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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.

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## EDITORIAL

### TRADE FAIR

In next months edition we will include a lengthy review of the Trade Fair. The organisers were too overwhelmed with work to produce anything for this edition. However the Editorial committee would like to compliment the organisers on the success of their efforts. The army of helpers was truly impressive. We would also like to thank our faithful readers who contributed to this edition. Elsewhere in these pages you will find greetings from the people of Maynooth to each other. Let's hope there will not be too many red faces when they read the messages.

### JUNKETS WON'T MAKE THE LIGHTS WORK

The highflying County Councillors in Kildare here surely hit the headlines recently. Some of them are off to Lexington, Kentucky to attend the "twinning conference" an issue of vital importance, well worth lashing out thousands of pounds on. Especially at a time when funds are so low that half of Kildare is in darkness because of the great Switch Off, and the roads have disintegrated into tank traps. The excuse of this junket is that it will generate tourism. Some hope. The two or three tourists lured here should be advised to bring torches, and pot holing equipment.

### YOU PAY FOR RECREATION

We note with some dismay that a charge of £2 has been levied on visitors to Donadea Park on Sundays. This is a mean and petty charge. The area around Maynooth is devoid of safe and pleasant public parks in which to go for a walk with family and dogs. The roads, besides being impassable are also heavily loaded with traffic. The canal linear park is still in the future, and the long Avenue is not quite up to Donadea standards. Life is expensive enough without having to pay to enter what is our own property.

On the subject of parks — we have one of the finest demesnes in Europe on our doorstep — Carton. When will this magnificent park be open to us?

### NEW HALTING SITE

The Newsletter welcomes the coming opening of the new Halting Site. Let's hope this will mean an end to the local shanty towns, the worst of which faced visitors from all over the country to Maynooth College's open day recently.



## COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

Maynooth Community Council would like to thank Quinnsnorth for their co-operation in moving cider to the off-licence area. We hope this will be an example to others.

On a different note we would like to ask all responsible adults and shopkeepers especially to be on the lookout for youngsters sniffing solvents such as tippex and tippex thinner. We are reliably informed that the consequences from such a habit are detrimental to the person sniffing the solvent and very distressing to innocent bystanders who have witnessed such scenes.

Parents especially are asked to be vigilant regarding their children and their whereabouts.

The Community Council would like to hear from people who would be interested in taking a member of the Douai Boy's Choir for one night — July 1st into their home. They would just have to have a bed and breakfast and a light snack before their performance. Anyone interested please contact the community council office or phone 285922.

The Chamber of Commerce have been in contact with the community council and are interested in liaising with us. This is a welcomed surprise

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and we look forward to working with them on future projects.

The community council are also looking for new members from some areas. They are Beaufield, Straffan Rd., and Railpark, also some of the outlying areas. If you are interested please contact the community council offices in the Mall.

That's the council notes for the moment and until next month we hope the people of Maynooth will take advantage of the long evenings and fine weather to clean up around their areas and help to create a better environment. Also the people who insist on destroying trees, writing graffiti and general hooliganism are not really appreciated so please — grow up.

**Mary Murtagh, Secretary.**

## GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The AGM was reconvened on April 12th at 8 pm in the ICA hall and began with Elections. The Chairman, Peter Holland, was the only officer elected at the previous meeting, where it was found impossible to find a Secretary. Nuala Quinn was elected, unopposed, to this position and the Treasurer and P.R.O. continue in their positions — namely Tom Purcell and Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin. The committee was then elected as follows: Richard Farrell, 11 Greenfield Drive; Antoinette Byrne, 35 Laurence Avenue; Michael Quinn, 2 Straffan Way; Jim Doyle, Straffan Way; Maureen Redmond, Greenfield Drive; Mary Farrell, 11 Greenfield Drive; Mary Farrell, Maynooth Park; Matt Callaghan, Straffan Way; John McGinley, 50 Greenfield Drive; Carmel Hogan, Greenfield Drive; Pat Kinsella, Laurence Avenue.

The meeting was then left open for discussion.

### PIPED TELEVISION

It was noted that RTE 2 and BBC 2 were unwatchable at present, and that Mr. Hayes was under legal obligation to supply RTE 2. It was decided to contact the Department of Communications again, to put a petition together to send to the Department, contact Consumer Affairs and to table Dáil questions about the service.

### GRASS CUTTING AND MOWERS

The small mowers were declared in working order, but the sit-on mower would cost £350 to fix. The possibility

of giving the grass cutting to private contract was discussed instead of continuing with the mowers and the Insurance which that incurred.

### TIPPEX THINNER

It was brought to the attention that children had been found sniffing Tippex Thinner, which is as dangerous and lethal as glue-sniffing. We would like all shops which stock this product to remove it from the open shelves so that children cannot gain access to it. The subject is to be raised in the Maynooth Newsletter itself also. We also ask parents to keep this substance away from children, and to ensure that they do not use it in school.

### DOGS

It was clear from the meeting that there is a problem with big dogs roaming the Estate unrestrained despite recent legislation. The owners of these dogs will be reported to the relevant authorities if they are not controlled — they are a danger to young children in particular, but also to drivers.

### DUMPING

We would appeal to people not to dump rubbish at the rear of the Supermarket which is filling up with litter again, having been cleared last summer. Please do not leave litter lying about to accumulate as it is an eyesore and a health hazard.

### ATTENTION PARENTS

Would parents please ask their children on skateboards to be a little more careful, as they are a danger to drivers, shooting out in front of them onto the road, particularly in the dark.

Secondly, there is quite an amount of Graffiti on the side of the Shopping Centre, again please make sure that your children are not involved in this defacement.

### LIGHTS PETITION

The petition was presented to Kildare County Council by Peter Holland and Mary Farrell (Maynooth Park) on the 21st March, so far no reply has been received from the Council.

Finally the bad news. As mentioned already Subscriptions will be £5 per house with £2 (or whatever they can afford) for those widowed, unemployed, old age pensioners etc. The committee will begin this collection shortly — as it is fast approaching the summer months when the real work begins.

**Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin, P.R.O.**



## COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

**Q.** I am coming up to age 66 and my wife is aged 64. I want to enquire about the free travel pass. I am a retired civil servant. Will my wife be able to use the pass?

**A.** Your wife will qualify for a travel pass in her own right when she reaches age 66. In the meantime she can travel only when accompanying you.

As a retired civil servant you will not be getting a social welfare old age pension and therefore you will not automatically get a travel card. Instead you will have to apply for one. You will get the application form from your post office and you should apply for the card one month before you reach age 66.

This column has been compiled by Maynooth Community Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public.

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Thurs.: 7 p.m. — 8 p.m.

Fri.: 10 a.m. — 12 a.m.

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## CALLING VOLUNTEERS

After three years of existence the number of volunteers has dwindled and the call has gone out for new faces for the Community Information Centre. A training course will be starting shortly and all are welcome to attend. There will be no obligation to continue as a volunteer at the end of the course. If you're interested call Frances Daly, 286544 for further details.



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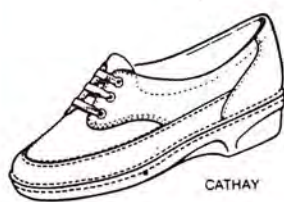
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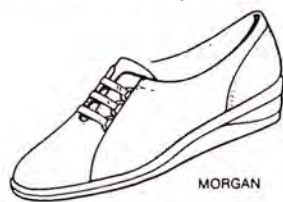
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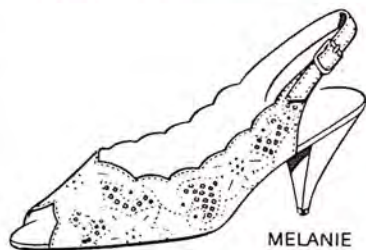
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Monday 2.30 — 8.00  
Tuesday 2.00 — 5.00  
Wednesday 9.30 — 1.00;  
Wednesday 2.00 — 5.00  
Thursday 2.30 — 8.00  
Friday 9.30 — 1.00; 2.00 — 5.00

The juvenile library will close at 5.00 p.m. each day. We apologise for any inconvenience caused as a result of these changes.

Shane O'Riordan was the member of staff who departed to greener shores, and is currently studying for his M.B.A. He is acutely missed by the borrowers, especially the younger set!

In the face of the extensive cutbacks, we have actually got some

new books, among which are the following titles:

Russell, Mary — The Blessings of a good thick skirt.  
Watson, Ian — The Evidence of the Shroud.  
Cook, Robin — Outbreak.  
Cookson, Catherine — Bill Baileys Lot.  
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For a complete list, please come along and check the "Recent additions to stock" catalogue.

It is likely that cutbacks will affect the services in the library even more in the future — so be prepared!

Margaret Walshe-Gannon.

## COMMUNITY GAMES

Competition time is now upon us. Don't forget all you artists U8, U10, U12, U14 and U16 and all those interested in U14 modelling to come to the Post Primary School on Saturday 30th April at 10 a.m. for the area competition. On Sunday 15th May local athletics competition will take place in G.A.A. field and on Sunday 22nd May swimming will take place in Stewarts Hospital at 5 p.m. and finally on Thursday 19th May Gymnastics competition will take place at 4.30. So now boys and girls please complete your entry forms and return them to Community Council Office or to any Committee member. The County Athletics final has been changed from 11th and 12th June to 25th and 26th June and hopefully the venue for this will be Kilcock. Once more I will ask all holders of Perpetual Trophies to return them to the Community Council Office.

Wishing all competitors the BEST OF LUCK in this years competitions.



## MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

A committee meeting was held in Caulfields committee room on Wednesday 13th April principally to organise details for our leaflet/petition to the five local County Councillors. The petition requests the Councillors to insist that the County Manager is immediately to:

- Cease threatening water supply disconnections.
- Resume the full refuse collection for all.

Committee members and supporters of MRALC will call to as many homes as possible to collect the petition portion of the leaflet. Should you not get a call please forward your signed petition to the County Councillor of your choice.

The purpose of the petition is to demonstrate to our democratically elected local politicians of all parties the feelings of all these residents opposed to the "double taxation" water and refuse charges and have either not paid or have paid part or all of the charges under duress. Accordingly we expect the Councillors to represent the wishes of the electorate and instruct the County Manager to end his campaign of intimidation of ordinary householders who already pay more than their fair share of tax.

The committee also received a financial report from North Kildare Residents Against Local Charges night out in the Hitchin' Post which made a profit of £600 plus. This has been put on deposit for possible legal action in the future against the Council's illegal action of refusing to collect refuse from those who do not pay.

Finally it was reported that visitors to Donadea Forest Park are now being charged £2 entrance fee per car, £4 per mini bus or £8 per coach by the Dept. of Forestry. Deploing this new tax on residents MRALC wishes to state that unless residents and their County Councillors act in a determined manner we could soon find ourselves faced with charges not only for water, refuse, Library and Donadea Forest Park but also for sewage and tolls on the new By-Pass. Accordingly we have referred the new Donadea charge to the Community Council for their consideration.

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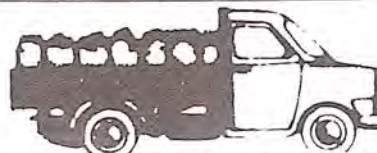
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## STREET TALKING

Talking of takeaway food (and we have been, the last month or so in this column), that spell of fine weather around Easter showed how the shops in our street can provide the very best of takeaway picnic — and you don't even need to cross the street. Here's how: Start at the Elite and pick up some of their freshly baked bread — perhaps a French stick, or else some of the bran rolls. Then, get along to the Leinster Arms and pick up a bottle of wine — or go up to Tom Geraghty's off-licence. I suggest basic old reliable like a Beaujolais or a claret, but if you have a cool-box then try a white or a rose. After that, pick up some fresh fruit in "Top of the Crop": a pineapple is a good choice, or a melon when they are available. And of course, after that make your way back to Kehoe's delicatessen for some sausage and cold meat to put on those rolls — the Westphalian ham is particularly good. And then off with you by foot, bicycle or car to whatever place takes your fancy for a simple and luxurious picnic. Just two things to think of: a sharp knife for the fruit and a corkscrew for the bottle. And, if you can manage it at

all, take a proper wine-glass to drink from — a paper cup or tumbler just isn't the same.

And while we're in a sunny mood, it's a pleasure to give praise where praise is due. Last month I had occasion to make an enquiry about getting a ticket to the US. It was the last day of a special cheap trans-Atlantic fare offer, it was the afternoon before the Easter break, it was the time when families finding our about summer holidays. In short, one of the really busy times in a travel agent's calendar, and our North Kildare Travel Agency was fairly buzzing. Nevertheless, Joan Ennis and her staff spent a good thirty minutes ringing around various airlines trying to tease out a solution to my problem. Eventually, yes, something was worked out. However, the arrangements didn't quite suit me and I decided to leave my booking until later in the year, but I left the agency mightily impressed by the pleasant efficiency of it all. Even more impressive, I had noticed that while my enquiry was being dealt with, and getting a lot of time and attention, there was no question of other clients being delayed as a consequence — business was kept humming along on that hectic afternoon.

One of the hazards of the street is the traffic light/pedestrian-crossing at the centre of Maynooth. One daft thing about it is that it leads on to an island at the junction of three roads and leaves you to your own devices as to how to get off it. But another

thing to watch out for is that quite often, when the lights are red for traffic, cars and lorries are still quite likely to sail through, oblivious to it all. Sometimes this is because of bad parking on the street which obscures a clear view of the lights, sometimes it is sheer lack of concentration on the part of drivers passing through. So, be warned — don't take the little green man for granted. These thoughts are prompted by a narrow escape last month when, just as I was about to cross after the lights turned red, I was almost bowled over by one of those vulgar Mercedes things. The driver clearly was distracted, because as he went past I could see him naffing away into his car phone while he drove with one hand. Of course, it's a favourite trick on a long drive — every time you pass through a town lift up the receiver, like, just to swank. But if I had his number, I'd put through a call to him that would give him something to think about!

### CORRECTION MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

In the April issue of the Newsletter the Trustees of Maynooth Mortality Society were stated as Jim Brady, Eugene O'Reilly and John Carey. This should have read:

Jimmy Barry, Main Street.  
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Signed: P. Nolan, Hon. Secretary.

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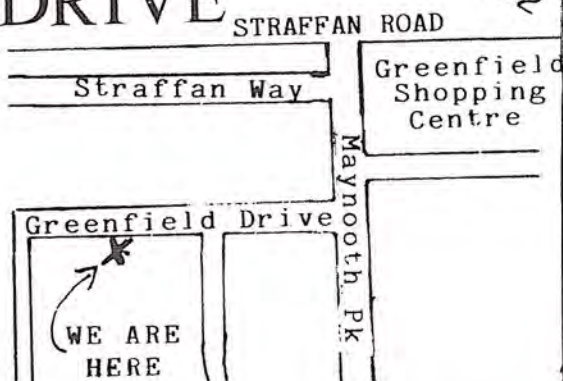
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# PARTY POLITICAL NOTES



## LABOUR PARTY NOTES

### LEIXLIP TOWN COMMISSION

The Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party warmly welcomes the proposal to establish a Town Commission for Leixlip. The Labour Party in Leixlip has campaigned over the years for such a statutory body to be established in the town. The Town Commission will allow for the election of men and women active in the political and community life of the town to a statutory body which will have some powers to effectively highlight and begin to tackle the type of problems that affect all our communities — unemployment, lack of public services, poor public transport etc. The Maynooth branch, through our local councillors Emmet Stagg and Colm Purcell, have already made representations regarding the establishment of a similar statutory body for Maynooth.

### PROTEST AT JUNKETS

Labour Party councillors Emmet Stagg T.D., Colm Purcell and Kieran Coleman (Kildare) walked out of the Co. Council meeting on Monday, April 11th in protest at proposed junkets for Co. Council members over the summer. Fine Gael and Fianna Fail councillors have voted to send three of their number to a conference in Lexington, Kentucky in July. The trip is due to last 12 days and the cost to Kildare Co. Council is estimated at £15,000. Commenting on the trip, Deputy Emmet Stagg described it as a "super jumbo junket" which would serve no purpose. He recalled that the previous Co. Council meeting had broken up in disorder following a "most unseemly scramble for places on the trip" between the two main parties. Deputy Stagg said that the members were constantly told of the state of the authority's finances and the trip was a disgrace when half of the public lighting across the county has been turned off. Three councillors are being sent on a free holiday, he said. Councillor Purcell said that he was puzzled how the council could spend money in this fashion while at the same time it threatened to turn

off water supplies and refused to collect refuse. As a group, the Labour councillors urge that the trip, which it is claimed will be used to promote tourism and investment in Kildare, be left to professionals paid by the taxpayer and not used as a holiday by councillors.

### EXPRESS BUS SERVICE

In response to a number of representations in the Maynooth and Leixlip areas, Deputy Stagg has been in contact with Dublin Bus seeking an improved service to the city. One of these improvements should take the form of an express service from Maynooth and Leixlip with a view to substantially cutting the average commuting time to and from the city.

### LABOUR PARTY DRAW

The Maynooth Branch would like to thank all those who bought tickets in the recent Party draw. The draw will take place on the last Thursday of each month from March to August.

### PUBLIC LIGHTING PETITION

The Maynooth Branch's petition protesting at the switch-off of public lighting in the town has been taken

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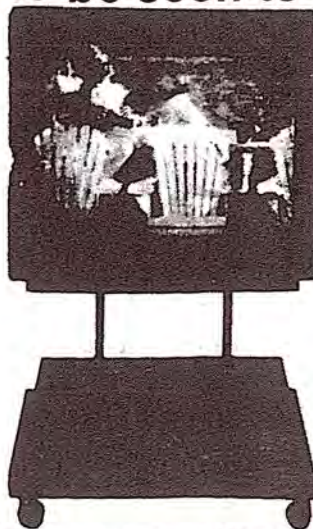
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up by other branches across the county and the response has been predictably excellent. The petition has focused the anger of the public at this pointless cut back in public services. In Maynooth, where most areas of the town have already been visited, the petition has received 99% backing.

#### YOUTH CONFERENCE

Youth delegated from all over Co. Kildare attended the recent Labour Party Youth Conference in Liberty Hall. Two delegates from Kildare — Owen McCarthy (Naas) and Adrian Kane (Athy) were elected to the executive of Labour Youth.

**PRO Maynooth Branch.**

## FINE GAEL NOTES

The March Meeting of the Maynooth Branch was held on Tuesday 22nd in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth.

There was a very good attendance and the meeting was addressed by Councillor — Jim Gallagher who spoke at length on local charges. He expressed his concern with the dumping of refuse on our roadsides.

#### N4 AT LARAGHBRYAN

We referred to this in the March Edition and following the recent accident here it was felt that there should be something done to improve the condition on this stretch of road, not alone for road users but for local residents also.

#### BOND BRIDGE

Deputy Bernard Durkan received the following reply from Kildare County Council regarding repairs to the above. "It is intended to carry out some re-surfacing in this area with the aid of D.O.E. Road Strengthening Grant. The surface of Bond Bridge itself will not be included as it is due for widening and only minor repairs will be done."

Deputy Bernard Durkan is available each Saturday at 2.30 p.m. approx to meet with constituents at the Geraldine Hall, Maynooth.

#### MAYNOOTH PILGRIMAGES

The Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes will leave Maynooth on June 30th and return on July 5th. The all-inclusive cost will be £294. The Parish Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 22nd May, leaving the Square early that morning and returning the same evening. Seats may be booked on Monday evenings in the Sacristy and the cost will be £6.



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## I.C.A. NOTES

The I.C.A. held their April meeting on Thursday 7th in our hall. Madame President welcomed everyone and gave a special welcome to our new member Mrs Carmel Butler. Mrs Brady extended sympathy to Mr Michael McCarthy and family on the death of his wife Kitty.

On Thursday April 14th, mass was celebrated in the Parish Church by Very Rev. B. Supple P.P. for the late Mrs McCarthy. It was attended by her family and members from the Kildare Guilds. Light refreshments were served afterwards in the I.C.A. hall. Mrs F. Satchwell our Assistant Federation President expressed thanks on behalf of Mr McCarthy to Very Rev Fr Supple and to everyone who attended.

This months competition was won by Mrs M. Gee, 2nd: Mrs P. Laven, 3rd: Mrs B. Brady. Next months competition is a "Pork and Bacon dish".

Congratulations to Mary and Jim O'Gorman, 41 Maynooth Park on the birth of their baby son Matthew, a brother for John, Geraldine and Finbarr.

Our demonstration this month was Oriflame consultant Mary Scelly. Mary gave advice on personal skin care, and how to use these products to your best advantage.

Crafts continue every Monday night 8—10 pm in the I.C.A. hall. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday morning 11 a.m. — 12.30. Set dancing in I.C.A. hall on every Wednesday night 8.15 pm. This dancing is open to ladies who are not members of the I.C.A., so come along for the exercise and fun.

Finally congratulations to Ardclough ladies who won at regional level in the "Elanora Gibbon Com-

petition". They competed at the National final on Saturday 9th of April.

Next meeting will be held on May 5th at 8 pm in the I.C.A. hall.

Kay Burns, P.R.O.

## MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club held their Annual Show on Tuesday 12th April in the Divine Word Hostel, Moyglare Road. While the show was up to the usual standard in Flower arranging the entries were down a little on last year. The award for best in shows went to Imelda Desmond winning the Ulster Bank Perpetual Cup. She also won the N.O.I.F.A. Cup for best exhibit in the miniature section.

The Satchwell Cup for best in Novice Classes was won by Liz Watkins.

The Bradshaw Cup went to Sarah Angel for Best in Plant Classes.

The Flower Pot Perpetual Cup was won by Felicity Satchwell for best exhibit in Petite Class.

R.H.S.I. Silver spoons for best exhibit in classes 8 and 10 went to Felicity Satchwell and Aileen Wright. Judging was won by Marie Geran well known in "Association of Flower Arranging" both as a demonstrator and a Judge.

The club was most grateful to the Divine Word Administrator for allowing us the use of the hall, to the people who gave donations and prizes, to the competitors without whom we would not have a show, to all the members who helped in any way and last but not least thanks to all those who came in the evening to see the show. Our next club meeting

will be held on Tuesday 17th May in I.C.A. Hall at 8 p.m. Demonstration by Maureen Gleeson promises to be most interesting, and all are welcome.

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## O.N.E. FOR ALL

The St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth is improving in terms of organisation and presentation every year. Among the many groups and organisations which have contributed to the success of the parade is the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen. They are the smartly blazered men who march at the front of the parade with the precision which could only be found in the ranks of trained soldiers.

What is the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen? I had an opportunity recently to find out about the Organisation and its members, when, through the good graces of my neighbour, Seamus O'Reilly, I was invited to visit Cathal Brugha Barracks to talk to some members of that branch of the O.N.E. This is the branch which marches in Maynooth. Seamus, himself, is a former soldier who served with the U.N. peace-keeping forces in the Congo, although you'd think to look at him that he must have been no more than nine or ten years old at the time. Other members of the O.N.E. living locally are Ted Connolly, who also served in the Congo, and Larry O'Brien.

In the N.C.O.'s Mess in Cathal Brugha Barracks I met several members including Tom McKenna (Chairman), Joe Brophy (Secretary), Niall D'Arcy (Treasurer) and Jim "Chalkie" White who was the founder of the Cathal Brugha branch. Most of my time was spent talking to Michael Colton who is P.R.O. of the branch.

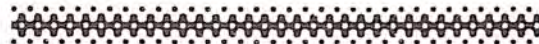
The Organisation of National Ex-servicemen was established originally in 1936. Its principal function is to provide a system through which former soldiers can maintain the contacts established while in the service. People generally leave the service with more of their lives ahead of them than most do when they leave their jobs. It is therefore very valuable for them to have an organisation to which they can belong. Apart from

the social aspect of it, the O.N.E. also has a benevolent function. In Dublin at present they are in discussion with Dublin Corporation regarding the provision of a premises which the organisation could run a hostel for members who are unable to find suitable accomodation.

Although the O.N.E. has been in existence since 1936 it is in the last ten years or so that it has really flourished. It has in recent years been allowed the use of barracks for meetings and functions. It has branches throughout the country and has a good relationship with the serving forces. Every barracks now has an N.C.O. designed to act as an liaison officer with the O.N.E. An interesting point is that there are no ranks within the O.N.E. and all members are on an equal footing. The full title of the organisation now is the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen and Women but there has been no great

influx of female members. Presumably when the women who joined the army in recent times retire they will join up.

The Cathal Brugha Branch has many members who saw service overseas with the United Nations. According to Michael Colton the deployment of Irish troops in U.N. forces added a new dimension to the job of the Irish soldier. The esteem in which Irish soldiers are held internationally is such as to bestow great prestige on the country. In addition from the soldiers own point of view it put them in situations of combat and taught them things about themselves which they would not otherwise learn. Regardless of one's view of warfare there can be no doubt that combat or, indeed, the danger of it forges friendships among comrades which endures for a long time. You can learn a lot about someone if your life is depending on him.



Paddy Mooney, Seamus O'Reilly and Michael Colton, all Congo veterans with a plaque commemorating the Niemba ambush which has pride of place in the N.C.O.'s mess in Cathal Brugha Barracks.

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However they were not long in the Congo when the horror of the situation was starkly brought home to them. On the 8th November 1960, Irish soldiers on a routine patrol as part of their task of keeping the road to Albertville open were attacked by Baluba tribesmen, numbering as many as two thousand, at Niemba nine men were killed, but not before they had put up an heroic defence. Eventually they were overwhelmed by weight of numbers. Only two survived the ambush. One was Pte. Joe Fitzpatrick whom we have had the pleasure of sitting on the reviewing stand at the St. Patrick's Day Parade in recent years. The other was Private Jim "57" Kenny who although badly wounded survived for three days in the jungle before making contact with his unit.

Irish soldiers have lost their lives since then in the various places where they have served over the

years. The Niemba ambush, however, has a special place in the memory of all ex-servicemen and indeed of the whole country. Michael Colton told me of the great shock experienced by the comrades when the news broke. He, himself, knew all those killed and had been having a few drinks with some of them the night before. Their bodies were received back in Dublin with such crowds as have probably not been seen since on the streets of the capital.

Another Irishman to die in the Congo was Sergeant Pat Mulcahy

D.S.M. He gives his name to a branch of the O.N.E. based in McKee Barracks. They intend to join in the Parade in Maynooth next year with the Cathal Brugha branch which places great value on invitation to march and is proud of its association with the Maynooth parade.

Next year when we see the O.N.E. at the head of our parade. We should give them an extra loud cheer. They have served this country well and have brought it nothing but honour and credit.

**Jim Cunningham.**



Members of Cathal Brugha Branch of O.N.E. from left:  
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The arrival in Ireland of Robert Fitz-Stephens gave new strength to MacMurrough. These reinforcements were professional fighters, cavalry of knights and esquires, mailed men-at-arms, and archers, Normans, Flemings and Welsh. Together Mac Murrough and FitzStephens took Wexford which, together with the promised two cantreds of land, was promptly handed over to FitzStephen for himself and Maurice FitzGerald who had not yet arrived in Ireland. Then they set out to restore Mac Murrough's authority in Leinster, which operation included ravaging Offelan and Omurethy, the lands of the O'Byrnes and the O'Tooles. At this stage O'Connor the High-King moved against MacMurrough and the result was a treaty by which Diarmait was to be allowed remain king of Leinster if he sent his Norman allies home. This he failed to do and then Maurice FitzGerald landed at Wexford at the end of 1169 to join his brother, bringing with him according to Giraldus, "ten men-at-arms, thirty mounted retainers and about a hundred archers and foot-soldiers."

Thus strengthened Diarmait began to think of making a bid for the High-Kingship himself. He discussed this with two Geraldines, FitzStephen and FitzGerald and seems to have offered to marry his daughter Aoife to either

one or the other. But they advised him to send for their overlord, the earl of Pembroke, Strongbow, and ask his help. Strongbow was impressed by the success of the Geraldines and made ready to come. He sent ahead his chosen lieutenant, still another Geraldine, Raymond le Gros, the son of Maurice's elder brother, William.

Raymond landed on the coast near Waterford in May 1170 with a small force of ten men-at-arms and seventy archers. While awaiting the arrival of Strongbow he was attacked by a large army of Irish and Norse from Waterford but Raymond's leadership inspired his men to victory. Raymond became probably the most outstanding military leader among the first wave of invaders and Giraldus has left us a description of him. As his nickname suggests he was "very stout and a little above the middle height; his hair was yellow and curly and he had large, grey, round eyes. His nose was rather prominent, his countenance high-coloured, cheerful and pleasant; and although he was somewhat corpulent, he was so lively and active that the incumbrance was not a blemish or inconvenience. Such was his care of his troops that he passed whole nights without sleep, going the rounds of the guards himself, and challenging the sentinels to keep them on the alert. . . ." Giraldus of course was somewhat partial to his cousins the Geraldines, but there seems to be a consensus of opinion that Raymond's victory at this point was decisive for the success of the invasion and so of course also for the subsequent history of Ireland. If he

had been defeated, Strongbow might never have come to Ireland and the invasion might have remained what it was up to this point, a Geraldine adventure which would probably have ended by their assimilation into the Gaelic race or their expulsion. Hence the old rhyme:

"At the creek of Baginbunne  
Ireland was lost and won."

At last Strongbow arrived near Waterford in August 1170 with an army of two hundred men-at-arms and one thousand other troops. Giraldus described him also but Strongbow was not a Geraldine and the picture is not as flattering as some of the others; "His complexion was somewhat ruddy, and his skin freckled; he had grey eyes, feminine features, a weak voice, and short neck." Strongbow and le Gros took Waterford together. MacMurrough, Aoife, FitzGerald and FitzStephen joined them and Strongbow and Aoife were married. Richard Roche, in *The Norman Invasion of Ireland*, pictures the "mail-clad Normans and their Flemish, Welsh and Irish allies cramming the aisles to catch a glimpse of the famed Strongbow and his bride."

The invasion now became a more serious affair with MacMurrough's Norman allies dictating the action. Together they took Dublin in spite of the efforts of O'Connor. Then MacMurrough died May 1171 leaving Strongbow as his heir to the kingship of Leinster. But as this legacy had no validity in Irish law Strongbow soon found the tribes of Leinster in revolt against him. Meanwhile the High-King was gathering an army and the recently expelled Norse king of Dublin



was attacking the city from the sea. Strongbow could not expect much help from England or Wales since his own overlord, Henry II of England, was displeased with him for ignoring his orders to return home. In fact Henry had decided to come to Ireland himself. He had for long been interested in the project and had taken the trouble to get Pope Adrian IV, an Englishman, to issue the famous Bull, *Laudabiliter*, in which he granted Ireland to Henry on condition that he undertake the reform of the Irish Church. But the real reason why he came now was his alarm at the success of his subjects in Ireland and his fear that they might set up an independent lordship. Strongbow hastened to make his peace with Henry before the royal expedition set sail. But the Geraldines were still a threat and Henry wanted the Irish to accept his authority also.

So Henry sailed for Ireland with the largest army yet. He brought 500 knights and 1,000 others, carried on a fleet of 240 ships, according to the Annals of the Four Masters, with huge amounts of bacon, beans, cheese, salt, wheat and oats to feed them all. They were to be kept clothed with 2,000 ells of grey woollen cloth while for the king there was scarlet and green cloth, silk and otter skins. Among the baggage also were 1,000 lbs. of wax for the sealing of letters and charters, and 569 lbs. of almonds! The mighty army achieved its purpose and did not have to fight even one battle. Everyone submitted to Henry, Geraldines and Irish, kings and hierarchy. He stayed in Ireland for six months, during which time he summoned the synod of Cashel to further ecclesiastical reform, gave Dublin a charter which granted the city to the men of Bristol, re-organised the Norman-occupied lands along feudal lines and set up an administrative machinery and a legal and legislative system as in England. And he kept in his own hands both Waterford and Wexford when he left Ireland in April 1172.

The success of the invasion so far had been mainly the work of the Geraldines. Now the king had stepped in and taken it over and reduced them and the other Normans to a subordinate position as his vassals. He had also taken Wexford, McMurrough's original bribe to Maurice FitzGerald and Robert FitzStephen. The Geraldines would have to look for new territories.

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Further details are available from Dr. Trevor Morrow (280987).

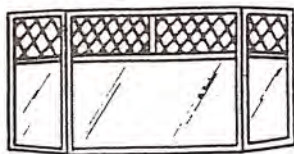
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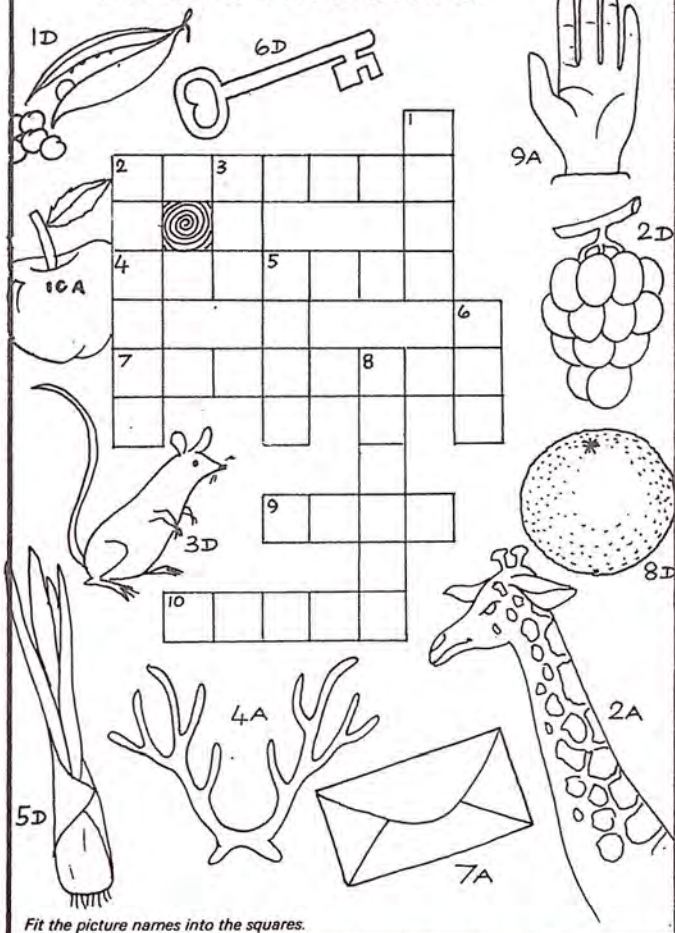
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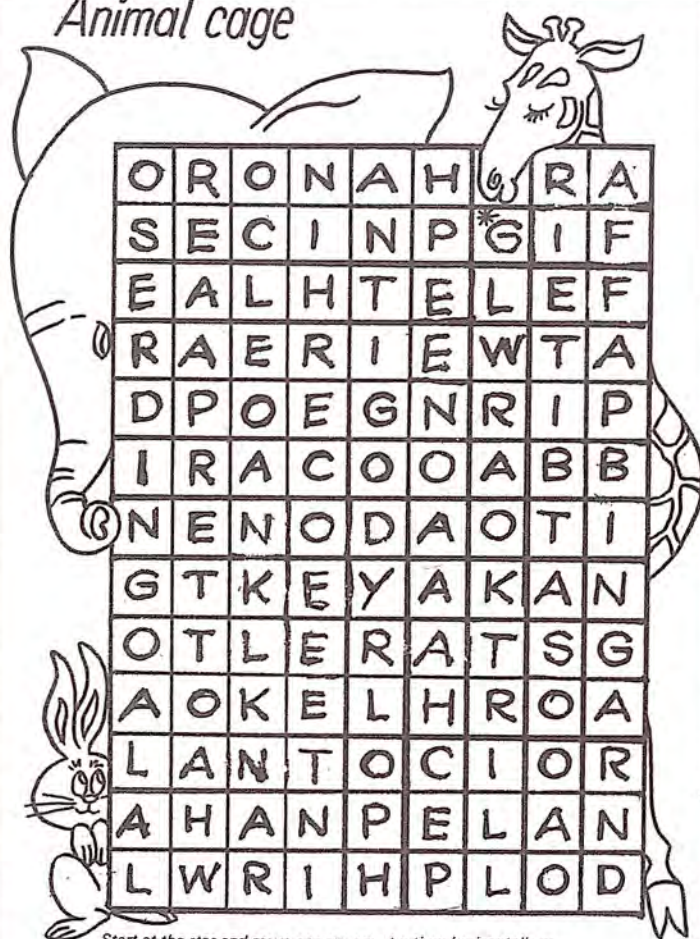
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# MAYNEWS MESSAGES

To Elaine, Sinead, Niamh.  
From Niamh O'Melia.  
Hope you had a great time in Beth-Ann's.

To all at "The Flat"  
From guess who.  
Glad to have met ye all — helped me have a good month in Maynooth.

To Anna Lisa Kealy  
From Jane and Andrea.  
Happy birthday on 18th April. Have a good day with exams and all.

To Kerry Clifford  
From a mad gothic.  
Happy birthday 1st May. 17 today.

To 2nd years in St. Wolstans.  
From Avril McStravick.  
Happy birthday Niamh, Hello to everyone. Cannot wait for Erasure.

To all my friends in St. Wolstans  
From an alternative studious person.  
Good luck in the Leaving. Don't study too hard.

To Hilary Donovan.  
From Anne Lyons and Rita Thompson.  
Congratulations with the baby.

To Jarleth & Bernadine  
From the staff in the Community Council Office  
Congratulations on your recent wedding.

To Dodo  
From Ann Lyons  
You're my special neighbour.

To Claire McTiernan  
From Rita Thompson  
Thanks for letting me go horse riding with you.

To Colette Nolan  
From Mum, Dad, Janet, Mary & Margaret  
Happy birthday on May 5th.

To Patrick Farrell  
From Sean Bennett  
Happy birthday.

To the Women's Soccer Club  
From Rita Thompson  
Good luck in the soccer.

To Carol Murray  
From Mary and Karen.  
Good luck in your exams.

To Declan Gaffney  
From enemy  
Buzz off.

To Tracy Horan  
From Mary Nolan.  
Happy birthday.

To Mammy  
From Ann.  
Your loving daughter.

To Emea from Niamh.  
Keep the good running up.

To Fiona Lynch  
From Niall Eddery.  
I love you.

To Michael and Derek Hanley  
From Brendan  
Hope you do well in your exams

To Sandie Foy  
From Nanny.  
Happy birthday on 12th May.

To Bernadine and Chas  
From Kate Ruddy.  
Wish you luck and good wishes.

To Muireann Ni Bhrolchain  
From Eithne Cunningham  
Happy birthday.

To my grandson Luke  
From Granny May  
Wishing you all the best.

To all the girls  
From all the guy's.  
Best of luck in the exams to Theresa, Monica, Sonia, Ruth, Bernie, and Hilda. See you back in Autumn.

To Brenda McNamee  
From Ann Lyons.  
I hope you are well. Love Ann.

To Miss Kathleen Creggy  
From Susie your sister.  
Although we fight, I will still love you.

To Eileen Ruddy  
From Kate Ruddy  
Hope your back is better soon Mam.

To 5th class room 15  
From Sarah Healy.  
Have a good tour and enjoy yourselves while I will be on holidays.

To Niamh O'Melia  
From Oliver Nevin.  
Please I love you. Will you go with me. Oliver.

To Rathcoffey 5th class girls.  
From Clare Kennedy  
Good luck in the coming year. Hi.

To Dympna  
From Gordon Read.  
You are the best person in the world.

To all my relations  
From Damien and Johnathon Thynne.  
Best relations.

To Suzanne Higgins  
From Avril McStravick  
Happy 14th birthday from your best friend Avril.

To Susan Adderly, 105 Rail Park  
From the Durham family, Celbridge.  
Every blessing and good wishes on your First Holy Communion.



# MAYNEWS MESSAGES

To Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin  
From Eithne Cunningham  
Thank you for all the things you have  
done for me.

To 5th class girls, Rathcoffey N.S.  
From Clare Kennedy.  
Good luck in everything you do this  
year.

To the 6th class girls, Rathcoffey N.S.  
From Jennifer Murphy.  
Have a lovely Confirmation day.

To all Leaving Certs in Maynooth  
From Kerry.  
Good luck in exams and remain for-  
ever immature.

To everyone that works at the News-  
letter  
From Niamh.  
I love the great work you are doing.  
Keep it up.

To Audrey and Ashlinn  
From Tanya.  
Hope you had a great time at the  
Trade Fair.

To Finola Gallagher  
From Mammy, Daddy, brothers and  
sisters.  
Happy birthday on May 7th.

To Norrie  
From Aunt Rosie  
No wonder the paper is in such a  
state. Love from R.

To class 3  
From Damian  
Best dossers i.e. Dermot Tobin,  
Robert Miller.

To the sensitive psycopath who seeks  
feminine comfort for two nights. Con-  
tact P.O. box 2241 immediately.

To Mrs. Creggy  
From your loving daughter Suesie.  
Mam I will always love you.

To Mam and Dad  
From Padraig Ward  
Hello and best wishes.

To Neva and Maria.  
From big sis.  
Don't study too hard.

To Padraig Ward  
From Niamh O'Melia  
You are dead.

To Karen Kehoe  
From Patrick Ryan.  
I'm crazy over you. Bye.

To Leonora  
From Damian Flynn  
Happy birthday.

To Mary Bennett  
From Sean Bennett  
Good luck in your exams.

To Dermot from Damian.  
Nice knowing you.

To Norah  
From all the family  
Happy birthday on 31/5/88.

To Mom and Dad  
From Killian McCarthy.  
Thanks for such a great  
Easter.

To Niamh O'Melia  
From Tanya.  
Hoped you liked the Trade  
Fair.

To Caoimhe O'Sullivan  
From Padraig Ward.  
I am happy to go with you.  
I love you.

To Christopher  
From Eric.  
I hope you have a happy  
birthday.

To Kinchie and Claners and all the  
fellas.  
From your good friends in Maynooth.  
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nooth.  
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To Michelle and Jennifer  
From Caitriona  
Have a lovely confirmation.

To the 5th class of the Boy's National  
school  
From James Healy, Brendan Hanley  
and Francis Murray.  
Have a good summer and tour.

To Brenda Kearney  
From Matt and Liz, Matthew and  
Margaret.  
Happy birthday 3 yrs on 8th April.

To Rathcoffey 6th class girls.  
From Caitriona  
Good luck to everybody for the mil-  
lennium year.

To Liam Cummins  
From Mike Kennedy  
I put this in at the Trade Fair in  
Maynooth 17/4/88.

To all the boys in 3rd class in  
Rathcoffey  
From Mike Kennedy  
I wrote this at the Maynooth Trade  
Fair.

To all in room 16, Maynooth N.G.S.  
From Niamh.  
Wish you all the best in your new  
schools.

To the 5th and 6th class in Boy's  
National School  
From James Healy.



## MAYNEWS MESSAGES

To the Scouts, Aidsens and all who helped in the shop and Community Council stands.

Thanks — you're all great. Couldn't do it without you.

Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin,

To Georgina & Audrey

From Kate Ruddy

You're my best friends and always will be.

To Maynooth Brownies

From Brown Owl

I am proud of you all. Keep up the good work.

To Rachel

From Mammy, Daddy and Eithne.

Happy birthday, even if it's late.

To Mary & Freddie O'Melia

From Niamh

Hope business blossomed at the Trade Fair.

To Kitty Thompson

From Rita Thompson

Hope you see better days and live to be 100.

To Gillian Power

From Padraic Flood

I love you. You are lovely. My true love.

To Grace Kelly

From Eric Flynn

I love you. Will you go with me.

To Rita Thompson

From Rita Thompson

Hope you are well and live to see 100.

To the 5th class in the girls school

From Sarah Healy.

To Claire O'Connor

From Rita Thompson

Please continue to play with me.

To Janine Curran

From Nicola Doyle and Sarah Healy.

Hope you have a great tour and see you after our holidays.

To Dad with best wishes

From your loving daughter Susie Creggy

I will always love you dad even though you hit me.

To Clare McTernan

From Ann Lyons

I will play football with you in the summer.

To Granny McKeown

With love from Suesi

I love you and I miss you when you go home.

To Karen Keogh

From Nicola Doyle and Sarah Healy.

Hope you have a great holiday.

## MAYNOOTH SPRING TRADE FAIR

### TRADE FAIR

The Trade Fair Committee would like to thank all who made the Trade Fair so successful. The Exhibitors were pleased with the very large attendance. Unfortunately we did not have time to write up a full report for this edition but you can read all about it next month.

### GRAND DRAW RESULTS

1st Prize — Erin Food Hamper

Winner: Ann O'Connor, 34 Beechpark, Lucan.

2nd Prize — £20 Voucher from Bright Paints

Winner: Rosaleen Connolly, c/o Encyclopaedia Britannica.

3rd Prize — £20 Voucher from F.M.K. Casuals

Winner: Feilim Guinan, 27 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth.

4th Prize — Bottle Whiskey from Quinnswoth and £5 Voucher from Step N Style

Winner: Eileen Haurigan, 289 Ryevale Lawns, Leixlip.

5th Prize — £10 Voucher from Maynooth Jewellers.

Winner: Catherine Leonard, Hortland, Donadea.

6th Prize — £10 Voucher from Shades Winner: Yvonne McCarron, 2 Greenfield, Maynooth.

7th Prize — Perfume from Conroys Chemists and £5 Voucher from Hula Bou

Winner: Helen Mullaly (Phone No. 285061).

8th Prize — Book from Henry Cahill and £5 Voucher from Carlton Cleaners.

Winner: Liam Tyndall, c/o Everglaze Limited.

9th Prize — £25 Voucher from Hawk-eye Cleaning Services

Winner: Patrick J. Monaghan, 43 Maynooth Park, Maynooth.

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## TIDY TOWNS

The Tidy Towns committee has distinguished itself again — well, it has distinguished itself! All other interests were content with a single stand at the Trade Fair but not so, Tidy Towns. We, who are interested in outer and inner cleanliness, had our funereal despondent looking Big Bin (symbol of the most shunned items in Maynooth) parked outside in the yard while inside, in Room 12, we had our cheerful, colourful, challenging display, drawing attention to a shameful side of Maynooth. Will it have any effect? Who knows? Our effort last year doesn't seem to have

had any great influence on people's behaviour, anyhow, and by the appearance of Maynooth streets at 6 o'clock on the Monday morning after the Trade Fair, there's scant evidence that the habits of a lifetime are going to be displaced without a struggle.

A word of thanks to Bord Fáilte and the Department of the Environment (5 Wilton Place) for materials and cheerful encouragement.

Tidy Towns workers; Fionan Hardiman, Richard Farrell, Matt Callaghan (Artistic planners of our stand), Matt Gargan and Joan Lennon.

Gabriel Martin, P.R.O.

## POST PRIMARY SCHOOL MAYNOOTH

### BANK OF IRELAND PROJECT WIN

Congratulations to a team from the Post-Primary School Maynooth who won the junior Educational section of this competition. The team was comprised of Grainne Coughlan, Fiona Lynch, Peter Cassells and Robert Byrne. Their project entitled "Education in Maynooth — a Unique experience" set out to show how special a place like Maynooth is from the educational point of view — all three levels of education are available here thus reducing the cost factor considerably.

The girls and boys win a weekend in the Tara Towers hotel during which they will have a night out at the Abbey Theatre and a bowling session in Stillorgan. We wish them a most enjoyable and interesting weekend. Well done!

Second year students go off to Delphi Adventure Centre in Co. Mayo for a 4 day break in the wilds.

National chemistry week was marked by 100 of our students attending a lecture in Maynooth College by Dr. M. Mc Cann on "Chemistry is Every where" and when you think of it, its true!

The 24-hour fast fund has now reached £1300 and very shortly it will be distributed to worthy charities. Many thanks to all who participated, particularly 1st year leaving cert students who organised the different activities. I suppose Fr Thynne had better get a mention. Well done!

Mr Dunne and Misses Mc Loughlan and Mannion had a very enjoyable trip to the Wicklow mountains recently with a group of 1st year students. All returned safely — tired and muddy but safe. How about that for social development.



Tidy Town's Stand, Trade Fair —  
Richard Farrell and Matt Callaghan.



## BOB'S KITCHEN

### Devilled Chicken

4 oz butter or margarine  
2 tablespoon chutney  
1 teaspoon mustard powder  
pinch cayenne pepper  
salt and garlic salt  
1 small cooked chicken  
3 oz soft breadcrumbs.

Cream 3 oz of the butter or margarine, add the chutney, mustard powder, cayenne pepper a little salt and the garlic salt to taste. Cut the chicken into joints. Spread the creamed mixture over one side of the joints and place in an ovenproof dish. Top with the breadcrumbs. Melt the remaining butter or margarine and pour round the chicken joints. Do not cover the dish. Bake above the centre of a moderately hot oven. 200°C/400°F or Gas Mark 6 for 25 to 30 minutes.

### Duckling Americaine

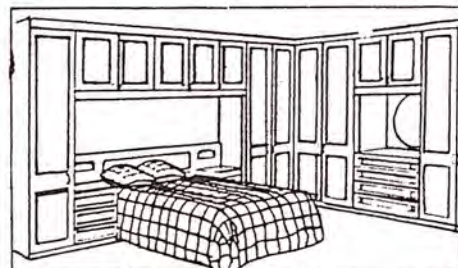
1 duckling sufficient for four portions  
— roasted but not completely cooked  
1 tablespoon french mustard  
1 ½ oz butter, melted  
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

Cut the duck down the middle, then remove both leg joints to make four portions. Blend the french mustard with the butter and the Worcestershire sauce. Brush the skin side with the butter mixture and cook under a pre-heated grill until very hot. Serve with a Tomato Sauce.

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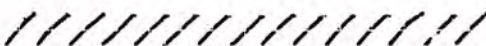
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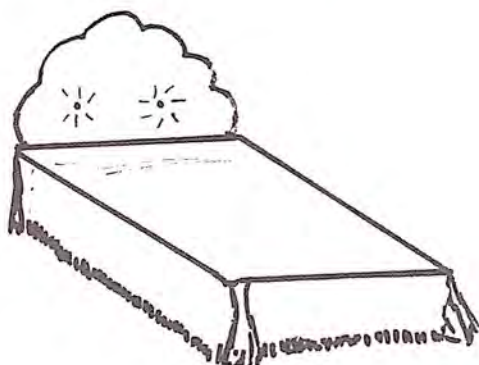
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## LUCAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The new Presbyterian Church at Lucan, Co. Dublin, designed by Hamilton Young & Associates, Architects, replaces and extends the accommodation provided by the original church which stood on the same site.

The brief set out by the committee as representing the needs of the growing Presbyterian Community to the area was straight forward:

1. A larger church to hold upwards of 200 people;
2. A new Sunday school to double as a meeting hall with kitchen facilities;
3. A meeting room/library;
4. A vestry, small creche and toilet facilities.

Its resolution however presented a considerable design and contextual challenge to the architects.

The old church, which dated from 1878, was typical of many Presbyterian churches of that time around the country. It was built of a Dolphins Barn stock brick in neo-Gothic style with smooth red and Staffordshire blue decorative brick bands, steep pitched roof, exposed King trusses and Dutch stained glass. A special feature of the church was the gravelled forecourt which, by breaking the building line of the terraced houses

at either side, created a pleasant semi-enclosed entrance space off the Main Street. The original church seated approximately 60 people and used most of the rear half of the rectangular site.

As the original church formed an important part of the architecture of Lucan village, total demolition was not considered. Preliminary planning and spatial studies indicated that by retaining the entrance court and main facade and rebuilding the church with an increased span, its capacity could be substantially increased with an extra 120 sq. metres of accommodation on two storeys at the rear of the site.

Detailed discussions with the planners for the area took place and also contact was made with local conservation groups and at the end of these the architect's imaginative plans were approved by all interested parties.

The space formed by the church follows the datum set by the existing steeply pitched entrance gable. The new side wings are formed by three dormer roofs at right angles to the main roof which maintain an acceptable head height as the main beams sweep down towards the floor. The

roof structure is formed of a system of steel beams and purlins in three bays which are supported on the new side walls. The introduction of a ridge beam reduces the outward thrust at the eaves, thus reducing the weight of the structure. This gives a light "floating" effect to the roof. The side walls comprise a series of three gables with arched windows which take their proportions from those of the main facade.

The line of the roof carries through to the rear of the building where the ancillary accommodation is housed in two storeys. The span is reduced however and the walls set back to produce a standard single storey eaves level. This set back, in addition to accommodating the splayed building line of Hanbury Lane, defines externally the extent of the main volume and reflect the transition in scale from public building to the two-storey ancillary section behind and then to the single-storey brick cottages on the lane.

Heating is by a gas-fired boiler and is zoned to allow partial use at any time and the meeting room is provided with a radiant gas heater. Both the church and all ancillary rooms are naturally entiled.

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When the committee briefed Stuart Hamilton they asked that the finishes in the church be warm, homely and simple. To provide the atmosphere required, the ceiling is finished in diagonally laid TG & V pine sheeting in panels with beams and purlins clearly expressed. The remaining joinery work is in hardwood. The dais furniture, table, pulpit and chairs, was designed by the architects and specially made up in solid and veneered oak. A single hardwood rail runs around the walls at the springing level of the main beams which gives a human scale to the main body of the church. The gable wall behind the dais is emphasised by a second higher rail which forms an inverted V at the centre of the space and houses a screen for visual presentations at one side. The walls are plastered and painted in soft white and the floor is finished in blue pin dot carpet. The stackable interlocking seating is made up of laminated beech with blue upholstered seats and backs to match the carpet. The stained glass in the six arched side windows takes its inspiration from the colours and proportions of the original gable windows which have been retained and carefully repaired.

Externally, a stock brick was chosen to match as closely as possible the original brick and the plinth and banding details are carried through from the main facade. The new structure is separated from the old by the two glazed panels to the front of the church which define the new side wings. The roof is finished in a natural slate and decorative clay ridge tile.

The gravelled forecourt has been brought back to its original state with the upgrading of the boundary walls and front railings and the only indication from the street of the enormous changes behind is the extended roof line which floats over the two glazed panels to rest on the new buttresses at either side.

#### DESIGN TEAM:

##### Architects

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Project Architect:  
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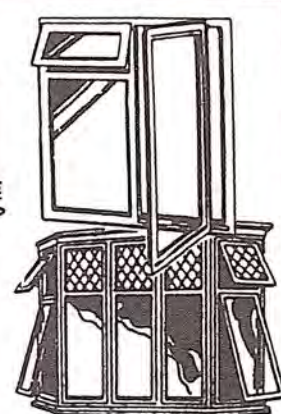


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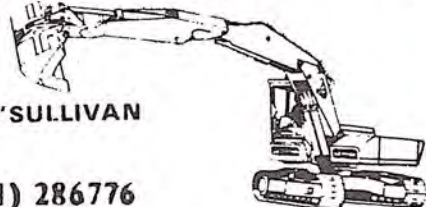
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## FEMSCAN

Maura Murphy of Rowanstown Stud is one of the committee members organising Femscan, a voluntary body which has set itself the target of raising £500,000 to provide a mobile breast-screening unit to aid in the early detection and cure of breast cancer. The organisation was started early this year and officially launched on April 7th at the Mansion House.

Dismayed at the high incidence of breast cancer — one in thirteen women will develop it — and having its effects brought home to her when someone she knew suffered from it, Maura and a few others decided to do something positive about it. On the advice of an expert in the field, it seemed that a travelling Mammographic Unit, containing all the equipment necessary for carrying out mammograms, was the first requisite. Mammography offers a safe, low-dose X-ray examination which can

detect cancer in the earliest stages, so that treatment is possible and unnecessary death can be avoided.

Femscan is working in conjunction with the Mater Foundation, which provides the necessary back-up in administrative and medical procedures. However, the money is being raised through voluntary subscription, and the target sum is sufficient to acquire the unit and to service it for three years with skilled staff. Such breast-screening units as exist in the country at the moment are attached to hospitals and under-utilised; a mobile unit, as is borne out by the experience of other countries, can travel to where it is needed and provide a service to women throughout the country. Among the patrons of the Femscan project who have pledged their support are Marian Finucane, Olivia O'Leary, Michelle Rocca, Gillian Bowler, the wives of the various party leaders, and, as President, Maeve Hillery. If you want further information or can offer help,

contact Maura Murphy at 286267. And watch out for the Femscan stand at the Spring Show.

## POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah and Maria McMyler have qualified to compete in the All Ireland Competition of the Accordion in Malahide at the end of the month.

Sarah contests the Higher Junior Solo section of Classical Music and both Sarah and Maria are competitors in the Irish traditional section. Leonora Naughton also finished with an Honours Certificate (86%) in the traditional Music section.

Sharon Mooney — Traditional also competes in the All Ireland Traditional.



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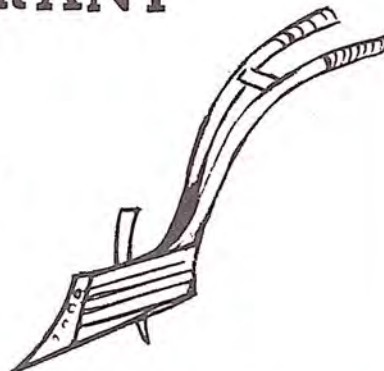
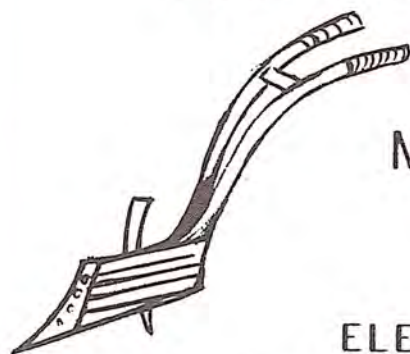


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## MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

### ISLE OF MAN 88 – SOCCER INTERNATIONAL

The Club entered this competition for the first time this year and all concerned were very pleased with the result. The team from Maynooth were as follows: Sam Feeney, Leni Murphy, Terry Moore, Ollie Durack, Noel Dempsey, Phillip Doyle, Brian McCall, Willie Saults, Paki Doohan, Dessie Farrell, Paul Gibney who joined us on the island from London. The supporters were Maura Feeney, Cha Farrelly and Liam McCall. The group left Maynooth on Holy Thursday and arrived in Douglas at 11.45 p.m. We were met at the hotel by the owner, Arthur Powell.

All during our stay Arthur and his wife Lynn, his sister-in-law Irene and indeed any persons whom we met were very friendly and helpful, and made our stay very pleasant.

Our first game was for 11.15 a.m. Friday morning, but as luck has it we got a walk over so that gave our lads a

## SPORTS NEWS

chance to rest after travelling the night before. Our next game was at 3.30 p.m. Friday afternoon against a Liverpool Club "Marsh House". They seemed very confident and fit but our lads soon put an end to that by beating them 3—2. Our goal scorers were Willie Saults, Leni Murphy, Terry Moore, one each. This win put our lads in good form and looking forward to the next game which was at 10.30 a.m. the next morning against "Hillington", a London club and was a very fast moving game and again we were lucky enough to win. This time the score was 4—3 and the scorers were Paki Doohan, Ollie Durack, Brian McCall, Noel Dempsey. This really put the boys on a high and wanted to paint the Isle of Man any colour, but took things easy for our next game was that afternoon.

The next club we met was Ipswich and all I can say is the others won, but it was a great game and the final score was 5—4 and would have been 6—4 if not for Sam Feeney who made a brilliant save from a penalty. Our scorers were Phillip Doyle, Paul Gibney, Dessie Farrell (2). So now we got down to the task in hand of having a good time and everyone did just that.

So in the end everything went well at this early stage we are looking forward to next year and a return visit to the **Isle of Man Soccer International**.

**THANKS TO ALL CONCERNED**

### Dalton Cup:

Maynooth 3  
Yellowstone 0

A fine performance by the Town who advanced to the next round with goals from Dessie Farrell (2) and John Nolan (1).

### Premier Sunday:

Maynooth 1  
Cashelville Rangers 1

A tough match in which both teams spared no effort in trying to get both points. Cashelville scored in the first half and despite continued pressure from Maynooth they held that lead until 10 minutes to go when Dessie Farrell got the Maynooth equaliser.

### Premier Sunday:

Maynooth 1  
Palmerstown 1

A close match with both sides having periods of supremacy. In the last half hour Maynooth dominated and were rewarded with a fine goal from Phillip Doyle.

### Division 1 B Sunday:

Elm Rovers 2  
Maynooth 3

A fine away win for Maynooth. Goals from Nico Farrell and Martin Foy won this hard fought encounter.

### Photograph of Soccer Team

Back Row — Left to right.

Brian McCall, Sam Feeney, Lenny Murphy, Paki Doohan, Ollie Durack, Noel Dempsey.

Front Row — Left to right.

Terry Moore, Willie Saults, Phillip Doyle, Dessie Farrell, Paul Gibney.





## TAE KWON DO

Translated literally, Tae Kwon Do means "Art Of Hand And Foot Fighting". It was not until 1955 that the name Tae Kwon Do was given by its founder General Choi Hong Hi — 9th degree. One decade later General Choi launched the International Tae Kwon Do Federation in 1966 by sending his masters to teach all over the world.

One of these was Master Rhee Ki Ha — 8th degree.

When Mr. Rhee Ki Ha, 8th Dan, OCM, decided to introduce Tae Kwon Do to Ireland, he looked for a solid foundation. This he found in the group of men whose loyalty, perseverance and sheer hard work has made the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association (RITA) the success it is today.

The R.I.T.A. was officially opened on the 27th May 1972 and achievements to date include the establishment of 21 schools throughout the country.

To ensure high standards, schools are only established when qualified instructors are available from among the black belt members.

One of the younger schools is Maynooth. Situated in the Parish Hall, this school has been in existence for 2 years. During that time a high standard of Tae Kwon-Do has been achieved. We have just recently had our first green belt members graded and passed by Mr. Robert Howard 5th degree and chairman of the R.I.T.A.

And now we look forward to the National Championships where our members, both junior and senior will be competing.

Maynooth is the first R.I.T.A. school in Co. Kildare and its instructors are Mr. T. McIvor — 2nd degree and Mr. M. Devereaux — 1st degree.

Inter tournaments are a regular feature within the Association. For those in search of thrills, excitement and a demonstration of the power and practical efficiency of Tae Kwon-Do as a self defence art, it would be hard to beat the Annual Irish Open Championships.

The flourishing success of Tae Kwon-Do in Ireland would not have been possible were it not for the dedication to training and the sacrifice of time to instruction made by men, who, together with Mr. Rhee, founded for us the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association.

P.R.O. Mr. Peter Byrne.

## MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

It proved to be quite a successful day for the club, at the road races in Dunboyne on Easter Sunday. GU/10 Ciara Power 7th, Josephine Gallagher 9th, Virginia Breslin 12th. GU/12 Emma McCluskey 8th, Patricia Purcell 10th, Aisling Redmond 14th. GU/14 Fiona Redmond 6th. The girls U/16 proved very exciting with Carmel Noonan and Lisa McCluskey running side by side in the early part of the race. In the final 200 metres Carmel Noonan went ahead to have a clear win with Lisa McCluskey 2nd and delighted to see Catherine Gleeson among the prizewinners finishing 9th.

In the Ladies O/35 Patsy McCluskey ran her usual good race and came 2nd. Helen Redmond 4th and Marie Gleeson finishing well. Sara Breslin had a good run in the Junior Ladies race. Vet men O/40: Liam McNamee 2nd, Brian Redmond 4th. O/45: Peter Keegan 3rd.

The following Wednesday evening

was the Dublin Millennium Festival of Road Races in Merrion Square. Again we had a number of successes with prizes for the first 10 Juveniles. GU/12: Emma McCluskey 7th, Aisling Redmond 12th. GU/14 Fiona Redmond 12th. GU/16: Once again we had a very close race with Carmel Noonan just getting 3rd place and Lisa McCluskey 4th. Vet Ladies O/30: Helen Redmond had a very good run here and finished 3rd with Margaret Noonan and Marie Gleeson. These ladies won 1st club team.

Vet Men O/40: Liam McNamee was a winner for us here with Brian Redmond 3rd and Pat Maher 4th. They also received 1st club medals. Tony Callaghan and Peter Keegan also took part. Daragh Callaghan ran a good race in the Junior mens competition.

The club would like to thank everyone who bought tickets for their recent Grand National Draw. Your support was much appreciated.

B. Tracey.

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## MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

There was a big turn out at Maynooth G.A.A. dinner dance held in Johnstownbridge on Saturday night 16th April. Mick Gillick, Club Chairman welcomed all and thanked the organising committee for their efforts. He had a special welcome for Killian Fagan, last years brilliant county minor footballer who had a serious car accident earlier this year.

Pat Dunny, County Board Chairman, in a long address, said he appreciated the work being done by the Maynooth Club. The contribution and commitment by two Maynooth players Pascal Ennis and Killian Fagan to the Kildare minor team last year was there for all to see.

If the present level of commitment and hard work within the club is maintained, success on the playing field is not far away. The night was rounded off by some dancing and a good time was had by all.

Spot prizes which were very much appreciated were contributed by the following:

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Liam Doyle, Kilcock.  
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Donovan's Newsagent.  
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Michael Caden, P.R.O.

## MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

Our 1988 Golfing Season got off to a great start with our first Outing to the Heath Golf Club, Portlaoise on March 26th last. Although played in very windy conditions which resulted in low scoring, the Golf Course itself was in excellent condition for the time of year. Our sincere thanks to Mr. George Hinds (Society Secretary) and the Catering Staff for the excellent facilities and meals provided on the day.

The Outing to the Heath was very generously sponsored by FOSTERS. On behalf of the Committee and Members of the Society I would like to thank Fosters Area Representative, Mr. Richard Glynn for the sponsorship and for presenting the Prizes and joining in the fun in Caulfield's Lounge that night. It was very much appreciated by all concerned and I would like to take this opportunity to wish Richard every success in his business for the future.

Congratulations are due to the Overall Winner, Eamon Ledwith (14) 33 and indeed to the rest of the prize winners listed below.

### 1st Outing The Heath March 26th

#### RESULTS

**1st Overall:**  
E. Ledwith (14) 33 (on back 9)

**2nd Overall:**  
J. McKeown (18) 33

**CLASS 1**  
1st: J. Moore (13) 28  
2nd: R. Delamere (12) 24  
3rd: J. Ryan (13) 22

**CLASS 2**  
1st: M. Dempsey (16) 30  
2nd: J. Downey (16) 30  
3rd: H. Carty (14) 29

**CLASS 3**  
1st: M. Hall (21) 31  
2nd: W. Coughlan (18) 30  
3rd: T. Sheehan (18) 28

**FRONT 9**  
S. Laheen (17) 15

**BACK 9**  
J. Kelly (17) 15

**VISITORS**  
G. Young 30

The Draw for the '88 Matchplay Competition was held on the day and is as follows:

M. Dempsey 16 J. Kelly 17 ... Bye  
M. Hall 21 N. O'Halloran 11 ... Bye

G. Ledwith 12 R. Boland 16  
J. Murray 16 W. Coughlan 18

G. Fitzgerald 16 L. Ledwith 3  
T. Sheehan 18 S. Tracey 18

H. Carty 14 E. Ledwith 14  
J. Downey 16 D. Casey 16

S. Feeney 16 J. Moore 13  
J. McKeown 18 G. McTiernan 17

R. Delamere 12 T. Ledwith 17  
S. Laheen 17 E. Mara 17

L. Farrelly 12 T. Wade 7  
D. Nyland 23 P. Brazil 38

We will be back from our Weekend Outing to Dingle on April 29/30th by the time this month's edition of the Newsletter is issued so a full report will appear in the June edition with regard to same and we look forward to our next Outing to the Curragh on May 28th.

Sean Tracey.  
Hon. Secretary.

### SYMPATHY

The Committee and Members of Maynooth Golfing Society would like to express their deepest sympathy to the wife, sons and daughter of the late Mr. Tom Moore of Straffan Rd., Maynooth.

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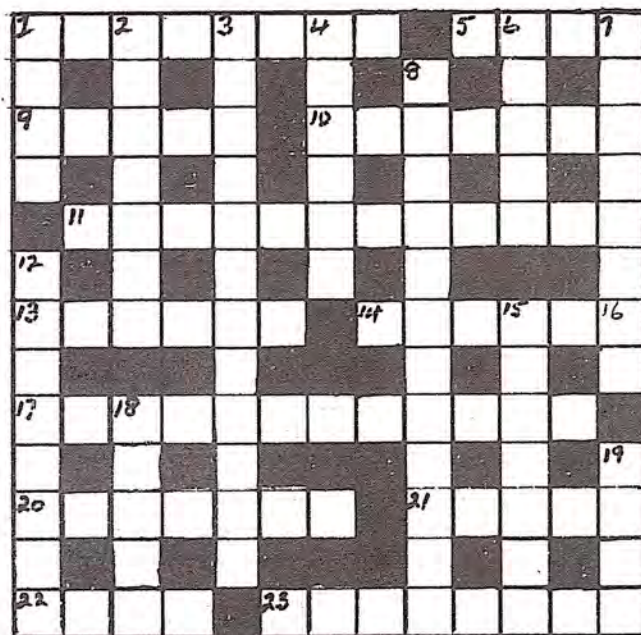


Across

1. Interfering person makes an active corpse (8)
5. Of ten this is five, following after Harold (4)
9. Travel about eight miles for clean out! (5)
10. Unjust description of brunette (3,4)
11. Material doubter lost his head and the castle (6,6)
13. Ten of these in one (6)
14. Deb at a dance eased off (6)
17. Serve up as selected in Kehoe's (12)
20. Twelve o'clock, twenty-four hours after a number on (7)
21. I get embraced by backward tart - that's characteristic (5)
22. Pees in the wrong direction? It may well ooze through like this (4)
23. Pale poxy outrage may result an attack of this (8)

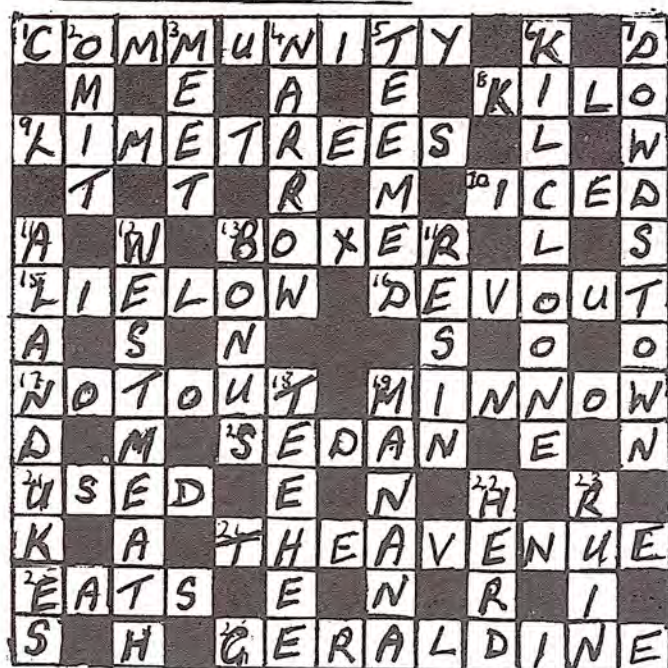
Down

1. Put money on rear (4)
2. Provides a platform for training in Maynooth (7)
3. Choke debater to decipher message (5,3,4)
4. Noise and spilt gin makes for eating (6)
6. Fright may ring incessantly on wall of house (5)
7. Shoot team to get warm here (8)
8. Here Aidan puts the boats out (2,3,3,4)
12. Ten taken in by studs swell Maynooth population (8)
15. Maynooth Castle marked edge of this bucket, by the sound of it (3,4)
18. Don't get uptight - there's a toilet to the south-east (5)
19. Why is Kildare like the leg of a man's trousers: Because it has this place in it (4)



No correct entries for No. 5, so try this one! Entries to Newsletter by May 16th. £5.00 Prize

Solution to NO. 5



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# MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

## ENTRY FORM 1988

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AGE GROUP U/ \_\_\_\_\_ NOTE: MUST be under age on 31/7/88

### EVENTS

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

Walk 1500 m	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 Fads	U/12 Boys	U/14 Girls
1500 m	U/16	Boys/Girls
1000 m	U/16	Boys/Girls
H Jump	U/16	Boys/Girls
Discus	U/16	Boys
Javelin	U/17	Girls
100 m	U/17	Boys/Girls
Marathon	U/17	5000 m Girls   10,000 m Boys

### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's signature \_\_\_\_\_

- Notes
1. Art Competition, April 30th, Post-Primary School, from 10am. - 1 p.m.
  2. Local games will take place on 15th May in G.A.A. grounds, 12p.m.
  3. Gymnastics competition will take place 19th May, Parish Hall, 4.30 p.m.
  4. Swimming competition will take place 22nd May, Stewarts Hospital, 5 p.m.
  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 and Gymnastics.
  6. Forms to be returned by 29th April 1988 (Every competitor must fill in and return form if taking part in Swimming, Art, Athletics, Gymnastics)

Forms may be returned to any of the following

Norah McDermott, Community Council offices, Main Street (9-5p.m.)

E. O'Malley, 5 Laurences Avenue, Maynooth

A. Cotter, 49 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

P. Hanley, 8 Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

P. Mc Loughlin, 64 Cluain Aoibhirn, Maynooth.



## OLD PEOPLES COMMITTEE

The party in the Divine Word on Sunday 10th April saw a number of the ladies in their Easter Bonnets. Mr Noel Dalton was the judge and the following were awarded prizes:

Most original: Mrs Payne.  
Most springlike: Mrs Tracey.  
Most picturesque: Mrs Barnwall.  
Dollylike: Mrs Leavy.  
Bunniest: Mrs Bennett.  
Most fashionable: Mrs O'Reilly.  
Most colourful: Mrs Waldron.  
Most original: Mrs Canavan.  
Most elegant: Mrs Farrelly.  
Prettiest: Mrs Brady.  
Most demure: Mrs Burke.  
Daintiest: Mrs Walsh.  
Sense of Style: Mrs Reilly.

They were ably entertained as usual by Josie and Kevin with a guest appearance by "Monica Carr". Also Elaine Bean and the Accordion Band.

To date the amount raised at our annual collection is £932.86. There are crafts and cards on Tuesday morning and Bingo on Thursday mornings in the I.C.A. hall. All welcome.

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Perhaps P. Kennedy's car was stolen and the contents emptied out as it is very unlikely that anyone would purposely empty confidential company documents on the side of the road, or is it?

If the papers are not removed within a week, we will contact Grants of Ireland to inform them.

### LEAVING AND INTER CERTS

By the time this goes to print the 'mock' Leaving and Intermediate Certificate exams will be over and the real agonizing worry will begin. Just remember that this time next year you will be sympathising with the present 5th years. All things pass

with time (no pun intended) and you can only do your best. We wish you all the best in June.

### SCHOOL TRIP

2nd year post-primary pupils visited Killary Harbour, Mayo, on Monday 25th April for a few days and the trip will be repeated for the 1st years on May 25th to 28th. Hopefully the sun will shine and they will all come home with suntans.

Congratulations to the 2nd years in St. Wolstans who came third in the Slogadh All Ireland Competitions held in Ennis on 5th-6th April.

Congratulations to Eamonn McKeogh 119 Rail Park on winning the P.D. umbrella at the Trade Fair, and to Fidelma McKeogh on winning the microwave.

Congratulations are due to the North Kildare Juniors on becoming runners up in the Leinster Championships. This is the first time in the history of North Kildare Club. Well done lads.

EYE HEAR cont overleaf

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## EYE HEAR

Two yobbos were spotted on Tuesday 25th April at 11.50p.m. doing their best to destroy the sign for the train on the footbridge on the Straffan road. They were seen and recognised...  
**BEWARE**

Back from New York after an eight-week residency with the prestigious New Dramatists there is local writer Clairr O'Connor. It has been an active and productive session and apart from the staged readings of her work which took place there, various projects have been set up for later this year. Clairr also gave funded readings of her poetry in New York.

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Happy birthday to my mother, Mrs. Mary Sherry, 25 Leinster Cottages, May 5th and also her great grandchild, Sandie Foy, 1253 Coarse More, Straffan, May 12th, from Paddy Bernie and Family.

### BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Pat Burke, Newtown 19 yrs. April 14  
Ted Connelly, Greenfield. April 14  
Gerry Quinn, Greenfield. 15 yrs April 17, his brother Eric, Greenfield 11 yrs April 19

Mrs. Mary Traynor, Greenfield April 19

Gearoid Mac Teigrnain, Sraid Parson April 18

Terry Dunne, Greenfield May 3

Sandra Moran, Greenfield May 9

Also her sister Michelle who celebrates her 21st birthday on May 17 with a party in the Leinster Arms from family and friends very best wishes to both from Mom, Dad and brother Darren.

### THE TWINS

Special birthday greetings to Joanne and John McElhinney, Leinster Arms who celebrated their 16th birthday April 7th. A party attended by hosts of friends was held in Slims Disco. Special birthday cake for the occasion was made by chef Frank of the Leinster Arms.

Happy birthday to Colette Nolan, May 5th from Mum, Dad, Janet, Mary and Margaret.

## DEATHS

We wish to extend our sympathy to Mrs. Ins Hildebrand and family of Rail Park on the death of her mother.

### SYMPATHY

Sympathy to the Shannon family of Rail Park on the death of Joan's mother.

To Mrs. Jim McDermott, The Square on the death of her sister also to Mr. Arthur Kearney, Leinster Park, on the death of his brother.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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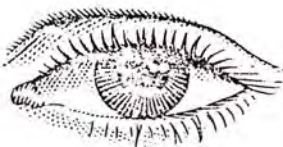
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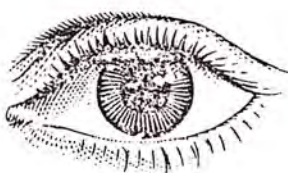
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