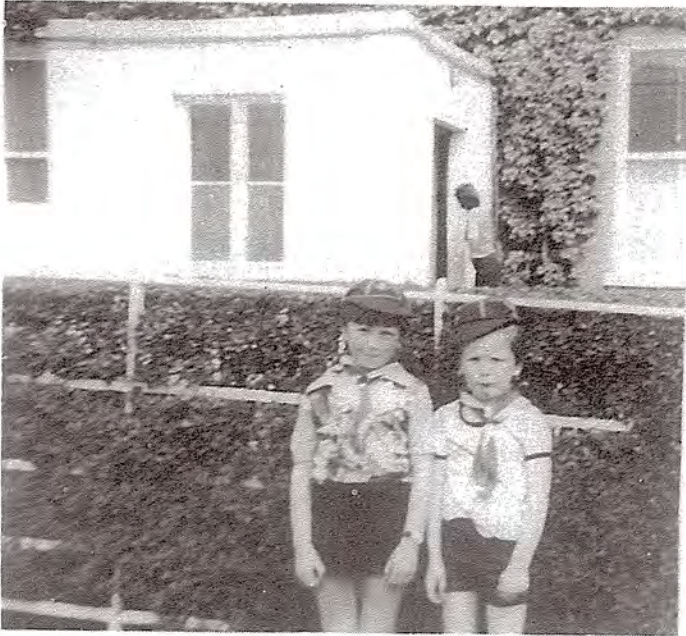
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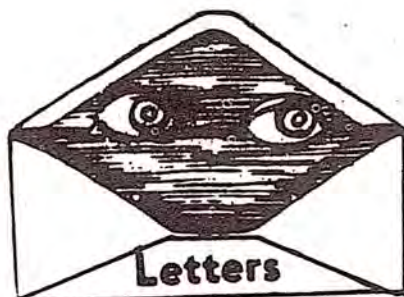


Straffan Road Bridge.



Some pictures from the Community Games.





to the Editor

Dear Sir,

As Chairman of the Maynooth Community Games Committee may I through your Column, thank most sincerely all of those people who contributed to the successful staging of our Games last weekend.

In particular Rev. Fr. Walshe P.P. and Rev. Fr. Supple C.C. for their participation in the Presentation Ceremony. We are pleased to have their blessing and co-operation.

Mr. Michael Casey, County Sec. for his attendance, assistance and advice. The G.A.A. Committee for their permission to use the Moyglare Field. Mr. Brian Noone who stepped into the breach at the last minute by giving us the use of his spanking new Red Truck. The Civil Defence who provided us with both stewards and first aid personell. The Boy Scouts for use of their tents. Messrs. Doyle for use of the Mart Area as Assembly Point for our Parade. St. Mary's Brass Band. The Community Council. The very many sponsors who provided some very essential equipment. The Banner provided by Greenfield Retailers Association, Buckleys for the Window Display and the Gas for our Bowl of Light. William Kiernan for the very efficient amplification system. The Presenters of the various Cups and Trophies which added greatly to the Competition. :-

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I must not forget our very hardworking Committee and all the very willing and able helpers who rallied to our sides.

All the Mums and Dads, relatives and friends who came along to lend their support both vocal and financial.

Last but by no means least all the wonderful children without whom we would have no games. Maynooth should be proud of them. They are a credit to any Community, God Bless them.

Thank you All. Long may Maynooth Community Games continue in the United and Friendly atmosphere in which they have been inaugurated.

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Though our juniors did not win the Junior Trophy they did compete with credit and were second to Athy in the number of points scored at the end of the day

Perhaps next year we shall bring home both the Junior and Tom McDonnell Trophies.

The following constitutes the Maynooth panel :-

BOYS U/18 -
100m - P. Heffernan : 200m - B. McAtamney : 400m - B. Hayden : 800m - P. Doherty - 1500 m - D. Cunningham:

H.J. - B. McAtamney : L.J. - P. Cowhey : T. J. - P. Cowhey.



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H.J. - P. McGarry : L.J. E. Doherty.

4 X 100 - J. Heffernan - T. Kenny - B. McAtamney - P. Cowhey.

4 X 100 - R. Hendrick - P. Dowling - F. Murphy - A. Dunne.

BOYS U/15 -
100m - D. Daniels - P. Sherrin.
200m - B. Bean - M. Cunningham.
400m - P. Travers - S. Purcell.
800m - D. Cunningham - S. Purcell.
H.J. M. Maher, K. Harte
L.J. - D. Daniels, M. Maher

4 X 100 - D. Daniels, B. Hayden
P. Sherrin, B. Bean.

GIRLS U/15 -
100m - O. O'Reilly - M. Buckley.
200m - O. O'Reilly - L. Daniels
400m - S. Breslin - O. Murray .
800m - S. Breslin - L. Boyce.

4 X 100 - O. O'Reilly - L. Daniels - M. Buckley - S. Breslin.

L.J. - E. Doherty - T. Barrett.

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NUCLEAR POWER -- WHAT IS INVOLVED ?

In recent times the idea of using nuclear power to supplement other forms of energy creation has been presented to the people of Ireland. It has been presented almost as a fait accompli. In this fashion it is being treated as just another source of energy, something only slightly removed from using turf to generate electricity. This is not the case. The use of nuclear power is vastly different from any other type of resource. What is involved is not yet fully understood even by leading scientists. But some things are easily enough understood -- and they do not encourage thoughtless implementation of such a power source. In this article I would like to give a simple outline of some of the problems and arguments.

PART 1 -- THE PROBLEMS

The core of a nuclear reactor is not a very complicated affair. The construction, running and maintenance of a reactor is no more a problem to the technicians involved than are the same operations in connection with the familiar automobile. But the core is a dangerous place. And the complications arise in attempting to solve the problem of how to keep the danger at bay. The dangers are involved with the process which takes place in the uranium in the core. The process is called fission. Fission, you may know, is what happened in the great atomic explosions that devastated Nagasaki and Hiroshima in Japan at the end of the last war. When uranium fissions, the atoms disintegrate -- each disintegration releasing energy which causes further disintegrations of other atoms. The end result is a splitting of many atoms at once, with the release of a great quantity of energy -- usually called an explosion !

A nuclear reactor controls this explosion by allowing only some atoms to disintegrate at a time. But what comes out of the atoms that do take part in the process ? The answer is energy in the form of radiated heat plus other radiations, many of which are extremely dangerous to life. The heat is used to generate electricity (by turning water to steam, which then turns the turbines of the generators). The other radiations are hopefully caught by the layers of insulation that surround the core.

But some may escape - and that is the first problem. It is of the utmost importance that as few as possible of these radiations come in contact with any life-form. Under control, they can be used in surgery to destroy cancerous cells. Without control, they can do serious damage to vital cells in any living thing. The vital cells may be the ones which contain the genes, by which each species passes on its characteristics to its off-spring. Hence, some three feet or more of concrete surrounds each nuclear reactor core. Does it stop all the unwanted radiation ? The simple answer is no. It is a fact that even six feet of concrete would not stop all the radiation. The reason is that the radiation obeys the laws of probability.

Unlike large objects, small objects have a certain chance of doing some things and a chance of not doing them. For example, if you hold a torch against your palm in a dark room, you will still see a faint glow of light (as well as an outline of your bones -- which is the principle of X-rays). Some of the radiated light gets through, some does not. Similarly, other forms of radiation can penetrate concrete. They can never be blocked 100%. The aim is to block about 99% or so of them. Three feet of concrete will do this. But is cannot be forgotten that the 1% which escape are still lethal.

The second problem is that everything that has come into contact with the core or its surrounds is contaminated. i.e., contains and emits lethal amounts of radio-activity. One of the biggest problems is water which has been used to cool the core. This has to be contained in huge tanks until its radiation level has decreased to an acceptable rate. This could take many, many years and in the meantime there is always the risk of leaking or of evaporation as too great a rate. Alternatively, it may be dissipated in the ocean over a period of time and hopefully never gather in a concentrated amount. These solutions to the problem are not real solutions. They merely transfer the problem to a later date and a different set of people.

The third problem is that the fuel used uranium - is reduced to three things, basically. These are, more uranium, waste, and plutonium. The uranium and plutonium can be used again and so are not problems. But the waste is a problem. In fact it is probably the biggest problem of the whole industry. Where can it be dumped so that it will not harm anyone now or in the future ? The only good place is in the sun. There are two reasons why this is not done. When rockets are sent into space there is always the danger that they will not make it -- they may fall back to earth with disastrous results. The other reason is one of economics. The costs of putting waste on the sun would be so great that the whole purpose of using

the nuclear reactor in the first place - to get cheap energy - would be defeated. The alternative is to find a place for it on earth - at a reasonable cost ! The cost is measured in today's money terms and the place is usually a deep mine or the bottom of the sea, places where changes are unlikely to take place for quite some time (according to our way of thinking) But the waste matter is dangerous for millions of years and in that time anything could happen. The waste could be thrown up with terrible results for anyone living at that time. One of the hidden questions which arises from all this is, Will there be people in the future ? In one million years time ? This is unanswerable. Yet we cannot presume that there will not be any. Neither can we pass on our now unsolvable problems in the hope that answers may be found in the future.

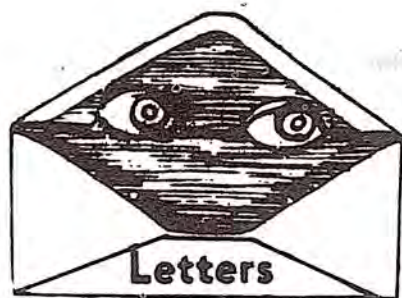


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to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Being Secretary of the Community Games has been quite an experience. The impression I have in my mind is that the words themselves, seem to have some type of magic in them, which unlocked all Gates and that was why it flourished. I annoyed so many people to get what I wanted, and yet nobody failed to respond.

Brid Breslin will remain always apart of my memories. Brid is the Woman behind the Man, and when you get to know Brid, you know why Pearse is great. I phoned her so many times maybe a dozen times a day, and yet always that even voice answered 286-2-5-4, as if I was not interrupting her busy day. Brid has 6 children to look after, and another little leanebh to join the Clan soon, please God. Granted she has Grand-Mother Hardiman with her, and if the Tom-Toms in Maynooth tell the right story, she is nearly as good a rock to depend on as St. Peter himself. Just the same I think Brid should be voted the 'Woman behind the Games'. She was such a fund of information, having gone through it all before, I think I could never have managed without her, and I doubt if Pearse could either.

There was Eilis O'Malley, whom I kept running all over, the Town (much to Dereen's delight). Notice how slim Eilis has got. She was my Chief Lady Bunting, and she organised all the other Lady Buntings, and you all saw how pretty they made the Town. Actually Eilis and Nora McDermott were my chief Bottle Washers, Nora ran off to England to escape but her work was piled up when she came back!

Then there was Mrs. Theresa O'Flanagan, who lives on Bunting Road, Walkinstown, no connection with Maynooth, but because it was for Community Games, and therefore children, she travelled around the factories and collected all the waste Nylon for to string the Buntings together.

Alcott & Sons Mfg. who not alone gave us the plastic buntings but insisted on cutting them out, to make the job easy for the ladies.

O'Leary & Sons, who gave us the lovely colourful Cloth Buntings, and who cut them out of their own accord because they were for Children.

Paddy Power who was sent off to collect anything that needed wheels, and was never asked have you enough Petrol to get by, and he went like a lamb. Most unusual for my friend Paddy, who is never lost for words.

Mickey & Ellen the greatest wonder of all. I never met them, they did not see our Games, as they were in Copenhagen in Denmark, with a group of Irish Children at the Danish Community Games. To Mickey we owe our "Bowl of Light" and Torch. Joe Connolly put me in touch with him, but doubted if he could help as he was up to his eyes preparing and organising the Trip. But Mickey made time. Ellen was great, she kept relaying my messages, she was a great Secretary. I never had to ring them back they phoned me. Wasn't that lovely. I thank him for taking such an interest in strangers, know what he said 'A Peig there are no such thing as strangers, in Community Games, we are all just one big family, helping each other, sure that is what it is all about.

Tom Keatley, Maynooth Park, who never seeks the lime-light, but who made the Rostrum even remembering the 1 - 2 - 3. Thanks Tom I hope you were there to see the excited faces of the children as they mounted the steps, if you were you had your reward.

Clarkinprint Ltd. who did the programme at cost, because it was for the Children and Community Games.

The recorders who did a really efficient job (hand picked Ha! Ha!

Eoin, also hand picked because I knew he was the best Disc Jockey in Town.

My friend Nell who sold the programmes.

Mrs. Kiernan, whom I kept annoying, to get in touch with her elusive son Willie, Mrs. Kiernan, kept phoning me back Thanks Mrs. Kiernan, all the rest will be thanking Willie.

Mick, in Strand Litho, who gave me the Banner at cost, when I explained we had no money. Never thinking how generous the Greenfield Traders were going to be.

Jim Carroll & Jean Keatley, together with Colm Kennedy who worked so hard and missed all the fun, yet not a moan from any of them.

Brian Noone, who left his dinner and brought out a brand New Lorry, at a minutes notice, we never intended doing that to you Brian, but the kindly trader who promised us his Lorry, went fishing and forgot to leave the key. So you too answer the call in true Community Spirit.

I know you will all be thanked, these are just a few of many to whom I feel personally indebted.

I'm glad the Gas for the Olympic Flame came from Ua Buachalla's, according to Mary Cullen, William Robert, 2nd Duke of Leinster formed the Nucleus of our Town, as it now is 1795. Buckleys opened their shop I think 1853, it must be one of the first Stores to open in Town, so it was fitting it should make History again, in a new era.

I can let Cliff in on a secret now, I got the Powers above to have Peamount postpone their date, because we could not have done without you and your merry men. The Parade looked glorious The colour Party, The Band, Venturers, Scouts, Guides, Cubs, and the Children, we called you from every Townsland in the Parish and from every Townsland you came. Thank you all, it was for me a Dream come True.

Peig Lynch.

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Hello Children,

This month it gives us great pleasure to congratulate you all on the magnificent performance you put up in the Community Games. We congratulate all the children who won prizes and we would like you to know that we were as proud of the Children who didn't win as we were of those who did.

Let us give a BIG THANK YOU to all those men and women who helped to make it the great success it was, and also those who sponsored the various events. A special word of thanks to Pierce Breslin who carried the responsibility of it all, and Mrs. Peig Lynch who worked very hard as Secretary and not forgetting the St. Mary's Band. So Thank You All and we will see you all again in 1980. Please God.

Well Children your Summer Holiday Time is here again and most of you will be going on holidays. This month we would like you to Draw us a picture of the PLACE you spend your holiday, the Hotel, the Beach, or Friend's house. The closing date for this competition is August 12th and again we are offering £1 prizes for the 5 best entries received. Send your entries to John Read, 86 Rail Park or Leo McGlynn,

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857 Greenfield. Until we see you all in September, have a nice holiday, and be carefull at the Sea-side. Why not send us a Postcard or Bring back one to us, we would love to get them.

So Cheerio for now and God Bless you all.

The five winners of last months competition are :-

Eoin Egan, 289a Greenfield-
Pauline Tracy, 821 Greenfield.
Bernadette Lavin, Old Carton.
Barry Gallagher, 19 Laurence Ave.
Nial O'Malley, 5 Laurence Ave.

The remainder were so good that we again have decided to give them consolation prizes and they are :-

Tracey Gaffney, 6 Rail Park.
Karen Caulfield, 7 Laurence Ave.
Bobby Duffe, 12 Laurence Ave.
Jennifer Horan, 274 Greenfield.
Rhona McDermott, 14 Laurence Ave.
Colin McCaul, 20 Rail Park.
Darren Gaffney, 6 Rail Park.
Alan Boyd, 843 Old Greenfield.
Mark Cummins, 848 Greenfield.
Bobbie McDonald, 27 Laurence Ave.
Derek Hanley, 8 Greenfield Dr.

Maria Richardson, 483 Greenfield, Straffan Road.

Caroline Dunne, 860 Greenfield.
James Burke, Greenfield.

Eamonn Dunne, 860 Greenfield
Damian Carroll, Moyglare.

Suzanne Higgins, 13 Laurence Ave.

Majella Dempsey, 67 Cluain Aoibhinn.
Avril McStravick, 15 Laurence Ave.

Hugh Boland, 53 Maynooth Park.

Vivienne Folan, 48 Greenfield Dr.

Thomas Whelan, Newtown.

Michelle Moran, 825 Greenfield
David Corcoran, Old Greenfield.

Laurence Mulleague, 91 Greenfield

Sinead Murphy, 482 Straffan Road

Pamela Lawless, 861 Greenfield.

Orlathie Buckley, 36 Greenfield Drive.

Joyce Carroll, Moyglare, Maynooth

Karen Boyd, 843 Greenfield.

Noel Boyd, 847 Greenfield.

Anne Marie Corcoran, Old Greenfield.

Martina Gallagher, 23 Greenfield Drive.

Stephen Nevin, 524 Newtown Road.

Geraldine Dunne, 860 Greenfield.

Allan Kiely, 42 Greenfield Drive.

Clair McTernan, 278 Greenfield.

Colm Hardiman, Dublin Road.

All should receive their prizes shortly.

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COMMUNITY GAMES

TALENT CONTEST

Judging by the recent talent contest there is a wealth of artists in the area, and a lot of people who appreciate them. Three great evenings entertainment were provided and thoroughly enjoyed by one and all.

Congratulations to the winners Maynooth I.C.A. and the joint runners up, Lucan and Kilcock. As the Judge said the standard was very high and there was very little between them at the end. A special word of thanks to the other teams who took part. - Ladychapel - Maynooth Town - Cluain Aoibhinn, who were very unlucky not to have appeared in the Final Night.

Our thanks also to Mrs. Hickey for judging the contest, to Fr. Supple presenting the prizes and to the people who supported the shows each evening. It has been a long time since the Parish Hall was so full. In view of this, it is intended to run this contest next year and we take this opportunity to warn everyone to be prepared and get their teams together now.

Well done and thank you very much to all who contributed to the success of the contest.

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What can be said about this. Wasn't it magnificent. Everyone gave their all, especially the children and even the hard-working helpers enjoyed themselves. The weather was glorious and the trophies donated by the Sponsors were out of this world. It would require the entire Newsletter to mention all who contributed to the occasion, so we will just mention a few and hope the rest will understand that their efforts were appreciated also.

First the hardworking Committee and especially Pearse Breslin and Mrs. Peig Lynch. Well done both. Secondly the Sponsors who gave such magnificent Perpetual Trophies - Tom Geraghty - Greenfield Supermarket - Greenfield Residence Association - Maynooth I.C.A. (2) - Jack McElhinney - McDermott Hauliers - Pioneer Association - Ryan & Tyrell - Maynooth Badminton Club - Gerard Brady - Maynooth Swimming Club (2) - Bernard Durkan - Maynooth Boy Scouts - Maynooth Newsletter - Coonans - Bennett Bros. Builders..

Next in line must come Owen Byrne who was M.C. both days. We could not have done without him. To Fr. Walshe and Fr. Supple for presenting the prizes and Mr. Mick Casey, the County Secretary of the Community Games for his presence. To Ellis O'Malley without whom there would have been no swimming.

Our thanks also to Mrs. Toni Read and her helpers who ran the shop for us, to the Civil Defence for first aid and traffic personnel, the Scouts for their Tents, help, and equipment, the G.A.A. for the use of their playing field. St. Mary's Band for leading the parade and the recital on Sunday. W. Kiernan for the amplification equipment. Joe Buckley for the Window Display and gas for the Olympic Flame, Greenfield Retailers Association for the super banner in the Main Street, and Brian Noon for his Lorry.

If we have forgotten anyone we sincerely apologise. Our only excuse is insanity and hard work in that order. There are however three groups which have not been mentioned yet. First the Children themselves without whom there would have been no games. They were great and we are sure they will do us proud in the County Finals in July 7th & 8th, - Newbridge. Secondly the Judges, stewards, and teachers who worked unceasingly both days to keep the games moving. That they were successful can be judged from the fact that everything went so well and there were no major hitches.

The Third groups is our humble opinion, the most important and usually the least praised and they are the behind scenes workers who do all these things that nobody appreciates until they are not done. In this case we refer to those who made the bunting in their own homes, those who hung them up, those who moved equipment and tables to and from the field, the makers of marker flags, the cutters of grass etc. and last but not least the spectators who came and gave their support.

There are some pictures of the games appearing in this NEWSLETTER. However it is hoped to produce a special BOOKLET of the games, giving results and lots of pictures in the near future. Any monies which might arise from the Sale of this Magazine will be used to finance the children going to NEWBRIDGE and then we hope to Mosney for the All Ireland Finals.

We will finish by saying that surely the whole approach to the games is epitomised by the effort of young Thomas Madden who completed the Marathon course when many older than him had given up, and by Brian McCaul in the high jump who despite being close to failure on a couple of occasions kept going and finally won out.

Remember the aim of these games is not necessarily to win but to take part. Well done to all and we look forward with anticipation to 1980.

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RESULTS FROM COMMUNITY GAMES

SWIMMING :-

GIRLS U/8 - 1st. Siobhan Kearins :
2nd - Caroline Stack : 3rd. -Fiona
Lawler. :

GIRLS U/10 - Trophy - Patricia
Nevin : 2nd Neva Redmond : 3rd
Sara Breslin. :

GIRLS U/12 - 1st. Linda Twomey -
2nd Una Breslin : 3rd. Caroline
Duff. :

GIRLS U/14 Freestyle - D/H -
Anne Marie McDermott & Shelly
Breslin : 2nd Pam Burke : 3rd
Gillian Deane. :

GIRLS U/14 - Breast Stroke -
1st - Pam Burke : 2nd - Anne Marie
McDermott : 3rd. Margaret Byrne

GIRLS U/16 - 1st. Helena Lynch :
2nd Nuala Kelly : 3rd. Caroline
Power. :

GIRLS U/16 - Backstroke - 1st. :
Helena Lynch - 2nd Suzanna Red-
mond : 3rd. Caroline Power. :

BOYS U/8 - 1st. Gordon Hayes -
5½yrs - 2nd Darren McDermott :
3rd. Emmet Dolan. :

BOYS U/10 - 1st. Leonard Dolan -
2nd - David Molloy : 3rd. Michael
Hanly. :

BOYS U/12 - Tadhg Lynch : 2nd
Michael Molloy : 3rd. Damien Horan.

BOYS U/14 - Breaststroke - 1st. :
Tadhg Lynch : 2nd Cathal Power : -
3rd - Gary Power. :

BOYS U/14 - Freestyle - 1st. James
Byrne : 2nd Gary Power : 3rd.
Kevin Breslin. :

BOYS U/16 - Freestyle - 1st.
Owen Byrne - 2nd. Paul Murray -
3rd. Peter Madden. :

BOYS U/16 - 1st. Owen Byrne -
2nd Paul Murray - 3rd. Kevin Bres-
lin. :

HIGH JUMP :-

BOYS U/16 - 1st. Brian McCaul:
2nd Danny Casey : 3rd. Kevin
Breslin. :

GIRLS U/16 - 1st. Pamela Burke -
2nd. Susan Redmond : 3rd. Car-
oline Duffe. :

LONG JUMP :-

GIRLS u/14 - 1st - Ann Travers - 2nd
Stacey Mullally - 3rd. Shelly Breslin.

BOYS - U/14 - 1st. Brian Boyd -
14' 8" - 2nd. - Gary Power 14' 5" -
3rd. Hugh O'Donnell 14' 4"

SHOT PUTT -

GIRLS U/14 :- 1st. Anne Marie Mc
Dermott - 2nd -Ann Travers - 3rd.
Una Cleary. :

BOYS U/14 - 1st. Kevin Breslin -
2nd. Brian McCaul - 3rd. Hugh O'Donnell

MARATHON BOYS U/17

1st. - Kevin Breslin : 2nd. Dominick
Long : 3rd. Desmond Farrell - B. Bean

GIRLS - 1st. Sandra Cummins : 2nd
Helena Lynch : 3rd. Bernadette
Barlow : 4th - Caroline Power.

MUMS RACE :-

1st. Marie Moen : 2nd. Anna Kelly :
3rd. Bet. O'Neill.

DADS RACE :-

1st. Eddie Moen - 2nd Jerry Moen -
3rd. Noel Farrelly.

TODDLERS - GIRLS 3- 4

1st. Sinead Corcoran - 2nd Deirdre
Stynes : 3rd. Philomena Madden -
Rth - Audrey Farrelly.

5 - 6 GIRLS - 1st. Paula O'Riordan :
2nd. Mary McDonald - 3rd. Noeleen
Closkey.

TODDLERS BOYS - 3 - 4

1st. Colm Cassidy - 2nd. Dermot Ryan
3rd. Edwin Duffe - 4th James Treacy. :

5 - 6 years. BOYS

1st. Louchlinn O'Donnell - 2nd. Damien
Carroll - 3rd. Gavin Callaghan - 4th
Donal O'Riordan. :

CYCLE RESULTS - 9 miles

Time - 21 mins - 30 secs.

1st. John McGarry : 2nd. W. Cannon :
3rd. Joe Conway : 4th - Michael Cannon

ROAD RELAYS U/12

GIRLS - MAIN STREET - Ashling
Barton - Una Breslin - Ann Lovely -
Shauna Kavanagh.

2nd. MAIN STREET - SARAH BRESLIN
Elaine Murphy - Clodagh Desmond -
Margaret McNamara. :

Road Relays Boys. :

1st - MOYGLARE - Anthony Rochford-
Paschal Ennie - Damien Reilly -
Michael Kelly.

2nd Dead-Heat - GREENFIELD (Old)
John O'Neill - Leonard Murphy -
Michael Molloy - Robert Healy. :

&

RAILPARK - Colm O'Donnell -
Laurence Mulleague - Noel Tracy -
William McDonnell. :

GIRLS U/8 - 80m - 1st. Fiona Lawler:
2nd Siobhan Kearins : 3rd. Sandra
Gillick. :

GIRLS U/8 - 100m - 1st. Maureen
Healy - 2nd. Fiona Lawler : 3rd.
Siobhan Kearins.

GIRLS U/10 - 100m - 1st. Margaret
McNamara - 2nd. Sarah Breslin -
3rd. Helen Tracy.

GIRLS U/10 - 200m - 1st. Sarah Breslin:
2nd. Helen Tracy : 3rd. Grainne Farrelly.

GIRLS U/12 - 100m - 1st. Stacey
Mullally : 2nd. Anne O'Connor :D/H
2nd Una Breslin. : 3rd - Catherine
Fitzpatrick

GIRLS U/12 - 600m - 1st. Stacey
Mullally - 2nd - Ann O'Connor : 3rd.
Collette Duining. :

GIRLS U/14 - 100m - 1st. Mairead
Noonan - 2nd - Shelly Breslin : 3rd.
Pamela Burke. :

GIRLS U/14 - 800m - 1st. Shelly Breslin:
2nd - Elaine Collins - 3rd. Michelle
Kelly. :

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RESULTS FROM COMMUNITY GAMES continued

GIRLS U/16 - 100m - 1st. - Helena Lynch:
2nd Sandra Cummins - 3rd. Shelly Breslin.

GIRLS U/16 1500 m - 1st. Sandra Cummins -
2nd. - Shelly Breslin - 3rd. Bernadette Barlow.

BOYS U/8 - 80m - 1st. Frank Desmond
2nd. Peter Flanagan : 3rd. Emmett Dolan.

BOYS U/8 - 100m - 1st. Frank Desmond :
2nd - Peter Flanagan :
3rd. - Emmett Dolan.

BOYS U/10 - 100m 1st. Pascal Ennis:
2nd - John McLoughlin : 3rd. Leonard Dolan.

BOYS U/10 - 200m - Pascal Ennis :
2nd - John McLoughlin : 3rd. Leonard Dolan.

BOYS U/12 - 100 m - 1st. Colm O'Donnell - 2nd. John O'Neill - 3rd - Michael Kelly.

BOYS U/12 - 600 m - 1st. Colm O'Donnell - 2nd. John O'Neill - 3rd. - Michael Kelly.

BOYS U/14 - 100m - Hugh O'Donnell -
2nd Kevin Breslin - 3rd. Garry Power

BOYS U/14 - 800m - 1st. Kevin Breslin : 2nd - Hugh O'Donnell - 3rd. James O'Donnell

BOYS U/16 - 100m - 1st. John Burns
2nd - Brendan Bean - 3rd. Hugh O'Donnell.

BOYS U/16 - 1500m - 1st. Kevin Breslin : 2nd. Declan Murphy :
3rd. Brendan Bean.

BOYS' LONG PUCK U/12:

1st. Seamus O'Reilly. - 2nd Mark Burns - 3rd. Chris. O'Reilly.

COMMUNITY GAMES RELAY TEAM to go forward to Newbridge Picked from 1st. 5 in 100m

BOYS RELAY - 4 X 100 plus 1 sub.
U/12 - Colm O'Donnell -
John O'Neill - Michael Kelly -
Anthony Rochford . Sub. Lawrence Mulleague.

GIRLS RELAY - 4 X 100 plus sub.
U/12 - Stacey Mullaly - Ann O'Connor - Una Breslin -
Catherine Fitzpatrick - Sub. Aisling Barton.

SWIMMING SQUAD to go forward
U/13. 4 plus 1 sub.:

GIRLS - Caroline Duff - Martina Doyle
Linda Twomey - Shelly Breslin-Sub.
Jillian Dean

BOYS :- Tadhg Lynch - Cathal Power
Michael Molloy - James Byrne - Sub.
Niall O'Malley.

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THE PERPETUAL TROPHY presented by the NEWSLETTER for the over all Athlete of the Games Boy or Girl was won by Kevin Breslin with 17 points
Congratulations Kevin.

2nd place went to Hugh O'Donnell with 8 points.

3rd place went to 6 boys who had 6 points each - Tadhg Lynch - Garry Power
Eoin Byrne - Pascal Ennis . Colm O'Donnell - Frank Desmond.

GIRLS PLACINGS:-

Shelly Breslin 1st wint 12 points -
Helena Lynch & Pam Burke joint 2nd with 9 points.
Ann Maris McDermott & Stacey Mullaly joint 3rd. with 8 points.

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THE PERPETUAL TROPHY presented by Messrs. Coonan & Son for the most Athletic Family was a runaway for the 'BRESLINS' with 39 points as follows- Kevin - 17 : Shelly 12 : Una 4 : Sarah 6
Congratulations to all the Clan.

Lynches and O'Donnells were joint 2nd with 15 points.

Helena - 9 : Tadhg 6

Hugh - 8 : Colm - 6 . James - 1

McDermotts and Powers took joint 3rd with 10 points.

Ann Marie - 8 : Darren - 2
Caroline 2 : Cathal 2 : Garry 6.

PERPETUAL TROPHIES were won by the following -

U/8 - 100m - Maureen Healy - Greenfield Supermarket.

U/10 - Pascal Ennis 100m - Greenfield Residence.

U/10 - 200m - Sarah Breslin - Maynooth I.C.A.

100m U/12 Boys - Colm O'Donnell - Jack McElhinney.

U/12 - 600m Girls - Stacey Mullaly - McDermott Hauliers

U/14 - 100m Girls - Mairead Noonan - Pioneer Association.

U/14 - 100m Boys - Hugh O'Donnell - Ryan & Tyrrell

U/16 - 100m Girls - Helena Lynch - Maynooth Badminton Club.

U/16 - 1500 Boys - Kevin Breslin Gerard Brady.

U/16 - 1500m Girls - Sandra Cummins Maynooth I.C.A.

SWIMMING :-

U/10 Girls - Patricia Nevin - Maynooth Swimming Club.

U/12 Boys - Tadhg Lynch - Maynooth Swimming Club.

U/16 - Girls - Helena Lynch - Bernard Durkan.

U/16 - Boys - Eoin Byrne - Maynooth Boy Scouts.

Will the holders of all the above Trophies please note that they are Perpetual, which mean you can only keep them for 1 year, they must be returned to Pearse Breslin, 2 Leinster Park, Maynooth, on the last week of April in the coming year. Damage to trophies will be parents responsibility.

U/14 Long Jump - Brian Boyd. Brian was lucky he can keep his Trophy presented by Bennett Bros. Builders, who wish to buy another next year.

THE HEROINES of the day, received no prize but are to be congratulated 'The Girls Marathon Team. We had given them up for lost, it had been announced they had been picked up, the inter-road relays were starting when a big cheer came from the entrance and everybody started shouting 'The Girls are coming clear the Track', the announcer took up the echo, and in 'FLEW' the girls to the loudest cheer of the Day, Sandra Cummins leading - Helena Lynch 2nd - Bernadette Barlow 3rd and Caroline Power 4th. They may not have won but did they show those Boys how to finish a Marathon !!!

Neither did the HERO of the day get a prize - 10 year old Thomas Madden, Straffan Way, who finished the Marathon for U/17, pity there was not a Prize for the best effort. Congratulations Thomas.

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SPORTS PAGE

N. A. C. A.

June 3rd & 4th found us at the Meath Co. Championships, held at Summer-Hill, Co. Meath. Nobody paid much heed to us arriving, what were we but a New Club from Maynooth, not a force to be reckoned with, but before we left we had made a big impact, as we carried away 41 Trophies, and that from the cream of the Athletes. So your children have something to be proud of. One Meath Official remarked "ye should have brought a wheelbarrow while ye were at it" (meaning of course to take home the trophies).

Not alone did we take home 41 Trophies (to be presented in the Navan Ballroom shortly) but young Margaret McNamara, Main Street, broke the record for U/9 Long Jump and Catherine Fitzpatrick, Maynooth Park, equaled the high jump record for U/12. Isn't that something!

Saturday 16th found us at Martry, outside Navan, at the Meath "B" Championships (for those who did not win at the "A" level) from there we brought home 22 Trophies (also to be presented in Navan).

So already our black & white is well established and "CROM ABU" is heard over and over. Which remind us, will anybody who has not got black shorts please try and buy them. POP 'N GAY, Greenfield Shopping centre now have them in stock at a

reasonable price, also white Tee Shirts. It identifies our children so easily nobody else has anything so simple and yet so definite.

Nora McDermott made us a lovely 'Crom Abu' Flag, which you probably saw in the Parade of the Community Games, and which now will go on all Buses.

BIRTHCERTIFICATES - We MUST have them or the children will not be allowed go on competing. The fact that they are winning so much has made a real issue of it. We will take a copy and let you have it back within a week.

PACKED LUNCH :- Please give your children a pack lunch and not money to stuff themselves with Ice-cream and Ice-pops, etc. it is such a waste and then they get pain in their tummies or sick on the Bus. It is a full day in the open air and they do get hungry, so they buy rubbish.

SENIOR MEMBERS :- We are looking for Senior Members, Male & Female, there are events for all at the Sports we attend. Come & Train any Tuesday night G.A.A. Pitch 8 - 9. Keep fit - give your children good example and enjoy life. You do not have to enter competition if you have no wish to do so.

June 24th will see us in Castletown.
July 1st - Leixlip
July 15 - Nth. Kildare, Kilcock Sports
July 28 & 29th - Belfield, All Ireland Championships.

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We wish everybody to know we had no connection with the Sport held in the Post Primary Grounds on Sunday, during the 'Corpus Christi' procession. Nor did we take any children out of Town to any other Sports, that day we left for the "LORD"

CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS
Josephine Murtagh - Dunboyne A.C. formerly Josephine O'Neill, Greenfield, Maynooth, and Mother of 2, she is unbeatable on the road, and has won her last four races at Navan, Bohermeen, Dunboyne, and Tipperary. She took up running 2 years ago. Her husband George is also a member of Dunboyne A.C. and has represented his Club, County, & Country at home and on the Continent.

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SPORTS PAGE

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Well the Community Games really were a boost for the Swimmers Morale. Our members 'Swam' away with almost all the awards. Our very best wishes to Patricia Nevin who won the U. 10 Perpetual Trophy, and Tadhg Lynch who won U. 12 Perpetual Trophy and the very best in the future to both Helena Lynch and Owen Byrne who won U.16 Trophies, both these Swimmers are in their one and only Community games as they will be too old to compete next year.

St. Raphael's have got oil again and we will give all the Children the "two swims they were due before the Summer Holidays. We are keeping on in St. Vincents for a further 5 weeks - 11 in all - but are confining the numbers to (a) those going forward to represent Maynooth at County Level

and (b) those who are still learners and a few beginners.

On behalf of the Swimming Club Committee I would like to thank the President of Maynooth College, Dr. Olden, parents who helped and also our lifeguards who were always on hand when needed !

Our numbers were greatly swelled on the Opening Parade of the Community Games, as we invited all those whomse names are on our waiting list to March with us and anyone there could see we were one of the biggest contingents. Judging by the entry in the Art Competition 80% of the Maynooth Children would prefer swimming to any other sport.

Our last 'Thank You' is to ALL children who have been swimming whether they were able for the competition or not remember this was just the first year - so keep up the good work.

The Swimming Club presented 2 perpetual Trophies for the Community Games - Girl U/10 and Boys U/12. They were presented by our Chairman - OWEN BYRNE.

CYCLING RESULTS

Michael Cannon on 3rd June had another good win in Donore near Drogheda. On 10/6/'79 at Donore came 3rd. On 17/6/'79 at Navan came 4th.

In our Community Games we also ran a cycling race.

John McGarry took 1st Place with William Cannon 2nd and Joe Conway 3rd., with Michael Cannon 4th.

John McGarry and Joe Conway will be representing Maynooth in the County Finals to be held in July. William Cannon is too young to take part in the County Finals.

Best of luck to John and Joe in July.

CLINIC

Councillor Bernard 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.

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ETHIOPIAN TRADITIONS

by Sean P. Smith

Ethiopia is a predominantly Christian Country where old traditions are observed, and the Ethiopians, like the Irish, are very conscious of their heritage.

The Ethiopian Orthodox Church has similar features to other Christian Churches. Many of its practices belong to the very early church, as in the past Ethiopia has been isolated from outside religious influences by Islamic settlements. This legacy can still be discerned in the Arabic-sounding chant of the religious services. The historian Gibbon in "Decline and Fall", has written:-

"Encompassed on all sides by the enemies of their religion the Aethiopians slept near a thousand years, forgetful of the world by whom they were forgotten".

Ethiopians observe the Julian calendar - the year beginning in September like the Jewish year. Being an ancient church, there is an interesting miscellany of Saints and Saints' feast days.

New Year's day, September 11th., is the feast of St. John the Baptist, closely followed by the festival of Maskai, celebrated on September 27th. This commemorates the finding, reputedly in the 14th century, of fragments of the "True Cross", believed to have been brought to Ethiopia from Alexandria. In addis Ababa the festival coincides with public ceremonies - the decorative motif consisting of Maskal daisies, the national flower of Ethiopia. Millions of these yellow flowers emblazon the countryside in a riot of colour at this time of the year.

The Ethiopian Christmas (January 7th) has not suffered Western-style exploitation, and is marked by a special game called genna, which is played on Christmas day. A primitive form of hockey played by men, it continues throughout the whole day, this being summertime in Ethiopia.

Epiphany, the feast of Timkat - one of the big holidays - begins on January 18th, and lasts for 72 hours, in the Capital, arks called tabots are carried, and a night of vigil is observed by the priests.

Easter, the other major festival of the year, coming as it does at the end of the lenten fast, is brought to a conclusion by feasting and merriment. Everyone wears national costume and it is a time for paying respects and for reconciliation.

Religious services in Ethiopia can be very striking - the glittering vestments of the priests, the elaborate processions in which rainbow-coloured umbrellas are carried, the chanting and exuberant participation; on such ceremonial occasions the unique character of Ethiopia can be seen.

In addition to the religious festivals there are other public holidays; but as yet, it is difficult to assess what forms of public participation may be called for in recognition of more recent developments in this country

Shown in photograph are examples of some small Ethiopian crosses-

The cross is one of the most important of the Ethiopian Church emblems. On every church crosses in wood and silver bearing the picture of the crucifixion can be seen. The crucifix is unknown, as graven images are not allowed.

On Sundays and for constant service, the priest uses a large cross of bronze, while for festivals, the large silver cross with the picture of Our Lord is borne forth.

The Ethiopian cross is generally the Greek cross with elaboration. It is used on all religious occasions, and attached to a cord or fine chain, it is worn around the neck of nearly all Christians.

It has been said that the devotion which Ethiopian Christians have for the cross can never be fully realised by anyone who has not witnessed the Feast of Maskal.

The fragment of the true cross which by tradition, originally went to Alexandria, was eventually brought to Ethiopia and is preserved in the Church of Egziaber Ab in the monastery of Gishen in the awe-inspiring mountains of Ambasel deep in the Wollo Governorate-General.

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COMMUNITY GAMES

In the excitement of the Field & Track & Swimming Events, we must not forget our Team Events: Gaelic Football & Soccer Players, who will we hope have better luck next year. Our Gallant Chess Team, who are already getting ready for next year. The Boys and Girls Basketball Teams, here we must mention Mr. Dermott Sheriff, who coached our Girls, wished we had found him sooner, we do not intend to lose sight of him, we will depend on him to bring us through next year, with both boys and girls. Our so young Tennis Players who put up a great game against their older competitors and our Badminton Players on who we are depending to get one team Event to Mosney. Good Luck Boys & Girls we know you will do your best. Congratulations to all our teams, you took part in our Games and that is what it is all about.

The Art Competitions are not over as yet, we know Miss Rafferty from Post Primary is going to judge them for us, and we thank her. We have made so many new contacts, so many new friends.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Souvenir Booklet

The Committee has decided to issue a Souvenir booklet of our first Community Games. It will contain all the results including the heat results.

The actual size of the Booklet has not yet been decided but it is hoped to include about 80 photographs.

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