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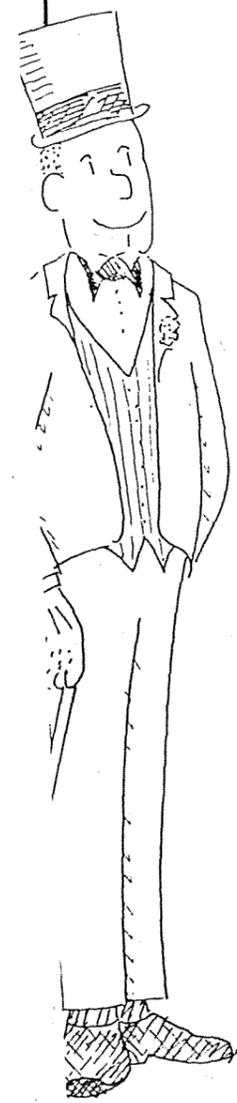
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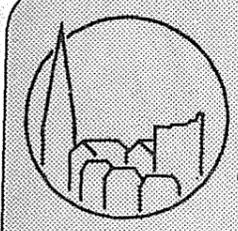
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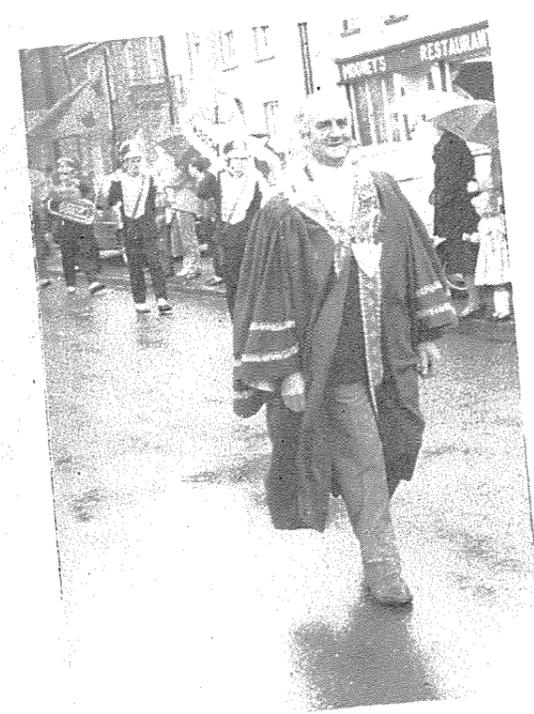
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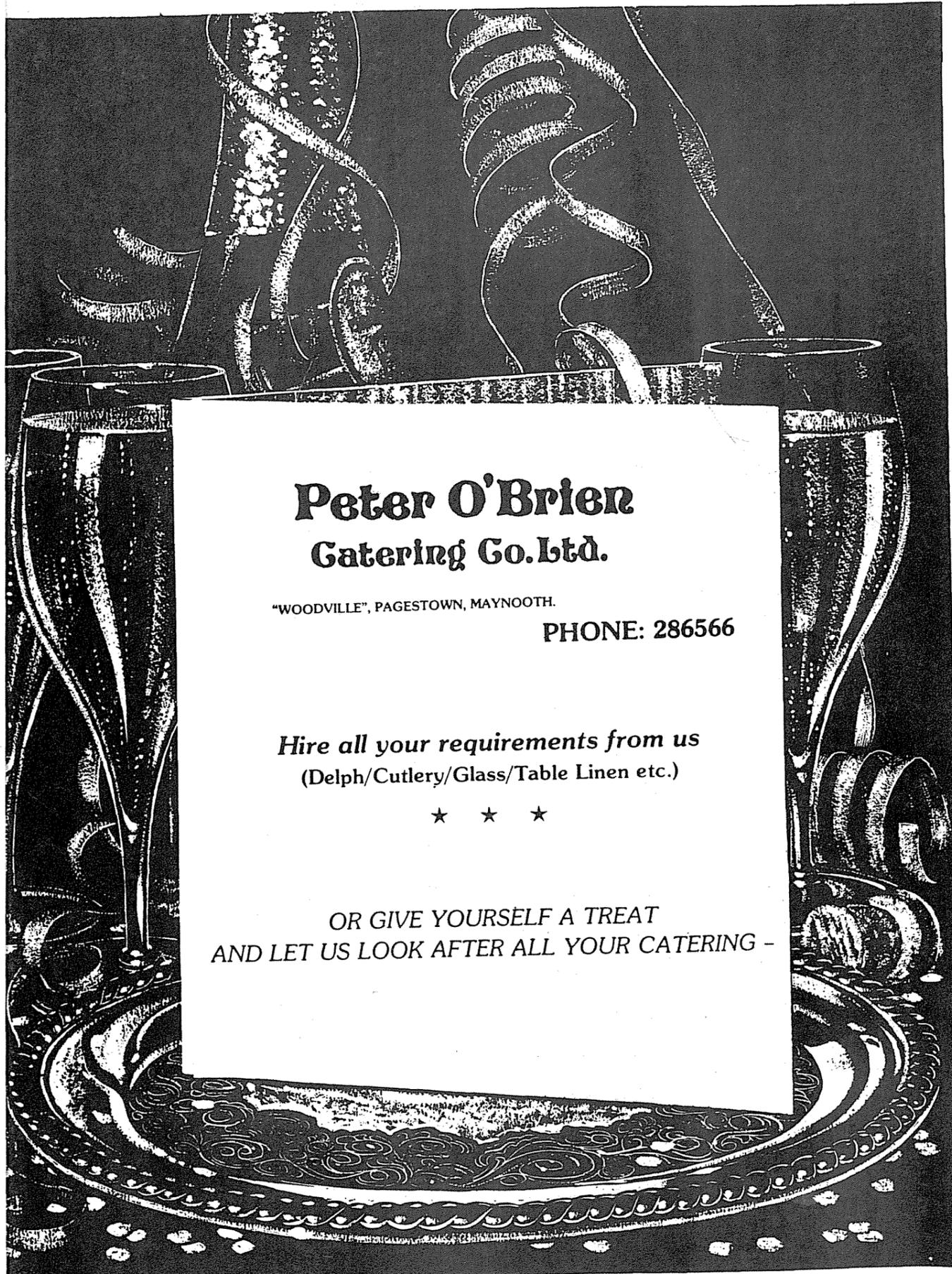
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Editorial

FALSE ALARMS

The fire brigade was called out to a fire in 42 Rail Park recently. The only problem is that there is no 42 Rail Park. Obviously, the caller knew this, and was perhaps able to enjoy the spectacle of the fire tender circling round Rail Park, looking for a non-existent house.

The practice of making false alarm calls may seem entertaining to the anti-social people who indulge, however, it is a disgusting misuse of the dedication of the firemen who must turn out for every call. It is a criminal misuse amounting to theft of taxpayer's money. And most important, other people's lives and property can be put at risk if the service is not available because it is chasing false alarms.

HOUSE NUMBERS

Another point arising from the same incident is the need for householders to indicate clearly the number of their house. It must be possible to be able to see house numbers at night. This affects all types of people, the fire brigade, gardai, and visitors. How much time is wasted through crawling through darkened estates, desperately looking for a number which will at least indicate if one is anywhere near one's destination. Some estates in other areas of Kildare have direction signs indicating where numbers are located. Perhaps the incoming Community Council will consider launching a campaign to provide these signs. Strangers and residents alike would be saved much frustration as a result.

IGNORANCE & AIDS ?

In this issue we highlight a very serious problem which is bound to hit Maynooth in the next year or two if not already. We all have heard of AIDS over the last few years, but the tendency has been to bury our heads in the sand. The Government appears to be opting out of its responsibilities in relation to informing us of this modern plague. We ask all to read the article in this issue and to inform themselves. Information is the best weapon with which to fight back.

THANKS

The outgoing Community Council leaves behind a record of hard work and many achievements. The driving forces behind the Council were Chairman Proinnsias Breathnach and Secretary John McGinley, who were an inspiration to others for the amount of work they accomplished and for their organisational skills.

Neither will be seeking re-election due to pressure of work. John has gone to Saudi Arabia and Proinnsias is due to go on Sabbatical in Manchester over the next year. Many people have expressed their gratitude to them for all they have done. The best thanks they would wish for is for the work they, & the outgoing committees have done to be continued by the incoming committee.

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LITTER LOUITS ABOUT!

We hope when you read this you will be aware of our theme:

MAYNOOTH SAYS NO TO LITTER!

Certainly that is the message that is coming across from the Art Competition and our entry in the St. Patrick's Parade.

The work is going to be hard but the rewards are great. We will have a town environment of which we will be proud.

We formally requested Kildare County Council to remove "The Thing" and they must be in a state of shock as they have not replied to us yet.

We also wrote to the ESB requesting them to remove their installation in "The Thing". They replied that they had got permission to put their sub-station from Kildare County Council and "at this stage they would not remove this installation. The unsightly overhead wires would be very costly to remove. But to their credit ESB said they would meet us for future discussions.

The Litter Act of 1982 is soon to be put into operation in Maynooth and its vicinity.

So, LITTER BUGS WATCH OUT!

We hope that by now you will have seen the display of paintings by the boys and girls of the Primary School in O'Briens. If not, there is one more chance: AT THE TRADE FAIR IN THE BOYS SCHOOL.

Elsewhere the name of the winners are published.

Till next month: SAY NO TO LITTER
"KEEP MAYNOOTH TIDY"

RESULTS OF TIDY TOWNS ART COMPETITION - Junior Section

Girls		Boys	
1st Class		1st Class	
1st Sandra Walshe	2nd Sonya Flynn	1st Aengus O'Connor	2nd David Langan
2nd Class		2nd Class	
1st Deirdre Murphy	2nd Orla McCarthy & Ciara Power	Gerard Meally	Ted Robinson
3rd Class		3rd Class	
1st Louise Kiely	2nd Niamh King	1st Neal Doyle	2nd Stuart Murray & Kevin Farrell
4th Class		4th Class	
1st Belinda Byrne	2nd Aislinn Casey	1st Fergal Ward	2nd Cormac Ashe
5th Class		5th Class	
1st Dervila Eyres	2nd Oonagh McGewan	1st Andrew McMullan	2nd Niall Healy
6th Class		6th Class	
1st Celine Galligan	2nd Philomena Madden	1st John Ruddy	2nd Michael Meally

Special Category Medals to:

Georgina Sherlock
Aine Mealy - Age 5
Niamh O'Connor - Senior Infants
Deirdre McMahon - Senior Infants
John Loughnane - age 4

A special word of thanks must be extended to Mrs. Janette O'Neill, Post Primary School, who judged the girls junior section and to the girls in the community council office who judged the boys junior section. It is hoped that by next months publication the Post Primary Section will have been judged and results available for Newsletter.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A chara,

As you are now aware the first term of the Community Council has ended and the counting of candidates' votes for the new Council will be held in the Post Primary School on April 6th.

It was with deep regret that we learned that Proinsias Breathnach, our outgoing Chairman, was not standing for re-election to the Council. His contribution to the Community Council since its foundation was second to none. He gave of his time freely, represented the Council admirably at meetings with outside bodies and chaired all our meetings with firmness and sensitivity.

On behalf of the Community Council I would like to thank him very much for his efforts over the last three years and hope that he will continue to offer his services to the community whenever possible.

Finally, on behalf of the Community Council I would like to thank the members of the Executive Committee - Ann McStravick, Peter Nevin, Pat Moynan, Tom Purcell and Tom McMullon - for all their hard work during the last three years.

Is mise le meas,

John McGinley,
Secretary.

Editors Comment:

Thanks are due also to John McGinley, who has worked extremely hard on behalf of the community. He, too, is not seeking re-election, but we hope that he will continue to be involved. The incoming Committee has a hard act to follow!

Dear Editor;
Bill Donovan worked hard to have the Narraghmore Pipe Band in the St. Patrick's Day Parade, so a big thank you to him and O'Brien's for their continued support of this Parade.

B. O'Brien

ANONYMOUS LETTERS

It is the editorial policy not to print anonymous letters. Names and addresses can be withheld from publication on request. Would "Kildare Working Man" please send in his name. We will not publish his name in the Newsletter.

THE WILDLIFE IN MAYNOOTH

The Phoenix Magazine recently uncovered the existence of that specimen of Irish Wildlife, *Seminarian Maynoothiensis*. Residents of Maynooth are asked not to approach any specimens they may spot on the Main St. They may be dangerous. Above all, do not mention the Phoenix. You may receive than prayers in return.

IRISH WILDLIFE Seminarian Maynoothiensis

WHAT IT'S CALLED

Pat, Liam, Seamus, John-Paul (its mother anticipated a Polish pope). Members of the species are often called after diocesan seminaries, e.g. Munchen, Jarlath, Muredach, Flannan, ad saintiam.

WHAT IT WEARS

Black, white and clerical grey. Though not yet ordained, *Seminarian* wants to ensure that the 'laity' recognise his unique place in Irish society. Thus, it may be seen wearing black shirt, white aran sweater, 'Farah' slacks, Dubarry moccasins, black trenchcoat or raincoat, and the regulation black umbrella. Jewellery consists of the SPUC gold 'precious feet' symbol.

WHERE IT'S SEEN

Tumbling off the 66 bus in Middle Abbey St, accompanied by its

groupies (Maynooth B.A. undergraduates - girls outnumber the boys five to one); browsing through the recent publications section in Veritas; queuing up for McCauls Winter Sale in Cathedral St; getting measured for a new cassock in Clerys Menswear Dept.; shoving a Trocaire box in front of your face in Grafton St.; attending recitals in the N.C.H. (he's the one drinking 'Club orange' during the interval); chatting up the Rosary lady in O'Connell St.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Heckling Michael D. Higgins at J.P. II Theology Society debates in College. Photocopying SPUC literature for distribution to likely candidates among the female student population. Attending tea-and-bun Ecumenical conferences where it spouts on about how-close-the-two-traditions-are-to-coming-together.

WHERE IT HOLIDAYS

Many gravitate to the building sites of London, after which it takes a well-earned rest in the Yugoslavian resort of Medugorje. Takes a working holiday in Lourdes or Knock. Waiters in New York city, where in its spare time it hands out miraculous medals to the ladies of 42nd St.

ITS POLITICS

Admires Garret's deep interest in theology, but always votes for Charlie because it knows he won't tamper with the Constitution. Has high hopes for the P.D.s, but will hold off until it hears Dessie's revelation of his moral stance, i.e., does 'P.D.' stand for 'Pill and Divorce'?

ITS AMBITIONS

To preach even more controversial sermons than Fr Richard O'Connor. To have a poem published in the 'Sacred Heart Messenger'. To have its feet washed during the Holy Thursday liturgy back in its native parish. Would like to become chaplain to an Opus Dei hostel, go to Rome for higher studies, and be spotted by a Papal talent scout à la Msgr. John Magee.

UNUSUAL HABITS

Draping a 'Maynooth Says No' banner over Newman's Erektion (the bridge across the main Dublin-Sligo road connecting the divided campus). Hangs out in popular student bar 'The Roost', while at the same time condemning the glamorisation of alcohol in 'Glenroe'. Buys the 'Sunday World', but only so it can criticise the latest outpouring from clerical scribe and fundraiser extraordinaire, the Rev. Brian D'Arcy. Buys anti-racist 'Campaign Coffee' from the Students' Union, but when it comes to eating fruit, 'Outspan' is its choice in oranges.

FAVOURITE PROGRAMMES

Videorecords 'The Angelus', because it's at supper when it's on. Abhors Marian Finucane's 'Live-line', and would like to see it replaced by a Donncha O'Duallaing walkabout show. Uses 'Cardinal' O'Kelly's 'Addendum' to get it to sleep at night. Thinks R.T.E. has never been the same since Bunny Carr went to ground.



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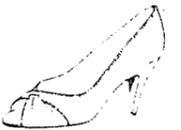
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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

By-Pass Link Road

The Community Council Chairman, Proinsias Breathnach, recently had a meeting with Kildare County Council engineers to discuss their proposals for the development of the Straffan Road. See full report elsewhere in this issue.

Maynooth Train Service

Following the unsatisfactory reply received from CIE concerning the cancellation of the Maynooth Train Service on the Friday of the last October Bank Holiday weekend (as reported in a previous Newsletter), and in view of the unexplained cancellation of the service which nearly caused a riot at Connolly Station during the recent snowfall, the Community Council has again written to CIE demanding proper treatment of the existing service and calling for an improvement of the frequency of service. CIE has acknowledged that demand for the service has risen considerably since it was first introduced some six years ago.

Maynooth Trade Fair

Maynooth Community Council sends its best wishes to the Maynooth Trade Fair, the proceeds of which will benefit the Maynooth Branch of the Royal Canal Amenity Group and the Maynooth Boys' Primary School. The Council is glad that it has been able to provide assistance in organising this event, and urges all members of the community to support these two most worthy causes.

Community Council Elections

The count for the elections has been put back until Monday April 6th at 8 p.m. in the Post-Primary School. Late votes will be accepted at the school immediately before the count begins. The count is open to the public.

Beaufield Residents' Association

The Community Council recently organised a well-attended meeting of residents of Beaufield Estate to discuss the setting up of a Residents' Association. At this meeting, a Working Committee was established to further the process. See report elsewhere in this issue. We welcome this latest addition to the growing list of Residents' Associations in Maynooth and wish them well for the future.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The following nominations have been received:-
(Number in parentheses after area name is the number of seats to be filled)

1. **Carton Court (2)**
Martin Connolly, 11 Carton Court
Mary Farrell, 28 Carton Court
Breda Gormley, 91 Carton Court
Michael Kelleher, 7 Carton Court
2. **Greenfield Estate (5)**
Richard Farrell, 11 Greenfield Drive
Peter Holland, 72 Maynooth Park
Muireann Ni Bhrolchain, 58 L. Avenue
Eilis O'Malley, 5 L. Avenue
Thomas Purcell, 49 Laurence's Ave.
Dolores Quinn, 13 Laurence's Ave.
3. **Rail Park Estate (2)**
Mary Grennell, 39 Rail Park,
Gordon Read, 86 Rail Park
Mary Simon, 103 Rail Park
4. **Old Rail Park/Straffan Road (1)**
Brid Feely, Straffan Road
(Returned unopposed)
5. **Kingsbry (3)**
Gerry Durack, 158 Kingsbry
Ian McKenna, 214 Kingsbry
Patrick Moynan, 209 Kingsbry
(Returned unopposed)
6. **Greenfield Lane & Greenfield, Phase 1 (2)**
Peter Finnan, 291 Greenfield
Thomas Flanagan, 754 Greenfield
(Returned unopposed)
7. **Greenfield Phase 2 (1)**
Leo McGlynn, 857 Greenfield
Dominic Nyland, 836 Greenfield
8. **Greenfield Phase 3 (1)**
Seamus Flanagan, 1194 Greenfield
Christy Madden, 1206 Greenfield
9. **Newtown (1)**
Larry O'Brien
(Returned unopposed)
10. **Beaufield (1)**
To be nominated by Beaufield Residents Assoc.
11. **Cluain Aoibhinn (1)**
Margaret Cline, 28 Cluain Aoibhinn
Tom McMullen, 63 Cluain Aoibhinn
12. **College Green (1)**
Declan Forde, 41 College Green
(Returned unopposed)
13. **Town Centre (5)**
Fionan Hardiman, Dublin Road
Gabriel Martin, Leinster Park,
David Moynan, 2 Convent Road
Kevin Murphy, 557 O'Neill Park
Bridie O'Brien, 15 Leinster Cott.
John Saults, 9 Parson Street.

14. **Moyglare Road (1)**
Michael Kelly, Mariaville
(Returned unopposed)
15. **Outlying Area A (1)**
No nomination received
16. **Outlying Area B (2)**
Michael Bennet, Moneycooley
Madeline Stynes, Moneycooley
(Returned unopposed)
17. **Outlying Area C (3)**
Breda Connolly, Dowdstown
Tom McMyler, Taghadoo
(Returned unopposed)
(One vacancy remains)
18. **Outlying Area D (1)**
No Nominations received

There are outstanding vacancies for the following areas: Moyglare Road, Outlying area A (Carton, Kellystown, etc), Area C (Taghadoo, Kealstown, etc.) and area D (Laraghbryan, Crinstown, etc.) Anyone wishing to represent these areas should contact the Community Council office, Town Centre Mall, (Tel: 285922). A map of the outlying areas is contained in the March issue of the Newsletter.

Please note that the date for the elections has been put back to Monday April 6th at 8 p.m. in the Post Primary School. The

elections are open to the public. All candidates are invited to attend. Late votes will be accepted at the count centre up to 8 p.m.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Maynooth Public Library has now become "host" to the Maynooth Branch of the Womens Studies Group, who meet here every second Thursday. Emer McDermott has also started an assertiveness training course in the library, on Mondays. For further information contact Emer at 286482. Some recent additions to stock in the branch include:-

Fiction

Higgins, Jack - Confessional
Brookner, Anita - A MisAlliance
Robbins, Harold - The Storyteller
Sellzer David, - The Omen
Cookson, Catherine - The Parson's Daughter.

Non-Fiction

Bence Jones, Mark - Twilight of the Ascendancy
O'hEithir, Brendan - The Begrudgers
Guide to Irish Politics
Carney, James - Playboy and the Yellow Lady
Hepburn, A.C. - The Conflict of Nationality in Modern Ireland.

We'll be represented at Maynooth Trade Fair, so queries, questions and suggestions will all be welcome. See you there!
Margaret Walshe-Gannon

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POLITICAL PARTY NOTES.

FINE GAEL NOTES

The February Meeting of the Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael took place on Tuesday 24th in the ICA Hall, Maynooth.

The meeting was well attended and the Branch Chairman expressed his thanks and appreciation to all the members of the Branch for their hard work throughout the Election Campaign, and he congratulated Deputy Bernard Durkan on his successful re-election to the 25th Dail.

In addressing the meeting, Deputy Bernard Durkan expressed his thanks to all members of Fine Gael whose dedication and support brought about his re-election, and to his own local branch in Maynooth for their tremendous support.

Victory Dance:

Dowlings of Prosperous was the venue for the Victory Dance organised by both Clane and Celbridge District Executives. A large attendance turned out to congratulate both Bernard Durkan and Alan Dukes on their successful re-election. A good night was had by all...

The Maynooth Branch of Fine Gael would like to congratulate all elected candidates in the recent General Election and to express our commiserations to local Cllr Gerry Brady.

St. Patrick's Day Parade:

The Parade was without doubt the best one ever, except maybe for the weather on the day...

Congratulations to Maynooth Community Council for the task in organising such a successful and well attended event. Long may you continue to do so!

FIANNA FAIL - MAYNOOTH CUMANN

New Government

The political situation has now settled down with Mr. Charles J. Haughey elected as Taoiseach and his cabinet selected.

The new Fianna Fail Government has got to work immediately bringing in monies due to the State, e.g. ESB and the Bacon Co. monies. Also Mr. Haughey's intervention in the Kowloon Bridge disaster stating that the clean up would not be the responsibility of the Irish local authorities. This is what governing the country is all about. Direct, decisive action and decision making. Just getting on with the job. This type of leadership will help lift us all out of the present state of apathy and can give us hope for the future. A future which our ever growing young people can look forward to.

SENATE ELECTIONS

Cllr. G. Brady has been nominated by the Fianna Fail Parliamentary Party to contest the Senate Elections on the Industrial and Commercial Panel. All members of Co. Councils, Corporations and Senators around the country vote in this election. Cllr. Brady is busy at present looking for support from all such voters.

FROZEN PIPES

In our last Newsletter Report we stated that Cllr. Brady was having this matter investigated for the Maynooth Park, Greenfield Drive and Straffan Way areas. He has received a reply from the County Engineer stating that "The distribution water main system in this area has been taken in charge by the County Council. The services to the Main, however, are the responsibility of the house-holder or perhaps the developer."

This does not offer much consolation to the people affected during severe weather conditions and Cllr. Brady will continue to pursue the matter.

CARTON COURT ESTATE

Cllr. Brady has the following motion on the agenda for the next meeting of the County Council: "That this Council take immediate steps to finish Carton Court Estate, Maynooth, and take same in charge." This is good news for the people in Carton Court and Cllr. Brady will actively pursue its implementation.

CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of the Maynooth Cumann of Fianna Fail, I congratulate Mr. Alan Dukes on his election as leader of Fine Gael and wish him well for the future.

Patricia Roche
P.R.O.

WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

General Election

The Workers' Party performed quite creditably in the General Election in the Kildare constituency. Fielding a candidate for the first time in the hotly-contested northern part of the constituency, and with another strongly-established left-wing candidate in the race, a return of over 1,200 first preferences was a fine achievement. It may be noted that Pat McCartan got less than this in his first attempt in 1981, and he is now in the Dail. The Workers' Party vote in Maynooth was almost double that obtained in the local elections in 1985.

Our candidate, Councillor Colm Purcell, wishes to take this opportunity to thank all those who supported the party in the election. He is grateful in particular to those who helped in any way with the campaign in Kildare.

Nationally, the General Election proved very rewarding for the Workers' Party, which doubled its representation in Dail Eireann. In addition, three candidates in Dublin and one in Cork went very close to taking seats. This is a tribute to the quality of candidates put forward and the work of the party in defending working class interests at both local and national level.

The party continues to grow apace and more working and unemployed people recognise that the party works effectively and exclusively on their behalf. Anyone who would like to learn more about the party or contribute to its work should contact Proinsias Breathnach at 92 Rail Park (Tel: 285241)

Carton Court

Following representations which he made concerning the taking over of Carton Court Estate by the County Council and the provision of adequate street lighting, Cllr. Colm Purcell has been informed by the County Manager, Mr. J.G. Ward, that the estate cannot be taken in charge until the outstanding work necessary to comply with the planning requirements (including street lighting) is carried out. The County Council is endeavouring, in consultation with the developer and his bankers, to have the estate completed.

There is a serious problem in Kildare arising from uncompleted housing estates, and it would cost the County Council a very considerable amount of money to bring them up to the required standard if it were to take them over in an unfinished state. The residents of these estates have a legal right to take action against the developers concerned for not carrying out the developments in accordance with the planning conditions laid down by the Council.

It is intolerable that this state of affairs should be so common. It is clear that stricter control of housing developers is needed. Cllr. Purcell will continue to press for a speedy resolution of this problem.

Leixlip Branch Non-Stop Draw: February Results

Prize	Ticket No.	Name:
£250	335	B. Watters c/o S. Purcell
£100	92	Colm Farrell (do.)
£ 50	84	Avon McGrath (do.)
£ 25	121	Tom Curry (do.)
£ 25	185	John Hayden c/o S. Trimble
£ 10	288	George Dagg c/o S. Purcell
£ 10	375	Gerry McClland c/o B. Reddy
£ 10	36	Pauline Blake c/o D. Murphy
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COLLEGE GREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

In spite of the fact that there have been no reports from College Green Residents' Association for some time, this industrious group of people have been very active in many fronts.

The absence of contributions to this periodical has been occasioned by the fact that an entirely new set of officers was elected at the last A.G.M. and that this officer now writing is still finding his feet.

Preparations for our Annual Dinner Dance are well under way and are the main pre-occupation at present. It will be held on May 1st in the Spa Hotel.

Now that the good weather is almost back, let us busy ourselves sharpening lawn mowers and shears, each one of us resolved to maintain our section of pavement in the same condition as our gardens.

Hearty congratulations to the footballers who gave a fine display at Moynalvey on Sunday 8th March. Keep up the good work, lads!

Finally, if anyone in the estate has an item of news or interest and wants it made public they can drop it in to No. 61 at any time.

J. Harkness

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Two major items to report on this month.

1. Our A.G.M.
2. Dinner Dance in Setanta.

We held our 13th Annual General Meeting on the 3rd March 1987 in the Post Primary School. An attendance of 25 was recorded. Main points:

1. T.V. reception is to be taken up with Department of Communications
2. 66 Bus extension. Our Association is to continue discussions with other Residents' Associations/Community Council/C.I.E. on bus services.
3. Freezing water pipes problem is to be taken up with K.C.C.
4. **Shopping Centre Report**
Fast food development is awaiting hearing by An Bord Pleanala.
4. **Straffan Road Development**
It was decided to hold a special meeting for residents of Straffan Way to discuss above development.
5. **Neighbourhood Watch**
Because of lack of interest a special meeting will be called shortly to implement above badly needed scheme.

Our Dinner Dance was held on Friday 13th in the Setanta Hotel. Our thanks to our sponsors. Full report next month.

Finally, it is Hello/Goodbye time. Amongst our new committee members we have a new P.R.O. Hello to Muireann Ni Bhroclchain or Laurence Avenue. Muireann will be writing this column from now on. Goodbye to Donal McMahon, who has served our Association as Secretary and P.R.O. so well over the years. Donal kept the Association going over the years. Our grateful thanks to him.

With Spring coming now, please keep our estate tidy and remember our Tidy Garden Competition coming in June.

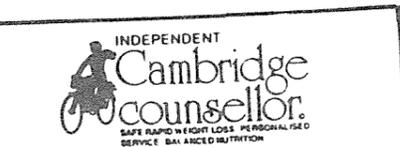
BEAUFIELD ESTATE - NEW RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION SET UP

At a well-attended meeting in Maynooth Post Primary School organised by Maynooth Community Council on Tuesday March 3rd, a Residents' Association for Beaufield Estate was formed. The meeting was addressed by Proinsias Breathnach, Chairman of Maynooth Community Council, and Tom McMullon, a member of the Community Council Executive Committee, and a leading member of Cluain Aoibhinn Residents' Association.

After a wide-ranging discussion covering the need for a residents' association, the kinds of activities it should get involved in, and how it should be organised and run, it was decided to form a Working Committee which would draw up a constitution and decide on a programme of work for the new association. This committee consists of two representatives from each of the four cul-de-sacs which make up the estate.

The following are the committee members:

- Brendan McDonnell, 14 Beaufield Lawn (Convenor)
 Jim Doogan, 12 Beaufield Lawn
 Caroline Hartnett, 15 Beaufield Ave.
 Brian Staunton, 3 Beaufield Avenue
 Tadhg McDonnell, 8 Beaufield Drive
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The working committee of the newly formed Beaufield Residents' Association.
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DISCUSSION ON STRAFFAN ROAD PLANS

The following is an edited version of a report of the meeting between Proinnisias Breathnach, Chairman, Maynooth Community Council and Gerry O'Brien, Kildare County Council Engineer, held on Monday 23 February.

Improvements await by-pass sanction

Mr. O'Brien stated that the Straffan Road Improvement Plan would not receive a high priority among the County Council engineering staff until the Minister for the Environment sanctioned the building of the Maynooth By-Pass, later this year.

At that stage consultant engineers will be engaged to draw up the detailed plan for the Straffan Road, which will show a high level of detail, on large scale maps, showing exactly (in feet) how much land will be taken up by road-widening, and where.

As the consultants will be acting on instructions from the County Council engineers, Mr. O'Brien welcomed the opportunity to discuss the improvement plan with Maynooth Community Council in advance of formulating these instructions. The reactions of the Community Council (which Mr. O'Brien noted down) would be passed on to the consultants. The consultants' own detailed plan would be made available to the Community Council and other interested parties for comment before being finalised.

Doubt about extra traffic

Mr. O'Brien did not expect that much extra traffic would be attracted onto the Straffan Road from outside the Maynooth area (especially from the Dunboyne direction) through improving the Straffan Road. Extra traffic from north of Maynooth using the Straffan Road to gain access to the by-pass is unlikely when it could proceed directly into Dublin from, say, the Navan Road (particularly as upgrading of the main road in the Clonee area has already begun).

Mr. O'Brien thought that widening the road would make the Straffan Road much safer than it is at present. Traffic lights at the Celbridge Road junction would also inhibit speeding. In any case, argued Mr. O'Brien, there would be a 30 m.p.h. speed limit between the town and the interchange with the by-pass, and it was up to the authorities to enforce this speed limit.

Most traffic generated in Maynooth

A traffic survey was carried out in Maynooth in August 1986 (at the height of the harvest season). This showed that, at the corner of the Square, between Larine House and the Manor Court apartments, a total of 8,650 vehicles

per day passed through in either direction. At Ryan and Tyrrell's garage, the flow was 6,000 vehicles, while on the Celbridge Road (just beyond the junction with the Straffan Road), the flow was 2,000 vehicles. This means that a daily flow of 650 vehicles was generated by Rail Park and Old Greenfield (the difference between the flow at the Square and that at the latter two points).

Further out, at Noone's garage (beyond Carton Court), the recorded flow was 1,900 vehicles per day. This means that Greenfield Estate (including the Greenfield Shopping Centre), Carton Court and Kingsbry generated a traffic flow of 4,100 vehicles (the difference between Ryan and Tyrrell's and Noone's garages). In other words, the housing estates along the Straffan Road generate over half the traffic flow on the Straffan Road as measured at the Square, and two thirds of the flow as measured at Ryan and Tyrrell's.

Only 340 vehicles per day go between the Straffan Road and the Dunboyne Road (170 in each direction). Of this, 23% consists of heavy traffic (i.e. 40 vehicles in either direction).

It is estimated that there will be a flow of 2,500 vehicles per day getting on and off the by-pass at the Straffan Road interchange. Of this, it is projected that 1,600 (two thirds) will be generated by the housing estates on the Straffan Road alone. In other words, the interchange will mainly serve these estates, and will be of great convenience to them, according to Mr. O'Brien.

Local Relief Roads

As regards traffic coming from the Newtown area, Mr. O'Brien confirmed the intention of closing off the end of Greenfield Lane to prevent this route being used. The by-pass is expected to be opened before 1992. By then, land beyond Kingsbry is expected to be developed, and the relief road linking Newtown and the Straffan Road to be completed. He did not envisage the other relief road, linking the interchange with Blacklion, being developed for some considerable time. On the basis of his opinion that traffic from the Dunboyne direction is not a problem now, nor is it likely to be, he did not see the latter relief road as a priority.

Alignment of Improved Road

As regards the proposed alignment of the improved road, Mr. O'Brien anticipated that the alignment proposed by the Straffan Road Ad Hoc Committee would require knocking down Sherry's house and might also impinge on the house in Rail Park estate nearest the road. The alignment proposed by the

Council would not involve knocking any houses. While parts of front gardens would be taken away, adequate compensation would be paid. Mr. O'Brien undertook to minimise the amount of property to be taken from houses along the road.

The part of the Harbour Field to be taken for road widening is overgrown and unused at the moment, stated Mr. O'Brien. However, it was pointed out to him that the Community Council has plans for developing and landscaping the field. The handball alley would be moved back, and would be left in a better condition than it is now, according to Mr. O'Brien.

It was difficult to know what would be done with the bridge, thought Mr. O'Brien, but he said that everything would be done to preserve its present character. There is a particular problem due to the fact that the access road to the station is located in the middle of the bridge. Proinnisias Breathnach suggested that pedestrian lights should be installed at this point. This would slow down traffic on the main road, would give station traffic a chance to get out, would give Rail Park residents a chance to cross the road, and would give pedestrians coming from the Old Greenfield area a chance to cross the road also. (It should be borne in mind that, according to the County Council's plan, there will be footpaths on both sides of the road from the Square as far as the interchange). Mr. O'Brien agreed to suggest this to the consultants.

Under the Council's plan, a piece of the existing road will be by-passed at the entrance to Old Rail Park. According to Mr. O'Brien, this will be ploughed up, grassed, as left as a green space.

Mr. O'Brien undertook to replace walls or hedges which would be removed by road widening. The detail of these would be discussed with the residents of the estates concerned. He will also consider a barrier between the road and the green area in front of Straffan Way.

Footpaths

Mr. O'Brien acknowledged that the footpaths to be installed would be unusually wide at nine feet each, but said that this was because of the high level of pedestrian flow on this stretch of road. Such a width was required in particular to allow prams going in opposite directions to pass each other comfortably.

Mr. O'Brien agreed to look at the idea of installing cycle paths on the road.

Because of the possibility of traffic coming from the Celbridge direction dodging in through Laurence Avenue to avoid the traffic lights at the Celbridge junction, Mr. O'Brien said that he would

Discussions on Straffan Road plans CONTINUED

consider the idea of using a "Yield" sign to allow traffic to filter left from the Celbridge Road to the Straffan Road.

In conclusion, Mr. O'Brien insisted that no proposals would be steamrolled through without prior local consultation.

Note:

If there are any further submissions on the above - or on any other relevant matters not covered here - which any Residents' Associations or other groups or individuals would like to make, they should send them to the Maynooth Community Council office in the Town Centre Mall (285922).

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The club is thrilled at having won the Best Club Float Trophy again this year in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Great praise must be given to our young members who enthusiastically took part in the fancy dress competition despite the wet weather. The competition was judged by Anne Finn to whom we extend our sincere thanks. Our congratulations to the following winners:

1st Prize: "St. Patrick", Feilim Guinan, 27 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth
2nd Prize: "Mrs O'Brien", Patrick McDonald 27 Laurence's Avenue.
3rd Prize: "The Geisha Girl", Aislin Lawlor Baybush House.

4th Prize: "Sheik going to Cheltenham" Christopher Arthurs, 19 Maynooth Park
The colourful painting on the float was done by artist Jarleth Finn, at very short notice. It received very favourable comments from the reviewing committee, and was very appropriate for the wet day! Our thanks to Jarleth, Nell Byrne who helped decorate the float, Paddy Dunne, Straffan Road, and also the Lawlor family, Baybush House, for providing us with a tractor and trailer, complete with driver.

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MAYNOOTH POST-PRIMARY

Again the Report covers a variety of activities and events in the recent past, the present and the future. Let me put you in the picture.

Firstly there was a gardening evening hosted by the P.T.A and held in the Post Primary School on February 17th. Guest speaker was Gerry Daly of R.T.E., who enthralled his audience with his charm and expertise. Most put in a plug for the next event hosted by the P.T.A - the Garda Band will entertain you all in the Aula Maxima on Friday 27th March at 8.00 p.m. A lively evenings entertainment is guaranteed and its all in the interests of us all, if parents, teachers and students would attend.

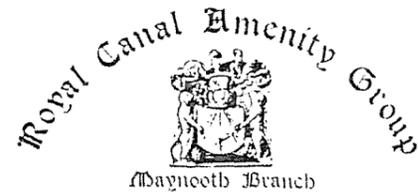
Here in the post-primary school we have benefitted greatly from the efforts of the P.T.A. and are deeply appreciative of their commitment. The Art Department has just realised a long cherished dream in the purchase of a Kiln and Pugmill through the generosity of the P.T.A. Making mud pies has assumed a new significance.

Having recovered from the Debs, our Leaving Certificate students were brought back to the harsh realities of living through the recent 'Mock' exams. The 'dry run' will be of benefit to them eventually, and by now its business as usual. A reminder while were on the subject to all you Mums and Dads of Leaving Cert students - the Parent Teacher meeting is on Friday March 20th at 1.30 and it will be to the advantage of all our students, ultimately for as many as possible to attend. In the Careers Department, the leaving certs have been coming in for a great deal of attention also, and in order to give practical experience of interview technique, dress etc, Mock interviews were held in the school in February. Our thanks to all those who took part in the interviewing process.

And for all would be Thesbians, Mr C. Dockery planned a trip to the Abbey on March 26th to see 'The Field' by J.B. Keane. A very enjoyable evening was had by all. Mr Ashe refused to attend on the basis that he'd seen it all before !! A Kerry joke in there somewhere?

Sport is still at a low ebb, the badminton team being the most recent representatives of the school in this area. No major success can be reported, but team members are bloodied but unbowed, and are to be congratulated for the sporting way in which they approached each match. Our thanks to all concerned.

Finally, with Spring on the way at last, lets each of us resolve to make our little corner of Maynooth a more pleasing place to look at. Our environment is not ours to do with as we please, but rather it is in our care for the next generation. Let's give them something worthwhile !



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BRU BOSCO'S NOTES

Congratulations to the Activities Team, who I hear made a grand job of the float this year. I was in Barley Cove, in glorious sunshine, (plug for West Cork). I was delighted to hear that the Parade was a great success full of colour and fun.

ALL PRIESTS SHOW

Many thanks to all who bought tickets from us and supported the show. All those who attended will agree it was really enjoyable. It was the worst Sunday night this year. The club is really indebted to Fr. Wall and his merry men. The message they put over loud and clear was that religion was not intended to be dull. Like Don Bosco they too believe music, fun, and giving is part of living.

FRIDAY NIGHT GANG

The young revels are busy in the background preparing another musical masterpiece for the C.Y.C. competition. Congrats Gerry Quinn, Old Greenfield, on receiving a swimming award for water safety no less. Woolie Hearn and Pete Swords deserve a word too, as they received their grading in Tae Kwondo. This Friday night gang go out every second Sunday. Eilis, Una and Yvonne took them on the DART to Howth, on their first outing, from which they returned full of fresh sea-air, after a climb around the If any young person needs further information call down and see one of the Friday night leaders between 8 and 10 p.m.

Senior Club - Tae Kwondo awards were granted to leaders in this section. Patricia Cleary got an award in the senior grade and Cathal Power got the trophy for best performance. Looks as if we will be well protected in the future as Johnny Bosco and Denise Cleary have also joined the course. Congratulations must go to Robert Thompson who has left an AnCo Course, for a permanent job. Well done Robert. John McGarry and the technical support team are doing a great job on repairing the Hall. The problem is money as usual. Pat Cleary has been a great help to us. He sees something he thinks needs to be done, and he does it. He did a great job on the Table-Tennis Table, and succeeded in coaxing Benzer down with

him to cover the big little snooker table. Dunne's Television Shop, Celbridge donated Rabbit's Ears for the Club Television, at Pat's request. He also serched for a connection to link the video game to the television, and after travelling all over the city, got a firm in the Ilac Centre to promise to make up the connection as it seems they are obsolete. He is really getting to be a better beggar than myself?

KITCHEN TABLE

Has anyone out there got a table they want to get rid of, we need one or two badly, for playing board games on. Please don't read this and forget, ring 286110 and we could have it collected. What matter if it needs repairs, we have lads who can literally do everything.

Peig Lynch (P.R.O.)

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The monthly meeting was held on Thursday 5th March. Mrs. B. Brady presided and welcomed everyone. Congratulations to Mrs. McMyler on passing the Final Part of the An Timire at An Grianan. Well done Ladies, on coming second in the Table Quiz in Kill, beaten only by a point. We wish them the best of luck in the Quiz Final in Portlaoise on the 9th April.

A Crafts Day will be held in Post Primary School on April 22nd. Tests will take place for Brannra's in Bread making in the Post Primary School on the 11th April. All are welcome to our Irish Night in Post Primary on Friday 24th April.

The monthly competition: Fish Dish was won by Mrs. McMyler, 2nd: Mrs. B. Farrell and 3rd Mrs M. O'Gorman. We wish Mrs. McMyler the best of luck when she goes to Federation level.

Crafts are continuing every Monday night 8-10 p.m. Badminton on Tuesday and Thursday morning 11 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Choir practice on Tuesday night in the Presentation Convent at 8 p.m. We would like to see some more members joining. Set Dancing every Wednesday night at 8.15 p.m. and we would like to see more people getting interested as it is an enjoyable night out.

Next month's competition is the Potato Queen. The Crochet Table Centre will be judged on Monday 13th April. Next month's meeting will be on 2nd April at 8 p.m.

M. O'Gorman
P.R.O.



Bru Bosco Float



The Cast of the All Priest Show pictured with our own Fr. Tyne and members of the committee at the recent concert in aid of Bru Bosco Club.

COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Certificates were awarded at the Patrick's Day Parade to the following Maynooth Community Games participants who represented Kildare at the National Finals in Mosney in September 1986.

1. Helen Treacy - Javelin U/17

Helen is a member of Maynooth Athletic Club and has taken part in Community Games at area, county and national level since the foundation of the Games in Maynooth in 1979. A very consistent competitor since she took up athletics 8 years ago. She was a well deserved winner of the National title for Javelin U/17, and Maynooth honoured Helen by giving her a special award and certificate for her great achievement during her Community Games years and wish her the very best for the future in athletics.

2. Sandra Gillick - High Jump U/16

Sandra represented Kildare in Girls U/16 High Jump. Sandra is also a member of Maynooth Athletic Club and has represented Maynooth very well through her years being associated with Community Games.

3. Enda Breslin - Marathon U/17

Enda represented Kildare in U/17 Marathon. Another member of Maynooth Athletic Club and through the years has always taken part in Community Games. Enda is also an athletic walker and has represented his club in this event at international level in 1986 in France.

We now come to the Swimmers who took part in Mosney.

1. Martina Gallagher

Martina represented Kildare in U/14 Freestyle. She has been a very enthusiastic swimmer and has on numerous occasions represented Maynooth Community Games at Swimming Finals.

2. Evan Igoe & Brett Igoe

Evan and Brett are two very ardent swimmers and have through the years always represented Maynooth in swimming. In 1986 Evan represented Kildare in U/14 Backstroke and Brett was a member of U/13 Squad.

3. Gordon Hayes

Gordon represented Kildare U/13 Squad in Mosney and in with Maynooth Community Games since its foundation and we hope to see him in the future for all our events.

4. Francis Flood

A member of the U/13 Squad that represented Kildare at Mosney in 1986. Another keen swimmer and we hope to see a lot more of him in the future games.

5. Simon & Richard Cotter

Congratulations to Simon and Richard on their fine achievement in reaching Mosney. Both boys represented Kildare in the U/13 Squad and Richard in U/10 Freestyle event.

We would like all children to watch out for notices in shop windows and future newsletters, giving dates of events. Area finals in Gymnastics will take place in Maynooth Parish Hall on Thursday 7th May 1987 at 5 p.m.

Art finals will take place in the Post Primary School on Saturday 2nd May at 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Swimming finals will take place in Stewarts Hospital on Saturday 6th June at 6 p.m.

The Athletics finals will take place on Sunday 17th May in the GAA field. All perpetual trophies must be returned to Community Council Office, Town Centre Mall, Maynooth before 30th April 1987.

MAYNOOTH TOWN LADIES' SOCCER

The following is a list of winners in our draws which are held in the Leinster Arms.

February 14th

1. Andy Graham Jnr. - Maynooth
2. Mick McGovern - Maynooth

February 28th

1. Catherine Fitzpatrick - Maynooth Pk.
2. Sandra Moran - Greenfield

March 7th

1. Geraldine Treacy - Leinster Cottages
2. Mary Nyland - Greenfield

March 14th

1. Bernard Flanagan - Greenfield
2. Denise Walsh - Maynooth Pk.

We would like to thank Leinster Arms for use of the premises.

Our season begins on April 13th in the Leinster Ladies League. The League runs from April through to August. League matches are played on Mondays and Cup Matches on Wednesday. We are looking for more women who are interested to come to the Gym in Post Primary School, Wednesday 7.30 - 9.30 or contact Chris Saults or Shelly Breslin (286254).

NORTH KILDARE SPORTS CLUB

The N.K.C. has been in existence since 1928 and has approximately 350 unit members. It has six main sport sections: Bridge, Cricket, Hockey, Rugby, Squash and Tennis. They are trying to build a seventh section which will be table-tennis. The Club is trying to raise money to improve their facilities. Their main aim is to build an all weather hockey pitch but other improvements are on the map.

When talking to Mrs. Ann MacKell, a prominent member of the club, the Newsletter asked her what she thought of the new sports complex that's going to be built a little nearer to Maynooth. She said she didn't worry too much about it, that the two clubs will cater for different sports. If they should clash it would be a considerable waste of money. Of course the emphasis on the sports complex will be indoor.

The N.K.C. is open from 10.00 a.m. - 11.00 p.m. Club members can get free advice or professional coaching and/or have a drink in the club house after. They are encouraging the juniors of the families to come along and join in. The club have engaged a coach for the U/16's squash and seemingly already there are quite a number in the classes. The club also offers Ladies Squash classes every Wednesday morning. No need to worry about the toddlers, bring them along, they are starting a small creche. Also after the Mums' tough workout a cup of coffee and some bickies always goes down a treat.

The price of membership for each sport or section differs. Ann gave prices for squash membership:

Squash

£56 - 1 person per year.
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£31 - students

There is a special off-peak price from 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m., and there is an extra charge of £1.20 for every game after that. That pays for the use of the court and electricity.

The N.K.C. is trying to get people involved in sports, new members are always welcome. If a beginner, go along, you might just be the next Chris Everett Lloyd, Ollie Campbell, Ian Botham. It's worth a try.

A special good luck note to the girls of the hockey team who are taking part in the Leinster Intermediate Cup Final. Go for it girls!

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

ENTRY FORM 1987

NAME: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ADDRESS: _____

AGE GROUP: U/ _____ NOTE: MUST be under age on 31/7/87

EVENTS:

B/G U/8	B/G U/10	B/G U/12	B/G U/14
60M	80M	100M	200M
		60M Hurdles	100M
		600M	100M
		800M	L Jump

Walk 1500m	u/13	Boys/Girls			
Modelling	U/14	Boys/Girls			
Art	U/8,10,12,14,16	Boys/Girls			
Gymnastics	U/8,10,12,14,16	Boys/Girls			
Shot Putt	U/14	Boys/Girls			
Puck Fada	U/12	Boys			
Puck Fada	U/14	Girls			
1500m	U/16	Boys/Girls			
100m	U/16	Boys/Girls			
H JUMP	U/15	Boys /Girls			
Discus	U/16	Boys			
Javelin	U/17	Girls			
100m	U/17	Boys/Girls			
Marathon	U/17	5000m Girls 10000mBoys			
SWIMMING	B/G U/8	B/G U/10	B/G U/12	B/G U/14	B/G U/16
	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style	F/Style
		B/Stroke	Br/Stroke	B/Stroke	B/Stroke
				Br/Stroke	B/Fly

Competitors Signature: _____

Parents Signature: _____

- Notes:
1. May 2nd Art Competition, Post Primary School. From 10am - 1 pm
 2. Local Games will take place on 17th May, 1987 in G.A.A. grounds, 12 pm
 3. Gymnastic competition will take place 7th May, Parish Hall, 5pm
 4. Swimming Competition, take place 6th June, Stewarts Hospital, 6pm.
 5. A competitor may take part in three individual events overall but a maximum of two in any one discipline i.e. Art, Athletics, Swimming, Gymnastics.
 6. Forms to be returned by 1st May, 1987 (Every competitor must fill in & return form if taking part in Swimming, Athletics, Art, Gymnastics.)

Forms may be returned to any of the following:

Shelly Breslin, Town Centre Mall, Maynooth. (9 to 5 pm)

2 Leinster Pk, Maynooth.

E. O'Malley, 5 Laurences Ave, Maynooth.

A. Cotter, 49 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

The cross country season is now almost at an end with all the All Ireland Championships competed for. At Juvenile level our most successful outfit have been the U./14, U./15 Girls teams. Carmel Noonan has been in tremendous form finishing 6th in the u./14 and 5th in the U./15 with Lisa McCloskey; never far away in 10th (u/14) and 14th (u./15). Michele Ennis was also in good form finishing 14th (U/14) and 19th (U/15). Carmel, Lisa, and Michele were all scorers on the Kildare Team which was the Third County in the U/14 while with Catherine Gleeson (67th) they also took 3rd Club. In the u/15 they went one better where assisted by Emer Farrelly (29th) they took the Inter-Club Silver Medals. While there were no medals for our many other runners they all excelled themselves sometimes in very difficult conditions. Daragh Callaghan had a splendid run in Boys U/17 for 7th place with brother Gavin finishing 36th in the U/15. Lisa Power was another athletic in good form finishing 13th in the girls U/9. The others who completed were U/9 Michele Gillick, Virginia Breslin, Josephine Gallagher and Audrey Travers. U/10 C. Power; Aisling Redmond; Emer O' Sullivan, and J. Gallagher; U/11 Emma McCloskey; Gillian Power; A. Redmond; & E. O'Sullivan; U/12 E. McCloskey; Fiona Redmond; Niamh O'Melia, G. Power and Jennifer Quigley; U/13 M. O'Melia; U/15 Tara Coates, C.Gleeson; Sandra Stewart; U/16 Sharon Ennis; U/17 S. Ennis, and Nuala Noonan. Enda Breslin in U/16 was our other boy in action and he had an excellent 30th place in that event.

Many of our athletes were in action in the Schools Cross Country with Lisa McCloskey taking the major honours here with a great win in the West Leinster Minor Event. In the Seniors Grainne Farrelly once again qualified for the All Ireland Final with a fine 5th placing in the Leinsters. The veterans both men and women continue to be a force to be reckoned with, with Patsy McCloskey retaining her O/35 title with a thrilling victory in Rostrevor. Here with Mary Farrelly 4th and Mgt. Noonan, 11th, Maynooth won the Inter-Club with all three helping Kildare to 2nd County. The over 30's saw the same three ladies helping the club to 2nd place with Patsy and Mary part of the winning Kildare Team while in the O/40 Margaret Noonan was joined by Marie Gleeson and Margaret Gillick for 2nd club.

In the mens, Liam McNamee (7th) and Pat Raheer (15th) helped Kildare to 2nd County with the club team completed by Mick Gleeson and Brian Stewart out of the However there was adequate compensation in the o/40's where P. Raheer got up to take the individual bronze chased home by Brian Redmond 4th with both in the winning Kildare team and with Tony Callaghan 11th the club title was regained in style. Peter Keegan (7th) led medals in the o/45 with Paddy Power finishing 19th. The Winter programme of mainly Field Events is well under way with some of our athletes in top form and details of these will be given at a later date.



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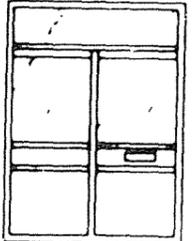


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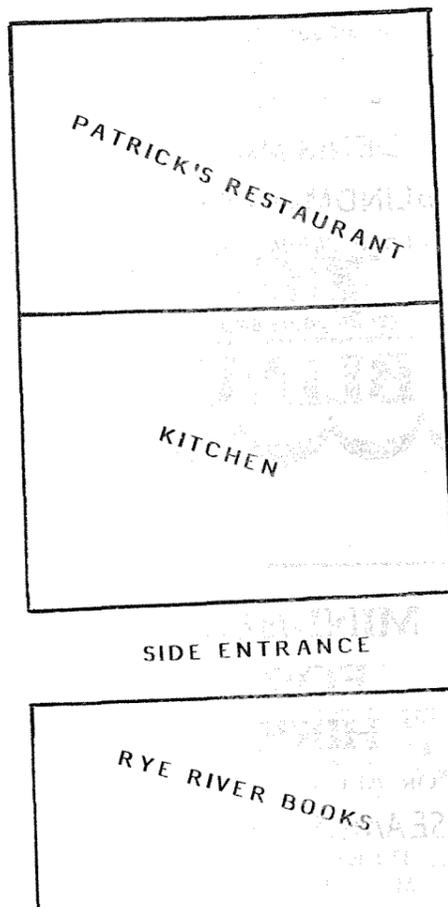
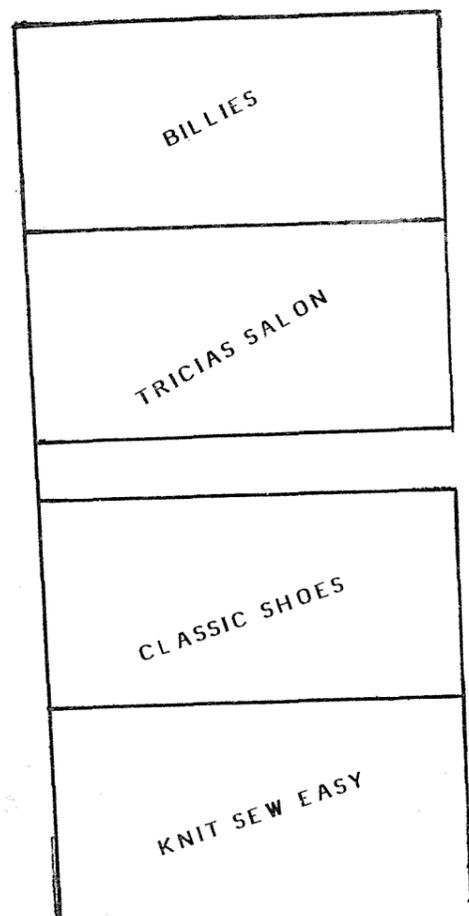
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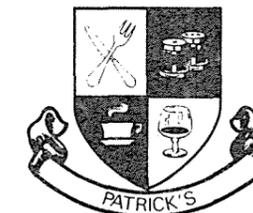
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Well, Patch was looking for a good home, where the people would be kind to him and feed him, because when puppies start to grow up, lots of them leave their mothers to make their own way in the world.

As it happened, next door to the house where Patch was born there lived a kind little girl called Grainne.

But Patch didn't know that Grainne was kind, because he was only a few weeks old and hadn't had time to find much out yet.

You know how it is when you are young, because, of course, you are young too, aren't you?

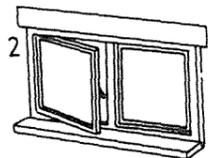
But to get back to the story, Patch was a bright little chap and he kept his eyes open, his ears open and tried to learn as much as he could, as quickly as he could, which is a very wise thing to do, believe me, and Patch noticed that Grainne was always kind to her dolls.

Grainne dressed her dolls in nice warm nighties and powdered and brushed them and fed them from a clean bottle and put them to bed in pretty cots and she always spoke kindly to her Teddy, too.

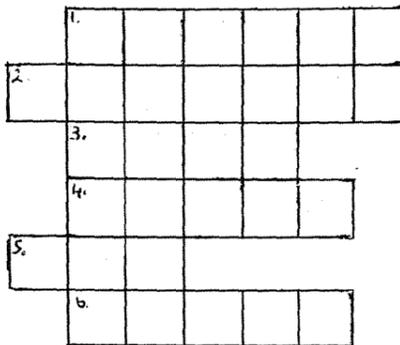
So Patch thought to himself: "Anyone who is kind to dolls and teddies will be kind to puppies," and he kept visiting next door and looking sweet and good, until Grainne's mummy decided to buy him. HOORAY!

And Grainne's Mummy went to the Post Office and bought a licence for Patch. Then she bought a lovely red collar and a lead to match.

Now I am legal thought Patch. I hope all the other dogs in Maynooth are as well.



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Colouring Competition

COLOURING COMPETITION

Winners of March Edition:

Painting Competition 4-7 Age Group:

1st Prize: Elaine Comerford, 46 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

2nd Prize: Annette McCullagh, "St. Martins", Greenfield, Maynooth.

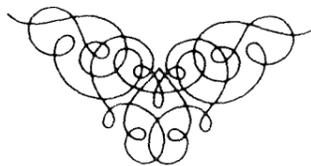
Runners-Up: Jonathan King, 1200 Greenfield, Maynooth; Wendy Forster, Barberstown, Maynooth; Fiona McIntyre, 30 Rail Park, Maynooth.

8-12 Age Group:

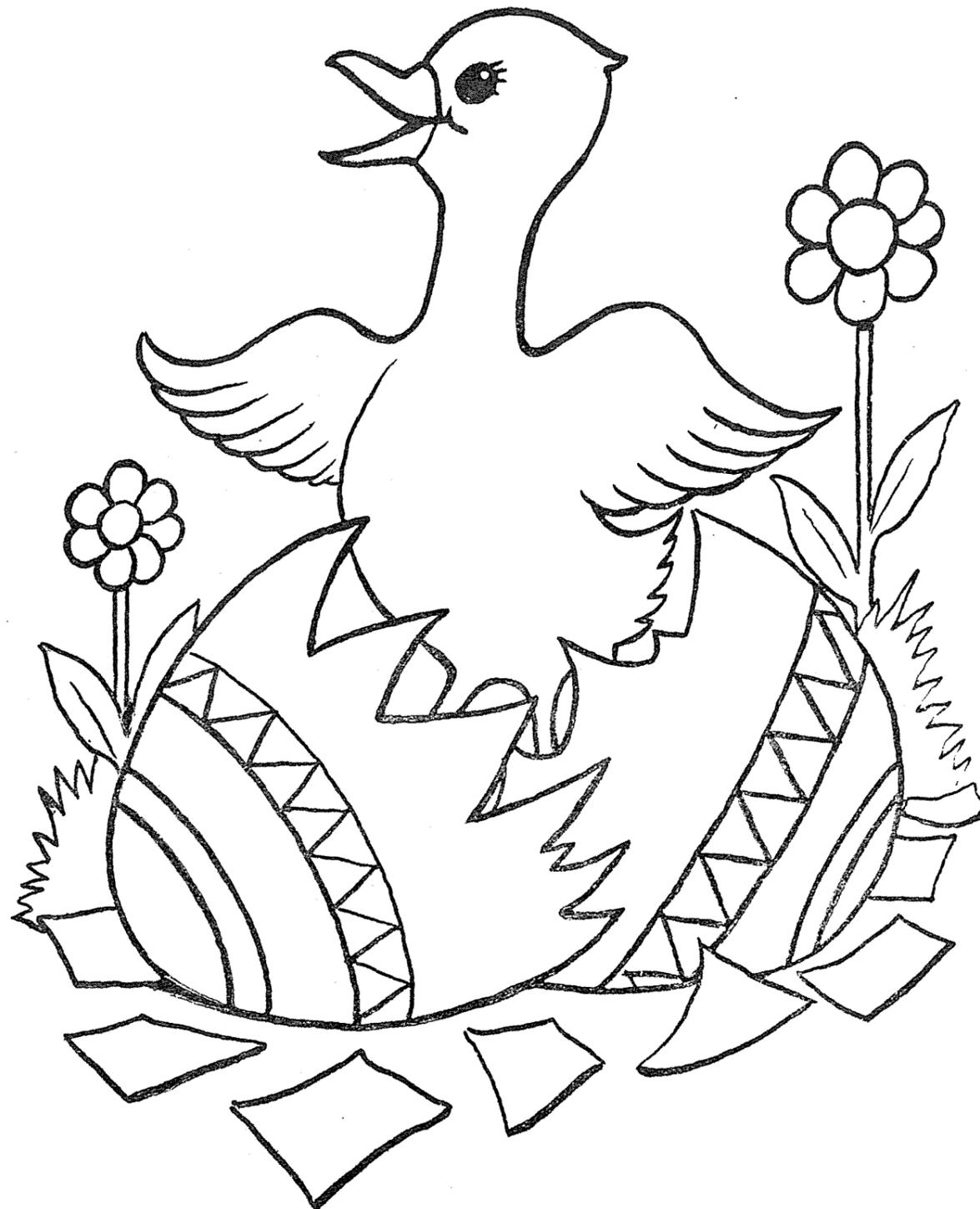
1st Prize: Aisling Roche, Leinster Pk, Maynooth.

2nd Prize: Cliodhna Daly, Colistown, Kilcloon.

Runners-Up: Susan Larkin, Donbar, Kilcloon; Catherine Devaney, 19 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.



Easter Chick



Extra copies of the children's colouring competition page are available in the Community Council Office.

There are now two categories for the Children's Colouring Competition. Ages 4 - 7 and 8 - 12

NAME _____

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Nature Trail



THE SONG TRUSH

This species is one of our most beautiful and sweetest song birds. It usually arrives back from South Africa and Europe in March and can be seen and heard from the tops of trees with its sweet song. It can be found in woods, gardens in early April, gathering materials for nesting. The nest is made from twigs, leaves and is lined with wet mud and later drying to make a hard, shell-like nest. It is shaped by the hen bird by turning inside it to get the correct shape. The nest can be found in bushes, rafters of sheds. The eggs are dark blue with brown spots. Five to six eggs are usually laid. They are incubated by the hen for 14 days and then the young brood are born, they can be seen perching in the bushes after about another 14 days. They are still fed by the parents with worms, snails, berries, caterpillars, being their main diet. During September they leave for their wintering grounds in large flocks.

THE BLUE TIT

During the winter this bird can be seen very often at our bird tables, it is very fond of fat and nuts. As its name suggests its colouring is: yellow underparts, pale blue on its back and a skyblue to its head with some white. Its nest can be found in a crack in the wall, tree and often in next boxes. The nest consists of moss which is lined with feather and hairs.

The mating season usually starts in April, between 10-14 eggs are laid. They are white with light brown spots and very small. The hen alone incubates the eggs and the young are born after about two weeks. They are fed on insects by both parents. They leave the nest after 16/17 days. The parents often raise another brood in that year.

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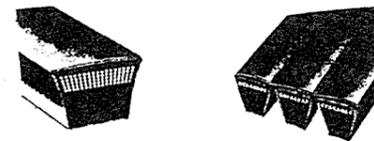
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Ar an drochuair níos tugadh mórán tacaíochta do cheachtar den dá imeacht; ní fheadfaí a rá gurb é easpa airgid a ba chúis leis an easpa tacaíochta mar go raibh cuid mhaith de na himeachtaí saor in aisce. Tá go leor rudaí tar éis a bheith ar siúl ó thús na bliana acadúla nár léirigh mic léinn mórán suirre iontu; taispeánann 'The Dark Room', mar shampla, scannán gach Céadaoin (scannáin chonspóideacha, spreagthula de ghnáth) ach ní bhíonn i láthair go minic ach seachtar nó ochtar! Bíonn suas le 400 - 500 san Aula Maxima gach oíche Dhomhnaigh le hamharc ar scannáin Mheiriceánacha a bhíonn leath-phomagrafaíoch nó/ agus lán bolscaireachta den chuid is mó (e.g. Rambo).

Dhealródh sé go bhfuil an córas oideachais ag teip ós rud é gur i nítne suaracha atáthar ag cur speise.

Ar oíche Mháirt agus oíche Chéadaoine Sheachtain na Gaeilge léirigh cuid ball Chuallacht Cholm Cille an dráma 'Cailíní na Monarchan' aistriúchan Gaeilge ar 'The Factory Girls' le Frank McGuinness. Ní raibh ach slua an-bheag i láthair an dá oíche. Iníonn an dráma faoi chúigear ban i monarcha i nDún na nGall agus an chaoi a n-éiríonn eatarthu féin agus an bhainistíocht nuair a bhagraítear iad a scaoladh chun bealaigh. Léiríu an-bhríomhar a bhí ann agus chuir cumas chuid de na haisteoirí (go háirithe Siobhán Nic Choitir agus Caoimhe Ní Bhaoighill) ionadh orm.

Ní raibh an léiriú saor ó locht, a fadh. Chonacthas dom nach raibh na haisteoirí ar a suaimhneas i gcónaí le linn an dráma. Ba léir nach bhfuair siad deis a ndóthain cleachtaithe a dheanamh mar go ndearna siad dearmad ar a gcuid línte go minic. Bhraith mé fosta nár thug siad leo brí cheart na uaireanta - ní orthu a bhí an locht go hiomlán, áfach, mar go raibh an t-aistriúchan míshlucht mhar, míndúrtha in áiteanna.

Tá mé tar éis barraíocht béime, b'fhéidir, a leagaint ar na rudaí diúltacha a bhain leis an dráma; bhí mianach maith sna haisteoirí agus tá mé cinnte go rachaidh an tréimhse a chaith siad i mbun an dráma chun gochair dóibh sa tochtach. Is cinnte go bhfeicimid ar an stáitse i Má Nuad arís iad.

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DROWNING THE SHAMROCK IN MAYNOOTH

The shamrock was well and truly drowned on St. Patrick's Day. But the residents of Maynooth must have amphibious tendencies since they turned out in their throngs to cheer on the parade. Their faith was rewarded with an excellent display from community groups, bands, commercial floats, and a few rays of sunshine for the speeches.

On the reviewing stand were Lord Mayor, Owen Byrne, Felicity Satchwell, ICA, Sr. Aquinas, Presentation Convent, Joe FitzPatrick, Niamba Massacre survivor, Mons. M. Ledwith, President in the College, Seamus Smyth; vice-president, Fr. Supple, P.P. Rev. J. Hammond, Tom Ashe, Post-Primary, Pearse O'Connell, Boys National School, Paddy Dunne, the Band, and local politicians Alan Dukes, TD, Bernard Durkin, TD, Colm Purcell, C.C., Paddy Power, TD, and Emmet Stagg, TD. Chairman, Prionnsias, and organiser, Bridie O'Brien, fitted into what ever spaces were left!

The reviewing stand was colourfully decked out with flowers sponsored by the Flower Pot and Maynooth Flower Club, as well as a magnificent La 'Le Padraig sign put together by the united efforts of the Bean family. At over forty entries, the parade rivals in size the efforts of much larger towns and cities around the country. The pace at which the participants flew past the reviewing stand made ace commentator, Noel Dalton, sound like Michael O'Hehir commenting on a fast Grand National.

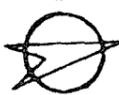
Some entries which stood still long enough to be seen include the Maher School of Dancing girls who looked beautiful in their white costumes. The entry from the Lions Club should have been "vetted" before being allowed into this family show! The jungle scenery made it difficult to see precisely what was going on, but there were some very rampant lions cavorting in their den of iniquity.

The O'Briens Supermarket Group were missed, but the return of Barrett's float contributed a cheerfully musical note. Another powerful sound was provided by O'Reillys accordion Band, courtesy of Willie Kiernan's sound system. The Brass and Reed Band still celebrating their victory in Limerick put on their usual good show, despite the soaking conditions. Appropriately dressed for the weather were the Narraghmore Pipe Band led by Bill Donovan, whose colourful kits were swathed in black raingear. Their ance in the parade was sponsored by O'Briens Supermarket.

For the first time students from the college took part, and earned gratitude from the children, if not dentists, as they distributed lollipops. Adults appreciated the bunches of daffodils given away by Petal Power.

Another first was the Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen marchers whose members included many Congo veterans, marching proudly together, their presence in the parade was the result of Larry O'Brien's efforts.

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Space does not allow for mention of all entries. The amount of effort put into getting floats ready, the amounting of spitting and polishing of uniforms, must have been phenomenal, and the results were very much appreciated by the crowds who waited patiently to the very end.

Of course, the parade was the outcome of the combined endeavours of a large number of people who gave cheerfully and willingly of their time. In the speeches following the parade, there was a long litany of praise and thanks to the many who laboured so hard behind the scenes. As the praises may have been lost in the general excitement, the Newsletter calls on all the following to take a bow:—

The Social & Recreational Committee, and especially the trio:— Bridie O'Brien, Larry O'Brien and John McGinley who guided the whole event to a successful conclusion. The staff in the Community Council especially Frances McNicholas and Shelley Breslin.

Master of Ceremonies, Noel Dalton, who put a lot of work into his big day on the "Thing in the Square". Owen Byrne, Pat Travers, Mick Hyland, the judges who shall remain anonymous, for their own safety! The stewards and gardai, Leo, John and above all, Rose Bean for their display work. Eddie Sherry and his assistant who had the town looking tidy for the parade. The Flower Pot & Flower Club, Willie Kiernan for providing the sound system which allowed the MC's comments to come over loud and clear. The College, the participants in the Parade, and those who contributed financially.

Tommy McDonald, The Sports Locker for donating the perpetual trophies and the people of Maynooth for being there.

PARADE OF WINNERS

Commercial Float

Trophy to Seosamh Ua Buachalla
Best Club Float

Trophy & £50 to Maynooth Swimming Club
Best Junior Band

Trophy & £25 to O'Reillys Accordion Ban
Best Marching Group

Trophy to Maher School of Dancing

BAND BULLETIN

This bulletin is happy to report on the busiest but most successful month for St. Mary's Band for many, many years. When we carried off not one but two awards in St. Patrick's Day (or week-end) Parades.

On Sunday 15th March we paid our second visit to the Limerick International Marching Band Competition. This year we were a little more wiser and experienced than last year but nevertheless our expectations were not too high and we were once again resigned to meeting and competing against bands with much greater numbers and resources than ourselves.

However we had not reckoned with the ability and determination of the boys and girls (and men) in the Band. Once they got the ecent of the judging area they turned in their finest marching and playing display for years with not a foot, nor a note out of place. The God's must have foreseen this because who had we in our midst for the day but our own local king Ken O'Brien who recorded the parade for posterity — and right well we in the video too.

It was a proud moment for Maynooth, when we were one of only two bands singled out for special mention among Bands from the North and South of Ireland, England and the United States and even more so when we were announced as been winners of our section, receiving a beautiful engraved crystal bowl and decanter. We hope to put these on display in a shop in the town this month.

While every band member was a hero I think we should single out for special mention our flag bearers from the junior classes, who looked and marched like veterans, and our inimitable cornet-player Patsy Waldron who, having overslept, missed the coach by five minutes. Did he go back to bed? Not on your life, he turned the car around headed for heuston Station and got the train down to Limerick. He then ran half a mile from the station to the Parade area arriving, and just in time to join us in the Parade. This valiant effort has not being seen since the bandmaster missed the train to Mullingar in 1912. and cycled down to join the band in competition there. Well done Patsy.

The Limerick victory made the band more determined than ever to take the prize in our own Parade on St. Patrick's Day. Despite the bad weather they put up a marvellous show and carried off first prize to much jubilation. No matter where we may go, the Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade will always be the most important event to us, holdind a special place in the Band's lists of appearances.

Over St. Patrick's Week-end we also managed to participate in Parades in Nenagh, Kilcock, and a very wet Enfield so we are now well and truly prepared for our concert on Saturday 26th April in Kilcock.

in the concert we will be joined by the Folk Group and the Choir in a most unique musical evening. This will be the first time these three groups have appeared on stage together, and the occasion has long been awaited since we joined together at the induction of Fr. B. Supple. We hope as many people as possible will join us at this very special concert.

Finally may we take this opportunity to welcome back our conductor and staff major, Cliff Murphy following an enforced absence. We are delighted to have him back with us again and now look forward to a successful 1987.

MESSIAH IN MAYNOOTH

The chapel in the College was packed to overflowing on March 8th when the college choir put on its first performance of Handel's Messiah. The audience was treated to a magnificent performance from the 137 strong choir, the four soloists, Patricia Bardon, Virginia Kerr, William Young, and Emmanuel Lawlor. Emmanuel is a second year student in the College, and at only twenty years of age must have a very bright future as an internationally renowned tenor. His beautiful singing was a highlight of the We are told that the tenors in the Choir disappeared from one of the choruses, but the Choir redeemed themselves with a rousing rendition of the Halleluja Chorus, which deserved the prolonged applause it received.

Gerald Gillen, Professor of Music in the College, did a splendid job bringing together the multitude of singers and orchestral players in this very enjoyable performance.

MAYNOOTH CHAMBER CHOIR — INAUGURAL CONCERT

The Maynooth Chamber Choir will give its inaugural concert on Sunday 12th April at 8 p.m. in the College Chapel. Accompanied by Gerald Gillen on organ, and the String Ensemble, the choir will give a recital of Motets, Madrigals, and Schubert's Mass in G. Tickets are £2 each, and can be obtained from the College.

ANOTHER PAPAL VISIT ?

At the recent ordination of Mon. Paul Magee as Bishop of Cloyne in Rome, it is reported that Pope John Paul II has promised (threatened?) to visit the new bishop in his diocese in Cork. Looks like Maynooth will have to start dusting down the papal flags. The Tidy towns committee could do with the help from a papal visit. The town has'nt looked as well since 1979, when the first visit produced a massive facelift.

SIGN OF THE TIMES

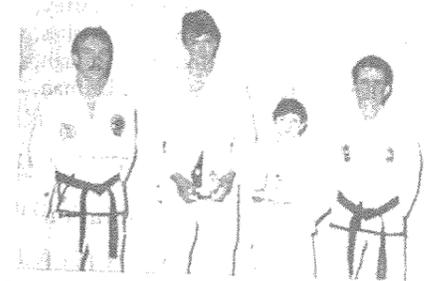
We hesitate to mention it, but the sign for the railway is still in position at least six weeks after it was erected. Is this a or are the usual suspects on holidays ?

SCENES AROUND TOWN

St. Patrick's Day Parade



Setting Up Ua Buachalla's Float, which won the trophy for the best commercial float



Best performance Awards of Maynooth TAE KWON - DO CLUB. From left: to Right) Michael Deveraux (Instructor) Cathal Power (9th Kup), Antonette Mooney (9th Rib) Gerard McClelland (Senior Instructor).



COLLEGE GREEN SOCCER NOTES

College Green F.C. in their first season of the Meath and District League clinched the Division 5 title on Sunday with a 3-1 home win over 2nd placed Shambo.

Shambo's dream of upsetting the new champions were rattled early in the first half when Gerry Murtagh scored from the penalty spot. The goal came somewhat against the run of play as Shambo had started the better side.

However, Paddy McGovern's class in the middle of the field was starting to show and College Green went on to score two more before half time with goals from John Kinsella and Kieran Murtagh.

Shambo again started well in the second half and pulled one back with the best goal of the match. They continued to pile on the pressure and lost a great chance when they missed from the penalty spot.

At this stage College Green came back into the game and went on to hit the crossbar five times before the finish, one of which was a great individual effort by Paul Broughan.

Best for College Green along with those already mentioned were Tony O'Connor, Peter Connell, Aidan Dunne, John Hughes, Tom Coffey and Martin Dolphin. This victory made up for our recent defeat in the quarter final of the Meath Cup when we were beaten by an injury time goal from Cup holders Moynalvey.

Team: A. Dunne, P. Connell, T. Coffey, P. Broughan, T. O'Connor, J. Hughes, P. McGovern, M. Dolphin, G. Murtagh, K. Murtagh, J. Kinsella. Subs: E. Larman, D. Forde.

FUNDS APPEAL

Ladychapel Graveyard Restoration Group

The Committee are getting great support and local interest in the restoration of Ladychapel and we are getting in touch with our relatives and friends at home and abroad. Councillor Gerry Brady and Deputies Durkan and Stagg are helping re grants available etc.

We are appealing to everybody who can, to contribute towards this fund so that we can all be proud of our heritage. We will be producing a book with the history of the graveyard and the names of those buried there, copies of which will be available shortly.

We are asking all who have relatives buried in Ladychapel to help us identify their graves as in some cases this can be difficult due to age and weathering.

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On the front page of the Evening Press a few weeks ago, there was an article regarding Gerry Brady made about Maynooth's roads being the worst in the county. We don't need Gerry Brady to tell us about the roads in Maynooth: all locals KNOW we have the worst roads in the county.

Two children had accidents cycling to school recently. One, a boy, received head injuries, the other, a girl, has permanent damage done to her front teeth - she is minus them. What a tragedy, to lose one's front teeth at age 11.

Students arrive in Maynooth with lovely new bikes, and after a few weeks the lovely new bikes are no more. They have buckled wheels and patched tyres.

If you are unfortunate to walk to the village on a wet day or the day after rain,

you can receive a shower of filthy muddy water from head to foot, if you do not jump into the hedge quick enough. From Old Rail Park to Greenfield Shopping Centre, the road is one continuous collection of pot holes.

We suggest our local councillors walk to the village and back on the next wet day and see what most people have to put up with. We also suggest you get a bike and cycle from Greenfield Shopping Centre to the Post Primary School and see what our school children have to contend with.

Talk is Cheap - what we want is Action. The new link road will not be built for 2 years approximately. Do we have to put up with the condition of Straffan Road until then?

We want to know what action the local councillors will have carried out.

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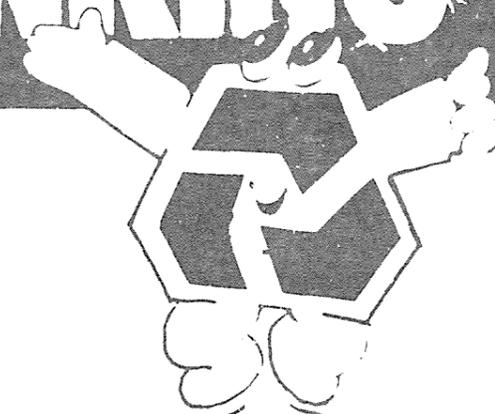


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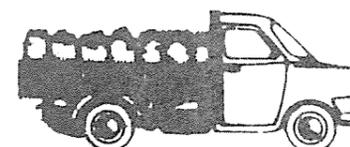
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**STREET TALKING
CHANGE AT THE COUNTRY SHOP
April 5th**

April 5th the Country Shop will be five years in existence. Already it has become a part of life in Maynooth. People have been known to try to take up residence here. They start with morning coffee in the basement restaurant. They proceed upstairs to the Aladdin's Cave, spending for hours through the pottery, leather goods, the scraps of old lace, antique china. They then have lunch, may go for a walk. Soon, its time for noon tea, in the garden if its fine, and they have to be gently removed, laughing and screaming at closing time. Children too are welcome visitors. They can play with toys kept specially for their use. They can listen to the peach faced lovebirds twittering in their cafes, and there is a bird box in the enclosed garden where they watch the birds at their heart's content. Visitors too have stumbled on this oasis on Galway road have been delighted by the atmosphere, the good food, the high quality gifts, and the cleanest toilets in Ireland. The number of customers has increased and a large sign, tastefully painted by Jean Ley of Enfield was placed on the gable

is all the brainchild of Pamela Fegan, who felt that Ireland needed such places. Everything was planned out to the detail when she bought the houses which were originally built to house the workers in the brewery formerly located in castle grounds). The present set-up developed over time, with its mixture of home food, high quality crafts, all done with friendliness and personal attent-

need for employment locally was also a factor in setting up the Country Shop. The restaurant is recognised by CERT for training purposes, and a number of young people have obtained that most valuable qualification in seeking jobs, work experience in the shop and the restaurant. Having survived a deep recession over the last five years, Pamela Fegan has informed the Newsletter of her plans to withdraw from the day to day running of the business. She continues to own the building, the restaurant has been leased to Jim and Florence Cullinane, who live in Kingsbry, the shop has been leased to Pauline Burke from Taghadoo.

Mrs Fegan, a Dubliner, moved to what is now Moyglare Manor Hotel with her husband in 1965, and has been involved ever since in the community. The extent of her contribution over the years has been enormous, and she will be widely missed. Her immediate plans are to visit her far-flung family, husband in Kenya, and her children, Sally in Uganda, William in New York, Gina in London, Corrie in Brighton, and Jennifer and Susan who have moved only as far as Dublin..

THE NEW COUNTRY SHOP
Pauline Burke informs the Newsletter that she intends to keep up the same philosophy developed by Mrs Fegan. She intends to stock the best of Irish Crafts, and she wants to preserve the uniqueness of the place, and to build on what is there. Pauline has been working in the Country Shop for over two years, and her daughter, Mary, a student in the College works there on a part-time basis. Pauline originally from Galway, worked for four years in New York before her marriage. The other full time workers are familiar faces, Eilis O'Malley, who trained in Arnott's and is an expert on display work, and Margaret Molloy, a knitting expert who trained in Gaeltarra, and who can spot a flaw in a knitted garment from a mile off. She is always happy to advise bewildered knitters and the shop stocks a selection of beautiful wools and patterns. Among the changes brought in when Pauline takes over on Monday 6th April will be a cosmetics department supervised by cosmetics consultant Mary O'Melia, who will be there to advise on skincare, as well as to help customers choose from a range of skincare and cosmetic products and perfumes.

THE NEW RESTAURANT
Jim and Florence Cullinane have already taken over the restaurant business since March. It is a testament to Pamela Fegan's work that they have seen the need to change very little, except to take island slices off the menu. It is suspected that the outgoing Chairman of the Community Council has decided not to stand again in order to launch a campaign to bring back the island slices. Jim is chef in the Moyglare Manor and does most of the cooking in the restaurant with the help of trainee chef, David Kelly. Florence and Jim met at Ballymaloe House, the well known university of cuisine in Cork, where Jim trained. All the food is cooked on the premises and the Newsletter can report that the kitchen is spotlessly clean. Fish dishes are a speciality and will form a major addition to the menu.

Following our remarks about the treacherousness of the ramps in O'Brien's car park in this column a couple of issues back, we are pleased to see that they have been painted in eye-catching colours so that the drivers have some warning. But on the Main St. there is a new hazard for pedestrians - a clutter of sandwich-boards outside Centrepoint Arcade. Used thoughtfully, these can brighten up a streetscape, but at the moment they often constitute an obstruction for passers by.

Last word on pollsters and posters. We promised to keep an eye on the removal of election material after the election. In the local stakes, the laggards in clearing up were Fianna Fail and Sinn Fein, their posters lingered on for a week or so. And there was the torn remnant of a Labour Party poster on a pole outside Kavanagh's Mill a whole month after polling day. Is this a local record?



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ABOUT AIDS ?

The growing concern about Aids will have checked everyone's awareness by now - except that of the government apparently. Much at the time of writing has still not reached its public information programme to combat the spread of the disease. The notorious Irish reluctance to confront dual realities, which for so long prevented access to effective family planning, is now manifesting itself as a sort of self-righteous pe that if we do not pay attention to it we might be able to persuade ourselves that it does not really exist. Sexual neutrality, Irish style ! But, as local doctors point out, whereas a year ago, one might reasonably have wondered whether the media discussion of Aids was simply a journalist's sensationalism, today it is becoming part of a doctor's general practice, and seems only a matter of time before deaths as a result of the disease become more widespread here.

The disease is transmitted primarily through sexual activity and through the sharing of needles by intravenous drug users. The incidence of drug abuse and of gay sexual activity in Maynooth is evidently no greater than the average to be expected for a community of our size and demographic profile. The spread of the Aids virus in Maynooth is most likely to occur through heterosexual activity, particularly among those enjoying sex with a succession of different partners. Maynooth has a high population of young people, of whom a significant proportion are ill, if they act like young people generally and are sexually active. They will also probably be less informed and less experienced in such matters than their elders should be. Most of them will be students and, as a student leader from a Dublin college has stated in a letter to the *Irish Press* (23 March 1987), these form a mobile and lively group, who may spend several months of the year abroad or in centres where the AIDS virus is easily picked up. A slightly older section of the community spends holidays abroad each year, and many crowd a lot of living into that one fortnight. These people are at risk. Such remarks should not be taken as suggesting that sex is something that only happens abroad; they are intended simply as a reminder that there are no grounds for thinking that our own community can be surrounded by a sort of sanctimonious *cordon sanitaire*.

What needs to be done? First of all, there is an urgent need for full information regarding AIDS, precautionary measures, and general sex education. Any individual with a sexual history which has embraced a number of different partners in the past five or six years should consider having a blood-test to ascertain if he or she is AIDS positive. The necessary blood sample can be taken locally by a G.P. and the results are known within a few weeks. Local experience indicates that, at the present time, the results in such tests will more than likely be reassuringly. This in itself is an indication that there is still time for preventative action in the community generally; observations else-

where, indicates that responsible sexual behaviour does inhibit the spread of the disease in a given community.

For some of us, 'responsible sexual behaviour' means total abstinence from sexual activity until a life-partner has been found, and subsequently an exclusive relationship with that one partner alone. Such a pattern may be the moral, emotional or social ideal in our community, but it would be foolish to contend that it corresponds to the reality in every case. Sexual experimentation is part of the process of growing up; in an unstable society, fidelity to a single partner may be difficult to achieve; and is arrived at later than sooner; our youthful unemployed are a sexually active group. To say that "people should not", whether said with righteousness or concern, must not blind us to the fact that many of them will. We cannot prevent AIDS by beating lovers out of the ditches at midnight with a blackthorn stick . . .

Responsible sexual behaviour is an informed sexual behaviour. The responsibility begins with parents, community leaders and teachers, who can urge the need for discriminating sexual contact at all times, by example and precept. Given that casual sex is not going to cease, it should be pointed out that the use of condoms greatly reduces the risk of the transmission of AIDS; these may be readily purchased in Maynooth, and are also available from the Whitethorn Clinic in Celbridge (opposite Quinnsworth).

AIDS has been the cause of far fewer deaths than stress, or various cancers, or dangerous driving. Nevertheless, it has already brought about huge changes in society at large. It is a disease to fear and take seriously, because of its virulence, its recent appearance, and the lack of effective treatment. It is a disease which strikes at a particular section of our population - the young adults, of whom we claim to be so proud as the country's greatest resource. But the truly terrible aspect of AIDS is that it is the disease you can give to someone you love, in the very act of expressing that love.

MAYNOOTH

Second year seminarians from St. Patrick's College pushed a bed from Maynooth to Dublin last month to raise funds for the Irish Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust, they set off from the college grounds at 9.30 a.m. reaching O'Connell Street about 3 p.m.. The trust raises funds to send handicapped children to Lourdes every year and contributions are welcome at the following address: "Bed Push", Second Years, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

CO. COUNCIL AMENITY GRANTS

Cluain Aoibhinn Residents Association have received £30., The Royal Canal Amenity Group received £1,000. towards provision of lock gates. St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band received £200. Other groups which received grants are: Greenfields Residents Assoc. £25; Maynooth CBS £100; Maynooth Swimming Club £100; Bru Bosco Youth Club £150; Maynooth Town Soccer Club £100; Eoin Pol Hurling Club £85.

GARDENING GUIDE

Pruning Roses:— Bush roses the variety grown most in our gardens, can be classified into two main groups.

Group I are the Floribunda roses which will have several blooms on each stem.

Group II are hybrid tea roses which will normally have only one bloom per stem.

There are two different schools of opinion as to which is the best time to prune roses, however majority opinion favours the end of March as the best time, because there is less likelihood of frost damage at this stage. Where a garden is in an exposed area, rose bushes should be cut back by half in the Autumn to avoid "Wind Rock".

Start pruning by removing dead, damaged, and rubbing shoots. Rubbing occurs where two shoots grow across one another. Remove shoots which are growing into the centre of the bush also. Cut one or two of the oldest branches at the base, this allows younger shoots to progress quicker. The remaining shoots should be pruned to about 9 or 10" inch lengths, but making sure to leave 2 or 3 buds on each branch. Always prune 1-1½ inches above the bud & at an angle of 45 degrees, towards the centre of the plant. Where a branch is weak (thin) it should be pruned a little harder. Spray with fungicide afterwards to prevent 'black spot' at fortnightly intervals afterwards.

CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

Services for April

Wednesday 1st — Holy Communion, Maynooth at 11 a.m.

Wednesday 8th:— Holy Communion Maynooth at 11 a.m.

Holy Week

Holy Communion daily Mon - Friday Maynooth 11 a.m.

Dunboyne:— Wed., Thurs, Friday at 8.00 p.m.

Easterday

Moyglare:— 9.30 a.m.

Dunshaughlin:— 10.45 a.m.

Dunboyne 12.00 noon.

We are having a fund raising event in Moyglare Manor Hotel on Friday 3rd April starting at 8.00 p.m. Details from Margaret Howe, Tel.: 285454 or Tony Watkins Tel.: (01) 286614.

A coffee morning and bring and buy sale is being held in our parish hall, Dunboyne on Saturday 11th from 10.30 a.m. - 12.00. Also in the hall a Wine & Cheese and Cake sale is to be held on the 1st May in a bid to try and pay off the debt on the hall.

Our Mother's Union members are all busy preparing for our Flower Festival in Kildare, on 22nd, 23rd, and 24th May to help celebrate our one hundred years. More about this next month.

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JUST ANOTHER NIGHT

by Liam Farrell

Janet sat at the kitchen table sipping a cup of cold coffee, waiting. Was it her third or fourth? She tried to remember, but couldn't. It didn't matter anyhow, she was long past caring about the number of calories she consumed. Her eyes were still red from crying and the bruise on her cheek was swollen and discoloured, an angry mix of purple and blue.

The bills were spread out in front of her. All neatly stacked and separated into little bundles, depending on their urgency. Several were overdue. The telephone had already been cut off. And the man from the Finance Company had taken the tele away.

Anxiously she glanced up at the clock. It was almost midnight. He'd be home soon.

"Oh God", she thought as she stared at the bottle of sleeping pills. "How did everything get so out of hand?" She felt so alone, so isolated. There was nobody left she could turn to. Slowly she lowered her head into her hands and began to cry again, only silently this time so as not to disturb the children. It had taken her long enough to get them settled, especially little Billy. But then he was seven - a very old seven.

"Why is daddy so angry with us?" he had asked so many times during the past 18 months, and always with that hurt look in his eyes, the look of a frightened little boy trying to fathom a world too complicated for him to understand. He was becoming such a serious child.

Sometimes she thought she saw that same look in Dave's eyes. Yet nothing she did seemed to make any difference. But at least with Billy she could take him in her arms and try to kiss away the tears. "Daddy doesn't mean to be mad at us", she had tried to explain. "He just hasn't been well since the factory closed." But Billy didn't understand. "Why is he always shouting at you?", "Maybe because sometimes I do silly things that annoy him."

A couple of times she had considered locking him out, and once she'd even gone as far as doing it. But he'd hammered on the door with his fists, cursing and swearing at the top of his voice until she relented, but not before he'd woken all the neighbours. Janet had been mortified. She saw the pity in the other women's eyes, as she helped her drunken husband to his feet and carried him inside.

Up until that night people had pretended they didn't know he was drinking, or that he'd been beating her. Well all except Mrs Caraway at number 15, but then she lived off other people's miseries.

Silently she cursed the unemployment that had taken her husband's soul and destroyed the man she loved and she cursed the vows that bound him to her forever.

Just then she heard the door and pushing away the bottle of pills, she waited with dread for the start of another long night.

THE LEIXLIP & DISTRICT CREDIT UNION

The Leixlip and District Credit Union has premises in The Harbour and is open 10.30 to 12.30 p.m. on Wednesdays and 6.30 to 8 p.m. on Fridays.

A credit union is a mutual aid organisation whose objective is to promote thrift and to extend loans to its members. Credit Unions are organised for people who have a common bond. This bond exists among the residents of a small community, or at any other well defined geographical area, the employees of a factory, the members of the same association. All the members of a group may join regardless of race, creed, or colour affiliation.

In credit unions, the members exercise a democratic control over the society. That is to say, each member has only one vote regardless of the number of shares that he owns. The members elect their own directors and they determine policies at the annual meeting of the Credit Union.

Credit Unions stimulate regular savings among their members. From these savings, loans that benefit the members are made at reasonable rates of interest. Credit unions teach the administration and control of income since, through the credit union, members acquire knowledge of money and establish the mechanism by which millions of small shares are joined together and placed at the service of those who create them. Thus, large quantities of money are controlled by the owners, who at the same time receive a credit service.

Credit Unions are educational. Through the experience gained from serving on committees and boards in the Credit Union, thousands of persons are educated in financial matters and in business management, perhaps the best way to define a credit union is by giving an example:-

"Let us imagine the residents of the village of Ballytown decided to organise a credit union. Each person eligible as a member will pay an entrance fee of a small amount of money. Many also pledge to save regularly and systematically a small amount each pay period. Some members with higher income save higher amounts. Some will transfer to the credit union savings that they have already had accumulated in other places. Each member will have one vote. The members will adopt a set of bye-laws. They will elect from among themselves a Board of Directors and a Supervisory Committee.

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The income from interest will be used to pay the expenses of the credit union, to build necessary reserves, and to pay dividends to the members on their savings.

Since this is a small village at the beginning, the interest paid by the borrowing members is not sufficient to cover the operating expenses. Voluntary service by credit union leaders will keep the credit union operating for some time.

As is the case with the great majority of credit unions this Ballytown credit union provides an additional service for their members. They obtain loan Protection Insurance through which, in case of death, or total and permanent disability of a borrower, the loan balance is paid. Another service provided by the credit union is Life Savings Insurance through which, in case of death of the member, his estate will receive an additional amount for each amount saved by the member in the credit union. The credit Union pays the premiums of this insurance from its interest income. Credit Union members also pay annual dues for the support of the Credit Union League, for the promotion and expansion of the Credit Union movement. Dues are paid through the credit union."



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Time:

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Credit Unions will be present.

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Pauline & Jim Dowling (Chico), 346 Greenfield Cottages who are 45 years married in April.

HAPPY SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY to Paddy & Carol Dowling, Saint Esa's, St. Patrick's Pk., Celbridge.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Patrick and Colette Burke, Newtown, who celebrated their 18th Wedding Anniversary on March 3rd. A party for the happy occasion was held in Clock House, attended by relations and friends.

HOME SWEET HOME

Best wishes, health and happiness to Martin and Paula McTernan who have taken up residence in their new home, 52 Laurence Avenue. This comes from their Daddies, Mammies, Sister, Brothers, Relations and large circle of friends. Martin and Paula were married in October 1986.

21 TODAY

Congratulations to Michelle Higgins Garda Station who celebrated her 21st Birthday on March 11th. A host of friends attended a special party in Michelles home.

HAPPY 21st BIRTHDAY to Jacqueline Connolly, Clane, 21 years on 18 April, from Granny & Granddad.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Annette McCullagh who celebrates her 8th birthday on April 20th. Best wishes from Tracy.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

Belated 21st Birthday Wishes to Thomas Bean, Main St., Maynooth, who celebrated his 21st birthday on Feb. 27th. Also:

Belated wishes to Benny & Kathleen Landy, Listowel, Co. Kerry who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on 27th Feb. Kathleen was formerly Kathleen Keely of Main St., Maynooth and sister of Mrs. Margaret Bean, Main St.

BIRTHDAYS

Cherry Quinn, Greenfield . . . 14 April 17
Eric Quinn, Greenfield 10 April 19
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Paddy Barlow, Greenfield March 17
Eddie Quinn, Greenfield . . . 15 March 29

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Nicola O'Brien, Newtown, 13 April 7

BELATED WISHES to Agnes & Kevin Boyd, 25 years married.

PATRICK BIRCHALL (Deceased)

Acknowledgement

Christy & Paddy Birchall & families wish to thank most sincerely all those who attended the funeral ceremonies, sent mass cards, letter of sympathy and floral tributes

We ask you to accept this acknowledgement of our appreciation.

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SYMPATHY to the family of James Pender, late of Maynooth, who died on 15th March.

SYMPATHY to the family of James O'Brien, Manor Court, who died on 15 March

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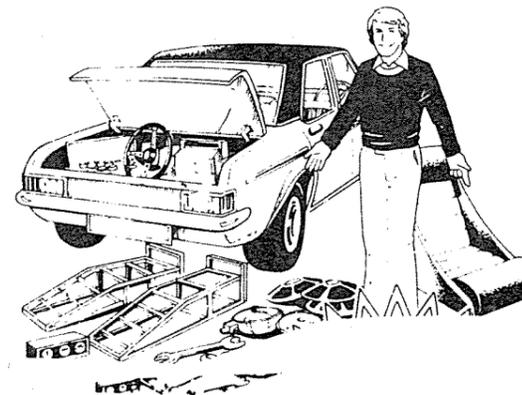
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- ¼ pint chicken stock
- ¼ pint apple juice
- ½ oz Butter melted.

Fry the chops until golden on each side. Put half the potatoes, half the onions and half the apples into a casserole dish. Top with the meat, raisins and remaining apples and onions.

Arrange the remainder of potatoes in a meat design on top.

Blend the stock, apple juice and salt and pepper together. Pour into casserole. Brush the potatoes with the melted butter. Bake in centre of a moderate oven (160 c or 325f Gas 3) for 1½ hours. Cover the casserole after the first 40 mins of cooking time.

Lamb

- 1½lb. Lamb cut from the leg or shoulder and neatly diced.
- Salt & pepper
- 2 teaspoons of sugar
- 2 oz. Butter,
- 1 oz. Flour
- 1 pint water
- Bouquet Garni
- 1 Clove Garlic, crushed
- 3 tomatoes, skinned and chopped
- About 1½ lb young vegetables

Sprinkle the meat with salt and pepper and sugar. Heat the butter in a large saucepan, add the lamb and cook gently, stirring once or twice until browned. Blend in the flour, then add the water and stir as the liquid comes to the boil and thickens slightly.

Add the bouquet garni Garlic, tomatoes and any extra seasoning required. Simmer gently for about 45 minutes then add selection of young vegetables such as new baby carrots, broad beans, young turnips, fresh peas etc.

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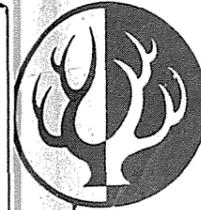
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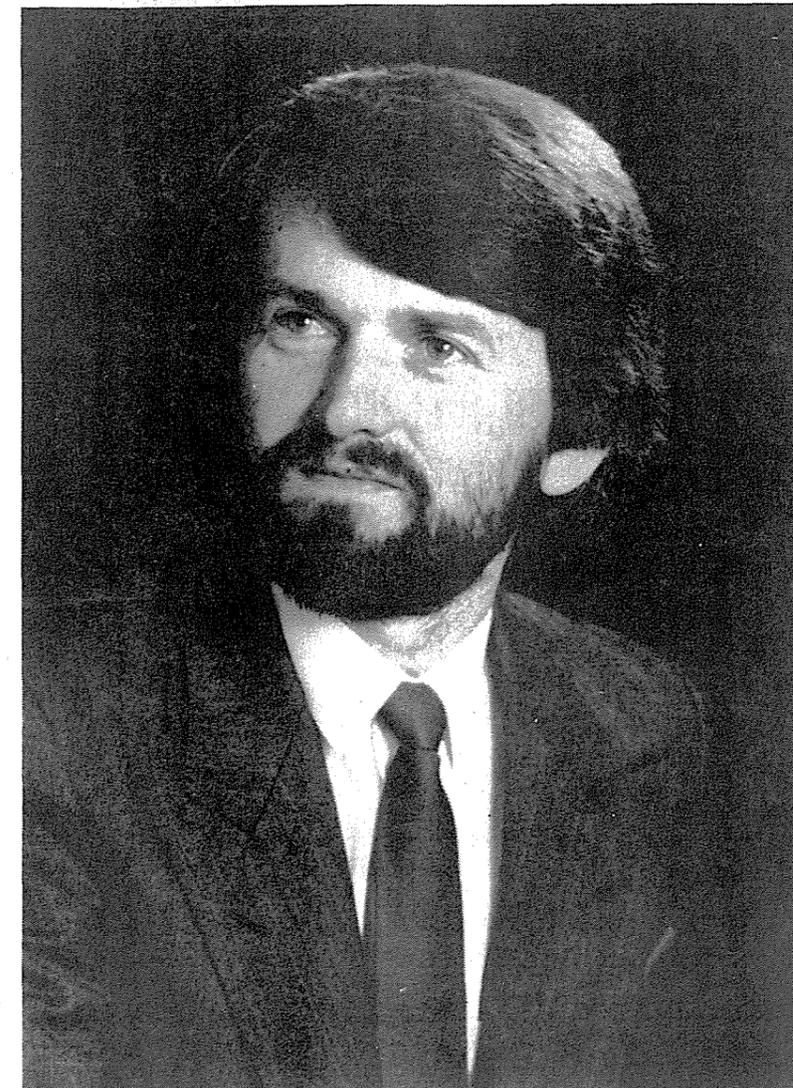
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