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Note to Contributors

We request all of our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters. the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing or block letters, on one side of the paper only.

Editorial

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Parent Teacher Association in the Boys' National School, guestspeaker Tom Ashe, head of the Vocational School, spoke forcibly in favour of co-education. A speaker from the floor pointed out that, while secondary schooling in Maynooth is mixed, the primary schools are steadfastly segregated. Mr O'Connell, headmaster of the Boys' School, observed that in all his time at the school there had "never been any demand for mixed primary schooling", but a subsequent show of hands among those present at the meeting revealed about sixty per cent in favour of mixed schooling for our primary schoolchildren. It certainly strikes this writer as perverse to separate our juniors by the length of the town through their childhood, and then bring them together just as they reach puberty. What do our readers think?

As 'Eve Hear' records elsewhere in this issue, Maynooth already has its practising writers; in future we can look to an outburst of visual artistry, judging by the response to our colouring competition. Always appreciated by a certain section of our readership, last month's 'wizard' attracted a record entry of fifty or more. The assembled sheets brought a welcome dash of colour to the Newsletter offices as they were laid out for judging, and in recognition we increased the runner-up prizes by three. But a special thanks to all who entered, from the youngest (31/2) to the eldest (12). Keep on colouring! (Hippos this month - now what colour could they be?)

Now that the dark nights are here again, there's a renewed need for vigilance against burglary. In the past month there have been break-ins to houses at Leinster Park and Rail Park. Ensure the security of your house at all times, watch out for suspicious activity.





COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Council welcomed Gordon Reid from Rail Park who replaced Mary Grennell and also Pádraig Ó Gormghaile who is the representative from the College. Derek Horan was also formally welcomed back to the Council. Mary Simon of Rail Park was elected P.R.O. and will take up duty after this issue of the Newsletter. Letters of thanks were proposed to Mary Moran, who was the secretary in the office and also to Mary McGinley, who worked hard for the Community Council over the years.

Swimming Pool

The Chairwoman announced the intention of Mr. T. Ashe, principal of the Post-Primary School to build a swimming pool on school ground. The proposal was given unanimous support by the meeting, and some members of the Executive will attend the next meeting with the school in early November.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

A public meeting was called in the Parish Hall on Sunday 4th October after 11 o'clock Mass which was very badly attended. The Mortality Society and the Council choose Saturday 17th October as a clean-up day. Despite the fact that it was advertised outside the church, announced at Mass and 200 circulars were delivered; only 4 people turned up on the day. We would like to extend special thanks to Paddy Nolan of the Mortality Society.

Hallow'een Dance

Fiddlers Green will play a dance in the Parish Hall on Saturday 31st October from 11 - 2 a.m. Spot prizes will be given for the best fancy dress. Admission will be £2.50.

Tidy Towns Sub-Committee

The Tidy Towns sub-committee wish to announce a general meeting on

Thursday 29th October in the ICA Hall. People are urged to attend this important meeting, so that the best possible efforts may be made towards an improvement in the appearance of the town and towards a better result in next years competition.

The Community Council are now applying for a renewal of the Social Employment Scheme grant, which provides employment for 7 people in the office. These workers are essential to the smooth running of the Council. One of the major projects at the moment is the mounting of an Old Maynooth Exhibition, including a scale model of the important architectural features of the town and a series of line drawings.

It was also decided at the meeting that a plan for the improvement of the Harbour Field should be drawn together and presented to the Maynooth Development Association.

Plans for the St. Patrick's Day Parade will begin shortly under the direction of John McGinley. We are very grateful for his help. The Council are to meet with the Royal Canal Amenity Group, with the view to continuing the involvement with the Careers and Trade Fair which was begun last year. We received a letter from Carton Court Residents Association objecting to the Straffan Link Road. The Council will ask the Kildare County Council for an updated version of the detailed plan for the Link Road. Muireann Ní Bhrolchain. (Temp. P.R.O.)

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MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

On exhibition at the moment are a collection of posters from the Metereological Office, containing a wealth of information relating to climate and weather — very worth-while to have a look at if your in the library over the next few weeks.

Still on exhibition are various crafts from Active Age Week, put together by members of the Old Folks Committee. Also looming on the horizon is National Childrens Book Week, due to begin on October 30th, and running until November 6th.

There follows a proposed timetable of events, planned to take place in the library on the following days: Friday, 30th October: Spot prizes all day. Book based charades at 3.00 o'clock. Ghost Story at 4.00 o'clock. Monday, 2nd November: Bilingual story at 4.00 o'clock.

Tuesday, 3rd November: Cartoon Caption Competition at 2.00 o'clock. Spot prizes all day.

Wednesday, 4th November: Teddy Bears Picnic for pre school children, at 10.00 o'clock. Don't forget your Teddy Bear! Book Quiz at 3.00 o'clock. Thursday, 5th November: Talent Competition at 3.00 o'clock. Singers, musicians, comedians etc.

Friday, 6th November: Spot prizes all day. Fancy Dress Competition at 3.00 o'clock. Prize giving for all competitions at 4.00 o'clock.

OTHER EVENTS

 Art competition — subject Nature. Age groups under 7 and over 7 years.
Short Story Competition — subject Nature. Age groups under 7 and over 7 years.

3. Visit to Cardinal Printing Press, to be arranged through schools.

Closing date for the Art and Short Story Competitions is Friday, 23rd October. Entries to be handed into library on or before that date.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to ur benevolent sponsors — Bank of Ireland, Ulster Bank, Allied Irish Bank, Quinnsworth and Mr. Gerry Brady, who all contributed so generously.

The theme for most of the competitions this year is Nature — in keeping with the designation of 1987 as the European Year of the Environment.

Enjoy Book Week!

Margaret Walshe-Cannon.



Letters...Letters...



Brownstown, Kilcloon, Co. Meath. 14/11/87.

Dear Editor,

I feel compelled to write, as I am growing sick to my craw with this business of women's role in the church. I find it particularly annoying that women complain they have little to contribute to the church as it presently stands. The notion of a woman priest is quite out of the question and is ridiculous and totally unacceptable.

The simple fly in the ointment is that the priest represents Christ during the Mass. Christ is not traditionally a man — but is confirmed to be so through the scriptures and as the Shroud of Turin attests. It is, I feel, the "MaCafferty" effect that has caused all this nonsense and which has led to the present discord. Modern thinking seems to demand the questioning and breaking down of morals and standards. Not this time, sisters.

Women play an important role in the church in a number of ways. Firstly, as Nuns, in their dedication to God. Secondly, women have proved important in counselling, particularly in spiritual matters. Also, women have a flair for preparing the church for major Church events, for which they have been complimented. I am not a person who believes in woman's place is in the home, but it is certainly not in Mass Vestments.

Finally, I was deeply shocked by the pamphlets being circulated in UCD on how to get an Abortion. It only confirms that our Colleges have become diseased by Eastern Liberalism. Women's lib, as I recall, also supported the slaughter of innocents. It doesn't speak well for them does it. Who the hell do they think they are giving lectures on Mass or the Church?

> Is Mise Le Mass, Declan Connaughton.

Dear Editor,

You will probably be aware that the Government intends to close the National Social Services Board (N.S.S.B). So what's new, you may well say, when viewed alongside all the other cuts in public spending, designed to reduce the National debt.

However, in this case, the saving (£580,000) is vastly disproportionate to the Social cost. The activities of the N.S.S.B. include:—

- (i) Information service
- (ii) Development and advisory service
- (iii) National Council for the Aged.

Such services are especially useful at this time of economic hardship for so many people. They are concerned largely with those who cannot fend for themselves or who need help to secure their entitlements. In 1986 there were 110,000 queries dealt with by the 80 Community Information Centres throughout the country registered with the Board and run on a voluntary basis. (Maynooth C.I.C. had 521 queries in 1986 — our first full year in operation).

Through the medium of the newsletter we appeal to all our local T.D.s to support their Community Information Centre in Maynooth.

Frances Daly, Organizer. On behalf of all 20 volunteers.

Dear Editor

We would be most grateful if you could inform your readers about our forthcoming Dickie Rock concert on November 6th, at the National Concert Hall.

A sincere word of thanks for all your kind help and support in the past.

Yours sincerely,

Harry Ellis. Irish Wheelchair Association.

Dear Editor,

We would like, through the Newsletter, to thank the many people who rallied round when Deirdre was knocked down by a car on September 29th. Their kindness and concern were deeply appreciated.

> Pat and Cheryl Devaney, 19 Greenfield Dr., Maynooth.



COMMUNTIY INFORMATION NOTES RIGHTS COLUMN SEPTEMBER 1987

What is the part-time job allowance and will I qualify? I have just been made redundant?

The Part-Time job allowance is a new scheme and unfortunately you will not qualify. Read on:

It is a scheme that allows unemployed people to take up a part-time job and continue to get a special allowance.

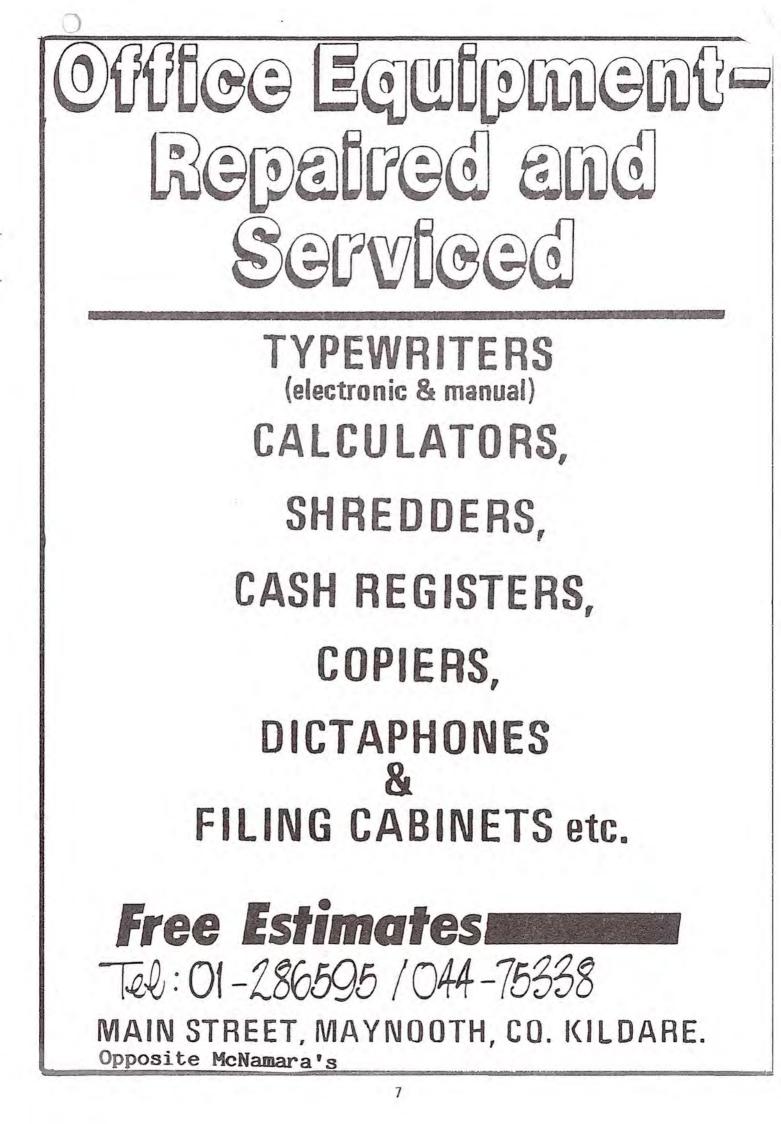
Those eligible will have been getting an unemployment payment for over 12 months or will have been on the social employment scheme. Participants are paid £25.00 per week if single and £40.00 per week if married with an adult dependant. The allowance is paid in place of their unemployment payment. The usual condition of signing each week at the employment exchange will still apply and you must have had the part-time job for 2 months before you can qualify. The part-time work must not be more than 24 hours a week.

This column has been compiled by Maynooth Community Information Centre. Telephone 285477 during office hours only.

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This column has been compiled by Maynooth Community Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public. Volunteers are urgently required for the Information Centre. Anyone interested should leave their name and address with Nora McDermott at the Community Council Offices and she will get in touch with you.

> Frances Daly. Organizer.



Residents' Associations

News. .

CARTON COURT MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

It is quite some time since notices appeared in the Newsletter from Carton Court.

The Committee would like to thank the Residents and landlords who generously contributed towards the purchase of a new motor-mower. A number of people have not yet contributed and we earnestly request that you re-think and help your neighbour to keep Carton Court tidy.

The Secretary has been informed by the Department of Communications that the correct annual charge granted under licence to Celbridge Relays Ltd., is £51.63 and not £57.83 as demanded by this particular company.

Complaints have been lodged to the Department re (a) Reception (or lack of) (b) annual charge.

The Committee is in constant contact with Kildare County Council regarding the taking-in-charge of the Estate and in particular the provision of lighting on the "Back Road". Our local politicians have been requested on many occasions to help, with little success.

Finally, our Annual General Meeting will be held in the Boys National School on Monday 9th November 1987 at 8.30 p.m. Please come and meet your neighbours, the old and new Committee.

> Frank O'Shea. Secretary.

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Neighbourhood Watch

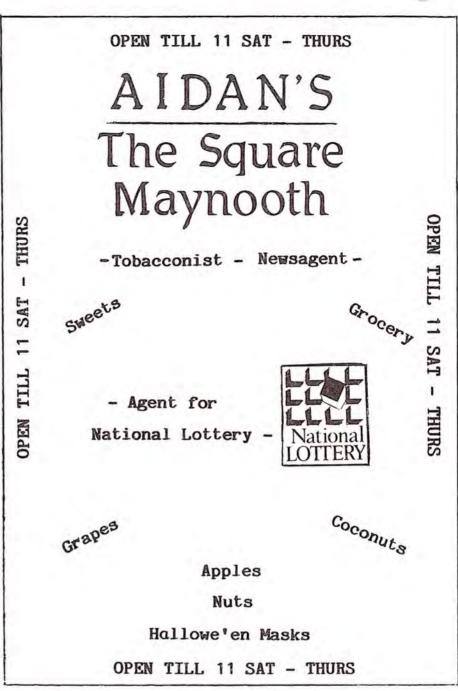
The Committee are pursuing the idea of a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. A meeting will be held with the Garda Authorities in the near future to organise the scheme.

Trees

The Department of Agriculture are sending out a Tree Surgeon to examine the trees that are dying. Residents are again asked to exercise control of their dogs in this regard.

Christmas Party

The Committee currently organising a Christmas Party and a circular re same will be issued in early course.



Residents are reminded that Turkeys and Hams will continue to be raffled on alternate weeks up to Christmas.

Finally, congratulations to Christy O'Brien on the launching of his new Business on Main St., opposite Mc Namara's. For further information see advert in this issue.

GREENFIELD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

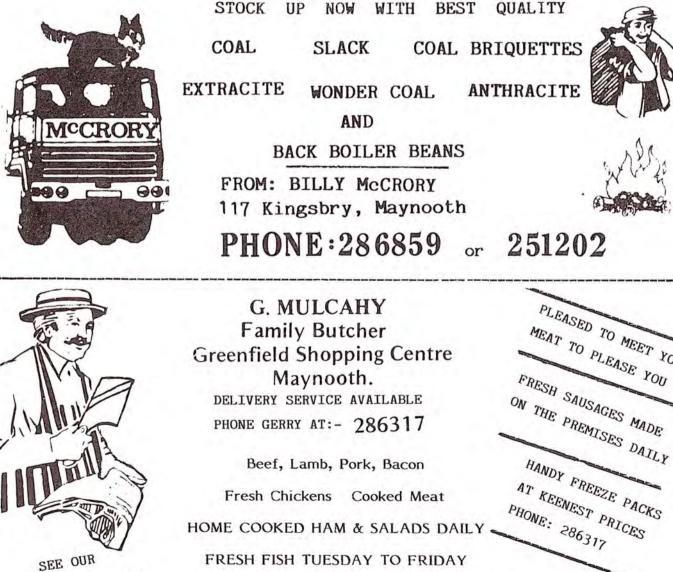
It is now the time of year to finish the cleaning up of the Estate as the winter months approach. To this end we intend to provide two skips on the 24th October for heavy duty rubbish. Secondly, the fence in Laurence Avenue needs urgent attention as many of the posts have rotted. It was decided that Saturday 17th October would be set aside for the necessary repairs by members of the committee. Some of the trees on the Estate also need replacing.

We are glad to say that Laurence Avenue will soon have a "Children at Play" sign at the entrance to the avenue. Residents with young children are extremely concerned about the speed with which certain cars travel through the road, some of them unaware of the fact that it is a cul-de-sac. Due to lack of funding from Kildare County Council, it was necessary for the committee to buy this sign themselves.

We are also following up the case for the 66 bus extending its service as far as the estate. When we receive concrete information this will be circulated.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, P.R.O.

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PARTY POLITICAL NOTES

PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS NOTES

The meetings of the Maynooth branch of the Progressive Democrats have now resumed after the summer break.

The next meeting takes place on Tuesday 3rd of November in the Lion Bar, Kilcock instead of our usual venue — the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth.

There was a large number of delegates from Maynooth at the National Conference, It was a most informative and enjoyable occasion. During his presidental address, Desmond O'Malley said that in fourteen months we came from nowhere to become the third largest political party in the State. We have challenged and broken the cosy two-and-a-half party club that so long and so aridly dominated Irish political life. We have faced the issues of unemployment, taxation, and public spending to the forefront, which successive governments managed to fudge for too long. Mr. O'Malley announced that the parliamentary party of the Progressive Democrats have decided to embark on a constitutional initiative to bring about change, so as to hasten the advent of a new republic. In the coming weeks the Party will publish the text of a new Republican constitution which will be circulated to all party members for discussion. A special party conference will be convened to consider it in the light of members debate and the evaluation of the general public.

The Progressive Democrats are intent on bringing the issue of Constitutional Reform to the Irish people.

Tackling the central economic crisis of this country - the persistant plight of unemployment was a dominant theme of the Conference. The dual theme of the Conference was "Working for change - concerned for all". Ann Colley, our spokesperson on Labour asked the Conference to consider, giving those in our society who are eager to maintain their skills and experience an opportunity to do so, through community based schemes. Figures yet to be published, she said, show that in Britain at least one third of the long term unemployed on such community based schemes enter the full time permanent work force shortly afterwards.

At the end of the Conference the Progressive Democrats National Draw took place. The second prize, which was a trip on the Orient Express was won by Derri Lindsday who is a member of the Maynooth Branch. Congratulations Derri.

This years National Collection took place in Maynooth recently. Many thanks to all who contributed so generously. This money is vital to the successful operation of the Party at National level and the ongoing job of research and policy making which is a hallmark of the Progressive Democrats, and which has us charting new frontiers in devising practicable solutions to this country's main problems.

Finally, if you are interested in joining the Progressive Democrats, please contact Louis Lennon, our chairman, at 286012.



LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Annual Conference: A large delegation from Maynooth attended the recent conference. This conference endorsed the Labour Party's commission on electoral strategy report which recommended that the Labour Party will not enter government as a minority partner for at least 15 years. Another welcome decision by the conference is that at next year's conference a decision wil be taken on a wider franchise for the election of the party leader. This will increase democracy within the party and indeed, a motion to introduce the new system with effect from this year was defeated by 542 to 502.

Elections: The branch was pleased that the candidates it supported at conference for various positions were elected. These were, Mervyn Taylor T.D. as Party Chairman, Emmet Stagg T.D. as Vice-Chairman and Pat Moynan as executive committee member.

Local Charges: The branch urges full support for the campaign of the Maynooth residents against local charges group. We feel that if the local charges are a success for the County Council this year then next year each household could be asked to pay up to £100 or perhaps even more.

Old Folks Walk: Our thanks to all who walked or sponsored a walker in the recent walk. A final total of the amount raised will be given in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Bus Stop: The branch has been informed by Deputy Stagg that a meeting took place recently between officials of the County Council, C.I.E., Mr. Brian Noone and Greenfield Residents Association. Apparently when the Council carry out some improvements on the entrance to Mr. Noone's garage the service can be extended to the Straffan Road. We will try to keep you informed of all future developments.



WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

News and views

Copies of the party's newsletter, News and Views have been circulated to all households in Maynooth at this stage. If anyone has not received a copy please contact Catherine Murphy at 244903.

Advice Centre

Catherine Murphy, the party's local representative is available to meet constituents who are in need of advice on how to go about solving problems. Catherine will be in the back room of the Leinster Arms, every Saturday, from 6.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Or she can be contacted at home at any time by ringing 244903.

Education meetings

The branch is now engaged in a series of education meetings designed to inform members on political issues. Recent topics have included class consciousness.

National Collection

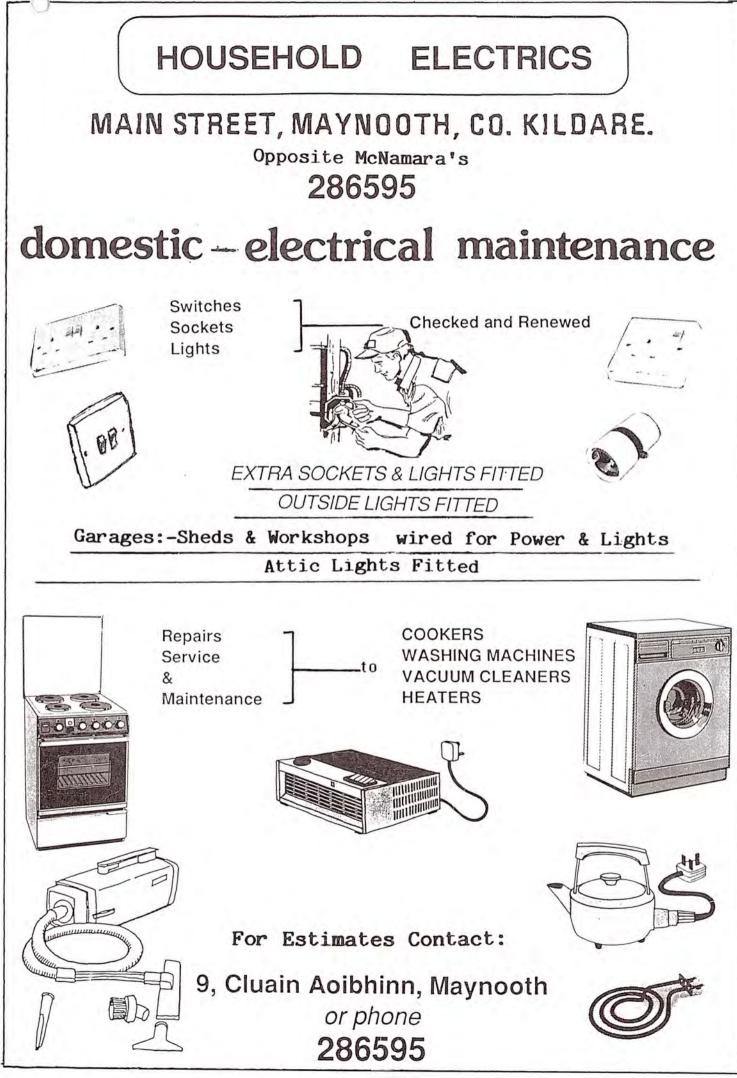
The branch would like to thank all who contributed so generously to the recent national collection.

Local Charges

The party is heavily involved in fighting the imposition of local charges. Kildare seems to have been particularly badly hit by these charges. Among the questions which will be raised will be the question of how much is owed to the local authority in agricultural rates and commercial rates. Who are the people by whom it is owed? Why should local authorities take PAYE workers and pensioners to court for non-payment of water rates, while these amounts are still uncollected?

GREEN ALLIANCE PARTY.

A public meeting will be arranged by The Green Alliance Party for a date and venue in November here in Maynooth. Keep a look out for notices.





BAND BULLETIN

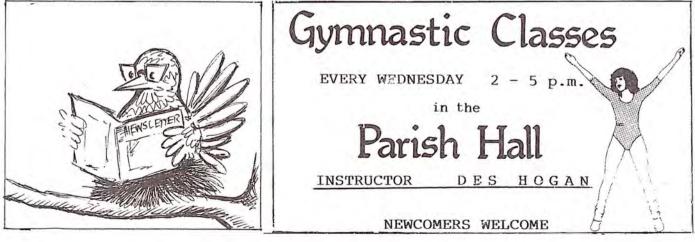
Our rescheduled Annual Sponsored cycle, organised last month in association with the Boys' School, was a great success. The Hall car park was reminiscent of the start of the Tour de France as cyclists of all shapes and sizes turned up astride bikes of likewise description, getting them started was a days work in itself as youngsters strained at pedals as if Precious Pernod Points were at stake but following a few false starts, the charge of the Bike Brigade got off to a flying start. On the way, Joe Buckley, who volunteered his services at the eleventh hour when one of the organisers cried off, strove manfully but successfully to keep his van ahead of the many budding Stephen Roches, some of them even forsaking cups of orange to stay in contention in their own private duels. Thankfully there was only one reported "falling out" in the cycle and he was promptly "operated on" by the very efficient Civic Defence First Aid Team. Rumour has it that the 'injured party' proudly carried his scars of battle to school next day but let's hope he is not asked for an encore next year. Once again the weather ws kind to us and we managed to get all our cyclists "home and dry" before the rain filled clouds finally flowed over. The draw for two Racing Cycles will take place at the Bingo in the Parish Hall on Wed. 4th November and the result posted in Ua Buacalla's Shop in the Main Street.

Finally we would like to thank our generous sponsors who have been a tremendous help in funding our expenses which this year were increased as last years unused sponsorship cards — wait for it — could not be recycled. They have been instrumental in making our Annual Cycle the success it undoubtly is. The proceeds from the cycle will go towards providing new instruments for our junior classes which are now well and truly under way. The boys and girls have by now found the instrument most suited to them and its full steam ahead from this point onwards. We shall keep you informed of their progress on a regular basis and hopefully you will be able to judge for yourself in the not to distant future. Finally, may I remind you of our Mass for Deceased Members which is being offered on Sunday 1st November at 11 am. We invite all relatives and friends of past members to join us on this special occasion.



Justin Moran of Leinster Park gets ready to head off the sponsored cycle from the Boy's School.





DRUGS

THEIR USE AND MISUSE

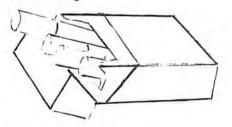
We are all familiar with the growing use of drugs, and the increasing concern about the misuse of mood altering substances. Despite this attention the use of legal and illegal psychoactive (mind altering) drugs, is an important, if unsavoury feature of 20th century society.

Maynooth to date, would seem to have escaped any major drugs problem, or at least none have come to the notice of G.P's in the area. At Community level especially among younger people, there was knowledge of some Solvent Abuse, in particular the sniffing of **Tip-Ex Thinner** TO GIVE THEM A BUZZ. Tip-Ex is used either in liquid or paper forms in most offices and schools to correct typing errors, and can be purchased over the counter at most newsagents. To my knowledge this problem has been dealt with effectively.

This article therefore is to provide as much information as possible to all the community, on the type of drugs now being used in Ireland, of their effects, and ill effects, and the names and telephone numbers of agencies to whom anyone may go to for advice or help, of a confidential nature.

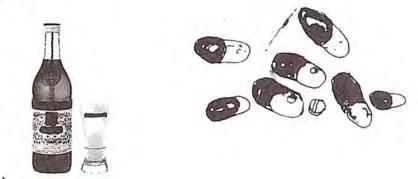
Legal Drugs

Under this heading comes, Tobacco, Alcohol, and some of the prescribed drugs, such as Tranquillisers. The fact that these substances are socially acceptable, does not mean that they do not have any adverse consequences. They all can and do lead to physical and psychological addiction, which result in a profusion of problems related to health, and social functioning.



Tobacco

We are al! (I think) at this stage aware of the ill effects of tobacco. Tobacco is a stimulant, and can lead to problems such as heart disease, cancer, stroke, insomnia and exacerbate any respiratory problems we may already have. Smoking in public places is becoming increasingly unacceptable, as tobacco fumes can have adverse effects on non-smokers, or passive smokers as they are now called. There are many aids now on the market for coming off tobacco, but it would seem that Will Power is the best prescription of all. most familiar of these drugs are Valium, Librium, Ativan, Mogadon and Dalmane. The last two are often given as sleeping pills, but are in fact minor tranquillisers that are taken in larger doses at night.



Alcohol

Alcohol is an intoxicant and depressant. It is an intrinsic part of Irish social life, and the attitudes towards it's use are very liberal. It is now socially acceptable for both men and women to frequent places where alcohol is readily available. This has led to an increase in Alcohol related problems. Because Alcohol is so socially acceptable it has major consequences in every section of our lives, it's abuses can lead to family and marital breakdown, absenteeism, accidents at work, violence, road deaths, financial problems, and a great degree of physical abuse and psychological trauma. If you, or someone you know is worried about their consumption of alcohol, you should consider taking steps to relieve their situation.

Addresses you can write or call for information, or help are:

1. Alcoholics Anonymous, General Services Office, 26 Essex Quay. 01-774808

2. Al-Anon & Al-Ateen, 12 Westmoreland St. Dublin 01-774193. For the families.

3. The Alcoholic Rehabilitation Centre, 65 Lucan Rd. Chapelizod Dublin.

4. Cuan Mhuire, Athy, Co. Kildare (0507) 31493.

The last addictive substance which comes under this heading LEGAL, are

Tranquillisers

The tranquillisers which I will deal with are the benzodiazepines, or what are called the minor tranquillisers. These 25 or so drugs in the benzodiazepines family are the most widely prescribed in the world. The Effects of Tranquillisers: Tranquillisers are known as DOWNERS. They depress the central nervous system. The effect of this is to lessen the brains activity, and so create a feeling of calm and relaxation. They do not cure the cause of the anxiety, they simply treat the symptoms.

In temporary periods of anxiety these drugs can be of great help, however they are not intended for long term use, where they can have the effect of increasing aggression and causing confusion. If you have been taking these drugs and feel you would like to come off them, consult vour G.P. Withdrawal can at times be unpleasant and distressing and is a process that requires close medical supervision. The greatest victims of the "Tranquilliser Trap" would seem to be women, in particular married women in the home. So, for women in particular, it is important to look at the things in their lives that are causing stress, and finding alternative ways of coping with them.

Address for help and information. 1. Your G.P.

2. Tranx Release, P.O. Box 1378, Sherrif St. Dublin 1.

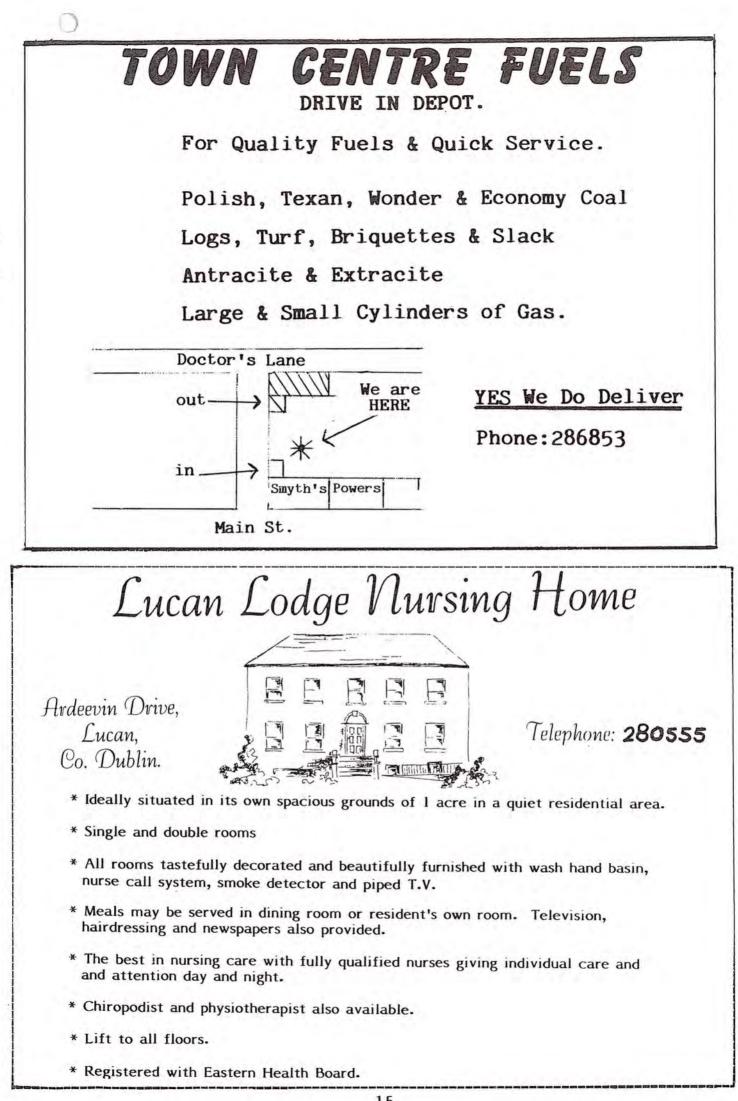
3. Women Towards Recovery. 01-551639.

4. Recovery. 26 Ballymany Park, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. 01-333031

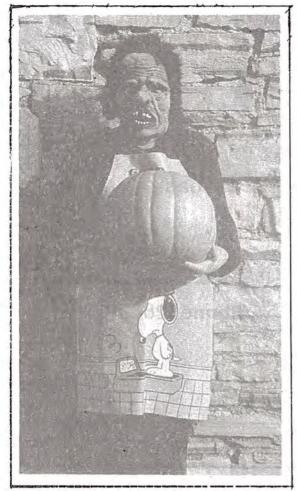
5. National Drugs Advisory and Treatment Centre Detoxification Unit, Jervis St. Dublin. 01-748412.

In the next issue I hope to cover the category of drugs known as illegal. If anyone would like further information please contact:

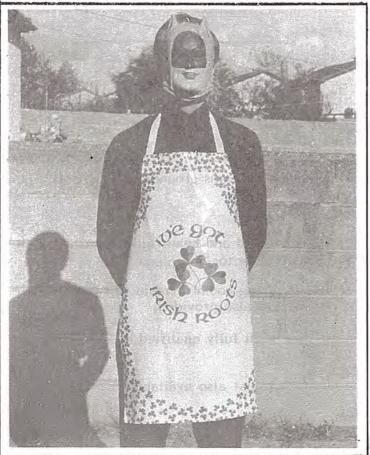
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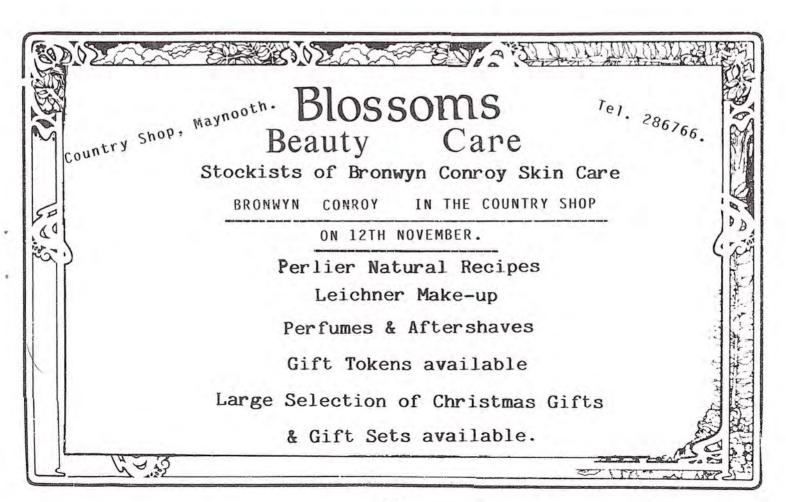
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Castlevilla (1) Maynooth Town (1)

This Sunday's Premier Division match in Castledermot was played at a furious pace. Castlevilla who are unbeaten on their home pitch proved very formidable opposition to the "Town". Maynooth's goal was scored by Philip Doyle with only five minutes to go. Philip Doyle and keeper played very well for Maynooth.

Maynooth Town (2) Brookfield Utd (0) The record round of the Leinster Junior Cup provided a lively contest. The team from Division two proved to be very good opposition. Simple goals from Noel Byrne and Liam Hughes was enough to get Maynooth through to the next round.

Palmerstown Rgs (1) Maynooth Town

(1) After being defeated 7—1 by Palmerstown in the semi final of the Dowdall Cup last year, Maynooth were in a very determined mood in this Premier Sunday match. This match was the most closely fought so far this year in the Premier Division. After putting on tremenous pressure Maynooth finally got an equaliser with a minute to go — Kieran McAtamney putting the ball in the net after some good play by Philip Doyle. Outstanding for Maynooth were Dessie Farrell, Philip Doyle and Liam Hughes.

Maynooth Town were honoured by the inclusion of Dessie Farrell on the Leinster Junior League team for the forthcoming Oscar Traynor match versus the Mayo League. This is an honour richly deserved for a very talented player.

It is with regret that the Town have lost through emigration the services of two of our finest players Sean Moore who has gone to U.S.A. and Paul Murray who has departed to England. Both players will be sorely missed. The Club wish both the best of luck in their new venture.

The annual Turkey Draw is now in full swing. So from now until Christmas turkeys, hams etc. are there, every week to be won. Order your ticket now from any member of the committee.

SPORTS NEWS

College Green F.C.

Once again we had ur ups and downs on the playing field. We certianly had a couple of hard luck results. In response to last month's 'EYE HEAR' column in the Newsletter, we have to point out that the ''forest of FOR SALE signs in College Green'' is the direct result of Manager Tony O'Connor's strict new training regime, rather than a gathering of ''Manchester Utd. scouts'', as suggested by your contributor.

Well Done

The highlight of the month was the selection of Paddy McGovern, our team Captain, on the final panel of sixteen for the Meath and District League's Oscar Traynor Trophy match against the United Churches League. Paddy came through a selection process involving almost 2,000 players from 5 to 6 counties. This, in our view, was a richly deserved honour for the man who provides us with so much "copy".

Results:

College Green (2) 4

Trim Celtic 3rds (1) 3

The home side just about edged out Trim in this seven goal thriller. Phil Purcell, Martin Armstrong, Gerry Murtagh and Paddy McGovern scored for College Green. The result was very satisfactory, given the number of absentees through injury etc. and gave us our first league points this season.

College Green (0) 1 Robinstown (0) 2

With luck we could have won this very close game. The result could have gone either way, but credit to the visitors for taking their chances. Sadly this defeat marked our first home league defeat since joining the M and D. L. Ironically, we had our strongest panel of the season on duty that day. Paul Broughan scored from the unaccustomed position of centreforward.

Shambo (1) 1

College Green (0) 0

This result had us muttering "if only" all the way back to Maynooth. If we "could" have beaten Robinstown the previous week, then we "should" have beaten Shambo by a hat-ful of goals. Having conceded an early 0.G. to the league leaders, we proceeded to lay siege to their goals for the remainder of the match, but couldn't find the net. In their favour it must be said that their defence coped admirably and they did nearly catch us on the break a few times. New signings Michael Martin and Ciaran McGroarty were outstanding in the middle of the field (no pun intended).

College Green (2) 5 Towerview Ut. (1) 3

The novena worked and Gerry Murtagh found the scoring boots with a hat-trick. His first was as sweet a goal as any he's scored. John Hughes got one goal and Tony O'Connor's 'Roy of the Rovers'' effort also found the net. He now faces a demarcation dispute with Paul Broughan over the sweeper's role. Realistically though, it wasn't one of our best performances and all three of Towerview's goals came from defensive slip-ups, including an atrocious O.G. Having gone 5-1 up, College Green could have doubled the score. Aidan Dunne deputised for Sean Lennon between the sticks and pulled off a series of great saves at crucial points in the game. Phil Purcell had a magnificent match in midfield.

Forthcoming Fixtures

The month of November features the following fixtures:—

1/11/87 Vs Double D (away) 8/11/87 Postponements 15/11/87 Vs Tara (home) 22/11/87 Vs Ratoath Harps 2nds (home) 29/11/87 Vs Corbawn Utd. (away)

Declan Forde.

Maynooth Senior Badminton Club

Congratulations to Maynooth Players in doing well in Clane Open Harvest. Ann Dalton and Geraldine Doyle (Corscadden) in winning 'F' Section (Ladies Doubles) Mary Butler and Rose Glennon who won 'E' Section, and Paddy Nolan and Derek Gleeson who were runners-up in 'E' Mens Doubles. Mary Butler and Rose Glennon also won 'E' Open in Tallaght recently and runners-up in Cabinteely 'E' Open. Well done to all players.

Maynooth Badminton Club would like to wish two of their fine players the very best of luck. After many years of commitment and practice Brid Feely and Geraldine Doyle will be a fine bonus to any Club. We wish them well. We would also like to congratulate Emer Mangan on her recent marriage to John Sherwan. Let's hope John will take racket in his hand soon. A fine day was had by all.

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MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

The Seamus Moore Memorial Outing was held in the Curragh Golf Club on September 26th last. A total of 39 Golfers played on what was a very cold and windy day for Golf. This resulted in very close scoring, with the eventual Overall Winner being L. Farrelly (15) 36, on back 9. The complete Results are listed below. Congratulations to all the Prizewinners.

THE SEAMUS MOORE MEMORIAL OUTING The Curragh, Sept. 26th

RESULTS

1st Overall: L. Farrelly (15) 36, (on back 9) 2nd Overall: G. McTiernan (20) 36.

Class 1: 1st: J. Ryan (16) 33, (on back 9) 2nd: E. Ledwith (14) 33, 3rd: S. Feeney (16) 32,

Class 2:

1st: H. Carty (16) 34, (on back 9) **2nd:** E. Hayden (17) 34, **3rd:** T. Sheehan (18) 34,



Liam Farrelly (left) being presented with the Seamus Moore Memorial Cup by Maynooth Golfing Society Captain Joseph Moore.



Class 3: 1st: S. Tracey (20) 34, 2nd: T. Flanagan (37) 33, 3rd: J. McKeown (19) 32,

NINES: C. Kenny (35) 19, J. McAndrew (17) 19,

VISITORS PRIZE G. Ledwith (16) 39.

On behalf of the Committee and Members of the Society, I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Moore Family for their very generous sponsorship of this Event, which is held annually in memory of one of the family, the late Seamus. Seamus was a former Member of the Society and was very well liked and respected by Members and Community alike.

I would also like to thank the Curragh Golf Club for the excellent facilities provided and Henry Carty, for the use of his premises, in Naas, for the Presentation of Prizes. Indeed, a great night was had by all in Henry's.

Finally, the results of the Presidents Outing, the Matchplay Competition and the Golfer of the Year will be published in next months issue of the Maynooth Newsletter.

Sean Tracey, Hon. Secretary.



Members of the Moore family pictured at the presentation of the Seamus Moore Memorial Cup in Henry's Naas.

TOM FLOOD CUP FINAL

Maynooth v Celbridge Maynooth won the Tom Flood Cup for the second time. On Sunday 4th October they played their local rivals Celbridge. Celbridge having won Inter Championship the previous Sunday started firm favourites to win the Tom Flood Cup for the second time. having won it last year but Maynooth had other ideas. The game started well for Maynooth and were 2 pts ahead after 10 minutes but by halftime Celbridge came more into their game to leave half-time score Maynooth 6 pts to Celbridge 4 pts. The second half started with both teams scoring 2 points each but with ten minutes to go tragedy struck for Maynooth when Tom Donovan for Celbridge scored a goal to leave them one point ahead, but Maynooth fought to the end with points from J. Edwards and K. Fagan to leave Maynooth winning by one point. Best for Maynooth: The Full Team which was; T. Flaherty, P. Kearney, C. Feeny, J. Conway, P. Ennis, M. Nevin, D. Casey, K. Fagan, M. McCann, J. Nolan, J. Edwards, L. O'Toole, P. Conway.

SUBS: M. Kelly for M. McCann. T. Moore for P. Conway. M. Gahan, M. Donnelly. We would like to pay a special thanks to our Sponsors:

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PETER DELANEY CUP

Maynooth 1.2 v Celbridge 5.3

Celbridge won the Peter Delaney Cup put up this year by Mrs. Imelda Delaney, wife of the late Peter Delaney, for Under Age Football. Celbridge were the stronger team on the day but Maynooth tried hardest, but to no avail. Maynooth had good players in F. Leavy, J. Nevin, C. Flood.

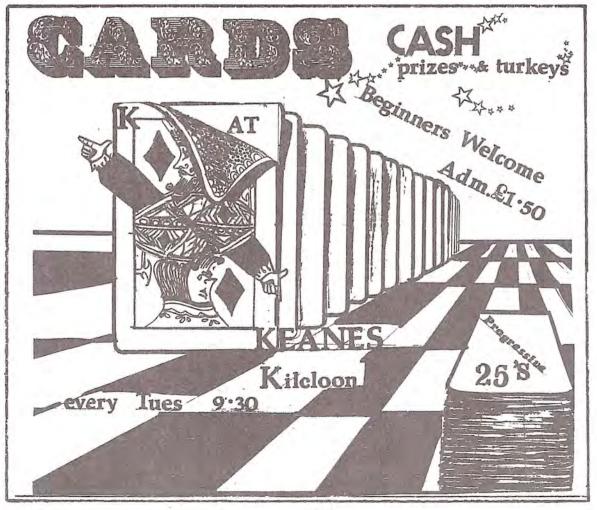
VETERANS FINAL

Maynooth 1.4 v Rathcoffey 1.3

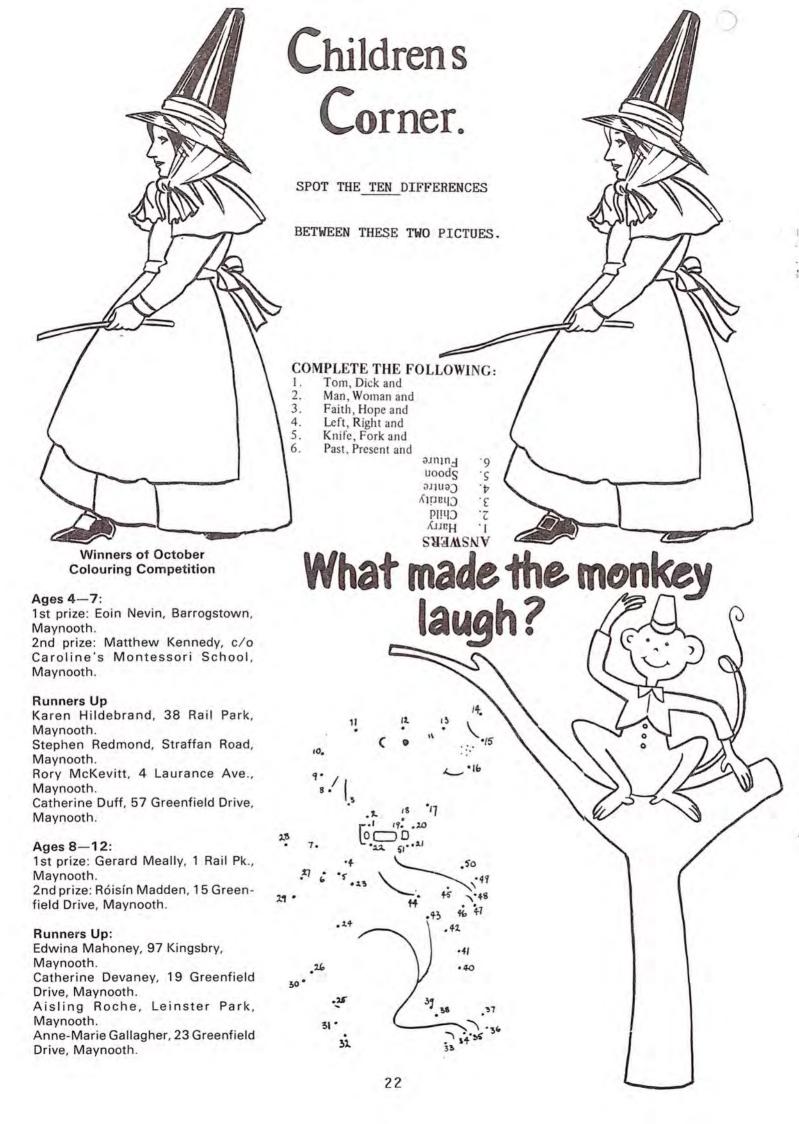
Maynooth scored a good win over Rathcoffey in the final of the Veterans Final. This was a very entertaining game of football with Maynooth just getting home by 1 point. Best for Maynooth were D. Casey, P. Powers, T. Fay, K. Diggins, M. Ryan.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

The club A.G.M. took place on the 22nd September. It was quite well attended and pleasing to see some new faces. The following were elected on to the committee: Chairman: Paddy Lynch. V. Chairman: Paddy Power. Secretary: Paddy Power. Competitions Sec.: Marie Gleeson. Registrar: Patsy McCluskey. P.R.O.: Joint Barbara Tracey and Margaret Noonan. Also on the committee are: Paddy Desmond, Bernie Dunne, Mary Farrelly, Mary Casey, Jim Lawlor, Margaret Gillick, Pat Comerford. We would like to remind everyone that club membership is due for renewal. Training takes place in the G.A.A. grounds on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 o'clock and there is gym in the Post Primary School on Fridays from 7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. for the under 12s. 8.30 to 9.30 exercises to music for the over 12s, seniors etc. New members are always welcome. Our first Cross Country Championship are on Sunday 1st November.







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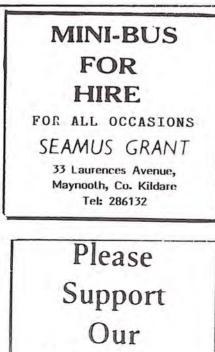


Well, this month's notes will be different than usual because Peig is convalescing at home having had a spell in hospital. It's difficult to keep Peig quiet but Paul says they have a round the clock watch to make sure she stays put!! Get well soon. Anyway back to business - the hall is nearly back to normal and there are lots of surprises in store. We will be opening during the first week of November but watch out for Posters for our revamped youth club, - lots of activities and outings planned - competitions for everyone from debating to songwriting and everything in between -in preparation for the celebrations next year for Bru Bosco '88.

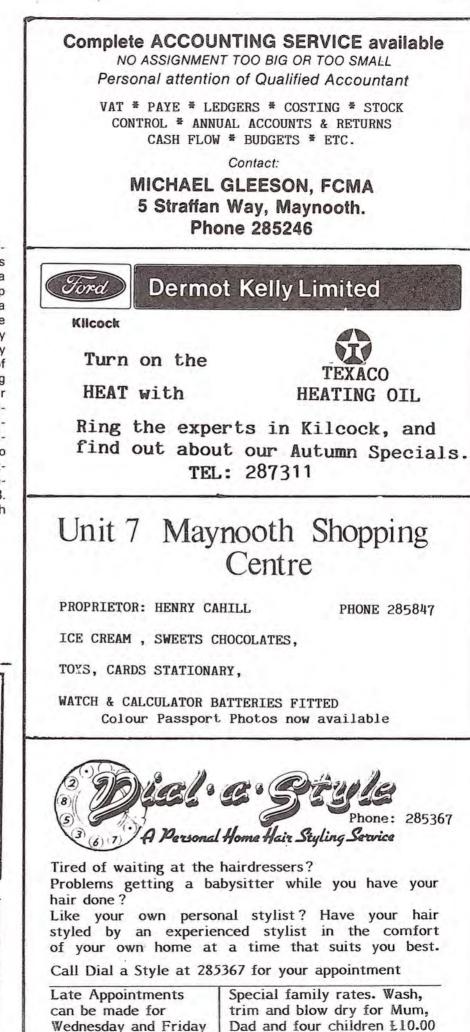
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A Focal Point of Local History Mary Cullen

Maynooth Castle was never lived in again after the Irish Wars of the 1640s. It was nearly one hundred years before the Fitzgeralds came back to live in Maynooth, this time at the opposite end of the town in Carton House. During these years of absence the earls and their families lived for the most part at Kilkea Castle and then Dublin house. Kilkea Castle, now modernised as a hotel is five miles from Athy near Castledermot. in the old Irish territory of Ui Muiredaig, the land of the O'Tooles south of Ui Faelain of the O'Byrnes. The name Kilkea comes from the Irish Cill Caoide, the Church of Caoide or Kay. At the time of the Norman invasion this part of modern County Kildare was granted by Strongbow to Walter De Riddlesford, baron of Bray in County Wicklow. Hugh de Lacy built a castle here for de Riddlesford. The manors of Kilkea and Castledermot later passed to the Geraldines as the inheritance of Emelena de Longespee, a grandaughter of Walter de Riddlesford, when she married Maurice Fitzgerald, third baron of Offaly. Kilkea Castle, like Maynooth, was captured by Catholic forces during the Confederate wars but was retaken unharmed and restored to the sixteenth earl of Kildare.

Wentworth the seventeenth earl M lived mainly at Kilkea until he died in 1666. John the eighteenth earl lived M in England all his life in Oxfordshire. In 1701 he died and Robert, a nephew M of the seventeenth earl, succeeded as nineteenth earl. It was he who brought the family back to live at Maynooth.

Carton was part of the original manor of Maynooth granted to the first Maurice Fitzgerald. Its name, Baile-an-Cairthe, means 'town of the Pillar-Stone'. At different times the anglicised forms 'The Carthyn' and 'Cartown' are found before the modern form Carton established itself. There seems to have been a castle, or fortified house on the property. In 1603 the earl of Kildare leased the Manor of Carton to William Talbot of the old Norman family of Talbot of Malahide. The manor then contained the castle, it seems at Old Carton, ten farmsteads, a Mill, a fishing weir, and 352 Irish acres. Its new owner had a distinguished career. He was made recorder of Dublin and sat as the representative of Co. Kildare in the Irish Parliament of 1613-15, the only one to be held during the reign of James I. Sir William Talbot was one of the most outstpoken supporters of the Catholic cause and was regarded as the leader of the Old English, or Catholic, a group in the parliament. His activity so displeased the authorities that he was dismissed from the recordership. He went to England to expose the corrupt methods used in electing members to the parliament. This resulted in his prosecution in the notorious court of Star Chamber by Sir Francis Bacon, then attorneygeneral, and Talbot was imprisoned for a period in the Tower. Some years after his return to ireland he was created a baronet in 1622.

At some time between acquiring Carton in 1603 and his death in 1633 Sir William built Carton House, the nucleus of the present house. He was said to have been buried in the Church of Maynooth... Lord Walter Fitzgerald has pointed out that this was unlikely since Maynooth Church was the church attached to the Castle, and by that time a Protestant establishment, while Laraghbryan remained the Catholic grave yard. He thought it more likely that Sir William was buried in the Church Yard of old Carton, just outside the desmesne walls to the North east.

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Two of Sir William's sons made names for themselves in Irish History Peter Talbot became Catholic Archbishop of Dublin in 1660, when Oliver Plunkett, a member of another wellknown Old English family of Co. Meath, was made Archbishop of Armagh.

Richard Talbot, later known as 'Fighting Dick', and 'the great Tyrconnell' grew up at Carton and was a very young man at the time of the Irish wars of 1640s. Like many young men of his background he went to the Continent but came back to serve under the royalist commander, Ormond. By 1649 the forces of the parliament in England had decisively won their struggle with the King Charles I, who was executed in January of that year, and the parliament's most famous military commander, Oliver Cromwell, came to Ireland to bring it too under the partlament's control. This he did in a brief and ruthless campaign. During it the armies of the Confederation of Kilkenny, and the royalist forces under Ormond often joined forced to oppose him, and so young Richard Talbot found himself at Drogheda when it was taken by Cromwell's forces in August 1649. He survived the following massacre and sailed to Flanders where he entered the service of James, the exiled younger son of Charles I. James' exile ended when the English people grew tired of Cromwell's rule and, when he died, brought back the eldest son of the executed king as Charles II in 1660. Richard Talbot was by now a close friend of Charles' brother James, the Duke of York, and returned with him to England.

James became a Catholic and when he succeeded to the throne in 1685 as James II England had its first Catholic king since 1558. Talbot was made earl of Tyrconnell and then Lord Deputy of Ireland in 1687. He and James both promoted Catholics to high positions with such enthusiasm that there was a reaction. James was deposed by the ruling classes in



England in favour of his son-in-law, William of Orange. Tyrconnell held Ireland for him and welcomed him at Kinsale in 1689, when James arrived to fight William for his kingdoms. When the two Kings met at the Battle of the Boyne, Tyrconnell was with James, and with him also on his return to Dublin where James was met at Dublin Castle by Lady Tyrconnell. In reply to James' complaint that his Irish troops had run away she made the famous rejoinder that 'Your Majesty has won the race'.

Tyrconnell died at Galway in 1691 and after the final victory of William of Orange and Protestantism, his estates were forfeited to the Crown. In 1703 Carton was sold by auction in Dublin to Major General Richard Ingoldsby. In 1739 the nineteenth earl of Kildare brought back the property from the Ingoldsby family and set about rebuilding and extending Carton House.

Main sources – Lord Walter Fitzgerald, 'Carton' in J.K.A.S. vol. 4 No. 1 Lord Walter Fitzgerald, 'Kildea Castle' in J.C.K.A.S. vol. 3. No. 1.

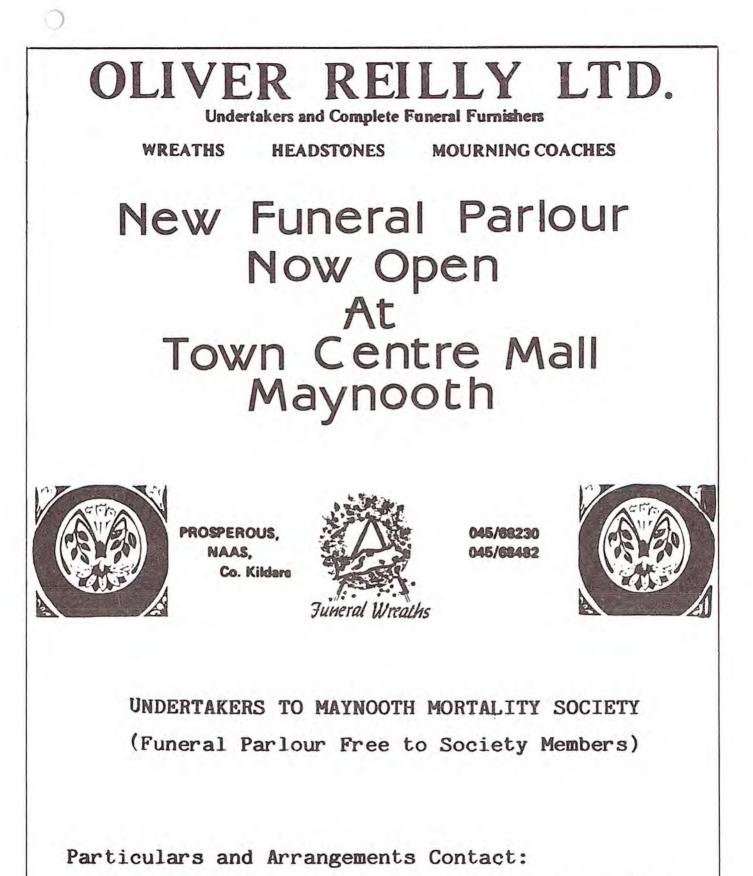
CAROLINE'S MONTESSORI SCHOOL OPENS IN MAYNOOTH

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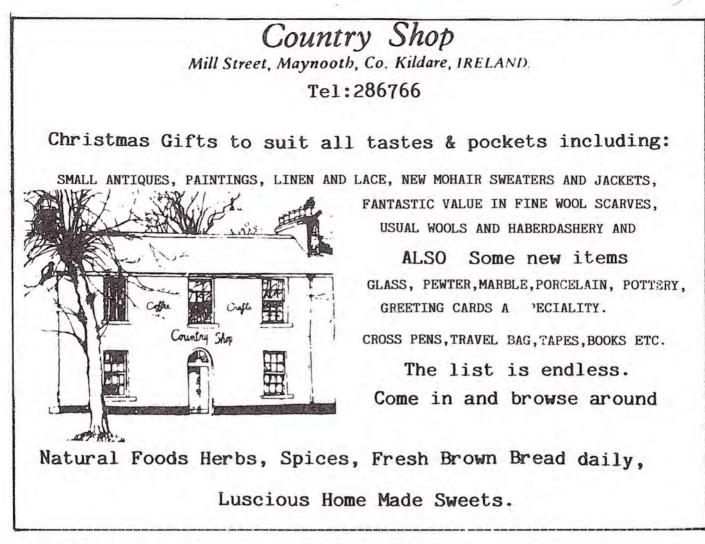
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WHAT IS A CREDIT UNION?

A Credit Union is a group of people who join together to save money and make loans to each other at low rates of interest.

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PURPOSE OF A CREDIT UNION One of the main purposes of a Credit Union is to encourage thrift, regular savings and the wise use of credit. A basic teching is that through financial

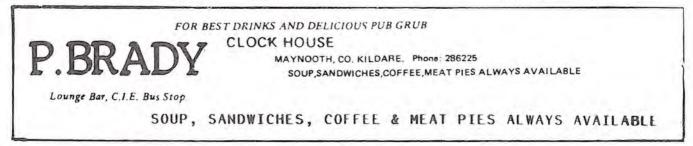
self-reliance people can guide their destiny. The wise use of credit involves borrowing for productive purposes. Saving money regularly is difficult under any economic system that is why Credit Unions encourage members to save portion of their income on a regular basis.

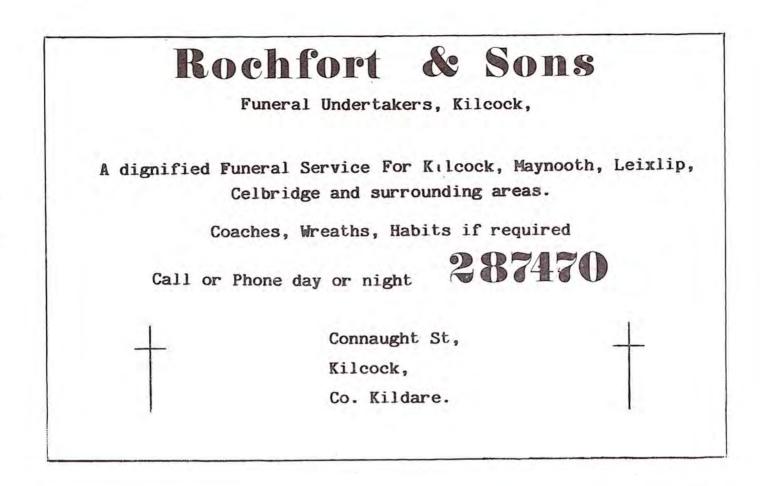
Volunteers are the lifeblood of the Credit Union and are most welcome, they are the key element that separate Credit Unions from other financial institutions. Volunteers give their time and energy freely to make the Credit Union a good place to save and borrow at low cost.

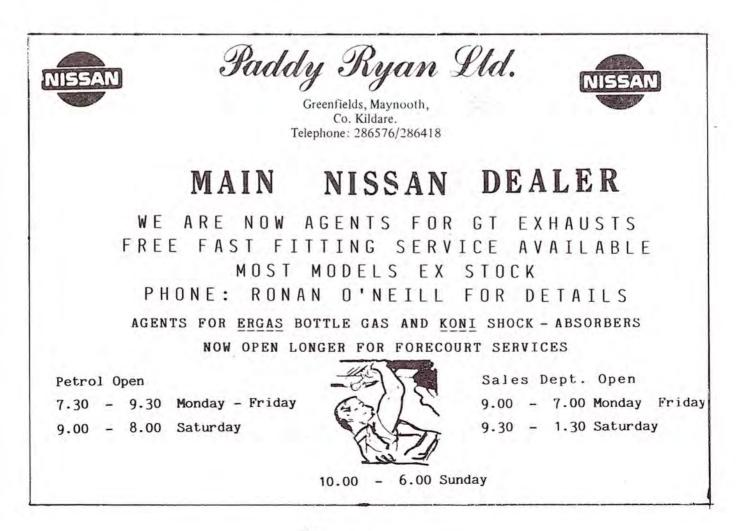
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Members elect an unpaid board of directors, which has the responsibility of overseeing the general direction of the Credit Union. This includes directing the Credit Union in accordance with State laws, League and Credit Union standard rules, and of course, the use of sound business practices. They will pursue the agreed policies of the Credit Union which include the following: liquidity and reserves; audit requirements; promotion and education; services; insurance policies; security; dividend provision; investment and cash control; delinguent control and bad debt provision; annual general meeting planning; etc., etc.

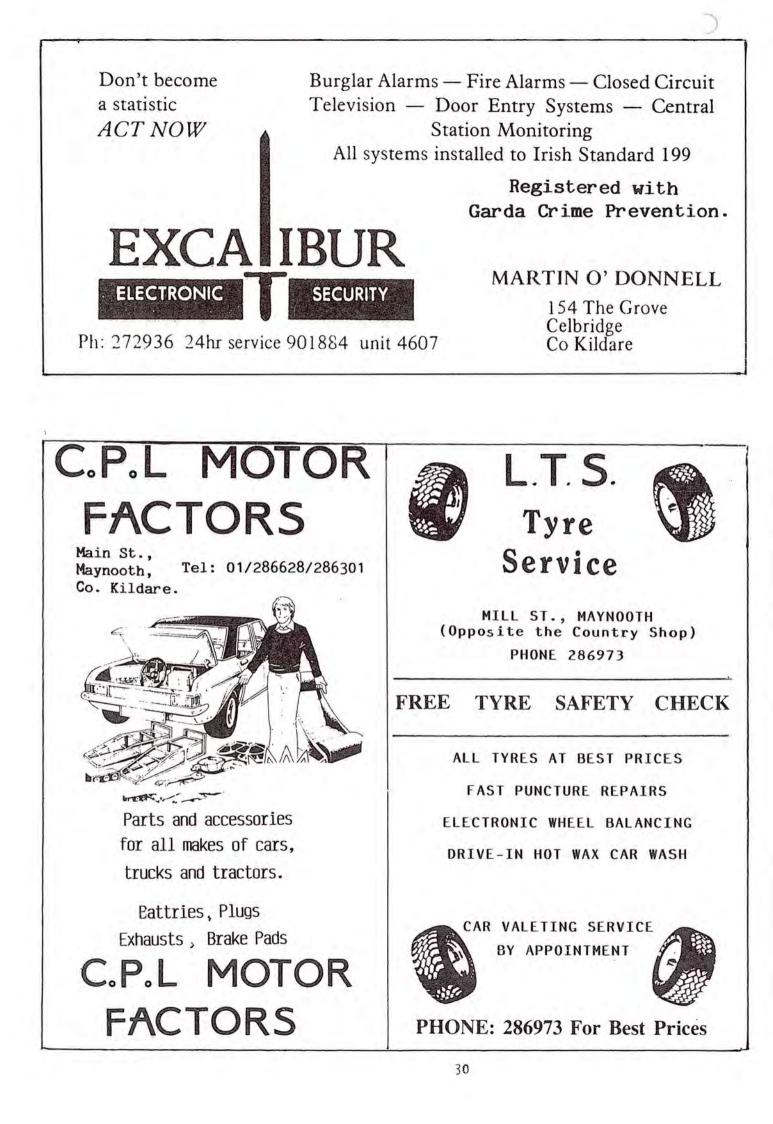
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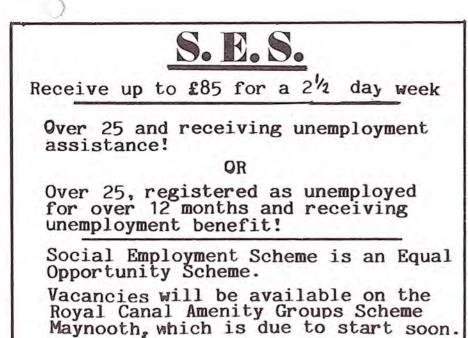






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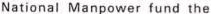
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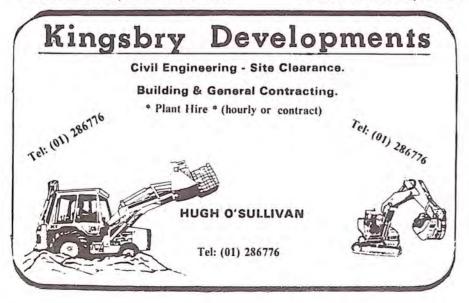
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The work on the canal which can be seen along the Dublin road at Carton is being carried out by the Royal Canal Parent Group who have contracted the work to the O.P.W. The Banks are cleared and then the canal dredged. This work will eventually go the full length of the canal. Matthew Kennedy, P.R.O.





FROM OUR FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT

I have recently returned from a fabulous trip to Russia. After initial doubts it proved to be the best decision I could have made as it was out of this world. As Team Manager I accompanied an Athletics Team on a training vacation to Sochi.

After a three and half hour flight from Dublin to Moscow, we arrived in a huge Airport which was dark and in which facilities were scarce, however, we were accompanied by a Russian Manager and Interpreter. We were invited by Provsport, the Russian Athletic body. As tourists we were treated royally and nothing was too much trouble. We spent two nights in Moscow in a rather large but gloomy Hotel, however it was top class.

We then flew on to Sochi, a holiday paradise on the Black Sea, and when we landed temperatures were in the eighties. Outside shops we saw large queues, and it appeared that there was not enough of anything to go round. By lunchtime the supermarkets were nothing but empty shelves. Clothes shops were small, with everything behind the counter, and one had to queue to look at any item, and then at the cash desk if you wanted to buy it, and back again to the Assistant to pick it up, wrapped in brown paper and string. Fashion is about thirty years behind, and we all returned minus shoes, trainers, tracksuits, make-up etc. These items were in great demand and unavailable.

Traffic was scarce, and we learned that one would have to wait ten years to get a car, and when you get it you can't change it for ten years. As no cars are imported, the only cars to be seen are Fiats or Ladas. We all found this lack of variation very strange. Transport vehicles all come from old World War II movies.

The Metro Stations however were fantastic, all built in marble and all stations totally different. Sporting facilities were excellent. There were fully equipped Stadiums every four or five miles, all with a full selection of Coaches. The team were able to to avail of some great training sessions. We also visited a fully equipped indoor stadium with a full Tartan Track and all the mod cons for field events. Would that it were the same here! We also saw the Olympic City Stadium, and were most impressed.

I nearly forgot to mention that we never in all our time saw a single Pub. We saw people queueing on the street, and outside beer shops with their own containers. You've never seen a Circus 'till you've seen a Russian one, we saw two and they were magical. We also visited a massive Botanical Garden. We had to cross the garden by cable car, it was so huge. Buying souveniers was a harassing experience, with hours of queueing. In one shop, having been identified as tourists, we were moved up thirty places to the top. amid vigorous shouts of incomprehensible Russian. We smiled knowingly and kept our cool. Russian women are to say the least fairly hefty, and not to be got on the wrong side of, as they leave the best of us fairly small.

It was a trip of a lifetime and one to remember. Norah McDermott.

OLD FOLKS' COMMITTEE

The 'Active Age Week' of Sunday 27th September to Sunday 4th October proved to be a very enjoyable week for all of our Old Folk. Entertainment was organised throughout the week and it was great to see such a large turn out at the events. We started the week off with a mass in S.M.A. hostel. This was followed by a table guiz which tested not only the general knowledge but also the musical knowledge of the participants as all the old favourites were played. After a great competition between the teams, the winners were Mr. McTiernan, Mrs. Saults, Miss Harte and Mr. J. Dowling. Second prize winners were Mrs. Walshe, B. Farrelly, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson who also won a prize for a funny answer. Third prize went to Mrs. Rossiter, Mrs. Reilly, Mrs. Farrelly, Mrs. Stanley. Another small prize for a funny answer was given to Mr. and Mrs. Timmons, Mrs. Keoghane and Mrs. Sheehan. Congratulations to all and also thanks to Mr. and Mrs. O'Malley and their daughter for organising such an enjoyable event. Hopefully we will be able to organise more in the future.

On the Tuesday of 'Active Age Week', we had a cabaret in the Leinster Arms which was a great success and enjoyed by both young and old. Special thanks to 'Alan Frazer's Manshop', Barrys and Kiernans for the donation of spot prizes. There will be another cabaret on 24/11/87 with Sonny Knowles. It will be held in the Leinster Arms and tickets will be available at the door. Your support is welcome as it is a fundraising event. During the remainder of the week we had our usual cards and bingo mornings. We finished off the week with a lovely afternoon in Maynooth Post Primary School as guests of the pupils and staff. Thanks to everyone for making us feel so welcome.

It was with regret that the committee accepted the resignation of Carol Barton as our Secretary and P.R.O. We wish to express our gratitude for her hard work and dedication and wish her every success in her future endeavours. Mrs. Rose Bean kindly accepted the position of Secretary until our next A.G.M. We would welcome any new members to the committee — if you have some time to spare or ideas to share, we would be delighted if you could attend our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month in the Health Centre.

We celebrated Hallowee'n a little

early, last Sunday, with a party in the Divine Word Hostel. We watched as the 'Tony Smith Memorial' walk set off and then we attended mass. Afterwards we had our party and enjoyed the company of our guests from Celbridge. There was plenty of singing and dancing and catching up on all the 'chat'.

In conclusion we would like to remind you that our major fundraising event takes place in Maynooth Parish Hall on 15/11/87. Committee members will be calling for your donations and we hope that you can manage to be as generous and supportive as your have been in previous years. Remember the benefits of this are felt by our elderly people throughout the year because without our funds we would not be able to organise social and local fund. Hope to see you all at Parish Hall on Sunday 15th.

M. Casey, P.R.O.



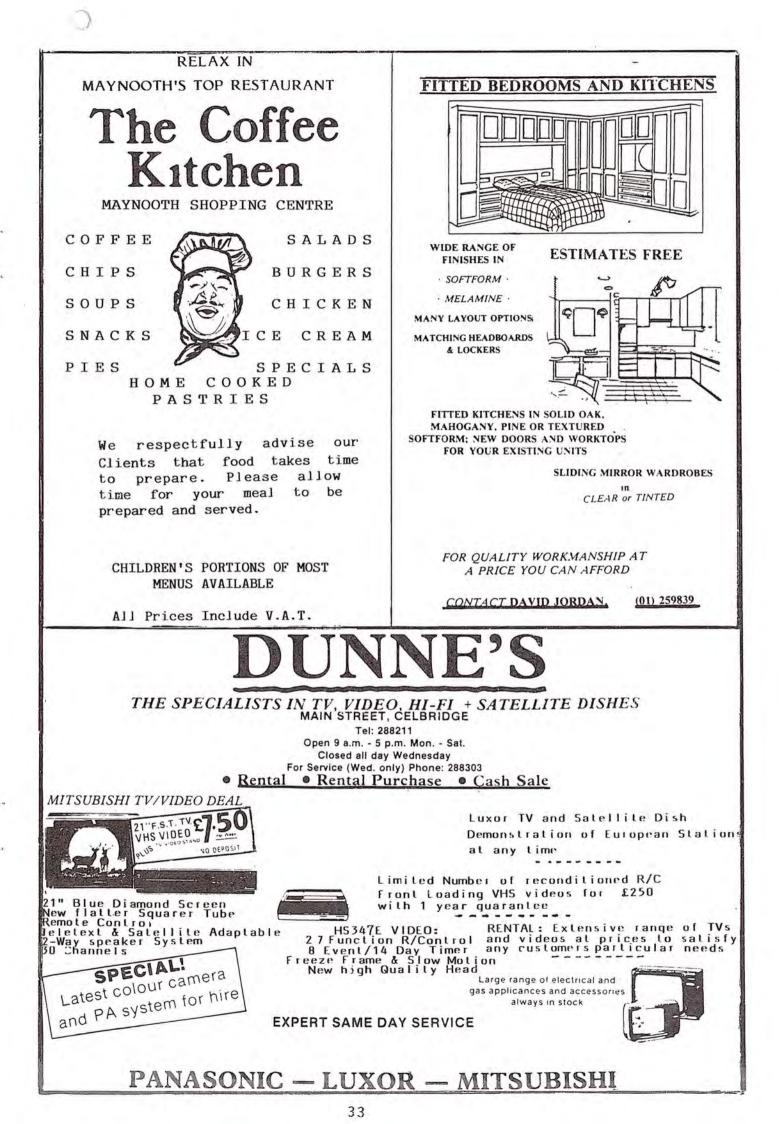
After banging on many doors over the past few weeks, we have been given great encouragement and support from all sectors of the community. This has given us a great boost and the will to persevere. We have met many interesting people who have given us more ideas to pursue.

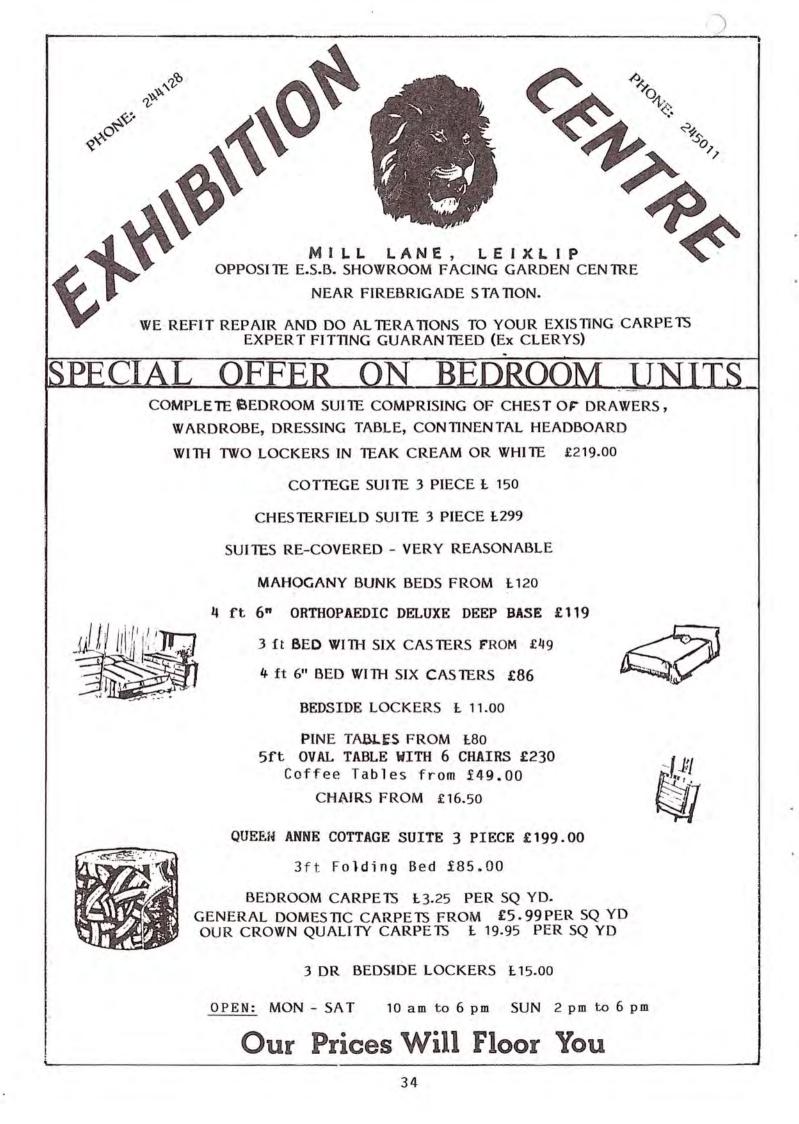
We have recently visited Dun Laoire Creativity Centre, who have encouraged us to try and set up something on the same lines here in Maynooth. The idea is that there is a creativity centre available for the whole community to use. The centre becomes a base for artistic and creative activities in the community, and a base where artists and those with creative skills can share them with the rest of the community. Such schemes have been funded in part through social employment schemes and in part from other sources.

We would like to try and set up something similar in Maynooth, however such a venture depends totally on whether the community wants such a service in the town. In Dun Laoire it has proved to be a great success, they give a wide variety of classes to children, and a broad selection of classes to adults, encompassing photography, sculpting, art, drama music, with many people turning some aspects into career prospects.

We would be very grateful to hear from any local artists who would be willing to give a helping hand, or anyone who has any further ideas; *please* come forward. We have to have found a premises by the end of this week, we shall be delivering leaflets door to door giving details of our courses. Looking forward to working with you all.

Sean Cussen, Maeve Condon.





Christmas Recipes



Before you start cooking, check that you have all ingredients to hand: read the recipes through before shopping, to make certain you have a full list. Note the tin size for the cake, and see that you have them. There is nothing more annoying than finding that you have either too much or too little mixture for your utensils.

Christmas Cake

The day before: (1) Remove butter and eggs from the fridge to cool room temperature. (2) Line the cake tin sides and bottom, first with double thickness brown paper, then greaseproof paper, lightly oiled. (3) Prepare the fruits; chop the drained apricots and cherries, and blanch and chop the nuts.

450 g (1 lb) sultanas

225 g (1/2 lb) currants

brandy

450 g (1 lb) seedless raisins

225 g (1/2 lb) glacé cherries

possible the whole peel)

175 g (6 oz) chopped mixed peel (if

100 g (4 oz) dried apricots, soaked

6 tablespoons rum, whiskey or

grated rind of 1 orange and 1 lemon

- 450 g (1 lb) plain flour
- 175 g (6 oz) castor sugar
- 175 g (6 oz) soft brown sugar
- 350 g (12 oz) butter or margarine
- 100 g (4 oz) ground almonds
- 100 g (4 oz) walnuts or halved blanched almonds
- 6 eggs
- 1 teaspoon mixed spice
- 1/2 teaspoon each grated nutmeg and salt
- Mix all the fruit and nuts (except the ground almonds) together and put into a large ovenproof dish. Cover with foil and heat in a low oven 110°C, 225°F, gas ¼, until the fruit is warmed through and plumped up. Mix with a wooden spoon so that the heat is evenly distributed. When sticky, remove from the oven and let it get quite cold.

To make the cake: cream together the butter and sugars until light and fluffy, then add the eggs, separately, with two teaspoons of flour (to prevent curdling), beating well between each addition. Fold in the remaining flour, spices, ground almonds and salt, gently but very thoroughly, using a metal or wooden spoon. Do not beat for it only makes the cake hard.

Stir in the prepared fruit gradually, having first separated them by light stirring. Finally add 4 tablespoons of the spirits, mixing it well through the mixture. Put the mixture into the prepared tin or tins; wet a spatula or thick knife with water and run it over the top to smooth it down.

If you find you are quite exhausted by all this, the tins can be left in a cool place overnight, and you can start the long baking first thing in the morning.

Preheat the oven to 175°C, 325°F, gas 3. Cover the tin or tins with a lid, or foil, and set on the middle oven rack. After half an hour reduce the heat to 140°C, 275°F, gas 1 and after 2 hours remove the lid. Continue baking for about 3 more hours, lowering the temperature slightly if it is browning and baking too fast.

Test before removing from the oven either with a thin skewer, or by pressing the centre with the fingers. It should feel firm and there should be no 'singing' noise. If available pour over 2 more tablespoons of spirits, first pricking the top with a thin skewer. Leave it in the tin to get cold, then wrap in double greaseproof paper and brown paper before storing in an airtight tin. If making two smaller cakes the procedure is the same, but make the cooking time about $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

This recipe is for a 25 cm (10 in) round cake tin or 23 cm (9 in) square; or two 18 cm (7 in) round tins.

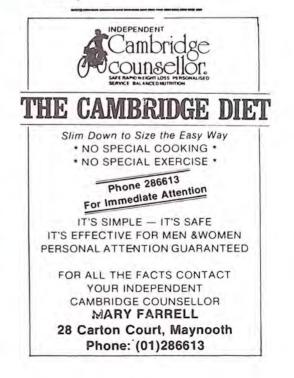
BLACK FOREST CAKE

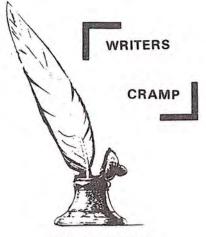
- 6 large eggs
- 150g (5 oz) castor sugar
- 50g (2 oz) sifted cocoa
- 25g (1 oz) sifted SR flour
- 1 level tablespoon castor sugar 50g (2 oz) dark chocolate
- 1 x 450g (1 lb) can stoned black cherries
- 3 tablespoons rum or kirsch 300ml (1/2 pint) thick cream

Use 2 x 20cm (8 in) sandwich tins, oiled, the base lined with oiled greaseproof. Separate eggs, yolks in one bowl, whites in another. Whisk yolks with 150g (5 oz) sugar until pale and thickened, then fold in cocoa and sifted flour. With a clean whisk, beat whites until stiff, stir a heaped tablespoon of eggwhite into the cocoa mixture, then with a metal spoon gently fold in the rest. Divide this mixture between the tins, level off and bake near the centre of a preheated 180°C 350°F, gas 4 oven for 15-20 minutes. They should be set and slightly puffy. Leave to cool in tins, then turn out and peel off

papers. Now whip cream with one tablespoon sugar until floppy, not can of too stiff. Empty the cherries into a bowl, then mix two tablespoons of the juice with one tablespoon of rum and sprinkle this over the cake layers. Let it absorb. Using a spatula, spread about one-third of the cream over one cake. Remove stones from cherries and put aside 12 of them, then arrange the rest over the cream on the cake. Put this on to

the serving dish. Carefully lift up the other layer and put on top. Cover the entire cake with the rest of the cream using a spatula. Arrange remaining cherries around edges, or make a pattern, and finally grate plain chocolate over the top and sides. Do not move from the plate it is on and keep only loosely covered with tissue paper in a cool place.





THE STARLING

Stylish in iridescent sequins, He still falls short of dignity, Lacking the blackbird's formal serge, The thrush's homespun tweediness.

At mealtimes he's no wellbred fellow

Savouring exotic morsels;

The only pauses in his gorgings Are when he squabbles with his rivals.

His song is less than perfect too; No poet ever praised his beak Or raved about his careless

rapture

Augmenting Maytime from a pear tree.

And, yet, he does not seem to care, Crooning some pastiche of melody As if to please himself alone, A motley mimic of immortal song.

ON A CONSERVATIONIST

Threatened species were his great concern,

Dwindling crafts and old dishonoured buildings;

Destruction of a hedge would make him mourn

The web of wildlife it had nurtured; He even criticised development of bogs,

Claiming that it left the grouse no cover,

And if some effluent fouled a river, He fretted for the fishes as a brother.

Friends accused him of perversely Valuing nature more than man,

Or else of seeking notoriety;

He knew himself he loved men's nobler ways,

The dreams they raised derisive Time,

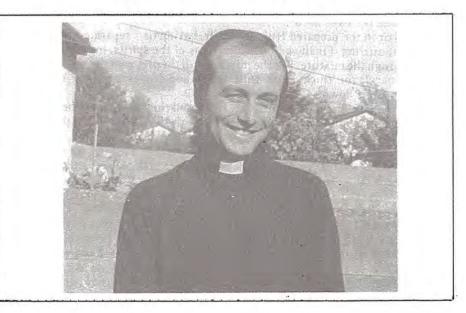
And so it hurt that huxters held it right To bulldoze Tara for a shopping site.



NORAH MC DERMOTT



MUIREANN NI BHROLOCHAIN



Fr. THYNE



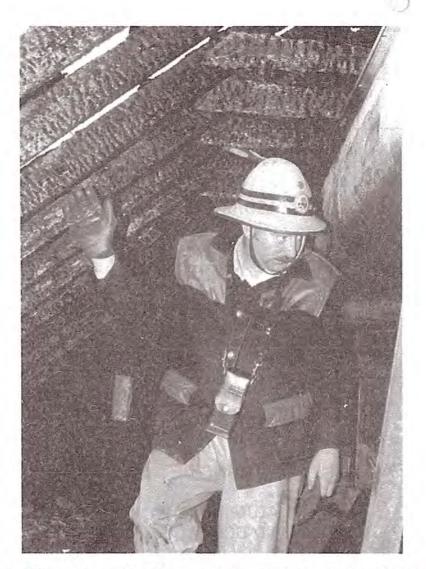


What should have been a welcome visitor to the street earlier in October was the Environmental Roadshow — a single-decker bus equipped inside with a display about the need for caring for our environment. However, the overall effect was rather spoilt by the positioning of the bus squarely on the pavement outside the library — scarcely displaying much care for the immediate environment of our town and its pedestrians.

Some new businesses to be welcomed to Maynooth. Oliver Reilly & Sons have opened a funeral parlour in the Town Centre Shopping Mall, taking over the premises formerly occupied by the Rita Cullen Designer

Boutique. This provides a necessary service hitherto unavailable in the town. And the former Claddagh Showrooms are currently undergoing an extensive refit. Rumour has it that the street will shortly benefit from the addition of a new dining place and delicatessen. Household Electricals offers a domestic electrical service operated by Christy O'Brien; he is already well-known in the community, and has now acquired premises in the Main Street. From the same premises, near the college gates, is an Office Equipment repair facility.

National Fire Prevention Week started on the street with a potentially disastrous fire in the roof of Kavanagh's Mill which broke out in the early hours of Monday 5th October. Maynooth Fire Brigade was quickly on the scene, arriving to the usual crowd of onlookers who inevitably gather when flames are in evidence. But for the rest of the community, the first we knew of it was the short item on the RTE news next morning to the effect that the fire had been "brought under control". Behind that brief announcement, long after bystanders had gone home and completed a good night's rest, was hidden the protracted and painstaking nature of



Sub-officer Lenny Murphy directs fire fighting at the scene of Kavanagh's Mills outbreak.

the firemen's task. After the flames have been extinguished begins the long process of damping down the site and checking every possible concealed location to ensure that a *smouldering ember* does not break out into fire again. In a complicated structure such as the mill this takes a considerable time, and the fire brigade men were on the scene throughout the night of the fire, all through Monday, and did not leave until late that evening once they were sure of a job well done.

But that is only half the story. The call-out to the mill fire came only two or three hours after the unit had returned to base after twenty hours spent fighting a haybarn fire at the weekend. Exhausted, without any period of proper rest, the firefighters nevertheless responded to the emergency in the heart of their own town with their usual efficiency and vigilance. The gratifying comment of a member of the mill staff, that this was the third time his job had been saved by the Maynooth firemen, highlights the fact that the community as a whole is indebted to them.

CALLING NEW MEMBERS

The committee of the Newsletter is looking for additional members. This is a working committee so we need people who will be prepared to do some writing, news gathering, proof reading and selling.

If you are interested in writing, we are always happy to consider material for inclusion. Remember, you don't have to be on the committee to write!

If you feel that you can contribute to the work of the committee, contact Elizabeth Uí Bhriain, Telephone 285922, in the Community Council offices. She will be happy to explain what is involved.



M. O'Gorman, P.R.O.

Start creating!

Eye Hear

Congratulations to two Maynoothbased post-graduates who were successful in the recent results announced from the college: Siobhán Denman from Leinster Park, and Kevin Honan from Rail Park, who both completed their M.A.'s — and both with First Class Honours. Siobhan's research was in Irish, while Kevin was working on Anglo-Irish literature.

And Clair O'Connor, also from Rail Park, made her mark on the airwaves last month when her radio play Getting Ahead was transmitted on BBC Radio 4 as The Monday Play on October 12th, with a repeat for the hour-and-a-half production on the following Saturday afternoon. This dramatisation of the stresses on the personal and professional lives of teaching staff in a time of educational turmoil made compulsive listening. Clair of course is well-known to our readers already for her work with the Larine Players, founded last year. Their next production is presently gearing up, and I hear that it is to be a staging of a script by Clair herself. Watch the Newsletter for further progress.

Another local writer will shortly be featured on RTE television when poet Mary E. O'Donnell will have an entire programme recorded early this summer, devoted to her poetry as part of the prestigious new arts series entitled *The Poet's Eye*, which goes out on RTE 1 on Sunday nights. Mary of course was one of the judges in the *Newsletter's* poetry competition earlier this year.

This is certainly the month of the writers. The versatile Muireann Ní Bhrolcain, chairperson of the Community Council, has been announced as one of the prizewinners in the Oireachtas competition for a one-act play in Irish. Well done, a Mhuireann — looks like more material there for the Larine Players!

The Boys' National School have just won a £350 prize from Cospóir — The National Sports Council — for a project done as part of the activities for the Sport For All Day earlier this year. The project was done under the supervision of teachers Catherine Leckie and Bridie Furlong — congratulations to them both, and to the pupils involved.

Soap Opera at Quinnsworth

More on the Quinnsworth monopoly saga. It seems that every item in the shop must be agreed by headquarters. A Maynooth shopper who was looking for liquid soap recently, a product always stocked by O'Brien's, was told that the item was not on the list of permitted substances. Headquarters decides what Maynooth can have — and if it's not on the list, too bad. Feeling as if she had asked for a set of blue movies, the shopper exited, soapless.

Transvestites in the College

A recent letter in the Sunday Independent from a T C O Hiceadha, Ballinskelligs, Co Kerry, relates the writer's enjoyment of the Siamsa performance in the Olympia Theatre during the Dublin Theatre Festival. He wasn't the only one to enjoy the evening.

Did't he meet the Maynooth professor of English who told him that "HE was going home refreshed and rejuvenated". Must have been a powerful performance all right — for not only did the Maynooth Professor of English experience a rejuvenation during the evening, but she must have gone through a more fundamental gender transformation. The last we heard of the same person was that her name was Dr Barbara Hayley, of the Rectory, Maynooth. Sure, it's quare times we're living in all right.

Riders to the See

The internationally known travel writer, Eric Newby and his wife, Wanda, visited Maynooth last year. Probably no one noticed them on the day they rode into town, as the "sun was sinking... there in Cassidy's fine bar with it pouring in on us, we had a drink with Loughlin Sweeney, the Director of Development of Maynooth College. (We think Noel Cassidy should check out what precisely it was that was pouring in on them hardly the free booze?).

Newby has published a book on his travels, which is how we know he was here. In the book, "Ireland in low gear" he tells us that they rode from Celbridge — along the 'bungalow infested road to Maynooth'. We can't all live in chateaux we suppose.

They dropped into Connolly's Folly,

aged bikers were not above a bit of high jinks themselves. That evening, having been wined and dined by the upper echelons of the college, they were shown their quarters in New House. Did they go quietly to bed? Not at all. They rode their bicycles along the 'ecormously long tiled corridor' before going to their separate best. Newby notes that they felt that there would be something wrong about sharing a bed in a seminary!

and it defiled with graffiti. But the

Our cover personalities, locally based group *Fiddler's Green* were featured on both RTE and BBC Television recently, with a spot in the jointly produced programme *A Taste* of Ireland.

Riders on the Wind

Sunday 11th October was the date for the sponsored Cycle Ride in aid of the local national schools and St Mary's Brass Band.

The fiendish organisers had cunningly scoured the plains of Maynooth to find a route with some testing hillclimbs in it. At the end of a gruelling twenty-five metre long 1 in 80 climb, the king of the mountains contenders led the *peloton* into a welcome fizzydrinks stop at Rodanstown Garage.

An hour and seven miles after setting out, saddle-sore and sweaty, the pedallers straggled back to the schoolyard in twos and threes, where free ice-lollies for those with sponsor cards made it all worth while. Meanwhile, a foolhardy minority who opted for the longer cycle were last seen disappearing over the horizon towards Clane; no trace of them has since been recorded, although there are dark stories of a headless cyclist seen haunting Moyglare Road at night — and no rear light, what's more!

We hear that burglars are going to great lengths to carry out their work in Maynooth. One Rail Park resident arrived home recently to discover that her visitors had apparently listened to Christy Moore's advice about not forgetting their shovel if they wanted to go to work. The thieve(s) had used a shovel to prise open her window. They left with all of her jewellery (what was left of it after a previous visit) as well as a distinctive frilly pink and grey pillow case. But they forgot to take their shovel with them. Suggestions that if they had left two shovels she could have worn them as earrings were not appreciated!

Shane Brennan at St Michael's By Michael Dervan

Komm Heiliger Geist, Herre Gott (BMV651) Bach

O Lamm Gottes unschuldig (BWV656) Bach

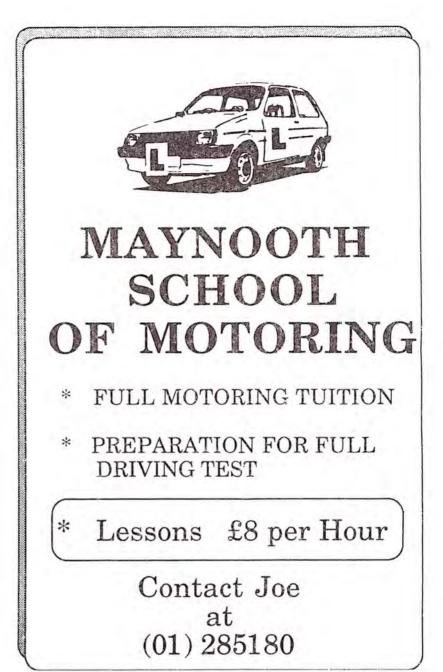
Komm Gott, Schöpfer, heiliger Geist (BWV667) Back Sonata in C minor (BWV526) Bach Benedictus Op 59 No 9 Reger Phantasie on "Ein feste Burg" Reger

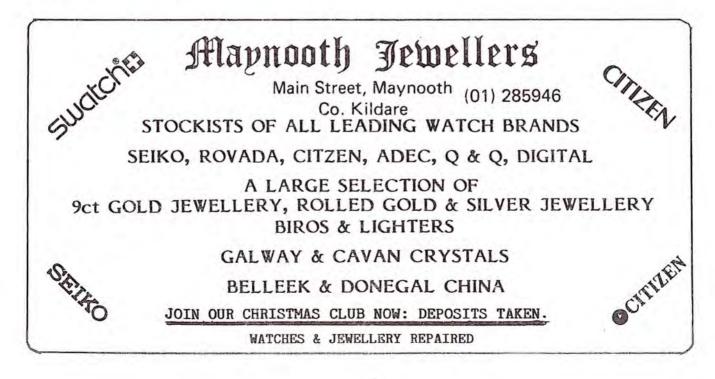
The penultimate recital of the current series on the organ of St Michael's in Dun Laoghaire, a short programme of Bach and Reger, was given on Sunday by Shane Brennan, director of the Schola Cantorum in St. Finian's Mullingar, and director of music at Mullingar Cathedral.

He opened with an exuberant performance of Bach's "Komm heiliger Geist, Herre Gott," BWV651, presented with the solid rhythmic drive that was such a notable feature of the recital.

In the C minor Sonata he combined the implacable rhythmic momentum with a sharp, dry wit, and his clear delineation of the convolutions of Reger's "Phantasie on 'Ein feste Burg'" (he conveyed the Reger with greater clarity than the Bach) won from the audience the warmest response of the evening.

Shane is son of Mrs Brennan, Leinster Court, Dublin Road.





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BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Mrs. G. McTernan, Greenfield. Oct 7th. David McTernan, Highfield, Kilcock. 9 Oct.

Margaret Clince, Cluain Aoibhinn.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Martin and Paula McTernan, Laurences Avenue who celebrated their first Wedding Anniversary Oct. 11th. A party for the happy event was held in the Leinster Arms.

and to

Noelle Barry, Main Street and Garda Donald Kelly, Kilruane, Nenagh who were married Oct. 14th. RETIRED

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Best wishes to Harry Mitchell, Straffan Road who has called it a day. Harry spent the last 26 years with Sisk & Co. Dublin. We wish you Dad many happy years in retirement. This comes from your daughters Marie, Winnie and son Edward.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the O'Grady family on their recent sad bereavement.

The Committee and Members of Maynooth Golfing Society wish to express their sincere sympathy to both Mr. Eddie Kavanagh and Mrs. Eithne Carey on the recent death of their mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Kavanagh.

Nóta buíochais

Is mian le Máirín Guiney agus a clann buíochas a ghabháil leo siúd uilig a thug tacaíocht agus cabhair dóibh i rith tinneas agus tar éis bháis Phacky; lena gcomharsain, a gcairde agus go háirithe leis an Dr. O'Rourke, leis an Athair Supple agus leis an Siúr Alphonsus.

MISSING

Ginger Tom Cat. answers to the name 'Sionnach.' Missing for more than 3 weeks. REWARD OF £10 offered. Contact Ria at Dublin Rd. Lodge, Carton Estate or inform Community Council Office, Maynooth.

WELCOME

To Mr Michael and Isobel McInerney and their children Therese and Eloise also Mr Michael and Eileen Nolan who have taken up residence at Nos 5 and 6 Parson Street. This comes from all your neighbours. NEED ANY TYPING?

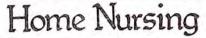
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Adrian Kearney, tel. 243389.

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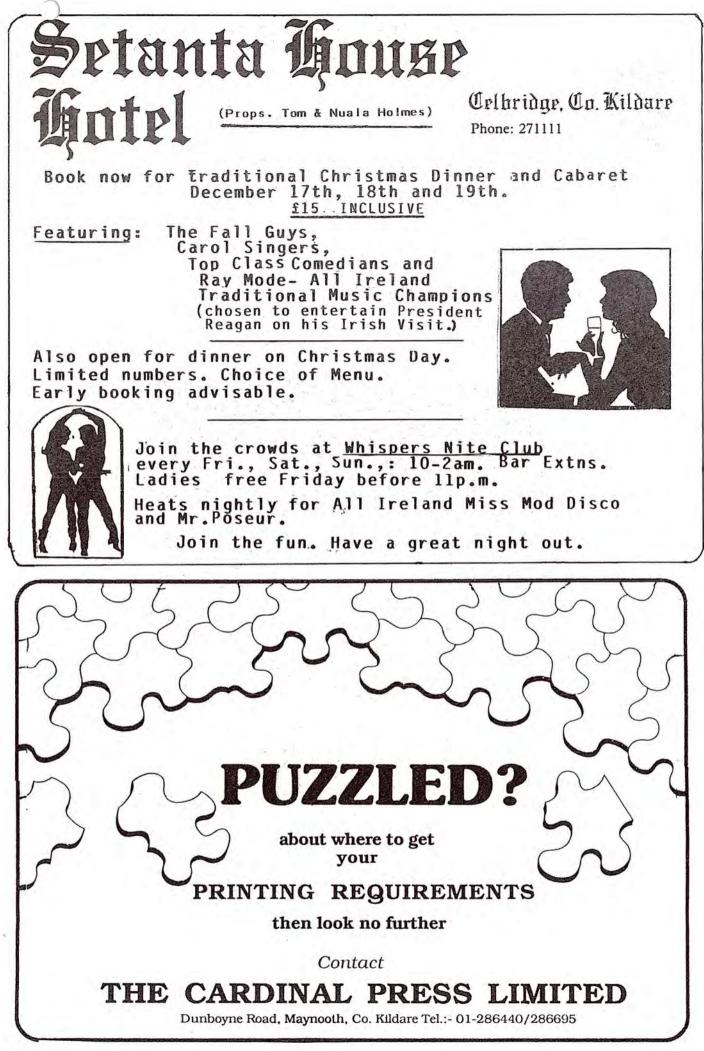
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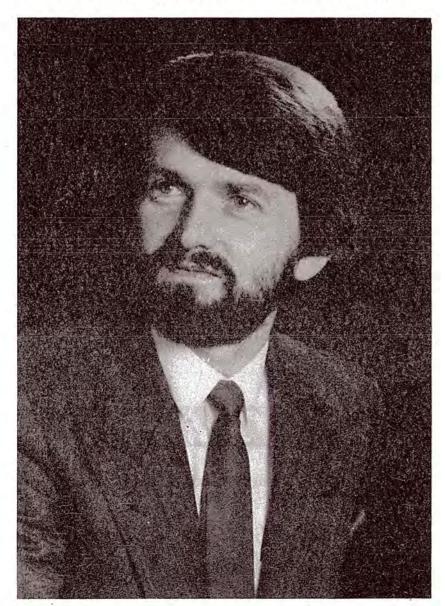
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