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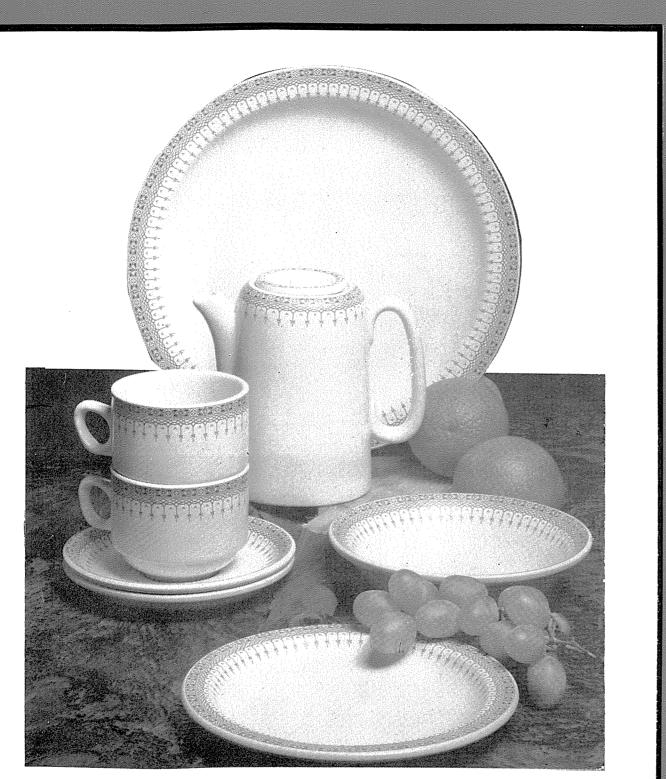
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Editorial

Gunfight at the Eldorado

As an exchange of letters to the editor, and reports from the Greenfield Residents' Association in this issue show, the verbal equivalent of a gunfight at the Eldorado has broken out. The issues are simple. The Eldorado which is located in the shopping centre in Greenfield estate wishes to stay open until 1.30 am, the County Council has refused permission, some, but clearly not all, residents of Greenfield are objecting to extension of trading hours, and accusations are flying about; democracy, abuses of democracy, demolition of livelihoods, character assassination and so on. The residents who object say that extended hours attract undesirable crowds, those who want extended hours point to the convenience of being able to buy cigarettes or milk, or even fish and chips after midnight. The Newsletter recognises each side has a point. Is it possible that instead of the acrimony which has broken out, some compromise could be worked out. If undesirable noisy crowds are loitering outside the Eldorado, they are presumably doing so even if the existing trading hours, which we understand go to 12.30 am. If this is so, these people are breaking the law by causing a nuisance. A few visits from the Gardai would soon eliminate this problem.

Drinking and Driving

Readers will have been appalled at the recent spate of fatal road accidents which have occurred in the vicinity of Maynooth. We are now entering the drinking season, which has in the past been characterised by carnage on the roads. The Newsletter reminds readers that the combination of drink, high spirits, lousy roads, bad lighting, and uncertain weather is potentially lethal. The recent extension of taxis to the Maynooth area may prove a lifesaver for many. Use public transport, or taxis, and get yourself, and others home for Christmas.

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Editorial

The Mucky Road to Straffan

The Newsletter has been dismayed at the condition in which the company responsible for digging up half of Maynooth for the new drainage system has left the roads and verges. The amount of mud which has been left on the Straffan Road for the last few weeks constitutes a danger to cars and pedestrians. Hopefully the company will repair all the walls and pillars which it has demolished in the course of its work. Presumably, also, they are waiting for the rain and snow to wash the muck away.

Cobweb

The Editor has been asked specially to urge readers to buy the most recent edition of 'Cobweb' which should now be in a shop near you. The main reason is that half of the Editorial Board are responsible for producing this dynamic magazine which contains the work of up and coming poets and writers. And good value for 50 pence, we are told.

Happy Christmas

The Newsletter wishes all readers a safe and Happy Christmas. We take this opportunity to thank all in the community who have helped us in any way, by diligent submission of reports on their organisation's activities, providing photographs, buying the Newsletter, placing advertisements. In particular, we urge Maynooth residents to support our advertisers, by buying local, and keeping the Maynooth economy going.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

May I avail of this opportunity to say a sincere thank you to all the people of Maynooth for their support and expressions of good will to me, on my recent trip to Bangkok, representing Ireland, together with Jason Watson, at the World Amateur championship.

It was a great personal honour to represent my country, and in particular Maynooth, at such an international event.

To those people who assisted me financially in this venture, and whom I know wish to remain anonymous, I shall always be grateful.

To Maynooth Community council, and sponsors, for hosting a splendid reception on my behalf, and for making a beautiful presentation to me on behalf of the people of Maynooth, I say a big thank you.

Finally to all my friends and supporters, I always hope to be a good ambassador on behalf of Maynooth, wherever I go.

Joe Canny (Junior)

Dear Editor.

I wish to protest at the treatment of Mr. Michael Jennings of El Dorado Take Away in Greenfield Shopping Centre, by the Greenfield Residents' Association. I regard the actions of the Association as being extremely unjust and call upon them to cease. I wonder if the residents in the area realise what is being perpetuated in their name.

E. Donovan

Dear Editor.

Further to my recent letter regarding Greenfield Residents Association and Mr. Michael Jennings I wish to state the following.

After the issues involved were brought to the attention of the residents in the area by the other traders in the centre, a public meeting was held. The manner in which Michael Jennings runs his business was run down, the problems caused by his business were expounded, he was called a liar, but was he invited along to defend himself or to present his side of the story? No Way! The objections to Mr Jennings don't stand up too well under the harsh light of day either. Neither did all the residents in the area receive a notification of the meeting. Was the meeting constitutional? Was there a proper quorum for any resolutions passed? The stench of injustice pervades more strongly than ever.

E. Donovan

Dear Editor,

I wish to bring to your readers' attention the issue of Greenfields' Residents' Association and their stance against Mr Jennings and his application for longer opening hours for his fast food chip shop, 'El Dorado'. At a meeting on the 12th of November to discuss the issue the committee of the Residents' Association were not only rude to those who aired views against their opinions, they flaunted democracy by refusing to allow Mr Jennings to attend the meeting and give his side so to speak. They refused to give any other reason for this ban except that it was in the rules. When I asked what rule said Mr. Jennings could not attend I was told I was out of order and refused an opportunity to speak again.

Others at the meeting were also treated with the same disrespect. I find it hard to comprehend that a so called





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Letters to the Editor

democratic group could have acted in such a way. Many people who turned up and spoke, at the invitation of the flver sent around, were refused a vote as they were not paid up members. This had not been stated on the flyer. What was the point, many asked, to go and speak in an issue they had no say in. Others felt the committee was a clique and although I have not spent long in Maynooth I did find the whole meeting very strange to say the least.

I also find it astonishing that Mr John Mc Ginley, a member of the Labour Party, did not stand up for the rights of the worker i.e. Mr Jennings.

There are some valid arguments against extended hours. However the path the resident association is taking is one of total non-compromise and disregard of the wider issues. I could go on at length about the need for services in Maynooth and the rights of workers but feel it is a futile argument in light of the decision made by the Residents' Association to support the objection to the extended hours. I feel saddened as a student representative and resident of Maynooth at that decision.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Carey, Womens Officer, Maynooth Students Union.

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Community Council Notes

Proposed Traffic Plan for Maynooth

Traffic congestion in Maynooth has now reached crisis proportions. Getting through Maynooth is a nightmare for both locals and through traffic. Long tailbacks on all roads is the order of the day. The by-pass should solve a lot of the problems, but its completion is too far off.

It is the view of Maynooth Community Council that the following proposals should be implemented by Kildare County Council without delay:

1) Eliminate parking by putting double yellow lines in the following areas:

(a) Kiernans Shop - to allow buses to pull in without disrupting traffic flow.

(b) Bradys/Caulfields - to allow buses to pull in without disrupting traffic flow.

(c) Bank of Ireland - to allow traffic from Straffan Road to turn down Main Street more easily.

(d) Hanah Floods - to allow traffic from Straffan Road to turn down Main Street more easily.

(e) Gerry Bradys/Roost - to allow articulated trucks to take the turn at lower Main St. with ease.

(f) Patricks/Barrys - to allow articulated trucks to take the turn at lower Main St. with ease.

(g) KevinMc Namaras/ - to allow traffic from Newtown/ College to Newtown Road turn left to Kilcock more easily. (h) O' Neills Butchers/ - to avoid Dublin bound traffic being held up by Hula Bou traffic turning right up Straffan Road. 2) Installation of Traffic Lights

(a) Newtown Road/Main Street junction - Long overdue (b) Straffan Road/Main Street junction - with lights at Bank

of Ireland, Main St. and Bradys, Main St. The lights at (a) and (b) should be synchronised and include

a pedestrian element.

3) Straffan Road/Square

Remove the public toilet building to give increased road space and increased parking facilities.

It is felt that a one-way system in the square would not improve matters.

4) Dunbovne Traffic

The Convent Road is not suitable for the heavy North bound traffic that it is presently taking. As a priority the Dunboyne Road at Carton should be widened by filling in the drain and making it suitable for the heavy North bound traffic. The filling of this drain would also stop the indiscriminate dumping which has turned the area into an evesore.

5) Kilcock Road

Proper signposting of the College Arts Block and Library is urgently required in order to avoid a serious accident. 6) Kavanaghs Mill

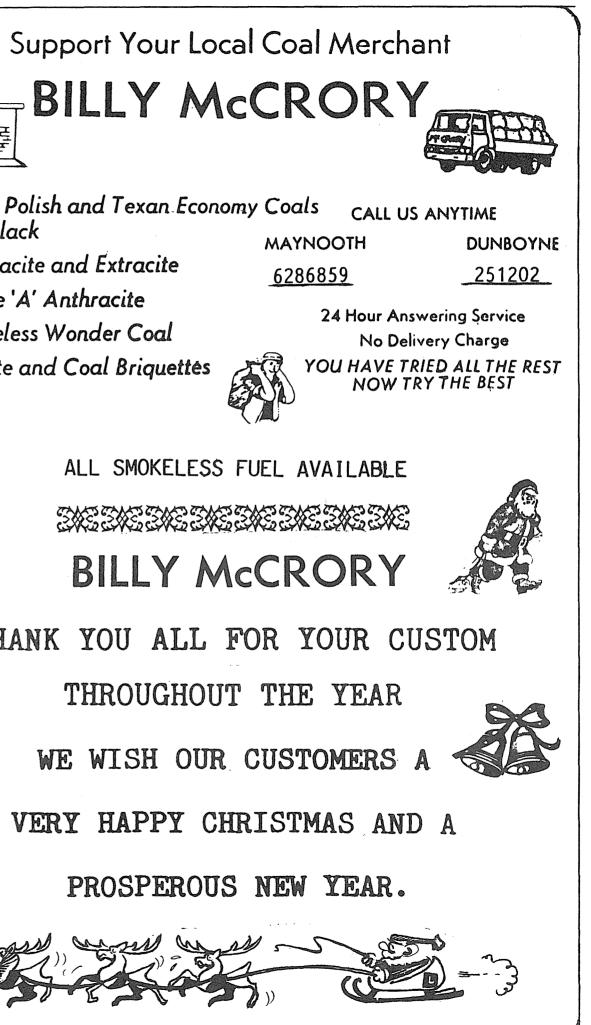
The owners should be asked to re-design their system of loading lorries in order to remove the major disruption to traffic that this now causes.

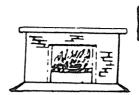
7) Pound Lane

Drivers are continuing to use this road as an escape route despite the 'no entry' sign. This could be overcome somewhat if a continuous white line was painted across the entrance with 'No Entry' written on the road.

It is our view that if these proposals are adopted by Kildare County Council the traffic flow in Maynooth will be improved significantly and make life easier for all of us.

John Mc Ginley, Chairperson.





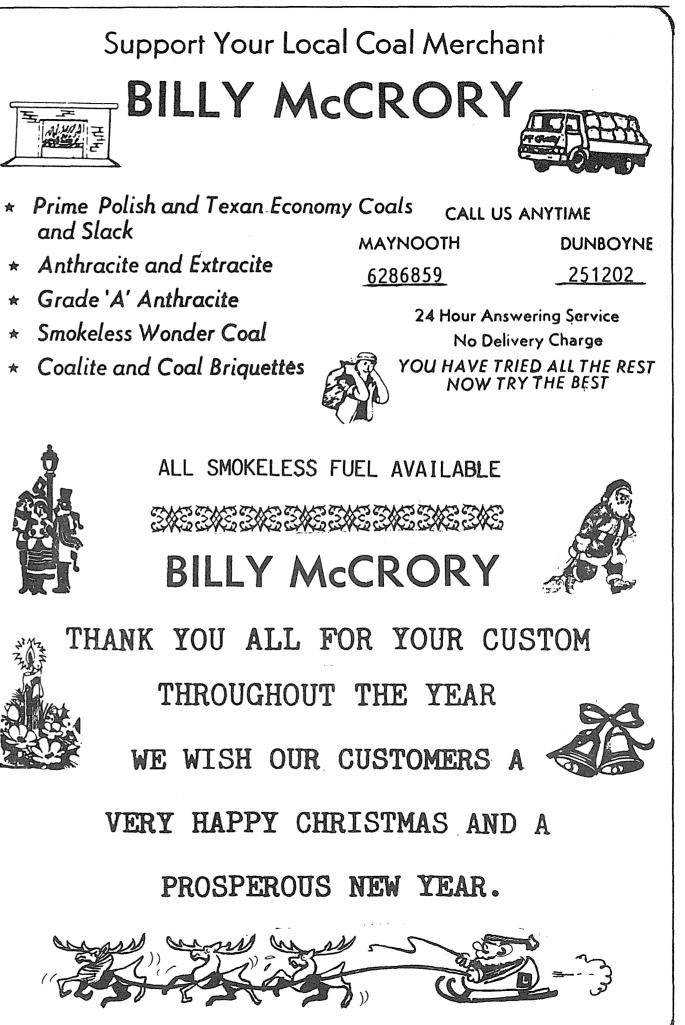
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BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The Parents Association of St. Mary's Boys National School, Maynooth, would like to acknowledge the receipt of a £200 contribution from the Greenfield Traders, Greenfield Shopping Centre, Maynooth.

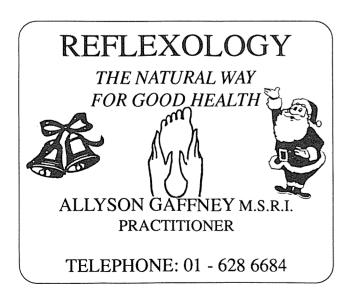
We were delighted to receive this contribution as our coffers were considerably depleted having purchased from funds raised last year, 3 computers plus software and tape recorders.

We are delighted to get an unexpected boost like this at the beginning of the year as we are hoping to raise funds this year for P.E. equipment, Infant equipment and Educational Games. Many thanks again to the Greenfield Traders.

Bridie Furlong, *P.R.O.*



Mick Jennings, proprietor, El Dorado take-away, presents a cheque for £200 on behalf of Greenfield Traders to Noreen Curran and Deirdre Cusker, members of the Fund Raising Committee of the Boys National School.



MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

We thank those residents who contacted us in relation to the Tidy Areas/Estates, Best Shop Fronts Competition Results judges remarks printed in last months Newsletter.

As previously explained the judging is totally independent of the Tidy Towns Committee.

Our Prize Giving Ceremony will be held during our annual Table Quiz in December - date and venue to be arranged. Finally, may we wish our committee members, helpers and readers of the Newsletter a Happy Christmas. P.S. Don't forget to save bottles and cans for re-cycling.

R. Farrell,

P.R.O.

CITIZEN'S INFORMATION CENTRE

Question: I am acting as executor of my late father's will. As he was in receipt of a Non-Contributory Old Age Pension when he died, I have been told this places an onus on me in relation to the Department of Social Welfare. Can you clarify what my responsibility is in this respect?

Answer: Under the Social Welfare (Consolidation) Act of 1981 (Section 174, paragraph 3) the personal representative of a person who was at any time receiving a Non-Contributory Pension from the Department of Social Welfare must inform the Department in writing of the assets to be distributed at least three months before the distribution commences. The executor/personal representative is held personally responsible for any sums found to be due to the Department, where the above notification is not given.

For the average person, acting as executor/administrator is the exception rather than the rule. The significance of the above requirement is of special importance to the lav person acting as personal representative and making personal application to the Probate Office, rather than engaging a solicitor. They must satisfy themselves as to whether the deceased had ever received a Non-Contributory Old Age Pension and in the event that they had must give the required notification to the Dept. of Social Welfare.

News Update

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

The following is a breakdown of all our queries from June to October:

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Aid)	2	
Emigration	1	
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We would like to th	ank everyone wh	o helped us durir

ng Citizens Information Week.

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Wed	10-12 & 2-4	Thurs	2.30-4.30
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A happy and peaceful Christmas to everyone.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

Times of Services:

The Eucharist 1st Sunday of month 9.30 am 2nd Sunday of month 10.30 am The Eucharist 3rd Sunday of month 10.30 am Morning Prayer 4th Sunday of month 10.30 am The Eucharist The Rector, Rev. G. Wiliamson may be contacted at The Rectory, Lismahon, Batterstown, Co. Meath, Tel: 250020.

Events planned for December

(1) Flower arranging demonstration by Felicity Satchwell on Thursday 12th December at 8.00 pm sharp in aid of St. Mary's Restoration Fund. The venue is the Hall beside St. Peter's Church in Dunboyne and admission is £4. Come and get some tips to improve your arrangements for Christmas. (2) Cake Sale (including mincepies, puddings, jams, chutneys) to be held in the I.C.A. Hall on Saturday 14th December 12 noon - 4 pm.

(3) Christmas Carols Service in St. Mary's, Maynooth on Sunday 22nd December at 4.00pm. Maynooth Folk Group has kindly agreed to participate at this service and everybody in the community is welcome to attend, children and adults alike. The service will be followed by mince pies and refreshments for everybody. The collection will be in aid of the Restoration Fund - hope to see you all there!

CREDIT UNION NOTES

Those who visit our offices will certainly have noticed the building which is in progress at the moment. The premises are being extended considerably. We would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused to members while this building is going on.



Shares in a Credit Union . . . Saving

Members come together in a Credit Union for two main reasons . . .

(1) to set up a means whereby they can save with security on a regular basis

(2) from this fund of savings to provide loans.

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(b) to build up reserves (capital) and

(c) the remainder may be returned to the member by way of dividend and rebate.

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The benefit most appreciated by the saving member is the entitlement to apply for a loan for any useful or productive purpose.

Opening Hours:

Thursday 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm Friday 7.00 pm to 8.30 pm Saturday 10.00 am to 12.30 pm

The A.G.M. of the Credit Union took place in the Boy's National School in November 1991 at 8.00 pm. It was very well attended. There were three vacancies for Supervisors and those duly elected to same are as follows: John Butler, Paddy Arthurs and John Mc Quaid. There were four vacancies for Directors. The new Board of Directors are as follows: Michael Mooney, Caroline Dunne, Anne Higgins, Ken Loane, Catherine Mulready, Mary Mc Inerney, Jim O' Rourke, May Haren, Pat Harney, Marie Dempsey.

May Haren



COLLEGE NOTES

Music In College

For the Michaelmas Term of 1991 there will be Lunchtime Concerts on Mondays (13.15 to 14.00) in the Education Hall. Old Campus.

The following is the list of concerts to be held:

4th November	Conor Linehan and Danny Sheridan
11/1 37 1	Jazz Piano Duo
11th November	Patricia Treacy, violin
	Anthony Byrne, piano
18th November	Thomas Lawrence, guitar
25th November	Aylish Kerrigan, mezzo soprano
	Anne-Marie O' Farrell, harp
2nd December	Donal Hennessy, piano
9th December	National Chamber Choir *
	(Director Colin Mawby) with string
	ensemble and John O' Keeffe, organ,
	in Mozart's Missa Brevis, K.194 etc.
16th December	Haenjo plus Rice
Other Events	
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Sunday 15th Dec.	John O' Keeffe performs Messiaen's
4.00 pm	La Nativite du Seigneur, with
	interludes by the College Chapel
	Choir and College Chamber Choir *
Wed. 18th	Annual Carol Service with the
Dec.	College Choirs, Brass Ensemble,
	Timpani and Organ *

No tickets required.

* in College Chapel

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND **GARDEN CLUB**

The big news for this month is our Gala Christmas Demonstration by Marcella Campbell. Marcella, a very entertaining demonstrator and speaker, has featured on the Gerry Daly Show and also on the BBC, talking about and displaying her garden. The theme, of course, will be a Christmas one and. all in all, this should be a most enjoyable night. Also on that night we will have a Bring and Buy Sale in aid

of Muscular Dystrophy, an hereditary and degenerative disease. We appeal to our members to give and spend generously and also we would be delighted to receive any donations for this very worthy cause.

Our Christmas Sales Table should prove to be very worthwhile, looking into, with plenty of new Christmas material. Our Christmas meeting will be held in the SVD Hall on Tuesday, December 10th. We urge you to arrive early to

secure a spot and to enable us to start at 8.00pm. May we take this opportunity to wish all our members a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

R. Smyth, PRO.

GRANGEWILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

Members of the above Committee are working on a scheme to restore Grangewilliam Cemetery and would invite anyone interested to come forward to offer their help and suggestions to make this a successful venture.

The next meeting will be held in the Parish Hall (Maynooth) on Monday 2nd December 1991, at 8.30 pm. Anyone is welcome to attend.

For further information contact: Peter Nevin, Secretary - phone: 6285179 Kathleen Murphy - phone: 6286399

IRISH GUIDE DOGS ASSOCIATION

Mobility for the Blind

A branch of the above association has been formed to cover Maynooth and surrounding areas. We would like to thank the Carey Family for the use of the Meeting Room and also the local clubs who attended including the Gun Club. The ever ready to help Community Council have offered all the help they can give next Spring, when Maynooth will have its Dog Walk in conjunction with National Dog Walk Day. Our next meeting will be well advertised and all are very welcome. Age group is nine to 99 or over. All ideas will be listened to to make our branch one of the best.

A peaceful and Happy Christmas and New Year to all.

H. Dunne

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The monthly meeting of the Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday 7th November 1991, at 8.00 pm. There was a large attendance and Mary O'Gorman presided and welcomed everyone.

There was a report on the trip to Strasbourg. The ladies had a wonderful time and made some of us wish we had been able to go along.

The winners of the monthly competition for the "Oldest Newspaper" were as follows:

- Bernadette Duffy 1st
- Mary Flynn 2nd
- 3rd Helen Finn
- The raffle winners were as follows:
- 1st Una Smith
- 2nd Imelda Delaney
- 3rd Betty Moore

This was to be our Ecumenical Service for deceased members. Unfortunately Rev. Williamson was unable to attend and Rev. Fr. Supple said some suitable prayers for the occasion. Next month's meeting will take place on Thursday 5th December. The competition for this meeting will be a "Plain Christmas Cracker". Hoping to see a large number of entries. There is a Crafts Display in the Library at the moment. There is Crafts every Monday night and at the moment the ladies are making some lovely toys. Badminton takes place every Tuesday and Thursday morning in the Parish Hall. We will be happy to welcome new members or indeed to see some past members again.

Taking this opportunity to wish each and everyone a Happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous New Year.







RTE Going Strong Over 55's Competition held in O'Keeffe's, Kilcock

MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK LIONS CLUB

At the recent well attended RTE Going Strong Over 55's Competition held in O' Keeffe's, Kilcock, nine participants took part and the result was a dead heat between Dan Kerr, Clane and Ruth Morrissey, Donadea. Nancy O' Dwyer was third. Entertainment was provided by Tom Fox and the Clubmen with, guesting on fiddle, Jim Mc Manus.

The Food Appeal takes place on the weekend of 19th/20th/21st December, so please give generously to our members outside Quinnsworth in Maynooth. The proceeds of the food appeal go to the hungry in our area.

The club brought 100 or so children from the area to Fossetts Circus at Whitehall on Thursday 31st October. Over half of the group of children were from St. Raphael's in Celbridge.

An auction is taking place on Friday 13th December to raise money for local charities and to support the Old Folks Coal Fund in St. Raphael's, Celbridge starting at 8.00 pm. So please come along.

Finally we are at the latter stages of the Peace Poster Competition and I hope to have results for the next Newsletter.



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At the moment on view in the library is a beautiful exhibition mounted by the I.C.A., including some exquisite pieces of knitwear, crochet, quilting, embroidery, smocking and, wait for it - a doll who changes from rags to riches. This exhibition runs from 11th November - 6th December.

We hope to introduce a series of talks in the new year, on subjects of general interest such as health and beauty. All talks will be free and everyone is welcome. Watch this space for details.

Something else which I know our younger borrowers will love is a new Dolls House, in the Juvenile Section of the library. The furniture from the old dolls house is too small, so does any grown-up person out there have some chunky dolls house furniture that isn't needed anymore? Or would anyone be kind enough to make a few pieces?

I'll conclude by wishing all our borrowers and browsers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Margaret Walshe Gannon

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Christmas Raffle

Our Christmas Raffle will take place as usual this year. As with previous raffles, excellent prizes are on offer, and tickets are available from any committee member or at the "Roost". Fashion Show/Miss Royal Canal

Since the Newsletter copydate precedes the date of the Fashion Show we can only wish all 23 contestants well in the competition. A full report will feature in the next issue.

Christmas and the Royal Canal

With the advent of Christmas, local pubs and clubs will be the venue for many parties. People returning from such parties may be inclined to take short cuts along, across, or adjacent to the Canal. In this regard we would ask that people exercise the utmost care while in the vicinity of the Canal. At this time of the year the banks and paths can be slippy and we don't want to be meeting neighbours and friends "By Accident". **Thank You**

The Chairman and committee would like to thank the people of Maynooth and environs for their continued support throughout 1991 and wish you all a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Gerry Fitzpatrick, P.R.O.

ST. MARY'S BAND BULLETIN

On writing, the Band are preparing for a Race Night to try and make the final payment, approximately £3,000, for our new uniform which we hope will be completed by Christmas. We take this opportunity to thank all who have sponsored races and horses. A special thank you is addressed to the parents of band members who organised this Race Night. The Band are holding a house concert on 16th December and all are welcome to attend this Christmas Celebration with the junior and senior band.

We are looking forward to spending some of those cold, frosty, festive evenings playing Christmas Carols around the town and hope to meet everyone on our travels.

We wish all a Merry Christmas and every good wish for the New Year, and don't forget the Band will be in the Town as usual to ring in the New Year.

Note: There are positions available for anyone who wishes to play drums. If you are interested please call to the bandroom on Mondays or Thursdays during the month of December from 8.30 pm to 10.00 pm. Classes will commence in January.

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Kildare Person of the Year Award



Pat Kenny chats with Kathleen O'Leary at the Kildare Person of the Year function.



Norah McDermott and Pat Kenny at the Kildare Person of the Year function.



Local Nominees and Community Award Winners in the Kildare Person of the Year Awards - Norah McDermott and Kathleen O'Leary.



SUCCESSFUL BANGKOK TRIP FOR YOUNG SNOOKER STARS

Trip of Irish Snooker Representatives .Joe Canny (Maynooth) and Jason Watson (Wicklow) to the World Championships in Bangkok.

The recent trip of the Irish representatives, local boy, Joe Canny and Wicklow's Jason Watson generated great interest and excitement. Radio and local and national press kept us fully up to date daily with the progress of the Irish pair. National Level

To qualify to represent Ireland both players came through the gruelling Irish National Circuit which consists of 9 national ranking tournaments involving the top players in the country and culminating in the Irish National Championship in May each year. At the conclusion of last season Jason Watson finished the year on 39 points and 78 merits; Joe Canny in the National Campaign, totalled 38 points and 78 merits-just one point separated those arch rivals. In the final competition of the year, the National Championship, both again clashed in the decider from an original entry of over 500 players who started out. After a magnificent final, which was held at the Regency Hotel, Dublin, Watson came out on top by 8 frames to 5 and so took No. 1 spot in the national rankings with Joe Canny ranking No. 2. Thus on merit both players moved on to represent Ireland in the World championships.

On to the World

The original entry for the World Championships was 12,000. Joe was in a group with representatives from 8 other countries - Wales, Iceland, France, Germany, Malta, Thailand, Austria, Fiji. Joe had the honour of opening the championships in his first game against Austria, which he won comfortably 4 frames to 1. (This match was televised live). He continued his excellent and consistent form to come out eventually on top of this group of countries, which included 2 seeded players who had previously competed in those championships. In those eight days of intense competition, Joe had the honour of having the highest breaks on two separate days (a 127 clearance and a break of 110), for which he was presented with two gold chains.

Knock Out Stage

Now Joe was through to the last 16 in the World; at this knock-out stage of the competition he met and decisively defeated Bruce Anderson of New Zealand by 5 frames to 2. Joe's next opponent was No. 2 World Seed and current Asian Champion, Chuchat of Thailand (the local hero). This game, which was televised live, turned out to be titanic battle. Joe started impressively with breaks of 75, 67 and 82 to go into a 3 nil lead; then the local began to climb back and took the next 3 frames to level the game. The huge local following loved it and cheered on their favourite. However Canny's real bottle and nerve came to the fore when his back was to the wall, and he captured the final 2 frames to win 5 frames to 3.

Now through to the Semi-Final, Joe's next opponent was Dominick Dale of Wales, a seeded player of vast experience. In the opening session Dale potted everything and raced into a 5 frames to 2 interval lead. Joe however was not to be outscored and he staged a magnificent come-back to pull the match back to 7 frames to 6. He was ahead in the 14th frame when he allowed Dale back to the table and the Welsh man took this vital frame to win 8 frames to 6.

Joe was very pleased with his performance; his partner Jason Watson also performed creditably in reaching the Semi final stage of this International competition. For their superlative performance both Irish players have qualified for an International Snooker competition of one week's duration in Peking. China, in March 1992,

Behind the Scenes

In conclusion the success of this major international event would not be possible without the backroom assistance associated with it; for this the Irish delegate accompanying the two players, Donal O' Sullivan, (Celbridge), deserves a special mention; he was the man who made all the pre-travel arrangements including gathering finance and attracting sponsorship etc.; for this Donal's efforts command special mention. His tireless and consistent organisational campaign in advance of the long journey to Bangkok assured that the players were fully ready and in the right frame of mind to give of their best.

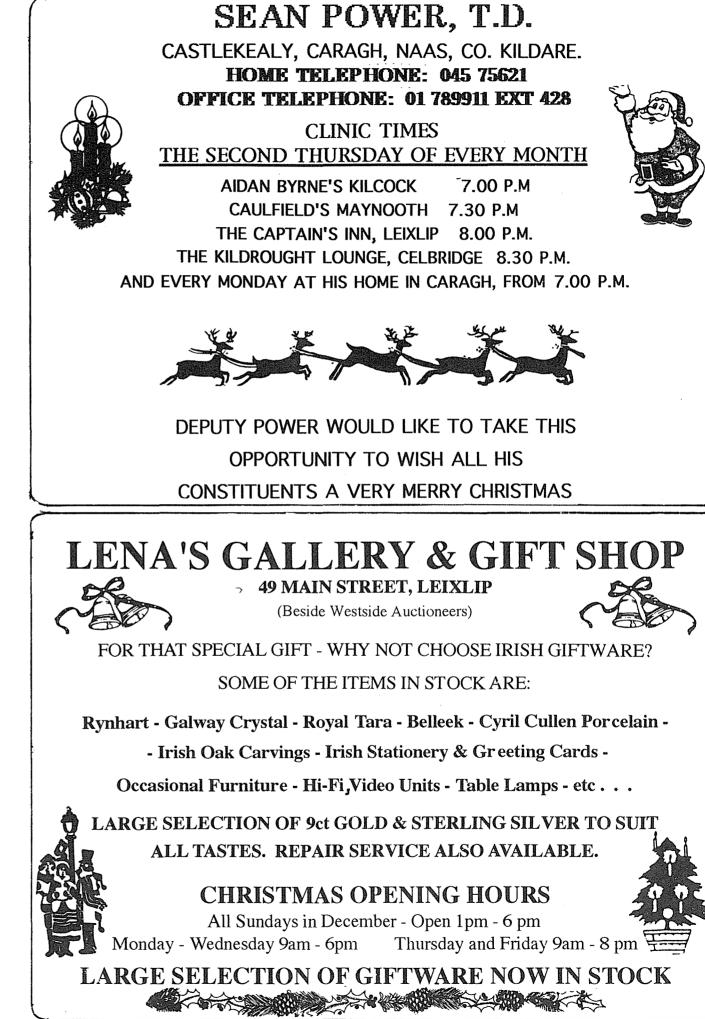
Thanks

A very special word of thanks and appreciation to the Maynooth Community Council for the wonderful reception that they hosted for Joe on his return. The Snooker Association of Ireland express their profound thanks for this gesture, as does the Canny family and also Donal O' Sullivan. Finally to all those people and businesses from Maynooth who were associated with Joe's trip through both contributions and messages of good will, the National Association of Snooker express their gratitude to all.



John McGinley, Chairperson of Maynooth Community Council, makes a presentation to Joe Canny

Merry Christmas & a Prosperous New Year



TEN WAYS TO SURVIVE CHRISTMAS

1. Don't drink. Let me rephrase that - don't drink that goddamn awful alcohol free lager. There's enough 'noalcohol' in five pints of that stuff to wreck your stomach for life. It has been scientifically proven that the 'no-alcohol' reacts with the lining of your stomach to produce a substance not unlike paint stripper. After five pints of 'no-alcohol' lager your head is as clear as a whistle but your guts feel like a pound of raw mince in a food mixer. You have been warned.

2. This Christmas sexual harassment at the office party is out. The Judge Thomas case has brought the whole thing out in the open to such an extent that an unsolicited pinch on the bum is likely to be met with an unsolicited punch on the jaw. So girls, keep your hands to yourselves or suffer the consequences. 3. Avoid relations - of the family kind. Mental breakdowns reach a peak at Christmas time and it all has to do with being cooped up in the house with snobby sister-in-law, boring uncles and armies of marauding kids intent on replaying Desert Storm in the front room. They'll drink your whiskey and smoke your cigars and sometimes the adults are even worse.

4. Drinking and driving is not funny so use public transport. And getting the old train out from Connolly can lead to all sorts of adventures. Like last Christmas Eve after the office party I caught the Sligo train at 6.30, settled down for a little snooze and woke up at 9.35 in Collooney. Luckily I was able to hitch a ride back to Maynooth with Santa Claus on his sleigh and arrived home at 5.30 am on Christmas morning. At least that's my story and I'm sticking to it.

5. Remove some vital component from the TV very early on Christmas morning. This is guaranteed to give you a few day's relative peace and you won't have to watch "Murder on the Orient Express" for the eighth time, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" for the seventeenth time and RTE's Christmas Special for the first time. This year it is rumoured to feature Hal Roach and Daniel O' Donnell though there may be some comedians and singers performing as well.

6. In the quiet days after Christmas take some long walks. Around Maynooth there are some seldom trodden paths which are well worth exploring - Kingsbry to the pub, Cluain Aoibhinn to the pub, Greenfields to the pub, Moyglare Village to the pub, Railpark to the pub.

7. Socks for men, silky black underwear for women. Anyway, I always find it useful to have a simple list when going Christmas shopping. That way you avoid confusion and you can buy all you presents in one or two shops. Make sure to label your presents clearly. Unfortunately, last year some slight confusion arose in the distribution of my presents and Uncle Jim hasn't been the same man since.

8. Three days before Christmas carefully assemble all your credit cards, Banklink cards, Pass cards etc. and systematically cut them up into little pieces. That way you will have an interesting jigsaw to play with over Christmas and, as a bonus, you'll save yourself from going bankrupt.

9. Don't presume you should be having a good time. That's not what Christmas is all about. But in the old days people made their own entertainment at Christmas. Sitting around the cosy turf fire they played cards, told stories and bored each other to death. Of an evening they would sit around the

wireless and as a special treat on Christmas night they might even turn it on . . .

10. Finally, and most important, some special advice if you happen to meet Santa Claus on Christmas Eve, First of all. do not offer him a bottle of stout and a mince pie. By the time he gets to Maynooth he will be completely flutered and is likely to have eaten several thousand mince pies. He may, however, accept a glass of Andrew's Liver Salts. This year there have been strong rumours that Santa may retire and indeed a few weeks ago he survived a 'no-confidence' vote in Toyland at the North Pole when 22 very bold elves voted against him. All that is behind him now but it still might be best not to mention the word 'retirement'.

Have a good one!

PROTEST AT PLANNING VERMIN

On the 23rd October 1991 I went over to the College Gates to investigate the protest which was being mounted by Mrs Darlington, Ballymakeley Upper, Celbridge, who was surrounded by placards, some of which read as follows:

Kildare County Council making their rich pals richer by imposing restraints on poor people's property; Get rid of planning vermin so the poor can get their rights: After 500 years we are not "Locals" so we don't get planning permission from Kildare Co. Council.

People coming out through the College Gates, presumably students, were stopping to ask her if she wanted signatures and some stopped to give a sympathetic ear to her story. When I eventually got her attention she told me that her husband Joseph Darlington sought planning permission from Kildare County Council four and a half years ago, for a 1 1/ 2 acre site which they wished to sell. The County Council refused and put a "stranglehold" on the property, thereby confining the sale to anyone other than a person sanctioned by them. They said they refused planning permission because it would be a traffic hazard. They told her she must sell to a "local" only.

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HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH SERIES

William Robert Fitzgerald, Second duke of Leinster Part I

The Hon. William Robert Fitzgerald, second son of James 20th earl of Kildare was born in Arlington Place, London on the 2nd of March 1749. At his christening, the Earl of Inchiquin and Viscount Hillsborough were his godfathers and the duchess of Richmond, his godmother.

Born into an ancient family, William descended from the Gherardini of Florence, records of whom date back to the tenth century. With the Norman invasions in the twelfth century the Geraldines/Fitzgeralds came to Ireland, Barons in name they eventually came to rule as effective princes over vast areas of fertile lands in Co. Kildare, with their stronghold at Maynooth Castle on the banks of the Lyreen River. From the reign of Henry II to Elizabeth I this family featured prominently in Irish history, all the time integrating with the native Irish through marriage, language, customs and traditions. They were involved in ceaseless battles with both Irish and Anglo-Irish and yet this family may also be credited with the introduction of the Franciscan and the Dominican orders to Ireland along with foundation of several monasteries and abbeys throughout the country. It was in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries that the Fitzgeralds gained considerable political power and posed a severe threat to English rule in Ireland. Barons of Offaly since 1205, earls of Kildare since 1316, the most famous being Gerald the 'Great Earl'. The English despaired of conquering him, King Henry VII was told that 'All Ireland cannot rule the Earl of Kildare', to which the king could but reply, 'then the Earl of Kildare shall rule all Ireland'. However, after much effort Henry VIII managed to break the power of the House of Geraldine. The castle at Maynooth fell and hence forth the Earls of Kildare were great lords but no longer semi-independent princes.

William's father, the twentieth earl of Kildare, James Fitzgerald married Emily Lennox, daughter of the duke of Richmond in February 1746 and between them they had nineteen children, George, Lord Offaly being the first and William the second. Lord and Lady Kildare by this time were well settled into Carton, their country estate situated at Maynooth. Carton forms part of the manor of Maynooth granted to Maurice Fitzgerald in 1176 but it was not until 1739 that it became the residence of the Earls of Kildare. While the estate was on lease to William Talbot he commissioned the building of a house at Carton and it is this which forms the nucleus of the present house. Robert, 19th earl of Kildare, carried out some alterations to the house when he repurchased the lease in 1739, and it was in this house with its vast demesne in which William spent much of his childhood. Little is known of the early years of William and his brothers and sisters but it appears that they had plenty of company and visitors to Carton. In the summer of 1750 Lady Caroline Fox, Emily's sister, paid a visit and after the death of her widowed mother Emily's three younger sisters Louisa (8), Sarah (7) and Cecilia (1) came to live at Carton. Much of Lord and Lady Kildare's time was spent travelling between Maynooth, Dublin (their city residence was at Kildare House, later Leinster House in Kildare Street), and London. Presumably the children accompanied them occasionally. In 1755, the Fitzgerald family were in Kensington visiting the Foxes at Holland House. It was during this period that Lord Kildare arranged for the boys to start school. Because the provision of education in Ireland was poor relative to other countries of Europe and following in the tradition of their father, William and George were sent to England for their education.

So in 1757, William with his brother George and his cousin, Charles James Fox, were sent to school at Wandsworth, where Monsieur Pampellone, a Frenchman of some celebrity, was master. In the following September (1758) the two boys aged eleven and nine years were to go to Eton. Steven and Charles Fox were already there and Lady Caroline Fox made all the arrangements for the young Fitzgerald children. The boys were to board at Mrs Milwards's house, with the Foxes; Lord Offaly and William would share a room with Mr Bolle, their guardian. The boys entered school on the 12th of September and Mr Bolle arranged for them to be placed under a Mr Young, who was also tutor to the Foxes.

Eton in the eighteenth century presented a very colourful picture. The boys rode, snared rabbits, swam and boated on the Thames, drank beer, celebrated Montem. Montem was a traditional festival at Eton. The boys in fancy dress costumes went in procession to 'Salt Hill' a mound near Slough, and there they collected 'salt money' from bystanders. The money collected was applied to defray the expenses of senior colleger (the 'captain of Montem') at Kings College, Cambridge.

Discipline was strict at Eton, yet on occasions the boys were rebellious. While the Fitzgeralds were there, some forty or fifty boys, including Charles Fox and William revolted and went to an inn in Salt Hill. The headmaster was informed and he instructed the innkeeper to allow the boys to remain as long as they had money but no longer. So once the money ran out the boys were obliged to return to the school; where each one was flogged. The education William received was classical: it included Latin and to a lesser extent Greek; mainly poetry and literature, the composition of themes and orations and latin versification occupied all the time spent at school. Elocution also formed an important component of the curriculum. It is therefore not surprising that so many graduates embarked on professions based on oratory.

Whilst at Eton the boys were never out of touch with the outside world. Lady Caroline Fox visited frequently and on occasions stayed overnight at the Salt Hill Inn, Whenever Lord or Lady Kildare were in England they made a point of visiting their elder sons at Eton. For the long summer vacation the boys usually crossed to Ireland, Carton and the family, while at Easter and Christmas they generally spent their holidays at Holland House, the home of their cousins. When he had graduated from Eton, William continued his education at Cambridge. Cambridge was in this period associated with the Whig style of politics and it appears that his time and training there may have influenced his outlook somewhat for much of his future political career. It is not known what exactly William read while at Cambridge or indeed if he completed his degree (many students were awarded degrees without completing the four year course). However, the great majority read for the Bachelor of Arts, studying Latin and Greek grammar with some rhetoric, logic, and scholastic philosophy. Cambridge at this time embraced the ideas of Locke rather than Aristotle and, after 1760 under the influence of Sir Isaac Newton, the emphasis became more mathematical. Throughout the eighteenth century the education of the nobleman and the gentleman continued to be supplemented by the 'Grand Tour' almost as a matter of course and William's was no different.

Susan Dempsey



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Méadaíodh an Prionsa an fhírinne - méadóidh sí é. Láidríodh sé an fhírinne - láidreoidh sí é. Caomhnaíodh sé an fhírinne - caomhóidh sí é. Mar is é bréige an phrionsa a tharraingíonn doineann ar dhroch-dhaoine agus a mharaíonn meas na talún.

Is dá réir a mhúineann téacs Sean-Ghaelige i measc na moltaí don fíor-rí, prionsa nó taoiseach. Chreid na seanghaeili sacracht a rithe agus a dtaoisigh, gur bhrath folláine na tíre ar fhoirfeacht a ngaisce, a gcruth agus a ngaois. Nuair a d'fhás locht nó máchail measadh a réimeas críochnaithe agus folláine na tíre i mbaol. Ba chuma ainimh, drochbhreithiúnas nó sprionlaitheacht a easnamh, dhúisigh a bhréige cogadh, bás, galar, gorta, doineann agus cliseadh toraidh.

Inniu tá 265,000 duine in Eirinn gan pá seachas déirc an Roinn Leasa Shóisíalaigh, beagnach 20% den daonra ag maireachtáil ar an ngannchuid; ocrach, fuar, domheanmnach, feargach, doicheallach, diomhaoin, gan treoir. Dá dheasca fásann gadaíocht, foréigean agus doicheall in aigheadh na ndaoine a bhfuil post d'aon saghas acu. Eiríonn doicheall i measc lucht oibre nuair a fheictear a gcáin ioncaim ag ídiú a gcaighdeán maireachtála. Cothaítear mímhuinín i measc na ngrúpaí éagsúla sa sochaí. Cé mhéad clann, céile, agus leanbh atá taobh thiar de na staitistic thuas? Cén fhad ar féidir leis an daonra oibre an bille a íoc? Cén fhad sula dtagann an réabhlóid a d'éireodh in aon tír eile? Dianchúis imní a laghad míshuaimhnis atá le sonrú tríd an fhuarchúis agus an dímhothú atá ag creimeadh na tíre.

An bhfuil ceacht le foghlaim againn ónar sinsear?

Tugadh Caisleán na nGearaltach do mhuintir na hEireann an mhí seucaite. Ligtear i ndearmad do gcaillfear teach na nGearaltach ag bun an bhaile go luath gan cur ina aghaidh. Tógfar Machaire gailf eile againn ina áit. Anois, ó tharlaíonn go dtugann an Crannchur Náisiúnta airgead go flúirseach do chumainn gailf na tíre, nach bhféadfaidís Teach Chartúin a cheannach agus é a choiméad do shliocht ár sleachta. Ach bheadh pleanáil chiallmhar taobh thiar dá leithéid agus is tearc an chiall in Eirinn leis na blianta fada anuas. Tá an 21 céad ag bagairt agus ní glactar fós leis an 20 céad! Ach sin scéal eile.

Cuimhnigh - is linne an stór saibhris a bailítear faoi dhó gach seachtain. Is léir go bhfuil saibhreas sa tír leis an airgead a caitear ar na ticéidí éagsúla. Diúltáim pingin a thabhairt dá leithéid go dtí go scaiptear an ciste ar na heagrais a ceapadh le sochar a bhaint as ó thús.

Cén fáth an bhfuil gá leis na dosaen cumann deonach a lorgaionn déirc uainn gach lá? In imeacht seachtaine le deirneas, bhi cúig bailiúchán éagsúil anseo: Lá na Rós, Focuspoint, Childline, Heart Foundation agus Cancer Research ag bailiú ar an Mótorbhealach. Seachas sin, thugas don G.A.A. áitiúil, an Club Sacair áitiúil agus páirtí politiúil amháin. Is miste liom an t-airgead seo a dháileadh, is miste liom bailiú ar son a leithéid do chumainn. Iocaimid uilig cáin, toghaimid Rialtas go daonlathach, is orthu atá an dualgas cúram na tíre a dhéanamh. Anois ní féidir muinín a chur iontu ár gcúram a dhéanamh. Fós an cheist is tábhachtaí ná toghadh foirne na hEireann sa chluiche sacair is deireanaí! Sorcas Rómhánach na fichiú aoise le sinn a chaochadh ar dhéaróile ar gcás.

STREET TALKING

'Castle Gate' Restaurant and Coffee Shop

With the demise of both Patrick's Restaurant and Stephen Hero's coffee shop, and the recent return of the college students adding to the coffee-drinking, grub-eating population, Maynooth was crying out for another eaterie. No sooner said than done!

Maynooth residents Chris and Linda Cullen sought to fill this gap when they opened the 'Castle Gate" Restaurant and Coffee Shop in early November. Chris has been working in the catering business for twelve years now. At present they serve a full Irish breakfast, salads, carvery lunch with two hot specials each day as well as soup and snacks. Children's meals are also available. All food is prepared and cooked fresh on the premisses using local produce and they aim to keep prices as low as possible. The restaurant opens from 8.30 am to 6.30 pm at the moment. However for the Christmas season they intend to open late with a full a la carte and set menu for three days a week. It's well worth a visit the prices are very reasonable, as are the portions, and the food is delicious.

NEW MENSWEAR SHOP IN DAWSON'S

The latest news coming from the Main St. in Maynooth is the opening of a new Man's shop known as 'Dawsons For Men' having revived the old name long associated with the premises at which it is located.

Dawsons are bringing to North Kildare a city look with a bright new modern shop, creating a relaxed atmosphere in which to shop. They are carrying a comprehensive fashion range of men's clothing including leading brand names such as Baumler, Magee, Mario Barutti, in suits and jackets, also GB, Zazzi and Statz Slacks. This includes a complete range of knitwear, shirts and accessories to complete the look at prices to suit everyone.

Run by Freddie O' Melia (who lives in Maynooth) in partnership with Philip Kirwin, Freddie will be sure to deliver the service required having gained extensive knowledge in twenty five years spent as manager/buyer for Diffney's Menswear in Dublin.

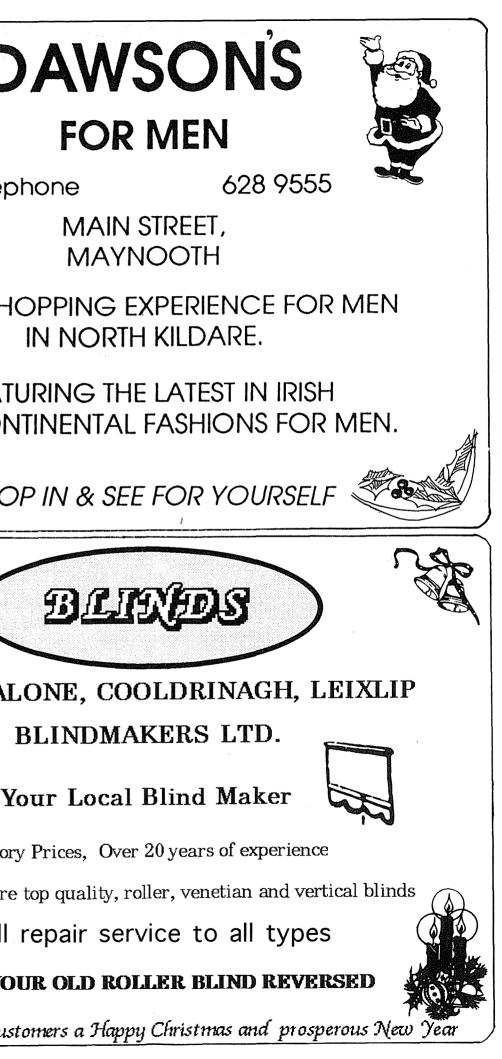
He says that they will be offering "a wider range of menswear than is currently available, right from suits down to casuals". They will also carry a range of dress hire.

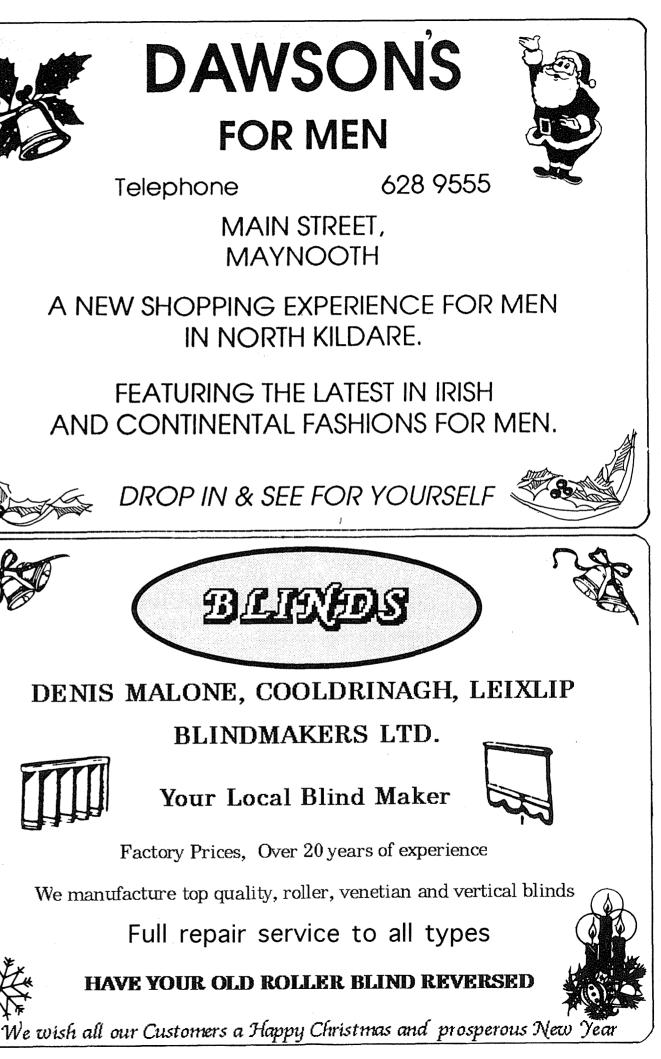
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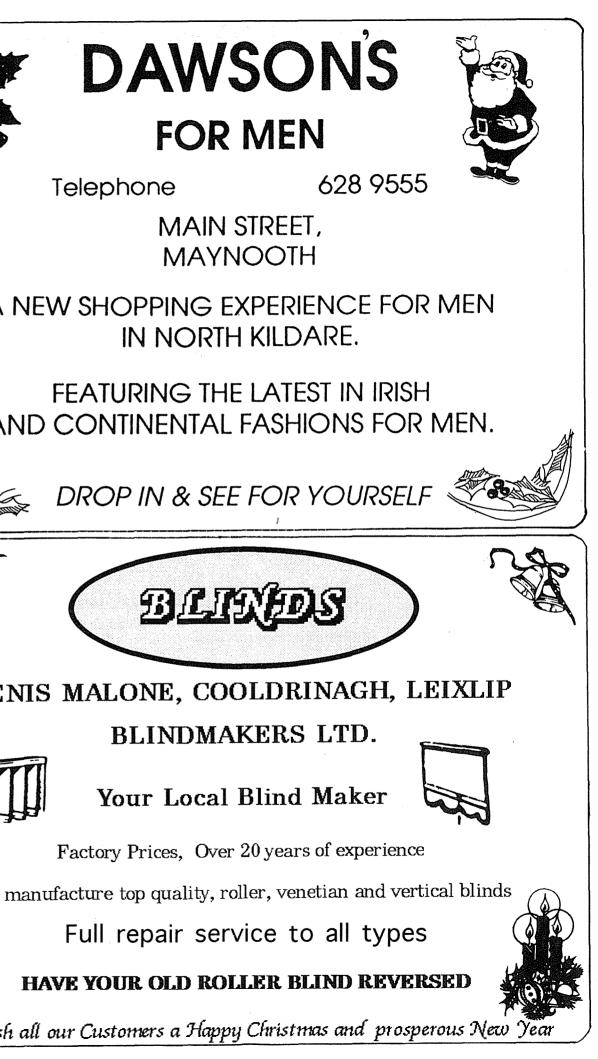
If you're looking for something small, cute and cuddly to give to a big (cute and cuddly) softy for Christmas, look no further than the Country Shop where they have a very good selection of soft toys for £4.99. Varying form snowballs wearing earmuffs and fluffy rabbits to the more specifically seasonal reindeer, there is something to suit everyone. There is always someone that you end up with nothing for, just because you can't think of a thing to get them. Well now

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Donovan's, in the Quinnsworth Shopping Centre, have a good selection of traditional children's books, a far cry from Ghostbusters and the Turtles. Titles include 366 Bedtime Stories, 366 and more things to do and 366 and more Fairy Tales. Well illustrated and in hardback, these books are great value at only £4.45 each.

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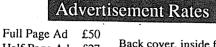
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A Senior Citizen is one who was here before The Pill. television, frozen food, credit cards and ball-point pens. For us, time-sharing meant togetherness, not computers, and a chip meant a piece of wood.

Hardware meant hard wear, and software wasn't even a word.

Teenagers never wore jeans.

We were before pantyhose, drip-dry clothes, dish washers, clothes dryers and electric blankets.

We got married first and then lived together. (How quaint can one be?).

Girls wore Peter Pan collars and thought "cleavage" was something butchers did.

We were before Batman, vitamin pills, disposable nappies, pizzas, instant coffee and even Chinese takeaways.

In our day, cigarette smoking was "fashionable", grass was for mowing, pot was something you cooked in.

A gay person was the life of the party and nothing more, while AIDS meant beauty lotions, or help for someone in trouble. We are today's Senior Citizens, a hardy bunch when you think of how the world has changed and of the adjustments we have had to make.

Anon.







Features

Sexing the Cherry by Jeanette Winterson

A short novel from the consistently excellent Vintage Press which juggles wickedly with narrative techniques and chronological patterns. Jeanette Winterson (author of Oranges Are Not The Only Fruit) uses a relaxed prose to create unforgettable characters and to recreate history as an intrusion into the present in a manner which surpasses most contemporary writers for sheer excellence.

Perfume by Patrick Suskind

A dark and unusual gothic narrative which is set in late 18th century France and which is almost exclusively concerned with olfactory reality. It is seedily atmospheric and downright addictive as a story!

The Woman Who Talked to Herself by A.L. Barker

Again from Vintage Press, this is the latest novel from Barker to experiment with conventional narrative modes. Like Barnes's novel, it is really a collection of short stories told by the protagonist who is being interviewed due to her unlikely reputation as a professional story teller who packs Wembley Arena with attentive fans.

Cobweb

Not a book at all but issue five of Maynooth's magazine for creative writers which is just out and which is packed with poetry, prose and critical essays. Written and produced by people in Maynooth (both college and town) for people in Maynooth and costing only fifty pence!

The Clare Island Survey by Sean Lysaght

Sean Lysaght merges poetry and ornithology in this beautiful book. Time after time he surprises, with poems that draw fascinating parallels between the mind of the artist and mind of the scientist. The tone of the book is inquiry, into the poet's own mind and experience, as well as into the natural world. A refreshing book.

Oscar and Lucinda by Peter Carey

Winner of the Booker Prize in 1988, Peter Carey's book both delights and distresses in a startling blend of comedy and tragedy. Every page is a resounding success. Also worth the expense is Carey's latest novel, the bleak and frightening The Tax Inspector.



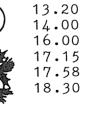


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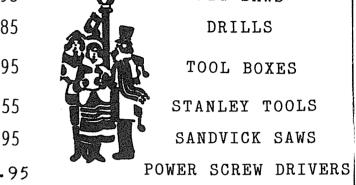






MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR





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TOWN CENTRE MALL

The Town Centre Mall was originally founded in 1840. It was used as stables, a grain store and storage. It was expertly renovated and opened in 1981. It is compiled of a number of shops and offices. They are as follows: Reillys Funeral Home, The Flower Pot, Just Gifts and Have It Framed, Maynooth Curtain Shop, Vanity Fare, Top of the Crop, Dawsons Mens Wear, Bradys Auctioneers, Kehoes Delicatessan, Slenderworld and P. Neligan, Solicitors. Also housed in the complex are Maynooth Community Council and Newsletter Offices, the Citizens Information Centre and the **Department of Social Welfare Employment Office.**

Oliver Reilly Undertakers of Prosperous, Co. Kildare are also part of the Town Centre Mall. Sean Reilly and his family are associated with the Maynooth Mortality Society and provide a funeral parlour in the Mall for the town of Maynooth and outlying areas.

The Flower Pot is owned and run by Carole Harte. Carole first opened her floristry business in 1979 in what is now Sean Powers Betting Office. Subsequently she moved to the Mall in 1981 and has run a growing business ever since. Being a member of the World Wide Interflora System means she can send flowers almost worldwide and also to you around Maynooth and surrounding areas. She is assisted by Dolores who is late of Dermot Cronins, Terenure and Justynes Florists, Irish Life Mall. They are specialists and professionals in the art of wedding bouquets and floral decorating for functions both big and small. Her shop is a very pleasant place to visit with a selection of top quality cut flowers and plants, dried and silk flowers, baskets and pottery. Call to either Carole or Dolores and they will help you choose the right flowers for your special occasion

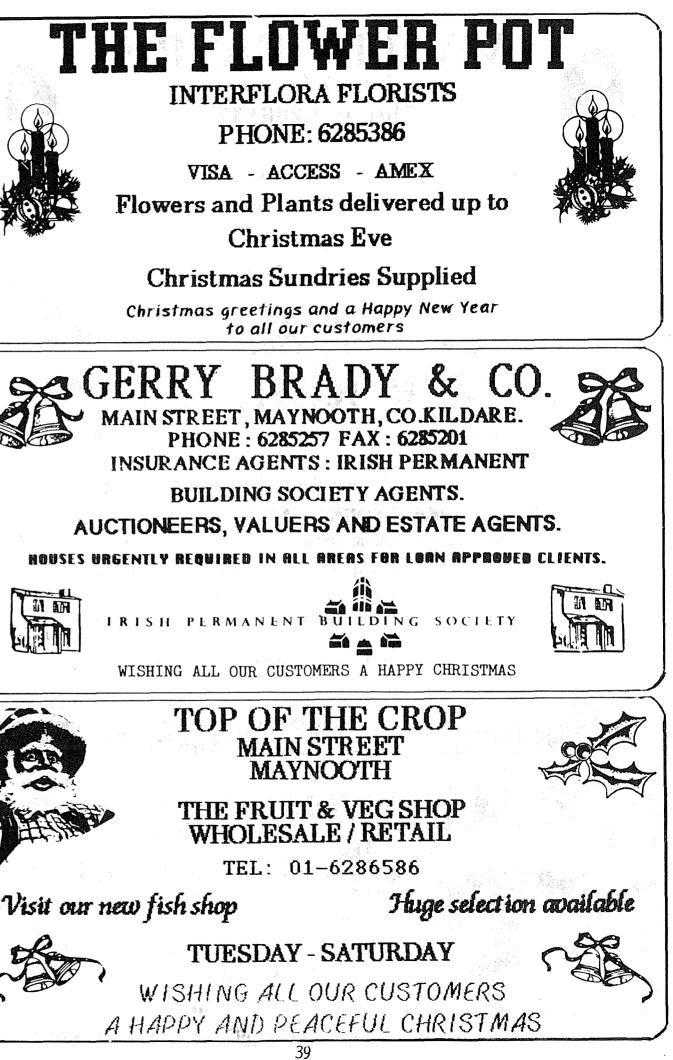
Just Gifts and Have it Framed is run by Terry Rogers, late Arnott & Co. Terry has many years of selling and buying experience in the gift trade. At her shop you will find Galway Crystal, Genesis Cast Bronze, Royal Tara China, The Rawlten Collection of Hand Carved Mahogany, table lamps, china and pottery. Just arrived in time for the Christmas trade a range of Schmid Jig Saw Puzzles to suit all the family, plus a range fo Lorenz wooden toys for children. Large selection of mouldings always in stock for mirrors, photographs, oil paintings and prints. Terry would like to take this opportunity to wish all her customers a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Maynooth Curtains was established in the Town Mall nine years ago. They offer a personal service. Measuring and estimating are free. They have a range and prices to compete with the best shops. They would like to wish all their customers a very Happy Christmas.

Vanity Fayre hair and beauty have been in business for the last 10 years of which Bernadette O'Shea has successfully been sole proprietor for the last 5 years. Bernadette is the Beauty Therapist in the salon. She qualified at the Betty Whelan School of Beauty, Ballsbridge, Dublin. She is assisted in the hair salon by 3 excellent stylists. You can enjoy a personal service with experienced staff here. Some beauty treatments for the ladies being facials, make-up, eyebrow shaping, eyelash tinting, manicure, pedicure, express nails, lip, chin, under-arm, bikini and leg waxing, slendertone toning courses, sunbed courses, ear piercing. Hair treatments for ladies, gents and children being cuts, razor cuts, perms, hi-lites, fashion colours, jetting etc. Wella Riva Premier Acid Perm programme more advanced than the Conventional Perms with built in conditioning agents available exclusively to Vanity Fayre. We also provide special rates for students and senior citizens. Vanity Fayre is situated up stairs over the Seamus Murray Curtain Centre.

Top of the Crop are celebrating 10 years of supplying quality fruit and vegetables to the people of the Maynooth area. We now bring our commitment to high standards in the area of fresh fish. We have a large selection carried daily from Tuesday to Saturday. We fillet on the premises to ensure that the customer gets the freshness and quality they deserve. Setting high standards and maintaining them has become our password. Support the small businesses giving employment locally, supporting local enterprises. Ted Kehoe's open from 7.30 - 6 pm Monday to Saturday and Sunday from 11 - 2 pm. They specialise in party, Christmas and general catering. They hope to suit all tastes in food. Whatever your reasons for buying their hampers or Christmas Gifts as a gesture to a favoured client, as an incentive for staff, or simply as a superb gift - you'll want to be confident that you're sending a product of excellence. They choose only the most succulent meat, the freshest fish, the finest bottled wines and spirits, selected cheese and tempting sweets and preserves from all over the world. They take pride in their reputation of being able to supply goods of the highest quality. Telephone them for your free quote.

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Political Party Notes

WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

Glasnost and Kildare County Council

The opening up of Soviet Society to freedom of information (a process known as "glasnost") was widely welcomed. However, it appears that most of the members of Kildare County Council have major problems when it comes to extending glasnost to their own proceedings.

At the November meeting of the Council, Councillor Catherine Murphy proposed that the minutes of Council meetings should be put on notice boards in public libraries around the county, and that the public be admitted as observers to meetings of the Council. The aim of this proposal was to provide the public with better information on Council activities and to make elected councillors more accountable to those who elected them.

However, this simple measure to extend local democracy met with massive opposition at the Council, giving rise to a onehour debate. Eventually, it was agreed to make Council minutes available (but not on open display) in libraries, but the proposal to allow the public in to see their elected representatives in action was turned down. Most of the opposition, naturally, came from the two big political parties, many of whose members seem to regard their positions on the Council as personal possessions rather than public offices. In any event, the Workers' Party will continue in its efforts to broaden the narrow democratic base of Irish public life. Lily-Livered Lily-Whites Get Raw Deal

We are all only too aware of how bad the roads are around Maynooth. Most of us know that you now have to pay to use the "public" library service. We could go on and on about the dire financial position of Kildare County Council, and the resultant cutbacks in services. But how are other counties faring compared to Kildare?

We can get a good idea from a recent answer to a Parliamentary Question put by Eamon Gilmore, Workers' Party Spokesperson on the Environment. This answer provided details of the amounts paid this year to local authorities by the Department of the Environment as rate support grants. These are the grants paid to Councils as compensation for the loss of domestic rates, which were abolished in 1978.

County Kildare gets the second smallest grant of any county in Ireland, per head of population. Only Kerry comes off worst. And we are not talking about small differences between Counties here. Kildare's allocation is £35.71 per person. Leitrim gets almost three times as much, at £94.73. Roscommon gets £87.36, Cavan (which now has four councillors elected on a platform) get £75.76, etc. etc.

It is clear that the method of allocating grants is simply crazy. Kildare has the busiest roads in Ireland. All the roads from Dublin to the main provincial centres pass-through the county. Some 85% of all road trips to Dublin go through Kildare. This puts immense pressure, not just on the main roads, but on local roads also. Meanwhile, Kildare also has the fastest population growth rate of any county in Ireland, which puts further pressure on local authority services. Yet no special allowance is made for Kildare's special circumstances.

Kildare County Council itself is culpable for not making strong representations for special treatment. Catherine Murphy is now attempting to change this by calling on the Council to adopt a stronger stance in its dealings with the government. Rather than persecuting local people over payment of unjust local charges, Kildare County Council should be persecuting the Minister for the Environment for a fair deal for the county.

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Sewerage Scheme Works in Maynooth

In the last issue of the Newsletter the Branch expressed concern that the damage which had been caused to the pillars at the entrance to the Avenue and the surface of the Avenue itself should be repaired as soon as pipe laying in the area is completed. It is now evident that the same contractors have proved extremely negligent in the vicinity of the bridge on the Straffan Road. Here, 20ft holes were left virtually unprotected close to where pedestrians were passing by. Following representations from Deputy Emmet Stagg to the Co. Council, the area was subsequently screened off with barrels. The road in the area still remains in a mess as the contractors have consistently failed to clean up the muck their heavy machinery spreads on the roadway. The result is that pedestrians run the risk of being sprayed with mud in wet weather. Again, Deputy Stagg has been in contact with the Co. Council about this matter. The sewerage scheme in Maynooth is being carried out by a private company, contracted by the Co. Council. From our experience to date this method of carrying out public construction schemes does not appear to be a success.

New Arrangements for 66 Bus

At present only half of the 32 No. 66 buses which leave Maynooth each day for Dublin leave from the Straffan Road terminus. This has proved very inconvenient for residents in the Greenfield Estate/Kingsbry area of the town, particularly elderly residents who are often obliged to stand for long periods at bus stops on the Straffan Road. Deputy Stagg has recently been in contact with Dublin Bus on this matter and the Branch are happy to report that in future all buses will leave from the Straffan Rd terminus. The proposed date for this new arrangement to come into effect will be announced shortly.

Law Breakers

Some motorists continue to break the law by using the back lanes as a short cut through the town - despite clearly posted signs. Following representations from residents in the area, Deputy Stagg has asked the Co. Council to investigate what further measures can be taken to stop motorists flouting the law.

Public Lights

Deputy Stagg has recently been in contact with the Co. Council demanding that the very poor state of public lighting along Greenfield Lane be attended to immediately. In addition, Deputy Stagg has asked that two public lights in Railpark and in Kingsbry be repaired. The Co. Engineer has subsequently requested the ESB to have these lights repaired as soon as possible.



Political Party Notes

Plans for Link Road to Motorway

Despite repeated requests from local Labour representative John McGinley, and also from Emmet Stagg, Kildare Co. Council have still failed to publish detailed plans regarding the link road at the Straffan Rd. Residents in that area are understandably concerned at the complete lack of information on the project. Deputy Stagg was recently informed that the Co. Council will make the plans available 'shortly after Christmas'. Residents can be assured that Labour representatives will continue to press the Council on this matter.

Floodlighting of St. Mary's Church

At the last meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee Deputy Stagg tabled a motion asking that the Co. Council meet the costs of installing and operating floodlights at St. Mary's Church of Ireland. The Branch are very pleased to report that following Deputy Stagg's initiative the Council have agreed to make funds available for this project in the New Year.

FINE GAEL NOTES

Despite the disruption of Dail business over the past few months due to scandals, heaves, and reshuffles, Bernard Durkan has managed to raise a number of issues, of interest to the people of Maynooth, with various Ministers, some of whom are no longer with us.

Secretary for Convent School

When asked, by Bernard, if she was prepared to appoint a secretary to the Convent School, the Minister for Education, Mrs O' Rourke, replied that while it was proposed to provide for extra secretaries in schools she was not in a position to identify the schools which might benefit.

Lottery Cash for Kildare

In replying to a question about the number of requests received by her Department from various agencies in Co. Kildare for grant aid from the National Lottery, Mrs O' Rourke stated that "it would not be practical to quantify the total amount sought or approved in respect of any specific geographic area." She did however indicate that "grants amounting to £13,300 have been paid in 1991 to the Co. Kildare V.E.C. for the promotion of youth and sports developments within the committee's scheme and a further £3,500 in respect of costs associated with the 1991 Be Active Be Alive Campaign."

Swimming Pool and other Recreational Facilities at Maynooth Post-Primary School

Mrs O' Rourke informed Bernard that the Department of Educations Capital Grant Scheme for the provision of recreational facilities was amalgamated with the Amenity Grants Scheme operated by the Dept. of the Environment and grants are now allocated by that Department to projects recommended by local authorities who process applications. An application submitted by Maynooth Community Council for the provision of a sports complex was forwarded to Kildare Co. Council in January 1990 for their consideration under these arrangements.

Replacement of Bond Bridge

In response to a question concerning the provision of funds for a new bridge and road improvements at Bond Bridge the Minister for the Environment stated that because the bridge

is on a regional road it is the responsibility of the Kildare Co. Council to finance the cost from their own resources and supplementary grants from the Dept. In 1991 these grants totalled £1,868,000, including £500,000 for improvement works. It is for the County Council to determine its own priorities.

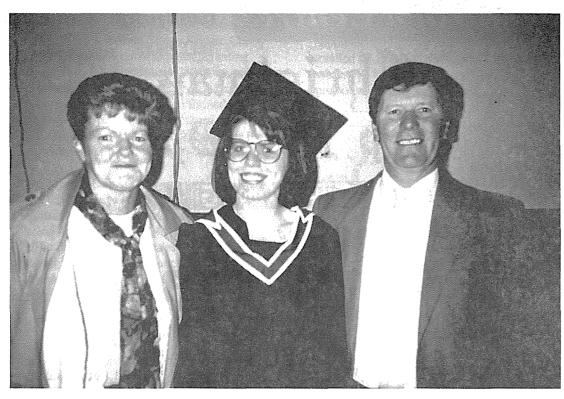


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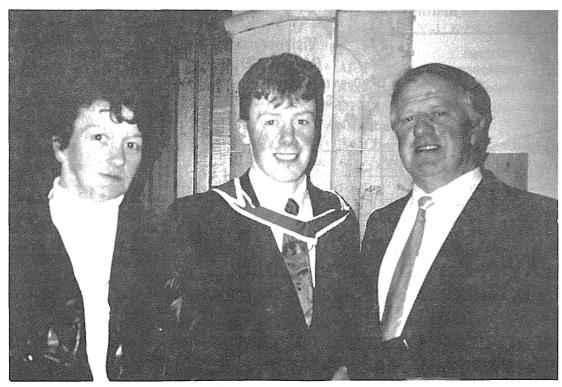
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John Nevin, B.A., Barrogstown, Maynooth with Mr. & Mrs. Joe Nevin.



Graduation Photographs 1991



Dotty Knaven, Straffan Way, who received 1st Class Honours in Mathematics with her mother.



Richard Hayes, B.A., member of the Editorial Board of the Newsletter.



Mary McGinley, B.A. with her husband John.



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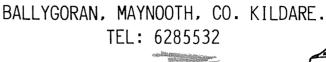
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COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

As the odours of "wintergreen" and "deep heat" pervade the land of winter sports, the 1991/92 hostilities recommenced. Sadly this season we are forced to campaign without the services of retirees such as Martin O' Dea, Tom Coffey, Philip Purcell and Carton Courts' own Roddy Doyle - Joseph "Scott" Buckley. Several new names have joined as Tony O' Connor attempts to buy success. Mark, Dodd, Richie, Des and Cavan's answer to Chris Hughton (or is it Chris Morris) Kevin Fay have all enlisted for the forthcoming season. Tom Martin's injury is responding to treatment and copious internal applications of a black beverage sold illicitly in "the Roost". Committee

The following committee was elected to serve for the season, despite major contests for posts (irony!).

Chairperson/P.R.O. - Declan Forde; Vice Chairperson -Peter Connell; Secretary - Paul Broughan; Joint Treasurers -Tony O' Connor and Aidan Siggins: Coach/Chief Scout/ Club Captain and Trouble shooter - Patrick Mc Govern. Tony and Paul continue to manage the team.

Results

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League - Division 1A		
Home vs Corbown Utd	2-0	R. Broughan (2)
Away vs Cavan Town	3-3	O'Brien (2), Mc Groarty
Home vs Navan Cosmos	2-2	Mc Groarty (2)
Away vs Abbey Celtic	3-4	O' Brien, Mc Govern, P.
Broughan		
Home vs Rathkenny Rvr.	2-1	Mc Groarty (2)
Home vs Clonee Utd	0-1	
Home vs. Moynalvey	2-2	Mc Govern, Mc Groarty
Home vs Riverbank 3-2	O' Br	ien (2), Hughes

Challenge Cup 1st Round

Home vs Grove Central	5-1	P. Broughan	(2), Mc
Groarty, Siggins (2)			

So after a disappointing opening we have started to play some good football. In the league we are well placed in the top half of the table and in the cup are through to the second round. Clonee Utd, who were promoted with us last year look certain to rise again this year. However, the second promotion shot to Div 1 could go to almost any side in the top half of the table. Almost finally, seasons greetings are extended to all our friends, supporters and detractors alike. Claire O' Connor has refused to allow Tony to hang up 26 green stockings on the mantlepiece on Christmas Eve. Our affable manager was hoping to find a new team in the stockings on Christmas morning.

Quote of the season from Paul Broughan's son, Paul (Junior). "Who's the manager of the team Dec?"

"Your Dad and Tony" I replied.

"Yeah, but who is the real manager Dec?" - maybe our technical advisor Eanna O' Boyle?

Yours in Sport. Declan Forde.

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

Our new season is underway and we would like to welcome both old and new members to the Club.

Hopefully our teams will be as successful in their endeavours, as were our 1st and 2nd teams in the season gone by with both reaching the Finals of the Tallaght League.

Club night has been changed from Monday nights to Tuesday nights from 9.30 - 11.30. Thursday nights remain the same 7.00 - 11.30. We are having Open Nights on Tuesday 14th January and Thursday 16th January '92, so if you would like to try the game out come along to the Parish Hall on these nights and give it a smash.

Shortly after Christmas the Club will be preparing teams for entry in the Tallaght League, and players with League experience of "G" upwards will be most welcome.

Enquiries can be made by contacting:

Chairman: Donal Hurley - 01: 6286654

Secretary: Robbie Dunning - 01: 6285153 The Club's best wishes go to former member Tommy Leonard and his wife Marie who decided to tie the knot in September of this year. Health, wealth and happiness to you both always.

Finally the Club would like to wish a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The second swimming term began on the 23rd of November and will continue until the 15th of February 1992. There will be no swimming on Saturday 21st December and Saturday 28th December as the pool will be closed for the Christmas holidays. We start back on the 4th of January with a free family swim, an opportunity for parents to see the progress made by their children and a chance for all the family to have a swim. Buses will not be operating that day. Fees remain the same for this term and the committee request that fees be paid by the 7th of December.

We appeal to all our members to please let us know in advance if they will not be returning to a new session. This enables us to offer places to children on the waiting list without undue delay and keeps the running costs of the club to a minimum.

We would like to thank all parents of our members for their assistance with pool and bus duties each Saturday. To date this has been most successful.

Anyone requiring a place for their child/children on our waiting list can do so by contacting our secretary Mary Healy (Phone 6286942).

Wishing all our members and their families a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Sheila Fleming, PRO.





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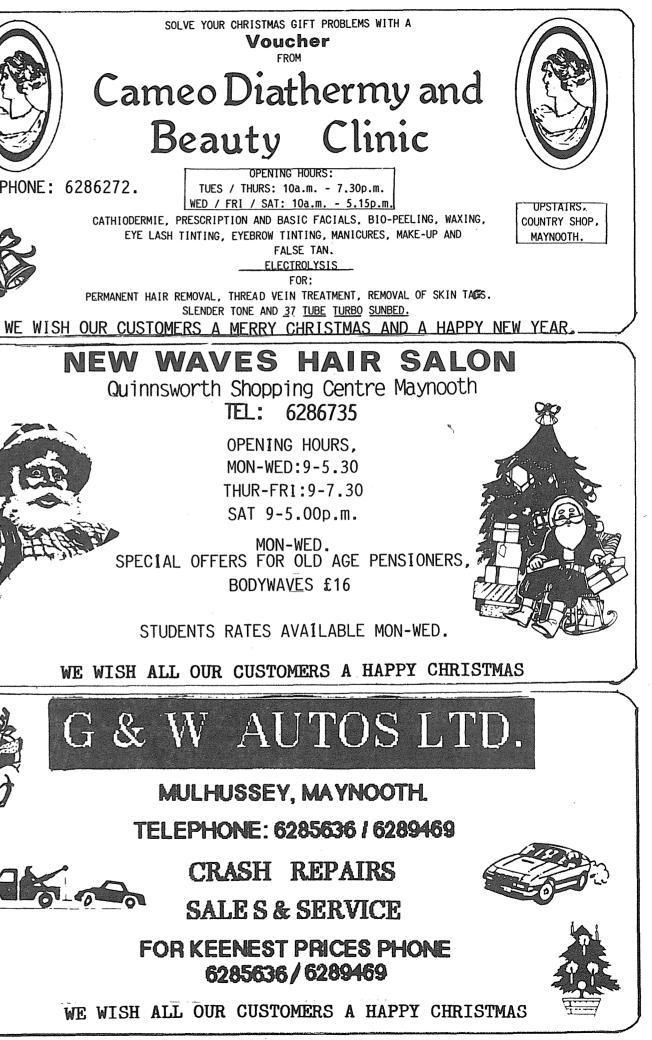
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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

The cross-country season continues for the members of Maynooth A.C. and the results of the last two race meetings are as follows:

Donard - "B" Championships

Girls U/10: Gillian O' Hurley 5th, Aoife Mc Ternan 6th Boys U/10: David Campbell (2nd individual Silver Medal), Daniel Adderley 5th, Cillian Carr 8th, Jamie O' Neill 13th, Noel Healy 14th, and Stephen Healy 15th. 3rd Team (Bronze Medal) to first four boys above. Girls U/12: Susan Adderley 3rd (individual Bronze Medal), Mary O' Sullivan 13th, Irene Kearney 16th, and Joy O' Neill 18th.

3rd Team (Bronze Medal) to the 4 girls above.

Boys U/12: Darragh Carr 21st

Girls U/14: Michelle Gillick 3rd (individual Bronze Medal), Dervla Mc Dermott 13th, Lynda Haren 14th, Laura Kearney 17th, Valerie Nolan 18th, Eithne Cunningham 19th. Girls U/16: Gemma Haren 7th.

Intermediate Ladies: Christine Fitzpartick 1st, Frances Kearney 2nd, Margaret Gillick 3rd and Marie Gleeson 5th. 1st Team (Gold Medal) to first 3 above. Intermediate Men: David Jollev 4th.

Maynooth played host for the cross-country event on Sunday 3rd November. It was a bitterly cold Sunday but Maynooth A.C. showed top form and proudly took individual Gold Medals and 5 Team medals.

The results are as follows:

Girls U/9: Gillian O' Hurley 4th.

Boys U/9: Patrick O' Rourke 1st (individual Gold Medal), Cillian Carr 4th, Jamie O' Neill 7th and Stephen Healy 8th. 1st Team (Gold Medal) to the four boys above.

Girls U/11: Mary O' Sullivan 5th, Joy O' Neill 15th, Irene Kearney 17th, Aoife Mc Ternan 18th 18th, and Brid Ann O' Shea 19th.

Boys U/11: Karl Ennis 5th, David Campbell 11th, Michael Costelloe 17th and Noel Healy 18th.

2nd Team (Silver Medal) to the four boys above. Girls U/13: Sarah Commane 1st, (individual Gold Medal), Michelle Gillick 4th, Susan Adderley 12th, Laura Kearney 14th.

3rd Team (Bronze Medal) to the four girls above. Boys U/13: Well done to John O'Shea and Eoin Nevin who missed the start of their race but ran on to catch up and finish their race in great style.

Girls U/15: Dervla Mc Dermott 5th, Lynda Haren 6th, Gemma Haren 9th.

2nd Team (Silver Medal) for the 3 girls above.

Senior Ladies: Frances Kearney 4th, Christine Fitzpatrick 5th, Noelle Mc Ternan7th.

2nd Team (Silver Medal)

Senior Men: David Jolley 14th.

Well done to all the boys and girls who took part - the club is very proud of each and everyone of you.

Next race meeting

Leinster Championship, Ballinacree, Co. Westmeath on 1st December 1991. U/9, 11, 13, 15 and 17. Ladies O/40, Men O/40.

Leinster championships Carton Estate 15th December 1991 (organised by Leixlip) U/10, 12, 14, 16. Ladies O/30, Men 0/35.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Dalton Cup 3rd Round

Maynooth Town 3 Cabra Celtic 2 It looked as if Maynooth would make an early exit from this Cup when they fell two goals behind early in the 1st half. Maynooth pulled out all the stops after this, and overcame the atrocious conditions to give the ever faithful on the line something to cheer about. Fergal Barton brought Maynooth back into the game just before half time when he won the race for a long through ball and beat the keeper to the touch. A tough half-time pep talk from Manager Vinnie Mc Kenna left no doubt as to his intentions of remaining in this cup. The hard working Gerry Quinn was rewarded for his efforts when he scored a deserved equaliser. It looked as if we would have to endure extra time when ten minutes from time Ger Thompson dispossessed a Celtic defender on the edge of the Cabra penalty area before passing to Bobby Barry who sent a rocket to the net through a crowded goalmouth. A late winner but nevertheless deserved.

Division 3 Private Grds.

Killeen Corrugated 0 Maynooth Town 6 Philip Doyle dominated this game for Maynooth and scored an excellent hat-trick. Maynooth led 3-0 at half time and were equally impressive in the second half, adding three further goals without reply. Robbie Moran, Martin Mc Ternan and John Geoghegan were Maynooth's other scorers.

U/13 Schoolboys

Maynooth Town 1 Gray Celtic 1

Maynooth grabbed a late equaliser to share the points in this evenly matched league game. A defensive error in the 1st half left Maynooth trailing for most of the game but Niall Byrne proved the hero for Maynooth, scoring the equaliser with a minute to go. Niall Naughton in goal was another Maynooth hero with a string of superb saves and was pushed hard for Man of the Match by Aidan O' Brien and Eoin Guha. Greenfort Utd 3 Maynooth Town 4 Maynooth could so easily have won this game by a wider margin but for some indecision in defence. Fortunately for Maynooth Eamon Gallagher was in top form and scored a hat trick from the limited number of chances which came his way. Darren Naughton scored Maynooths fourth goal.

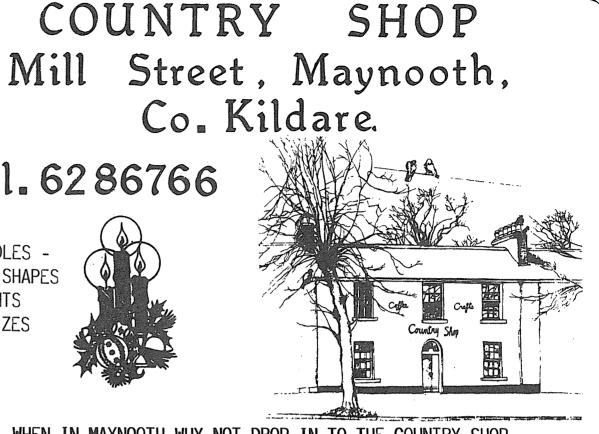
U/11 Schoolboys

Newlands Celtic 1 Maynooth Town 1 Probably the best performance of the season for this team who show improvement with every game. Newlands are one of the strongest sides in this division but caught Maynooth on a day when our lads gave their best. Ruairi Wederfoort inspired confidence with his safe handling. Trevor Cassidy proved our saviour in the second half when he scored the equaliser after we had gone behind in the 15th minute. Cormac Eddery, Declan Sheehan, Colm Cahill and Nicholas Lalor were rock solid in defence. Peter Kinsella, Killian O' Connor, Charles Gallagher and Trevor Cassidy worked like trojans to curb midfield supremacy and Thomas Geraghty

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and Shane Tolan were always probing for openings in a near water-tight Newlands defence.

U/15 Schoolgirls

The schoolgirls section of the club have been blazing a trail in the North Eastern Schoolgirls League and are unbeaten to date. Under trainer Frances Kearney this team have belied their apparent inexperience and must rate as near favourites for the title. With trips to such distant places as Drogheda and Monaghan behind them, they still remain unbeaten. This speaks volumes for the resilience and dedication of the entire panel. Up to date match reports in the next issue.

Once again we must sadly report untold damage to our dressing rooms. A problem which we thought had at last been solved once again reared its ugly head a couple of weeks ago. On this occasion there is no doubt as to who is responsible for this latest bout of wanton destruction. Repairs will cost several hundred pounds which cannot be retrieved. The smashing of doors and seating, the pulling out of windows and damage to ceilings and floors prompts one to ask "Who could do such a thing". That question is now easily answered if one was to witness the amount of human excrement deposited within the dressing rooms themselves. The sickening sight would make less tolerant and sympathetic people take a course of action which might not be within the bounds of the law. People who advocate rights for those people should visit our dressing rooms and see for themselves first hand the problems which we face. My own personal sympathy has finally been exhausted through this latest episode and invite anyone who cares to come and see our problem (which will probably be rectified once again by the time of publication. We, as a club, are providing a facility for anyone to avail of and we must now ask the question "Don't we have rights too?"

Once again Christmas approaches and we take this opportunity to extend the compliments of the Festive Season to all.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

1st Team Results etc.

Maynooth 1.7 Ardclough 1.8

The season is gradually winding down with only one game to report on since the last issue. This game was against Ardclough in the final of our own tournament (Tom Flood Cup) where victory went to Ardclough on a scoreline of 1.8 to 1.7. It was a fully merited win for the visitors. They had already been beaten twice by Maynooth this season and were obviously very determined to ensure that Maynooth would not make it three out of three. They gave a typical wholehearted gutsy Ardclough performance which Maynooth could not match on the day. The game was won and lost in a 10 minute spell before half-time. With scores level at 2 points each and Maynooth holding their own, although playing into the teeth of a very stiff breeze, the side lost its concentration and allowed Ardclough to tack on a further goal and three points before the break. It left the home side facing an uphill struggle in the 2nd half and hard though they tried they just

could not gain the upperhand. Full credit to Ardclough who hit Maynooth on the counter attack in the second period to snatch 3 valuable points and copperfasten victory. Maynooth Scorers: Mick Nevin 1.2; Johnny Nevin 3pts; Eoin O' Neill and Killian Fagan 1 pt each. Best for Maynooth: P. Kearney, P. Ennis, M. Kelly, M. Nevin, P. Stynes, E. O' Neill and J. Nevin. Man of the Match Pascal Ennis (Left Half Back) After the game the Tom Flood Cup was presented to the winning Captain, John Devenney and during a reception afterwards in "The Roost" the Winners and Runners-Up Trophies were presented. Maynooth G.A.A. would like to take this opportunity to thank the referee, Nick Sutton, who officiated very capably right through the competition. They would also like to thank the sponsors of the tournament: Mr Frank Regan, Insurance Brokers, Main St., Maynooth Mr Gerry Flood, Maynooth Photo Centre Mr Trevor Reilly, Main St., Maynooth Mr Noel Cassidy, The Roost, Maynooth

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Kill 1.1 Maynooth 5.7 Team:

Stephen Mc Dermott, Michael Ryan, Thomas Halton, Patrick King, Conor Diggins, Daragh Carr, Alan Geogheghan, Stephen Redmond, Martin Mc Loughlin, Karl Ennis, David Campbell, Aidan Mc Carron, Trevor Naughton, Sean Woodhouse, Sean Lennon

Subs: Patrick O' Rourke for Trevor Naughton; Jody Connolly for Sean Lennon; Alan Baxter for Sean Woodhouse; Seanie Brady for Alan Geogheghan; Emmet Hall for Aidan Mc Carron.

Scorers: Sean Woodhouse 2.2; Karl Ennis 1.2; Sean Lennon 1.1: David Campbell 1.0: Aidan Mc Carron and Stephen Redmond 1 pt each.

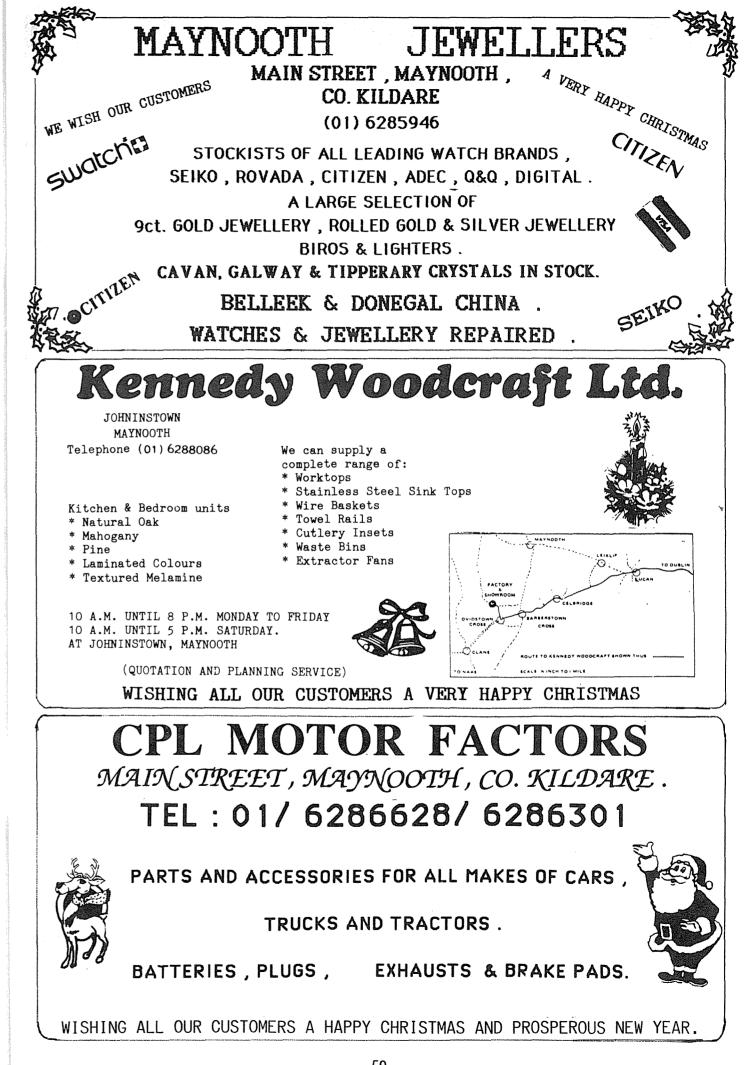
Maynooth got back on the winning trail after their draw with Celbridge with a comprehensive win over a gallant Kill side. Conditions were atrocious but both sides coped reasonably well. It was good to see the home side return to something like the form shown earlier in the year and the team are still well in contention for honours with games against Naas, Confey and Leixlip (B) coming up.

Best for Maynooth were: Mc Dermott, King, Diggins, Carr, Geogheghan, Redmond, Ennis, Campbell, Mc Carrron and Woodhouse (who used his head to good effect!)

U 14 Football Championship Final

Moorefield 2.10 Maynooth 1.1 Our U 14 lost their championship final to a very good Moorefield Team but were not disgraced. Maynooth played well up to half time and were only behind by one point. The second half did not work as planned and Moorefield took control.

Best for Maynooth on a bad day were: R. Murphy, T. Byrne, M. Nugent, J. Lawlor, C. Ryan and J. Rossiter.



Peter Delaney Cup Final

Maynooth 3.6 Kilcloon 3.1

Maynooth U 14 got back on winning way when defeating Kilcloon in the Peter Delaney Cup Final in Maynooth. Maynooth got the better start and by half time were 1.5 to 0.1 ahead but Kilcloon got their game going in the second half and went ahead but Maynooth put in a strong finish to run out winners by 5 pts. Pat Delaney, son of the late Peter, presented the Cup to the winning captain. Best for Maynooth in Goal, I. Haves who brought off some great saves when the pressure was on, D. Buckley, C. Ashe, J. Lawlor, T. Bryne, R. Murphy, M. Nugent, B. Glennon, C. Ryan, J. Rossiter. Well done to our U14 Footballers in 1991. Keep up the good work in 1992 lads.

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Under 16 Football League Final - Division 2 Maynooth 1-10 Clane 1-4

Congratulations to our Under 16 footballers on creating their own list of Club history in landing the Division 2 League title for the first time. Clane provided the opposition in the Final and with their club enjoying a very successful year we had the makings of a good final.

Clane started in whirlwind fashion and our defence were in trouble. A brilliant save by T. Fay in goal from a penalty was the signal to his team mates to raise their game. This they did in great style and were well deserving of their 1-6 to 0-0 at halftime. Clane got stuck in after half time and reduced Maynooth's lead to 4 pts. A switch of E. Lyons to midfield and a great point by A. Noonan got us back on the rails again. Two insurance points by T. Farrell and P. Garvey killed off the challenge from Clane. The disappointment of the Championship final was cast aside when the final whistle was blown by referee M. O' Leary from Rathcoffey. Amid scenes of great jubilation captain K. Killoran received the trophy from T. Merriman, Secretary of Bord na nOg.

This success was achieved by the dedication of the panel and mentors over a period of seven months.

T. Fay was outstanding in goal not only in the Final but throughout the year. P. Grant and S. Noonan were rock solid and gave great support to ever reliable A. O'Shea at full back. Clane half forwards looked dangerous earlier on but once M. Hally, M. Meally and O. Nevin settled down they blotted out their opponents particularly in the second half when the going got tough.

K. Killoran with his high fielding dominated centrefield. He was ably assisted by P. Hogan who in recent games has proved that he is more than a capable midfielder.

P. Garvey at right half forward has been outstanding throughtout the year. He came in for close attention from his marker and as a result his tally was restricted. Likewise D. Fleming and M. Donnelly had to fight hard for anything they got and this unwillingness to give in was the most pleasing aspect of this victory. A. Noonan had a great game at full forward. His high fielding and vital point broke the heart in Clane. A. Nevin scored a golden goal and set us on the road to victory. E. Lyons having his first game after a long lay off through injury scored valuable points and came out to midfield to lift the siege in the second half.

T. Farrell came on to score a very valuable point and had the confidence to take on his opponent. Maynooth played nine

games and won nine games on the way to the title. Apart from those already mentioned,

P. Leacy, E. Mitchell, E. Hassett, D. Mooney, B. O' Neill and N. Gillick played their part in various matches. G. Kelly was ruled out of the final through injury. The backroom team was M. Ryan, M. Donnelly (Snr), M. Meally (Snr),

A. Killoran and K. Fagan. We must not forget our lucky mascot Daithe Garvey.

Scorers: E. Lyons 0-3, H. Nevin 1-0, M. Donnelly 0-2, D. Fleming 0-2, A. Noonan 0-1, T. Farrell 0-1, P. Garvey 0-1. Thanks to those who supported the team at the games and provided cars for the away games.

We will look back on 1991 with satisfaction and hope to build on what was achieved. Once again, thanks to the local business people who sponsored the team for the Championship Final. An enjoyable trip to Galway in September was funded by selling 30 tickets for the Piltown Draw. Unfortunately, we did not have any winners in the 3 Draws. A sincere thanks to those who bought a ticket for the Draw.

Christmas Draw

We are running our annual Christmas Draw in aid of Under Age Hurling and Football Teams. 1st Prize, Monster Hamper; 2nd Prize, Hamper; 3rd Prize, Turkey and Ham; 4th Prize Turkey; 5th Prize Ham, 6th Prize Bottle of Brandy and 6 prizes of a Bottle of Whiskey. Draw will take place on Friday13th December in the Roost at 9.30 pm. Tickets are 50p each or book of 6 for £2.00. Please support our Draw.

Under Age Training: Football

As you know our under 8 to 14 years train every Saturday morning at 11.30 am. We are asking anyone out there who wishes to help out with our under age players to come along to Moyglare Road Field every Saturday morning at 11.30 am. We need your help now.

Senior Players

Our Senior Players will be playing in the Senior League Div. 2 in 1992. Any new residents who would like to play with our club can do so by contacting any of the following: M. Gillick - 6286556, K. Connolly - 6286823, B. Lacey -6286448, J. Nevin - 6285333. We need new players for the coming season to make our team stronger. All players new and old welcome.

Annual General Meeting

To all our members and intending members - our Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 12th or 19th January 1992 in the Club Rooms, Moyglare Road, at 2.30 pm. To all our supporters, players, committee and sponsors and everyone who helped out our Club in 1991, we wish you all a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New year. See you all in 1992. Thank you all again for your support.

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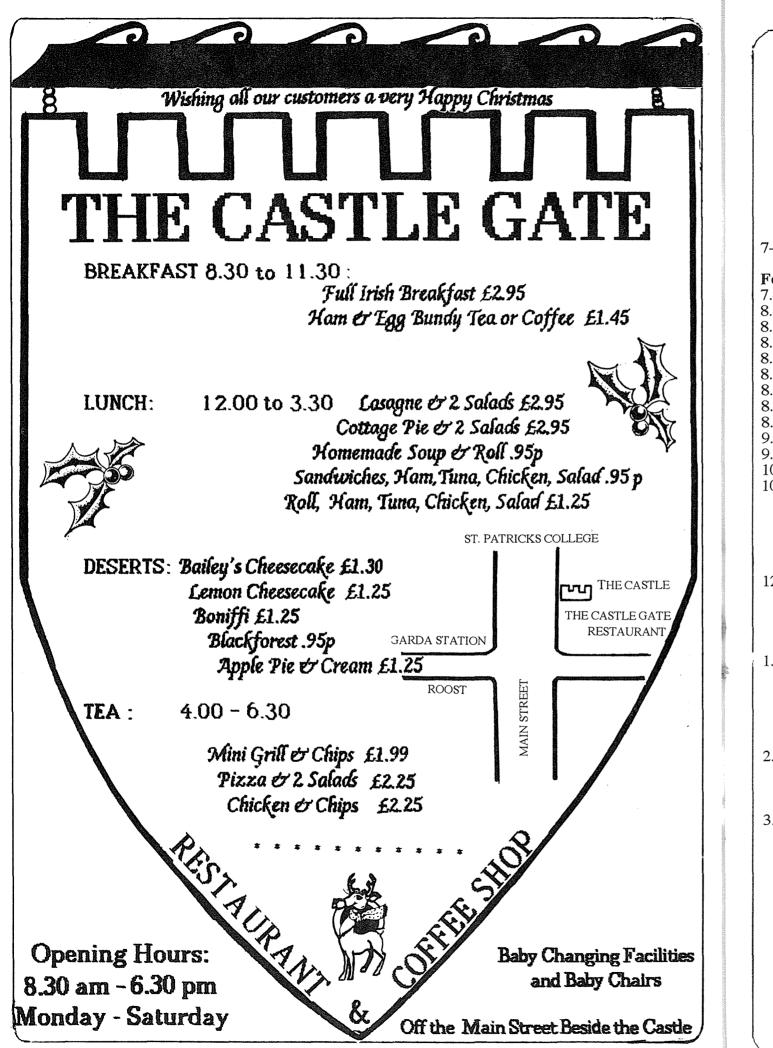
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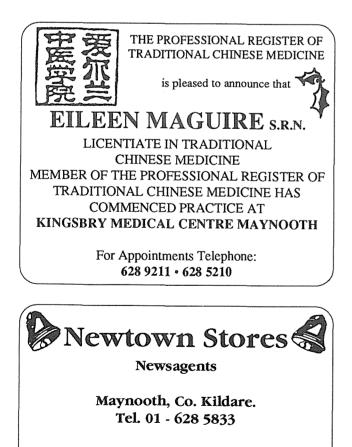
James Mc Loughlin, O' Neill Park on the death of his brother in Clondalkin.

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Happy Birthday on December 31st to our dearest Daddy with love and best wishes from your loving sons Richard and Thomas. Also from Mammy and the Donovan family, Greenfield.

Belated happy birthday to Sandra O' Keeffe, Johnstown, Enfield, who celebrated her birthday on November 5th.

Happy 21st to Siobhan O' Keeffe on December 10th. Love and best wishes from Una Mc Govern and family in Greenfield, Maynooth.

Happy Christmas to the Griffins and Mc Cullaghs, from Annette and Finola.

Hi to Lorraine and Tracy from Finola and Annette.

Hi to Robin, Love Shirley. Ha Ha!

Happy Birthday to Liam Bean, "Lemar", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who will celebrate his birthday on December 16th. From his wife Margaret and family.

Happy Birthday to Aisling Bean, "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who will celebrate her 6th birthday on December 14th. Love from her Daddy, Mammy and her brothers, Brian and Conor and grandparents.

Happy Birthday to Jim Smyth (Butcher), Main Street, Maynooth who will celebrate his birthday on December 16th.

Happy 5th Birthday to Alexander from Aishling, Regina and Family.

Belated happy birthday to Seamus Traynor, Greenfield on November 4th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, Martin and Caroline.

Belated happy birthday to Pat Harty, The Maws, Kilcock on October 24th. Best wishes from all in "The Tail Waggers Club".

Belated birthday greetings to John O' Connor (Germany), Greenfield on November 13th with lots of love from Mammy, Daddy, Ann, Fiona, Yvonne and Clare.

Happy 21st Birthday to Niall Walshe, a new recruit to the *Newsletter*, who celebrates his birthday in December. Best wishes from all the staff!!

Belated Birthday greetings to Michael Canny, Rail Park, age 15 on November 16th.

Belated Happy Birthday to Kevin Murphy, O' Neill Park on November 19th.

Happy Birthday to Clare Mc Ternan, Greenfield on December 12th.

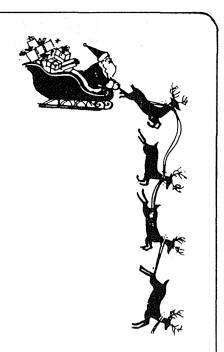
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Happy Birthday to Eithne on the 20th December, a teenager at last. Love from Mammy, Rachel and Don.

Happy 1st Birthday to Jamie from Dad and Lisa.

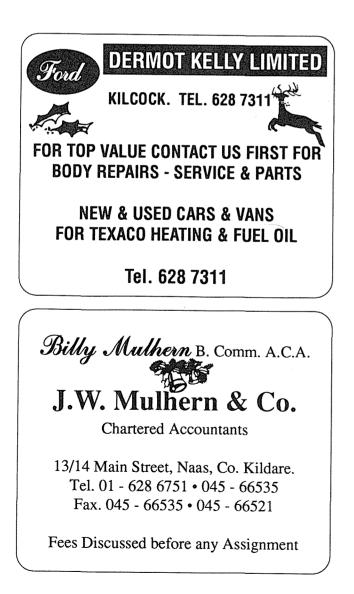
Happy Birthday to Ann Mc Keogh, aged 5, on 9th of December, and Eoin Mc Keogh, aged 2, on 1st December, Railpark from Uncle Fran and Auntie Kathleen.

Belated birthday wishes to Richard Hayes (on the 23rd November) and sincere sympathy from all his younger friends in Maynooth.

Happy Birthday to Anne Marie Cullen on the 11th of December.

Happy Birthday to Jamie love from Mam and Eoin.

To Norah Mc Dermott - Happy 21st + V.A.T. From all in the C.I.C. Also from all the staff and her friends in the Community Council Offices.



Congratulations

Congratulations to Johny Nevin, Barrogstown, Maynooth who was conferred with B.A. Degrees, Hons, at St. Patricks College, Maynooth.

Congratulations to Raymond Richardson, Moyglare Village, who was conferred with B.S. Degree in Computer applications in Dublin City University.

Congratulations to Ann Marie O' Donoghue, 33 Greenfield Drive, on being awarded an entrance scholarship in Chemistry to U.C.D. on her matric results. From Mam and Dad.

Congratulations to Brian Stewart and Rebecca Healy on their recent get- together.



Congratulations to Anne Mc Atamney, Leinster Park, Maynooth on her recent qualification as a Registered General Nurse (RGN) in Cork Regional Hospital. Anne is now working as a staff nurse in a Dublin hospital and takes up her midwifery training in the National Maternity Hospital in January next. Congratulations and the best of luck from Mum, Dad, all the family and friends.



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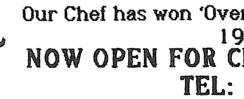
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Maynooth G.A.A. - A.G.M on Sunday 12th or 19th January in the Clubs Rooms, Moyglare Road at 2.30.

Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club - (1) Food Appeal 19/20/21 December outside Quinnsworth. (2) Auction on Friday 13th December for Old folks Coal

Fund in Raphael's, Celbridge at 8.30 pm.

Garda - Dinner Dance on Friday the 28th February 1992.

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club - Christmas Meeting in the SVD Hall, Tuesday, December 10th.

Grangewilliam Cemetery Restoration Committee -Meeting in the Parish Hall on Monday 2nd December 1991 at 8.30 pm - all welcome.

Separated Persons Support Group - Meetings take place on Monday nights at 9.30 pm at the cack of Caulfields. All welcome.

St. Mary's Church of Ireland - (1) Flower Arranging Demonstration/ Felicity Satchwell, on Tuesday 10th December at 8.00pm.

(2) Cake Sale in the ICA Hall on Saturday 14th December at 12 noon - 4pm.

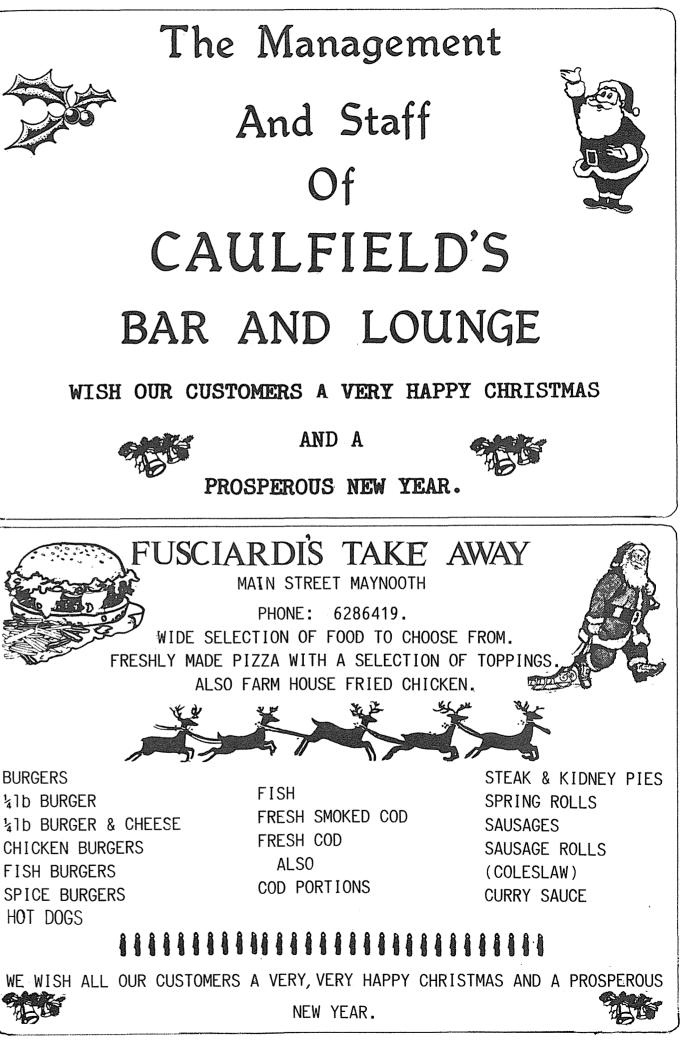
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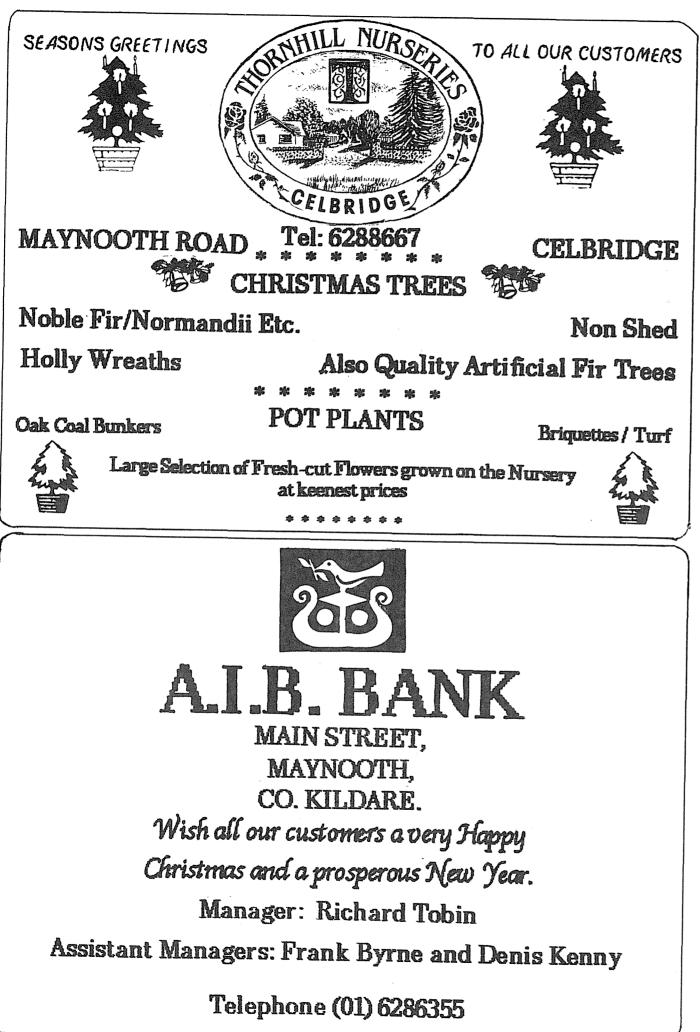
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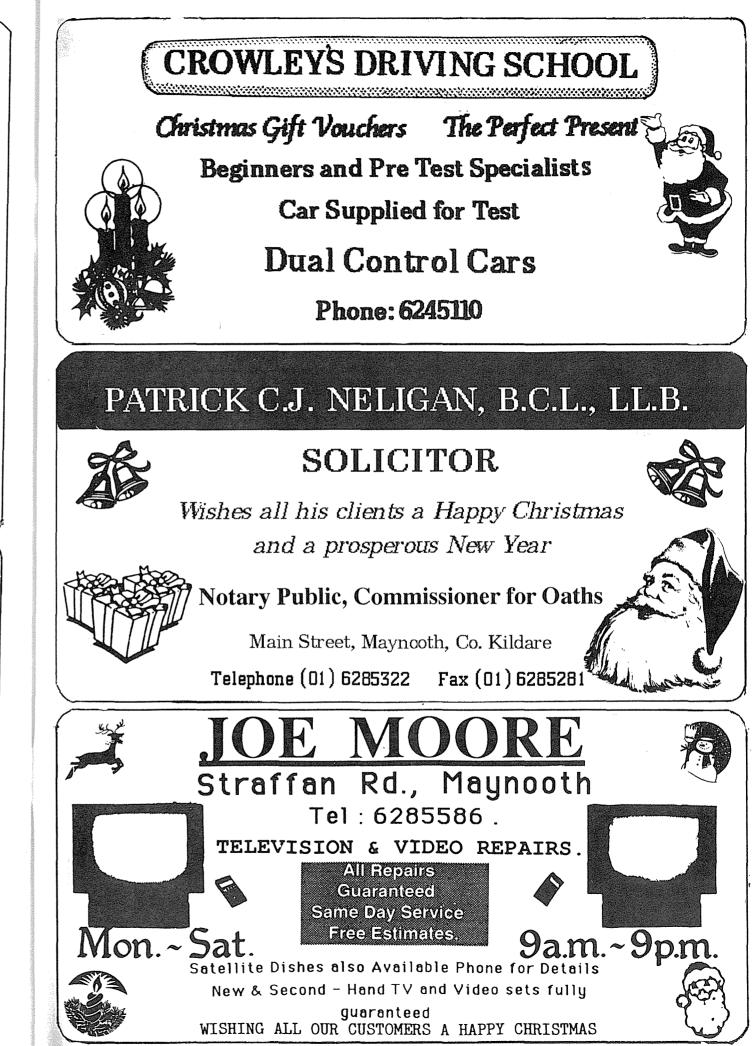
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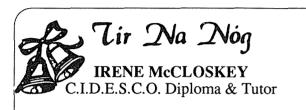


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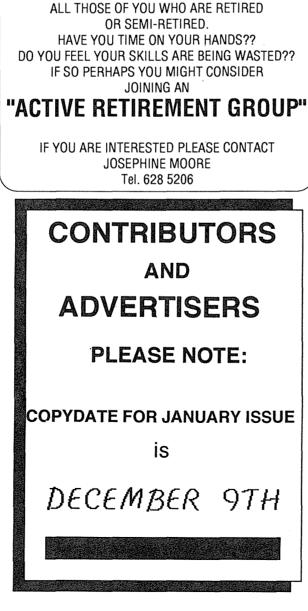


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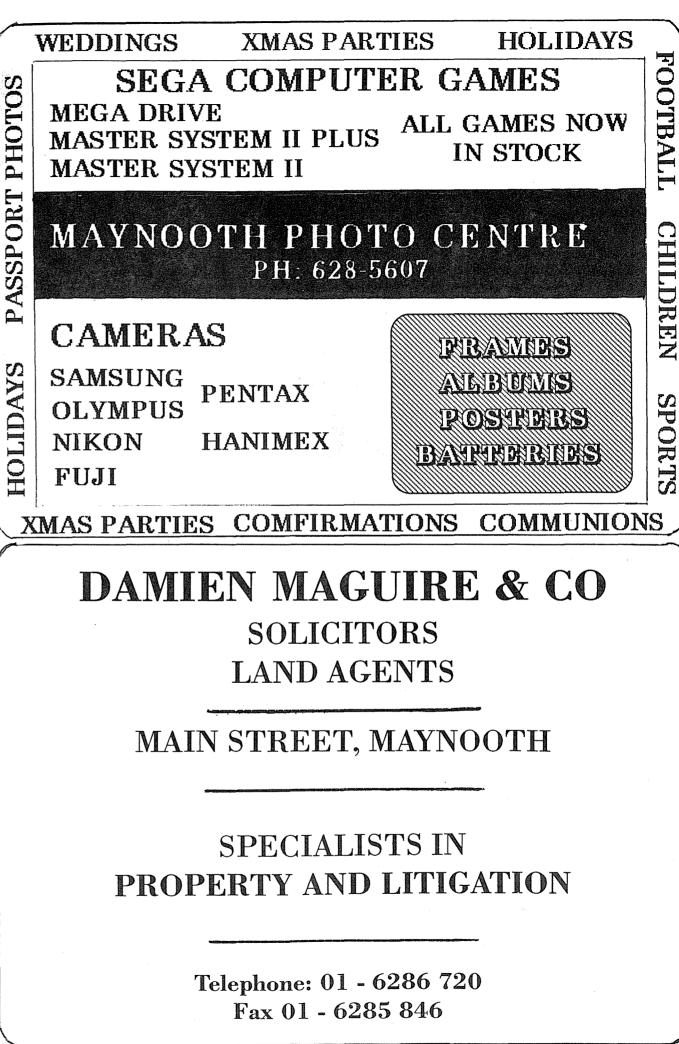
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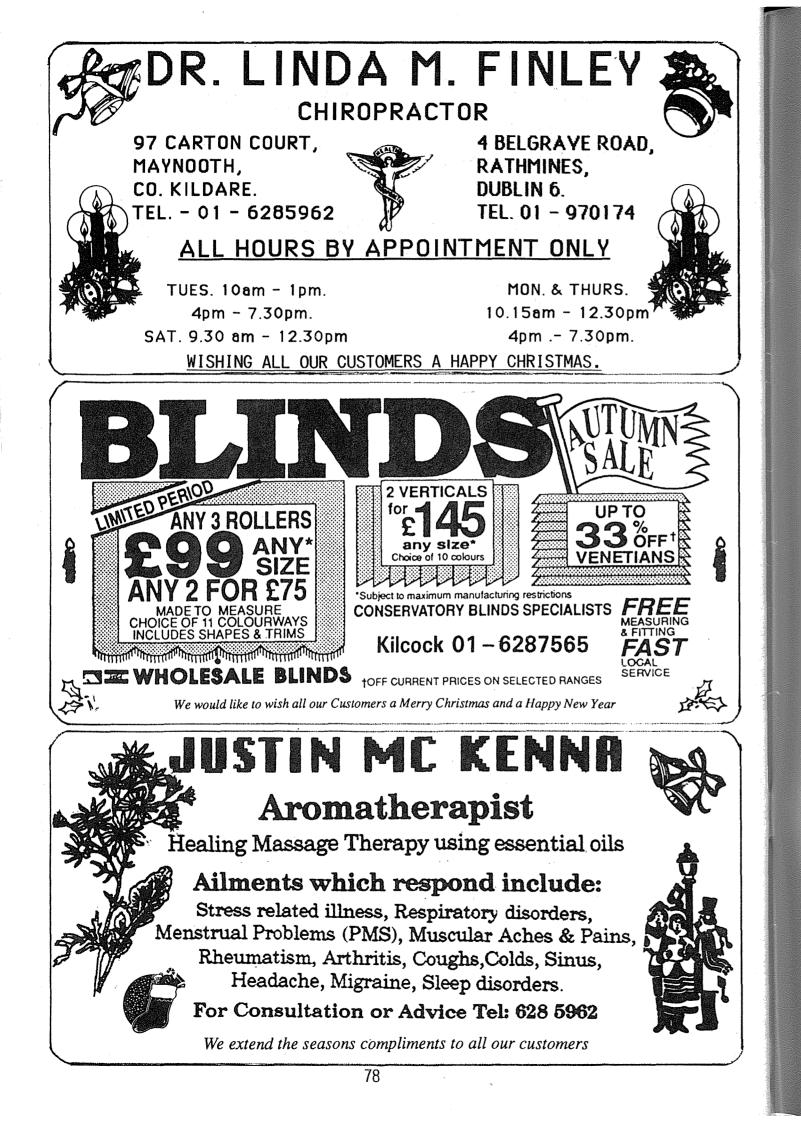
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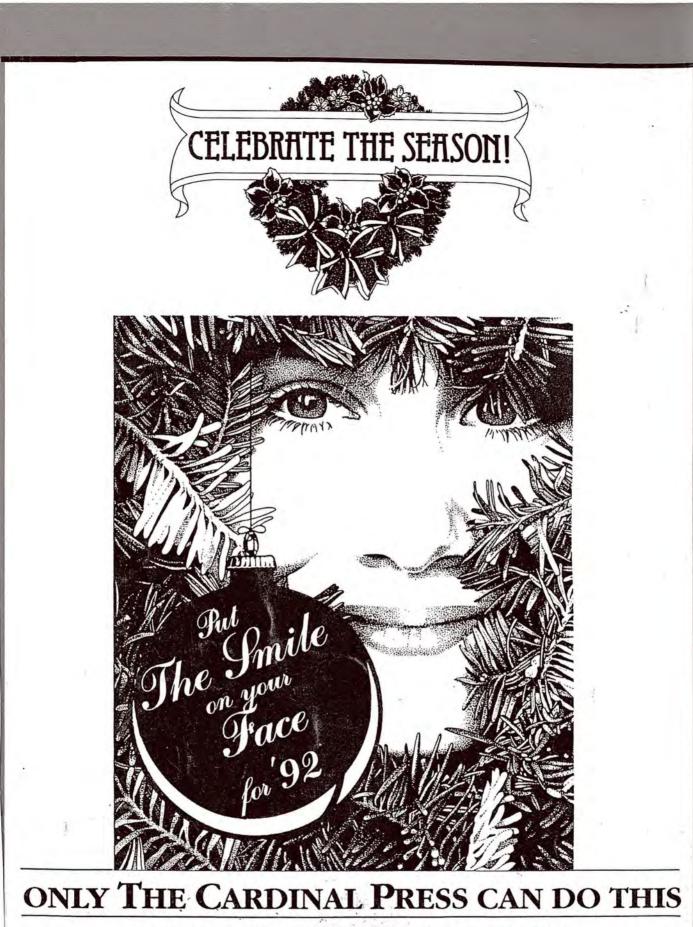
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