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## Editorial

Not only Greenfields but clean fields. Greenfields Residents Association have shown commendable public spirit by employing teenagers to clean up around the Shopping Centre and to keep the grass verges cut. There is a marked improvement in the area and people can now shop in safety without fear of their children being cut by broken glass or stung by wasps attracted to sweet papers. Residents of Crodaun Forest Park even went so far as to employ a man under the Manpower scheme to clean up their area. Perhaps our enterprising Community Council could copy this idea.

## Travellers

We would like to welcome Kildare Co. Council's plan for a travellers' halting site at Blacklion. An official site will do away with the eyesore on the Dublin Road and will provide the travellers with decent services and an improved lifestyle. The schools will also welcome the extra pupils as it may provide the necessary leverage to the Dept. for extra teachers.

## Jobs for the boys and girls.

Now that the Leaving Cert. results are out is it not time that we in Maynooth tried to create some employment for our young people — possibly a manufacturing industry? Surely there are people in the town with the scope and imagination to set up some worthwhile project for our youth. Celbridge Mill provides a useful mode.

## Sparks fly

As Halloween draws closer perhaps we should be considering a communal bonfire and fireworks display instead of 'individual and unsupervised fires. It makes sense to protect our children from the accidents which occur every year which keep our emergency services so busy. So how about it — all you parents in Maynooth!



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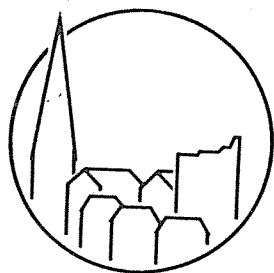
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## NOOTH COMMUNITY JNCIL NOTES

### Harbour Field

owing the Community Council's pro-  
l that the Council should formally  
over the running and development of  
Harbour Field, a meeting between  
nooth Development Association and  
Field Trustees agreed that the Trus-  
should meet with the Community  
cil to discuss the issue. The Council  
written to each of the Trustees  
ely, Tim Twomey, Peter Curran,  
us Barnwall, John Weafer, Thomas  
h, Fred Leavey and Dinny Breen)  
ng its proposals about how the field  
ld be developed and run. The  
munity Council is now waiting to  
from the Trustees concerning the  
osed meeting.

### Development of Straffan Road

Executive Committee of the Comm-  
Council recently had a meeting  
the Committee set up by concerned  
iduals and groups to protest against  
proposed development plan for the  
fan Road. (For further details of  
concerns of this committee, see  
here in this issue). The committee  
inly concerned about aspects of the  
osed alignment of the improved road  
he safety and environmental consid-  
ons involved in attracting extra traf-  
nto the road (which is to provide  
only link between Maynooth and  
ew By-Pass).

The Community Council agreed to  
write again to the County Council and  
the local County Councillors seeking an  
urgent meeting to discuss the details of  
the improvement plan. The Community  
Council is also seeking a meeting with  
Bernard Durkan T.D. to discuss with him  
his proposal that a Ring Road be built  
linking Blacklion with the Straffan Road  
junction with the By-Pass, which would  
divert traffic from the Dunboyne direc-  
ion away from the town centre.

### Table Quiz

As part of its Community Fortnight pro-  
gramme, the Community Council held  
a very successful Table Quiz in the Lein-  
ster Arms. Generously sponsored by the  
Maynooth branch of Allied Irish Banks,  
the Quiz was confined to local voluntary  
organisations, and attracted a good entry.  
The eventual winners were the local  
branch of the Labour Party, who just  
pipped the Divorce Action Group, with  
Greenfield Estate Residents Association  
in third place. Prizes were presented by  
Mr. Frank Byrne, Assistant Manager,  
Allied Irish Banks, Maynooth.

A feature of the quiz was the many  
topical, amusing and locally-oriented  
questions put by the most able Question  
Master, Noel Dalton. We are very grate-  
ful to Noel and his back-up team of Gerry  
Durack and Willie Saults. We are also  
thankful to the many others who helped  
out with the arrangements, including  
the judges and scorekeepers, and "run-  
ners", and those on the door. We are  
particularly indebted to Allied Irish  
Banks and the Leinster Arms. If we have  
left anybody out, we apologise and thank  
them also.

### Joseph Horan R.I.P.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the  
widow, parents and family of Joseph,  
who died recently. Joseph's brother,  
Derek, represents Old Greenfields on  
the Community Council.

### Teamwork Proposals

We have submitted to the Dept of Labour  
a new set of proposals to employ people  
under the teamwork scheme. The pro-  
jects we have submitted are (1) a com-  
munity survey (2) development of  
Harbour field (3) an environmental im-  
provement team.  
A reply is expected shortly.

### Congratulations

Hearty congratulations to Gerry Durack  
and Susan Boyce who married recently.  
Gerry represents Old Carton on the  
Council.

Pat Moynan  
P.R.O.

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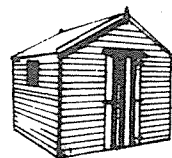
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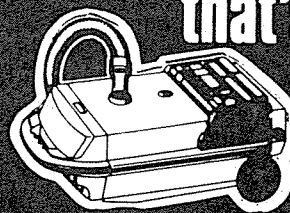
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NNA FAIL NOTES

*ibry Estate*  
Gerry Brady reports that, following representations to the County Engineer concerning the boundary between Kingsbry Estate and Greenfields Estate, he has been informed that the approved plan for Kingsbry include the retention of a hedge between the two estates. The drain on the Kingsbry side of the boundary became partly filled in due to dumping, but the developers of Kingsbry recently opened up sections of the estate which is on their private property. No action is not in breach of the planning permission for the estate.

OUR PARTY NOTES  
in Aoibhinn

Stagg has made representations on behalf of Cluain Aoibhinn Residents' Association concerning a number of items as follows.

*Light Out of Order*  
The Co. Engineer has requested the ESB carry out all necessary repairs as soon as possible to two public lights in front of No. 16 and No. 72 which are missing and other lights which are out of order.

*Water Mains*  
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*Supply*  
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*Boundary between Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn*

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*YellowBox Junction*  
Following requests from local residents, Cllr. Stagg is making further enquiries concerning the provision of a yellow box junction at the exit from the Square at Brady's. This matter was referred to the Traffic Control Committee some time ago following approval of the proposal by the Area Engineer.

*Town Park*  
At the request of the Lyreen Residents' Association Cllr. Stagg has asked Kildare Co. Council to have the grass cut at Town Park, Pound Street. Like the Avenue, this area is used by many for amenity purposes and has been neglected by Kildare Co. Council.

*Wall at Hand Ball Alley*  
Cllr. Stagg has made representations to Kildare County Council concerning the crumbling of the wall at the Hand Ball Alley. If the wall deteriorates any further it will be a hazard to both motorists and pedestrians.

**MONTHLY 500 CLUB DRAW**  
*Results*  
We would like to thank everybody who continues to support our Monthly 500 Club Draw. The results for the June and July Draws were as follows:

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1st prize £150 — Jane Murray, Carbury  
2nd prize £75 — Mary Browne, Leixlip  
3rd prize £5 — Adam Foley, Clane  
4th prize £5 — Kieran Coleman, Kildare  
5th prize £5 — David Weafer, Maynooth  
6th prize £5 — Grace Jackson, Leixlip  
7th prize £5 — Louise Boyce, Maynooth

**JULY**  
1st prize £150 — John Farrell, Johnstownbridge.  
2nd prize £75 — John Ghent, Leixlip  
3rd prize £5 — Martha Norris, Celbridge  
4th prize £5 — Marion Lee, Donadea  
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**Joseph Horan**  
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*Dave Moynan P.R.O.*

**WORKERS' PARTY NOTES**  
**Annual Collection**  
The Workers' Party annual house-to-house collection will be carried out in the Maynooth area during the month of September. We urge the public to support us as best they can. With unemployment continuing to rise despite the massive level of emigration which is depriving the country of many of its best young people, it is clear that a new and radical approach to tackling our economic problems is called for, as the existing "mainstream" political parties clearly have no solutions to offer. The Workers' Party

offers a socialist alternative which puts the chronic problem of unemployment at the top of the political agenda, and which is committed to mobilising the national resources towards eliminating this cancer in our society which is the root cause of so many of our other social ills. The Workers' Party needs your support in order to allow it to get this basic message across to the public.

Further information from Prionnsias Breathnach, 92 Rail Park, Tel: 285241.

**MAYNOOTH BRANCH — FINE GAE**

1. *Taoiseach's visit*  
Dr Garret Fitzgerald will visit the Co. Kildare Constituency on Monday, Sept. 8th. He will commence in North Kildare and will probably visit Maynooth around noon before moving on to Naas.

2. *Policing in North Kildare*  
In view of the continued and unacceptable high crime rate in North Kildare, Deputy Bernard Durkan, has submitted proposals to the Minister for Justice for the re-organization and re-deployment of Garda strength in the area involving a new Garda Station in Leixlip, and the provision of extra patrols in Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge.

These patrols would give much greater efficiency in the use of manpower. The Minister has replied as follows: "The Garda authorities are making a comprehensive report on policing in the North Kildare area, and hope to finalise the report within two to three months." Re. Maynooth Garda Station he states: "Garda authorities say that the present opening hours of the station are so fixed as to make as many members as possible available for outdoor patrol duty while maintaining a reasonable office service. The mobile patrols operate from Naas. These matters will all be considered in the current review of policing arrangements in North Kildare".

3. *Bond Bridge (Pucks)*  
Further to the Co. Engineer's agreement to Deputy Bernard Durkan's proposal for a complete re-alignment of Pucks Bridge, the Co. Engineer has now requested a report from the consulting engineers. The approximate cost of the work is £500,000.

4. *Mullen Bridge*  
The County Engineer has informed the County Council that he has requested a report from the consulting engineers re. widening Mullen Bridge and correcting of the entrance to the Canal bank.

5. *Road Improvements*  
The Minister for the Environment, has informed Deputy Durkan that he has allocated £157,000 for the improvement of county roads in Kildare. In determining the allocation for each county the Minister has taken into account the monies collected in local charges, which is

used to fund work on county roads and other services. Following representations by Deputy Durkan, Kildare County Council will carry out repairs to Convent Lane (£3,000) and Kilmacredock Green Lane (£5,000).

6. *Allocations*  
Deputy Bernard Durkan, speaking at a District Executive meeting of Fine Gael in Celbridge, informed the Officers of the following allocations being made available for the various services, by the Department to Kildare County Council.

Sanitary Services £1,802,000  
Housing Authority £3,160,000  
Roads £ 157,000

7. *Maynooth Employment Exchange*  
A request by Deputy B. Burkan to the Minister for Social Welfare to improve the facilities at the Maynooth Employment Exchange has resulted in the following reply:

"The branch manager has been endeavouring to obtain suitable premises. He purchased a property some time ago but was refused permission to convert it for an employment exchange. With regard to privacy it is accepted that there is little privacy in the office. The only solution would be for a claimant to make an appointment to call to the office during off-peak times. When the manager is successful in obtaining a new premises the provision of private facilities will be pursued."

*Senan Griffin.  
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guitar played softly on the wind, the es swayed, silently, as if in time to muted strings. Overhead, the clouds ished the surface of the new moon. I od in that quiet garden but my thou- s did not match the peaceful night.

I had left him standing in the centre the crowded room, with the laughter d gaiety of the farewell party all a- ind. I just had to escape, to be free to nember him as he used to be, warm d so full of life — not this haunted, un- py man that he had become. The ange had been forced on him — it sn't his fault. The voice on the phone d shattered our lives, with the news of father's death. After the funeral in e village he had left in anger so many ars before, Dermot had learned of his her's will. As the only child he had en left the small farm and the run- wn house in which his mother lived. e begged him to stay with her and run e farm. She knew he had always hated but she clung to the old idea of in- rritance. The land was more important in his life with me.

He returned to the city and our ich loved home, but he was different w — moody and irritable, snapping everything and everybody. He was n between our love and his mother's ed of him. He knew I dreaded the farm d the long winters with no near neigh- urs to chat with, just the bitter, re- tful face of his mother who hated .

I refused to listen when he pleaded ings had changed, that she had mel- ved and that we could travel back to e city when I became lonely. I shut y ears to his pleadings and my eyes to s unhappy face. In the end he had ded to return to the farm — hence the rty. I thought about my refusal to ac- mpany him and our decision to seek a aration. Was I wrong in insisting that ir lives should continue as before or is I being selfish? In my mind I could e his mother's face — cold and resentful the city-born outsider who had dared take her son. Even the birth of her andson had failed to soften her, she ll fought me for the love of her son. re, in our peaceful garden, I knew e had won.

C.C.

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Oh beauty moved about us  
In the mountains  
While we hung on the warm whine  
Of a labouring engine  
That drew us  
Like disquieted pilgrims  
Back to lighted streets  
And fragrant fires  
Back through that turbulence  
Of pitiless beauty  
And man-belittling majesty.  
It was evening when we passed  
Through cultivated flatlands  
The town was near  
And we were bringing home  
Within our brimming minds  
The tamed epiphany of the wilderness  
Sweet hedges gathered us  
Into the warm evening  
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## SEVEN-A-SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS

For the second year, Greenfield Residents' Association organised the All Maynooth Senior Estates Veteran Seven-A-Side Football Tournaments for men and women, this summer.

The aim of these tournaments is to encourage community spirit, in the hope that people in the different areas can enjoy something together at least for two weeks of the year. While the tournaments are intended to be fun for all some people take them so seriously that it has become necessary to circulate 18 rules, and next year it may be necessary to produce more.

Organising these tournaments takes up a considerable amount of time, and it would be a welcome development if more people would organise events for other age groups — children and teenagers would have no excuse for boredom and hanging around corners, and adults would benefit from greater integration with their community.

The standard of football was high, and the level of competitiveness was striking, was obvious that some players were suffering from rusted joints, but there was general improvement after a few games. Cluain Aoibhinn would agree! Congratulations to Old Greenfield, and commiserations to Laurence's Avenue, the men's finalists.

The women's tournament was highly entertaining and the final was a cracker, with Carton Court winning the day. Hopes are being expressed that a good women's football team may be found to represent Maynooth.

Thanks are expressed to Carton Court residents for allowing the tournaments to take over their green for two weeks. The sponsors of cups and trophies deserve special mention:

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Referees — Lenny Murphy, Mick Hegarty, and Pdraig Kearney did great work, and many others helped to make the events such a success by getting pitches ready and marked, and taking care of gear. Above all, thanks are due to Peter Holland for his hard work in organising the matches and his dedication to making Maynooth a good community in which to live.

Peter points out however, that in Summer it is easy to organise outdoor events, but with Winter coming, it is essential that all work together towards obtaining indoor facilities. He hopes that all the people who came together during the summer to enjoy each others' company will continue to work together for this aim.

We wish to thank Ed. Mullaly Petrol Station for sponsorship of Girls' Trophy and Tony Barrett Hardware for sponsorship of Boys' Trophies).

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L-R: Referee Mick Hegarty, winning Captain Mick Dempsey being presented with the Donovan Cup by Cllr. Emmet Stagg and Peter Holland, organiser.

## Maynooth Town Soccer Club August Notes

The Club started the 1986-87 season on the weekend of August 23-24 and hopes to do as well as in previous seasons. We are always interested in signing on suitable new players and, of course, any of last season's players. Training has already started and we are fielding three teams as before. We would like to take the opportunity to welcome Noel Holmwood as First Team Manager. Noel, of course, played with the club before and everyone in the club wishes him all the best. Second Team Manager will, as last season, be Gerry Moen and Tony McTernan will look after the Third Team. We would also like to mention the start of a Ladies' Team who have already started training and will enter the Ladies' League in September. A committee is being formed and they would welcome as many ladies as possible to become involved.

We would also like to mention that our efforts to secure a permanent playing field are still continuing and we are hopeful that we will meet with success. Meanwhile, we are experiencing the same problems as before in relation to the use of the field on the Dublin Road. These problems are not our fault nor are they the fault of the owners of the field, who have always been courteous and helpful to us. Hopefully a solution will be found soon to what is quite obviously a serious problem, as anyone familiar with that approach to the town knows. Once again thanks to all who have supported us in the past and we look forward to the same in the future.

G. Durack

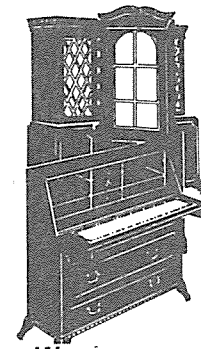
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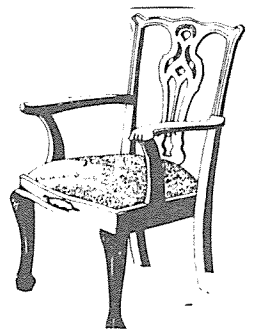
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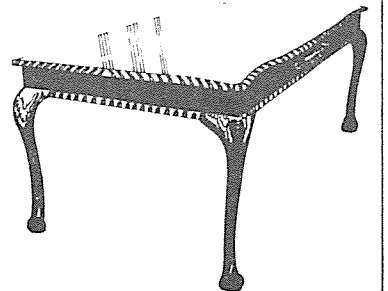
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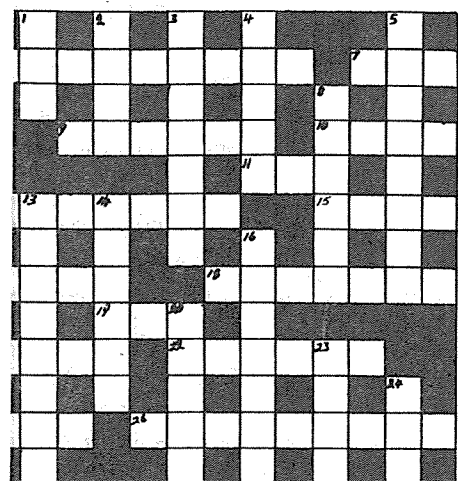
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- 9 Full of expectation. (7)
- 10 A place for healthy water? (3)
- 11 Something sticky. (4)
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- 13 You could have cubes made of this. (3)
- 14 The start. (9)

Down

- 1 Halt of two. (3)
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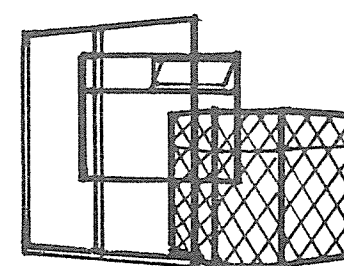
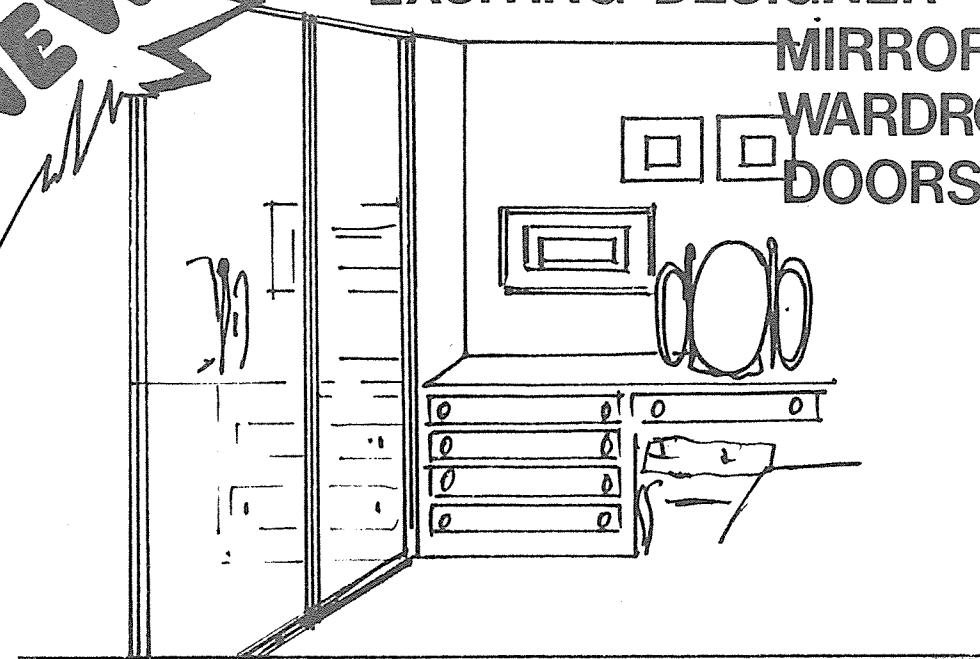
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### Maynooth Junior Badminton Club

Club will re-open for the season on day, September 8th. Please attend our usual time until further notice.

#### Members

lication forms, which *must* be signed u parent, are available from Mrs. P. , 75 Maynooth Park. As it is hoped art beginners on September 15th, be- se return your application forms as as possible. Copies of the club rules be given to each successful applicant.

#### Junior Badminton Committee.

### Maynooth Senior Badminton Club

Badminton season got underway day 18th August. The two badmin- courts have been totally refurbished volunteers from the club, and Billy gins and his team from the Parish Committee. An excellent job was e and this has upgraded the facilities he club tremendously.

At the moment the club selection mittee are very busy getting teams nised for the forthcoming Dublin istrict League. We hope to enter five s and league matches will start in ember or early October. Match etary Mary Tierney is busy arranging season friendlies to help get rid of the -webs' before the league starts er.

Any member who has not informed Secretary of their availability for the lin League should do so immediately. e are a few vacancies for Ladies E < standard for further information se contact Derek Gleeson 285668 or to the Parish Hall any Monday or sday at 8.00 pm.

D. Gleeson  
Club Secretary

### LADIES SOCCER

A Ladies Soccer Committee was formed at a meeting held on the 29th July. These are the list of officers:

#### Main Committee:

Chairperson	Christina Saults
Secretary	Patricia Nyland
Asst. Sec.	Mary O'Riordan
Treasurer	Angela Brazil
Asst. Tres.	Catherine Fitzpatrick

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Committee: Tina Fitzpatrick, Pam Burke  
Alison Conlon, Louise Boyce, Colette Dunning, Patricia Dempsey.

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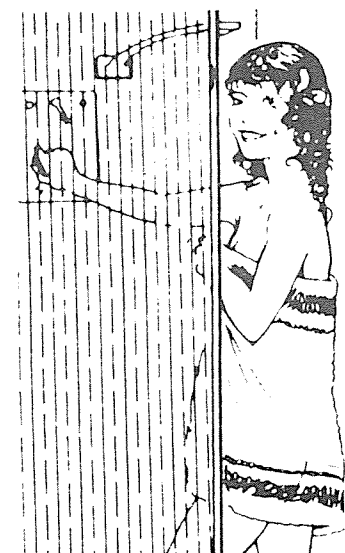
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### Spain versus Maynooth

The first international football match Maynooth took place in the Harbour Field in July, when the youth of Maynooth took on the youth of Spain — or at least a sample of those who had come to learn English with a Kildare accent during the summer.

The outcome can be looked on as a draw. Spain won the 11-15 year old group, with two goals to one. However, the 15-18 year olds from Maynooth evened the score, by winning their match two goals to nil.

The occasion was a great success. The public address system, sponsored by the Labour Party, kept all informed of the magnificent activities on the field. The trophies sponsored by Paddy Ryan's garage on the Straffan Road, ensured that our Pedros and Manuels brought back to Spain some very tangible memorabilia of Maynooth.

That this event was held at all is due to Pat Farrell, of the Labour Party, who, inspired by the thoughts of promoting international co-operation, organised everything.

### MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

The Committee would like to thank most sincerely the management of the Leinster Arms Hotel for initiating a weekly collection on our behalf and we would also like to thank the patrons for their kind support.

Our Kerdiffstown Holiday will commence on 24th August and a full report will follow in next issue.

Carol Barton  
P.R.O.

### Snooker Marathon

The indefatigable Pat Farrell, of the Labour Party, is planning a 24 hour snooker marathon in aid of the Irish Kidney Association in September. He will be going from house to house seeking sponsorship, so please support this important cause. For further information, contact Pat at the Star Guest House, Greenfield Drive.

### Community Flashback

The Newsletter has organised an exhibition of photographs taken at recent events in Maynooth. These include the St. Patrick's Day Parade, and the Community Fortnight. The exhibition is on view in the Library, Main Street. Copies of photographs on display can be ordered from the Newsletter Office, Town Centre Mall, behind Main Street, price 50p.

### Local Student gains P.Hd. at Belfield.

We offer congratulations to Gerald Nelson, Greenfield, Maynooth who was conferred recently with a P.Hd. in English Literature at U.C.D. Gerald is a former student of Maynooth Post Primary School and gained his B.A. and M.A. at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. Indeed it is a great achievement as Gerald is one of the youngest students ever to receive such a degree in U.C.D. We wish him every success in his career ahead.

### Maynooth Parish Folk Group

The 9.45 pm Folk Mass resumes on Sunday, September 7th.

#### New Members:

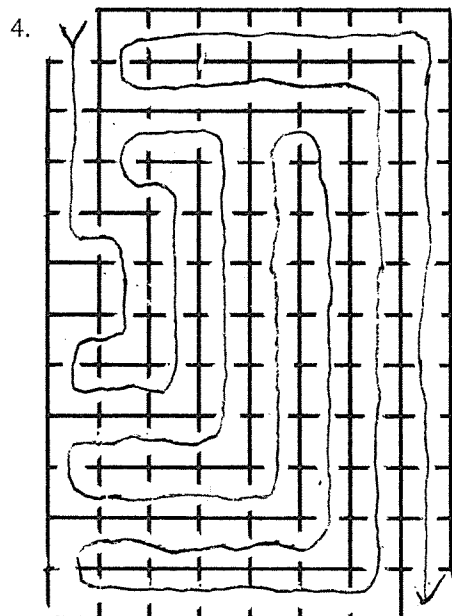
Anyone wishing to join the Folk Group (musicians, singers) should come to Boys' National School on Wednesdays at 8 pm. We would love to hear from you.

### KIDDIES CORNER ANSWERS

1. Hen Chicken, Goose Gosling, Horse Foal, Dog Pup, Deer Fawn, Sheep Lamb, Cat Kitten, Swan Sygnet, Lion Cub, Cow Calf.

2. Madonna, Chris de Burgh, Queen, U2, George Michael, Sade, Boy George, Andrew Rigley, House Martins.

3. Pan, Pole, Penny, House, Pie, Boy, Shop, Night, Ball.



### The Zebra

The Zebra, born both black and white, Is just the jungle clown.

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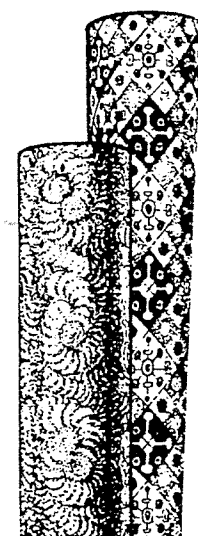
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The Course is based on the work of Anne Dickson, author of "A Woman in Your Own Right: Assertiveness and You". The Irish women who have been trained in this country by Anne Dickson have formed Redwood Ireland, an Association of Professional Assertiveness Trainers. Redwood Ireland is being officially launched in the week 8-13 September.

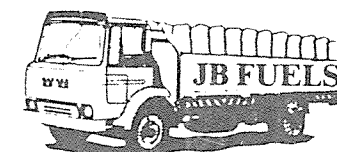
There will be a Free Introductory Talk on Assertiveness Training in the ICA Hall, The Harbour, Maynooth on Wed., 3 September at 8.00 pm. The next Course in Maynooth will start on Mon. 8 September and will be run on Mon. mornings until mid-November. For further information contact Emer McDermott at (01) 286482.

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## STREET TALKING

### n invitation:

Street Talking is a new section of the *Newsletter* which will focus on the shops and businesses of Maynooth. These concerns are at the centre of the town, literally and figuratively, and contribute as much to the community as do the various clubs and associations which have regularly featured in our pages. So, any news of events, or reflections on the commercial life of the town will be welcome here.

Over the next few months we will be profiling different aspects of the retail outlets in the town. We begin with a look at the town's bookshops.

Maynooth is fortunate in having two good bookshops already — and apparently there are prospects of a third in O'Brien's Shopping Mall shortly. The two established shops are the University Bookshop inside the grounds of the college, and Rye River Books in the Centrepont Shopping Arcade. Bookshops are a valuable resource in any community, putting people immediately in touch with a vast range of entertainment, information and culture.

Rye River Books is run by Oliver Frawley, a Clareman who opened his doors in October 1984. His was a pioneering venture — he was the first tenant of the arcade which replaced Noone's garage on the corner, and along with The Country Shop opposite has taken the lead in opening up the "West End" of town. He stocks a broad range of titles, with the national bestsellers in paperback like Maeve Binchy's novels and books with a film or TV tie-in selling well — *The Colour Purple* and *Out of Africa* among recent titles which aroused interest. He also carries some more specialised material, in view of the special nature of Maynooth; religious and spiritual works are in ready demand, and there are also course related books for the schools and university. It is the only bookshop at present keeping a stock of second-hand books on the shelves. There is always the possibility of picking up study material at a bargain price, and a wide spectrum of meaty paperback fiction on a sale or exchange basis. At this time of year the demand for school textbooks is at its height, and Rye River Books excellently situated to provide a year-round service to post-primary students, whose school is just up the road. He has a good selection of cards and stationery, and even a box of second-hand LPs to browse through. Oliver makes a particular point of welcoming browsers, who pop in just to find out what is on the shelves and maybe glance through a volume or two. His attitude is in the best traditions of bookselling, treating books as something more than merely a commodity.

John Byrne's University Bookshop is well-known to the college staff and students because of its situation at the heart of the Main Campus is probably less frequented by townspeople. John hopes that this will soon change, however, as more and more people become aware of what he has on offer. And while the imposing college gates may look forbidding to some, he points out that intending visitors to the bookshop will have no difficulty in entering and, as an extra bonus, to stroll through part of the college grounds is to experience one of the loveliest environments for miles around. To get to the bookshop, simply bear to the left once through the gates and on you will see the corner-premises which contain the shop. John Byrne has some twelve years' experience of the book-trade with leading Irish companies. For a number of years he managed the university bookshop for Kenny's of Galway, but at the start of this year he took over on his own behalf and began injecting the new life that comes with increased personal commitment, much to the satisfaction of all on campus. John is a Maynooth man, and is assisted in the shop by Bernadette Stanley. Asked what John was like to work with, she pointed out that she had been there with him for eight years, so he can't be all that bad. Much of the University Bookshop's stock is geared to the college courses, and while this does provide a ready market it also brings problems of its own, meeting time deadlines and number requirements while dealing with a whole range of specialist publishers and suppliers. John Byrne's bookshop will become more prominent in the opening weeks of the school-year, when he will be opening a stall in the post-primary school for three weeks or so to supply necessary texts.

During the summer, when the students are away, the University Bookshop has a steady flow of customers from the various summer-schools and also from tourists visiting the college. To these last he is able to supply postcards, but has to disappoint frequent requests for slides of the college. Surely an opening for a photographer here!

The University Bookshop is open from 8.30 through to 6.00 during term-times, Monday to Friday. During vacations you are likely to find it closed at lunch hours. Rye River Books opens six days a week, from 10.00 to 6.00 throughout the year.

News is that two more units are to open in the Greenfield Shopping Centre — a underette and a coffee-shop.

## Lyreen Residents' Association

### Convent Lane

The residents are pleased to learn from Cllr. Stagg that repairs are at last to be carried out on Convent Lane. This stretch of roadway has caused great inconvenience to the residents of the area over the last number of years. We thank Cllr. Stagg for his work on our behalf and we have now requested Cllr. Stagg to obtain details of what the Co. Council propose to do with the £3,000 allocated to repair and upgrade the road.

### Town Park

The neglect of Town Park by Kildare Co. Council is causing concern in the area. Cllr. Stagg has been requested to make representations on our behalf to Kildare Co. Council to have the grass cut.

### Bollards

The Co. Council agreed some time ago to provide bollards if the residents in the area put them in place. Cllr. Stagg has been requested to contact the Area Engineer in order to ascertain if the bollards are still at our disposal . . . . .

### Extension of speed limit — Dillon's Rd.

At our request Cllr. Stagg made representations concerning the extension of the speed limit on Dillon's Rd. The Co. Engineer agreed to the extension and the matter was referred to the Traffic Technical Committee. Cllr. Stagg is to pursue the matter further in order to obtain a decision from this Committee.

### Cross Lane — P. Malone's

Following the spate of accidents on the Cross Lane at Paddy Malone's house, we have requested, by petition, that stop signs be erected and that a speed limit suitable to a residential area be enforced.

We are requesting that the stop signs be erected at the crossing in order to stop the flow of traffic from Brian Noone's Garage to Convent Lane.

Further action will be taken by the residents if our request is not met with approval. Cllr. Stagg will be submitting the petition on our behalf to Kildare Co. Council and will add his voice to ours in support of the proposal.

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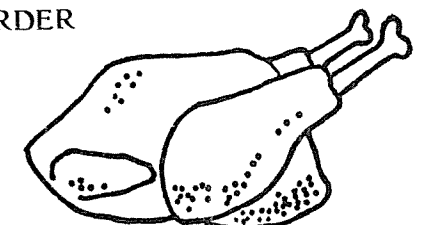
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Ten little Indians standing in a line –  
One went home and then there were nine.



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#### KIDDIES CORNER

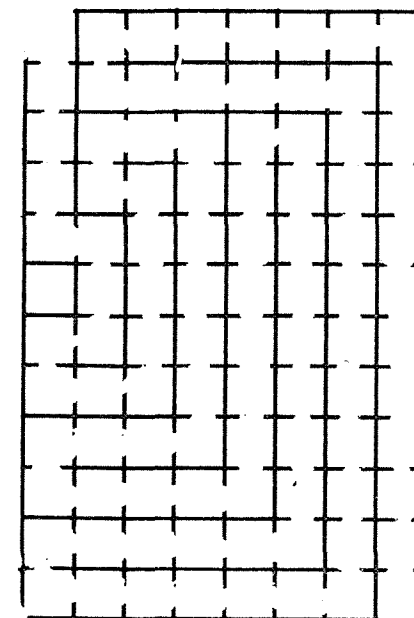
1. Young and old. Match them up.  
Adults) Hen, Goose, Horse, Dog, Deer,  
Sheep, Cat, Swan, Lion, Cow:  
Young) Gosling, Fawn, Cub, Foal,  
Lamb, Chicken, Calf, Pup, Kitten, Sygnet

2. Mixed up pops.  
AADMNNO, SIRHC-EDHGRUB,  
ENQUE, U+U,??, REGGEO HICAMEL,  
ESDA, EEGGOR YOB, DRAWEN  
YELGRID SHOEU SNITRAM.

3. What word goes in the middle ex-  
ample ARM(CHAIR)MAN.  
SAUCE ( )CAKE  
NORTH( )VAULT  
HALF( )WISE  
GLASS( )MARTIN  
APPLE( )BALD  
COW( )HOOD  
SWEET( )FRONT  
FOOT( )ROOM

4. Get through the Maze.

Answers on page



#### Willie and Nell

In the family drinking well  
Willie pushed his sister Nell.  
She's there yet, because it kilt her –  
Now we have to buy a filter.

Anonymous

#### Winners of Painting Competition

1. Sarah Carrol, Moyglare.
2. Virginia Breslin, 2 Leinster Park.
3. Geraldine Breslin, 2 Leinster Park.
4. Helen Buckley, Newtown, Maynooth.
5. Jennifer Quigley, Moyglare Road.
6. Colin Phlean, 38 Greenfield Drive.
7. Lorna Houlin, Newtown.

#### If I were King

I often wish I were a King,  
And then I could do anything.

If only I were King of Spain,  
I'd take my hat off in the rain.

If only I were King of France,  
I wouldn't brush my hair for aunts.

I think, if I were King of Greece,  
I'd push things off the mantelpiece.

If I were King of Norrway,  
I'd ask an elephant to stay.

If I were King of Babylon,  
I'd leave my button gloves undone.

If I were King of Timbuctoo,  
I'd think of lovely things to do.

If I were King of anything,  
I'd tell the soldiers, "I'm the King!"

#### Relativity

There was a young lady named Bright,  
Who travelled much faster than light,  
She started oné day

In the relative way,  
And returned on the previous night.

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#### Motto for a Sundial

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Of what is done far better by a watch.

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**Best of Luck!**  
About the only consolation for the 500 or so students who studied through the "summer", was that they weren't missing any sunbathing opportunities. Best of luck to them all in their examinations in the College in September. Let's hope the results, due out on 1st October, will make it all worthwhile.

**New Faces**  
Be prepared for the influx of new faces due to start their academic careers in October. Current estimates are that there will be over 700 new students in the College, including groups from the United States, and a number of African countries.

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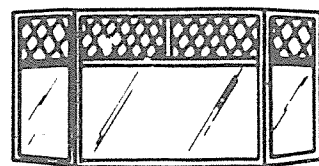
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Rosemary Thompson, the new Miss Ireland, will be visiting us on Thursday, September 11th. She has been invited to launch the Autumn/Winter collection designed by Rita Cullen at her premises in the Town Mall. Rosemary will arrive at 10.00 am and will spend the whole day in Maynooth choosing part of her wardrobe for the Miss World Contest and meeting the general public. She will also model several outfits at different locations in Maynooth. Ian & Rita Cullen see this as an opportunity to thank all the people of Maynooth for their help and custom throughout the year. We are sure the public will show their appreciation of this unique visit and will warmly welcome Rosemary.

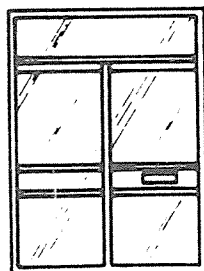
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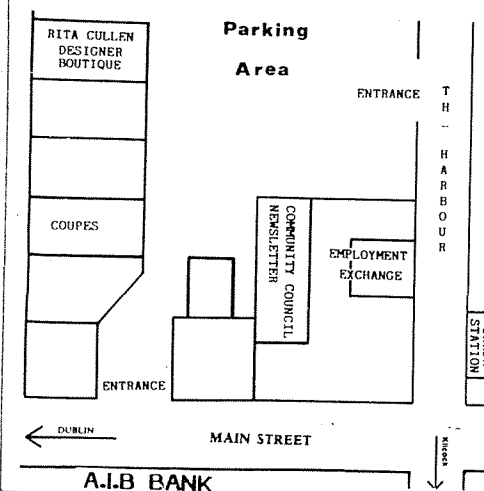
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Bru Bosco Youth Club has been in semi-retirement for the month of August. Thursday the 28th August is the date fixed for our next Committee Meeting when we will get our new winter schedule planned. Meanwhile our various Sub-Committees have been meeting in the background coming to terms with their various tasks.

Our last Summer Video will be on Friday, August 20th. We will probably run one on another night, but Friday night belongs to the Boys' School, and Bru Bosco has no intention of trespassing on such a good cause.

Cannot remember if we ever told Bill Donovan how much that big couch from O'Brien's Supermarket was appreciated by the lads and lassies of the Club, it was just made for watching television or for a small table to sit round while playing cards or chess. We are also deeply indebted to the Parish Hall Committee, I wish they really knew how much we need the help of that Disco at the end of the year. We were on our last legs, as the old folk would say. Hope we can return the favour at some future date. Remember the story of the lion and the mouse.

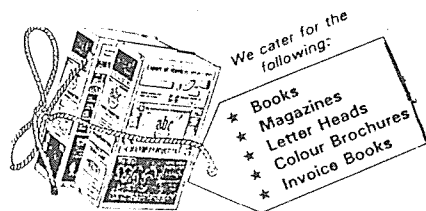
September the 1st will see us back at full strength again. The weather was so hopeless we did not try a Summer Camp, we decided to wait on the Indian Summer and hope to get moving at the end of September or early October. Looks as if we are waiting on Johnny Bosco to arrive home. I believe he is on a cycling tour at the moment, and is due to fly back on the 7th September. Bet Ma Dowling is counting the days.

Flash Gordon's stay came to a quick end, when he tore his leg ligament, muscle, and injured his knee-cap, while water-skiing, and he was only doing 30 miles an hour. Stupid old me thought water would be lovely soft place to fall, however our Flash says try flopping sometime and you will soon find out how hard water is!! However, he did say he really enjoyed his stay in America but would not like to live there indefinitely. He has already made arrangements to return

next year for a longer period. When I asked him what he thought of the young folk over there he replied in his usual philosophising way "Much the same as here. They are quite fun, and just like clocks they keep ticking". We all join in wishing him a speedy recovery.

We had three very sad events touching our Club this month — Jenny Horan's brother Joe died leaving a very young wife. Brian O'Mally's dad died suddenly, and Brian Stewart's dad died suddenly. To all three families we extend our deepest sympathy.

Peig Lynch,  
P.R.O.



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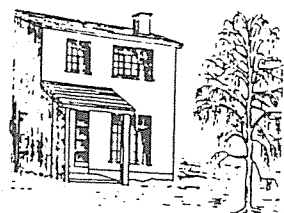
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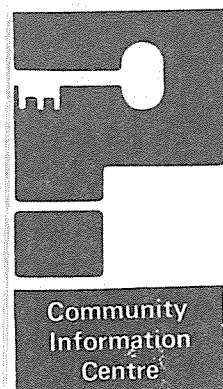
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It is operated by the local authority in each town.

**National Fuel Scheme**  
Applies to everyone except those covered by the Cheap Fuel Scheme. It is means tested and each claim is assessed on its merits. Anyone whose only source of income is a Social Welfare or Health Board payment *other than* Unemployment Benefit or Assistance or Disability Benefit is likely to get assistance under the scheme. Apply to the Community Welfare Officer at your Local Health Centre. The C.W.O. attends at Maynooth Health Centre on Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Both schemes operate from October to April.

Vouchers are given to those eligible and these can be used to buy any fuel. The value of the voucher is £5 per week, at present.

Local Social Service Councils, St. Vincent de Paul Society or other voluntary organisations sometimes give help with fuel. Further information can be got from Social Service Councils.

People with exceptional heating needs may be able to get further assistance under the Supplementary Welfare scheme (apply to the Community Welfare Officer).

**Free Electricity Allowance**  
A free electricity allowance is available to certain pensioners who live alone or with a dependant and who are registered consumers of electricity. Those eligible are:

- (a) People aged 66 and over and getting (i) any pension from the Dept. of Social Welfare, (ii) a British or Northern Ireland Retirement Pension, (iii) a Garda Widow's Pension;
- (b) People who are getting Disabled Person's Maintenance Allowance, Blind Pension or Invalidity Pension.

The allowance consists of relief from the normal fixed charge and 300 units per month period between October and March and 200 units per two month period during April-September.

Under what is known as the "Group Account" Scheme a voucher, cashable at Post Offices, is available to those who would normally be eligible for the allowance but who are not registered consumers, i.e. people living in flats and using slot meters.

**Free Bottled Gas Allowance**  
If you would otherwise qualify for a free electricity allowance but cannot avail of it because you are not connected to the ESB system, you may qualify for the bottled gas equivalent of the electricity allowance.

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**Free Television Licence**  
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To join the Credit Union, all that is required is an entrance fee of one pound, although members will not acquire a vote until £5 has been deposited. New members are always welcome, and may join on the last Thursday of each month in Maynooth, while Leixlip office, which is situated beside the Middle Shop, Main Street, Leixlip.

The Maynooth office is open for deposits every Friday night from 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm. The Leixlip office is open on Thursdays from 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm, and on Fridays from 6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.

The local representative is Ann McGarry from 757 Greenfield, tel: 285851, who will be delighted to give further information on the Credit Union movement and the many benefits which members can enjoy.

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One local woman who's found that the Cambridge Diet is the answer to her weight problems is Mary Farrell of 28 Carton Court, Maynooth.

In fact Mary, a mother and ex-civil servant, member of the I.C.A., former member of the Maynooth Boys' School Parents Committee, Community Information Centre volunteer was so impressed with the Cambridge Diet, having lost over two stone in six weeks, without the usual frustrations of hunger, tiredness and depression, that she decided to train as a Cambridge Counsellor and make the diet available under her personal supervision to the local community.

"Unlike conventional 1000 calorie diets where you have to cut out certain foods and do a minimum amount of exercise every day, which can often leave you feeling drained or run-down, the Cambridge Diet contains all the vitamins and minerals your body needs for healthy living in just three pre-measured sachets per day," Mary explained. "It's so convenient. There's no counting calories or weighing food, you simply mix a sachet with water and take it instead of meals. There are eight different flavours, so you have plenty of variety. And with only 330 calories per day, significant weight losses can be had in a short period without endangering your health in any way."

Part of the Cambridge service is an assurance of strict confidentiality buy Mary could tell the Newsletter that some clients have lost up to thirteen pounds in one week.

"With the Cambridge Diet, once you have lost the weight it's easy to keep it off. All you have to do is take a sachet once or twice a day, or just keep an eye on the weighing scales and when you see it going up go back on the diet for a day or so. That way you keep control of your weight," Mary advises. "Not only is the Cambridge Diet an excellent way of losing weight but because it's so nutritionally balanced many well known sports-people take it as a food supplement to help them through the rigours of training."

A week's supply of the Cambridge Diet comes complete with information for the G.P. should dieters want to check with their doctor before starting.

And in her role as a Cambridge Counsellor, Mary is always there, ready to offer friendly advice and encouragement.

"Having been over-weight myself, I know exactly how people feel when they come to me for help with their weight problems," Mary assured us.

Mary can be contacted at 28 Carton Court, Maynooth, (phone 286613), and she is also available to give talks to interested groups or clubs.

## COLLEGE NEWS

The autumn examinations are in full swing at the moment and continue until the second week of November. If you come upon a student looking unusually pale and wan, just mop the fevered brow and pass on!

Although August is the quietest month in the university year, it is a time when some building work gets done. An extension to the Students' Union on the Galway Road site has just been completed; it enlarges the bar area, and also incorporates a much-needed kitchen facility for the provision of bar food.

Currently in the process of construction on the Old Campus is a building to house the engineering facility for the Science Departments. These workshops are situated on the ground backing on to the Lyreen, and should be finished before the academic year starts.

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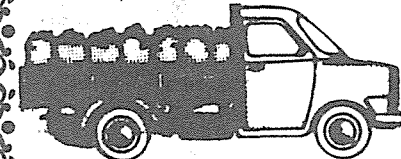
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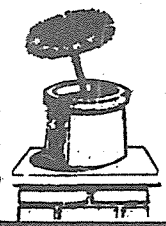
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## Leaving Certificate Results

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## Educational Information Hotline

Aontas, the National Adult Education Organisation is organising a telephone information service on the availability of courses for adults throughout the country. There will be a range of information on types of courses, enrolment dates and fees. If you are interested in finding out what courses are available to suit your interests, whether you are looking for a qualification, or some stimulating activities to fill the long winter evenings or days ahead, just phone Margaret Purcell at 607972, between 10 am to 1 pm, and 2 pm to 5 pm, from Monday 1st Sept. to Friday 5th Sept., for further information.

The annual bestseller "Guide to Evening Courses in Dublin" has been published by Wolfhound Press, and is available in most newsagents and bookshops.

Friends of Grange William will have Cemetery Sunday on 5th October, 1986, at 3.00 p.m. All Friends of Grange William are invited to clean up graves for the occasion and attend the ceremony.



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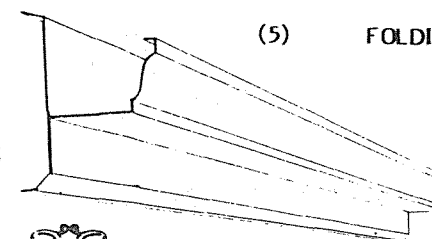
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## STRAFFAN ROAD/LINK ROAD COMMITTEE

June a letter accompanied by a map, outlining proposed alterations to the Straffan Road, was distributed to residents of estates on the road, by Councillor Emmet Stagg.

The purpose of these alterations was to convert Straffan Road into a link road to a by-pass which is to be completed within the next few years. However, it was only when confronted with the scaled plan, that many residents realised the disruption and dangerous implications which arise from the dimensions envisaged.

An emergency meeting of those people immediately concerned was called by Mr. Ed Leavy, who is also Trustee of the Maynooth Sports Park in the Harbour. At this meeting a Committee was elected to co-ordinate a campaign of opposition to the plan proposed. We engaged a solicitor, Mr. Patrick Neligan, and an engineer, Mr. Colm Smett, to act on our behalf. Our solicitor wrote to the County Engineer outlining in great detail our opposition and requesting a meeting of our Committee with Council representatives.

Copies of this letter were sent to our local and national representatives, many of whom have since replied to our alternative suggestions, as provided by our Engineer, favourable.

While this plan is to convert the Straffan Road into a link road to serve the by-pass, it must be stressed that it is a plan which is "independent" of the by-pass plan. In other words, maps of this plan were not on display at the by-pass public enquiry.

For those who have yet to see the proposed plan in map form, the following is a short summary of its features and implications.

Although the road at the moment is approx. 27ft wide, it is proposed that it be widened, from Noone's Garage to near the Square, to approximately 52 ft wide, including footpaths of 11 ft. This in our view is inviting the motorists who pass this road to use it as a speedway, near estates where the young population is spiralling every year.

At the entrance to Old Railpark and Railpark estates, waste areas will be formed, where the existing road will no longer be used. These areas, in our opinion are very fertile areas where temporary dwellers would settle, and further aggravate an already chronic problem in Maynooth.

Those people who own land along this road, stand to lose a significant area of land, which can never be compensated for, and which will also detract from the aesthetic appearance of the area. Residents of Straffan Way may not realise that they stand to lose approx 21 ft off their green area.

Those residents of estates in the Newtown area, e.g., Cluain Aoibhinn, Beaufield, etc., will either have to cut across through Old Greenfield onto the Straffan Road to get onto the by-pass or drive down into the village and up the length of the Straffan Road. The Council may make this road a cul-de-sac in order to erase this problem, but surely this will also cause inconvenience to the residents of Old Greenfield.

Eventually, we fear that the alterations envisaged in this plan, will cause an increase in the amount of juggernaut traffic which will come into Maynooth via the Dunlavyne Road, (already causing considerable damage, annoyance and danger to residents on the Convent Road, etc.) and travel through the village centre, onto the Straffan Road.

Surely the object of a by-pass plan should be to by-pass the town/village, rather than to increase traffic which is both dangerous and undesirable. We support Cllr. Bernard Durkan's suggestion of a ring road, which we will be pressing the Council to accept.

Further details of our campaign will be distributed to all the residents of Maynooth in the coming weeks via handouts to be distributed in all homes. We urge you to support us in our campaign to protect Maynooth from the major and long-term implications of this plan.

Brid Feely,  
(Hon. Secretary)

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Maynooth "consists of one long and broad street; the dwellings, of a class between houses and cabins, at either side, having an air of exceeding discomfort. The "hotel" is a long rambling building, the rooms of which remind one of the "hose" in the "sixth stage" — "a world too wide", and seem utterly unused to the intrusion of guests. At one end of the town is the entrance to Carton, the seat of "Ireland's only Duke"; at the other, are the ruins of the ancient castle, the famous stronghold of the earls of Kildare, and the "Royal College of St. Patrick". The college is a peculiarly ungainly and ungraceful structure; it appears to have been originally a mansion of moderate size, the which additions have been made from time to time, and where elegance and uniformity have been sacrificed to convenience".

Hasn't changed much has it? Particularly when you look at the convenience in the Square to which elegance and uniformity have been sacrificed!

And what about the characters?

"The Maynooth priest ... being, at his outset utterly ignorant of society of a better order than his native village supplies and having, as a matter of course, contracted the habits of those among whom his boyhood was passed; reading not to enlarge his mind, but to confirm his narrow view of mankind — he enters the college, where he mixes, exclusively, with persons under precisely similar circumstances.. Here, it is not reasonable to believe, all that is objectionable in his previous habits and education will be strengthened rather than removed;"

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chicken (about 3½ lb. cut up); 1 cup hite wine; 1½ teasp. salt; 1 onion; medium head cabbage; 3 tablesps. icon fat; ½ teasp. freshly ground pepper; 1 tablesp. lemon juice.

##### ethod:

lean chicken with lemon. Simmer in ine and salt about one hour — it is most rportant to keep it covered. Brown nely chopped onion and shredded bbage in fat. Add pepper, lemon ice and chicken. Cover tightly and eam for 15 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

#### HICKEN CORYMEILA

##### redients:

broiler; 1 oz butter; 1 onion; 1 carrot; lery stalk; seasoning; 1 pt chicken ock; ½ lb. mus hrooms.

##### ethod:

oint chicken in suitable pieces for serving. Dip in seasoned flour. Fry in hot utter till brown. Keep warm. Fry iced onion and carrot, also muchrooms nd sliced celery stalk. Place these nd chicken in a casserole with the ock. Cover and cook in a slow over 25 degrees for an hour or so until hicken is tender. Serve with mashed otatoes and peas.

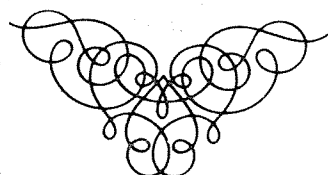
#### HICKEN HIBERNIA

##### redients:


3½ lb. chicken; 2 oz mushrooms; 1 oz butter; 1 slice bacon; 1 cup cream; ittle white of leek; ½ cup cider; water-ress.

##### ethod:

Remove skin from raw chicken and cut n portions. Dip portions of chicken in our and cook in butter to a light brown colour. Cut bacon in dice and fry in same itensil. After removal of chicken add chopped leeks and sliced mushrooms, when cooked add cider and cream. Reduce sauce until it thickens. Return chicken to sauce and simmer until fully cooked. Serve in deep dish and decorate with watercress.



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### Birthday Greetings

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## NATURE TRAIL

### The Wild Duck

There are a number of species of Wild Duck that live in Ireland. One of the most common is the Mallard. The mallard can be found in every county. The male mallard is called a drake and the female is called a duck. The drake can be more easily picked out because of its beautiful coloured feathers, it has a green neck and head, it has a blue area on its wings and a bright plumage, whereas the duck is a mottled brown. At the end of Summer both the male and female lose their feathers, this is called moulting, they do not fly a great lot while this change is occurring. They can live up to 15 years.

The mallard breeds in Spring and early Summer, the nest is built of reeds, grass, water roots, and when the eggs are laid they are covered by light down from the duck. The eggs are pale green in colour and vary in number from 8 to 15, they take 28 days to hatch and when the young are born they are yellow and dark brown in colour. The duck has webbed feet, and the female duck brings its young to the water at a very early stage to learn to swim and to eat. It eats plants, small fish, frogs, snails, slugs and flying insects. The mallard is a very fast flyer, its main enemies are the fox, mink, and of course man, during the shooting season, from 1st September to 31st January. The mallard can be seen feeding on small ponds, lakes and rivers, the mallard can be seen preening its feathers by pressing its oil glands near the tail, this process is done a number of times each day and this leaves the feathers waterproof. Mallards usually fly in large numbers and some of them migrate to warmer countries and return in Spring.

### The Hedgehog

The Hedgehog is a very timid creature and can be found living in garden fields and woods. It is completely covered in sharp spines and is brown in colour, the hedgehog is often seen wandering in the evening time in quiet spots in search of food. Its main diet is snails, earthworms, birds' eggs, fruit ... apples, blackberries, gooseberries. The hedgehog makes its nest under an old shed, or in a wall or hedge, the nest is made of dead leaves, grass and twigs. They breed in the Spring and Summer, the litter numbers 5 to 6, the young stay in the nest for about 3 to 4 weeks before venturing out to scratch the ground for food. In Winter the hedgehog stays in its nest to protect itself against the cold weather, this is called Hibernation. They may live up to 10 years. Their main enemies are the fox and the badger, and of course a great number of them are killed while crossing the roads.

Peadar

## M.A.D.E. NEWS..NEWS..NEWS..

Maynooth Adult Daytime Education  
ENROLMENT AND OPEN DAY —  
Wednesday, 10th September, 1986 —  
10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the M.A.D.E. Centre  
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September should prove to be a very busy time for the M.A.D.E. committee with enrolment and open day on the 10th and classes commencing on the 29th (Monday).

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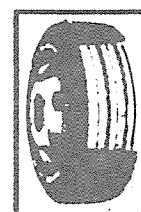
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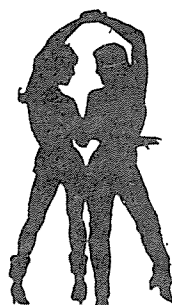
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### LETTIS

The family of the late Bill Lettis wish to return sincere thanks to all those who sympathised with them in their bereavement. To all those who attended the Mass and funeral and all those who sent Mass Cards, and floral tributes. A special thanks to Dr. M. Cowhey, nurses and staff of Baginbun St. and Meath hospitals, the priests of the parish, Fr. Patrick Monahan, Maynooth GAA for their Guard of Honour, Maynooth Town F.C.,

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## TRAVELLERS' SETTLEMENT AT BLACKLION

Kildare County Council plan to build a halting site at Blacklion to accommodate Maynooth's indigenous travelling population. The site will cater for 15 families, will have running water and sanitation and is due to be completed and ready for use in the Spring of 1987. Planning permission has been obtained and the building is now out for tender. To date a copy of the plans at the site was unavailable for inclusion in the Newsletter to accompany this article.

The plans to build a halting site for travellers will have many implications. Firstly it will get them off the roadside onto a tarmacadamed site fully equipped with running water, sewerage, and regular refuse collection. This will greatly improve the living conditions of the travellers whose poor living conditions coupled with the damp climate, poor hygiene, lack of toilets, dirty water, or no water, muddy paths have led to impaired health and rampant disease. Bronchitis and rheumatism are among the common respiratory diseases suffered as well as gastro-intestinal diseases, skin conditions and infestations of all kinds, (all third world illnesses). When we talked to the travellers about the new halting site for Blacklion they welcomed the idea saying that they would be more than willing to move into it, and make use of it, their only wishes being that it would be strictly for Maynooth Travellers, and that the County Council would not enclose the halting site with high walls as they have done in many of the halting sites in Dublin. As one traveller remarked 'As far as I can see the walls were built to hide us away from the settled people but in my opinion Ireland can't hide the truth they have us, so they can't hide us forever'

## Education

The education of Travellers in Maynooth has been fairly successful to date, both primary school and the post-primary school contributing to this. However, as one of the teachers in the school remarked many of them start school late, only stay for a short period of time mainly because they fall back in the class and find it difficult to cope with that. Teachers would agree that travellers' children are no less intelligent than others and will make good progress given regular attendance and normal home condition. But for travelling children, home conditions are not normal. About 50% do not attend at all. Even the regular attendants seldom obtain maximum educational benefit and need much additional help and encouragement. Their handicaps are many. The building of a halting site at Blacklion and the settlement of travellers in Maynooth means that education facilities must be provided for them. Sr. Raphael in Presentation Convent said that she would continue to educate the travellers in the classroom and if necessary would apply to the Dept. of Education for an extra teacher to cater for them. However, the school system itself, its practices and curricula are unsuited for the travellers' needs. There has been successful education programmes organised in the past where special classes were set up, with the aid of an assistant teacher who is usually a traveller who can help communicate and identify problems. Usually they concentrate on looking at the travellers own values and attitudes, own location in history, identity, economic activity and status (many involved in tinkering and horse dealing in the past). V.E.C. are experimenting with a programme of work suitably flexible to attract these youngsters. It includes general education, crafts, cookery, simply woodworking,

sport and embraces continuing help with numeracy and literacy deficiencies.

Perhaps Maynooth could take advantage of such a scheme and set an example for the rest of the country.

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Ar an dochuair, tá neart daoine sa Ghaeltacht a bhfuil an dearcadh caolaigeanta céanna acu i leith na teanga is atá ag roinnt de mhuintir na Galltacha. Tá aithne agam ar chainteoirí dúchais de chuid an Iar-thuaiscirt a bhfuil deargfhuath acu ar an teanga atá leo ón chlaoibhán; tá ceangal déanta acu ina n-aighe idir an Ghaeilge agus an cultúr ar thaobh amháin agus bochtaineacht, aineolas agus seanaimsearthacht ar an taobh eile. Feictear dóibh go bhfuil se ábalta freastal níos fearr a dhéanamh ar a gcuid riachtanas. Ní thuigeann siad tábhacht na teanga agus is beag duine a dhéanann iarracht muinín aisti a mhúscailt iontu.

Tá raidhse téarmaí nua tagtha isteach i gacha an domhain (go háirithe ó dheireadh an chogaídh) le cur síos ar niche nua aois-eacha; ní tharla seo, áfach, i gcús teangacha mionlacha ar nós na Gaeilge. Is tríd na meáin chumarsaíde a chuirtear eolas go for leathan ar fhocal nua; sa tír seo tá an Ghaeilge ag braith cuid mhór ar RTÉ le seo a dhéanamh ach tá an eagraíocht beag beann ar an teanga. Ní chraoltar ach uimhir bheag cláracha Ghaeilge in aighaidh na seachtaine agus is beag ceann díobh sin a bhíonn ar árd-chaighdeán (sampla maith is ea 'Trom agus Eadrom' de lag-iarracht RTÉ clár spéisíúil Gaeilge a chur ar fáil). Ní fhéadfaí a rá go bhfuil éacht déanta ag an nuachtáin sin de shíor ag mairgní faoi mheath na Gaeilge in áit iarracht a dhéanamh muinín as an teanga a mhúscailt i ndaoine. Tá sé de dhualgas ar 'Anois' (áta ag fáil deontais ón rialtas) cur ina luí ar dhaoine gur féidir trácht ar rudaí nua-aimseartha trí mheán na Gaeilge (tá mé ag smaoineamh go háirithe ar rudaí ar nós roc-chéol a bhfuil dúil ag an aos óg iontu). Go dtí go gcuirfean an teanga in oiriúint do shaol an lae inniu ní thiocfaidh borradh fúithi ach rachaidh sí i léig tuilleadh.

É. Ó. D.