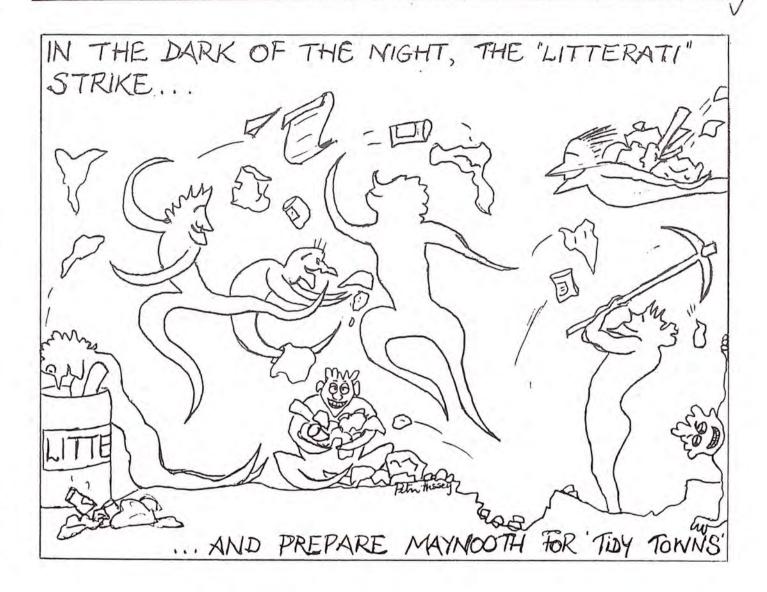


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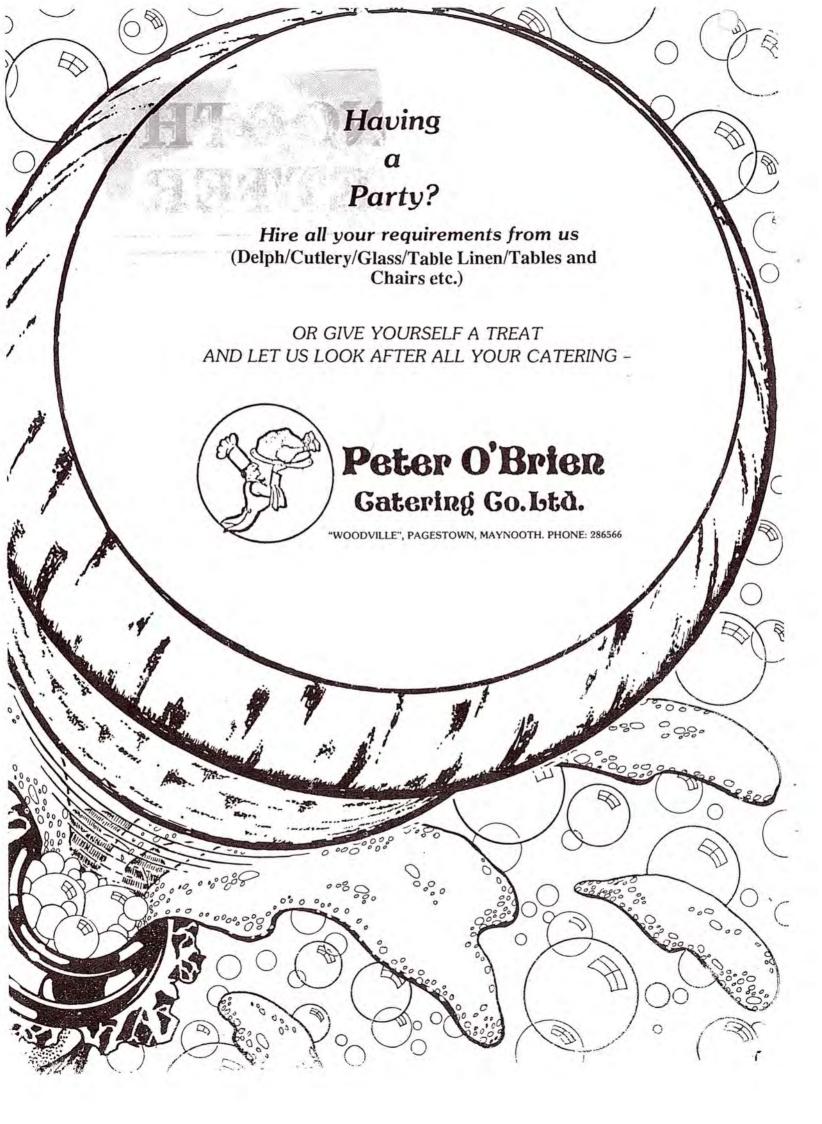
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NOTE TO CONTRIBUTORS We request all our contributors to make sure their material is legible. If possible, material should be typed, but as not everyone has access to typewriters, the best way to present material is to use either neat legible writing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

ROADS

The state of the roads in Kildare is a topic which arouses considerable ander not only among Kildare residents, but also among unfortunate motorists passing through who are confronted by badly signposted, badly marked and potholed roads.

Recently, a car travelling on the Celbridge Road crashed into a bus travelling on the Straffan Road. The car was badly damaged; fortunately the occupants escaped serious injury. This accident occurred on a wet night; the driver was unfamiliar with the road network in Maynooth, and was unaware that there was a junction between the Celbridge Road and the Straffan Road, or indeed that he was driving out onto a main road. How could he have been, since there was no advance warning sign, no stop sign, and the white line which had once been there, was invisible as it was pitted with potholes?

Some days after the accident, a vield sign appeared, and the direction sign changed to show the way to Celbridge. However, the white line was still virtually invisible. What are the road taxes whch every motorist must pay being used for? Certainly not towards the upkeep of the Kildare roads.

RECYCLING The results of the 'Tidy Towns' competition will be available by the time this is published. The outcome for Maynooth is predictable, as despite the best efforts of the Tidy Towns' Committee, the state of Maynooth as reiards litter is appalling.

Perhaps Kildare County Council might consider following the example of other local authorities outside Ireland as its contribution to cleaning up our countryside and also doing its bit for conservation of earth's limited resources. Residents of Montreal are now well used to sorting out their household rubbish between glass, paper, cans, and organic refuse, which are then put into different coloured bags for collection by the local authority. Whatever can be recycled is saved, and the real rubbish is then dumped ...

At the moment the inexplcable policy of the Council which refuses to collect grass clippings is surely contributing to dumping along our side roads. This of course, is not to condone the actions of these anti-social people who dump plastic sacks full of grass cuttings and garden refuse.

EDITORIAL WELCOME BACK

With October, the swallows may be gone, but the familiar sight of students flocking through the Main Street returns. Welcome to all the new students, and may you enjoy your hard earned three years in Maynooth, and welcome back to the old hands.

We must admit that some of the longer term residents of Maynooth may not agree with extending a welcome to students, a minority of whom have proved disruptive and destructive in the past. However, we appeal to all concerned to have regard for the needs of each other. The students add a lot of life to Maynooth, not the least their contribution to the local economy. Many of them also stay long enough to become pillars of the local community themselves.

WHAT'S ON IN MAYNOOTH

The Newsletter would like to thank the readers who took the time and trouble to respond to our questionnaire on their opinions of the Newsletter. Among the comments received was a complaint that we do not give sufficient warning of forthcoming events, a criticism with which we can only agree. However, despite our best efforts, we are not clairvoyants, and some organisations believe in keeping to themselves all details relating to functions etc, until the last minute, and long after copy date. This may be due to the traditional Irish attitude of "tell them nothing", however, it means that organisations are failing to reach out to their potential audience.

So, we appeal to all organisations and groups to let us know, in advance of any function, meeting, concert, performance, match, etc. so that we can provide our readers with a comprehensive list of what's happening in the month ahead.

RIGHT OF REPLY

In fairness to our readers and given that this magazine is not insured against libel damages or costs, we undertake the following: In the case of errors of fact we will publish corrections when we become aware of such.

In the case of unfairly impugning the reputatin of any person we hereby offer that person or their representative the right of reply in this magazine. subject only to reasonable length, the laws of libel and our right to respond to such reply.

COUNCIL

NOTES

LARAGHBRYAN GRAVEYARD

COMMUNITY

There was a very poor turn out for the clean up parties at the grave-yard over the past two months. An enormous amount of work was carried out by a dedicated group led by the Tidy Towns Committee. We would like to stress that the County Council have not maintained the cemetery for the past number of years although it is essentially their responsibility. Even the skip which they promised to provide did not materialize and the workers had to dispose of the resultant rubbish themselves. We hope that their work is appreciated and that no-one is under any illusion as to what is actually the condition of the graveyard.

A long term plan was discussed for the area since it is obvious that the County Council have no intention of resuming responsibility. With this in mind, two possible suggestions emerged: firstly that a formal committee of six or seven people be set up which will comprise the Tidy Towns Committee, Community Council and the Mortality Society. This committee could hold one or two flag days and liase with the local church with regard to financial assistance and funding. The second option discussed was that the Community Council add two or three S.E.S. workers to the present FAS scheme who would be employed to maintain all three gravevards in the area. Laraghbryan. Movolare and Grangewilliam. This would also enable the community in general to maintain their own graves more readily. These two options are being investigated at present.

TIDY TOWNS REPORT

Richard Farrell announced the results of the best shop fronts and tidy estates competition. A full report is published seperately in this issue. The results were as follows:

Shop Fronts

1st: Mulcahy Butchers in Greenfield Estate. 2nd: The Hula Bou 3rd: Maynooth Book Shop

Tidy Estates 1st: Cluain Aoibhinn 2nd: Greenfield Estate 3rd: The Crescent

Our congratulations to all winners. It is heartening and encouraging to see the new names emerge in the lists. The results of the Tidy Towns will be at hand shortly and both reports will be sent to Kildare County Council for their perusal. Perhaps some attention will be paid to these documents. The committee was also thanked for their hard work outside the church and the flowerbeds that have been planted and maintained.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

We extend our congratulations to the six competitors who represented Kildare at the National finals of the Community Games in Mosney. Hugh Purcell took 4th place in the High Jump under 16 which is to be highly recommended. We understand that the conduct of the youth involved was impeccable and they did Maynooth proud in both performance and behaviour.

MAYNOOTH INFORMATION DIRECTORY

The work on updating the Directory is well advanced by members of the office staff. The Communications Committee will be revived under the Chairperson ship of Muireann Ni Bhrolchain. Other members will include T. Mc Mullon and the office workers who are directly involved with the project. Other councillors were invited to join if they were interested. It is hoped that the Directory will be printed and delivered to Maynooth households by the end of November.

TEAMWORK DRAMA GROUP

A pantomime is planned for early January, the first in Maynooth in some years. There was no difficulty in finding children who were interested in taking part

but adults have not come forward. We appeal to interested adults to contact the office at 285922.

It was felt that a committee should be

formed to which the Teamwork Drama Group should be answerable and this committee would be responsible for such areas as insurance etc. We would like to thank the Boy's National School for providing the premises during the past few months. However this facility is unavailable this term. The group cannot avail of the Geraldine Hall for the Art and Drama classes due to the confusion and lack of clarification connected with public liability insurance on the premises, despite the heartwarming agreement and co-operation of the trustees in this matter.

COMMUNITY PROBLEMS

The representatives from Moyglare Village enquired about Maynooth relays regarding the provision of the cable to that area. It appears that the company have encountered some difficulties with cabling and much work will have to be carried out underground. This will delay the cabling and make the whole venture more expensive. It is intended that the owners should be invited to the next Community Council meeting so the difficulties involved may be outlined.

The Cluain Aoibhinn representative raised the problem of the Bond Bridge and the possible future plans that the County Council may have for the Newtown Road in general. He requested an Open Meeting with the T.D.s, local councillors and the County Council to discuss the following:

1. The idea that the Bridge is to be closed permanently and used for pedestrians only.

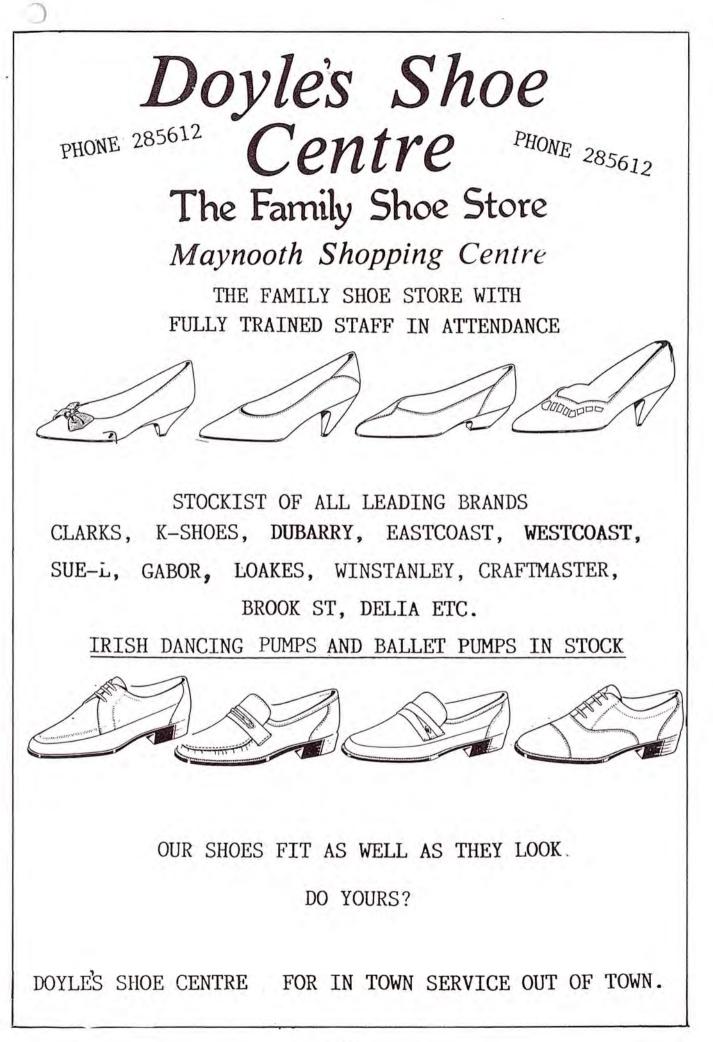
 The alternative longterm plans for the Bridge and the road, including widening it and leaving it open to traffic.
 The dreadful condition of all the main approach roads to Maynooth.

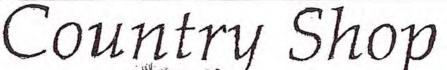
4. The state of the footpaths.

5. Replacement and maintenance of trees on the main street.

Cluain Aoibhinn also reported a problem with a builder at the entrance to the estate who is using the grass verges and grean areas as a parking lot for trucks and vehicles. The gardai are to approach him regarding his general attitude to the residents who have complained to the builder personally without avail.

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Gift Items

Antiques

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ALTHOUGH OUR SALE HAS ENDED THERE ARE STILL SOME SPECIAL OFFERS

AVAILABLE IN WOOL AND OTHER GOODS.

WATCH OUT FOR THE OPENING OF OUR NEW

PICTURE GALLERY

THIS MONTH.

ALWAYS SOMETHING NEW AT THE COUNTRY SHOP OPENING HOURS: 9.30AM-5.30PM.

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The Council flagdays will have taken place by the time of going to print and it is hoped that the community will give generously.

The Office have received many enquiries regarding an Open Day in Carton House - we would like to clarify the situation. The plan to open the house to the public in September was turned down by Carton House. We regret this decision since we understand so many people were interested.

The Council would like to welcome Sergeant Joe Canny to his new position in Maynoth and to thank him for his co-operation in all community matters since he took up office.

Finally, it is hoped that the Information Directory will be on your doorsteps by the end of November.

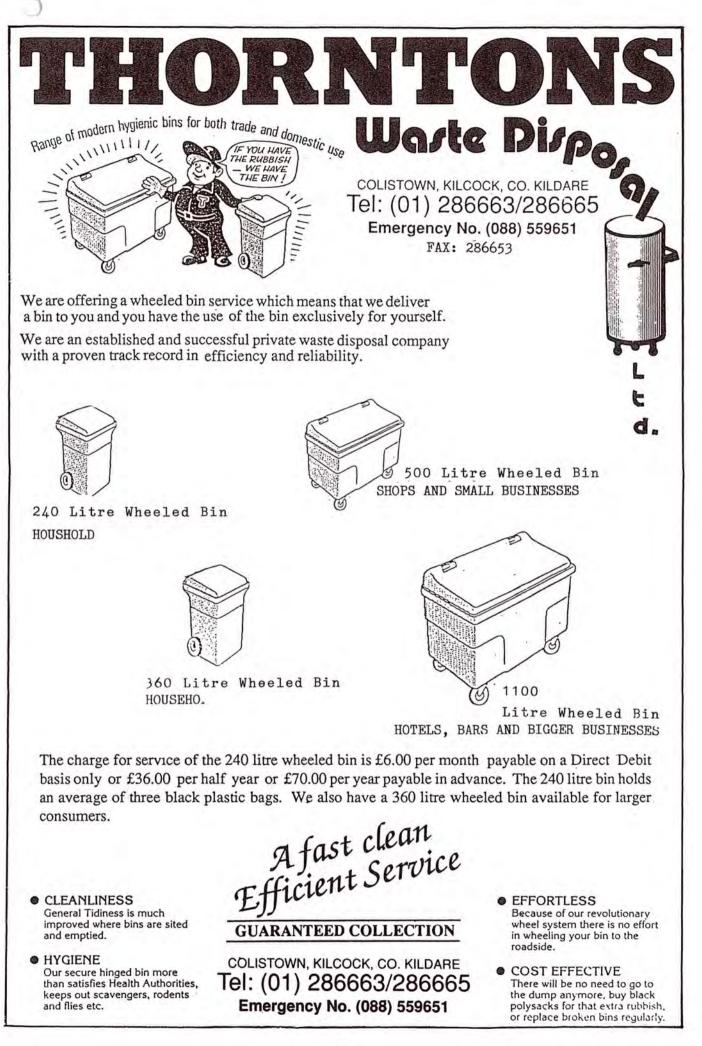
PRESENTATION TO MRS. BRIDIE O'BRIEN

Mrs. Bridie O'Brien was presented with a Dublin Crystal goblet at a quiet ceremony in Maynooth library on Thursday 7th September. This was an official recognition by Maynooth Community Council for the dedicated work carried out by Mrs. O'Brien with the area for many, many years, but in particular her contribution to the Council itself since it was established in 1984. Over the past five years she worked selflessly as a member of the Council particularly in the Social and Recreational areas which included the two main events in the Maynooth calender the St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Community Festival. Both these events went from strength to strength under her strict guidance and supervision. Due to additional pressures Mrs. O'Brien felt that it was time to take a lower profile within the Council, and the executive took the opportunity of giving public recognition to her contribution.

We would like to thank Dublin Crystal for their prompt co-operation in their provision of this presentation. Muireann Ni Bhrolchain

At the presentation to Bridie O' Brien were, left to right, Christina Saults, Bridie O'Brien, John Mc Ginley, Muireann Ni Bhrolchain and Dominic Nyland.





RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS' NOTES

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

We wish to extend our condolences to Mrs. D. Corcoran and Mrs. Marie Duff on the sudden death of Mr. Frank Corcoran. Mr. Corcoran was well known and loved by many in the estate and will be fondly remembered. And to Mary Farrell of Greenfield Drive on the sudden death of her mother.

Welcome to our new residents who have moved into the Estate over the last few months and congratulations on all the new babies. Well done to all the Leaving Certificate students and good luck to all those awaiting their Inter and Group results.

If you look elsewhere in the Newslet-

ter, you will see a detailed account of the Tidy Estate Competition 1989 but, in passing, congratulations to Straffan Way (46 points), as the best section of the Estate and to Gerry Mulcahy's Butchers as Best Overall Shopfront, and to Shades (owned by Ellen Smith of Greenfield Drive) for Best Shopfront in the Quinnsworth Shopping Centre. Greenfield Drive, to the shame of its residents, probably prevented the Estate from coming out on top in the competition. The comments on the Drive should be read and noted, not just for competition purposes!! Conoratulations to Cluain Aoibhinn and The Cresent who were also in the Overall prize Winners List.

The problem of the condition of the fence on Laurence Avenue is a cause of on-going concern to the Committee. We wish a speedy recovery to the young victim of the accident which occurred recently on the Celbridge Road and ask drivers using this road to please watch out for children and keep their speed down. The County Council have informed us that the matter of the closure of Laurence Avenue is now with their Legal Department. Unfortunately big wheels grind slowly.

CLUAIN AOIBHINN NOTES

We start this month by congratulating our residents on helping to secure first place in the 'tidy estate competition'. Congratulations are also extended to Greenfields who came second and the Cresent who were third. We take this opportunity to thank those of our landlords who made an effort to tidy their houses. Well done indeed: your committee are, however, anxious that more people would give a hand on the estate and not leave all the work to the old reliables.

Our children had two outings this summer, the first to Mosney and the second to Rainbow Rapids. Mosney with its new Agua Tropical centre was enjoyed by all the children as were the fun rides, dodgems, and the new go cart track. Some children ventured out in the boating lake while others payed a visit to the new computer centre and it would appear that some of our adults accidently took a wrong turn and ended up in Dan Lowery's. The committee thanks Andrew Roche and larnród Eireann for their assistance on this trip. The Rainbow Rapids were thoroughly enjoyed by the children and as usual former Dublin 'football great', Mick Holder, was on hand to ensure an enjoyable evening was had by all. The committee extends sincere thanks to Pascal Corcoran and Bus Atha Cliath for their assistance with this trip.

If all this wasn't enough the children were then treated to a barbecue and disco in the Marquee on 26th August. Your committee's treasurer Mrs. Theresa McDonnell donated a chef's hat for the occasion ably assisted by Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Hays, Mrs McLoughlin and Mrs Alice Byrne. The music was provided by the 'Marvellous Martin Disco Roadshow' and sound and lighting was by Dolan sound services Dublin. Thanks to all. When the children were finished the adults took over and suffice it to say that a good night and morning was had by all. Music was by Gerry Fitzpatrick with contributions from various singers including our chairman 'Big Tom'McMullon and one of Maynooth's best known barmen (normally heard in full voice at closing time in an establishment currently undergoing major renovations). This committee thanks all those who sang, Fergus White and the North Kildare Club for the barbecue equipment and all those who helped erect the marquee, Maynooth Community Council who provided additional lighting, Michael Walsh who transported the marquee and provided the stage for the marquee, Paddy Holmes for transporting the sound equipment and barbecue equipment, Con Hays and Martin McLoughlin for the refreshments and the chairman for his valuable assistance. Also to be thanked are our sponsors: Cassidy's Roost, Caulfields, Maynooth Jewellers, Maynooth Office Supplies, C.P.L., Conroy's Chemist, House Pride, Sports Locker, Doyle's Shoes, McCormack's Chemist, Donovan's Newsagent, Quinnsworth, Leaf Ltd., Top of the Crop, Step-in-Style Shoes, Greg Kenny Coal, Barry's Newsagents, Waterford Co-Op, Mulcahy's Butchers, Londis Celbridge, Diffney for men Dublin and Mrs. McDonald. Thanks also to Judy and Rose for arranging the collection of spots.

The Tidy Garden contest was organised by your committee in conjunction with the tidy estate competition. The winners were: 1st Mr. & Mrs. Walsh No. 41, 2nd Mr. & Mrs. O'Melia No. 59 and 3rd Mr. & Mrs. Faherty No. 76. Highly commended were No. 63 Mr. & Mrs. McMullon, Mr. & Mrs. Watson No. 29 and Mr and Mrs Fitzpatrick No. 21. A full report will be issued later. Both larnród Eireann and Mosney were in contact with us to compliment the children on the excellent behaviour on their recent trip. Well done children and the committee would also like to pay tribute to the children for helping to keep the estate tidy. Congratulations to those of our children who passed exams and good luck to those preparing for exams.

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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Further to the very successful Golf Outing and Night Out which were held recenity, the committee would like to thank most sincerely the sponsors for their generosity in sponsoring the spot prizes, and also the prizes for the golf outing. The following are the businesses that very generously sponsored our night out, and helped make it a very successful and enjoyable evening:-Donovan's Newsagents Quinnsworth Mulcahy's Butchers Rainbow Car Wash, Shopping Centre Maynooth Cycle Centre A.I.B. McCormack's Chemist, Main Street Barry's Shop, Main Street The Top of the Crop Bank of Ireland Ulster Bank Maynooth Video, The Mall Maynooth Snooker, The Mall Nuz Stop The Flower Pot, The Mall Vanity Fair Hula Bou

10-40

Tricia's Hair Salon **CPL Motor Factors** Billy McGrory (Coal) P. Conroy, Pharmacy, Shopping Centre Ultravision, Shopping Centre FMK Casuals, Shopping Centre Newsagents, Shopping Centre Jim's Shoe Repairs, Shopping Centre Sports Locker, Shopping Centre House Pride, Shopping Centre Step in Style, Main Street Kehoe's Delicatessen, Main Street Patrick's Restaurant, Main Street Shades Ladies Boutique, Shopping Centre New Waves Hair Salon, Shopping Centre Geraghty's Food Store.

P.S. Special thanks to Donovan's Newsagents for the refreshments on the 10th Tee and A.I.B. Maynooth, for the Golfing Tees and Markers.

Congratulations to Mick Gahan who wonfirst prize in the golf outing. Maybe we have another Christy O'Connor in the form of Mick. Once again due to the generosity of our sponsors all competitors recieved a prize for their efforts.

Consequently our next plan of action is to purchase a name plate bearing the name of the estate. A tremendous response was received from the residents regarding suggestions about the shape and form of the nameplate. When the nameplate has been purchased it is hoped to erect it in a prominent place at the entrace to the estate.

Arising from this, the committee intend to embark on a programme of tree replacing in the estate very soon.

Presently negotiations are taking place with the grass maintenance contractor regarding the rolling of uneven surfaces; thus leaving them in a suitable condition for grass cutting.

The committee are constantly in touch with the builders and they have informed us that they will be completing the estate in the near future.

MAYNOOTH RESIDENTS AGAINST LOCAL CHARGES

we can report that the "refusal-to-do-

nate" rate was only 6%. We found

householders to be very well informed

on all aspects of the imposition of local

charges by Kildare Co. Co. and while

most have paid part or all of the charges.

they did so most reluctantly and be-

grudgingly. Nobody should be in any

doubt that the great majority want local

SCOUTS

As we go to press our door-to-door collection for legal action is nearing completion and with only Beaufield and Cluain Aoibhinn estates to be done we are quite confident that we shall achieve our target of £500. The committee are delighted with the generous support that the residents throughout the town extended to our respresentatives and

Billie's

BEAVER

The Beaver Scout section of our unit will commence this years' activities on Saturday 23rd September at 11 a.m. and continue each Saturday until Christmas excluding Saturday 28th October and Saturday 4th November. If at Christmas I do not have at least two other people willing to commit themselves as Beaver Leaders I will have to close down this section of our unit. Unfortunately the loosers will be the 24 small boys now enjoying Beaver Scouts and all the boys on the waiting list who will be deprived of ever becoming 'Beavers'.

When I started Beaver Scouts four years ago I had hoped that some parents would join me as leaders. However, I have been completely dependent on clerical students from St. Patrick's College particularly Brendan Quinlivan and Paraic McMahon who gave most generously of their time despite commitments to exams etc.

During the four years our Baver Scouts have participated in all regional and national events. Last year we won the Regional Quiz in Palmerstown. To charges ended and, as the elected representatives of the people, all Co. Councillors shold act accordingly.

As our representatives were unable to make call backs, guite a number of householders were unable to make a donation to our legal action fund. You can still do so direct to our Treasurer at 8 Greenfield Drive.

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C.B.S.I. become a leader one must be over 18 years old and be interested in working with small boys. The time involved is one and a half hours each week and a short planning meeting once a month. Anyone who feels they might be interested or would like more information can contact me at phone no: 285492. Please for our children's sake do not just stand by and allow Beaver Scouts in Maynooth to fade into history.

> Yours in scouting, Mary Fleming



GARDA TALK

PEDAL CYCLES (ROAD SAFETY AND PREVENTION OF THEFTS).

The long dark evenings of Autumn and Winter are upon us and once more vigilence is called for from all pedal cycle users, both children and adults. It is not unusual to see cyclists (young and old) in dark coloured clothing with no lighting, travelling around Maynooth. Such road users are a bigger danger to themselves but to be fair to motorists cyclists must be seen.

Outlined hereunder are the lighting requirements for pedal cycles during the hours of darkness:

- 1. One front lamp.
- 2. One rear red light.
- 3. One rear reflector.

Sam Browne type reflectorised belts worn make cyclists clearly visible. Check the roadworthiness of your or your child's pedal cycle in respect of brakes, tyres, etc. Care and attention now will assist in preventing serious traffic accidents later. Last month we advised on speeding cars on roads into Maynooth. Some people did not heed the advice as recent Garda check points revealed. Garda attention will shortly be focussed on pedal cycle users. We again stress that we much prefer a mature and responsible response to our entreaties rather than relying on court proceedings.

Larcenies of pedal cycles are very common in the Maynooth area. Cyclists should note the serial no. of their pedal cycle and keep it in a safe place. Never leave a bicycle unattended without applying a solid locking devise. Even if only going for a quick message to the shop the above precaution applies.

HOUSE HOLDERS BEWARE

Burglars do not give advance warning of their impending crimes. With this in mind it is in the common interest to pool our collective resources to defeat those "unwelcome visitors".

The following hints may be of assistance:

1. Secure your own property adequately; lock all doors and windows.

2. Do not leave a calling card i.e. milk bottles accumulating, curtains drawn etc.

3. Advise a reliable neighbour and the local Gardai of your departure.

4. Be alert. If you see somebody/ something suspicious or unusual, contact your local Gardai. Confidentiality is assured from your local Gardai and any information obtained will be treated in the strictest confidence. You may also contact you Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator.

5. Do not be reluctant to dial 999. Get accurate descriptions and, in the case of motor vehicles, registration number and make and colour of the vehicle.

6. If any person calls to your house or business selling or offering a service or articles, demand production of identification and fully satisfy yourself before allowing them into your home or property.

7. Use only reputable people to carry

BAND BULLETIN OD COM

In many ways September marks the beginning of the year as far as St. Mary's Band is concerned. The summer holidays are just a memory. The boys and girls are back to more 'mudane' things like school, homework, etc. and our practice nights assume a more regular appearance.

September means the beginning of our preparation of our musical programme for the 1990 summer season, where we dust off some of last years' music, spend some money on new pieces and then knuckle down to polishing these up so that they sound as tuneful as possible to you the audience. Countrary to popular belief the band does not hibernate during the winter months. We just enjoy ourselves making sure that you enjoy yourselves next summer.

This is also the time of year when we look at our bank balance and do a little fundraising (generally 'not a lot') to pay our expenses for the coming year. Our flag week-end has been one of our main sources of income in recent years and I'm delighted to say that once again we have received tremendous support this year. In the local hostelries at the Shopping Centre (courtesy of Quinnsworth) and at the church gates we have nothing but good wishes and more than a little money. You have been wonderful and, where once 50p donations were the norm, inflation has now meant that we have had more £1 donations than ever before and we also have fivers and an odd tenner. Thank you once again

out any work or repairs etc. at your home or property.

8. Where posible fit an alarm. Please note that if you have an alarm fitted notify the Gardai of keyholder. Alarms are very beneficial but they can also cause annoyance to neighbours when they are activated and are not attended to speedily.

The purpose of this column is to incrase the awareness of the rsidents of Maynooth of the neccessity to secure their property and valuables and further to aid and assist your neighbours and the local Gardai by keeping a watchful eye for any suspicious persons or vehicles in the area. Any individual/organisation with ideas or views that they would like to co-ordinate with the Gardai are welcome to contact or call to the station to discuss such ideas in our mutual interest. Any such initiatives and exchange of ideas can only promote a spirit of harmony, good will and trust between all the agencies and sections of the community and consequently help in keeping crime, lawlessness and vandalism to a minimum.

The Gardai wish to avail of this column to convey their thanks and appreciation to the community, both individuals and organisations, who have assisted them in any way and we appeal for your continued support without which our task would be so much more difficult. Thank you.

Your local Gardai

MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY

The society held a social evening for senior members on Sunday Sept. 3rd in the Arts Block, Kilcock Road to commemorate the 152nd anniversary of the founding of the society. A most enjoyable evening was had by all.

Full details next issue.

Georoid McTeighrnain Chairman



The big news this month is the annual fashion show which will take place at the Setanta Hotel Celbridge, on Tuesday 3rd of October.

This year the committee are proud to be able to present the fashions of one of Ireland's leading designers, Libra Design, together with the fashions of Family Album, now a household name in Ireland.

The fashion show will be followed by a cabaret. A special feature this year is a prize for the best dressed lady at the show who will recieve £50 Quinnsworth voucher.

In addition everyone will recieve a free diet drink courtesy of C & C soft drinks and all this for a nominal £3.50 a head. Libra Design design a wide range of high quality ladies wear which is available at Moulin Rouge, Maynooth. Family Album are known the length and breadth of the country and they will be giving special reductions for items ordered at the show. All in all it promises to be a great night.

I.C.A. NOTES

The September meeting was held on Thursday 7th. Madam president welcomed all members new and old. Sympathy was extended to Imelda Desmond on the death of her sister in law.

The monthly competition 'Apot of strawberry jam', was won by Betty Farrell. Second place went to Mary Doyle.

The October competiton is a flower arrangement entitled 'Harvest Festival'. There will be two categories 'Novice' and 'Advanced'. All activities resumed on Mon. 11th September with handcrafts at 8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursdays we have badminton 11-12.30; Wednesday evening set dancing.

We all wish our set dancers the best of luck in the forthcoming competition.

Geraldine Tracey P.R.O.



FOOD COLOURING

Manufacturers add colours to food for cosmetic reasons. The manufacturing process often robs food of its normal colours, so other colours must be added to make it look more 'natural and attractive'.

There is much dispute about the safety of quite a number of the colours, particularly with regard to hyperactive children and people who suffer from exzema and asthma.

E numbers for colours go from E100 to E180. E102 (tartrazine) is one of a group of colours known as 'azo dyes' listed below. These are synthetic dyes which have been found to cause an allergic reaction in some people. Those who are sensitive to aspirin are also sensitive to azo dyes. Also affected are people who suffer from asthma and ecezema. Reactions to these dyes can include 'nettle' rash, watering eyes and nose, blurred vision, swelling of the skin fluid and breathing problems. Another group of colours also listed called 'coal tar' dyes, can cause the same reactions to people with a history of allergy and can cause more severe

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reactions including shock, low blood pressure and tremor, on rare occassions. Many people allege that these azo dyes and coal-tar dyes could be a contributary factor to hyperactivity in children. Groups working with hyperactive children recommend that parents try a diet which cuts out food and drink containing these synthetic dyes and some other synthetic additives. People who are worried about allergies or hyperactivity should examine the list of ingredients on products, as all food products must now have the E number or the actual name of the additive on its list.

These are the azo dyes:

E102 Tartrazine

E107 Yellow 2G

E110 Sunset Yellow F.C.F.

E122 Carmoisine

E123 Amaranth

E124 Poncean 4R

E128 Red 2G

- E154 Brown FK
- E155 Chocolate brown HT

E151 Black PN

E180 Pigment rubine

(154 and 155 are under consideration

for the E status)

Coal tar dyes include all the above and also

E104 Quinoline Yellow

- E127 Erythrosine
- E131 Patent Blue V

E132 Indigo Carmine

E133 Brilliant Blue FCF

It would be an interesting exercise to check the ingredients of sweets to see how many of them contain these dyes. It is estimated that one in every five of the population has an allergic reaction to asprin and therefore a reaction to eating certain sweets.

CAN RECYCLING

Any community group, school, or society wishing to raise money at no expense should contact recoverable resources co-op at 23a Greenhills Industrial Estate, Dublin 12 or phone 503193. If you collect soft drink cans or beer cans they will pay you 50p per sack for the cans.

They provide the sacks and collect them as well. It's a scheme that helps to provide jobs, re-use natural resources and tidy up the community.

Liam Kavanagh

COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

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INFORMATION FOR UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE

"If you are unemployed or about to become unemployed you probably think that your number one entitlement should be a job. We agree but unfortunately we cannot do much for you there. What we can do is try to explain what you are entitled to get from the State to help you and your family to live while you are unemployed".

So states the opening paragraph of "Entitlements for the Unemployed" published by the National Social Service Board. This Guide, which was first published in April of this year has proved so successful that additional copiesof the 'Pocket Guide for the Unemployed' are now available to the public, free of charge. You can collect a copy at your local Community Information Centre, which is at The Library, Maynooth. As well as providing the "Guide" your Community Information Centre will, of course, be happy to answer any questions in relation to unemployment. Contact name and number: Norah McDermott, 285922.

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Q. Can I get any help with footwear for my four school going children?

A. If you are receiving any of the following payments then you would be eligible for help under the Children's Footwear Scheme -

Supplementary Welfare Allowance Disabled Person's Maintenance

Allowance

Infectious Diseases Maintenance Allowance

A Social Welfare Payment

This year the Scheme will operate from 1st September to January 1990 and it covers children under 18 years.

The assistance is given in the form of vouchers which can be exchanged at most shoe shops.

Where the parents/guardians are receiving either Supplementary Welfare Allowance or short-term Unemployment Assistance vouchers will be given to the full value of the footwear, subject to the following limits -

Shoe size 7 to 10 £11 maximum 11 to 5 (large) £13 maximum 6 (large & upwards) £16 maximum In other cases the assistance doesn't cover the full cost. The Department of Social Welfare recommends:

(a) that people on long-term Unemployment Assistance pay a contribution as follows:

Sizes 7 to 10

Sizes 11 to 5 (large) £2

Sizes 6 (large) & upward £3

(b) that others pay a contribution as follows:-Sizes 7 to 10 £3

Sizes 11 to 5 (large) £4

£1

Sizes 6 (large) & upwards £5 These guidelines are only a recommendation from the Department of Social Welare to the Health Boards who have discretion in running the scheme. They have remained the same for the past few years. Application should be made to the Community Welfare Officer at your local Health Centre.

Contact your nearest Community Information Centre for further information and to collect your free copy of the N.S.S.B.'s "Pocket Guide to Entitlements for the Unemployed".



Active age week this year is 1st-8th October. This is the week when special events for the elderly take place. Our programme is as follows:

Sunday 1st October

There will be a fitting start to the week with prayers and services for the elderly in the local churches. At 3.30am in the Post Primary we have a **TABLE QUIZ.** This event proved to be very enjoyable last year and we are holding it again by popular request. The quiz will be followed by **refreshments** and a short talk on **home security** - a topic which interests and concerns us all these days.

Tuesday 3rd October

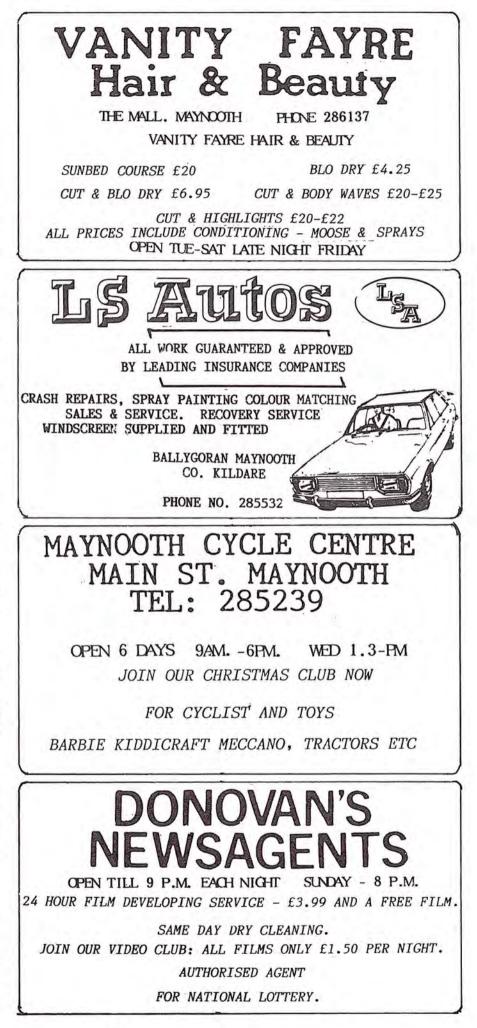
There will be a visit to the college museum instead of the usual morning session. Fr. Micheal Casey, who is the curator of the museum and a mine of information, has kindly agreed to show us round. We will meet at 10.30am at the Geraldine Hall. Transport will be provided.

Thursday 5th October

A "Sing along "will be held in the back room of Caulfield's at 8.30pm. A special bingo session will be held at 10.30 in the Geraldine Hall. This is an extension of our normal session and there will be extra prizes. Sunday 8th October

This is the National Day of Ageing. The Tony Smith Memorial Walk in aid of funds for the elderly will take place. It is a sponsored walk organised each year by the Labour Party. We are very grateful for their efforts and hope that every one will contribute generously. The walk will start at 3pm at the I.C.A. Hall

The I.C.A. Members will be providing **refreshments** for the elderly during Sunday afternoon, as their contribution to the National Day of Ageing, and there will be a **memory session**. There will be a display of crafts, made by the elderly in the Library.



Among the many glorious benefits bestowed upon us in Ireland by EC membership is the right - nay, the duty to adorn much of our pre-packed food with a supermarket full of data which the public at large very likely ignores. with some exceptions.

Nevertheless, the basic purpose and intent are sound: to provide a minimum (sic) of information to the consuming

public but also to require manufacturers to "declare themselves" to some extent about their products and thus make them more accountable where such information may ultimately be inaccurate or misleading. Indeed, the Food Labelling Regulations also forbid the use of certain trade descriptions altogether. For instance, any suggestion that the food has- (i) effects or properties which it does not possess (ii) any special characteristics when in fact all similar products possess them. Neither can the labelling ascribe to any food stuff the property of providing, treating or curing a human disease.

The labyrinth of regulations, gualifications, exceptions, etc., etc., could be a great cure for insomnia if given here paragraph by everlasting paragraph and subsection by stupefying subsection. So, in the hope that the reader stays awake for the length of this article, we will attempt to condense the details into reasonably digestible morsels.

In general, first of all, almost all prepackaged foods must be marked or labelled with a combination of details under at least some of the following headings, viz.,

* The name of the food, and also par-

We have tried to do our best for our

community, but when you have people

who deliberately dump refuse in public

areas, it can be very discouraging to

people who give of their time and ef-

However to something more positive,

the results of our best area/estate and

best shopfront competition. Elsewhere

you can read the judges' comments on

your area. We would like to thank all

areas and business for the effort they

CITIZEN CONSUMER

ticulars of any processing or treatment e.g., frozen, powdered, and so on.

* The list of ingredients in order of weight. This list MUST INCLUDE ingredients which we all know and love nowadays as Food Additives, named by category with either the specific name or 'E' number; for example, colour tartrazine or colour E102.

* The net quantity in metric measure. The imperial measure (lbs or pints, as the case may be) MAY also appear in smaller print placed after the metric.

* Date of minimum durability, or "Best Before Date".

* Any special storage conditions or conditions of use.

*The name and full postal address of the manufacturer, packager or seller who is established in the EC. Before you assault your milkman, howver, note that butter and milk packaged/ bottled in Ireland needs only the INDICATION of the manufacturer, packager or seller, i.e, the creamery number.

* Particulars fo place of origin where its absence might mislead the consumer to a material degree.

* Instructions for use, where necessary.

Now, to particular foods which must meet particular standards. These must have certain specific details shown on the package in addition to or as an alternative to the general requirements listed above. Some of the foods for which particular Regulations exist are: chocolate bars/drinking chocolate, fruit juices, e.g. pure apple juice, jams/jellies/marmalades, coffee and chicory products, natural mineral waters. In the case of coffee, for instance, the jar must say whether it is decaffeinated or not.

"Fine", you say, "but what about the price?" Well, there's a regulation covering that too. The price of all food stuffs must be shown in one of other, or both, of the following ways:

* Most foodstuffs must display a SELL-ING PRICE, in other words a sticky label attached to the food, a shelf sticker or a notice clearly showing the price of any item on sale.

' Food stuffs sold loose or in bulk and which are weighed and packed at the time of purchase (vegetables, potatoes, cold meats, etc.,) must display a UNIT PRICE (per kg., per litre, etc.).

* Then there are the PREPACKAGED foods sold in variable quantities e.g., cheese, bacon, meat, tomatoes, mushrooms, etc. Such items must show BOTH the selling price AND unit price (metric). A price per pound/pint may also be shown in addition to the unit price (but in smaller print and in the privacy of brackets!).

Why such stringent requirements on the price of loose or bulk - sold foods? Because it can often be difficult to compare like with like, or in other words to compare the REAL cost of, say, two different brands in one shop or, alternatively, to compare costs in shop x against that in shop y.

To avoid giving you cerebral indigestion, we will end the meal there without dessert.

Seán O Siothcháin REPORT

DOD

TIDY TOWNS ◄ MAYNOOTH **Best Shopfront Competition** We are currently awaiting the results of the Bord Failte 1989 Tidy Towns Award.

1. Mulcahy's Butcher Shop (Greenfield Estate)

2. Hula Bou

3. Maynooth Bookshop

We congratulate the above and presentations will take place during October at a venue to be decided.

LARAGHBRYAN CEMETERY CLEAN UP

We would like to thank all who tended to their family graves for Cemetery Sunday. But unfortunately it was down to the usual faces who helped in the graveyard clean up in the weeks prior to the ceremony.

Everyone agrees that something must be done and with this in mind the Community Council are undertaking to set up a committee with a view to keeping the cemetery to a high standard.

We will welcome your participation and ideas, just contact the community council office.

Finally, we would like to thank the following members of the Mallry / McDermott family, Dominic Nyland, Fionan Hardiman, Damen and Martin Farrell and anyone who helped.

NEW COMMUNITY RADIO

C.K.R. (Carlow Kildare Radio) has just begun broadcasting since Friday 15th September. It will be available on 97.3 F.M. If any events need to be broadcasted over the next month, please contact me at 286044.

> Richard Farrell, Maynooth Tidy Towns

1. Cluain Aoibhinn 2. Greenfield Estate

Tidy Estate Competition

3. The Crescent

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S TIDY ESTATES/SHOP FRONTS COMPETITION

We print below the full report. Our thanks are due to the judges for their hard work and attention to detail. For obvious reasons, their names remain anonymous!

Tidy Estates Criteria for Judging

1. Attention to open space/play areas

2. Front garden displays

3. State of verges, kerbsides, walls, fences

4. Shrubbery, trees

5. Appearance of houses

6. General level of maintenance

7. Apparent community effort, especially between judgings

Shop Fronts Criteria for Judging

1. Level of maintenance

2. Sympathy with surrounding architecture/setting

3. Window display

4. Use of sympathetic/attractive decoration

General Comments

Community consciousness appears to be increasing in Maynooth and a generally much improved standard of estate maintenance prevails from that existing a few years ago. However further extension of this sensitivity to surroundings is necessary, particularly in a few estates where a most disappointing level of upkeep was in evidence. Two surveys were carried out by the judges: the main one in early summer and a shorter one at the very end of August.

Individual Estate Comments

1. College Green (34 points)

The formerly pristine nature of this estate has declined somewhat as it has become further developed. The first impression on entering is of a public area which could be better maintained, though this had improved somewhat by the end of the summer. However, a general impression was gained that community efforts to maintain the estate are less vigorous than in the past. Grass verges were not trimmed in many areas, fences needed painting and weeds were apparent on the roadside. Some individual gardens however were most pleasant, and some attempts at landscaping, such as the construction of a small trellis in a public area were welcome exceptions to the trend.

2. Beaufield (33 points)

Potentially a beautiful estate this was also rather disappointing in that even some years after construction front gardens were rather bland. Again two or three exceptions to this could be detected, though overall few flowers were in evidence and some dead trees had not been replaced. The houses themselves were in excellent condition. Verges and open spaces were. however, rather neglected throughout the estate and (always a good tell tale for community consciousness) the nameplate for the estate was a bit overgrown by grass at the time of the first survey. Any open space maintenance was rather patchy - this was even more the case by late summer.

3. Cluain Aoibhinn (47 points)

A greatly improved estate with nice open spaces, well maintained flower beds in the public areas, and excellently kept verges. Some very impressive front gardens existed at the entrance. The housing stock here is not as good as some of the other estates. but it has been transformed in the majority of cases by paint and other forms of exterior renovation. The judges particularly liked the signs of community effort which abounded. Towards the extremities the estate was less well maintained, and inevitably there were some eyesores, but overall this estate was one of the surprises of the competition and clearly is the most improved estate in the town in recent years. The high standard was furthermore maintained throughout the summer.

4. Old Greenfield 1 (37 points)

Well maintained houses best characterised this estate. Tidy, within the limitations of its design, and with a difficult task of maintaining a large open space, this estate was the best of the predominantly public estates visited. Some tree or shrub planting along the open spaces edges would help provide the street foliage which the estate badly needs.

5. Old Greenfield 2 (23 Points)

This square courtyard-type development showed some signs of improvement from a previous visit, though it still has a long way to go. Some grass cutting was in evidence, though again some shrubs or trees could take the rather bare look off this estate.

6. Old Greenfield 3 (25 points)

One of the most untidy estates with widespread litter in evidence. An old washing machine dumped on a public area does not help. The creation of a play space redeems the estate somewhat, though again weeds were in evidence growing in the road and a general air of neglect existed.

7. Greenfield Lane (27 points)

Some painting has improved this estate a little, though the profusion of boundary types does not help. A broken fence, weeds on the wall edgings and some individual eyesore sites are present, though the estate is not without some signs of effort.

8. Rail Park (37 points)

Some signs that this estate is resting on its laurels from last year exist. The major detracting factor this year however was the poor condition of the large open area fronting on to the Celbridge Road. The estate has probably the finest trees in Maynooth though some verges could be trimmed better. Some pleasant mature gardens existed side by side with rather unkempt specimens.

9. The Crescent (40 points)

A praiseworthy little estate with an attractive open space at the entrance. On this area some trees and /or shrubs are necessary. Of all the estates, this was the only one to attempt painting of

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kerbstones and this is commendable, even though by the end of August some deterioration was detectable. Some roof maintenance is required in this estate, and some gentle persusasion in respect of the small number of non participation households.

10. Kingsbry (22 points)

An estate with great potential, but in fact the worst estate visited. Few redeeming features can be identified here. Rubble and other rubbish abounds - even on well established parts - a great number of broken trees exist on public areas, and the general level of community effort is poor. A disappointing estate in every aspect, save possibly for the extreme southern side (numbers 150-170) where some effort was apparent. Roadside directories for house numbers are clearly a priority also. Some encouraging signs did appear late in the summer and the estate was noticeably tidier by the end of August.

11. Carton Court (39 points)

This estate has clearly improved considerably over the past five years with a generally much improved level of maintenance. There is still some way to go however, with a rather patchy level of performance at present. Huge variations exist, from attractively maintained housing to rather sadly neglected specimens. In particular the southern edge of the estate, overlooking the open countryside, is disappointing.

12. Greenfield Estate

This, the largest estate in town, was judged in four sections and the comments are here presented separately. (a) Straffan Way (46 points) Clearly the best estate on this side of town with a pleasantly landscaped and well maintained open space fronting Straffan Road. The houses were immaculate save for their gable ends which, rather curiously, seemed to have been universally ignored. A few flowers on the open space area would be welcome. (b) Laurence Avenue (42 points) This estate scored well for its trees and shrubs in the open space area. Verges were also well maintained and the housing stock was attractive. The very end of the estate was less appealing however and a dead tree in the open space requires replacement.

(c) Maynooth Park (40 points)

Good signs of community effort were in evidence here, particularly around the open spaces. The variety of walls in evidence was a less attractive feature, as was the lack of verge maintenance at the top end of the estate. Trees clearly need staking on this estate. The planting of small trees along the boundary wall on the east side of the estate is commendable. More attention to the space bordering with Greenfield Drive is however required.

(d) Greenfield Drive (33 points)

The major problem to Greenfield Estate as a whole winning this competition is probably this section. In almost every respect it scored poorer than its other three sections. Broken glass, unsightly garages, poor verges, more litter were just some of the first impressions formed. The estate nameplate also seems to have disappeared.

Overall Greenfield Score (41 points) 13. O'Neill Park (31 points)

Community effort here appears confined to individual houses. These are quite well maintained and the uniformity of fencing gives the estate a certain cohesion. These, together with their kerbstones, could have been given a coat of paint sometime in the past year, and the central green area could be turned into a most attractive feature if some sense of community spirit could be activated.

14. Leinster Park (38 points)

High standards were looked for in this estate, and generally the care and attention to housing was excellent. Less convincing was the impression of the community effort apparent in the upkeep of the small open space area close to the canal. This has been improved considerably over the past few years, but still could be landscaped better. The judges suggested that consideration be given to some overhanging plants to soften the appearance of the end wall, and possibly the construction of an arch at the entrance, up which creepers could be trained. The steps require cleaning and trimming, and the scrawny privet bushes on either side could be replaced with something a little more decorative.

15. Doctor's Lane (29 points)

Generally only of moderate standard with some scrawny trees, poor open space maintenance and some improvements possible in houses and gardens.

16. Leinster Cottages (32 points)

A neat little estate characterised by houses in which the residents obviously take some pride. By design a rather congested area where open space is at a premium. Potentially a lovely riverside park - who could be persuaded to maintain effectively what could be an asset not just for this estate but for the town as a whole?

17. Moyglare Village (33 points) Rather too immature as an estate to be a contender this year, this estate is at a critical phase in its development. It is important to foster community awareness now so that the undoubted potential this development has is not frittered away.

Overall Results

First Prize: Cluain Aoibhinn Second Prize: Greenfield Estate Third Prize: The Crescent

BEST SHOP FRONTS COMPETITION

1. Greenfields Shopping Centre

A planning disaster with little going for it. The shop fronts here have little cohesion, a proliferation of designs, lettering at various heights and an extremely poor set of window displays. Some shops appear embarrassed at having a window at all. Only one bit of light in a sea of mediocrity - Mulcahy's Butcher Shop.

Best Shop Front in Greenfield's Shopping Centre: Mulcahy's Butcher Shop.

2. Quinnsworth Shopping Centre

Generally fairly clean though a bit untidy. The shopfronts are varied, with more coherence in the lettering on the east side where a bit of effort has been made, particularly by "Shades". The west side is too mixed up with lettering and shop signs of various shades and colours. In June a look overhead at the 'hanging plants' revealed a collection of withering specimens - less maintenance perhaps, but in a bright location such as this it should have been possible to have a pleasant display of real hanging plants with even a little effort. Best Shop Front in Quinnsworth Shopping Centre: Shades

(The judges suggest a greater co-ordination of colour and themes would however help here).

3. Town Centre

A great variation in quality here with some nice recent additions in the main street. (Please don't let these get spoiled by ugly posters inside or out). It appears litter bin provision is still insufficient here.

Best Shop Front in Town Centre Shopping Area: "Hula Bou", "Maynooth Book Shop"

Best Overall Shopfronts

First Prize: Mulcahy's Butcher Shop Second Prize: Hula Bou

Third Prize: Maynooth Book Shop



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POLITICAL PARTY NOTES

WORKERS' PARTY

EURO JOBS WARNING

Two years ago, the Workers' Party opposed the referendum on the Single Euqopean Act on the grounds that the Act did not contain sufficient safeguards to protect the weak Irish economy against the stiff competition to be expected from our stronger European partners after 1992. Special measures were needed, the Workers' Party argued, to build up the Irish economy prior to full exposure to this competition.

Similiarly, when the Irish government submitted its proposals for additional financial aid from Brussels earlier this year, the Workers' Party argued that these proposals placed far too much emphasis on road building, and that much more attention should be devoted to direct job-creating projects.

The Workers' party views on both these questions have been fully vindicated in the latest report from the National Economic and Social Council, the national forum which brings together representatives of government, farmers, employers and trade unions. This report has predicted that the aftermath of 1992 is likely to see a widening of the gap between Ireland and the stronger EC countries, since the free operation of market forces always favours the strong against the weak. This is precisely what the Workers' Party has always argued.

Furthermore, the NESC report also criticised the over emphasis on road

The annual Tony Smith Memorial Walk organised by Maynooth Labour Party in aid of Maynooth Old Folks will take place on Sunday, October 8th. Over the last number of years the branch has been able to hand over substantial aims raised through the walk to the Maynooth Old Folks Committee. So if you are approached for sponsorship during the next few days please be generous.

Deputy Stagg has made representations to Kildare Co. Council regarding the dangerous condition of the Celbridge Rd./Straffan Rd. junction. Several serious accidents have recently occurred at this junction and Deputy Stagg has asked that more signs together with adequate road markings be provided immediately. construction in the Irish governments' plans for European aid. In the absence of action to build up the competitiveness of the Irish economy, such an emphasis, says the report, by making it easier for European firms to penetrate the Irish economy, could actually work against us. Instead, the report recommends that the emphasis in policy should be on directly building up the strength of Irish firms to prepare them better for the years after 1992.

These suggestions are directly in line with Workers' Party policy, which has always held that the fundamental weakness of the Irish ecnomy has been the petty, small scale Irish private sector which has neither the ability nor the will to take the bold initiatives needed to allow Ireland to stand on its own two feet in the international economy. The Workers' Party believes that the Irish government should take a much more direct role in shaking the private sector out of its laggard tendencies, as was done in the past by now successful countries like Germany and Japan.

Further, the Workers' Party believes that, in many sectors, only the government possesses the scale of resources needed to create the large enterprises capable of competing with giant international companies.

RESOURCE CENTRE

A proposal to establish a Resource Centre for the Unemployed in Leixlip has been welcomed by Workers' party representative, Commissioner Cath-

LABOUR PARTY

Some local residents have removed branches from trees in the Main Street in an attempt to prune trees. Unsupervised pruning of this type can lave the trees susceptible to disease. Deputy Stagg has asked Kildare Co. Council to undertake a proper maintenance programme which would include pruning the trees when necessary and ensuring they stay in a healthy state.

Following representation by John McGinley, Deputy Stagg has asked Kildare Co. Council to investigate the cause of recent severe flooding in Doctor's Lane and to ensure that there is not a recurrence.

Deputy Stagg has had correspondence from Kildare Co. Council to the effect that the Council has still not had a positive response from the Department erine Murphy. The centre would serve the needs of the 2,300 unemployed people in North Kildare, including Maynooth. The proposal has come from the Kildare Centres for the Unemployed group, whose prime movers are the Kildare Trades Council, the umbrella group for trade unions in the county. The group already operates similar centres in Naas, Newbridge and Athy.

The main function of the centres is to provide information on both job seeking and social welfare. They used to get a lot of queries on emigration also, but these have now fallen away, mainly because most young job seekers have already left. It is intended that the Leixlip centre would initially open on two days a week. The fact that over half the queries in the existing centres deal with social welfare matters "indicates the level of confusion that is commonplace among people about social welfare entitlements", according to Catherine Murphy.

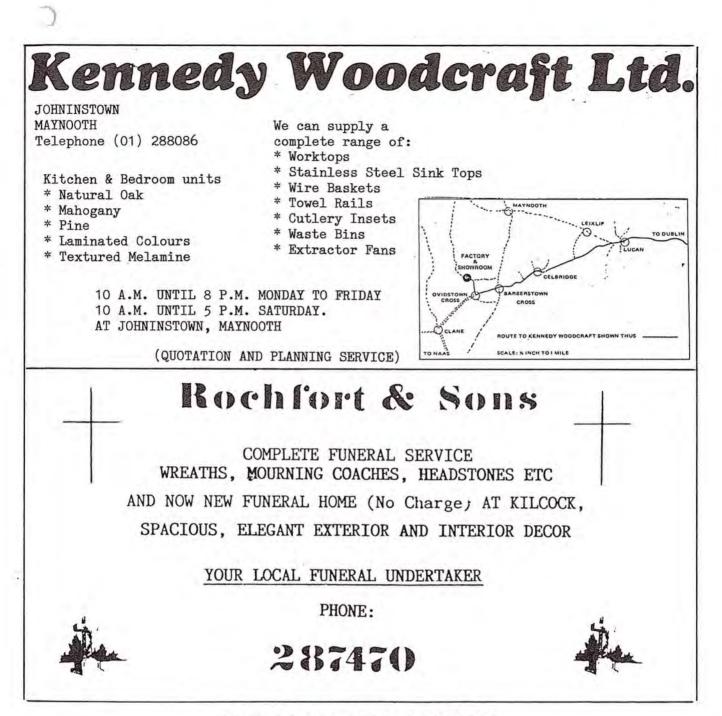
NATIONAL COLLECTION

The Workers' Party annual door-todoor collection is currently under way in the Maynooth area. Given the absence of donations from big business, the Workers' Party depends entirely on the support of ordinary working class people to finance its work on behalf of the disadvantaged and less privileged members of our society. We therefore urge all our readers to give what you can when our collectors call.

of the Environment regarding its proposal for a new bridge. The Council has indicated that it has accumulated significant funds from development levies as part of the funding for the new bridge.

On behalf of the Branch Deputy Stagg recently made representations to the office of Public Works regarding the possibility of providing floodlighting for Maynooth Castle. The OPW recently replied that they did not propose to assist the project. John McGinley has undertaken to pursue the matter with Bord Fáilte.

Deputy Stagg has asked Kildare Co. Council to investigate the cause of a sewage overflow near the junction of Newtown and Greenfield Lane which has caused distress to local residents.



DRAMA CLASSES

Maynooth Community Council Drama Group for children will resume classes as soon as a new premises is found. The organisers are having a lot of trouble finding somewhere suitable. Last year we had use of the boy's national school but sadly this venue is unavailable to us this year due to a decision taken at the school's board meeting. It was thought that because there were more girls than boys attending the classes that the boy's school should not have to host the classes for another year. We would however like to express our thanks to Mr. Pearce O'Connell for his kindness last year. Until now the classes have been free of charge, but when they resume this term a small fee of 25p per child per

hour will be charged. This money will be put into a bank account and will be used to help fund the Christmas show. It would be a shame to have to abandon these classes as a result of lack of premises, because we feel that we are offering an excellent service to the children in our community, in terms of personal development. If anybody has any suggestions they would be greatly appreciated. Children will be notified as soon as possible and we apologise for the delay.

The preparations for Maynooth Christmas Show are underway at present. Already we have had a very successful evening of auditions for children. Thirty five children in all turned up at the Geraldine Hall and the talent was amazing. Every child had something to offer, and all will receive parts - in fact special parts are being written for certain children, because they were so exceptional.

There was a very bad response to the adult auditions. In all we have only got 3 interested adults, but hopefully more will show interest as time goes on. If anyone would prefer to audition in private please feel free to contact me at the Community Council Office or phone 285922.

Helen Clarke

DUBLIN ARTS DIARY

War SFX Centre

The Passion Machine's production of War (a comedy about a 'fight to the death' between two rival teams at a pub quiz) was written by Roddy Doyle (author of Brownbread) and is directed by Paul Mercier (author and director of Home). Since 1984 the Passion Machine has produced and staged ten new, original Irish Plays. Added to this achievement is the fact that the company concentrates on presenting contemporary, everyday life in theatrical format which has appealed to a wide, non-select audience who can relate to and appreciate the drama depicted. This has meant that of the huge numbers who pay to see Passion Machine productions, well over half have stated it to be their first visit to a Dublin playhouse production.

War attempts to transfer the genre of television sitcom to the stage. Successfully done, this perhaps more than any other element, accounts for the immense ' watchability' of the piece in question where linear development of plot, crisis point and crises resolution are finely polished and where comedy motivates the entire structure. In War all of these elements centre around the notion of a pub quiz escalating into a full scale war and gives Roddy Doyle plenty of scope for wit and hilarity in script. George (played by Brendan Gleeson), Bridget (Caroline Rothwell) and Denis (Gerry Walsh) give great strenght and substance to the production by their excellent performances. The abundance of so called 'bad language' has been negatively criticised and in a manner which ignores the fact that social realism plays an intrinsic part in the presentation of the drama. Language is merely a means to an end and when the end in question is the communication of specific states of mind and modes of expression then the relevant patterns of speech are necessarily important to use.

The symbolism inherent in the way the pub section of the set revolved to

act as the kitchen (in which the scenes leading up to the pub guiz took place) implied that the pub played an enormous part in the everyday lives of the community: Subvertly connotated was the notion of the pub providing an outlet for frustrations developed in domesticity. It was not very often that we saw the pub empty and even when the action was taking place in the kitchen we could still see the silhouettes of figures crowded around the bar counter on the opposite side of the stage. Other subjects were dealt with in the play but only fleetingly (the views of the inhabitants on education and social welfare for example were merely hinted at).

However, one particular kitchen scene (which in fact was the only place where we saw Bridget, George's wife) brought home the startling realities of life in this area of Dublin; the hardship and the poverty, the struggle for social dominance in the community, and how, as universally apparant, humour is the balm which hides all wounds and renders pain bearable.

Barry O' Brien



Sex, Lies and Videotapes Screen Cinema, College Street.

Even just the title of this film is sure to attract large audiences but I can assure you that it did not win the covetted International Critic's Prize, the Best Actor Award and the prestigious Palme d'Or at Cannes for nothing. Sex, Lies and Videotapes is not just a yuppie update of Paul Mazurski's 1969 therapy satire Bob and Carol and Ted and Alice or purely the Batman of the art house circuit. In fact it can only be described as a masterpiece. The film centres around the painful interrelation between four main characters (who never actually meet together) played by Peter Gallagher (John), Andie MacDowell (Peter's wife, Anne), Laura San Giacomo (Anne's sister, Cynthia) and James Spader(John's high school friend). The effect of each character

upon another is to cause a major reevaluation of each one's life while the effect of all four on the audience is to challenge strongly held beliefs regarding truth and deception. The impression left by the antics of the protagonists in the film is that lying is both destructive for oneself and others and that everyone, at some stage, will have to deal with the truth in their own way.

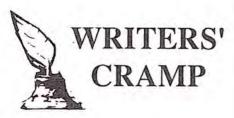
The film is intense and personal with an astonishing simplicity of style. The cluttered camera work builds up to an almost claustrophobic conserve of energy and the sparsity of sound track sustains that edgy atmosphere.

The plot is deceptively simple and complex by turns. John is having an affair with Cynthia; Anne had stopped sleeping with John long before this affair began; Graham arrives on the scene and we discover that he is impotent. He is capable of experiencing sexual arousal only at a distance from women by taping interviews of them talking about their past sexual history and their fantasies and by watching the tapes at a later stage. Graham distances himself from life in general and when Anne turns the camera on him he shudders and blurts out scaredly "this isn't suposed to happen". Sex, Lies and Videotapes is outrageously frank but it is not at all sexually explicit.

The camera takes on connotations of weaponry, specifically that of gun, for Graham which he uses, he says, "to break downbarriers or ... to hurt people. You have to be careful where you point it." Of course there is also latent phallic imagery barely concealed in his description of the instrusion to privacy of the camera.

In all, this film is an enertaining piece of art which at times is hilariouly funny, shockingly truthful or unbearably painful. I would definitely reccomend attendance.

Barry O'Brien



POETRY

RAIN SUN AND DESERTS

I see the sunset in your eyes, My face is burrowed in your shadow, The mists of morning Change the scene, Our lives are scattered Like the flowers in the sea.

Sleep in the ocean of my dreams, Carries my suitcase through the tear drops, And when the rain falls through the sun, May dreams will guide Me through the deserts' endless years.

Laen.

BEING SICK

Oh' being sick is such a bore runny nose and shut door dark room little lamp book to read plate of grapes-Wouldn't that put you at ease?

Julie Grennell, aged 8

ON THE TRAIN

As the train comes in a puff, a roar, The noise of the train is chuck a chuck a chu a chu It stops. I climb on, it starts again Away we go through field, over hill, soon we are there.

Julie Grennell, aged 8

ON THE SEA SHORE

Sea crashing on the rocks, Children playing, Sea bird cawking, The scent of lotion, Children splashing, An ice-cream van and colourful ballons.

Julie Grennell, aged 8

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MAYNOOTH CASTLE

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 fo 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 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 lived mainly at Kilkea until he died in 1666. John the eighteenth earl lived in England all his life in Oxfordshire.

In 1701 he died and Robert, a nephew 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 Fitzgerlad. 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 A Focal Point of Local History

by Mary Cullen

Parliment of 1613-15, the only one to be held during the reign of James I. Sir William Talbot was one of the most outspoken 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 attorney general, 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 betwen acquiring Carton in 1603 and his death in 1633 Sir William built Carton House, the nucleus of the preset 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 demesne walls to the North east.

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 well known 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 1640's. 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 1, 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 parliament's control.

This he did in a brief and ruthless campaign. During it the armies of the Confederation of Kilkenny, and the rovalist forces under Ormond often joined forces to oppose him, and so young Richard Talbot found himself at Drocheda 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 1. 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 Egnland 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 Protestatism, 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 bought back the property from the Ingoldsby family and set about rebuilding and extending Carton House. VATER PROBLEMS?

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POINTS OF VIEW

The importance of the quest for knowledge withers almost to extinction in the face of the Maynooth student's quest for autonomy from parents, food and accommodation (in roughly that order). Added to this is the general confusion thrust upon the unfortunate being who attempts to integrate her/ himself to the locality and the subequent search for a peaceful existence in this, the town of nomadic restlessness. For the novice to the field of survival-with-comfort here is a selection of notes from the pen of an ancient monument.

First and foremost, be not fooled into believing that it is impossible to become totally lost in this town. Small as it is, many a hardy adventurer (well, one at any rate) took at least three months and a compass before noticable features of the landscape (such as the Main Street) were so emblazoned on the memory plates as to become vaguely familiar. It is recorded in popular folklore that this same adventurer simultaneously appeared in four different housing estates presuming them all to be Carton Court and all containing his humble abode. (In the event of loss of direction do not hesitate to ask any passer by for help as Maynooth residents are generally among the most friendly in the land). Not that the 'humble abode' in question was anything out of the ordinary. Horror stories abound concerning boxes (called 'rooms') which contain a desk, a chair, beds and, worst of all, a 'roommate'. This latter can often take the

There was great excitment in the **Newsletter** office this month when the news filtered through that one of our editorial staff had won the Cabra Arts Festival Queen. Helen O'Connor-Watson who is from Cabra and ex-student of the College entered the competition which began the Festival week.

shape and form of a paragon of inhibited sobriety (which is difficult, though not impossible, to ignore)but most often it manifests itself in that unquantifiable, indefinable creation known as Mick/Maura. Mick/Maura used to come from 'rural regions' and was composed of about 7 per cent industry, 50 per cent good nature (also called 'crack'). 20 per cent brilliance, 10 per cent confusion and 12 per cent perpetual poverty. The remaining one per cent was kept in case of emergency for when urgently required in one of the the other categories; exams usually brought it galloping to the aid of category one. Of late, Mick and Maura have tended to voyage out from Dublin (all 15 miles) and, although different in appearance from their rural pioneers, are composed of mainly similar componant parts.

However, to dismiss the 'look' factor as being unimportant is a mistake which, if verbalised in Mick/Maura's presence, could earn one a reaction similar to that accorded a bottle in a gangfight. An element of 'see how well we cope with culture shock' tends to predominate the exterior make-up of the urban Mick/Maura as they traverse road and path in a conscious decison not to be spotted by the abundance of rustics about them.

Of course, these are stereotypes and not at all repesentative of the commongarden-student who will frequent all the hostelries of the town and generally get along very well with the local residents. In order to achieve some

Festival Queen

The competition, based on the Rose of Tralee, is a personality style competition and is an annual event sponsored each year and has grown in popularity over the last few years among local girls in the Cabra area.

The "Queen" attends all events during the actual festival week and holds success in this latter aim, it is important for the novice to remember the following:

(a) You will be middle-aged, married and in perpetual need of sleep yourself sometime.

(b) The right to render the semblance of comfort to your place of residence is a natural one and in no way should it be hindered by dampness, coldness, lack of space, lack of privacy and/or signs of decay. If you are not happy with your accommodation, do something about

it. Contact Mrs. Marie Kelly in the college or look about for yourself for other accommodation. The notice board in Quinnsworth is often full of accommodation ads. You can also advertise in the Classifieds section of this magazine.

(c) Do not be afraid to socialise (in the restaurants, pubs, shops and at community events etc); the natives here do not devour Christians, Pagans, Atheists or Hopeless Cases.

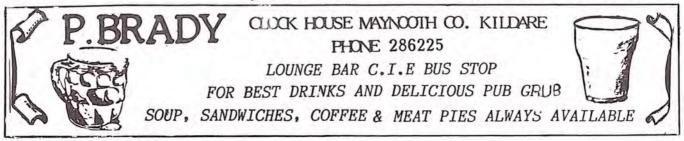
(d) Watch out for auctions and sales of work as these are unbelievable reservoirs of second hand clothes and books.

(e) You are part of the community and contribute as much and as importantly to it as anyone else within it. It helps, of course, to have at least a rough geographical knowledge of the town and a notion of some of the services on offer within it. If you have neither of

these, there are two options available to you: (i) Lie (ii) Contact the Community Council at 285922 or at its office in Main Street (this is the big one with the traffic lights).



her title for the year. Some of the events included modelling the Bridal wear for the Fashion Show, prize giving at quiz's and the song contest. Unfortunately this year the organizer of all events Mrs. E. Coffola died suddenly which brought the festival to a premature end. It was a sad end to an otherwise fabulous week.



PRESENTATION OF PRIZES FOR NEWSLETTER SHORT STORY COMPETITION 1989

Phil Mac Aree (Bank of Ireland) and John Byrne (Maynooth Bookshop) presenting the winners of the Short Story Competition with their Prizes on Tuesday 7th September in the Library.

CONGRATS



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Mrs Bean, mother of Rosemary Bean who won the over 18 section.



Georgina Sherlock, winner of 12 - 18 section.



Sonia Mulligan, runner up in the 12 - 18 section.





Niamh Mulready, winner of the under 12 section

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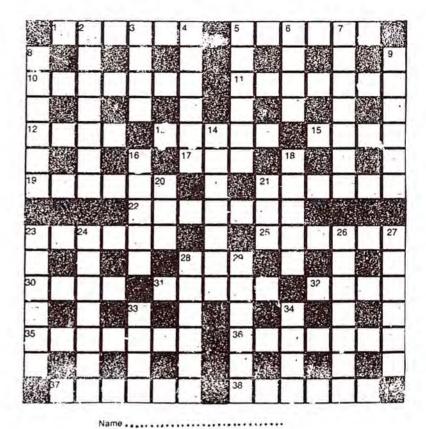
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- 1. Come forth (6)
- 5. Look after baby's bottom (6)
- 10. Makes a note of (7)
- 11. It's important to be like this (7)
- 12. Abominable (4)
- 13. The large maple is upset (5)
- 15. A musical jar (4)
- 17. Epoch (3)
- 19. Conclude from the evidence (6)
- 21. Torment (6)
- 23. Sounds like I'm finished, but I've just changed my ways (7)
- 25. The carriages start with a joker (6)
- 28. Margaret for short (3)
- 30. Witticism from a joker (4)
- 31. A measure of a girl's best friend (5)
- 32. A prop to stick around (4)
- 35. Keep Cornelius out of sight (7)
- 36. Sounds fiendish, but goodish for the hungarians (7)
- 37. Set Roy up to make pearls (6)
- 38. These fishy folk are out to do you
 (6)

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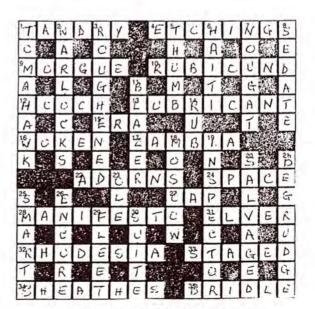
- 2. Well preserved, but drunk (7)
- 3. Gain a wage (4)
- 4. Take up the curriculum vitae (6)
- 5. Lap ale with a Spanish dish (6)
- 6. An older filly (4)
- 7. Upset a neat leg, yet still refined (7)
- 8. Longed, yearned for (6)
- 9. A coma, possibly after too much of 15 across (5)
- 14. Joe Wall, the type to reproduce words (7)
- 16. Ascend the heights, like the Maynooth rockers (5)
- 18. Paled at the foot lever (5)
- 20. Flightless bird, or a ball of wool? (3) 21. Sounds like a sigh of relief, and you can sit in it (3)
- 23. Express opposition to the thing (6) 24. May, Ron's upset about the brick-work (7)
- 26. Austrialian countryside (7)
- 27. Father Time's favourite implement(6)
- 28. Unnatural paleness (6)
- 29. The Indian river begins with a group (6)
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- 34. Cat-like sports apparel brand (4)

Entries must be in by Monday 16th October at 5.00pm

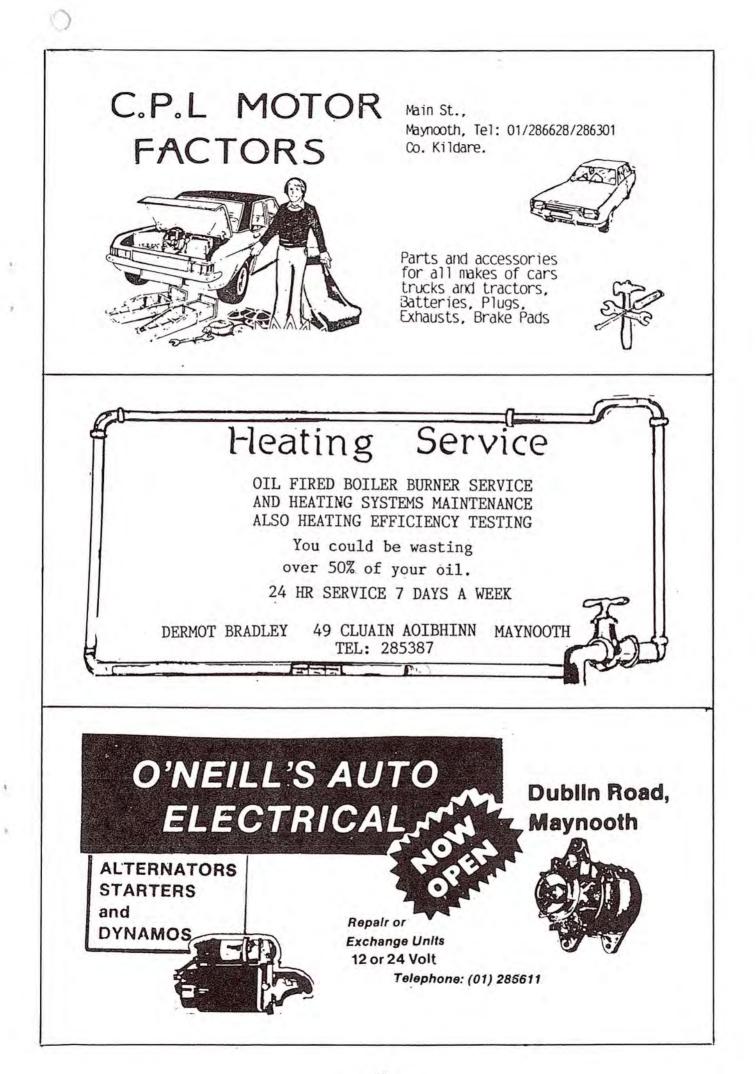


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THE COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY AND CONSUMERS

Consumer Choice is the monthly magazine of the Consumers' Association of Ireland. The July issue carried a feature on EC's Common Agricultural Policy from the consumer's perspective. John Colgan, better known in Kildare as a member of Leixlip Town Commission, is Chairman of the Association. Here he outlines the position for the Maynooth Newsletter.

Consumers have a special interest in the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) because two thirds of the EC's spending goes on it and they pay for it. The CAP covers virtually all agricultural products and the budget amounts to £21 billion - that is equal to Ireland's entire income for one year. Ireland, as one of the poorer members and big in agriculture, is a net beneficiary of the EC, receiving £1.1 billion in 1987 -£808 million of that went on the CAP.

WHAT THE CAP SET OUT TO DO

After World War II, there were memories of food shortages and much of Europe's agriculture was in need of modernisation and improvement. The CAP aimed to develop self-sufficiency in foodstuffs at reasonable prices and to give farmers a fair standard of living. The CAP also aimed to create a single market for agricultural products, with free trade between member states. To do this the EC needed to establish common quality and quantity standards for different produce; establish common prices in member states and to dismantle barriers to trade. The EC also had to tackle imports of cheap produce from countries such as former colonies of the member states.

HOW THE CAP HAS WORKED

Guaranteed minimum prices - support prices - for the most part above world prices, are paid to EC farmers for their produce.These are set annually by the member states' Agriculture Ministers. If the price on the open market falls below the support price, EC agencies intervene, buy theproduce and take it Part One

off the market, usually by putting it into storage. This way they hope to raise the market price to at least the agreed minimum. Later, they gradually put the stored produce back on the market for resale. On the other hand if the market price remains low, the stored produce is sold by the EC agencies at a loss on world markets or it remains in storage. Sometimes the EC converts the agricultural produce into industrial or commercial products or orders- its destruction. Some surpluses may be given away or sold very cheaply to selected groups within the member states, for example butter to pensioners, milk to school children.

Since world prices are usually lower than the EC's support prices, exported surpluses can only be competitive if the EC pays a subsidy - called an export refund - to make up the difference. To maintain high prices for agricultural produce within the Community, the EC imposes taxes - called import levies - on produce imported from non EC states; these are typically 10% to 20% of the import price.

EFFECTS OF THE CAP POLICY

Self-sufficiency has been largely accomplished by the CAP, but at a high cost in higher prices, storage costs and export subsidies. Farmers, with guaranteed prices, invested in more intensive farming methods, using more chemicals, more expensive feedstock and capital equipment to create greater quantities or produce - sometimes of an inferior quality. Many of these are imported from non-member states, thus reducing the apparent independence in foodstuffs. More over, the numbers in farming declined, by about 3,000 each year in Ireland. The use of synthetic nitrate fertilisers has doubled within the EC in the past two decades, causing serious water pollution problems in many countries.

munity as a whole has benefitted from the CAP. However, since payments under the CAP have generally been related to units produced, larger, more efficient farmers have been able to benefit proportionately more - increasing income gaps rather than making them narrower. Three quarters of the cash benefits a quarter of the farmers.

WHERE THE MONEY GOES

Subsidising exports of Community surpluses onto world markets takes up nearly 40% of the CAP budget. The cost of storing intervention products beef in deep freeze, butter in cold stores; grain in silos and so on - takes up 20% of the CAP budget. When the costs of intervention storage, export subsidies and crop withdrawals have been met, barely a third is left for farmers.

CONSUMERS PAY ON THE DOUBLE

The EC's consumers pay for the CAP through a share of their VAT and excise duties payments. Consumers also pay higher prices for the food they buy as a result of the CAP supports, guaranteed prices and taxes on imported foods. These are greater with plain, unprocessed foods. The overall effect on consumer food prices is likely to be up to 10%, but much more on unprocessed foods, such as fresh fruit. Recently the IFA have agreed a figure of an extra £16 to £18 per week for a family of four as the overall price paid by consumers for the CAP.



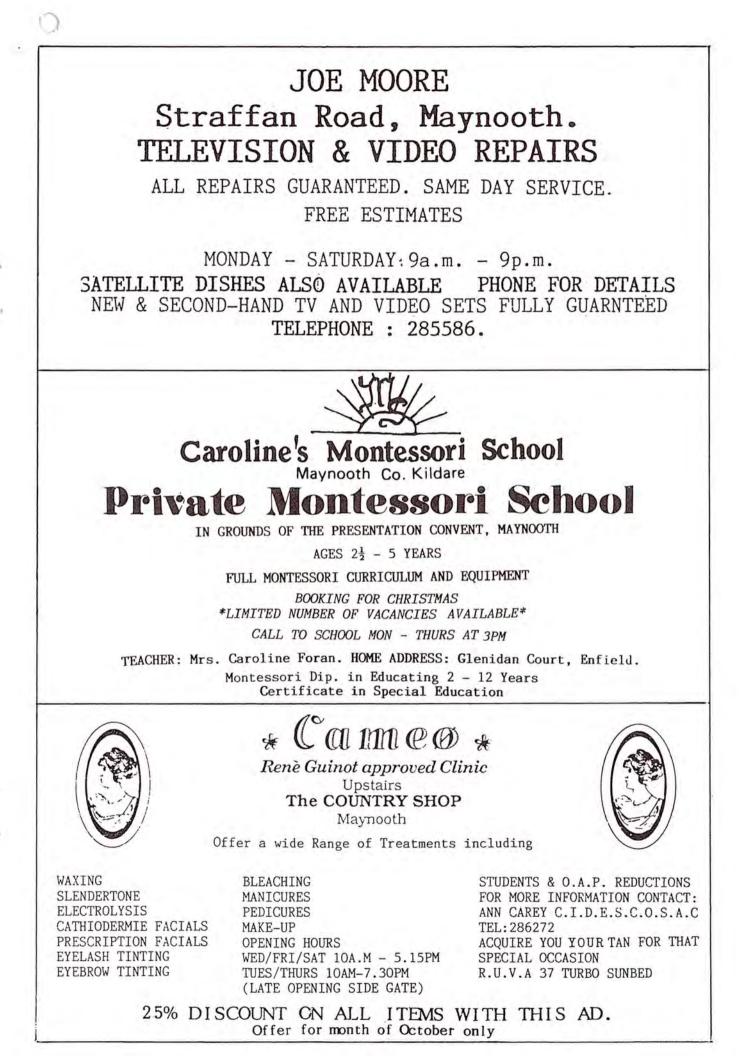
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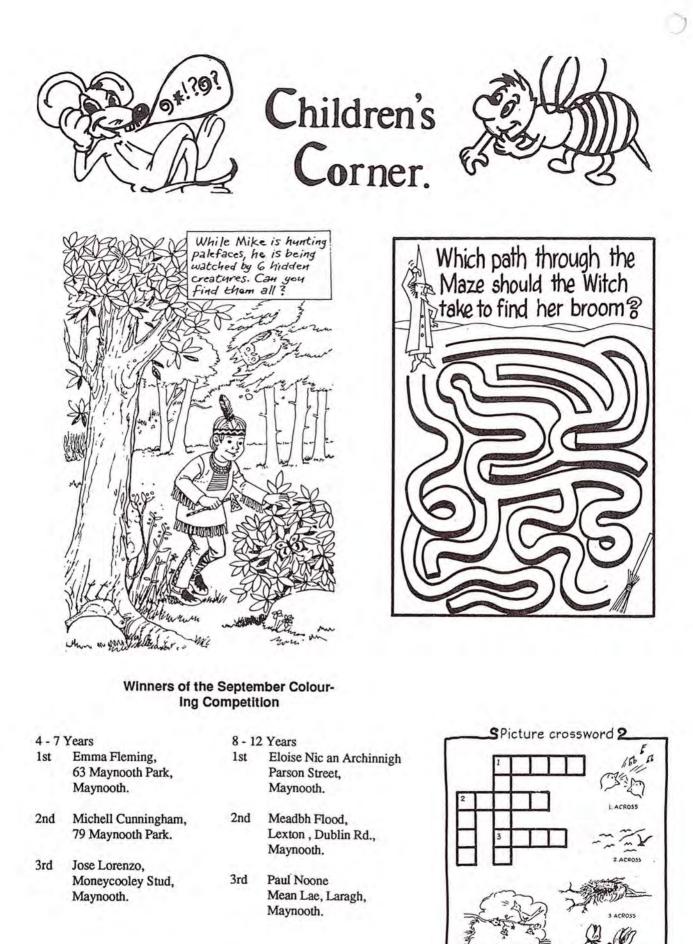
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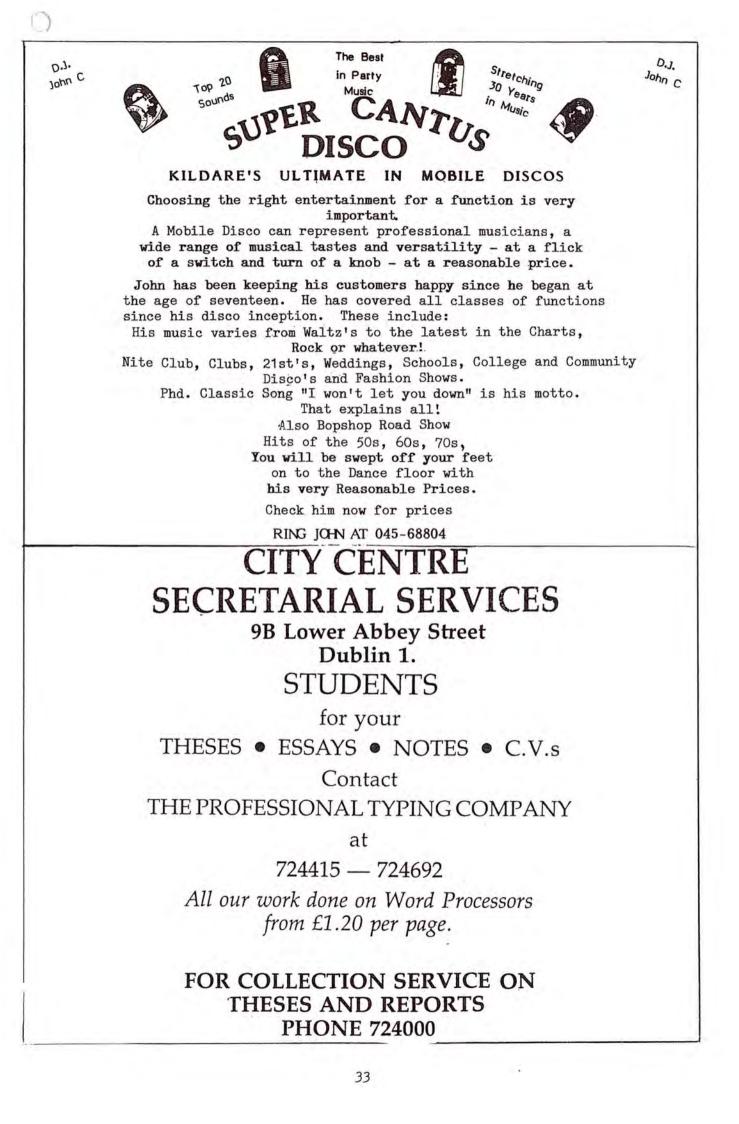


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MONEY MATTERS



TAX RELIEF ON MEDICAL EXPENSES

Certain medical expenses qualify for tax relief and again, should be considered by every taxpayer when evaluating his/her annual tax bill. Tax relief can be claimed for medical expenses incurred by the tax payer, his/her annual family and dependent relatives. Allowable expenses include hospital, nursing home charges, physiotherapy and perhaps most importantly G.P. expenses.

Unlike other allowances the relief due is not given in compulting tax free allowances (PAYE). Instead a formal claim on form MEDI must be made after the end of the tax year supported by receipts for all the expenses claimed. An important point to remember is that 'routine' dental, optical and maternity treatments are not allowable. Nonroutine expenses in those categories are allowable. Amounts recorded from VHI or Health Boards will be deducted by the Revenue Commissioners when calculating the tax repayable.

In addition, the first £50 of an individual's claim or the first £100 of a claim for a total family's expenses are not allowble. A worked example may assist you in understanding and calculating your eligible expenses.

Example

Total Expenses

Husband	
Doctor	
Drugs	c,

£300

£140

£440

I hear that one Michael Harding, playwright, author, and graduate of the College was spotted recently in Maynooth again - his mission, to work on a programme being produced by RTE to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the pope's visit to Maynooth (and other obscure parts of Ireland such as the Phoenix Park and the Galway racecourse).

How many readers have memories of their own of that misty morning in the back of the College, waiting with seventy thousand cheering children, noisy nuns, prattling priests, and macerated Maynoothians? The Newsletter would like to hear about these memories; so

	Recovered from	Net
	VHI/Health Board	Cost
Husban		
Doctor	£200	£100
Drugs	£90	£50
	£290	£150
- C.	Total Expenses	
Wife		
Hospita	£450	
Doctor	£150	
	£600	
	Recovered from	Net
	VHI/Health Board	Cost
Wife		
Hospita	£300	£150
Doctor	£50	£100
	£350	£250
	Total Expenses	
Doctor	£80	
1	Recovered from	Net
	/HI/Health Board	Cost
Child		
Doctor	£30	£50
Hospita Doctor Child Doctor	<u>£50</u> £350 Total Expenses £80 Recovered from /HI/Health Board	£100 £250 Net Cost

In the tax year the family has incurred total medical expenses of $\pounds1,120$ and has recovered $\pounds670$ from VHI/Health Boards, leaving the balance of $\pounds450$ which will be subject of a claim for repayment of tax.

The taxpayer must now consider which is the better option;

a) to claim on an individual basis or,b) claim for the family as a whole.The options are calculated below.

(A) Individual Basis

Note:- the first £50 is not eligable. Husband

Cash recovered from VHI/Health Board £150

EYE HEAR

why not jot down a few notes and send them in to the office - photographs would be particularly welcome.

We gather that a number of wheelchairs went missing on that great occasion -maybe now is the time to return them!

PUB SPY COMES HOME TO ROOST

Looks like the recent raid on Maynooth pubs by the Sober as Seminarians brigade has borne fruit - the presentation of red wine in small bottles in some pubs being one example.

The Brigade's report in the May edition of the Newsletter highlighted other

£50
£100
£300
£250
£50
£200
£50
£50
£450
£150
£300

Note:- the first £100 is not eligable.

Total expenses not recovered from VHI/Health Board £450

Amount not claimable	£100
Allowable	£350

Total Allowable:- £350

In this case it is more advantageous to make a claim on the family basis. The tax repaid to the tax payer (assuming a tax rate of 32%) will be, £350 @ 32% = £112.

Martin Doyle, Certified Public Accountant.

deficiencies, such as the interesting approach to toilet maintenance adopted by some establishments, i.e., minimal. We see that at least one hostelry has taken steps to amend its ways. The new look ladies toilet in the Roost would not look out of place in Kubla Khan's pleasure dome.

Rumour has it that another raid is being planned to assess the fallout from the May raid. Watch out for another account from Comrade Tara MacAdam and her comrades.

GRUB SPY FOILED

As an additional service to its devoted readers, the **Newsletter** sent Eye Hear on a mission to check out the fodder

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continued from page 34 being offered to the troops in Maynooth. Hearing that the Leinster Arms cooked a mean Sunday lunch, Eye Hear booked a table for four for 1.30 p.m., on Sunday in late August. Two of the party came out from Dublin for this great repast-but experienced the usual delays with traffic. So the party arrived in the LA at 1.45 p.m. - well whaddva know, there was no table for the party. The harassed waitress said that it had been given to another group who had come without a booking. She refused to seat the ravenous crew at a table set for s ix, even though the six in question had been booked also for 1.30 and were even later than the Eye Hear party. Not being able to understand the logic of all of this, Eye Hear demanded to see the manager - but was told that he, or even she, was working, or was it lurking, in the kitchen and couldn't speak to the group.

Exit one group of starving clients vowing never to return. The Manor Inn in Naas provided an excellent meal at 5.00 later that afternoon. So no grade for the LA.

HOME DEAR HOME

Recent months have seen some rapid developments in the residential life of Maynooth which are to be welcomed. The **Newsletter** has commented before on the lack of variety of houses in Maynooth, forcing those who want to move to a bigger house to look outside Maynooth. Now, with developments in Parson Street, Moyglare Road and Newtown Road, there is a far wider choice available. In fact, many of the new residents in these developments have moved from some of the older estates in Maynooth.

However the effects of spiralling house prices in Dublin have now reached Maynooth. The rumour factory, of course, adds thousands of pounds to any house sold, however, there is no doubt that many houses have increased in price by anything from ten to twenty thousand pounds in one year, and where last year it was difficult to give away some houses, which were left languishing on the auctioneers' books for months, now it is common to see the sale agreed signs up after only a few days.





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1-2 cloves (crushed) garlic

2 tablespoons oil

salt and pepper

Mix together all the ingredients. Put in the marinade for 2 hours approx. Turn once or twice.

Simmer the onions in salted water for 10 minutes, strain and add to marinade.

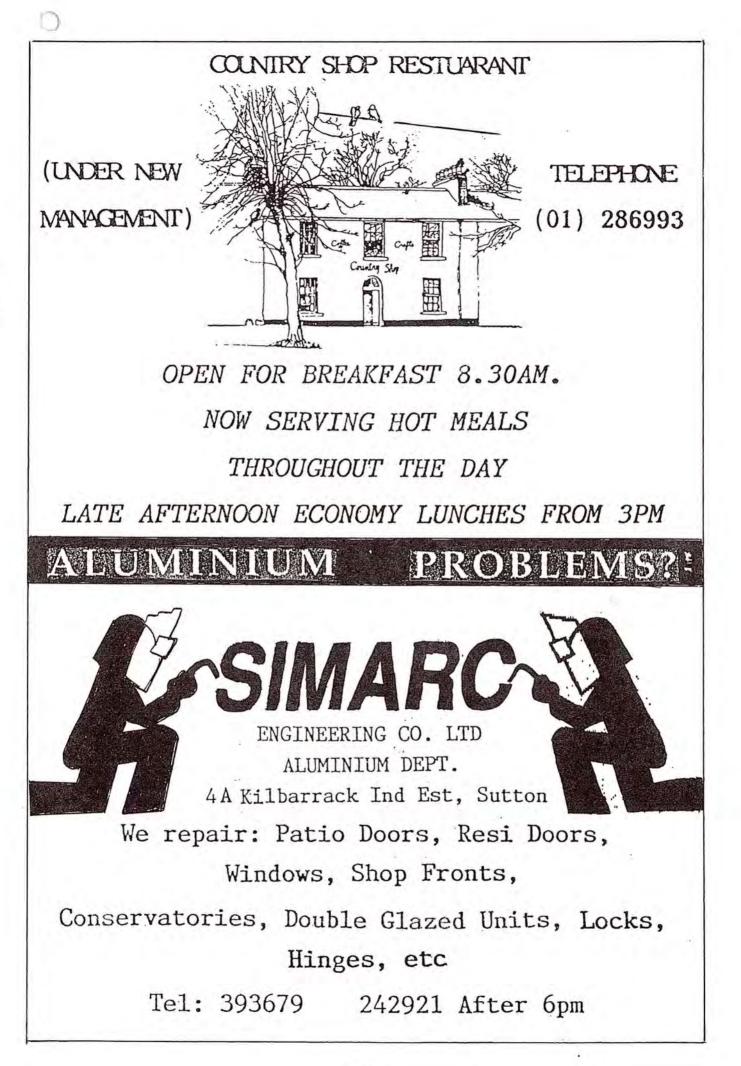
Lift the food from the marinade and put on to four large metal skewers. Put under a hot grill for 12-15 minutes, turning and basting with the marinade. Serve with cooked rice.

CHICKEN POT ROAST

2 oz chicken fat or other fat 1 chicken about 3 lb in weight 6-8 large potatoes 6 large onions 6 large carrots 4 large leeks, cut into 2 ins lengths 1/4 pint chicken stock 1/4 pint white wine salt and pepper 2 teaspoons rosemary

Heat the fat in a very large saucepan. Add the chicken and brown thoroughly all over. Lift the chicken from the saucepan. Pour away the fat. Add the vegetables, wine etc. Replace the chicken. Put a tight fitting lid on the saucepan. Bring to the boil and simmer for 1 1/4 hours. Check once or twice that the liquid does not boil away. When the chicken and vegetables are removed, use liquid for gravy.



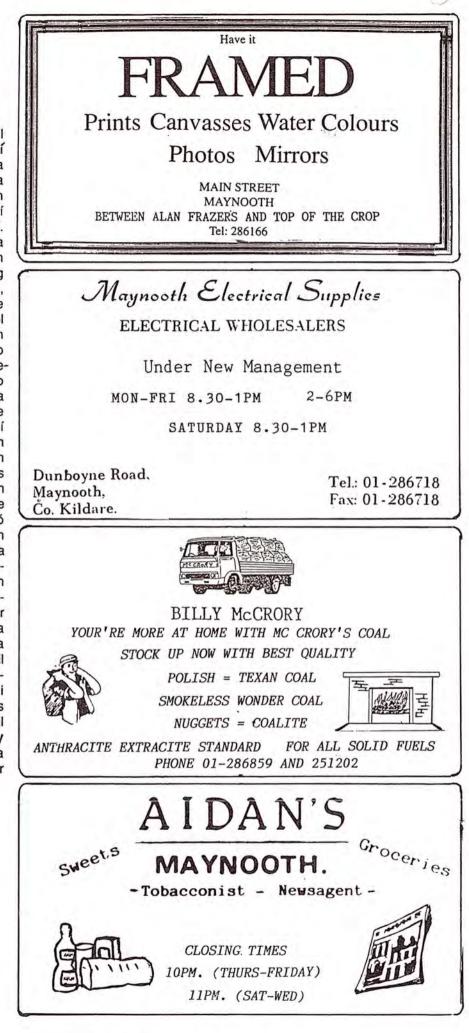


DEIREADH FOMHAIR?

Is deacair a chreidiúint go bhfuil deireadh an fhomhair taghtha. I lár mí Méan Fomhair ní raibh na duilleoga ach ag tosú ar dhath orga nó buí a ghlacadh, agus ní raibh ach fíorbheagan ag titim. Mar sin féin bhí cnónna le feiceáil i gcuid de na siopaí. Chonaic mé puimcíní allmhóra i siopa amháin. Tuar iad seo go mbeidh Oíche Shamhna chuagainn ag deireadh na míosa. Go deimhin, brostáitear an saol ar aghaidh le nósanna na siopaí tosú ar an ndíol agus ar an bhfógraíocht chomh luath agus a dheanann. Ní fada anois go mbeigh na 'laethanta chun siopadoireacht á gcomhaireamh os árd agus go mbraithfimid go bhfuil an Nollaig sa mhullach orainn! Ach, maidir le Oíche Shamhna, comhartha eile go bhfuil sí chugainn ná go bhfuil úlla na hEireann sna siopaí. Ní haon ionadh go mbíodh an oiread sin cluichí a bhain usáid as úlla i gceist oíche Shamhna. An mbíonn said ar siúl i dtithe anois? Bíonn raidhse úll sna siopaí an bhlian go léir - ó thiortha i gcéin is í gcongar. Mar sin féin, is deas an rud nósanna traidisiúnta a choimeád go háirithe nuair a bhaineann siad le spraoi agus scléip. Tá an méid sin bréagán agus cluichí leictreonacha ag leanaí anois gur minic adeir siad go bhfuil siad 'bailithe' nuair a fhágtar fúthu féin a gcuid am saor a chur isteach. Ceaptar anois go bhfuil tionchar aige seo ar fhadhb ata forlethan go leor - troid agus scliúchais i gclósanna scoile. Ní hé an t-aon chúis leis, áfach. Foilsíodh leabhar suimiúil air seo - Playtime in the Primary School le Peter Blatchford - i sasana le déanaí. Deanaimís féin deimhin gur féidir lenár leanaí súgradh.

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COLLEGE NOTES

Research funding of up to £1 million has been secured form the European Community by the College Biology Department to conduct research into pest control. The focus of the research will be on the possible use of microscopic organisms called Nematodes to eliminate insects such as the Boll Weevil which do considerable damage to commercial crops.

The Ecology laboratory within the Biology department, led by Professor Martin Downes and Dr. Christine Griffin, has been conducting research into these organisms for several years. Two other laboratories in the department - Biochemical Genetics under Dr. Ann Burnell and Molecular Genetics under Dr. Barbara Dowds - will also be involved in the research project.

There will also be an involvement with the Friesland College of Agriculture from the Netherlands, which will be responsible for outdoor testing of the research findings, and the Agricultural Genetics Company from Cambridge in England, which will look after commercial production. This reflects the growing tendency for scientific research in the universities to focus more on commercial applications and joint ventures with industry.

This research funding also reflects a welcome new emphasis on replacing

A long established feature of the Quinnsworth Shopping Mall is Jim Moore's shoe and leather repair service. He has been operating there for sixteen years now, although the present shop up at the far end near the car park is his fourth in the mall. At first he operated from a little workshop near Conroy's chemist shop, then moved across the hall to where many people will remember him under the stairs next to the entrance to what was then O'Briens supermarket. As the first phase of the mall opened Jim moved with it, and when it was extended four or five years ago he moved too, like a true pioneer, to his present position. Looking back, Jim says that he liked the original location which, even though it was very enclosed, was right at the centre of activity in the shopping centre. Now, however, he has a bright and well placed unit right at the car park entrance. This led to what was probably his most unusual request, when a man drove up to the entrance and asked if the dashboard of his car could be covered in leatherette! Unfortunately,

conventional chemical methods of pest control - whose harmful environmental effects are now well known with 'environment friendly' biological alternatives. While nematodes are deadly as far as the target insects are concerned, they are considered to be very safe from the point of view of human health.

So congratulations to all concerned for securing this prestigious grant for the college. Whether those concerned appreciated being described as "scientist priests" (as they were in one less than reputable morning paper) we can only guess!

Professor Vincent Comerford of the History Department was elected Dean of the Faculty of Arts for a three-year term at the Faculty's September meeting. Vincent succeeds Professor Barbara Hayley of the English Department.

We congratulate him and wish him well in what is the second prestitious but onerous position which he has secured in recent times, as he was also recently appointed to the Chair of History in the College.

The big move of staff offices to Rhetoric House, reported in the last issue of this column, has now all but been completed.

In the meantime, the relocated staff have those who were successful in the Aubeen trying to sort out their new actumn examinations.

REET TALKIN as the customer was unable to leave the car in the shop while the work was done, Jim didn't fix it on that occasion. But the number of things that Jim can and does fix is astonishing. He can stitch and patch your shoes and leather goods, stretch your shoes, dye them, fit zips to boots or handbags, repair your luggage, and put a new strap on your watch. Indeed, hanging in his shop is probably the best sign in Maynooth:

We doctor your shoes, heal them, Attend their dyeing, and save their soles.

As one customer observed with a smile, "I don't suppose he'll foot the bill as well!". Jim now has quite a reputation for the service provided by himself and Seamus Flanagan who works in the shop with him. Customers come from all around, not just from Maynooth but from Enfield, Kilcock, Dunboyne, and the other local towns as well. What's so special about his service? Well, one particular aspect is that he is able to stitch on leather soles to men's shoes, commodation amidst a haze of dust and paint fumes.

The concern among many staff members about the move was reflected in a special meeting of the Academic Staff Association which was the best attended in years. We hear that while the meeting endorsed the move in principle, the officers of the association are to take up the many difficulties which have arisen as a matter of uraency with the College Authorities. Associated with the move to Rhetoric House is the introduction of new measures for traffic control in the old campus, also reported in a previous issue of this column. The first signs to these measures have now become apparent with the widening of the roadway leading from the front gates to the administrative offices in Riverstown Lodge. and the breaking of a new entrance into the Rhetoric pitch area, where new parking lots are being developed.

Finally, as this issue of the Newsletter will coincide with the beginning of the new academic year, we wish to welcome back all returning students and in particular to extend a warmwelcome to all those beginning a new academic career in the College. We also wish to take this opportunity to congratulate all those who were successful in the Autumn examinations.

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a much better job that the more frequent tacking or rivetting. He also has a very up-to-date finishing machine and outsole stitcher, but he emphasises that the machine is no more than an aid to what is essentially a hand craft. Many people like to leave their shoes in for repair, do their shopping, and then collect them on the way out. Jim Moore, originally from Drogheda, has been living in Maynooth for twenty one years, while Seamus Flanagan is also from Maynooth.What sort of footwear does Jim wear himself? Always leather. A good heavy leather shoe for working, which provides the support and prevents tired feet during the long working day. And for the nightlife, a lighter leather shoe which gives the stylish look, but is really designed to be worn for just a few hours at a time. Leather, of course, allows the foot to breathe, but the real advantage of leather is that it can nearly always be repaired and brought back into condition, whereas there is probably only a fifty fifty chance of doing anything to synthetic footwear.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Some disappointing results to date which is not unexpected when you consider that we are now in an era of rebuilding. The lack of top class experience is showing in the early stages of the season but it is hoped that with a few more games under our belts, results should improve before the season progresses. The fact that both of our teams met some of the top teams in their respective divisions so early in the season did not allow for build up of confidence or teamwork.

One of the earliest teams played was Castle Villa who include two junior Internationals in their line up. After an early goal for Villa following a corner Maynooth rallied well and equalised with Tony Kearns scoring a goal which will be hard to beat for sheer teamwork and first rate finishing. The greater all round strength of Villa told in the end and we were unlucky not to at least draw before going down 1-3.

PREMIER DIVISION

Slievenamon 3 Maynooth Town 2 Maynooth showed excellent form in this game and were unfortunate not to shre the points only losing to the odd goal in five. Some decision in a new luck defence cost us some early goals from whcih we found it hard to recover. Tony Kearns was again in excellent form for Maynooth and kept up his scoring rate.

Maynooth Town 1 Palmerstown 3 Some very questionable decisions by referee Dowling spoiled what potentially should have been the game of the season. A hotly disputed penalty for

Rangers as early as the 5th minute rocked Maynooth and it was expected that the floodgates would open. With Eddie Moen dominating midfield Maynooth got to grips with the game and gave as good as they got. Eddie Moen was once again involved in the move which brought Maynooth an overdue equaliser. Following excellent approach work by Gerry Treacy, Eddie, took the ball into the Rangers' penalty area before passing back to the in-running Tony Kearns who hit an unstoppable shot from 16 yards. Two defensive errors late in the game left Rangers totally flattered by the scoreline. When one considers that Rangers were made up of almost 30% of former Maynooth players who were outshone by their former colleagues it was in effect a moral victory for the town.

The promise of rewards by the stronger clubs in Junior football now poses several questions i.e.

 Where will the offer of rewards end?
 When are the leagues going to put an end to this unfair practice?

3. How long will it be before teams lose their identity with the towns and villages in which they are based?

4. Must the offer of higher rewards now highlight the loyalty or lack of it in the light of the type of poaching methods now being used by some clubs in their quest for honours?

If the junior game is to take on this professional type attitude the players who turn out to play for the honour of their team must be left to pose the question; What price loyalty? MAYNOOTH SCHOOL BOYS U/14

Maynooth 1 Ben Madigan 3

An understrength Maynooth were no match for a much bigger Ben Madigan who contained some players whose legality might be in question in terms of age. Billy Glennon got just reward for his efforts when he scored the Maynooth goal.

Lucan 0 Maynooth 1

This was a better show by Maynooth who had to withstand some strong late pressure from Lucan before holding out for a close win. Tony Byrne gave an excellent performance in goal for Maynooth and was responsible for denying Lucan an equalising goal with some brilliant saves.

Paul Flood got the match winner when he collected a long clearance from Thomas Fay and ran thirty yards to score the winner. Best for Maynooth T. Byrne.

Leixlip 0 Maynooth 1

Maynooth continued their winning run with his hard earned win in this local derby. The short trip down the road to the excellent facilities at the Amenities Centre (when will we boast one) proved a rewarding journey. In a game which we completely dominated, some poor finishing and bad luck prevented us from winning more easily. Paul Flood was again the match winner when substitute John Greene provided the pass.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

On September 9th last, Maynooth Golfing Society travelled to Longford Golf Club for the President's (Mr. John Carey) outing. A total of thirty nine golfers participated on a day when conditions were ideal for golfing. The Golf course was in excellent condition, with the fast greens proving a stern challenge for many players. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the committee and members of Maynooth Golfing Society to thank firstly, our President, Mr. John Carey, for his very generous sponsorship of the event. The support and sponsorship of Mr. Carey down through the years, has been much appreciated and it is hoped that he will continue in his role as president of the society for the forseable future. Thanks are also due to Longford Golf Club for the excellent facilities provided on the day.

I would like to congratulate all the prizewinners on the day and in particular the overall winner, Mr. Tom Flatley (24) 35 pts. Listed below are the results.

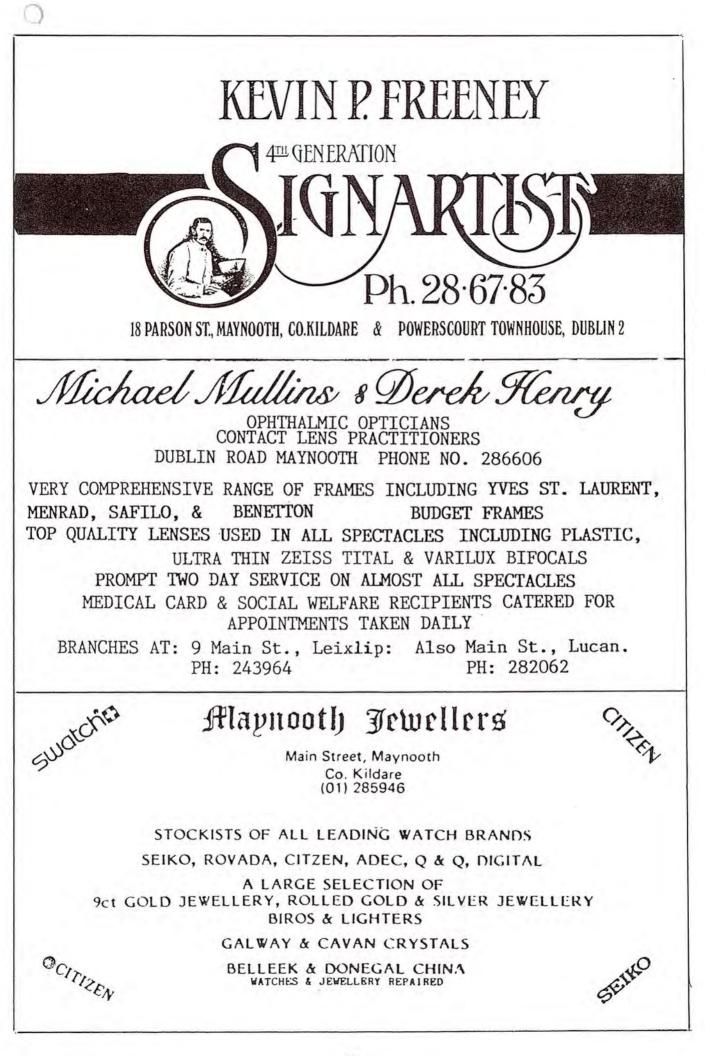
The semi-finals of the matchplay '89 competition were played prior to our outing to Longford, and results were as follows:- G. McTernan/G. Ledwith bt T. Dunning/C. Tierney 5 and 4 W. Coughlan/N. O'Halloran bt L. Young/T.Duffin 3 and 2. Finalists are reminded that the final must be played before our outing to Edenderry, on October 28th.

The top three positions in the Golfers of the year Competition, with one outing remaining are as follows:-

1st. G. McTernan 165 pts., 2nd. Dominic Nyland 161 pts., 3rd. J. Kelly 160 pts., S. Feeney 160 pts.

Members please note that our next and final outing of the year is the Seamus Moore Memorial outing to Edenderry on October 28th next.

> Sean Tracey Hon. Sec.



MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

SPLASH NEWS

Welcome back to all our members who returned for the first swimming session this term on the 16th September, and a special welcome to our new members. We hope you enjoy learning to swim and we wish you every encouragement.

As usual, the first bus every Saturday leaves Greenfield Shopping Centre at 3.45 p.m. The second bus leaves Cluain Aoibhinn at 4.30 p.m. and Greenfield Shopping Centre at 4.40 p.m. The fee has remained the same for the past three years, and the increase this year is due to increased pool and transport cost. The fee is now £22 for one child, £39 for two children. All fees should be paid by October 14th.

We are currently enrolling children from the waiting list. If your child is interested in learning to swim please contact the secretary Mary Healy (286942) giving the chld's name, address, telephone number and date of birth. Children must be 4 years of age or older. Reminder: There will be no swim on Saturday October 28th.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Congratulations to Hugh Purcell, Niall Gillick, Helen O'Shea, Ciara Dillon, Ann Marie Gallagher and Aoife Callaghan on their performances at the National Finals in Mosney. Each one was representing Kildare in their specific event. They did Maynooth and Kildare proud on their performances and on their conduct in Mosney, with some of them getting through to the semi-finals and finals. This is no mean achievement as they were up against the best of 31 other counties. Once again Hugh Purcell performed the best and came home having being awarded the Certificate for 4th place in the Boy's under 16 high jump. This was Hugh's second win at Mosney. In 1983 he won a gold medal in the Boy's U/10 hurdles. So he has been a great ambassador for Community Games during the past years. Well done to all. We will be holding our A.G.M. possibly in February so watch out in further editions of the Newsletter for times and dates.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

Pride of place must go this month to our junior B football team. Having played some excellent football during the year they reached the junior football championships B final v Athgarvin. However we were well beaten in the Here I must point out that final. Arthgarvin started the season in the senior league but by some strange arrangement by Kildare Co. Board they got regraded to junior status in mid season. This meant that we were playing against a senior team in all but name in the final. Our team never gave up trying and for this they must be congratulated.

Team and Subs.

Team: 1. Tommy Flaherty, 2. Pat Nevin, 3. Tony O'Connor, 4. Larry Comerford, 5. Ronan Barry, 6. Mick Gahan, 7. Paul Stynes, 8. Austin Burke, 9. John O'Toole, 10. Niall Farrell, 11. Tom Coffey, 12. Johnny Nevin, 13. Pat Conway, 14. Martin Donnelly, 15. Joey Riordan.

Subs: 1. Cathal O'Leary, 2. Liam Kearns, 3. John Gillernan, 4. Martin O'Dea, 5. G. Treacy, 6. Malachy McCann, 7. Mick Flaherty, 8. David Hogan, 9. Gerry Whelan, 10. David Mee, 11. Davy Corcoran.

New Pavilion

It is my pleasent duty to be able to report that work has started this week on the construction of our new pavilion at Moyglare Road. It is only right that our loyal supporters who contributed so well to our prize draw a couple of years ago should know that this money is now been wisely spent.

There is a very long way to go before this project is finished but we believe that when people realize the amenities that will be provided here for all the family, a great deal more support will be forthcoming.

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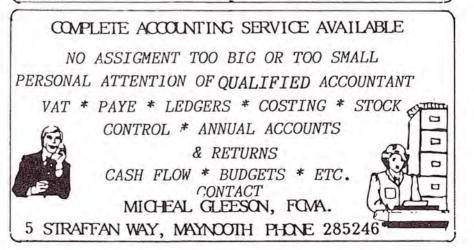
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Also a very special thank you to our very helfpul and kind gardai. We would like to express our sincere thanks to all our very kind neighbours and friends. The holy sacrifice of the mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Mary Farrell, Greenfield Drive, on behalf of her family would like to thank her neighbours and friends in Maynooth for their sympathy on the death of her mother Margaret Murnane, Raheny. Mass will be offered for their intentions.

SYMPATHY

Nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of the late Nora Brady, Iona Road and Greenfield, Maynooth.

Sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great grandson, sister, brother, sisterin-law, nephews, nieces, relatives, friends of the late Alice Travers, Newtown

CONGRAT

Best wishes to Detective Garda Patrick Kearns, Maynooth Park, who retired recently. Patrick (better known to his pals as Pat) hails from Sixmilebridge in "The Bannor County" and was stationed in Terenure, Store Street, Bridewell and lastly in Lucan. Pat. his wife and family have been residing in Maynooth for almost 20 years, had 30 years service, and was very popular with all classes. He is wished many happy years in retirement and this comes from his many friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Congratulations to Patrick Boyce, Corbally, Maynooth and Clare Brennan, Leixlip, who were married in St. Mary's Church, Lucan, on September 16th.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Best wishes for a very happy birthday to Michelle McGovern aged 5 on Oct. 1st. With lots of love from Nannie Una and Uncle Kevin.

Best wishes for a very happy birthday to Thomas McGovern, Greenfield age 6 on Oct. 6th with lots of love, from Nannie Una and Uncle Kevin.

Julia Comerford, Greenfield Age 8 Oct. 3rd. Best wishes from Tiny.

Edel Fay, Leinster Cottages, Age 5 October 15th.

Belated happy birthday to Micheal Higgins, Rail Park and best wishes to his wife, Phyllis who celebrates her Birthday in October. Also, regards to Micheal who has recently celebrated one year of retirement from the position of Sergeant in Maynooth.

Happy Birthday to Michelle McGovern, Greenfield, 5 years, Oct. 1 st from Noel, Marie, Richard and Thomas.

Happy Birthday to Thomas McGovern, Greenfield 6 years, Oct. 6th from Michael, Eileen and girls.

Lots of love to our sister Michelle McGovern on her 5th Birthday, Oct. 1st from Kasina, Stacey, Debbie and Regina. All our love.

Happy Birthday to Regina Victory, Drogheda, Oct. 6th from Una McGovern and family.

Happy Birthday to Alan Lavin, Moyglare who celebrates his birthday on October 1st.

Happy Birthday to Gerard Doolin, Killeany, Maynooth, 1st October. Best Wishes to Breda Farrell who cele-

brates her 21st Birthday on Oct. 4th.

ULATIONS

Congratulations to Owen Donovan, Post Master, Maynooth and Marian Phelan, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary who were married in Clonmel on August 5th. The young couple will reside at Moyalare Road.

Congratulations to Kieran Doyle, Straffan Way, Maynooth who was recently awarded The Krups Award and The Douglas trophy in his recent diploma examination from the Irish Hardware Association. From all his family.

Congratulations from all the family to Mrs. Elizabeth Donovan, Greenfield who celebrated her 70th birthday September 13th.

Congratulations to Dr. Maurice and Mary Cowhey on the birth of a baby boy.

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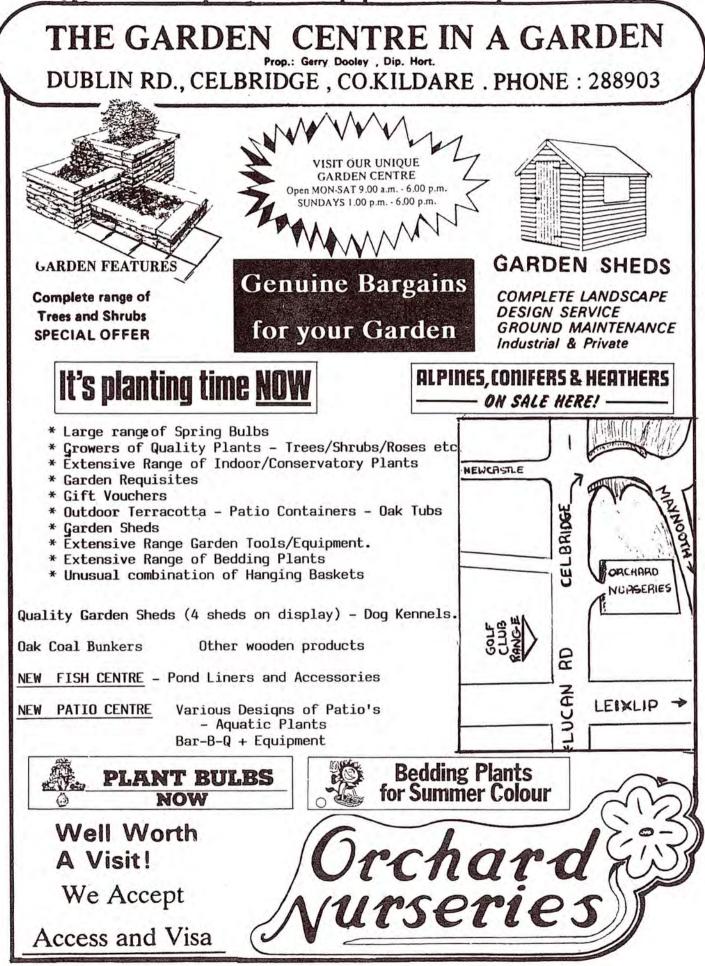
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