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Local Government and European Parliament Elections take place on June 7th. These are every bit as important as the Dail Election, and everyone should VOTE. Remember, the bigger the pole, the more likelihood of the candidate of your choice getting elected.

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The next issue of the NEWSLETTER will be a double issue for July/August. This is to allow the hard working Committee to have a short break. All items for inclusion in this issue should be handed in by June 10th

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Maynooth Community Games take place this month on June 9th and 10th and promise to be an enormous success. The children deserve and need your whole-hearted support, so come along on these days and cheer them on.

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TALENT CONTEST :- As already advised in the May NEWSLETTER this contest takes place on May 27th and June 3rd with the FINAL on June 10th. They will be held in St. Mary's Parish Hall at 8 p.m. sharp. Please come along, give your whole-hearted support and enjoy a night out.

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Greenfield Estate Maynooth RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

I am sure you will have noticed the great "Road Renovation" job carried out by the Committee Members and some very helpful residents, on Saturday 12th May. There is a great improvement in all the roads. Unfortunately the "crator" in Maynooth Park still remains the same. The Committee felt it was beyond their capabilities. We hope to have something done about this in the near future.

CATS:- While collecting subscriptions members received complaints

about stray cats and dogs. If you are the owner of a cat or dog we would very much appreciate it if you would keep it under control. If kittens or pups arrive and you don't want them, please see that they get a good home or else do the charitable thing and get them "put to sleep" and not have them straying around the estate half starved and diseased.

DINNER DANCE :- Final arrangements for the Dinner Dance have been delayed due to the Postal Strike. We hope that by next month to have definite word for you,

SUBSCRIPTIONS :- There are still some subscriptions not yet received. If you have not paid yet we would appreciate if you would drop your £2 into any committee members home.

RAFFLE:- Tickets are selling very well for the Raffle in aid of the Fence on Lawrence Ave. The raffle will take place on Sunday 3rd June in Seans. If you have difficulty in purchasing a ticket please contact Mrs. H. Gilligan, 32 Lawrence Ave. who will assist you. Tickets are £1 each and the Prize is the Outside of your house decorated, or two rooms decorated (paper to the value of £3 per roll) or £50 cash.

Finally, keep up the "cleaning up" operation - front gardens - verges - greens.

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Community Council News

The main topic of discussion at the Council Meeting on 8th May was, of course 'COMMUNITY WEEK' and the forthcoming Talent Competition. (Details of the various events, known to date, are listed under "What's on this Month" The first Heat of the Talent being on 27th May).

Special congratulations were extended to Messrs. Doyle Bros., who, at considerable expense, have landscaped the Mart area to help improve the overall look of the town. On being approached by a member of the Community Council they immediately put the work in hand.

The financing of the Council to continue its work in improving the town was discussed but no firm proposal was agreed on.

A letter from Anco asking for the Council's opinion on the spending of £7,000 on an improvement project, or projects, in the town was discussed and a special meeting arranged for 28th May, at 8.30 p.m. in the Geraldine Hall, to discuss the matter fully. A Representation from each Residents Association in Maynooth is being invited to attend.

The proposed cleaning up of the area around the Parish Hall by the local Scouts Organisation was highly commended, as the area is in a particularly bad state

The Bank of Ireland have invited members of the Community Council, with other local representatives, to inspect plans of their new offices at Main Street. Two Council members attended and discussed the plans with the Architect who is most anxious that the new building will enhance and not detract from the town

The Local Scout Troop asked the assistance of the Council in purchasing, or otherwise acquiring a site or building to use as a Club House. Any suggestions from local property owners would be welcomed

I. C. A. NEWS

The April & May Meetings were well attended and very successful. Our heartiest congratulations to Mrs Satchwell who won the 'Pork & Bacon' competition at Federation level and to add to that she took 1st place in Kildare Federation for the B.I.M fish Cookery Competition. We now wish her every success as she goes forward to All Ireland Level, at the end of May. May we also thank Mrs. Hickey from Post Primary School who judged the Fish Cookery at local level

A very successful Childrens Party took place on 18th April, in our Hall, for members children and grand-children. This was attended by about 60 children and was greatly enjoyed by all. With fun and games and lots of treats for the kiddies, it was an evening of fun for all. Great thanks for the success of this party goes to our Youth Officer - Mrs T Bennett

A very entertaining afternoon was had by 11 members at Russborough House on the 21st April. They went on a tour of the house, and had afternoon tea. The raffle for April was won by Mrs. Gallagher and the competition was won by Mrs. Satchwell, 2nd place to Mrs. M. Doyle.

Congratulations to Mrs. J. Howard Williams and Mrs. S. Angel, who represented I.C.A. in the Macra quiz in St. Patrick's College and who came 3rd, in that contest. So with all these successes we will be hoping for good things in the Maynooth Talent contest.

Our thanks to Mr. Hardiman who gave us a very informative talk on gardening and plants, so all we need now to get busy is the weather!

At the May Meeting we had a talk from Mrs. Barber, Federation, President, on European Elections and our grateful thanks to her. The May competition was won by Mrs. Kiely with Mrs. Hanly taking 2nd place. The raffle was won by Mrs. B. Brady.

A Kildare Federation Garden Party is being organised for the 7th July, to take place at Hewetson School Clane. We hope many of our members will attend and enjoy same, weather-permitting. On May the 18 some of our Globe Trotting members will once again take off for Cherbourg. This trip proved so successful we feel it is here to stay, thanks to Mrs. Howard Williams, who successfully carries out all organisation for same. Our next Meeting will be at 8 p.m. sharp on the 7th June and new members are always welcome.

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FROM CLLR. BERNARD DURKAN COUNTY COUNCIL NEWS

The Secretary of the Co. Council made the following replies to questions submitted by Cllr. Bernard Durkin. (Due to lack of space the question and replies have been condensed)

Q. Provision of bus turning point on Straffan Road ?

R. Finance not available this year to acquire land for turning point. Arrangements being made for inclusion in provisional estimates for 1980

Q. Urgence of repairs to road surfaces throughout the County?

R. Inclement weather prevented work on roads. Insufficient funds available for such repairs (only small increase in money available for 1979 which, with inflation V A T and heavy expenditure on road gritting and salting in the frosty weather, will leave a considerable shortage of finance for road works) Some areas where heavy lorry traffic, pipe-laying etc are causing damage may find the problem acute

Q. Concerning availability of grant of assistance to Kildare Federation of Youth Clubs.

Whether or not the Council can offer grant assistance will depend of type of proposals submitted by the Federation of Youth Clubs. A grant to the Federation of £100 re drama festival approved by the County Council in 1978 has been held up through relevant information not being supplied by the Federation.

Q. Indication when Department of Environment was likely to sanction Laragh water scheme ?

R. Design data, etc. handed to Co. Engineer on 13th March last for approval, when approved it will be passed to Department which will arrange and organise the scheme. It is not possible

to give exact date of clearing by Dept. of the Environment.

Q. Position re cleaning up or piping of river at Parson Street ?

R. Some cleaning carried out last year. Piping river not necessarily best, prospect of landscaping being investigated.

In relation to an extension of Bus Services, Cllr. Durkan proposed that at peak periods the No. 66 Bus should proceed over the Town Bridge and on to Celbridge via the Celbridge Road - this would serve both Railpark and Greenfield. The Celbridge Bus, No. 67 could operate in the opposite direction.

This is being investigated at present and a report will also be presented.

Councillor Bernard Durkan strongly pressed for the introduction of a suburban Rail service for Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip when C.I.E. officials attended a recent meeting of Kildare County Council. Since the response from C.I.E. was not satisfactory Cllr. Durkan proposed that a deputation from County Council meet the Minister in the presence of the C.I.E. officials, and this was agreed. Information on the outcome will be available later.

PROGRESS ON THE PEDESTRIAN FOOTBRIDGE

Councillor Durkan reports that the bridge is already fabricated and ready for delivery.

It appears that there are some differences between C.I.E. and the County Council over way-leaves, and as soon as these items are resolved the bridge will be placed in position.

JOB CREATION PROSPECTS - NORTH KILDARE

Cllr. Durkan reports that replies received by him from the County Development Officer states that the Council has been pressuring the I.D.A. to provide factories at Kilcock and Leixlip. A.N.C.O. has also stated that they will consider any project or scheme which might come under their Youth Training Programme.

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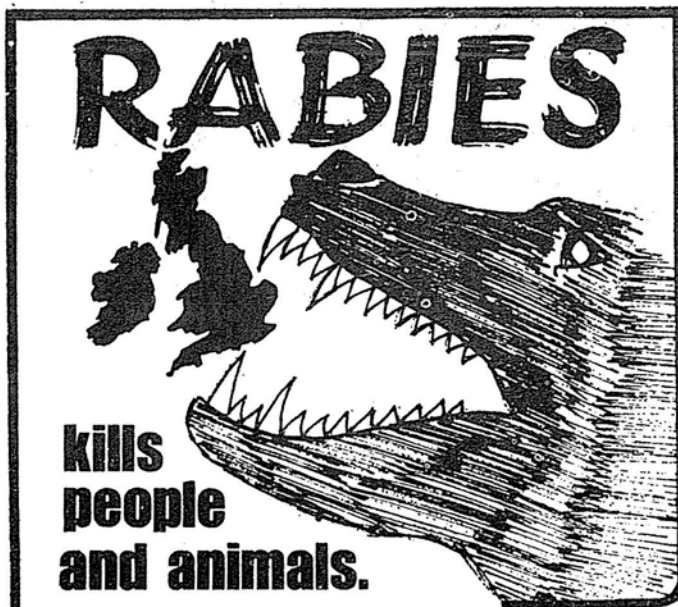
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May 27th - Talent Contest first Heat,
Parish Hall at 8 pm

May 30th - Open Meeting Community
Games, Geraldine Hall 8 30 pm

May 31st - Boy Scouts Open Night for
Parents at 7 30 pm

June 3rd - Greenfield Estate Raffle

June 3rd & 4th - Athletic Club Outing
to Meath Championships at Summerhill

June 3rd - Talent Contest Second Heat
Parish Hall at 8, pm

June 5 & 6th - Girls Community Games
Swimming - College Pool

June 7th - County Council and European
Elections

June 7th I C A. Meeting at 8 pm

June 8th - Boys Community Games
Swimming - College Pool.

June 9th & 10th - Maynooth Community
Games.

June 10th - Final of Talent Contest -
Parish Hall at 8 p.m.

June 23rd. - Old Folks Outing.

June 23rd. Past Pupils Union Disco
at 8 p.m.

June 24th - Presentation Convent Ceili

July 6th - Maynooth Town Soccer Club
Dinner Dance - Osta John Devoy.

July 7th - I.C.A. Garden Party at
Hewetson School, Clane.

July 15th. A.G.M. Town Soccer Club at
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To Mat & Joan Carroll, Dillons
Road, Maynooth on the Birth of a
Son.

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To Michael & Mona Byrne, The Green,
Maynooth on the Birth of a Son

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Congratulations to Joe Murray,
O'Neill Park, Maynooth on his recent
success in the Bank Of Ireland tal-
ent Song Contest in Malahide, Co.
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4th as nobody arrived at the appointed
time. As it is apparent that there
is no interest at present in having an
active association, the activities of
the committee is suspended.

Should anyone care to re-activate the
Committee they can contact John Read,
86 Rail Park who will supply them
with all the Associations records to
date.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

At the above which takes place on
June 7th Maynooth will be represented
by Bernard Durkin. In the interests
of having the items which relate to
Maynooth area and residents pursued
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nard, who since he was co-opted to
the Council some time ago has work-
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TIDY TOWNS REPORT

The rather critical editorial in the October 1978 Newsletter spurred the community council into responding quickly, by appointing a small sub committee John Joe Costin, Tony O'Farrell and Leo Bean, to see what immediate steps could be taken to improve our ranking in the Tidy Towns Competition. We decided first of all to examine the adjudicators reports and endeavour to rectify the criticisms made, in the reports of the previous three years.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:-

This, the adjudicators measure by the presentation of the towns streets, buildings and open spaces. Their impression of Maynooth last year, was one of limited community effort. They alluded to the obvious indifference of too many of the towns inhabitants to the appearance of the town.

To create an awareness of the need for greater tidiness and community involvement an art competition was held in January. The response was overwhelming. We hope, that the zeal of all those who entered the competition will be translated into action during the Summer. A small effort on all our parts will significantly reduce the litter on our streets.

DERELICT BUILDINGS:-

We hope to improve the appearance of the derelict buildings around the town, by getting the exteriors painted or whitewashed. We would be glad for any volunteers who could help with this work, during the long summer evenings of June.

PRESENTATION OF BUILDINGS:-

In previous years the appearance of a number of buildings were criticised in the Tidy Towns report. We were

very pleased by the very positive response Mr. Myles Doyle, Maynooth Cattle Mart made to our submission on planting trees in his carpark to screen the mart. He went to considerable expense, to implement the proposals we put to him. In doing so he has considerably enhanced not only his own property but also the main approach to the town.

Directly across the road the County Council, likewise, have completed a very praiseworthy roadside improvement at O'Neill Park. Committee work is made easy by such immediate and positive actions.

We discussed with the County Council the various improvements, we plan to undertake in cleaning up areas, developing open spaces and tree planting. These were enthusiastically endorsed in most cases. Already the Council have commenced phase (1) in developing the open space by the river.

The realignment of the wall and road has created new vistas in Pound Street. We hope progress will continue throughout the summer on further works in this area.

SHOP FRONTAGE:-

The tidy town adjudicators frown upon plastic fascia on shop fronts, neon signs and large plastic symbols overhanging the streets. The use of these materials is being criticised with increasing frequency. These materials do not harmonise with our Main Street, which is one of the best laid out Streets in Ireland. Traditional shop fronts such as 'Coonans' have been praised in former reports. We are confident that the latest improvements by shop owners will also elicit some praiseworthy comments from adjudicators.

Kevin McNamara, has not only put up very attractive window blinds on his shop front but he has also agreed to take down the plastic signs which hang from the wall.

The Leinster Arms have already shown a similar enlightened approach in removing the sequined signs from their lovely

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The recent decoration in the traditional style of Connolly's Hardware makes an attractive focal point at the entrance to the Main Street.

We would like to encourage any other owners contemplating shop front changes to seek out the advice of the various interested bodies, to assist them design a new frontage which would harmonise with the street and complement other fine buildings in the Town.

OPEN SPACES:-

Now that summer has finally arrived we would ask the various residents, to continue working to improve their gardens. In particular we hope that the grass on the many open spaces that now exist in Maynooth will be mowed with greater regularity in 1979. It is easier to mow once per week, than to cut silage once a month.

Finally we would like to thank Cllr. Durkan, for his advice on the many local issues we referred to him for guidance.

FOR ANY INFORMATION regarding the Tidy Towns please contact John Joe Costin - PHONE : - 286413



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Editorial

Commencing June 5th next, we will be celebrating our Community Week, a time set aside to remind us of our own community in general and our involvement in it. Being the 'YEAR OF THE CHILD', this year, there is decided emphasis on children this year i.e. children's games etc. and in this respect we shall be selecting our '-Champions' to represent Maynooth at the County Community Games, and, hopefully, at National level (one never knows, perhaps we have a national champion in our midst).

Elsewhere in our columns will be seen details of other events arranged to celebrate the Week. We use the word 'WEEK' in the loose sense as the period extends beyond just a week this year. Due to organisational difficulties some of the planned events could not be slotted into one week but, next year, our organisation should have improved.

The purpose of the 'Community Week' of course, is to bring the whole Community together as far as possible and to help us to know one another better. In consequence, each and everyone, in the town is asked to try and become involved in the several events or, at least, to lend support by attending them. We have a fast growing community at present and it would be a pity indeed if it were to develop piecemeal without reference to the whole.

It is hoped that our small beginning this year will grow, with the years, to become a full representative demonstration of the spirit of the whole Maynooth area.



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SUMMER SCHOOL - First two weeks July for 1st & 2nd years ; Last two weeks July for the age group 6 - 12yrs. More details later.

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TABLE LOOMS - 15 Table Looms will be needed for Art Classes next September. Do you know of anyone having a broken loom? We'd be glad to have it as it can be repaired in the wood-work class. Please contact School 286060 or Mrs. Kelly, Main Street, or Mrs. Joan Grant 286132.

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Our Easter Party in April was a great success. Fr. Martin O'Callaghan, St. Patrick's College celebrated Mass for us in the S.V.D. Hostel. He also gave us the pleasure of two lively songs after the 'cuppa'.

We had six elegant models modelling their Easter Bonnets, each receiving a prize under the following headings:

MOST ORIGINAL - Mrs. Mary Waldron
Leinster Cottages

MOST FASHIONABLE - Mrs. Kiely,
Main Street.

MOST PRACTICAL - Mrs. Smith,
Parson Street.

MOST COLOURFUL - Mrs. Bennett,
Moyglare Road.

MOST ATTRACTIVE - Mrs. Leavy,
Celbridge (late of Maynooth)

MOST ACADEMIC - Mrs. Katie Morgan
Dublin Road.

Providing music for us was our own Brian Lawless S.V.D. who was joined by Ken O'Brien and Kevin McGovern on guitars. Ray Earle, Dunboyne, joined them for awhile also. That lively little dancer from Kilcloon Sandra Bermingham did two lively dances for us. It was lovely to have some of our Dunboyne friends join us. Carmel Mullally who comes with the Old People from Dunboyne sung two lovely songs for us. The lucky winners in the Bingo Session were - Mrs. Smith, Parson Street - Mrs. Kiely, Main Street - Mr. Duffy and Mrs. Reilly Dunboyne - Mr. McCrea - Mrs. Morgan - Maynooth.

Our two birthday "girls" were Mrs. Coughlan who was 88yrs. and Mrs. K. Dunne who was 80years.

Our last party for this Session took place on Sunday 13th May in S.V.D. Hostel. Fr. John Morrissey a White Father studying in Maynooth celebrated Mass. Fr. Morrissey will be returning shortly to his work in Nigeria. We wish him every success in his future Mission work.

Entertainment was provided by Brian Ken & Kevin with solo acts by Mick Murphy, Christy Dempsey, Francis Murphy, Carol and Aisling Barton, Josephine Moore and Ann Kelly.

Lucky Winners in the Bingo Session were Mrs. Scanlon, Doctor's Lane Mrs. Flanagan, Newtown, Mrs. Kitty Thompson & Mrs. Connolly Greenfield.

Sixteen names were drawn to go to a Party in Dunboyne on Sunday 20th May.

Our outing will be on Saturday 23rd June, leaving Maynooth at 2.30 p.m. sharp. Names will be collected by Committee Members in the next week or so. We are looking forward to seeing you all on the Outing

After this we will take a rest until September when we will be doing our House-to-House Collection

Our Sale of Work will be on Sunday 25th November. We regret very much that we are losing one of our most faithful workers in the Committee - Patricia Dempsey. Patricia will be getting married shortly and each and everyone of us wish her every happiness in the years to come

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Belated Birthday greetings to Mrs. Kitty Thompson whose birthday was the 5th April, we missed it for the last issue.

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Birthday Greetings to Mrs. Sherry on her 75th Birthday the 5th May

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Congratulations to Oliver Grehan who last month celebrated his 71st Birthday

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PRESENTATION :- Congratulations to Bernard (Benny) Farrelly, Kilcock Road who celebrated his 75th birthday on May 12th. A surprise for Benny was the presentation of a Birthday Cake by Mrs. Ann Cassidy, the Roost Inn and a wallet of notes by her husband Noel. Both presents were gifts from the Cassidy Family, the Staff & Benny's 'Roost Inn' friends.

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NOTES FROM GERRY BRADY

Representations have been made by Gerry Brady on the following problems :-

- 1) Back entrance for Greenfield housing scheme
- 2) Price of Council Sites at Greenfield
- 3) Car-Park at Greenfield Shopping Centre.
- 4) Condition of roads at Cluain Aoibhinn Estate.

MAYNOOTH SPORTS FIELD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Gerry Brady has been informed by Deputy Paddy Power T.D. that £10,000 has been granted to the above project. This grant will cover the employment of eight young persons for twenty five weeks.

FOLLOWING REPRESENTATIONS from Maynooth Cumann and Gerard Brady, Deputy Paddy Power has received the following letter from Kildare County Council.

Dear Deputy Power,

I have received your representations on behalf of Mr. Tony Kennedy, 111 Carton Court, Maynooth, who is the Secretary of the Residents' Assoc., at Carton Court.

The position here is that planning permission has been granted to Tony Vaughan in respect of the development at Carton Court and the County Council has been in contact with Mr. Vaughan, regarding compliance with the various conditions imposed at the time planning approval was granted. I may add that in this case, planning approval was granted on appeal to the Minister for the Environment, as the County Council had refused planning permission because of deficiencies in services and other problems regarding open space and access roads. However, planning permission was granted and the County Council had to have regard to this planning permission and endeavoured to include conditions which would, in fact, provide for open space and for improved road services for both the residents of Carton Court and of the adjoining Greenfields Estate.

So far, the developer has refused to respond to the request made by the planning authority regarding the development and I have now given instructions that the file be referred to the Council's solicitor so that appropriate High Court Action may be taken. I have been in touch with the Dublin authorities concerning problems relating to developers not completing estates and I have ascertained that in recent months, the Dublin County Council have been taking cases to the High Court, with success.

In so far as there are defects in individual houses, this is a matter for the purchasers of the houses to pursue through their own legal advisors. When an individual purchases a house from a developer, he enters into a contract, that the purchaser would have some person available to advise him in relation to the condition of the house which is being bought and also in relation to the over-all development of the estate. It is imperative, therefore, that householders who have subsequent grievances should pursue these grievances with the developer on foot of any contract agreement which was entered into between the purchaser and the developer. The Council cannot get involved in fighting legal issues on behalf of tenants of houses as the residents would have their own legal remedy, and consequently, Mr. Kennedy or the Residents' Association should be advised to take appropriate legal action on their own account.

I trust the foregoing explains the position for you.

Yours sincerely,

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VENTURES

This months report is largely concerned with our Venturers and rightly so! They have been extremely active lately and deserve to hog the headlines. Who are they?

Well they are the senior Scouting group, being over 16 years old, qualifies them as the "daddies" of scouting in their area. In effect they are a transitional group who hopefully will be tomorrow's leaders. Indeed, they are already doing this, having supervised a very successful scout camp held 4th to 7th May in Donadea. Venturer Leader Willie Crowley and his co-parts justified our faith in them in this venture. By way of introduction they are:-
LEADER -- Willie Crowley
Venturers - Sean & Owen Donovan, Karl Lyon - Liam Scanlon

Raffle:- Results of the venturer unit raffle and draw held on the 24th April last are :-

1st Prize (Tape Recorder) - John Flaherty., 32 Josephin Ave., Brighton Hill, London S.W. 2
2nd Prize (Electric Toaster) Mrs. A. Lombard, 32 Maynooth Park.
3rd Prize - (Bottle of Brandy) Roger Clancy, Barton Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14.

OTHER NEWS :-

Recruiting - As part of our drive to build up numbers in our Scouts, an open night for parents will be held on Thursday 31st May from 7.30 p.m. in conjunction with the normal scouts "get together". Please come along and find out about scouting, everyone is welcome!
The first phase of our campaign is already underway with the distribution of hand-outs on scouting to 5th and 6th classes.

CONGRATULATIONS - to Mr. & Mrs John O'Connell, a daughter, Clare, , this will not swell the scout numbers but maybe the Girl Guides will benefit.

Finally, we have two teams taking part in the Cubs regional Soccer Competition on Sunday 20th May in Lucan. Hopefully a good results to report in our next issue.

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.

EVERYONE WELCOME

ST. MARY'S BAND

Well readers, the two big events planned for last month have met with mixed fortunes. The starting date for the repairs on the Band Hall has had to be deferred due to, as RTE might say, a "technical fault at the Transmitter" but we are still committed to getting the work completed before the end of the Summer.

The other big event, the Sponsored Walk, proved a tremendous success despite the very poor weather with which we were blessed. Coincidentally our walk was held in "Sport for All" week-end but it was only through the indirect help of our other web-footed friends the Athletic Club that our walk got under way at all. Having agreed to lead off their "Jog" from the College Gates, and knowing that it takes more than a drop of rain to dampen the spirits of Pearse Breslin, Peig Lynch & Co we duly turned out and got them off to a splashing start. Fortunately for us the rain began to ease by this stage so we put our best feet forward and set off for Celbridge.

The walk turned out a most enjoyable affair, a quiet afternoon stroll? The trip was enlivened by Paddy Dunne's 'electrifying' boost at Taghadoe where he handed out packets of crisps a band playing and again at Celbridge where he backed these up with bottles of minerals (what else from a Pioneer). In between we plashed the residence of "cowjack" (Michael 'on the land' Dillon to the uninitiated) safely chaperoned by two large sheepdogs - without the lollipops. In the Town of Celbridge the silence of the afternoon was broken by the sound of St. Mary's Band

stepping it out through St. Patrick's Park - a very rare sight indeed - and residents really did appear to enjoy being wakened from their 'Sunday Snooze'. After a short parade to Castletown Gate we disposed of our instruments, put our heads down and headed for home. On this leg the thin "Blue Band" - not the margarine - got thinner and thinner as we neared home but it finally finished up as - "THE ST. MARY'S BAND" at Laurence Avenue from where we set off on the last leg of the walk to "The Thing" in the Square. Despite it's chequered history this building seemed like 'The Taj Mahal' to our weary bodies and aching feet. We must compliment all of the Band Members who turned out in force on such a wretched day in particular everyone who sponsored us so generously. The total amount collected is not available at the time of writing but will certainly appear in next month's NEWSLETTER.

One item not mentioned in last months Newsletter was the Presentation made at our Dinner Dance to our Bandmaster Cliff Murphy in recognition of the tremendous amount of work which he has put into the Band during the past ten years and a great deal of credit for the musical ability of the present Band is due to his unselfish devotion and instruction, all of which is greatly appreciated by the members and committee.

As the Editor must now be running short of paper I will briefly mention two events coming up in June. The Lakeland Band Festival in Mullingar and The National Band Championships in the R.D.S? BOTH OF WHICH ARE of considerable importance to us. It is some years since we have had a Band capable of even competing in the National Championships and for us it is quite an achievement to compete at all so we are thankful for small mercies at this stage. The Lakeland Festival is organised by the Mullingar Town Band, a group with which we have had very close ties in recent years and our attendance here should serve to enhance that relationship.

We really must finish now but watch this space again next month for a further BAND BULLETIN.

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1) That the Eastern Health Board is to go ahead with the provision of an ambulance service to be located at Maynooth health centre. The ambulance to cover the north of the county has been bought and it appears now to be a question for the Health Board as to the cost of the service.

2) That in the current building programme of County Kildare V.E.C. working drawings for Maynooth are at present being considered by the Department. The Parent Teachers Association has presented a video-cassette recorder to the school.

3) That the Government has given approval in principle for the transfer of the Royal Canal from C.I.E. to the Office of Public Works. Implementation of the transfer which will require legislation, is being planned. One wonders if the "jingle-jangle of the old triangle" will reach as far as Maynooth?

4) That the County Manager thinks that there are traffic problems in Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip where the road is a disgrace to the rest of the country. Perhaps some one mentioned the sixty-six bus crash at Leixlip bridge?

5) That according to a study on third-level education by County Dublin Vocational Education Committee 7,000 to 10,000 places will be needed within County Dublin by 1991. It is suggested that the University

at Maynooth might be able to play a greater role if adequate transport by road and rail were provided. Maybe the Office of Public Works would provide canoes for students if they have taken over the canal by 1991. They would be a lot safer going under Leixlip bridge than going over it. (I know! It's the Liffey goes under Leixlip bridge not the canal but the crack was worth while)

6) That the County Development Officer told Kilcock Court that development had been restricted in Maynooth but that the Minister had reversed planning permission refusals offhand on a number of occasions. The County Council were fined for polluting the Lyreen River on August 29th and December 14th, 1978 but denied that they had allowed uncontrolled development in the area.

7) That the builders of Greenfield Estate were charged with failing to complete the estate in accordance with the terms of planning permission. It was estimated that it would cost £23,000 to complete the development. The Court was told that the money from the sale of ground rents was to be applied to the carrying out of the work and that the sale was still proceeding. A considerable sum would come out of the ground rents sale! Shades of A.C.R.A. ! The bond lodged with the County Council amounted to about £8,000 including interest.

8) That as a result of representations by Maynooth Fianna Fail Cumann the

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Minister for Fisheries and Foetry has taken up with Kildare County Council the following matters:- Improvement of the road from Nine-mile-house to the Hitchin' Post and the provision of a central white line. The extension of refuse collection to the Ballygoran area. The cleaning of the road through Old Greenfield. The extension of footpath from Maynooth on the Kilcock road. That a footbridge be provided at the bridge on the Newtown Road. The completion of the footpath outside the last six houses at Cluain Aobhinn estate. The provision of lighting from Maynooth to Greenfield.

9) That the County Council is pressing the Department of the Environment for the provision of a water supply to sixty houses at Calverstown, Kilcullen. The County Council's concern can be appreciated if one considers what water rent these tenants may be obliged to pay. (I don't give up - do I?)

10) That that's all for this month but don't tune out there's plenty more to come in July. Knowledge is power if you use it in the right way.

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Formerly from Castlegregory, Co. Kerry, Garrett came to Maynooth about 40 years ago and has been a well respected member of our community ever since.

To his wife and family we extend our sincere sympathy.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Sons and Daughters & relatives of the late Mary Harte, Kellystown, Leixlip, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sent Mass Cards, letters of sympathy, those who called personally and who attended the removal of the remains, the Mass and the funeral. Trusting this will be accepted by all in grateful appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

NYLAND :- The wife and family of the late John Nyland, 836 Greenfield, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; to those who sent Mass Cards, Seraphic Certificates and Wreaths; to those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral. A special word of thanks to Dr. Cowhey, Nurse Hyland, and Nurse Reid for their kind help during his illness. Also to Fr. Supple, Fr. Walsh and Fr. Roe, to the Students Priests and Sisters of the Divine Word Missionaries, to the Sisters of the Presentation Convent, Past Pupils of the Post Primary School and Johnson Well Screen's, Leixlip Ltd. Also a special word of thanks to the kind neighbours who helped out during our bereavement. Hoping this will be accepted by all, Mass will be offered for all as a token of appreciation.

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Community Councils, Residents Associations and other Voluntary Groups are struggling to cope but generally without the help one would expect from the County Council and Politicians. They, in dealing with Politicians and County Councils, often, in fact, feel ignored and resented.

There is a general feeling that it is time that party politics was taken out of local government and recognition and encouragement given to each Community - the last group generally to be consulted.

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Number of respondents	412
Total number of visits per month	6976
Average number of visits daily	232
Average number of visits per person/month	17

IF RAIL SERVICE WERE PROVIDED

Number of uses/month (Return trip - 2 uses) 10,369

Frequency of Use	Number of Users
60 times or more	13
56 - 59	17
48 - 55	33
40 - 47	118
24 - 39	47
16 - 23	47
10 - 15	18
4 - 9	53

346

Average number daily uses	345
Average number of uses per person per month	25

TIMES:-

A clear preference was shown for times (1) and (4)

(1) 7.45 - 9.15	50% of uses
(2) 9.30 - 1.15	5% "
(3) 1.15 - 5.00	5% "
(4) 5.00 - 6.30	40% "



CAR USERS:-

Number of respondents who use the car to commute more than eight times per month.	193
Total number visits by car per month	3872
Average number of visits daily	129
Average number of visits per person per month	20

IF RAIL SERVICE WERE PROVIDED

Number of uses per month	6117
Average number of uses daily	203
Average number of uses per person per month	32

The survey demonstrates the large numbers which commute, the high frequency of commuting both amongst car and bus users and the need for a regular rail service. The message which came through repeatedly, particularly from car users emphasized the savings in time, fuel frustration, and energy effectiveness which would result from the speedy implementation of the rail service, and the strong measure of support which existed for it.

EDITOR'S COMMENT:-

In view of the nearness of the Local Government Elections, now is the time for Residents to raise this matter with the Local County Councillors as they canvas for votes. We should urge them to do their utmost to get a Commuter Rail Service for Maynooth.



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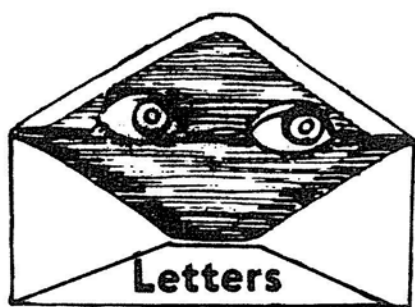
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to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It was great to see in the last addition of 'OUR NEWSLETTER' Greenfield Residents Association asking everyone to make an effort to tidy up their front gardens, because a general clean up would greatly improve and beautify the Area. It's a big wonder wonder that The Committee would not take a short trip across to Greenfield Drive and take a good look at the MUCK & WEEDS, we have to look at every time we retire to our Sitting Room and I am looking at it for the past five years. I find it hard to understand why we can not have a green like the rest of the estate.

I hope no member of the Committee asks me to support their Raffle, as a 'newly painted house' would not be in line with the eye-sore opposite my front door. After all 'Laurence Ave.' have their GREEN and it does them proud the way they keep it and I have nothing at all against them having their fence, but I do think Greenfield Drive deserves to have their Green seeded first. It has not even been mentioned in the Resident Notes and surely all the Little Children on Greenfield Drive need a safe and clean place to play too!

Yours sincerely,

Ann Power.

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Surely the school could be honest in this matter and forewarn parents that a photographer will be coming to take the Childrens pictures and their consent to this is required. Many parents in this day and age cannot afford £2 for photographs as well as all the other cost of our free education.

Can the schools in future please give us some warning of cost of this nature so that we can decide in advance whether we require the services or not.

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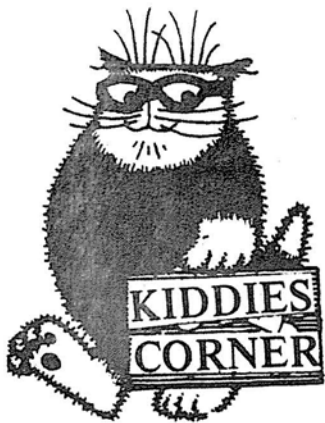
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After all that it is time to say something about last month's competition. You were all very good and we did not know that there were so many different coloured Bears, all lovely. We congratulate you all, and we decided to give you another picture to paint this month and we are sure we will get a lot of Entries like last month. If you don't get your prize soon after seeing your name in the Maynooth Newsletter, don't worry about it, You will get it.

The winners of last months colouring competition were as follows. The five best each of whom will receive £1 are:-

Joyce Carroll, Moyglare
Nial O'Malley, 5 Laurence Ave
Darren Gaffney, 6 Rail Park
Siobhain Bennett, Mooneycooley
Kevin Walshe, 37 Laurence Ave.

The remainder who will receive consolation prizes are :-

David Corcoran, Old Greenfield
Sandra Kenny, Greenfield
Geraldine McGlynn, Greenfield
Damian Carroll, Moyglare
Eamonn Dunne, Greenfield
Fergal Walshe, 37 Laurence Ave.

Anne Marie Corcoran, Old Greenfield
Nicholas Donlon, 53 Rail Park
Jannifer Horan, 274 Greenfield
Orla McStravick, 15 Laurence Ave
Colin McCall,
Geraldine Dunne, 860 Greenfield
Enda Gleeson, 858 Greenfield
Jennette Kenny, 829, Greenfield
Caroline Dunne, 860 Greenfield
Claire Hollywood, 118 Rail Park
Donaugh Breslin, 2 Leinster Park
Elizabeth Mulleague, 91 Rail Park
Pamela Lawless, Greenfield
Damian Lane, 24 Greenfield Dr
Keith Browne, 18 Maynooth Park
Mary Travers, Newtown
Susanne Higgins, 13 Laurence Ave
Alan Buckley, 37 Greenfield Dr

Congratulations to them all. This month we are again offering £1 to the best five entries received before June 16th.

Hand in your Entries to John Read, 86 Rail Park or Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield.

Cheerio for now, God Bless and we will see you all at the Community Games Please God.

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Above :- The Maynooth Badminton Club first team, winners of the League & Cup in the Dublin District League. From left front Row -- Nora Feeney, Olive Guest (sub) Maura Feeney, and Michelle Guest. Back Row -Michael Doyle, John Kennedy-Kevin Tracy, and Declan Quigley. Missing from the Photo is Elizabeth Kennedy, who in fact played in all Matches but could not be present for the picture.

Right:- On the occasion of his retirement, Archdeacon Fisher and Mrs. Fisher receiving a presentation from Mrs. Kinahan.



SPORTS PAGE

SWIMMING NOTES

By now everyone knows there is an Oil Crisis - we in the Swimming Club knew about it before Easter as one by one the Swimming Pools in the surrounding area began to close. First St. Rapnael's - our usual venue, then Clondalkin and Naas.

Thanks to the help of one of our parents Mrs. Jean Keatley, we finally got an hour in St. Vincents, Navan Road on Thursdays.

We are bringing up to 70 children on a Coach each week and as there is a "toddler" pool as well any parent supervising the bus has no problem with small children whilst there.

The stamina of youth is something that has to be seen to be believed and where adults would just stop children will continue doing length after length of the pool practicing and perfecting their strokes.


One sad note was the decision of the Scouts that "KINGS" was overcrowded and we had to withdraw our 18 Swimmers who had been sharing the pool for the past few weeks.

The Community games Swimming will be held before the next issue so we would like to wish all our Swimmers the very best of luck in these competitions.

In case people are under the impression that Community Games Swimming or indeed Athletics are confined to Clubs I would remind you that they are open to anybody who lives within the boundary laid down for the Community Games.

The Swimming Club will have a banner in the Community Games Parade and we would like to see as many as possible walking. Perhaps our adult Swimmers would like to act as stewards if you would be available please phone Eilis O'Malley - 285131.


For further details re Community Games Swimming see the Community Games notes.



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At the Clubs recent A.G.M. the following were elected :-

CHAIRMAN - Dominic Guest
SECRETARY - Jimmy Dunne
TREASURER - PADDY BOYD

COMMITTEE - Deirdre Galvin - Joyce Dunne - T. Leonard - P.J. Heneghan - N. Hallinan.

This past Season has been the most successful in the Clubs history with our First Team completing a notable double in winning the League & Cup in the Dublin & Districts competitions. Great praise must be given to the Captain Maura Feeney for the way she looked after her team. The full team is as follows. Maura Feeney (Capt) - Nora Feeney - Elizabeth Kennedy - Michelle Guest - John Kennedy - Michael Doyle - Kevin Treacy - Declan Quigley.

Our Juniors also had another great season winning lots of big competitions. Notably All Ireland & Leinster Championships and the big West Side Tournament.

Our U. 12 team of Enda Dunne - John Mullaly, Denise Guest, Mauve Kennedy, were by far the most successful.

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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB N.A.C.A.

FUN RUN :- Despite the torrential rain, experienced on Sunday April 23rd, the 'FUN RUN' was a great success. Many thanks to Father Olden of Maynooth College, who came out despite the weather to cut the tape for us, and who gave us such words of encouragement and promised to help us in every way he could. It was really great to have 'The Gown' come down to meet the 'Town', Bless you Father. To Bernard Durkan who ran all the way with us, & last but not least to Clive and his Merryman who played us off. Certainly the 'Maynooth Athletic Club' has got off to a great start, it is a lovely feeling to know that everybody is behind you.

The Members are turning up well to training keep it up children, the date for the Community Games is fast approaching the 9th & 10th June.

SPORTS OUTING:- We had a glorious outing to 'Castletown', Co. Meath on Sunday 13th, in all 58 members came. It was our first outing, the Sun shone down, and there was an event in which all ages could compete. The enthusiasm of the children was something you would have to see to appreciate, and I think everybody at the Sports realised that Maynooth Club had arrived.

Cathal Power - was our first all out winner, and so delighted were the Members of our Club, that they raced as one to the Entrance of the Field and carried him off shoulder high. In all we brought home 13 trophies, and all the children must be congratulated on the way the performed as we were up against, Community Games Winners, and even Leinster Champions. A little more experience and Maynooth will be a force to reckon with. The Black & White was a good choice of colour, it was easy to pick out our runners. Full details of winners will be published.

Here is a nice little anecdote from the end of the day. The long jump for Senior Men - our Trainer Pearse Breslin decided to enter. There was no doubting his popularity with the Club Members, the whole 58 lined the Run

up to the Board (take off), on the first run the younger members cheered as he passed them by, but the older ones got busy, up and down the line, instructing the younger ones on how shouting could upset concentration, and they must be silent when they saw him approach. Next time Pearse was called, all that could be heard was loud Shhes, Mr. Breslin is going to Jump, accompanied by finger on the lips and low whispers, then silence, you could hear a pin drop, nobody dare breathe, followed by the LOUDEST CHEER you could imagine and a scramble to surround him everybody asking at one time 'Mr. Breslin what did you do'. Then back to the line again, for the next Round. Well he did not win, pipped for 3rd place, but nobody would believe it, listening to the applause, no notice at all was taken of the fantastic Champion, after all he only did 20ft. 8", and his name was not Mr. Breslin. After that to the Bus and back to Maynooth, singing all the way, to be greeted at the Convent by a fanfare of Motor horns. How did the news of all the success travel before us, we are not sure, but suspicion points to a certain Daddy & Mammy - Chris & Marie Duff of D.C. Meats who were noticed breaking the speed limit as they passed the Bus. Nice thought and lovely ending to a really perfect day.

RESULTS FROM CASTLETOWN :-

Boys' Relay Team U/16 2nd
D. Murphy - D. Long - J. Comerford - T. Kerins.

Boys' Relay team U/14 1st
K. Breslin - P. Murray - B. Bean - G. Power.

U/11 - 200M - O. Breslin Girls 3rd.
U/12- 100M - C. Power Boys - 1st
U/13 - 200M - S. Breslin Girls - 2nd
U/13 - 200M - T. Bean Boys - 2nd
U/12 - 200M - F. Mulherne - Girls 2nd

Long Jump - O. Breslin Girls - 3rd

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Our own confined Sports was a great success. Results are as follows:-

FINALS

Boys U/8. 1. Frank Desmond -
2. Peter Flanagan - 3. Emmet Dolan 100m
Girls U/8. 1. Paula Kelly - 2. Lynn Power - 3. Nuala Noonan - 100m
Boys U/9. 1. John McLoughlin - 2. John Murray - 3. Derek Hanley - 100m
Girls U/9 - 100m - Dead Heat - Sarah Breslin & Mgt. McNamara - 2. Helen Treacy.
Boys U/10 - 200m - 1. Colm O'Donnell - 2. Paschal Ennis - 3 Mark Burns.

Girls U/10 - 200m 1. Kathleen Nevin-
2. Grainne Farrelly - 3. Leslie Grant,
Boys U/11 - 100m - 1. Michael Kelly - 2. Michael Molloy - 3. Gerard Richardson.
Girls U/11 100M - 1 - Una Breslin -
2. Antionette Higgins . 3 - Ashling Barton.
Boys U/12- 600m 1 - Jas.O'Donnell
2. - Cathal Power -
Girls U/12- 600m Fiona Mulhern
2. Anne O'Connor - 3 Elaine Collins
Boys U/13 - 100m - 1. Thomas Bean-
2. Garry Power - 3. Hugh O'Donnell.
Girls U/13. 100m - 1. Shelley Breslin - 2. Pamela Burke - 3. Una Cleary.
Boys U/14 - 800m - 1. K. Breslin -
2. Brendan Bean - 3. Tony Kerins
Girls U/14 - 800 . Noelle Barry Only runner.
Boys U/15 - 100m - 1. John Burns -
2. Declan Murphy - 3. Dominic Long.
Girls U/15 - 100m - 1. Helena Lynch
2. Sandra Cummins - 3. Bernadette Barlow.
Boys U/16 - 1500m - 1. K. Breslin-
2. Declan Murphy - 3. Tony Kerins.
Girls U/16 - 1500 - 1. Caroline Power
2. Caroline Gillespie - 3rd. - Sandra Cummins.

MEATH CO. CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Summerhill, Co. Meath, on June 3rd & 4th will be our next outing. Return Bus Fare 50p plus 20p entrance fee, a Total of 70p payable in advance if you wish to travel by Bus. Parents please give all children packed lunch.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PAST PUPIL UNION

We held our Sports Day on Sunday 29th April, it wasn't a great success owing to bad weather conditions but still we carried on.

The Winners are as follows :-

GIRLS:

1st. Lesley Daniels : 2nd - Anna Kennedy ; 3rd. Patricia McGarry.

BOYS:

1st. Declan Murphy ; 2nd - Kevin Breslin ; 3rd. Thomas Bean.

Later on that night at the Ceili the winners were both presented with a cup and plaque and the runners up were also presented with a plaque each. We hope to have plenty more events for next year.

DISCO:- Our next Disco is taking place on Saturday 23rd June, 8 o'clock 'till 12 With D.J. Phil Conly. Hope to see you all there.

Rose Burke - Secretary.

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CYCLING NEWS

When the Maynooth Cycling Club was formed in January, we had eight boys in the Club. "Where oh Where have they gone" !!!

They came and had their bicycles adjusted for racing and also bought racing gear. We now have only 3 boys racing.

The Club has gone to a lot of trouble running a 300 draw to raise funds to cater for these boys. Now that the Summer is coming perhaps they might come racing.

Once again the youngest member of the Club - Michael Cannon is the star of the month.

On the 22.4.'79 at Stamullen he came 3rd place : On 29.4.'79 Dundalk he

came 2nd: on the 6.5.'79 Balbriggan he came 4th & on 13.5.'79 Drogheda he came 4th.

Michael is only 10½ years and competing against U/12 Schoolboys from all over Ireland.

The Club League starts on May 23rd and will take place every Wednesday night. Racing will start outside Ryan & Tyrrells Garage at 7.30.

In the local Community Games on Saturday June 9th there will be a cycle race. All boys' living in Maynooth Parish under the age of 16 years are entitled to take part. The first 3 will represent Maynooth later on in the year.

NOTICE

Copies of Most Photographs appearing in the MAYNOOTH NEWSLETTER can be purchased by writing or applying in Person to Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield (Old) Maynooth, stating number and particulars of photograph required.

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The most recent development for the benefit of mentally handicapped children in Ireland was the introduction of the Special Olympics held at Gormanstown College for the first time during the weekend after Easter. It is with a great sense of pride that we record the tremendous success of the pupils of St. Anne's School who competed at the games - returning with many gold, silver and bronze medals. This outstanding achievement is indicative of the high standard of results being attained in the services being provided by our Community through KARE. Congratulations to the children and young adults, to their teachers, and to the voluntary personnel from the army who helped to coach them.

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COMMUNITY GAMES

"Co-operation is the Food on which it will Flourish"

The motto of the Community Games, which in other words means that the Games are for the whole Community each and every one of you old and young are expected to be involved, and to co-operate in any way you can.

Most of you have already co-operated by helping to finance the Games, the results of the collection is not yet known, but will be published next month. Here is where we should say 'thank you', but we won't because the GAMES are not ours they are YOURS they belong to the Community of Maynooth, and we in the Committee are only helping you to run your games. They are for your Children, we want every child in the Parish, who can walk to participate. Remember we expect you all from Kellystown, Kilmacraddock, Obelish, Ballygoran, Barberstown Cross, Lady Chapel, Smithstown, The Maws, Moyglare, Old Carton, Blakestown

Let everybody understand the Games are not for just members of Clubs, and those who take part do not have to belong to any Club, just to the Parish of Maynooth as set out above. They are in fact, and we repeat, your GAMES.

HOW DO YOU ENTER?

Just come along and join the parade on the great Day Saturday 9th June. It will start in the "MART" (by courtesy of Doyle Bros.) at 1.45 p.m. sharp so be there about one. Scouts Guides and Cubs will march in Uniform. We expect all Clubs to carry Banners or Flags this includes team events. Those who do not belong to a Club, we hope will March in groups, with the name of their District where they live, on their Banner, and if you come from an outline area, and there are only a few of you, we'll ask Mammy nicely to make you a Little coloured Flag to wave around. Look in the Rag Box. We want as much colour in the Parade as possible.

The Parade will follow the Band to the G.A.A. Field where the children will continue to Parade until the Lighted Torch arrives which will be carried by various groups. We even hope to ignite a Bowl of Light which will remain for the duration of the Games.

When the torch bearer arrives the Community Games Pledge will be said by all. This pledge is the Common Bond between all Community Games, perhaps the Teachers & Masters could help by reading it in class, so as the children can follow the words easily on the great day.

"We pledge ourselves to the ideal of the National Community Games in a spirit of friendly rivalry. We shall strive to participate with honest endeavour. Our aim shall not be victory at any price but we shall genuinely seek to unite our Community in friendly sporting competition. By competing fairly and honestly, we the Children of this Community shall attempt to make our Town Maynooth a happier place to live in"

Then the games are off. Each child, and here again our Teachers and Masters can be a great help, should wear a tag of some kind, on which is written their name, address, age and date of birth. This is to avoid tears at a later stage.

THE AGE

Competitors in all competitions must be under the specified age on 31st July of the year in which the competition are taking place. This is a very strict rule.

Remember no Entry Forms are necessary - No entrance fee is necessary - We hope to have plenty of Stewards who will help marshal the children. You just listen until the event to suit your age is called and go up to the line. Here again our teachers and Masters will be worth their weight in gold (as if they are not always!) Names will only be taken at the winning line, of the first 3 or 4 whatever the Committee decides at the next meeting. You can enter as many events as you like provided you are the right age.

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All the heats will be run on the Saturday, and Finals on Sunday 10th 1st, 2nd & 3rd. In each event will go forward to County Level, which will be held in Newbridge, date to be fixed. Names of the first 6 in each final event will be taken, in case any child does not wish to go forward. There will of course be no awards given on Saturday, except the wonderful thrill of going forward to the Finals on Sunday. We hope everybody will compete in something, don't forget we could not have winners if we did not have losers.

The Swimming Events will be over before that date as the Girls Events will be on the 6th June and the Boys the 8th June. However they will not be presented with their medals or Trophies until Sunday 10th. We intend having 3 rostrums on which 1st, 2nd & 3rd will stand to receive their awards.

The Town will we hope be a blaze of colour (to let children know something very special is happening) ladies are already busy making Bunting, if anybody has any flags in the Town dig them out. We want a Banner to hang across the Main Street with "COMMUNITY GAMES" written or painted on it. If you can help ring Peig Lynch 286110.

There will be an Open Meeting on Wednesday 30th May, at 8.30 in the Geraldine Hall and we want Everybody, just everybody, who can contribute in any way, by offering themselves as stewards, who have any suggestions to add to the pageantry of the occasion, the Civil Defence who may give us advice and help on how to Steward the Parade, The Red Cross, whom we would love to have as a back up, hopefully we will not need them, but it is re-assuring to have them there. All those who have knowledge of how to run Events. To remind us of the little things we are likely to forget. We have done our best. We need your help NOW.

SERGEANT HIGGINS the Committee showed warm approval when they learnt all the trouble you took to get out collection permit, without

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Community Games continued

you we would have been lost. Community effort again, that is what is all about

We had one moment of panic when we heard fees had to be paid by May 3rd and we not even the owners of one penny. However 'BIG DADDY' the Community Council came forward and paid them for us, which goes to prove that Daddies are useful things to have around

SWIMMING COMMUNITY GAMES

BOYS :- As the Boys' National School will be closed Friday 8th June we have decided it would be an ideal day to have the Swimming.

Boys under 8 - Parish Hall at 11 a.m.
 " 10 " " at "
 " 12 " " "
 " 14 " " 4 pm.
 " 16 " " "

GIRLS :- The girls aren't as lucky as the boys so they have to swim in the afternoons of Tuesday & Wednesday 5th & 6th June.

Girls Under 8 - Parish Hall 4.30 p.m.
 " 10 " "
 " 12 " "

Above group Tuesday 5th

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Girls Under 14 Parish Hall 5.00 p.m.
 " 16 " "

Above group Wednesday 6th June.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN SOCCER CLUB

Another season is drawing to a close and sadly we must resign ourselves to being trophy-less this year. After our numerous successes in the past few Seasons this is a big disappointment to players and fans alike. However we are not too downhearted as our form of late has given us much to look forward to next season.

The first team, after a promising start to the Season which left them well in the running for honours, faded badly and lost out. Injuries and loss of form to key players contributed greatly to this. This lapse however gave Manager Liam Farrelly, the opportunity to "blood" some young players and the form of the likes of Colm Boyce, Finbar Cullen and Gerry Moen which was mainly responsible for the teams recent return to form must have pleased him greatly.

The 2nd team alas found it very difficult to field a settled side, this Season due to their own injury problems and the demand for players made by the first team. It is a credit to their manager Sheamus Tracy therefore that they did win so many matches in this very competitive league. Martin Scanlon and Ollie Durack played with distinction for them all Season.

To the third team must go the "team of the Year" title. After an indifferent start to the Season player-manager Gerry McTernian has succeeded in moulding his players into a winning combination. His team at the time of writing have now gone unbeaten since last December, defeating some "crack" sides in the process. The

form of this side, notably Gerry Mc Loughlin - Patrick Cowhey - Kevin Kilduff and John Saults has been a revelation and could yet gain them runner-up spot in their league. These performances and the form of the players already mentioned has filled the Club full of confidence that the trophy-winning day of old will return next Season.

Now on another note I would like to remind everyone that our Annual Dinner Dance will take place on Friday the 6th July in the Osta John Devoy Hotel. Those wishing to attend are asked to obtain their tickets as soon as possible or they risk missing out on what is always a very enjoyable night. Tickets are available from all Club Members and everyone is most welcome. The "Player of the year" awards will be announced at this function.

The Clubs Annual General Meeting will take place the following weekend. The venue is the Parochial Hall at 11 o'clock on Sunday 15th July. Everyone interested in the Club is urged to attend.

Finally I would like to thank all our fans for their tremendous support throughout this very wet and cold Season. It was much appreciated and we look forward to seeing you all at our Matches next Season.

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