

SPORTS PAGE

SOCCER NOTES

Dec 11/12th. Maynooth 1, Walkinstown Utd. 3. In this Glen Abbey Cup tie Maynooth led for 80 minutes but conceded two soft goals in the last five minutes to lose the tie. S. Moore scored the home sides goal.

Maynooth 2nd 4, W.P.A. 1. As a result of this fine win the "Seconds" went top of the table in their league. Playing controlled football the goals came per O. Durack 2, D. Farrell 1 & E. Ledwith 1.

The next game took place on 2nd January in the Dalton Cup.

Ringsend Rovers 3, Maynooth 3rd 1. The fitter Ringsend team got

on top in the second half and despite a good goal per J. Edwards, Maynooth could not match their hugher graded rivals.

9th January. Maynooth 3, Meathville 0. The home team gained two more points as a result of this fine win. E. Ledwith, J. Wall & J. Daly scored the goals.

15/16th Jan. Maynooth 11, Richmond Rangers 1. This incredible scoreline says it all. The home team were on top throughout this one-sided affair with goals per J. Daly 4, E. Moore 2, P. O'Connell 2, and J. Wall, C. Boyce & S. Moore one each.

Maynooth 2nd 3, I.P.P. 2. It took extra time to separate these two evenly matched sides in a thriller. Home venue just about swaying the issue wit an extra time goal from T. Moore added to N. Boyces brace, securing Maynooth's place in the next round of the Giffney Cup.

Paddock Rangers 5, Maynooth 3rd 1. In this Conway Cup game the Naas team stripped much fitter and scored three late goals to oust

CLINIC

Councillor Emmet Stagg will be in attendance at Caulfield's Lounge on the 3rd Saturday of every month from 3 to 5 pm.

He will call privately to homes in the Maynooth area on the mornings of the 3rd Saturday, if requested and will also be available at his own home, Lodge Park, Straffan, every Saturday night.

Maynooth. W. Saults scored the "Thirde" goal.

Congratulations to the following £100 winners in our weekly draw, Dec 1 Ann Carey, Main St.

Dec 8 Jim Tracey Moyglare Rd.

Dec 15 Peter Madden Straffan Way

Dec 22 Shea Eager c/o W. Saults

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FAMILY LOSES HOME

The whole Parish was shocked to hear that the home of Mr. Patrick O'Donoghue, Derrinstown, was completely destroyed by fire on New Year's Day. Most of the family were at a funeral at the time and the blaze took such a quick hold that the efforts of Maynooth Fire Brigade were in vain. They managed however, to prevent the fire spreading to an adjoining house occupied by Mr. O'Donoghue's father.

The family, consisting of his wife, son, daughter, son-in-law and grand-child have been given alternative accommodation on the property of the Duchess of Westminster,

where Mr. O'Donoghue is employed. As the family lost everything, a committee has been formed in the Parish to raise funds to reinstate the family and replace belongings. Contributions may be made to the O'Donoghue Fire Disaster Fund at A. I. B. Maynooth, or to Father Supple, who heads the committee. A house-to-house collection has been arranged and all parishioners are asked to give what they can when the collectors call to each area. It was such a sad start to the new year. If any of you wish to see the shell of the cottage which is left, Derrinstown is just a short way outside the town, on the road which connects Ladychapel with Maynooth, if you come in or go out by Cluain Aoihinn.

LOST

Silver Flute & Case. Sunday 16th January, between Church and Greenfield Supermarket. Any information to Fr. Roe or any member of the Folk Group. Of great sentimental value.

NEW SOLICITOR:

Congratulations to Miss. Mary Coakley who recently qualified as Solicitor, having received her parchment from the Irish Law Society on 13th January last.

Mary is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Coakley, Old Carton.

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All items for inclusion in the March issue of the Newsletter, should be handed in on or before 13th February.

Overheard on a bus the other day. "I can't understand all them fellows complaining about taps on their phones. They're very lucky. I can't get any sound at all."

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In previous issues, we requested the sitting T.D. in Maynooth to furnish us with the plans for dealing with a spillage of Acrylonitrile. So far we have not received them. We now call upon our new T.D. Bernard Durkan, to let us have them without any further delay.

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If anyone is upset by any of the comments in grapevine, will they please not read it any more.

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To our Dad, Pat Barton, who celebrated his birthday on January 17th. From Aisling, Feargal & Roisin.

Also Happy birthday to Aisling Barton who will be 15 yrs on 16th February. From her Dad, Mam, Feargal & Roisin.

RECENT BIRTHS

Congratulations to Seamus and Bridget Cummins, Moyglare, on the birth of a daughter.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Miriam Higgins, Greenfield, on 14th March and Celine Galligan, Maynooth Park, on 7th March.

GOOD LUCK

The Maynooth Old Folks Committee wish Mr Bill Donovan, success and good luck, with The Coffee Kitchen.

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2nd Joe Hart, c/o I.M.P. Leixlip. £50. Ticket No. 108.
3rd Imelda Dowling, 16 Leinster Cottages. £15. Ticket No. 167.
4th Stephen Redmond, 481 Straffan Rd. £10. Ticket No. 275.

The Residents Association, wishes to thank everyone who subscribed to this draw.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

One hundred and fifty old folk sat down last Sunday, January 16th, to a slap-up meal in our new library, for its very first function.

The service, the cuisine and the combustibles were all, according to the best reports, excellent, - and why not, since Mr. Ashe, the Principal, changed roles to become head-waiter!

Our thanks to all, including our own students, who rendered sterling assistance.

By the time you read this our debaters will have either won or lost the third round of the Bank of Ireland All-Ireland Debating Competition, to be held at Trinity College on Thursday January 20th.

Taking part are our first division team of Lesley Daniels, John Drennan as well as individual Owen Dockery. Niall Doran next week. Here's hoping that they will emulate the feat of Thomas Keane, who last year made it to the final and was unlucky to be beaten.

We are proud to announce our success in the recent Young Scientist of the Year Competition, more about which you can read elsewhere in these pages.

We took first prize in the Junior Biology section. All credit to three young boys comprising the team and to their teacher Mr. Seamus McManus.

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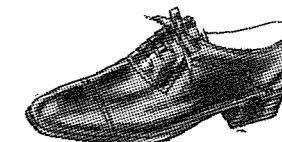
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Editorial

The headings on our daily Newspapers make rather grim reading in recent weeks and do nothing to give us confidence in our Dail Representatives or Public Servants. They really, to put it mildly, shock us to the core. Not that we did not know that all was not well, but it confirms our worst suspicions.

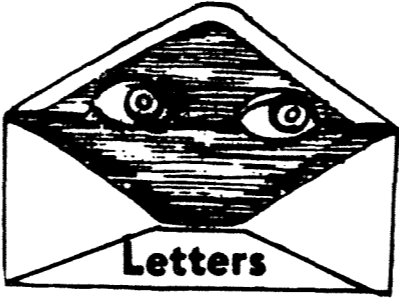
In referring to recent events, we are not hitting at any one Party, or any particular public servant but are bearing in mind the many rumours of injustice, perversion of office, bribery and corruption of every form. This is not confined to Government or Administrative circles only, but is also rampant in many if not most sections of Irish life. Every day we hear whispers of bribes being asked for by persons for the performance of their proper duties and being accepted by persons who close their eyes to the mis-doings of others.

It could be that we could look on the present upheaval as an ideal opportunity to examine the practices of our politicians, public servants and even the Judiciary itself which is not passed over by rumour rightly or wrongly. Firms and business should also check up on themselves though, in some cases, it is hard to know who should check on who - the bottom or the top. What we are suggesting is that there should be a full check up in all walks of Irish life to rid us of these gangsters who, like lice, are feeding on us daily. It is for us to demand a thorough check.

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE
Greenfields Residents Association, Annual Dinner Dance will be held on 26th February in Osberstown House. Music by the Gold and Silver. Tickets available from Vincent Mulready, Owen Byrne and Lima Higgins at £9 each, including bus, which will leave the square at 8pm. The bus will stop at Greenfield on the outward and inward journeys.

G. BRADY'S NOTES
A reply has been received from the Minister for Transport, Mr John Wilson, regarding a late morning connection from Mullingar to Athlone, to enable passengers from Maynooth to travel to the West of Ireland.

C.I.E regret that as the usage of passengers travelling beyond Mullingar TO Galway and Westport was only in the region of 18 per day, the provision of such a service was not an economic proposition.



to the Editor

Dear Sir,
I was interested to read that you describe your "Grapevine" column as a monthly and sometimes satirical review of local news, gossip, general chat and perhaps occasionally unbelievable rubbish." In the last issue you commented on the granite boulders at the entrance to Rail Park estate. If this is an example of your "unbelievable rubbish" I wonder why you went to the trouble of printing it at all. If not, the assumption you make and the questions you raise deserve an answer.

The granite boulders, with the name of the estate inscribed thereon,

were put there primarily to tell visitors where Rail Park is, and not, as you suggested, for show. The absence of such signs has been a source of irritation to both residents and visitors alike for many years now. The committee choose granite blocks, because they are permanent, maintenance free and clearly visible. They also look well, as a number of people have told us since we installed them. We are understandably pleased that they think so, as they were not as expensive as other, similar blocks in the Maynooth area. The committee decided against spending most of our funds on this project alone.

These boulders and other improvements on our estate, are merely evidence that concerned people are prepared to get out and work for the improvement of the local area. In this, I must confess, we in Rail Park are only following the very good example given us by other residents associations in the area.

In conclusion, I feel that your remarks were facetious and unnecessarily snide, and that they do an injustice

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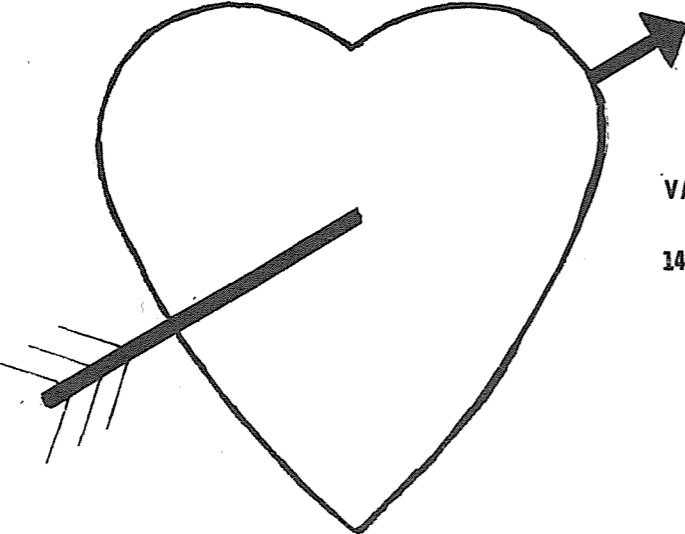
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to voluntary workers everywhere and to the well-deserved reputation which the Newsletter has enjoyed for many years.

Yours Sincerely,
Joseph J. Buckley, Chairman,
Rail Park Residents Association.

(Editors comment. We apologise if we upset anyone in Rail Park, but the remarks in grapevine were "unbelievable rubbish" and were meant to be taken lightheartedly).


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I.C.A. NOTES

Perhaps a suitable title for our new year might be, "The Year of the Firsts".

To start with, for the first time, a Maynooth member, has been elected as Kildare Federation President. Our warmest congratulations to Mrs Felicity Satchwell, who deserves the honour conferred on her in December. In addition Mrs Bridie Brady has increased our representation at Federation level, by being elected " Teachta" again. Congratulations.

While distributing new year bouquets, Mrs Marie Leydon deserves one for winning our Christmas Decoration competition. Our December seasonal supper had a suitable Christmas flavour, prepared by our industrious committee.

Our January meeting was the occasion of a double first, Mrs Nuala Fennell, Junior Minister for Womans Affairs, attended. The first Minister to attend one of our meetings, and Mrs Fennell's first public function in her Ministerial role. In her address, she gave a resume of her public career. In 1970 she became involved in the emerging groups campaigning for women's rights. She explained

her progression from "Pressure Politics" to Election Politics.

In 1977 she ran as an independent candidate. Though not elected, she secured over three and a half thousand votes, the highest total achieved till then by a non-party women candidate. She outlined for us her aspirations for the term of her office, hopefully, four years.

They embrace all womens affairs and family law reform. It is hoped that these will command cross party support, particularly from any of the fourteen female T.D.s. Mrs Fennell is probably unique, in that, if she achieves her aims, her office will be self-destructive and she will abolish the need for such a ministry in the next administration. Mrs Fennell was accompanied by Mrs Deirdre McDevitt, Founder, Chairperson of A.I.M., who would be worthwhile inviting here in her own right, as guest personality.

As Maynooth was so honoured, we took the opportunity of inviting guests from neighbouring guild. from Federation we had Mrs N. Dillon, P.R.O., representing Kill Guild, Mrs Marie Houlihan, Area V.C.O., Prosperous Guild and Mrs R. Bruton, President, Leixlip Guild. A vote of

thanks was proposed by Mrs Satchwell, in her role as Federation President.

Our President, Mrs McMyler, presented Mrs Fennell with a dried-flower wall plaque, made by one of our members, who has had notable mention in these notes. Mrs Fennell's address was so comprehensive that normal post address discussion was minimal, surely a tribute to her talent. Altogether an enjoyable and highly occassion for all of us.

We did not neglect our normal January enterprises however. The customary " Slice-of-Christmas Cake" competition was won by Mrs Mary King. We are delighted for you, Mary. Our February competition will be B.I.M. Fish Cooking project. This dish can be made with any smoked or white fish (1-1 1/2 lbs).

Our set dancers, presently practising, will be in action in Newbridge, in the Lawlor Cup competition. Similarly, our light entertainers will take part in the Border Group competition. Both events taking place in February.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish all our members a very Happy New Year. Ellis O'Malley, P.R.O.



Pictured at the January I.C.A. meeting, L. to R. Ms. Deirdre McDermott, Ms. Maisie McMyler, Ms. Nuala Fennell, (Junior Minister), Ms. Bridie Brady and Ms. R. A. Bruton.

FOROIGE

Maynooth Foroige Club would like to thank the shops and other businesses of the town, who sponsored some plants and shrubs to help us in our project to clean up the green area opposite the church.

The Kildare/West Wicklow Foroige District Council held their committee meeting in the I.C.A. Hall on the 13th of January.

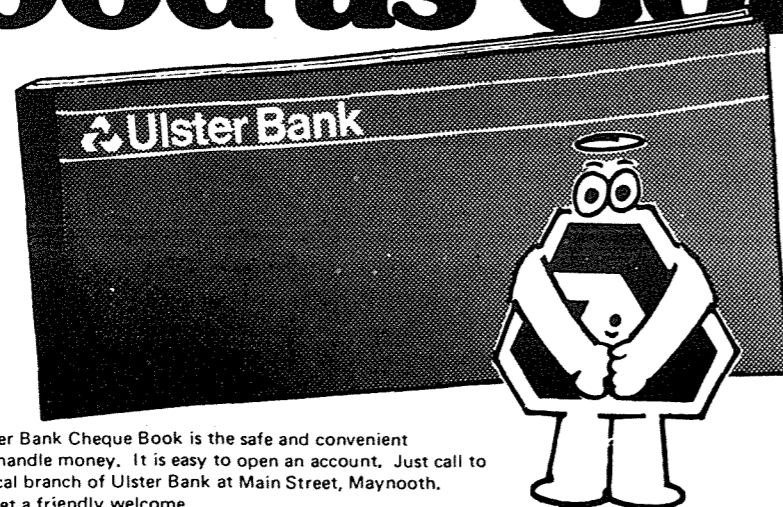
For further information, please contact; Brian O'Connell, P.R.O., 110 Rail Park. Phone (01)286433 between 4.30 and 6.00pm.

CONGRATULATIONS

And every success to Mr Bill Donovan, with his new venture, The Coffee Kitchen. From Maynooth Branch, K.A.R.E.

Maynooth won convincingly at a Foroige Quiz held in Newtown. The team was Kevin Walshe, Killian Fagan, David Kiely and Michael Hanley.

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(Annual Report)

This is a copy of our Annual Report which will be sent to the Eastern Health Board, with the Audited Accounts for 1982.

The inclement weather at the beginning of this year played havoc with lots of our plans. Our Christmas Dinner became a St. Valentine's Day Dinner on February 14th. As usual, Mrs. Gaffney and her staff did us proud in the Students' Canteen. The largest number yet - 104 - sat down to a lovely meal, followed by a lively evening's sing-song, dancing, drama (I.C.A.), and music.

PARTIES: Our first party of the year was on Sunday 18th April in the S.M.A. House. Fr. Donal O'Connor celebrated Mass for us and this was followed by the usual singsong, display of Irish set dances (I.C.A.) and Irish dancing. There was a great selection of Easter Bonnets this year. All were excellent and the judge, our beloved Bro. Tom Sullivan, of Salesian House, had a very difficult job.

Since then Bro. Tom has gone to his heavenly reward and will be sorely missed by everyone. Ar dheis De go raibh a h-anam.

Our next Party was on May 8th, in the S.V.D. Hostel. Fr. Brian Lawless and Fr. Eddie Murray celebrated Mass for us. This was followed by tea and entertainment, including a sketch and a display of Irish dancing.

The Winter Season opened with a Hallowe'en Party in the S.V.D. Hostel. Fr. Brian Lawless kindly

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celebrated Mass for us and the usual lovely 'goodies' followed with an excellent entertainment programme.

This year we had a Christmas Party instead of Christmas Dinner, as our Finances were sorely needed to get our Fuel and Laundry Schemes going again. The Special Christmas Mass - a concelebrated Mass - which was really lovely, commenced at 3.30 p.m., followed by a wonderful tea and an outstanding evening of entertainment.

Our sincerest thanks are due to Fr. Donal O'Connor, S.M.A. and his Community; to Fr. Liam Flynn, S.V.D., and his Community and to the Sisters of S.V.D. Hostel for all their help and co-operation throughout the year. To Fr. Brian Lawless, S.V.D. and Kevin McGovern for their unfailing generosity producing the music at all the parties, with the help of our many friends from the various Hostels, local talent and local dancers.

To all our Parties we invited ten Old People from both Dunboyne and Lucan Clubs to join us. Many of our Old People were also invited to parties at these Clubs.

PANTO: Eighty old people went to see "The Pirates of Penzance" at the Gaiety in March. All enjoyed the evening.

In November fifty people accepted invitations to visit the Gaiety for "Elizabeth and Robert" run by the Salesian Fathers. Our late friend, Bro. Tom, organised this for us. It was very regrettable that a very large number of people who put in their names to go did not turn up at the bus and kept the rest late for the show. They also deprived others of going who would have liked to do so. We understand that Old People may not feel up to going on a particular day but the Committee would appreciate getting notice of their inability to travel. On this occasion tickets were free but on other occasions we have been left with up to ten unused tickets for which we had to pay.

GOLDEN HOLIDAYS: We sent four people to Butlin's from June 5th to 12th. Another five people went with them at their own expense. All had a most pleasant week.

LAUNDRY SERVICES: Laundry services continued this year right up to August. Nineteen people availed of the service.

Unfortunately we could not resume this service again until two weeks before Christmas due to our financial state. The Monday collection is made every two weeks and two sheets, two pillow slip and two towels are allowed per person. Delivery back again is made on the following Friday.

FUEL: From January to May we delivered eight bags of turf to fifty-two people each month. Again, unfortunately, for lack of funds we could not commence in October. After the successful Sale of Work we were, however, able to deliver, for Christmas, four bags of turf to sixty-five people with gifts to forty-six other people consisting of tins of biscuits, cigarettes, pullover and Mass Boquets.

We reminded all to apply for the Eastern Health Board Fuel Vouchers. Unfortunately, on checking, we discovered that only sixteen people got Fuel Vouchers. The Eastern Health Board had warned

us in September that, with cut-backs, they could not guarantee to help us next year and pointed out that we should curtail our Fuel Scheme to those who do not qualify under the E.H.B. Fuel Vouchers. We regret this cut-back.

ANNUAL OUTING: On Saturday 19th June, eighty-five people and seven helpers left on our Annual Outing. This year we took a tour through Central Dublin, crossing the Liffey on the new Matt Talbot Bridge and down by Dublin Docks, Ringsend, Pidgeon House, the old Shelly Banks, to Sandy-mount Tower. After a break of twenty minutes here in lovely sunshine, we headed for Blackrock and on to Bray. As it was a lovely evening, many went for a walk,

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while others went shopping. Again we enjoyed a lovely meal in O'Shea's Hotel and had a great sing-song afterwards. Mrs. Handibode, of Lucan, came with us again this year to provide the music. We arrived home at 10 a.m. Everyone had a great day.

GOING STRONG: Our Group were the first group to be invited to take part in the New Programme series in October. All had an exceptionally nice day at R.T.E.

Sincerest thanks to the local I.C.A. and Health Centre for the use of their premises for our Committee meetings. To the I.C.A. we say a further "Thanks" for giving us the use of their premises for the Poker Classic. This was much appreciated.

All food and most prizes for raffles at our Parties are generously contributed by each member of our Committee. This is a great saving to our Funds, thus enabling us to spend our monies on Fuel, Laundry and Outings.

Vehicles and drivers for all our functions are supplied free to the Old People, which is a very considerable saving and also very much appreciated.

/This year we had a lot of financial worries. We ran an overdraft for almost six months. The E.H.B. gave us £500. to reduce this overdraft. Thanks to the success of the Sale of Work, Poker Classic and other functions run for our Funds, we cleared this overdraft and were able to commence our Fuel and Laundry Services before Christmas. These will continue for the next few months.

Hopefully, this year we will keep our heads above water and, to all our benefactors, young and old, we say thanks. Keep up your good work and help us to go ahead with ours.

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POKER CLASSIC: Sincerest thanks to Paddy Nolan, Sean Neill and Mick Scanlon for the success of this venture, organised by them. We benefitted by £310. plus £45 from the Raffle. This was a great boost to us. It certainly helped to clear our overdraft. The five finalists were: Terry Moore, Matt Bruton, John Shaw, Mick Bagnell and Lal Gallagher. Congratulations to the winner, Terry Moore. To the ladies who served up a lovely plate supper, our sincerest thanks also.

After much negotiations with the Eastern Health Board, helped a great deal by Mr. Emmet Stagg, we eventually got an extra Grant of £500. to reduce our overdraft. For this we are very grateful. Our claim for £160. for house repairs carried out has not been met yet. We are keeping our fingers crossed.

Our Sale of Work was also a financial success, netting us over £2,000. It was decided at the December meeting of the Committee to commence immediately the Laundry Service for Christmas. This will, hopefully, resume on a permanent footing in the New Year. As we were able to give out the Christmas Fuel and Gifts as we normally do.

We sincerely thank all who donated to, and who helped in any way whatsoever at the Sale of Work. The winner of the Monster Hamper at the Sale was purple ticket No. 376 (FN9846) - Owner Terry Bright, Greenfield. The winner

of the Christmas Cake (donated and made by our young local apprentice Chef, John Read, Jr.) was beige ticket No 86 (FN3743) - owner Veronica Harte, Kellystown.

PUB COLLECTIONS: Kevin Connolly and Mick Scanlon undertook to collect for the four weeks of December. In total they collected approx. £350. Congratulations to them both and a thousand thanks to them and to all who contributed.

SOCCER CLUB: Ray McTernan presented us with a cheque for £25. towards our funds, and for which our sincere thanks.

POST PRIMARY SCHOOL: Our very best thanks to them for their cheque £50. GREENFIELD SUPERMARKET: Mr. Tom Geraghty presented a cheque for £100 to our funds at the Christmas Party. A thousand thanks to you Tom

The Church of Ireland Group organised Carol Singing on December 20 and 21st. Our sincerest thanks to them for organising it, to all singers who joined with them, to the Folk Group and Maynooth Brass & Reed Band. £183. 93 was collected through their efforts. Sr. Aquinas had her School Band out at the Supermarket playing Carols and they collected £204. for our funds. Great Work! Congratulations! The Christmas Raffle in the Leinster Arms enriched our Funds by £267. Sincerest thanks to all concerned.

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The Brigidines collected a large box of food items for the Old People for Christmas. A class in Scoil Iosa ran a little Christmas Concert and each spectator had to bring an item of food for Old People to get in to the Concert - a novel idea. They donated two large boxes to our Old People. In all, from both Groups, we were able to make up five good hampers for five Old People living on their own.

To all these groups, schools and clubs we say 'Thank you all most sincerely and may we wish you all every happiness and success in 1983'. Keep up the good work.

A very kind anonymous benefactor had arranged a Christmas Dinner for Sunday, January 16th, for 120 - 140 Old People. This very kind person arranged with Peter O'Brien & Co. Ltd. to do the catering and to take care of arrangements for same. This function took place in the Library of the Post-Primary School (by kind permission of Mr. Ashe) when 120 guests partook of a truly lavish Christmas Dinner, with all the usual trimmings. Everyone enjoyed it and agreed that Peter O'Brien and his Staff did a superb job. We are indeed grateful to them and our unknown benefactor.

The Annual General Meeting of the Committee will be held on Tuesday, 1st February in the Health Centre, at The Harbour, Maynooth. Anybody (male or female) interested in joining the Committee, and willing to help with the work, is invited to attend this meeting.

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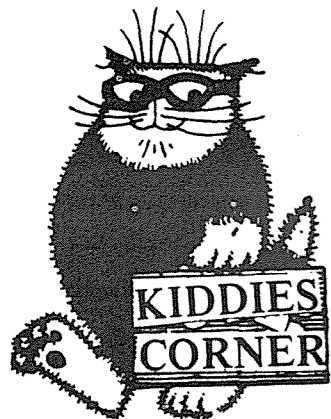
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Hello Children.
We would like to start off 1983 by wishing you all a very Happy New Year. We hope you had a nice Christmas, with lots of toys for you all.

Well it's all over for another year and thank God it all went over with no serious accidents or none of you injured.

School is open once again and we know you are busy with your lessons and home work. We hope you are not forgetting to lock your bicycle when you are in the classroom.

There is not a lot to say to you this month so until next month, Cheerio and God Bless you all. Send your entries for the colouring competition to John Read, 86 Rail Park, or Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield, on or before 14th February.

The winners of the December competition were
Louise Smith, 842 Greenfield.
Clare Coakley, Old Carton.
Elaine Flanagan, Ladychapel.
Sarah Carroll, Moyglare.
David Lee, Pagestown.

And the runners up were
Linda Bradley, 49 Cluain Aoibhinn.
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At the Annual St.Patrick's College Staff Christmas Dinner and Social, the following staff members were presented with silver tankards to mark their long service with the College: Tom Corcoran - 30 years; Michael O'Riordan - 29 years; Peter Keegan - 26 years; Vincent Murphy - 26 years; Larry Duggan - 26 years; Maurice Dunne - 25 years.
The presentations were made by Rt.Rev. Mgr. Michael Olden, President.
All the guests had a most enjoyable night.

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Young Scientists Exhibition in the R.D.S. Ballsbridge, Dublin.

On 5th January, amid a somewhat quiet atmosphere we assembled our project, entitled, "The Decomposition of Grass - A Study of Compost Making" at the R.D.S. The sum total of over 13 weeks of steady work, was now to be bundled together and displayed on a board provided by Aer Lingus.

The aims behind our project were to investigate the effects of different additives on composting grass. We collected twelve bags of grass and added the inorganic additive, (a source of nitrogen), to the first three bags. In the next three the organic additive, (fungi spores etc.), was added to the grass, and in the next three we added soil to the grass. We left the final three bags untreated.

During the course of the project, we took extracts from each of the treatments and plated them on to Malt Extract Agar and Yeast Extract Agar. This showed the approx-

imate numbers of fungi and bacteria cells. The temperature was taken each day and it fell where less cell walls were being broken down. The pH, (a measure for acidity), was also taken and it rose where ammonium compounds were being released. As weeks progressed we found that grass by itself was not only better, but decomposed a lot quicker.

The first day of judging finally came around. The Judges were a lot nicer than expected and advised us on future work that could be carried out on our project.

Final judging was carried out on the third day of the Exhibition and on that night, the Exhibition was officially opened by Dr. Garret Fitzgerald. Later on that night, prizes were awarded to the winners and to our amazement, we were awarded first prize in our section, Junior Group, Biology Sciences.

The last two days of the Exhibition were given over to the viewing

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RECENT DEATHS

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Michael O' Reilly, Old Carton.

John Doherty, 32 Rail Park.

Patrick Joseph (P. J.) Cassidy, Camden St. Dublin and The Roost, Maynooth.

Richard (Dick) Brady, formerly from Laraghbryan.

Brigid (Brid) Moore (nee Keys), 22 Beech Park Avenue, Castleknock. Brid was formerly from Main St. Peter Delaney, Newtown.

DEATH OF NUN

The death has taken place of Sr. Josephine Bean, Convent of Mercy, Leeds, England. Sr. Josephine was formerly from Mooretown, Celbridge. We extend our sympathy to her sister, Sr. Maria Carmen, La Sainte Union Convent, Cheltenham, England.

Also to her Nephews, Nieces, Relatives and Friends in Celbridge and Maynooth.

BIRTH:

To P.J. and Rosaleen Rotchford, Ballymagillon - a son.

CORRECTION

Congratulations to Sean & Ann Dolan, Galway on the birth of a Daughter. Ann was formerly Ann Dunne, of Greenfield and not Devine as we wrongly stated in the December issue.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Shirley O'Brien, Newtown and Ian Cummins, Grenfield on their recent marriage and also to Rose Maloney, Kilmore, Co.Clare and William Hendrick, O'Neill Park, who were also married recently.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Congratulations to Patricia and Eamonn Quinn, Grenfield, who celebrated their Wedding Anniversary on January 1st and further congratulations to Eamonn who celebrated his Birthday on January 6th.

Congratulations to Una & Tommy McGovern, Greenfield, who celebrated their 31st Anniversary on 20th Feb.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS:

To Andrew Graham (Jnr.) Greenfield - Dec. 31st
John Sauls (Jnr.) - Jan. 10th.
Mrs. Ita McTernan, Parson St. - Jan. 11th.

To Siobhan Howard-Williams, who is celebrating her birthday on 11th February. From Tina.

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Bill Fay, Leinster Cottages, on February 5th.

Eugene O'Sullivan, Coneyboro, Celbridge and formerly from O'Neill Pk., aged 85 on January 24th.

Mona Murphy, Leinster Pk. Jan 30th.

Christie Lovely, Main St. 16th Feb.

John Sauls, Parson St. 30th Jan.

John Sauls, Jnr. 10th Jan.

David Coughlan, The Square, 13th Jan.

Francis Murphy, O'Neill Pk. 3rd Feb.

Tony Kelly, Ladychapel, 2nd Feb.

Vincent Murphy, Snr. Leinster Pk. 14th Feb.

Mrs Hardiman, Leinster Pk. 14th Feb.

Geraldine Breslin, Leinster Pk. 31st Jan.

Valerie O'Rafferty, Moyglare, 11th Feb.

Mrs Annie Connelly, Greenfield, 1st Feb.

Ken O'Brien, Leinster Pk. 22nd Jan.

Jim Moore, O'Neill Pk. 17th Jan.

Una McGovern, Greenfield, 2nd Feb.

Brian Collins, Mariaville, 10th Feb.

Barry Collins, 5th Feb.

David Thompson, Fernslock, 7th Feb.

Hazel Thompson, 23rd Jan.

Dick Rochford, Australia, and daughter Joanne, 16th Feb. aged 4yrs. From Mr & Mrs Pat Hand, Grandparents, Uncles & Aunts. Also Liam, Margaret, Tony & Thomas Bean, Main St.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Devine. Danny Devine, Divine Word, Maynoth, wishes to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with him, in his recent sad bereavement. Also those who attended the Funeral, and those who sent Mass Cards & Flowers. Trusting this will be accepted by all.

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PAST PUPILS UNION NOTES:

Once again the Past Pupils Union enters its busiest time of the year with both the Debs Ball and the Irish Scholarship examinations to prepare for during the next few weeks. 'No rest for the wicked', as the saying goes! However, perhaps a little word of explanation about these two functions might not go astray with those who are not familiar with our activities.

The Past Pupils Union started in 1977 after the departure of the first class to go right through the Post-Primary School from first year to Leaving Cert. By 1978 we were ready to launch our first Debs Ball in conjunction with the Parent-Teacher Association and, since then, we have never missed a year. The Debs Ball provides a unique opportunity for pupils, parents and teachers to meet socially and for old acquaintances to be renewed. It is run on a non-profit making basis - we just cover our costs so as to keep the night as inexpensive as possible. But we do need your support. Friday February 11th is the date to remember and tickets are on sale from members of the Past Pupils Union and the Parent-Teacher Association or through the Post-Primary School. Dress suits may be hired at the Post-Primary on the date indicated on the tickets. The Debs Ball will be held in the Keaden Hotel,

Newbridge (transport is also arranged) so we hope to see you there!

After the success of the first Debs Ball we embarked on our next great venture in 1979 - The Irish Scholarships to the Kerry Gaeltacht. The scholarships are open to all second-years and involve a written and oral examination. By the time of publication of this edition of the Newsletter, the exams will have already taken place and the successful candidates will already be looking forward to an enjoyable and educational month in Kerry. The number of scholarships awarded depends on the standard reached by the pupils in the examinations but, on average, seven pupils are sponsored each year. Last year we organised ten scholarships, though some of these were half-scholarships, as the standard was so even and we felt it unfair to exclude anybody who had shown great effort and enthusiasm.

These scholarships are financed by our monthly discos and by our other fund raising activities. However, we do get regular donations from the Parent-Teacher Association, the Presentation Convent and other private donors. Last year, also we received a donation from McDermott & Headon, the building contractors for the extension to the school. To all these we extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

There are other ventures which we would like to see 'taking-off' as it were. Last year we offered sponsorship to any pupil wishing to travel to France during the summer, with a view to improving his, or her, spoken French. We cannot undertake to organise such a trip but we can suggest certain approved agencies who specialise in this field. Unfortunately, no-one took us up on our offer so, once again, this year we propose the same possibility. Travelling to France can prove quite expensive so we feel that this is an ideal opportunity for somebody interested in French to improve their knowledge of the language but all pupils are welcome to apply.

A final word about our monthly discos. We regret having to increase our admission charges but inflation affects us as well, so in order to give patrons a chance to 'win' back some of their expenditure, at our next disco on February 6th we will have a spot prize of £10. The draw will be organised using the numbers on the membership cards which all patrons must produce on entry to the discos. The winner must show his, or her, membership card to claim the prize should the number be pulled out of the hat. Remember, no membership card, no prize, so don't forget to bring them along.

Ann Kelly, P.R.O.

ATHLETIC CLUB

The closing weeks of 1982, and the early days of 1983 were busy ones for Maynooth A.C. What with the final chapter of the Kildare CO. Championships in Kilcock, and Leinster Championships at Lusk, Senchalstown, and Mount Pleasant. Add in Ras Ath. Cliath in Merrion Sq, on a cold and wet Wednesday night, and one can see how busy things have been.

The last of the Kildare Championships at Kilcock had the Senior Men and Ladies, and Vets, and some open races for Juveniles. Here at Pitchfords-town on a very heavy course, success was not easily attained.

For Gillian Deane, success came in the senior event, and as this is Gillian's first year in senior company, her success augurs well for the future. A great run here also from Shelly Breslin, who in finishing second, with Betty O'Connor 6th and Mgt. Noonan 11th, ensured that Maynooth would be first team as well. Great credit is due to all these ladies who turn out week after week, and who are a great example to all.

The senior men from the club did not figure in the medals, but good runs here from Noel Farrelly, Brendan O'Rourke, Mick Gleeson, David Jolly and Pearse Breslin. Maynooth were well represented in the open juvenile races, and had winners in Emer Farrelly, Enda Gleeson and Frank Desmond, and placings from Austin Noonan, Anthony Smith, James O'Rourke, Brian McHale, David Faherty, Michelle Ennis, Carmel Noonan, Catherine Gleeson, Fiona Lawlor, Nuala Noonan, Paula Kelly, Sharon Ennis, Sarah Breslin and Jenny Byrne.

The Leinster Championships followed on almost immediately and at Lusk in Co. Dublin the search for further medals began. Mairead Noonan, Betty O'Connor, Gillian Deane and Fiona Lawlor won individual medals and Paula Kelly, Sharon Ennis and Sandra Gillick were with Fiona, the recipients of bronze being third team overall in the U/12 event.

In the Ladies U/20, Gillian Deane was 3rd, Shelly Breslin 22nd. In the Girls U/16, once again, Mairead

Noonan came to our rescue with a well timed run and was well clear of the opposition at the finish, showing why she has such a collection of trophies to her name. Kevin Breslin finished in 22nd place in the youths event and in the boys U/12, Frank Desmond was best placed,

finishing in 8th position, and was followed home by Enda Breslin, Darren Moran, Paraic McHale, David Faherty and Paul Stynes. These placings made Kildare third team overall.

In the vets O/35, Brian Redmond was best placed for the club, finishing in 11th place, and had support from Noel Farrelly, Mick Gleeson, Tony Callaghan, David Jolly, Mick Gillick and Tom Purcell.

The ladies O/30 were not to be outdone and here our best placed was Betty O'Connor, who finished in 13th place overall. was first O/40 and finally was on the Kildare team which was second overall, - a great day for Betty.

Pearse Breslin was well up here in the O/45's and James O'Donnell was 22nd in the boys U/16 event.

The Girls U/12 are a very strong team and had a great leader in Fiona Lawlor who finished in second place, and good supporters in Paula Kelly 13th, Sharon Ennis 14th and Sandra Gillick. These placings made Maynooth third team overall and Kildare which included Fiona, Paula and Sharon were second county.

More Leinster Championships followed at Senchalstown in Co. Meath and once again we took our share of the spoils, and had good winners in Michelle Ennis in the U/10 event and Grainne Farrelly in the U/14 and a good second from Gillian Deane in the Novice Ladies.

In the Mens Novice event, Kevin Breslin was our best placed, finishing in 59th place, one ahead of Brian Redmond. Noel Farrelly was 77th, Mick Gleeson 86th and had David Jolly, Mick Gillick, Pearse Breslin and Tom Purcell in support.

The Ladies Novice produced another good run from Gillian Deane and she finished in second place, with Shelly Breslin 26th, Betty O'Connor

40th and Mgt. Noonan 46th.

The Girls U/14 provided us with another 'Gold' with Grainne Farrelly winning well and keeping herself on course for another double in the All Ireland stakes later in the year. Enda Gleeson was a very creditable 6th in this event, Helen Tracey 9th, Nuala Noonan 32nd, Sarah Breslin 40th, and these placings together with R. Canning of Kilcock made up the Kildare team, which was placed third overall, and to add to the collection, the first four Maynooth girls won first club as well.

In the Boys U/10 we were a bit short of runners but Anthony Smith and Brendan Lawlor acquitted themselves with distinction and even though out of the medals, never gave up the struggle.

In the Girls U/10 we were better equipped, and here Michelle Ennis, displaying all the battling qualities of her father, was a good winner and had such support from Carmel Hogan, Cath. Gleeson and Deirdre Faherty, that Maynooth were third team overall.

It is only when one sees the huge field of runners which turn out for these events that the progress that Maynooth has made in athletics can be measured, as at least 100 runners face the start in each juvenile event and sometimes even more.

Day three of the Leinster Championships brought Maynooth to Mount Pleasant in Co. Louth and our star of this day was Enda Gleeson who ran a cracker in winning the Girls U/13 event. This was a marvellous race with the lead changing hands several times but Enda refused to consider defeat and coming right away from her field in the last 300m. had plenty to spare at the end. The other Maynooth girls were not to be outshone either and had a great display from Helen Tracey 6th, Fiona Lawlor 8th and Nuala Noonan was sufficient to make Maynooth first club team, and indeed these girls were closely followed home by Sarah Breslin, Sharon Ennis and Jenny Byrne. Indeed the first four girls were also part of the Kildare team which finished in second place overall.

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Above - Enda Gleeson winning the Leinster U/13 Championship at Mount Pleasant, Co. Louth.

Left - Gillian Deane and Shelly Breslin who were First and Second respectively, in the Kildare Senior Ladies Championships at Kilcock.



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In the Junior ladies, Gillian Deane once again found one too good for her, but can have no regrets about her race. She was in contention all the way, led for part of the race and was only run out of it in the last few hundred metres. Shelly Breslin finished in 23rd place here and were members of the Kildare team which finished in third place overall.

The boys are not doing as well as the girls in the Leinster Championships and to date have not collected any medals, but a very good run here from Frank Desmond who finished in 6th place, Darren Moore 52nd, Enda Breslin 58th and Paul Stynes 62nd.

Only two Maynooth turned out for the Junior Mens event and both Mick Gleeson and Pearse Breslin can be satisfied with their runs.

Finally on the running fields, January 12th brought us to Merrion Sq. for the second leg of International week, - Ras Ath Cliath and here on a cold and wet miserable night, almost all of Maynooth Athletic Club turned out.

The night opened well for the club with Austin Noonan ploughing through the puddlesto take second place in the U/9 Boys and this was soon followed by a great run from our U/11 Girls with Michelle Ennis 4th, Emer Farrelly 9th, Carmel Noonan 15th and Cath. Gleeson, Yvonne O'Connor, Jenny Byrne and Sandra Gillick all well up. Maynooth were in fact second team in this event.

The Boys U/13 were out of the medals, but in a very fast run race, Frank Desmond 12th, Darren Moran 43rd and Enda Breslin 50th all acquitted themselves well.

The Girls U/13 did us proud and to the roars of the Maynooth contingent, Enda Gleeson was the winner, closely followed home by Fiona Lawlor 2nd, helen Tracey 9th, Nuala Noonan 13th, Paula Kelly 17th, Sarah Breslin, Sharon Ennis, Jenny

Byrne and Caroline Corbett. So well did Maynooth finish that the first four above were team winners as well.

The Boys U/11 had only two runners from the club and Anthony Smith 41st and Gavin Callaghan 45th were always in contention.

The Girls U/15 was won by Grainne Farrelly and once again Grainne gave a great exhibition, nut appeared to be in trouble with a lap of the square to go. However it must have been my eyes deceiving me, as when they turned for home, Grainne had gone clear of her rivals.

In the U/17 Girls we had Gillian Deane again finishing in second place and hard to believe all the seconds that Gillian has clocked up this year. She ran a very good race here, leading for long way, and having given everything she had, was unfortunately caught by an Armagh girl in the closing stages. Mairead finished in 3rd place, Shelly Breslin 19th and Pamela Burke 24th and were second team overall.

Finally the night ended with the Senior International and here the pace was a cracker all the way. The Maynooth lads ran their usual good race but were not in contention for the medals at the end and indeed the ladies also ran their hearts out in their event.

Finally we would like to congratulate Gillian Deane, who since the last notes were appeared has been in Belgium as part of the Irish team and running three cross country events finished 1st, 4th and 13th.

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SWIMMING CLUB:

A happy New Year to all our swimmers, their families and friends and welcome back to your swimming sessions.

December was a busy month in our Club.

On Wednesday Dec 15th, we had our Second Annual Mass. The celebrant was Fr. Walshe P.P. and Rev. James Hammond participated. The Folk Group sang for us. Members of the Club served the Mass. The Lessons were read by a member of the Club and the Prayers for the Faithful recited by a large number of children. Children also took part in the Offertry Procession. It

was a beautiful occasion. Thanks to all the parents who attended with their children.

On Saturday, December 11th, and Thursday 16th December Santa Claus attended our swimming sessions in Stewart's Hospital.

The children played games in the water and were rewarded with sweets from Santa. Some Mums and Dads swam in the pool with the children. A great time was had by all.

Our annual Party took place on Saturday December 18th, at 6 p.m. The Parish Hall was gaily decorated for the occasion. The Christmas Tree was there and, of course, Santa Claus arrived with parcels for all the children present, even the non-swimmers. The children partook of orange and lots of goodies after which tea was served to the adults. After the party was a lively Disco and everyone danced the night away. All too soon it came to an end and many tired, but happy, children went home.

During the party a special award was made to the three boys who represented Kildare at the National Community Games Finals at Butlins.

They were Stephen O'Brien, Tadgh Lynch and Niall O'Malley. A big 'Thank You' to all the people who worked so hard to make the party a success, to Mr. John Fleming and Brian O'Malley who spent all Saturday afternoon decorating the Hall and to all the mothers who baked. A special thanks to Mr. Peter O'Brien for his generous contribution to the party.

The Committee of Maynooth Swimming Club feel very much for Imelda Delaney in her troubles. Everybody knows her late husband Peter was a wonderful man, but few people know that Maynooth Swimming Club, now 25 strong, would not be in existence if it were not for Imelda's little bus. For years, she packed that little bus and took us to Raphael's Swimming Pool for pittance, giving us a chance to form the foundation for what is now such a strong club. We ask every one of our swimmers to say a little prayer that God will comfort Mrs Delaney.

All sessions are in full swing and both children and adults are enjoying themselves. All enquiries about swimming sessions should be made to Mrs. Susan Igoe, Secretary. Phone 285497.

IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCN.

The Irish Wheelchair Association return their sincere thanks to the people of Maynooth for £209.-73. proceeds of their recent Church Gate Collection.

BADMINTON:

The distinctive red badge of the Enterprise Coaching scheme was very much in evidence at the 5th annual Westside Juvenile Championships held in the Community Hall in Leixlip, Co. Kildare on the weekend of 10, 11, 12th December.

Nineteen of the 23 winners prizes and over half of the runners-up trophies went home in the hands of players who are in the scheme run by former All England Champion Sue Peard.

Players from six different counties received trophies presented by Leixlip Jewellers and Leixlip Sports Shop. R.S.L. kindly donated all the shuttlers.

Maynooth Badminton Club had an outstanding success, winning 20 trophies spread over the four age groups. Maynooth has produced several good players over the years, the most notable being former Irish under 18 Internationals David Guest and Sean Hawkshaw, former Irish Under 12 winner Denise Guest and Under 15 Inter-provincial Maeve Kennedy. Tony Kearins beat Ian Walshe of Lucan to win the Under 18 singles and, with John O'Connor, the doubles. Mark Burns was an outstanding under 14 singles winner. Fiona Kearins won the under 14 singles and Thomas Ashe partnered Mark to win the doubles in this age group. David Guest's young brother Paul won two events Under 12 while Ann Marie Twomey, a beaten finalist in the Under 12 Singles, teamed with her conqueror, Lesley Acheson of Meath to win the doubles. The Kennedy family monopolized the Under 18 doubles - Maeve, with Denise Guest, beating twins Deirdre and Grainne in two exciting games. Just under 350 matches were played and the tournament took 22 hours to complete!

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COMMUNITY GAMES

Since we last wrote, three of our committee attended the A.G.M. of the County Kildare, held last November 28th, in the Keadeen Hotel. It was a very interesting and informative meeting with a great attendance. Willie Walsh, National Games Director, was a guest of honour. The plea went out from most areas for greater involvement of parents with their children. They were asked not to abdicate responsibility and to remember the Games should be a Community effort. The games at local level were the most important as all builders will agree that if you have a weak foundation, there is no point in having a good roof.

CLINIC BERNARD DURKAN T.D.

Bernard Durkan T.D. attends at the Geraldine Hall every Saturday at 2.30pm to meet constituents (Bank Holiday weekends excepted) Items discussed are treated in the strictest confidence

EVERYONE WELCOME

Twenty two motions were on the agenda from the various areas. The most interesting passed from our point of view, were as follows:- That perpetual trophies be awarded to all winning teams at county level. That an U/17 swimming event be included at county level.

That each area be entitled to two voting delegates at county meetings. That panels for all team games be increased by two.

Several interesting motions went forward to national level, the A.G.M. of which will be held in Co. Cavan on 28th, 29th & 30th January.

After lunch we had a film on the history of the Danish Youth Organisation, which was of great interest, as some of our Kildare children will be going to Denmark this year. It was wonderful. I wish all of you could have seen it. There is no crime in Denmark, no drug problem, no delinquency - why - because the Government has seen to it that every hour of every day is fully occupied, both for children and adults. They are very much a community. Each centre has its recreation hall, which includes something for all tastes. After school, children go there with their parents, each to do his own thing. Children start gym at nursery school. The gym and learning go together and it all comes across as "Old Plato" would have wished, in the form of a play, until they reach the age of 8, when serious learning starts, but recreation is never shoved into the background. On all public holidays, feasts are held in these community halls, when Grandparents to babies go along to celebrate.

We in this country, would not have the money to build all these wonderful centres, yet by partaking in community games and other activities in your parish, you can start to build a foundation towards better things. We are so lucky in Maynooth. Appreciate what you have got and play your part in keeping the COMMUNITY SPIRIT alive.

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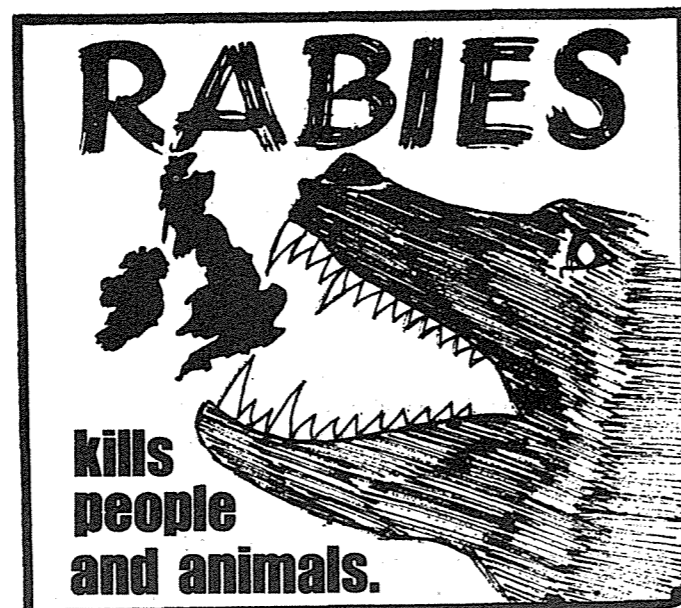
	£.
Bank Balance from 1981	145.96
Door to Door	1,044.73
Shop Receipts	353.32
Gate Receipts	75.50
"500" Club	500.00
E. O'Malley	25.00
Fares from Badminton Bus	29.00
Total	2173.51

N. B. 2 Cheques not yet presented valued £10.00 each, also Disco Profits £77.98.

Amount in credit in Bank at 11 November 1982 - £117.61

	£.
Affiliation Fee	10.00
Bank Charges	6.21
Team Entry Fees	121.10
Entertainment Team Expense	35.19
Co. Kildare Tickets	19.00
Transport - 7 Cars Petrol	35.00
Transport - S. Grant	264.00
Transport - T. Kelly	205.00
Rounders Ball & Bat	12.00
Wholesalers	194.35
Clane Badminton Hall	5.00
Amplification	92.00
Sean's Newsagents	18.00
T. Geraghty	60.00
O'Briens Supermarket	22.13
Secretary's Expenses	50.00
Maynooth Social Committee	25.00
Art Paper	2.50
Sports Locker	206.40
Kildare Co. Board (Butlin's)	475.00
Insurance	20.00
"500" Ticket Printing	16.00
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SPORTS PAGE

JUNIOR BADMINTON

As 1982 recedes into the past, let us cast a brief glance back at what has been happening in our club during the year.

Mrs. Alcorn has been giving coaching lessons to some of our members and will be completing her final session this month. We hope everybody enjoyed the friendly matches that were arranged between the various clubs. We may have some more later on.

Our U/14 and U/12 teams are doing very well so far in their league matches. The semi-finals and finals will be held in Terenure on March 12th.

At the beginning of December, the "Don Bosco League" was held. This was an inter-club tournament which was sponsored by the Salesian Fathers. Children who were not eligible for league teams took part. A lot of hard work went into the running of this tournament and we are grateful to all those who helped make it a success. On the 14th December, Mass was celebrated by Father George S.D.B. in Salesian House. It was attended by a large number of parents and children. At the very enjoyable party which followed Brother Francois S.D.B. presented the trophies and medals.

Group 1 & 2 Girls
1st Siobhan Kearns
2nd Rachel O'Keefe
3rd Catherine Ashe

Group 1 & 2 Boys
1st Fergal Barton
2nd Darren McDermott
3rd Sean Molloy, Brian McHale, Declan Quigley.

Group 3 Boys only
1st Frank Desmond
2nd Fergus Ashe

Group 4 Boys
1st Michael Molloy
2nd Darragh McCauley

Group 4 & 5 Girls
1st Melanie Oliver
2nd Ann M. Sheehan

Brother Francois also awarded Certificates of Merit to all the children in recognition of the effort they put into every game. Our sincere thanks to the Salesian Fathers.

On the 10th - 12th December, Westside Tournament took place in Leixlip. Our players brought home a large number of trophies.

Girls

U/12 Singles
2nd Ann M. Twomey
U/12 Doubles
1st A.M. Twomey & L. Acheson
U/14 Singles
1st Fiona Kearins
U/16 Singles
2nd Maeve Kennedy
U/16 Doubles
2nd M. Burke & R. Doyle
U/18 Doubles
1st M. Kennedy & D. Guest
2nd D. Kennedy & G. Kennedy

CLINIC COUNCILLOR G. BRADY

Councillor G. Brady will attend at a clinic every Friday Evening 7pm - 9pm at Main Street, Maynooth.

Boys

U/12 Singles
1st Paul Guest
U/12 Doubles
1st P. Guest & T. Patterson
U/14 Singles
1st Mark Burns
U/14 Doubles
1st M. Burns & T. Ashe
2nd T. Lynch & D. Burke
U/18 Singles 1st Tony Kearins
U/18 Doubles
1st T. Kearins & J O'Connor

Now to the last week in December and the tournament in Terenure. All our players must be pleased with their performances and should feel encouraged to do even better the next time. Some of our younger players even surprised themselves and congratulations to Keelan Loughnane who played so well and brought home the U/10 Trophy.

A Happy New Year to you all and lots of luck.

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