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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The last day for nominations for the Community Council is 30th April. Nominations can be handed in to any of the following Steering Committee members on or before that date,

- John Read, 86 Rail Pk.
- Aidan Flood, 16 Greenfield Dr.
- T. McMullon, 63 Cluain Aoibhinn.
- Maura Cullen, Laraghbryan.
- Ben Daly, Mariaville.
- Bridie O'Brien, Leinster Cottages.
- Patrick Lynch, 69 Maynooth Pk.
- Patrick Boyd, The Green.
- Patrick Power, 51 Greenfield Dr.
- Ted Kelly, Main St.
- Marie Dempsey, 549 O'Neill Pk.

It cannot be stressed how important it is that Maynooth have a Com-

munity Council. To do this there must be candidates for each area.

Is there a candidate in your district? If you are not sure, check with any of the above committee and if not why not nominate somebody. After all there must be somebody in your district whom you would like to have represent you in all matters pertaining to Maynooth.

So make sure your district has a candidate and when the council is elected, support them fully even if you do not agree with their decisions. Remember it is vital that Maynooth have a properly elected, fully supported voice in all its dealing on your behalf.

Make sure you have a candidate and that you vote in the election.

JUNE ISSUE

All articles for inclusion in the June issue of the Newsletter should be handed in on or before 13th May.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to

Padraic & Bernadette Byrne, Dublin Road who celebrated their 1st anniversary on April 5th.

Joe & Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield who celebrated their 35th anniversary on 18th April.

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Editorial

During the coming month we expect the new local Council will have been elected and it is our wish to welcome our new Representatives, to wish them well and to assure them of our support at all times. We feel sure that the good judgement of the people will appoint the very best possible Council to look after our interest for the period of their election. It would not be much use if we, of the Newsletter, were the only ones to wish the Council well and to assure them of support, and, of course, we know we are not. It is the duty of every one of the permanent residents of Maynooth not only to wish the Council well but to give them our full and wholehearted support. It would be just too simple if we were to sit back and say "Congratulations to you all" and do nothing else. As it is necessary that we all support the National Government of the Country (whatever Party is in power), it is also necessary that we give our full support to our local Council - even more so since our local Council cannot be in a position to enforce support as can the County Councils or the Central Government. For this reason alone we must be particular in giving our support. Like a Union, the head officials can do little or nothing unless their general body also pull their full weight. It is not to be expected that every Elector in Maynooth will be in full and complete accord with everything the new Council will attempt but there is no excuse for not doing your 'bit'. It will be a democratically elected Council and, as such, will work on a majority basis so, even if you do not fully agree, you will owe it to the majority of your neighbours to give your weight. Our Council Members too will have their duties to fulfill and, no doubt, will attend to them diligently and impartially. They will have plenty of things to start with as Maynooth, in so many ways, has been neglected in the past few years in particular since we had no elected body to look after us. We shall be looking forward eagerly to our own Council getting into action as soon as possible. We do not expect miracles in a week or two, but are sure that they will help to make Maynooth a better place for all.

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

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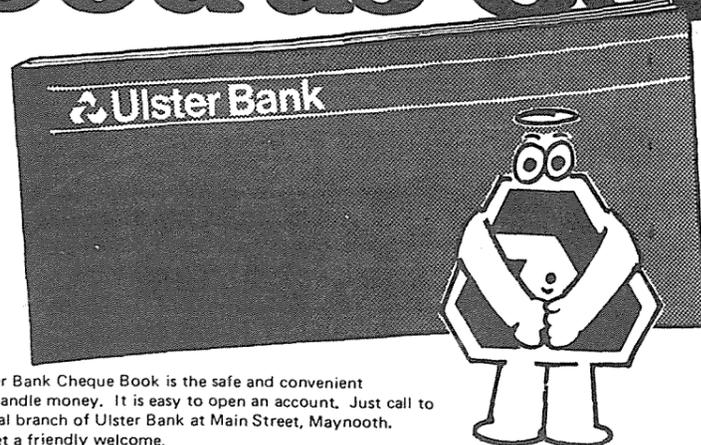
AMERICAN TEA PARTY

This annual event in aid of the Post Primary School again proved to be a very successful and enjoyable night. The Hostesses, generous and charming as usual, had everything prepared to perfection and the dance afterwards was very enjoyable.

Many thanks to all those who helped in any way to make this night such a success. A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple P.P. for giving us the use of the Hall for the occasion.

The P.T.A. wish to invite more parents to please attend the monthly meetings which are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in the Post Primary School at 8 pm sharp. Men or women will be very welcome.

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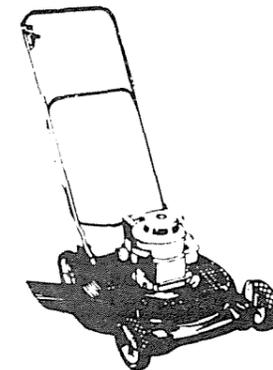
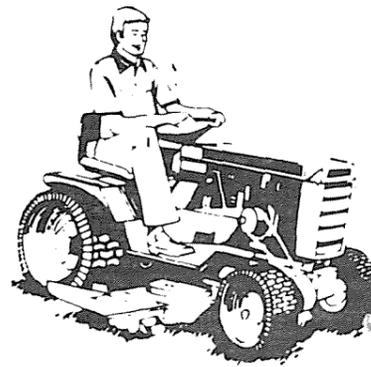
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Geraghty. The Sister and relatives of the late Mrs. Annie J. Geraghty, Main St., wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us in our recent sad bereavement, those who attended removal of remains, Mass, and funeral, those who sent Mass Cards, seraphic certs, letters of sympathy, telegrams and floral tributes. All the kind neighbours who called to the house. By their sympathy, help and respect, we received great consolation in our sad loss. Those who sent Mass Bouquets during her illness and helped in any way.

A special word of thanks to Rev. Fr. Supple P.P., Rev. Fr. Cogan C.C., Rev. Fr. Dunne and Fr. George Miller S.V.D. and the Presentation Sisters. Also to Dr. Cowhey for his kindness and attention to her always, and to the doctors & nursing staff of Peamount Hospital.

Trusting this will be accepted in grateful appreciation by everybody. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Reilly. The husband, Son and Daughters of the late Maureen Reilly, Moygaddy, Maynooth, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; all those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral; all who sent Mass cards, seraphic certs. and floral tributes; and all those who called personally.

A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan and Fr. Clarke of Kilcloon; the Sisters of the Presentation Convent, Dr. William Cowhey, the Mater Hospital Staff, Mr. Paddy Nolan and all those who helped in any way.

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Nevin, Ballygoran.

We, the loving Husband and Family of the late Mrs. Kathleen Nevin, wish to extend our sincere gratitude to everyone who gave us their support and sympathy in so many ways, during our recent sad bereavement.

We thank, in a special way, our good neighbours in Ballygoran and Railpark; the priests of the Parish; Dr. Cowhey; Sr. Benignus and Sisters of the Presentation Convent; Mr. Paddy Nolan and all who helped in so many ways.

May the Good Lord preserve, by His Holy Spirit, this great spirit of concern and neighbourliness, so that we'll continue to be sources of support and courage for each other.

Holy Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Morgan. The Sister and relatives of the late Mrs. Katie Morgan, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sudden bereavement, those who attended removal of remains, Mass and funeral, all who sent Mass cards, seraphic certs, letters of sympathy, telegrams and floral tributes, all the kind neighbours and friends who helped in any way.

A special word of thanks to Rev. Fr. Supple P.P., Rev. Fr. Cogan C.C., Rev. Fr. George Miller S.V.D. and Dr. Cowhey, also the Presentation Sisters, the Rev. Mother and community of the Sacred Heart Residence, Sybil Hill, Raheny, Dublin who were so kind to her during her short stay with them.

Trusting this will be accepted in grateful appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all.

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MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY.

The Annual Mass for Deceased Members of the Society will be offered at 11 a.m. on Sunday 20th May, 1984 in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth.

The Celebrant will be Rev. George Begley, C.C., Spiritual Director. All members are invited to attend. The Committee wish to apologise for not being able to publish the Annual Balance Sheet in this month's Newsletter, as promised, due to a slight delay in having the back from the Hon. Auditor. We can assure all Members that it will be in the next issue of the Newsletter. The following names of Committee Members were inadvertently omitted from the last issue of the Newsletter: Tommy Tierney, Larry Begley, Percy Burke;

The following for their courtesy throughout the year - Ted Kelly, Miss. Cissie Dempsey, The Committee of the Band and Mr. Damien Maguire, Solicitor.

The Society sits every Sunday from 11.30 to 12.30 and the following are the Stewards for the month of May: Kevin Murphy, Larry O'Brien, Percy Burke, John Nolan (Greenfield) Paddy Nolan, Secretary. Kevin Murphy, Asst. Sec.

LYREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Since our inaugural meeting we have held one general meeting, at which it was decided to clean up the area, i.e. remove weeds, litter etc. This will take place in May and Cllr. Stagg will ask the Area Engineer to remove the rubbish after the clean-up.

The bridge parapet at Mill St. is causing concern. It was knocked down before Christmas and the situation has since deteriorated further. Cllr. Stagg has already brought this matter to the attention of the Council.

The following motions will appear before the Clane Area Committee:-
1. That the Council examine the means that are necessary to direct heavy traffic from the Convent Road to Blacklion.
2. That the dangerous derelict house at 10 Leinster Cottages be made safe.

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CAMPAIGNING FOR CARTON

The house and landscape garden at Carton, is regarded as the finest heritage property of its type in the country. Yet unlike the finest historic houses and gardens in other European countries, Carton is closed to the public and has not been open since 1976. Furthermore it is threatened by development plans which could spoil its historic and scenic value. Carton is a priceless national asset, which has great potential for Ireland's tourism industry. That its future is threatened, highlights the lack of an effective government policy to manage our heritage.

To inform the public about Carton and to stimulate wider debate about its future, an energetic programme is being organised by the Carton Committee, which is based in Maynooth and has strong local support. Public lectures are being organised for early May, to be held at Maynooth College.

The programme will culminate in a public symposium and debate on the afternoon of Saturday 19th May, again at Maynooth College, at which all will be welcome. The theme will be the value of Carton and the need to save it for the nation. Speakers will include Professor Kevin B. Nowlan, of University College Dublin, President of An Taisce; Niall Meagher, Planning Office for Co. Kildare; Matt McNulty, who was instrumental in opening Malahide Castle to the public; Peter Marlowe, National Trust, Northern Ireland; and the Carton Committee's Chairman, Dr. Paddy Duffy. The Minister for Culture, Ted Nealon T.D. is scheduled to attend and the chairman of the whole afternoon session will be Dr. James White.

The house and demesne at Carton are of magnificent architectural and scenic quality. Other European countries value such properties as assets, not liabilities, and they are cherished and preserved for their historic, cultural and educational value, not to mention the much needed tourist revenue which they attract.

With the lack of any programme of protection for heritage houses, linked to the requirements of tourism, and both Government & Bord Failte

have been at fault here, the Carton Committee is performing a vital role in alerting the public to the dangers facing Carton, a house and garden which are one of Ireland's great national treasures. The first of these lectures will take place on Tuesday 8th May at 7.30 pm and will be chaired by Justin Keating or Dr. Maurice Craig and Dr. A. Horner of the Geography Dept., U.C.D will be the speaker. The second will take place on Tuesday 15th May at 7.30 pm and will be chaired by Professor Kevin B. Nowlan. Donncha O'Dulaing and Paddy Bowe will be the speakers.

RECENT BIRTHS

To Mary & Liam O'Brien, Courtown Road, Kilcock, a daughter Susan Helen. Liam is formerly from Newtown.

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JUNIOR BADMINTON

Due to the poor attendance, the Annual General Meeting was abandoned. This club caters for 64 children and yet outside of the committee, only six parents turned up.

The A.G.M. has been re-scheduled for 9th May at 8 o'clock in the Post Primary School.

Unless a much larger number of people are prepared to show more interest, the club will have to be disbanded. It is parents who run the club and we rely on your support for your children's future in Badminton.

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FINE GAEL NOTES

On Monday 26th March, the A.G.M. of the Kildare Executive was held in Lumville House. The guest Chairperson was Nora Owen T.D, and both Kildare T.D's Bernard Durkan and Alan Dukes were there. Maynooth branch Chairman Senen Griffin was very pleased to be elected Vice-Chairman of the Executive with a clear majority. Paddy Cooney, Minister for Defence will be addressing the May meeting of the executive.

Our branch meeting was held on Tuesday 3rd April in the I.C.A. Hall. Congratulations were extended to Senan on his election. Many local problems were discussed, such as the resurfacing of the Square, the extension of the burial grounds at Laraghbryan and the buying of land for it, and the poor standard of public lighting in the town and the estates.

The Branch is having a Cheese & Wine evening in Moyglare Manor on Friday 18th May. Tickets are £5.75. Light entertainment will be provided from 9.00 to 1.00 We hope to see all our supporters there, as it should be an enjoyable evening in very attractive surroundings.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 1st May in the I.C.A. Hall at 8.30 pm. New members are always welcome. Andree M. Edderry, P.R.O.

Following replies received by Bernard Durkan in reply to his representations:- C.I.E. regret that they are unable to improve the service until the new electrified service comes into operation on the Bray/Howth line. They are also examining the possibility of opening a station at Confey and extending the service to Kilcock.

The County Engineer states that the provision of a footbridge at Bond Bridge would cost about £125,000. However due to the condition of the two bridges it is considered that major repair work is necessary rather than a footbridge. The Council is seeking the assistance of C.I.E. and the Board of Works to help with the financing. This together with special development levies would enable the bridge rep-

lacement work to be undertaken at an early date.

The electricity supply to the area should improve with the new 38 thousand volt transformer at Money-cooley now in operation.

The Minister of the Environment has made the allocations to allow local authorities to continue the projects approved and commenced

last year under the Environment Works (Special Projects) Scheme.

A proposal to that the Maynooth/Dunboyne road be put in a proper state of repair will be put before the next meeting of the Clane Area Committee.

Resurfacing of the East side of the Square will be undertaken later in the year.

The taking in charge of Greenfield Estate was approved at the Clane Area Sites meeting on 21st July 1982. Some landscaping work still has to be carried out in College Green and when this has been done it and Cluain Aoibhinn will be recommended for taking in charge.

As regards the proper spacing of traffic lights in Maynooth to assist the flow of traffic onto the N4, this would require re-siting or additions and would entail a new design and installation with consequent high cost. The Roads Design Section will investigate this matter further.

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The Committee would like to thank most sincerely, everyone who contributed so generously to our recent Church Gate Collection which realized a total of £405.15. for which we really grateful.

Our next Party will be held on 29th April in S.M.A. House at 3.30 commencing with Holy Mass. We will be having our Easter Bonnet Parade that evening and we are looking forward to having a real 'fashion parade'. We will also be joined for the occasion by visitors from Dunboyne and Lucan and we look forward to seeing all our friends from both places.

Our Laundry service is still continuing on regular fortnightly basis and sixteen of our Old People benefit from this service. During the past weeks we have also supplied all our Old Folk with a gift of Easter Fuel.

We are, at present, in the process of arranging the Annual Outing which will be held on Saturday 9th June and, as always, will be a 'Mystery Tour' and our last Party of the Season will be held on Sunday 20th May in S.V.D. House.

We are always most grateful to members of S.M.A. and S.V.D. communities for all their co-operation through the years.

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FIANNA FAIL NOTES

The A.G.M. of the Maynooth Cumann was held in the I.C.A. Hall on Tuesday 10th April. Among the very large attendance were P. Powwer T.D., C. McGreevy T.D., Cllr. Gerry Brady and our guest speaker, Brian Lenihan T.D.

All the public representatives were delighted with the large attendance and said that this was in keeping with what's happening all over the country. All the public reps. addressed the meeting and a very lively question and answer session followed.

The general consensus of the meeting was that the public were fed up with the inactivity of the present Government. We want a Government who are not afraid to govern. We don't want neutral Governments who bring in neutral budgets or a Government who sits back and lets the civil servants balance the books for them. Fianna Fail in Government will not sit back and let things drift. The only area where we will remain neutral is with regards to the 'North Atlantic Treaty.'

This Government is so wrapped up in trying to get its books balanced, that it cannot see what is happening to this country of ours. The unemployed or the school leavers, and I am sure a lot of parents who have children leaving school over the next three or four years, are more concerned with jobs being provided, than the Government copying Mrs. Thatcher's inflation 'Hobby Horse.' It doesn't make a lot of difference to the poor, who are trying to put food on the table, what way inflation is.

I am not saying that we should ignore inflation but we should put things in their proper perspective. People have to come before book balancing. People have feelings and jobs should not be traded off for inflation points. Fianna Fail are a positive party and they are not afraid to tackle problems. We are

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not afraid to invest money to create employment, for instance, in the construction industry where the majority of materials used are home based materials. Fianna Fail are a caring party, a party for the workers.

Gerry Brady was praised by all for the amount of work he has done, despite the lack of funds coming from central Government. I noticed during the week that they resurfaced the footpath from the bridge to near Rail Pk. I wonder would it be possible for them to do something with the footpath from the town to Parson St.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th May at 8.30 pm in the I.C.A. Hall. Guest speaker will be Desie O'Malley T.D. All our members are welcome.

Following are officers for the coming year.

President, Nicholas Farrell, P. Timmons, Bill Lettis and W. Murtagh. Chairman, John Cosgrove. Vice-Chairman, G. Flood. Secretary, P. Foy. Treasurers, M. Kennedy and P. Finnan. P.R.O. G. Higgins. Liam McNamee, P.R.O. 13/4/1984.

BIRTHDAYS

April.
1st Ciaran Murphy, Leinster Pk.
4th Fr. George Begley C.C. Leixlip.
5th Mrs. Julie Donovan, Greenfield.
16th Jim Mooney, Kilcock Rd;
Paddy Malone, Leinster Cottages.
24th Nicholas Farrell Jr., O'Neill Pk.
30th Sarah Breslin, Leinster Pk.

May
1st John Casey Jr. Moyglare;
Claire Barnwall, Dublin Rd.
3rd Mrs. Kelly, Ladychapel.
4th Elaine Bean, Rye View.
6th Joe O'Neill, Greenfield.
7th Finola Gallagher, 26 Greenfield Drive who will be 9, with love from her Mammy, Daddy, Brothers & Sisters.

8th Martin Farrell. Owen Donovan, 1 Maynooth Pk.
10th Breda Donovan, 1 Maynooth Pk.
12th Benny Farrelly, Kilcock Rd.
15th Stephen McCarron, Greenfield.
18th Damien Farrell.
28th Deirdre Farrell. Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield.
29th Mark Rochford, Australia, aged 8, from his Grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Pat Hand & family also from the Bean family, Main St.
31st Nora Begley, Pound St.

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DRUGS have arrived in Maynooth. USHERS have been to Maynooth. This is not a wild statement but a fact. It is not intended to create any kind of panic. It is just to remind you WHY Bru Bosco came into existence. It is so easy to lose sight of this very important fact. The Lions Club brought James Comerton (Coolmine), to Maynooth and the talk centered around PREVENTION rather than cure. The Salesian Co-operators, who are dedicated to youth wherever they might be in danger, became very much aware that our 15+ had no place to go for amusement, and were wide open to the devil, who finds work for idle hands. The rest of the story you have heard many times.

But very few have turned up at the club to offer assistance at supervising. We need men very badly. One night a week is so little to give to keep Maynooth FREE FROM DRUGS. It is not a hard task. You actually would enjoy playing with the youths. Most men like a game of pool or snooker or darts for that matter. Fintan Ruddy and Eileen are very committed. Paul Sherlock has been down and is reviewing the situation.

We always light the fire in the function room. This to us is a very important room. It is where they meet, relax, have a smoke, a cup of tea and talk, and we just listen. When the pushers eventually reach the Streets of Maynooth, we will be first to hear, as we will get the feed back from our members, so we can act. PREVENT. Never

let them get a grip on our Youth or on your children.

All of you know by now what happened in the city centre. They thought junkies sticking needles in their arms was something you see on your television, that it could not happen in Dublin. But it did. The horror arrived. It became so dreadful they could stand by no longer. Lay people often can do more than clergy or police. They can be the watchful ones. PREVENT. The inner city did not prevent in time. Neither did many other cities and towns in thye country.

Do not be smug and say it cannot happen in Maynooth. It can and it will if you do not all PREVENT. Never begrudge one hour you spend in that youth club, or never begrudge anything you may be asked to support to raise funds for the continued restoration of the Geraldine Hall. Rather regard it as an insurance tp protect all of your children.

Beautiful innocent little children will be making their Communion on May 5th. Once that wonderful day is over, they start to grow away, to find their own level. For a while athletics, badminton, swimming, football will fill their minds, with television in the evenings. Then adolescence arives. All the familiar things loose their charm. Only those few who have really reached the top will stay with their choosen sport. It is when these changes are taking place that Bru Bosco will be there for their needs.

With so many children growing up in Maynooth, we can visualise the day, not too distant, when the Geraldine will no longer be big enough to hold our youth. By then maybe, the Community Council will have succeeded in getting as far as a community centre, such as Leixlip or Celbridge. However were we to wait until that happened, a point of no return could have been reached by some of our children. Drug pushers have no mercy. They attack all classes, neither rich or poor escape. No parent can safely say it will never happen to my children, as that beautiful sad lady pointed out so poignantly during that same lecture.

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Did anybody miss our notes last month. Perhaps you thought we had met our demise. Perish the thought. We are here to stay. Truth is we were far too busy for notes. one of those months when everything seemed to be happening together. The cake sale, St. Patrick's day parade, the sponsored swim, our first disco and the end of the club tournaments. The cake sale was disappointing, although well advertised. We made £77. Could be that the 7 pm. Mass on Saturday evenings has lessened the value of the Sunday morning caks sales, or perhaps it is all the lovely confectionery we can now buy at the Elite.

The sponsored swim was held at the College pool, curtesy of Fr. Olden. We were very proud of this swim, it was well conducted. Club members behaved extremely well. There was a great spirit of comradeship in it, something which is becoming very obvious in the club,

despite the odd fall out. We can not give you a figure for this as yet, as all the monies are not in, but if most of it is collected it should come to approximately £300.

The club entered with great spirit into the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

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The theme was "The changing face of youth from 1884 - 1984. The care taken with dress etc. and occupation of youth through that last 100 years was great and was amazing to see. the theme was interesting but lost but lost out as there were too many on the float, but great that so many wanted to play a part. Of course Don Bosco took pride of place on the float. Many thanks to Paul for the lovely banner, to Pat Travers for lending us the float and driving it, to Paddy Ryan

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(Ryan & Tyrrell) for allowing us to dress the float in his garage, to David Burke who did all the timber work and to all our Youth Club members and leaders who participated to the fullest.

Then came the disco. This was run by the members of the Junior Committee and was a great credit to them, John Dowling, John O'Neill, Michael McNamara, Cathal Power, Una Cleary and Rob Healy, whom they co-opted on to help the running of the shop. The music was from Cheetah and was voted fantastic by all. They really enjoyed themselves. They had waited since last Summer for this, their own disco. Great to relate, not one unpleasant instance. There was a disco competition, judged by George, S.D.B. Winners were 1st, Mandy Brady; 2nd, Michael Flaherty; 3rd, Margaret McNamara. We made approximately £110 on this disco. We wish to thank George, as he had a very difficult task, but in true Salesian spirit, he refused to be daunted.

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With the bright evenings in, I expect we will be having more outdoor activities. The pool, snooker and table tennis will be getting a rest. We have planned a very busy Summer ahead and next month we will let you in on our plans.

Snooker room. We held a meeting of adults interested in becoming members, as a extention to the Youth Club. It was very successful and great interest was shown. Unfortunately we ran into trouble with the window in that room and work was held up as there was no point in getting an expensive table covered until it is completely weather-proof. However Freddie Leavey tells me he will look after the window and make a real permanent job of it, and also take the old piping from the fireplace so we can count it as good as done.

It will be late in the year for a snooker table but no matter, we will be really ready come the season again. Meanwhile we hope to get a start on the table early in May. Would anybody like to offer to come and sand the floor to keep the dust down when the job is done. Sean O'Connor sanded the main hall for us, but at the time we could not afford to seal it. We thank all adults who attended the meeting. It is great to know the interest is there.

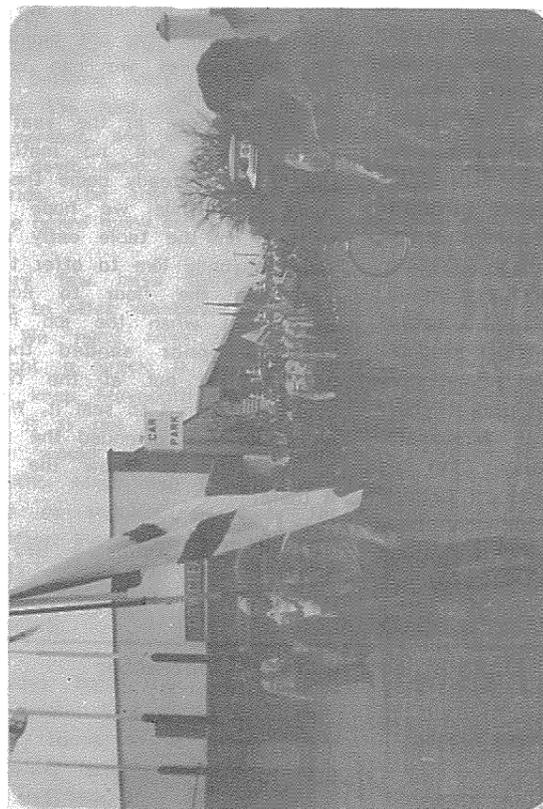
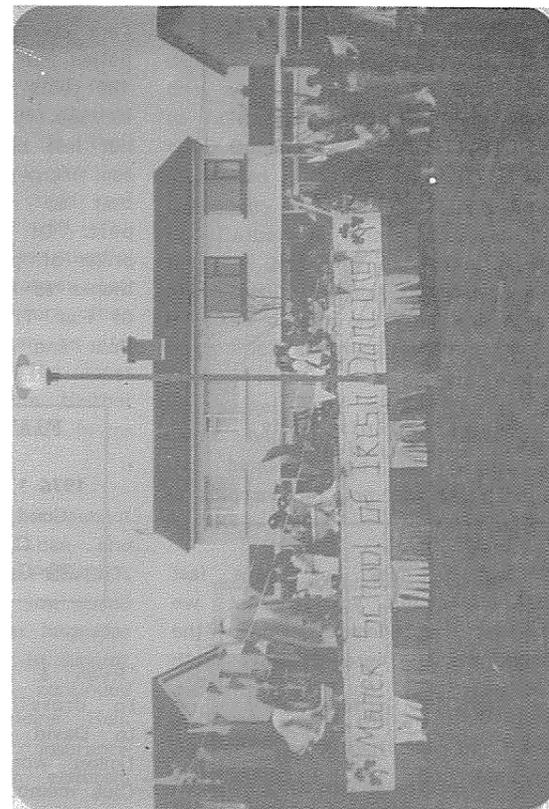
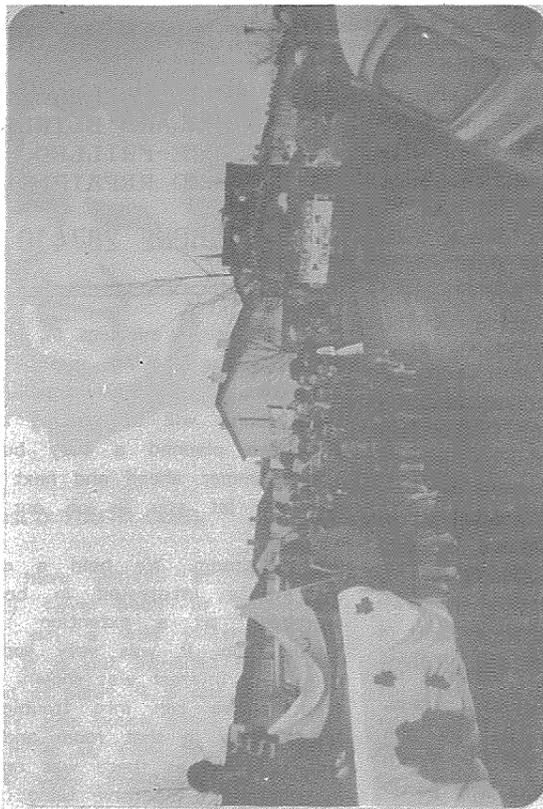
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Pictures of the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

LABOUR PARTY NEWS

Comrades remembered.

A Mass was offered for all deceased members of the Maynooth Branch on Sunday 8th April at 12 pm in St. Mary's Church. We would like to thank Rev. Fr. Cogan for his co-operation in the matter.

Labour Annual Conference.

Seven delegates from Maynooth Branch and two delegates from Maynooth College Branch attended at the R.D.S. An attempt to have Coalition discussed was narrowly beaten. The Standing Orders committee removed all Coalition motions and an attempt to rescind this was only beaten by 39 votes. A motion was passed ordering the Parliamentary Labour to reject local charges and this they must do at next year's estimates meetings. Cllr. Stagg was the only one to vote against them this year in County Kildare. Cllr. Stagg was elected to the Administrative Council, the ruling body of the Labour Party, having exceeded the quota on the first count.

Trees in the Main St.

Following representations by Cllr. Stagg, the owners of hoardings nailed to the trees, have been told to remove them by the Area Engineer. The 'Trees Committee' reports irreversible damage to several trees. The question of ownership is being established and remedial action is planned. We anxiously await developments.

Community Organisation.

The Branch notes the progress of the Steering Committee in arranging the elections for the new Community Council. We urge all concerned with the future of our town, to either contest the election or support the candidate for their choice. The Steering Committee is to be congratulated on the speed and efficiency with which they made the arrangements.

Impossible Purchase Scheme.

A most unfavourable and indeed unacceptable Purchase Scheme of £52 per week has been offered

to tenants of the Greenfields Housing Estate. Cllr. Stagg has agreed to try and have the financial terms and the timespan modified. Many serious outstanding defects in the houses have again been notified to the Council by Cllr. Stagg for urgent attention.

Laraghbryan Road Clean-up.

The County Manager advises that he has arranged to have this done.

Itinerant Sites.

The County Manager has informed Cllr. Stagg that no site has yet been acquired for settlement of travellers in the Maynooth area.

The Council is seeking a site which can be developed and which will avoid a repetition of the appalling and unacceptable conditions which prevail at Laraghbryan and Moyglare Rd. The Council is still considering what action to take in relation to the development of sites and it has decided to seek the co-operation of all voluntary groups and agencies in the County with a view to tackling the problem of providing some satisfactory accommodation which will enable children of travellers to go to school and avail of normal health services from a fixed base.

Straffan Road footpath.

This has now been completed. Let us hope that Telecom Eireann will pay for the cost of restoration and not dig up the path again.

Footpath on Moyglare Road.

The County Engineer agrees that a footpath should be provided along with drainage and road surfacing.

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Public lights at 843 and 844 Greenfields.

These out of order lights have been reported to the E.S.B. for repair. The lack of these lights is causing anti-social activity in the area.

Celbridge Rd./Straffan Rd. Junction. Cllr. Stagg has asked Kildare Co. Co. to make this corner safe for pedestrians.

Clane Divisional Council A.G.M.

At the above on 5th April, the following officers were elected:- Chairman, Fergus Duff (Celbridge); Vice-Chairman, Fintan O'Malley (Clane); Secretary, Michael McCormack (Broadford); Treasurer, Dave Moyonan (Maynooth); P.R.O., Dermot Collins (Straffan).

This Council represents 20 branches in North Kildare and was addressed by Cllr. E. Stagg and Minister of State Joe Birmingham.

Public Meeting.

Justin Keating, M.E.P., will address a public meeting on "Ireland and the E.E.C." in Maynooth on Thursday 10th May. Mr. Keating, who is the Labour Candidate for Leinster in the June Elections, will answer questions after his address. Even, or particularly if, you don't agree with his often expressed opinions, come along and have a go. Details of time and venue will be published later.

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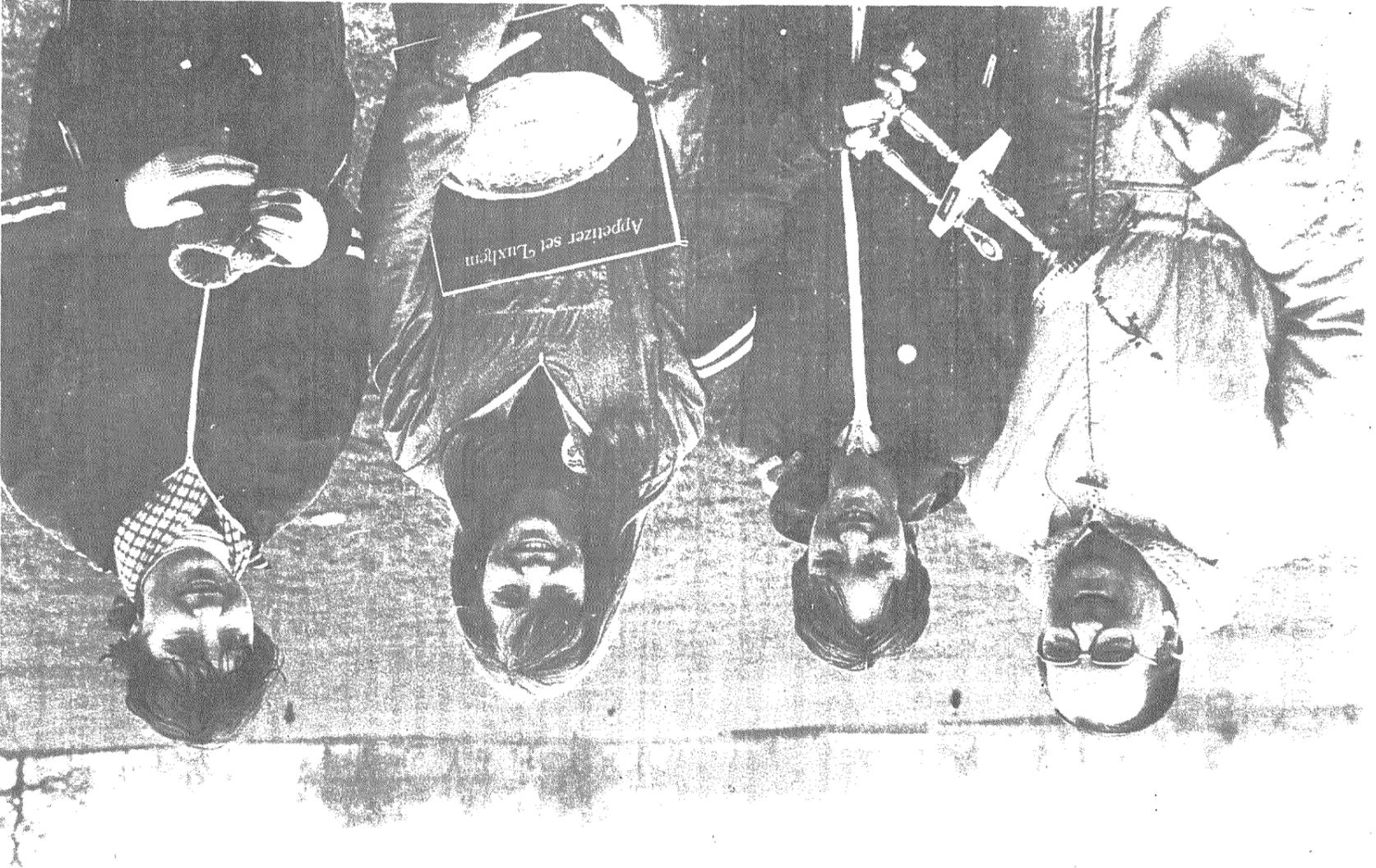
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Parents, Past Pupils and Teachers who combined to make this year's Post Primary School Deb's Dance, such a huge success.

Front row:- De Lourde Scallan, Clare Martin, Kathleen McAtamney, Lima Higgins, Margaret Bean, Margaret Daniels and Catherine Ashe.

Back row:- Willie Coughlan, Marie Gorey, Mona Murphy, Dominic Nylan, Ann Malone, Senan Griffin, Patricia McGarry, Tom Ashe and Michael O'Donnell.



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LC.A. NEWS

The April Meeting was held over two nights - the business part on the usual 1st Thursday, when the proposed New Constitution of the Association was discussed at length. Our V.C.O., Mrs. Marie Holohan, attended to help with the deliberations.

At this meeting the prize for the 'Best Easter Bonnet' was won by Mrs. Betty Farrell, with Mrs. Doyle second and Mrs. O'Reilly third. The competition was judged by Sr. Joseph, Presentation Convent, ably assisted by Mother Benignus.

By kind permission of Mr. Ashe, the other part of the April meeting was held in the Post-Primary School, on April 2nd, when Superquinn, Naas, presented a cheese and wine tasting, and a demonstration from the fresh meat department. The function was much enjoyed by the members and friends.

Since the meeting took place, the County Round of the B.I.M. Fish Cookery Competition was run off, in Naas, on April 13th. Our member, Mrs. Mary Doyle, was placed first.

She will represent Kildare at the all-Ireland Final. We congratulate you Mary, and hope you will be first in Ireland too. When you cook in Dublin we will all be cheering for you!!

Next meeting on Thursday 3rd May, when the Competition will be 'My favourite Head-Scarf.'

The 'Wolstan's One Hundred' Sunday 20th May 1984

This is a Fun Cycle, comprising three-cycles-in-one. Intending entrants may select a 100 km trip, a 50 km trip or a 25 km trip. The Cycle is being organised by St. Woolstan's Parents Association in aid of St. Woolstan's School Building Fund, Celbridge. The main purpose of the cycle is to raise funds, but a secondary purpose is to promote the healthy leisure activity of cycling. The cycle is not a race but prizes will be offered at the finish.

Associations and clubs interested in taking part in the cycle, can benefit by encouraging cyclists to enter, get sponsorships and raise funds for their own worthy causes.

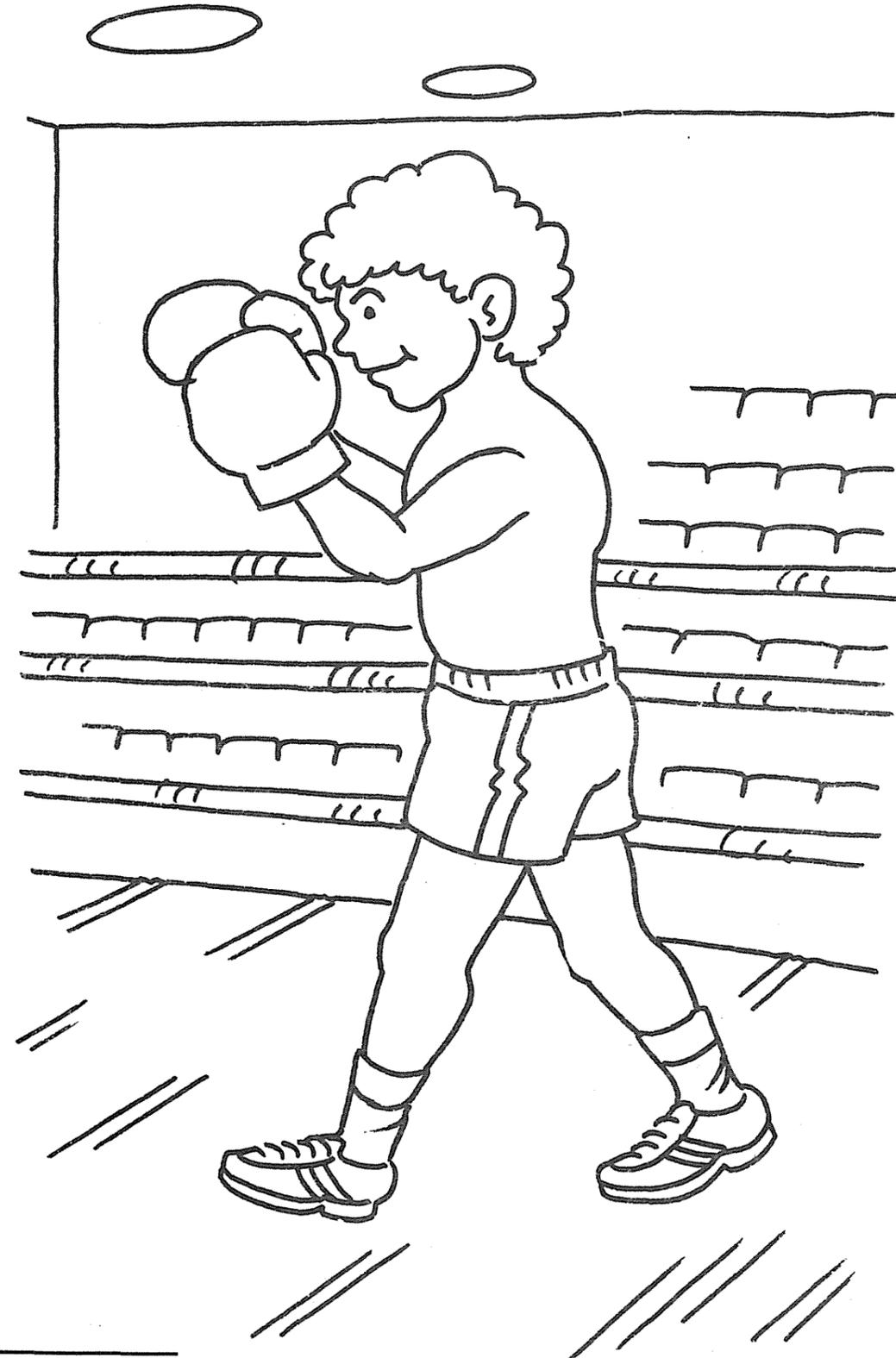
Rules, conditions of entry in the cycle, U/15's consent forms and entry forms are available from Tommy O'Donnell's Sports & Cycle Shop, Maynooth Shopping Centre, and any further information may be had by telephoning the following numbers:- 285453 or 286379.

The exact routes of the cycle will be published in the Leinster Leader shortly.

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Keep their ballot papers in a safe place until they are collected, which should be about one week after they are delivered. By doing this, you are being a great help to the candidates and the Community Council.

We would like to say to all the children who are making their First Holy Communion, "have a nice day and bless you all."

Entries for this month's competition should be handed in on or before May 13th, to Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield or John Read, 86 Rail Park. Until next month, Cheerio and God Bless you all.

The winners of last month's competition were

- Andrew McMullon, 63 Cluain Aoibhinn.
- Alan Colgan, Temple Mills, Celbridge.
- Dervla Boylan, Leinster Pk.
- Paul McKeivitt, 4 Laurence Ave.
- Virginia Breslin, 2 Leinster Pk.

And the runners-up were

- Kevin Quinn, Laragh.
- Gemma Dunne, Dowdstown.
- Ann Marie Daly, 548 O'Neill Pk.
- Donal Commene, 77 Rail Pk.
- Elizabeth Meally, 1 Rail Pk.
- Audrey Cannon, 2 Rail Pk.
- James McMahon, 43 Laurence Ave.
- Gerard Meally, 1 Rail Pk.
- Aoibheann O'Sullivan, 6 Laurence Ave.
- Deirdre Devaney, 19 Greenfield Dr.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Many thanks to all who took part. The committee have been going around quoting no less a person than the late Winston Churchill, "never was so much done, in so short a time." Flush with the success of this year, the question they ask now is what could we have done if we had started earlier and got properly organised. With this view, the committee have met twice since to see what can be done to improve the parade for next year. The idea is to make it so good that parents with young families don't have to head for the crowded city.

The commercial entries added greatly to the parade and next year it is hoped that nobody will be too shy to enter. Our congratulations to the winners:- Commercial - Barretts, Straffan Rd; Marchers - Community Games; Non-Commercials - The Brownies. We thank all of those who did the judging for us, courageous people, and all who were present on the viewing stand. We regretted very much the absence of Rev. James Hammond, but were kind of relieved that Fr. Olden had to head for America, because with no less than two St. Patrick's in the parade, he might have thought we were trying to start another schism.

Aidan Flood missed out. He did not start a 'Book' on what the little men were, in front of Ua Buachalla's truck. Joe's van seemed to have

taken everybody's fancy. It was quite a talking point. Were they Smurfits, muppets, dwarfs or little Rip Van Winkles, after all he is over 100 years old. Dan Logan's entry also was the cause of real amazement and delight. Never had anybody seen such a shiney and spotlessly clean coal truck before. Paddy Ryan's turnout was voted as good as the Motor Show in Ballsbridge. Barrett's a circus on wheels.

The Folk Group was very well turned out and added greatly to the parade.

Mahers thought they had the best St. Patrick but the Athletic Club was of the same mind as theirs. Sister Raphael's Marchers in school uniform, got a great round of applause, they really looked well and Sister Aquina's Band was eagerly greeted. It was lovely to hear the people applaud as each entry came along. Brid Breslin's puma green coats was a super idea, that lady has brains. Paddy Desmond of course added a great deal of colour to the parade from his exalted position. He kept the whole crowd entertained. Well done Paddy (trust a Cork man).

C.P.L.'s little car caused a great deal of amusement. Pity the driver was not dressed in keeping with the vintage car, it was so cute. As for the clubs, one effort was more colourful than another. All should have got prizes, if this was possible. We thank the Scouts for the Colour Party. We appreciated the dignity with which they conducted themselves, Eoin Byrne, the Grand Marshal of the parade, the

Band, the Ventures who protected the stand, the lovely polished fire brigade for coming up in the rear. The Banks for donating the trophies, Willie Kiernan for the loudspeaker system and hailer. Mick Bennett, without whom the stand would never have been erected. Fr. Supple for the loan of the chairs. The College for the loan of the flag. All who helped in any way, especially the public who showed such appreciation.

Many wondered, why the entry fees?, completely forgetting that a parade has expenses. Just as you will understand when next year arrives P.G. the balance sheet is shown. You will see that we started with £200 in hand. Of this £75 was from the banks, as each donated £25 towards the trophies. Having paid expenses, we have £37.18 left in the bank towards next year. We had hoped to have more going forward, as we would like to invite two more bands if possible. These would cost approximately £100 each and will have to be booked mid-Summer. The committee feel we should move the stand up the Main Street and erect it this side of the library, so as less confusion would be created at the corner of the Square. That the stand be bigger. A walkie-talkie be provided between the stand and the starting point, as here communications broke down. Luckily not too much went wrong.

We would also like to know what the public would think of an afternoon parade, to save confusion with the Masses. It would also mean that we could provide a dancing display after the parade and maybe

a ballad session. Another thought which was greatly favoured, was a St. Patrick's Day Dance in the Parish Hall to wind up the day. Oh! somebody mentioned Majorettes. Come on girls. What do you think of that for a challenge. Offhandedly I can think of several of my young friends who fit the bill perfectly, but if I start mentioning names I will be in trouble. Think it over girls. Well I will leave you with all those ideas to knock around.

We decided to have a General Meeting on 19th June in the Band Hall to hear what ideas you might have. Not to worry, we will remind you again as the time draws nearer. We also set a date for a concert in the Parish Hall on Sunday 28th October next, when it is hoped most of the clubs will participate and of course the schools, when we could discover talent, enjoy ourselves and hopefully collect funds for the parade.

Many thanks too, to the Columbian Fathers who ran off the photo-copies for us, particularly the ones which were run off at 11.30 one night. Bless you lads.

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| Expenses | |
| Cost of stand | 44.67 |
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Also Moyglare Stud for the field and Ken O'Brien for the first aid.

A special word of thanks to Stan Cosgrove of Moyglare Stud for presenting the senior prizes.

ATHLETIC CLUB

Maynooth athletes have been successfully active at a number of venues, over the past few weeks. They began in Dungarvan on Saturday 10th March, with club members representing Maynooth Post Primary School, taking on the cream of the country's U/15 athletes in the All-Ireland Colleges junior girls finals.

These girls had reached this stage by their outstanding successes at Kildare, South Leinster Regional and Leinster level, where Grainne Farrelly had taken the individual medal on all three occasions, and with the support of Enda Gleeson, Helen Treacy, Nuala Noonan and Sarah Breslin, the team had taken gold at Kildare and South Leinster and bronze in the Leinster finals. While they had to come away from Dungarvan without medals, they covered themselves in glory and Grainne Farrelly's fifth placing was a performance that is likely to win her a place in the Irish schools team for the internationals. With Enda Gleeson 28th, Helen Treacy 49th, Nuala Noonan 51st and Sarah Breslin 73rd, they finished fourth, just out of the medals.

Particular thanks must go to Noel Farrelly and Paddy Desmond, for the arrangements made in connection with this trip. No Marks at all to the powers that be in the Post Primary School, who did not appear to make any effort to help these girls get to Dungarvan.

On Sunday 11th March, Moyne, Co. Tipperary was the venue for the GCLO uneven age All-Irelands, where the highlight was a superb individual win for Michelle Ennis in the Girls U/11. Taking the lead early on, Michelle was so much in command that she could afford to fall at a gap in the course and

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still get up to win from a field of 143 athletes. With Carmel Noonan 1 fine 18th, Lisa McCluskey 34th, Catherine Gleeson 38th and Helen Byrne 83rd, Maynooth took second club award. There was success also for the U/13 girls with bronze medals for club and county going to Paula Kelly 16th, Emer Farrelly 18th, Fiona Lawlor 21st and Susan Ennis 35th with Sandra Stewart 48th and Lorraine Treacy also running splendidly in a field of 147. Other Juveniles in action were Emma McCluskey 68th in girls U/9, Anthony Smith 87th and Gavin Callaghan 109th in boys U/11. The boys U/13 saw fine performances by Enda Breslin 19th Frank Desmond 21st and Darren Moran 82nd. The veterans were not to be denied their share of the glory when Pearse Breslin and Paddy Power weremembers of Kildare team which took 2nd county in O/45 race.

Liam McNamee made the long trip to Killarney on Sunday 18th March a very worthwhile one, when he took 3rd place behind John Ormonde of Tipperary and Val Ledwith of Meath in the All-Ireland veterans O/35 championships. In a large field these three were part of a group of six who set a hot pace right

from the start, with McNamee's strong finish seeing him through to take the bronze medal. After their fine silver medal performance at the Leinster Championships, the team is finding the absence of the injured Brian Redmond a big handicap and despite fine performances from Tony Callaghan, Brian Stewart, Noel Farrelly and Mick Gleeson to add to McNamee's, they had to be content with 5th place.

However McNamee, Callaghan, Stewart and Gleeson had the consolation of being part of the Kildare team which took inter county bronze medals. Most of the other senior and older juveniles were in action the same day in the Staffan 10km where Grainne Farrelly was once again to the fore with an exceptional performance which saw her take 2nd prize overall for ladies. Enda Gleeson was the winner of the girls U/16 category and Frank Desmond had an outstanding run in the boys U/16. Other club members in action, all of whom expressed themselves happy with their times, were Pearse Breslin, Tom Purcell, David Jolly, Mary Farrelly, Patsy McCluskey, Betty O'Connor, Marie Gleeson and Antoinette Cosgrove.

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The contingent of Maynooth athletes who made the trip to Athy for that club's road races on April 1st, had a particularly successful time.

Boys U/9, Austin Noonan 3rd.

Girls U/11, C. Noonan 4th, G. Gleeson 5th, E. Stewart 12th.

Boys U/11, A. Smith 10th.

Girls U/13, P. Kelly 6th, S. Stewart 9th.

Boys U/13, E. Breslin 3rd.

Girls U/15, E. Gleeson 1st, F.O'Connor 6th.

Ladies O/35, M. Noonan 2nd, M. Gleeson 3rd.

Mens O/45 P. Breslin 2nd.

With prizes on offer for 1st 10 in the juvenile events, most of the above were prizewinners.

While the main emphasis over the past few months has been on Cross Country, there has been more than usual activity on the field events front than one would normally expect for thos time of year, due to the indoor competitions, which have been staged over several weeks at Navan and Gormanston.

Helen Treacy and Ann Marie McDermott have been particularly to the fore, with helen taking third place in both junior and senior ladies All-Ireland indoor long jump, while in the discus competition, Ann Marie was 2nd in junior and 3rd in senior All-Ireland indoors.

Navan was also a successful hunting ground for Maynooth's veterans on Sunday 4th March, when Mary Farrelly and Liam McNamee had individual wins and the men's team

completed by Tony Callaghan (a great run for 44th place), Noel Farrelly and Mick Gleeson were 2nd.

Maynooth A.C.'s own cross country promotion at Moyglare on Sunday 26th February was a very successful outing for the Farrelly family.

There was a win for Mary in the ladies O/30 event, while daughter Grainne was an easy winner of the girls U/16, Noel was 2nd in the vets O/40, Emer 2nd in the girls U/12, while Mary and Noel both figured on winning teams with Emer's team taking 2nd place. There were other notable local wins for Liam McNamee in vets O/35, Gillian Deane in girls U/20 and the boys & girls U/14 teams.

Results.

Girls U/10; 1st O. Buckley, Kilbarrack; 2nd G. Kiernan, Dunleer; 3rd L. McGuinness, Dunlee. Teams; 1st Dunleer A, 20 pts; 2nd Dunleer B, 31 pts; 3rd Carbury, 71 pts.

Boys U/ 10. 1st D. Matthews, Leixlip; 2nd, D. O'Malley, Kilcock; 3rd G. Fagan, Moynalvey. Teams, 1st Leixlip, 30 pts; 2nd Dunleer, 37 pts; 3rd Maynooth 66 pts (F. Walsh 6th, A. Noonan 10th, P. Hawkins 22nd, H. Purcell 28th).

Girls U/12. 1st J. McDonald, Dunleer; 2nd E. Farrelly, Maynooth; 3rd R. Ennis, Maynooth. Teams, 1st Dunleer A, 21 pts; 2nd Maynooth A, 26 pts (ER. Farrelly 2nd, M. Ennis 3rd, S. Stewart 8th, C. Noonan 13th); 3rd St. Joseph's 46 pts.

Boys U/12. 1st M. Smith, Dunleer; 2nd N. Collier, St. Joseph's; 3rd F. Hilliard, Dunleer. Teams, 1st Dunleer 21 pts; 2nd St. Joseph's, 32 pts; 3rd Leixlip, 37 pts.

Girls U/14. 1st S. Agnew, Dunleer; 2nd J. Duffin, Dunleer; 3rd E. Gleeson, Maynooth. Teams, 1st Maynooth, 22 pts (E. Gleeson 3rd, F. Lawlor 4th, P. Kelly 6th, N. Noonan 9th); 2nd Dunleer, 26 pts; 3rd St. Joseph's 53 pts.

Boys U/14, 1st P. Rothwell, Dunleer; 2nd E. Breslin, Maynooth; 3rd F. Desmond, Maynooth. Teams, 1st Maynooth, 24 pts (E. Breslin 2nd, F. Desmond 3rd, D. Callaghan 7th, D. Moran 12th); 2nd Dunleer, 25 pts; 3rd Dunboyne 41 pts.

Girls U/16. 1st G. Farrelly, Maynooth; 2nd P. O'Loughlin, Kilcock; 3rd, A. Hynes, Kilcock.

Boys U/16. 1st A. Hughes, Carbury; 2nd J. Dempsey, St. Dom's Athy;

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3rd P. McMahon, Dunleer A. Teams, 1st Carbury, 26 pts; 2nd Dunleer A, 33 pts; 3rd Dunleer B, 52 pts. Girls U/20. 1st G. Deane, Maynooth; 2nd G. Delaney, St. Dom's; 3rd T. Delaney, St. Dom's.

Mens U/20. 1st D. Cunningham, Leixlip; 2nd M. Condon, Dunboyne; 3rd J. O'Donnell, Maynooth.

Senior Ladies. 1st E. Foyle, Dunleer; 2nd A. M. Reilly, Dunleer; 3rd L. Reilly, Dunleer. Teams, 1st Dunleer. Senior Men. 1st B. Morrissey, Ballytarsna; 2nd G. Hutton, Dunboyne; 3rd F. Brady, Dunleer. Teams, 1st Dunleer, 26 pts; 2nd Dunboyne, 27 pts.

Ladies O/30. 1st M. Farrelly, Maynooth; 2nd E. O'Malley, Kilcock; 3rd M. Halpenny, Dunleer.

Ladies O/40. 1st B. Kearney, Dunleer; 2nd B. Breslin, Maynooth. Teams, 1st Maynooth 15 pts (M. Farrelly 1st, P. McCluskey 5th, M. Noonan 9th); 2nd Dunleer, 17 pts.

Veteran Men O/35. 1st L. McNamee, Maynooth; 2nd J. Clancy, Carbury; 3rd T. O'Callaghan, Maynooth.

Veteran Men O/40. 1st M. Payne, Na Fianna; 2nd N. Farrelly, Maynooth; 3rd B. Mulligan, Kilcock.

Veteran Mens O/45. 1st M. Johnson, Dunleer; 2nd J. Delaney, St. Dom's; 3rd T. Hynes, Kilcock. Teams, 1st Maynooth, 23 pts (L. McNamee 1st, T. O'Callaghan 5th, N. Farrelly 8th, B. Stewart 9th); 2nd Na Fianna, 50 pts.

With the long evenings here again, we would like to see all our sprinters and others who took a winter break, back at the G.A.A. field on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7 pm. Don't forget that everybody is welcome to join the club at any time and athletics now cater for everybody, from nine (and under) to ninety. The clubs trainers cater for all ages and events, or you can just come along and do your own thing if you prefer.

JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

Four of our club players took part in the recently held All-Irelands. The standard of this competition is very high and we were very pleased with the performance of our players. Mark Burns and Dudley O'Donnell reached semi-final level, while Thomas Ashe and Keelan Loughnane played very well in their sections. Mark also achieved the honour of being selected for the U/15 Irish panel. congratulations boys.

As our year is drawing to a close, we ran off the year-end tournament recently. The standard of play was good and some of the matches were very competitive. The following were the lucky winners,
Group 1. Girls 1st, Nadine Sherlock. Runner-up Grainne Coughlan. Boys 1st Shane Hyland. Runner-up John Ruddy.

Group 2. Girls 1st, Fiona O'Malley. Runner-up Catherine Dempsey. Boys 1st, Ian Cosgrove. Runner-up Kenneth Hyland.

Group 3. Girls 1st, Colette Duff. Runner-up Siobhan Kearins. Boys 1st, Dudley O'Donnell. Runner-up Keelan Loughnane.

That's all the results to hand at the moment. The teenage section has yet to be played.

Our A.G.M. which had been arranged for 11th April, has unfortunately had to be rescheduled to the 9th May. Perhaps it was a bad night as there were other meetings on and this may be the reason the attendance was so low. The children enjoy their Badminton and have worked very hard this past year to raise their standard. The end of year tournament was the best I've seen. For things to run smoothly we depend greatly on parental support and involvement. If the turnout at the A.G.M. is a sign of that interest, it augurs ill for the future of the Junior Badminton Club. However I like to believe it was an oversight on the parents part and that when you realise how much we need you, that you will turn out to the rescheduled meeting, which is on 9th May at 8 pm in the Post Primary School. Looking forward to seeing you. P.R.O.

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COMMUNITY GAMES.

St. Patrick's Day was a great day for the Irish and for Maynooth Community Games. Our participation in the 'Big Parade' was a great success, as we won the "Ulster Bank" Trophy for "Marching Groups".

This success was attributed to Community co-operation, without which our participation would not have been possible.

Brighidin Breslin, our hard working Community Games Secretary came up with the idea and discussed it with Chairman Willie Coughlan.

Together they approached Mr. Ashe and Mr. McWeeney in the Post Primary School. Working from instructions from Mr. McWeeney the "walking float" was made by Darren Gaffney and Francis McMyler. The float was then handed over to Mrs. O'Neill (Art teacher), who, in turn, gave the job of painting it to Oonagh Breslin, Sinead Murphy, Shane Tobin and Noel Tracey. When the float was completed, it was transferred from the Post Primary School, by Barry Desmond, Frank Desmond, Brian Murphy and Enda Breslin.

Enda also wrote out the placards and stuck them on to sticks provided by Brian Mulligan, Kilcock. The green capes were provided by courtesy of Courgar Sports, Ltd. Ashbourne Ind. Estate. The job of brining the capes to Maynooth in time for the parade was very kindly done by Mr. Padhraig Furlong, a student in Maynooth College, on the prompting of an unknown student.

All this would have been of no avail if it had not been for all the 'little people' who did the walking and carrying. The boys were recruited by Mr. P. O'Connell. They were Aidan Burke, John Darcy, David Oakley, Alan Kavanagh, Daragh Callaghan, Darren McDermott and Garry Burke, float carriers. Placard carriers were Edwin Duff, Shane Brady, David Cassels, Niall Sheehan, N. Stapleton, A. O'Keefe, Aoife Callaghan, Virginia Breslin, Orla Cahill, Geraldine Breslin, Deirdre Sheehan, Niamh Sheehan,

Miriam Gormley, Anita Gormley, R. Darcy, D. Mooney, Patricia Brady, Elaine Flanagan, Tanya McDermott, Darina O'Malley, C. Sherry and R. Sheehan. Many thanks to you all.

We hope to see you all at our Community Games, indoor and outdoor. Practise Basketball takes place in the Gym of the Post Primary School, Saturday mornings at 10.30 a.m. Draughts in the Boys' School on Tuesday afternoons from 3 to 4 o'clock. Please watch for notices in the town for other events.

We had a good attendance at our last meeting. Managers have been named for some of the events. Paddy Lynch has agreed to be team manager for the rounders teams, assisted by Margaret Noonan. Training has already started in the Harbour Field every Wednesday night.

There is still room on the panel for any child who is interested. Ages are - Boys and Girls under 12 yrs. on 1st July 1984 and Girls only under 14 years on the 31st July.

Badminton u. 15 is being managed by Mrs. Kearns and Chess u. 16 by Mr. Madden.

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Nora McDermott is in charge of Draughts and she tells us that it was most encouraging to see so many u.10 yrs. turning up to play off for a place on the Maynooth Community Games team. The following were the children, under 10 yrs., who played off for a team place:- Karen Higgins, Emer O'Sullivan, Caoimhe O'Sullivan, Tanya McDermott, John Higgins, Anita Gormely, Peter Grant, Richard Cotter, Padraig Gaffney, Robert Kennedy, Jeremy Farrell, Liam Kelly, Anthony Kennedy, John Downey, Raymond Fleming, Teresa Mee, Darina O'Malley, Miriam Gormely, Derek Fleming and Roy McDonagh. After a very exciting three weeks, with each child playing 14 games, there emerged a team of seven children to represent Maynooth at Kildare level. They are - Miriam Gormely, Raymond Fleming, John Higgins, Derek Fleming, Richard Cotter, Peter Grant and John Downey. Nora would like to thank all the children who took part and to wish the team every success in the competitions ahead. There was not such big number for the U.14. team. The panel from which a team will be chosen is as follows - Owen Grant, John Gormley, James O'Rourke, Paul Keatley, Darren McDermott, Gregory Kirwin, Colm Hardiman and Aisling Kelly.

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Manager for the Soccer is John Thompson.

Carmel Buckley is in charge of the swimmers.

The Variety will take place in Kilcock on the last Friday in June. The team for this should be known around the middle of April. Paddy Boyd is the man here.

Art and medelling take place on 26th May.

The Athletic Club is looking after the actual Games. The date will be announced as soon as possible. Betty Murphy will be manager for the Gymnastics.

There is one very important matter, if you have not already done so, PLEASE RETURN YOUR TROPHIES IMMEDIATELY, to Brighidin Breslin or Marie Duff. Names have to be put on these trophies and it is a very time consuming job.

A last word for this month, please if you are on teams or want to do well as individuals, attend your practise or training sessions regularly. Thank you.

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CROM-ABU G.A.A. CLUB.

The Committee thank all who turned up for our cabaret night in the Hitchin' Post on 16th March last, and their thanks also to those who bought tickets to support the function. We would also like to give a special word of thanks to the following for their generous support: Mr. Tony Barrett, for a set of goal nets.

Mr. Bill Donovan, for a set of senior jerseys.

Mr. Gino Fusciardi, for a set of junior jerseys.

Mr. Paddy Tyrrell, for a football, and

Mr. Eddie Mullally and Mrs. O'Flaherty for a dozen hurling balls.

A word of thanks also to those who supplied the prizes for our raffle on 16th March in the Hitchin' Post, including:

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Senior Football:

Our Seniors travelled down to Ballymore for their third League game of the season, on Sunday 18th March and, having to field a weak team, were well beaten by a better Ballymore side.

Their next outing was against Kill, at home, and again things went badly in the first twenty minutes. Playing against a stiff wind, they found themselves 8 points behind before their first score - a point, which was followed by a goal, from a penalty, by Terry Moore. The half-time score was Maynooth 1 - 1, Kill 0 - 8.

Maynooth, however, put on the pressure on the re-start and put up 8 points to Kill's 1, leaving the final score Maynooth 1 - 9, Kill 0 - 9.

Best for Maynooth were Gerry Feeley,

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Noel Kearns, Terry Moore, Tom Coffey, Martin Scanlon and Colm Feeney.

On Sunday 15th April, the Senior team travelled to Ardclough for what was, at times, a hard and a little frustrating match. Ardclough, playing with the wind and sun at their backs, scored 4 points before Maynooth replied with a point scored by Terry Moore. About three minutes before half-time Ardclough forwards pounced on a bad mistake by Maynooth drove the ball into the net past a helpless Tommy Fay in the goal and scored a further goal a minute or so later from a penalty leaving the half-time score, Ardclough 2 - 4, Maynooth 0 - 1. On the re-start, Ardclough scored a further two points before Peter Gaynor scored a further point for Maynooth. Terry Moore scored a goal for Maynooth from a penalty. Try as they may however, Maynooth could not overcome the strong lead built up by Ardclough in the first half.

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Final Score Maynooth 1 - 3, Ardclough 2 - 7.
Best for Maynooth were, Terry Moore, Noel Kearns, Joseph Edwards, Colm Feeney, Gerry Feeley.

The Committee would like to hear from anyone who may have any old photos or newspaper clippings relating to Maynooth Club in the past, or who may know of some person who may have the like. We guarantee to return such photos, etc. safely to the owners.

Minor Football Championship.

1st. April, 1984

St. Coca's 1 - 1, Suncroft 2 - 7.

The Minor Footballers travelled to Clane for their replay of the first round of the championship and went down to a Suncroft team that did all the right things. St. Coca's failed to hold on to their lead from the first game and saw victory snatched from them in the last two minutes of the game.

The Committee tender their congratulations to Sean Lennon and Miss. Caroline Lynch on the recent marriage in Bermingham and also to Sean Moore and Miss. Brid Barrett on their recent engagement.

300 Club Draw Result (March).
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SOCCER NOTES

18th March. Ballymore 1, Maynooth 2. The Firsts had a good away win against their Kildare neighbours and collected another brace of league points. P. Doyle and D. Farrell were the marksmen.

Neilstown Utd. 4, Maynooth 1. An under strength Third X1 could never match league leaders Neilstown and finally wilted to three late goals. T. Harte scored the Town goal.

25th March. Palmerston 2, Maynooth 3. This was a five star performance by the Saturday team in this Sheeran Cup tie. Playing controlled football, Maynooth led 3-0 at one stage. Goals per P. Doyle, E. Ledwith and N. Boyce, and it was only in the last 10 mins that the premier opposition scored twice to give the score-line some respectability.

31st March. Maynooth 2, Shangan 1. No stopping the Saturday team at present. In this Mitten Cup quarter-final game they took another premier team with the goals coming from P. Doyle and S. Moore. They now become favourites to win this trophy and playing like this, it will take an exceptional side to lower their colours.

1st April. Dunboyne 2, Maynooth 3. A great win in this tough derby game with the Firsts snatching victory with only 3 mins remaining. P. Doyle.

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D. Farrell and G. Moen scored the goals.
 Maynooth 3, Ventry Pk. 1. On of their best performances earned the Thirds a Conway Cup semi-final spot against Naas-Paddock Rangers. They got to grips early and scored thrice per S. Nyland, M. Murtagh and J. Doyle to earn their ticket.

8th April. Maynooth 1 (10 pens), Castleville 1 (11 pens). This Sheeran Cup quarter-final certainly lived up to its billing of 'Match of the Season.' Played before the biggest crowd at the home venue for years, this was a classic. The only pity was their had to be a loser. The Premier Counties side, Castleville, sporting several inter-league players, finally won out in a sudden death penalty shoot out after the sides finished level 1-1 at the end of 90 mins and extra time failing to produce a result. P. Doyle scored the goal and also in the penalty shoot out, with T. Galligan, P. McCourt, D. Farrell, D. Murray, G. Moen,

N. Boyce, P. Lafferty and T. Moore. Maynooth 3, Olympus 2. The Thirds collected two league points with a good win against useful opposition. T. McTernan, T. Harte and J. Doyle scored the goals.

10th April. Woodview Celtic 2, Maynooth 3. The first mid-week fixture of the season and the Thirds defeated their Lucan neighbours, by the odd goal in five. T. Harte 2, and S. Nyland were the marksmen.

11th April. Anner 0, Maynooth 3. The Saturday team defeated one of their closest rivals in the league by a convincing 3 goal margin. P. Lafferty 2 and P. Doyle were the town scorers.

12th April. Bromley 1, Maynooth 4. Another good away win for the Thirds who came back strongly in the second half with goals from K. Kilduff, a hat-trick, and J. Doyle.

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14th April.- St. Anthony's 4, Maynooth 5. A close call this for the Saturday team who came from 4 goals down to win this high scoring encounter. T. Moore 2, J. Nolan, D. Farrell and N. Boyce were the Towns marksmen.

15th April. Maynooth 2, Naomh Eanna 0. The Firsts scored another good win and two more league points for the A.U.L. side. P. Doyle scored both the homesters goals.
 Olympus 1, Maynooth 2. The Thirds fourth game within 8 days and fourth victory (Man. Utd. take note). This time M. Murtagh and T. McTernan scored the winning goals.

The club is still involved in two semi-finals, Mitten & Conway Cups, and in line for league honours in Div. 1 Sat. So why not come along and give your support to your local team.

The weekly 300 Club Draw has just completed its second year and congrats once again to our winners and especially our £500 Super-Prize winner, Bridie O'Brien, Leinster Cottages.

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB.

Our Congratulations to the Committee of the St. Patrick's Day Parade for a job well done. We, in the Swimming Club, had our lovely float as usual. Our thanks must go to Mrs. Rosemarie Hanly for all her hard work in preparing 'The Yellow Submarine' Well done, Rosemary! Our thanks also to Mr. Richard Naughton for the use of his lorry. The children and their parents also deserve our thanks for participating. We trust next years Parade will be bigger and better and now is the time to start preparing.

Our new ten weeks session commenceson Saturday April 28th and times of sessions are as follows: Saturdays; First bus departs Grenfield Shopping Centre at 3.45 p.m. Second bus departs Grenfield Shopping Centre at 4.45 p.m. Third bus (Length Swimmers) departs Grenfield Shopping Centre at 5.15 p.m.

Fee for each ten week session £14. All swimming enquiries to Mrs. Susan Igoe - Phone 285497 or Mrs. Carmel Buckley - Phone 286171. Our Community Games Swimming will be held some time in May.

Watch out for news on posters and announcements in Schools. Children, practise as hard as you can for the next few weeks in preparation for the Games. On Thursday April 26th, we had a party and Disco for our members in the Parish Hall. More details in next issue.

CYCLING NEWS

Almost 200 cyclists arrived at the Parish Hall on 18th March to take part in the Maynooth Grand Prix. At 1.30 the riders had a neutralised start to Kilcock.

The Senior 'A' riders raced from Kilcock, Summerhill, Longwood, Enfield, Kilcock - three times, finishing in Maynooth at the fly-over. The total distance was 91 miles.

The Senior 'B' riders and the Juniors rode twice around the same circuit finishing at the Graveyard in Kilcock.

The Cycling Club wishes to thank the Allied Irish Bank, the Ulster Bank and the Bank of Ireland for their sponsorship to this big event also we thank all those who gave their support in stewarding the course and all who helped to make this event so successful. The prizes were awarded immediately after the races, in the Hall.

The results are as follows:-
 Senior A. 1st Jamie McQuillan, Northern Ireland; 2nd Mick Walsh, Dublin; 3rd Matt Quinn, Lurgan; 4th P. Talbot, Tyrone.

Senior B. 1st Noel Tobin, Dublin; 2nd Sean Lally, Dublin; 3rd Kevin Martin, Longford; 4th Paul Watson, C. Down.
 Junior. 1st Jim Caley, Dublin; 2nd Stephen McNally, Dublin; 3rd Michael Hall, Galway; 4th Colm Bigonen, Dublin.

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