

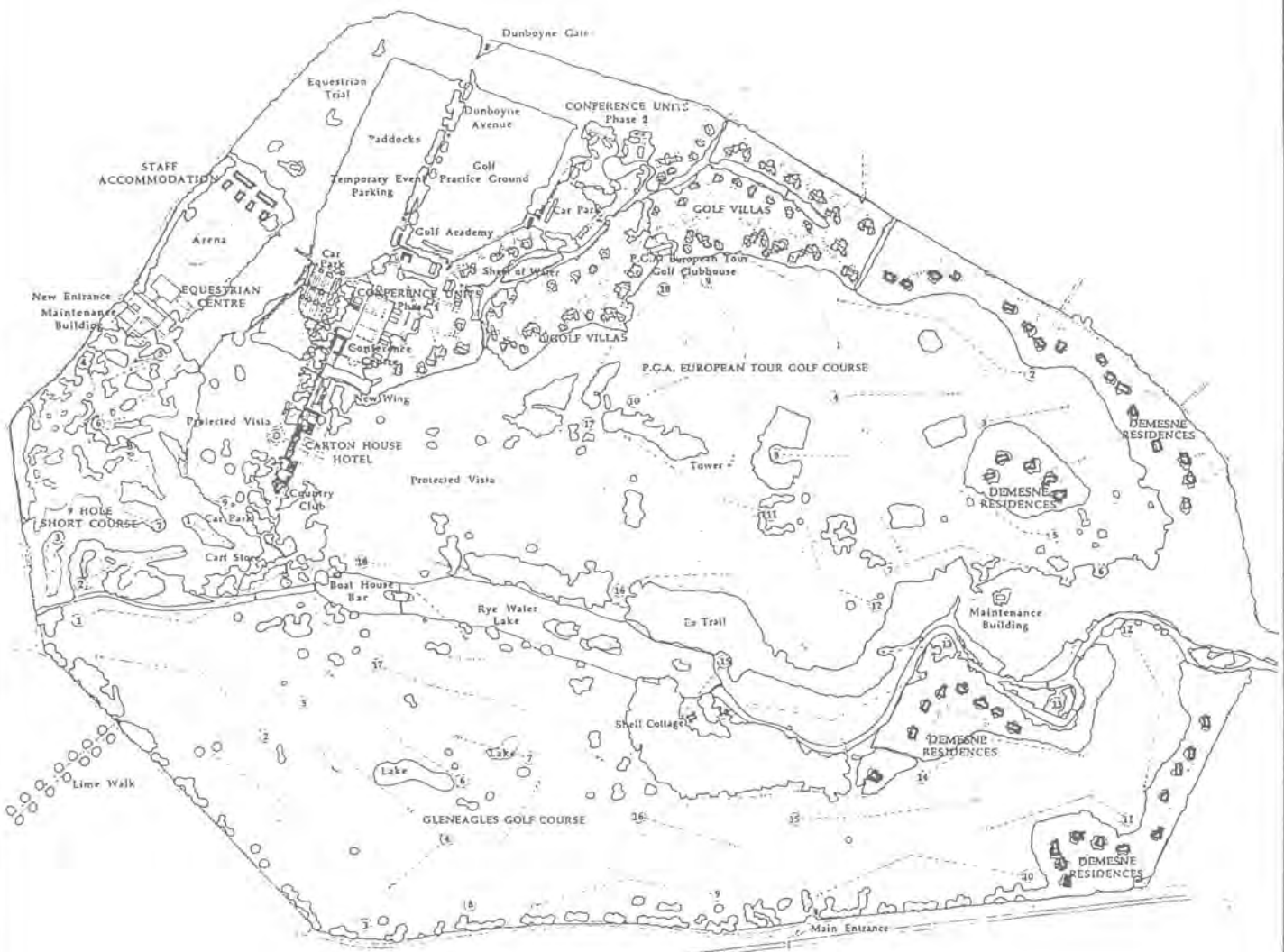
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Editorial

Carton Developments

This issue contains a number of features outlining the recently unveiled plans for the development of Carton by the Gleneagles group. The plans are generating considerable controversy for a variety of reasons. The developers are making promises that the estate will be accessible to local people and that an investment of 65 million pounds will provide significant benefits for the local people and businesses of Maynooth. While we welcome the proposal to create 460 jobs, the opening of the estate to the public and the plans to conserve the actual house, we are very concerned that the demesne will be losing its integrity. Only time will prove the assurances justified or otherwise.

With the granting of permission for the building of private houses the principle of the green belt will have been conceded, and some people might say that it is only a matter of time before the estate becomes covered by the concrete jungle which submerged the Castletown estate in the last decade. Is it now too late to appeal to the state to step in and preserve the estate for posterity?

Crime Wave

Congratulations to the Gardai on the refurbishment of their station. Just in time to incarcerate those responsible for the recent crime wave which left some ten houses in Moyglare village minus some valuable household property.

May Day

Happy May Day to all our readers.

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Letters the the Editor

Dear Editor,

It is important that the slanderous statement contained in the Fine Gael notes in the April issue of **The Maynooth Newsletter** under the heading 'The Freeing of Kuwait' be answered.

1. Those arguing in favour of sanctions rather than a military option, consistently condemned Saddam Hussein's invasion and annexation of Kuwait.
2. The first and only condemnation of Saddam Hussein's actions against the Kurdish people in the 1980's was made by this writer as the Labour Party's spokesperson on Foreign Affairs, and I did so at a time when a F.G. Minister was negotiating a Trade deal on behalf of Mr Goodman and others with the same murderous tyrant Saddam Hussein.
3. The Labour Party has never had any connection with Mr Ceaucescu of Romania or his regime.
4. Perhaps the reason that Fine Gael is doing so badly at the moment is in some way due to their regression to their vilifying and fascist antics of the 1930's.
5. The only threat to democracy in this State has come from the Political Right - notably from the Fascist movement in the 1930's which was lead by Fine Gael.

While they are free to march back in history, the public are entitled to insist that they do so without slandering and defaming their political opponents and they are also entitled to better standards in newsletters and the media in general.

Perhaps in the end the public are much more sensitive to the truth and the realities of life than Fine Gael thinks.

Yours sincerely,

Michael D. Higgins T.D.,
Labour Party Spokesperson on Foreign Affairs.

Dear Editor,

I was most alarmed to read an item titled "The Freeing of Kuwait" carried in the Political Party Notes in last month's **Newsletter**. While respecting peoples' right to a political opinion, someone must draw the line when it comes to deliberately misleading the public. In this instance these notes have the obvious blessing of a prominent local T.D.

I hope that Mr. Durkan and his sidekicks are comfortable condoning the naked murdering of thousands of Iraqi civilians. Maybe it's time Mr. Durkan came clean and gave his support to the armed struggle of the Provisional IRA, considering that they too are engaged in fight to free a small nation. Mr. Durkan is obviously amongst the Fine Gaelers who couldn't give a toss about our constitutional neutrality. This country had absolutely no obligation to support the US initiative in the Gulf. We also had no obligation to support the UK in the Falklands. The Gulf War was principally about oil and access to oil. Proinsias de Rossa for one said he didn't want anyone, man, woman or child to die so he could have cheaper petrol in his car. No attempts were made to explore all possibilities for a peaceful resolution and the US eagerly pursued violent ends.

Local politics has to be referred to when understanding Fine Gael's attacks on the left. Obviously Deputy Durkan is very fearful that Labour and the WP will take at least three of the five seats in the forthcoming local elections in the Celbridge Electoral Area. We've been through it all before regarding whether or not the WP supported the discredited 'communist' regimes of Eastern Europe. This unqualified smear has never influenced the working class from turning their back on the parties of the left. As for the WP and prominent members of Labour supporting Saddam Hussein! Well obviously the local Fine Gaelers are confusing things and consider pacifists to be their enemy. Mr. Durkan was part of a government party that never raised a voice of protest while their EC colleagues armed Hussein to the teeth before he turned on Kuwait. Incidentally the only WP member I ever heard patronising a role model in Eastern Europe was Eoghan Harris. Needless to say that was Harris's personal view. Ironically Eoghan Harris is now being paid hard up Fine Gael cash to train Bernard Durkan and other TD's in television and PR skills. How far does Harris's influence stretch?

I hope the electorate of North Kildare stand by honest politicians. Good luck to Catherine Murphy, Colm Purcell, John Mc Ginley and Emmet Stagg. They've survived attacks before and I'm sure these Fine Gael notes will be credited with the ignorance they deserve.

Thank you.

Fiachra O Ceilleachair,
Kingsbry.

A chara,

The recent reappearance of the Fine Gael Notes in the **Maynooth Newsletter** after an absence of over two years is presumably not unrelated to the fact that local elections are due later this year. However, if the notes in your April issue are anything to go by, one can expect anything but honesty from that party's candidates.

In the first item in those notes, an outrageous reference is made to 'the support given to Saddam Hussein by the leader of the Workers' Party'. This outright fabrication is completely at odds with the facts. In the Dail debate on the Gulf War, Proinsias De Rossa described the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait as 'totally unjustified and a clear breach of all the principles of international law'. This was in the process of moving a Workers' Party motion, the first part of which 'condemns the Iraqi troops'. The above quotes are taken from the official Dail Record.

Indeed, the Workers' Party position on this matter was stated clearly in the very first sentence of our notes in the February issue of the **Newsletter**: 'The invasion and subsequent annexation of Kuwait by Iraq was inexcusable and had to be reversed.'

Of course, the Workers' Party also objected to the wanton use of unnecessary force to remove the Iraqis from Kuwait. We believed that sanctions could have, with patience, done the same without the tens of thousands of dead innocent civilians and environmental devastation in Kuwait which have been the direct consequences of the USA's precipitate actions. Indeed, the tragedy of the Kurds which is being enacted daily before our eyes as I write is another direct result of the Gulf War. We have to learn to resolve disputes peacefully if we are ever to have a civilised world to live in. The USA-led invasion has set us back decades in this respect.

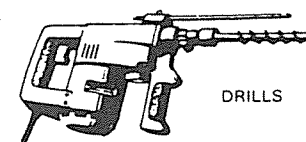
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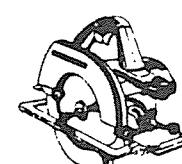
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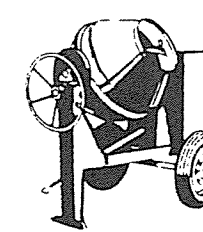
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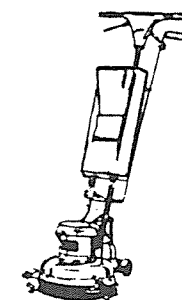
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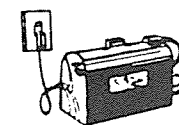
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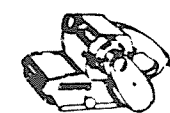
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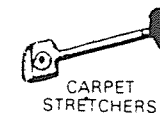
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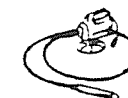
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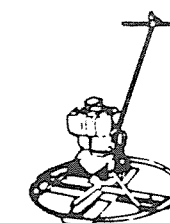
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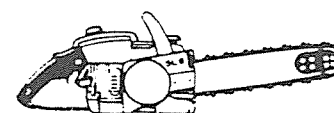
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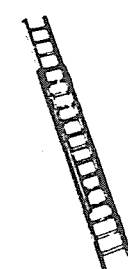
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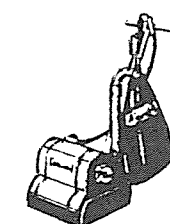
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Letters to the Editor

the opinion polls, I did not realise that they were so desperate as to descend as low as to make preposterous allegations of this nature. Might I suggest that they preserve whatever credibility they have left by either desisting from submitting further 'notes' or by getting a new PRO?

Is mise, le meas,

*Proinnsias Breathnach,
Cathaoirleach, Maynooth Branch, The Workers' Party.*

Dear Editor,
The false, vicious and indeed slanderous attack on Michael D. Higgins T.D. in the Fine Gael notes of your last issue has outraged members of the Party and the wider public. The attack was totally without foundation and has been fully answered by Michael D. above.

It's a bit rich that a party who led the only serious attack on democracy since the State was founded when they led and supported the Fascist Blueshirt movement in the 1930's should accuse Labour of aspiring to a dictatorship. Perhaps there is some of that hue about still.

It's a bit rich that the same party (F.G.) who, when recently in Government, organised Trade Missions (led by Austin Deasy F.G.) on behalf of Mr. Larry Goodman and others to the self same Dictator Saddam Hussein, should accuse Labour of being soft on the Dictator. Through our spokesperson on Foreign Affairs we were the first and are the most persistent critics of Mr. Hussein and his murderous regime. The so called 'success' of the military action so beloved by F.G. has resulted in a dictator being restored to absolute power in Kuwait (not much democracy there), the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of soldiers and civilians, a Kurdish refugee problem of catastrophic proportions and Saddam Hussein safely back in power. What a wonderful success. We supported sanctions through the U.N. but they were not given a chance to work. We believe ours was the better and more effective course of action against Saddam Hussein.

'Labour Supports Cuts' - F.G. There are lies, damn lies and Fine Gael Press Releases. To suggest that Labour supports cuts in services is a F.G. damn lie. It is true P.E.S.P. is a poor wage agreement and the Labour Party demonstrated their displeasure with same by refusing to support it in the Dail. But to say Labour is supporting cuts is perhaps the richest of all and from a Party that made possible the health cuts, the education cuts and the cuts in Local Authority Finances by allowing the minority F.F. Government implement these cruel measures *when they could have stopped them*. Mr. Bruton, Mr. Durkan and Mr. Dukes all gladly supported all of these measures which have now given us a two tiered health system, grossly overcrowded classrooms and roads that are dangerous to use. All courtesy of the famous Tallaght Strategy.

We are confident that the public won't forget and that no amount of lies or muck throwing by F.G. will arrest their continuing slide to oblivion.

Yours Sincerely,

*Emmet M. Stagg T.D.
Dail Eireann*

Dear Editor,
On behalf of the Leixlip Salmon Festival Committee we wish to inform you that the Leixlip Salmon Festival programme runs from May 26th to June 3rd of this year.

At present we are interested in recruiting local businesses and organisations in the area as to whether they would partake in our Childrens Day Parade on the 26th May and we would appreciate it if you could state this in your forthcoming Newsletter.

We would hope that as many local businesses and other organisations as possible would participate in the Parade and in doing so enter into the spirit of the Festival.

Fiona Kelly can be contacted at 6243085 and will answer any queries you may have.

*Yours sincerely,
Breda Cody.*

Dear Editor,

Delighted to read the appearance of Bru Bosco's notes again, after such a long absence, but where was the Don Bosco's picture? Don Bosco inspired the group who rebuilt the hall, so he should always be given the place of honour.

It was great to see familiar names like Rob Healy, John Read and Damien O'Connor. Come on Damien I see you are P.R.O. - let that wit of yours come through, write as you talk. Don't tell me you have lost all that sauciness that was part of your charm?! If you need any help to put your thought on paper, call up any time and I will type as you talk - fair?

And Rob, vice-chairperson, well he was there from the very beginning, even the year when they all worked for nothing. The powers that be thought he was too young to work, but he insisted on pestering until he was let stay, then in the middle of everything he called a strike. Don't ask me how he was not on any wages and he was only there on his own free will, but I have a picture of him in the sulks and on strike for a while. When we eventually opened I remember him saying during that first week, when it was time to lock up, 'I love this place so much I'd like to sleep here.' Somehow it made all the hard work worthwhile. Be kind to the young ones Rob, you were in many a fight, but came out laughing.

Good man John - you are staying the course well and they tell me you are a man of many talents - treasurer, D.J., choreographer etc.

Hear John Dowling is off to Romania. He is a good witness for Bru Bosco. I remember when he went to Camp America: the first night on camp each leader was asked to make a speech. Well speeches were not in John's line at that time, so he told me all he could think of saying was "In Ireland we have a Youth Club - it was founded because of a man by the name of Don Bosco. He is a saint now, I don't know if you have heard of him over here. We call him the Chief. Our club was founded because he said *all you need for me to love you is to be young*, so I will say the same thing to you." He told me they were delighted with him. I hope he can bring a little of that love to Romania. Sure those words say what the Club is all about, and the whole Salesian movement. I miss you a lot folks but keep to it - there are so many teenagers in Maynooth now, they really need some place to call their own. Believe me, and I know, I wish I had words to tell you how lonely I feel for those young folk and that little Hall, which holds so many memories for Old Maynoothers in the past and young ones in the present.

Peig Lynch

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

What nostalgic memories Gerry Mulcahy's (Butcher, Greenfield) window awoke on St. Patrick's day! I stood and gazed at it for about fifteen minutes, listening to the talk around me from all age groups: the Golden Oldies with their memories, the young adults with smiles as their thoughts went back to how their parents enjoyed the treats. Also looking at the display of pigs' heads in the window were the youngsters who had never before seen a pig's head without his body - they were so excited! Most of them thought the heads were plastic, but no they were real. For a while after the parade it was like looking into Switzer's windows at Christmas there was so much excitement. The heads were glazed and sitting on a bed of grass, both had little tri-colour hats on their heads, one was sipping a bottle of Guinness from a straw with an air of peace and tranquillity, the other was smoking a cigar, but he was casting an eye on the Guinness and his tongue was slightly protruding and over all he had an envious look at the Guinness. Hats off to Gerry for such an original and traditional idea!

The Parade was super this year, better than ever and Gerry's window gave a nice finishing touch to those of us who dispersed at Greenfield Estate. It was great crack, for young and old, but not one youngster was prepared to believe we ever ate pig's cheek - never mind crubeens.

Peig Lynch

Dear Editor,

We wish to convey our thanks to the people of Maynooth for helping to send us to Lourdes this year. We prayed for everyone's intentions at the grotto.

Yours sincerely,

*Ashling, on behalf of the Irish Handicapped Children's Trust,
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Dumping of rubbish at Greenfield Drive and Carton Court

It has come to our attention that unsightly rubbish is being dumped at the junction of Brady's Field/Carton Court/Greenfield Drive. During the past few weeks this problem has become more acute with the arrival of the grass cutting and gardening season. This area has become an eyesore as a result of thoughtless individuals dumping not only grass cuttings and weeds but also household refuse including plastic bags and ashes.

As well as detracting from the appearance of the estate, it is also creating a health hazard. Recently rats have been seen around that area and this could be a danger to children who play nearby. We appeal to Residents to stop this dumping and to dispose of all rubbish in a sensible and hygienic manner.

*John Mc Ginley
Chairperson*

MAYNOOTH SUMMER FESTIVAL

There has so far been a positive response to letters sent out to all clubs and societies in Maynooth asking them to participate in this years' festival - most organisations are currently preparing one event which will take place at some stage from June 15th to 23rd. We have not yet drawn up a definitive timetable so there is still plenty of time for your particular club or society to take part in some way, no matter how small.

It is our intention to make the festival as packed with diverse events as we can and to ensure a high level of public participation in a more active two weeks. Listed hereunder is a sample of some of the events which we have lined up for inclusion in the festival:

1. A fishing competition for young adults and children (Summer Project)
2. A craft exhibition (I.C.A.)
3. G.A.A. competition (inter estate)
4. Inter estate soccer seven-a-side
5. Barge-bus on the canal for trips and possible music sessions (R.C.A.G.)
6. Inter estate golf scramble (for adult and juvenile players)
7. Possible banquet (Castle committee)
8. Newsletter Table Quiz
9. Festival Treasure Hunt (Maynooth and surrounding areas)
10. Childrens' treasure hunt (Maynooth)
11. Battle of the Bands
12. Street busking
13. Hudson's Carnival
14. International folk dancing
15. Blind date competition and extravaganza
16. Teen Disco
17. Possible air corps display
18. Professional rally driving skills test
19. Bachelor Competition (Citizens' Information Centre)

We have also contacted the four pubs in the town with a view towards organising a novel and fun-filled Most Popular Barperson Competition. This was run in the Leixlip Salmon Festival last year and proved to be one of the most successful events ever organised during their festivals. The competition involves each entrant trying (by whatever means available to them) to raise

Community Council Notes

enough money to surpass the amount raised by the other entrants and so win the grand prize (which will hopefully be sponsored by the four pubs). It will be similar in some ways to the Lord Mayor competition run here some years ago and should provide endless enjoyment for all concerned.

There will be a full brochure distributed to all houses well in advance of the festival which will confirm the above events along with outlining other ones. Many of last years' events (such as the talent competition, American night etc) will be run again this year. In addition we hope to have bunting and a festival banner decorating the streets in order to help create a festive atmosphere during the holiday. Next month's Newsletter will carry full details of events and venues.

If you feel you would like to become involved in the festival in any way please contact the Community Council offices (6285922).

Peter Hussey,
Secretary.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

First of all our thanks to Committee Member Mattie Callaghan for all the work in putting together the float for the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

We thank the vast majority of Maynooth residents for their courtesy and support to our members during our annual door to door collection.

Thank you to the committee members for all the time and work in the collection, particularly our new members. Also members of the Community Council who helped in this very important collection.

By the time you read this article our entry for 1991 Tidy Towns competition will have been submitted.

Already you will have seen evidence of our work at the green near O'Neill Park, opposite the Church, The Square where we positioned our planters, the Stream beside Manor Court and finally the green beside Maynooth Autos.

We hope you enjoyed the Spring Fair and our thanks to all Committee members who helped with our stand. We appeal to all Residents Associations to 'Adopt' an area near them to help in our campaign to make Maynooth a tidier and ever better place to live in.

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Richard Farrell
Secretary/P.R.O. Tidy Towns Committee.

Residents' Associations News

CARTONCOURT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of Carton Court Resident's Association took place on 20th March, 1991, in Cassidy's Roost. A large crowd attended.

The out-going officers were thanked for their dedication and work during the year. Some of the achievements of 1990-91 were:-

1. The successful taking-in-charge of the estate by Kildare County Council after years of hard work. Congratulations to all who helped and supported.
2. The building of a wall at the end of the middle roads. Well done - a successful venture.
3. The preliminary steps taken for the setting up of a neighbourhood watch. This project will be the main concern of the new committee.

The newly elected officers and committee for 1991 are:-

Chairperson - Phil Power, No. 70
Vice-Chairperson - Dick McMahon, No. 4
Secretary - Noelle Topley, No. 14
Treasurer - Pdraig Kearney, No. 5
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Noelle Topley,
Secretary.

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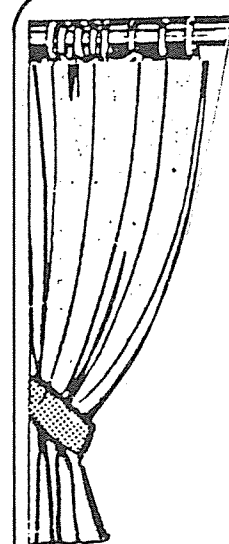
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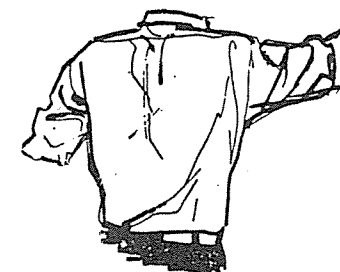


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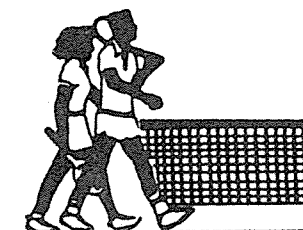
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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Can we appeal to drivers using the Celbridge Road to slow down and observe the speed limits particularly on the Laurence Avenue/Railpark part of the road?

The same appeal applies to our own residents driving through our Estate, small children have been injured recently.

Once again it is that time of the year when our residents will be called upon for their Annual Subscription of £10.00. Every penny goes to support our Associations running costs of Insurance, care, fuel and maintenance of our lawn mowers, 3 push motor mowers and one sit on mower.

Speaking of which rotas are being drawn up for cutting the greens in each part of the Estate. Please forward names:-

Laurence Avenue - Michael Quinn/Tom Purcell

Straffan Way - Mattie Callaghan

Greenfield Drive - John McGinley

Maynooth Park - Shay Corbally/Pat Hogan.

Our thanks to all who helped us in the past and we look forward to your continued support for the future.

Welcome to new residents who have come to live in our Estate.

Richard Farrell

P.R.O.

GREENFIELD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION PHASE 3.

Residents hopefully by now you will have seen a few changes in Greenfield and let's hope that they are still there for you to see. We had a raffle for a big Easter egg and two small ones on 29th March. First prize went to Mrs. O'Connor, second to Phillip Brady, Jnr., third went to Brendan Boyd. We would like to thank all the ticket sellers for all their hard work.

We will be having a 60's disco in Slim's on 7th May, 8 p.m. - 11.30 p.m. We would like to see everybody there and enjoying themselves. The entry fee will be £2.00. This is not a children's disco, for adults. So come along and have a good night out.

Ann Kirby

Secretary

LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The AGM of the Association took place on the 21st March, 1991 at which the new Committee Members for the coming year were elected as follows:-

Chairperson - Matt Carroll

Vice-Chairperson - Ollie Bright

Secretary/PRO - Tony Bean

Treasurer - Patricia Harkin

Committee Members:- Ronnie Cassidy, Margaret Bean, Mona Byrne, Cissie Dempsey, Elaine Bean.

An agenda of on-going and new items for the Association's attention was compiled and we will be endeavouring to address successfully as many of these items as possible. By the time of

publication of this notice we will have completed a clean up of the locality and we will be following this up by liaising with the Tidy Town's Committee to explore a long term plan for improving the overall appearance of the area. We would remind all residents to remain vigilant and to make full use of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and report any unusual events to the co-ordinators in the area as there have been reports recently from some of the residents of suspicious activities near their premises.

The Committee on behalf of the Residents extend their sympathy to Paddy Boyd on the death of his father, Michael Boyd, Newtown and to the family of Paddy Fay, Pound Street both recently deceased.

Tony Bean

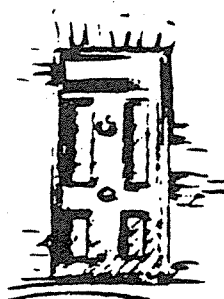
KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of Kingsbry Residents' Association was held on 6th March.

The various events and activities of the last year were discussed, especially our very successful clean up day which in addition to the shrubs and trees planted led to the estate winning the tidy estate competition. It will take a similar effort this year to repeat this success and we look forward to your support in this and other events.

Other items discussed were, public lighting in the estate, upgrading of the Straffan Road, and the work to be completed by the

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developer before the estate is taken in charge by the County Council. Any resident who wishes to discuss any of the above issues or any other matter concerning the estate can contact the Committee for 1991/92.

Jack Butler - Chairperson

Robbie Dunning - Vice Chairperson

Joe Geraghty - Secretary

Geraldine Feehan - Treasurer

Kevin Coyle - P.R.O.

Brid Anglin

Yvonne Comerford.

While it is great to see all the children out and about again after the long winter, we would ask all our young 'Packies' and 'Gazzas' not to use the trees as goal posts as replacement of damaged trees is very costly.

Kevin Coyle

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MAYNOOTH CASTLE COMMITTEE

The Fitzgerald Clan

The movement to organise the Clans of Ireland is now well underway. There are now 91 clans organised and the recent announcement by the Taoiseach is a firm commitment to the movement, with a fully staffed office at the Genealogical Office at 2 Kildare Street, Dublin, 2.

Preparations are progressing for the week long 'Clans of Ireland International Festival' to be held in Dublin in 1992, and incorporating an International Rally of all the Clans on the Hill of Tara, Co. Meath, the ancient centre of the High Kings of Ireland. Close liaison has now been established with the leadership of the Clan Movement in Scotland, which held major successful International Clans of Scotland Festivals in Edinburgh in 1977, 1981, 1985, 1989. Lt. Colonel H. V. Patterson, Chief executive of the Clans of Scotland Trust in Edinburgh, is helping with the Irish Planning, and many Scots with their bands and war pipes are expected at the Dublin Festival of 1992!

With all this activity we feel now is the time to organise the Fitzgerald Clan. Under the auspices of the Maynooth Castle Committee it is hoped to launch the Fitzgerald Clan as soon as possible.

The Fitzgeralds of Ireland who are now very numerous are said to be all descended from the famous Maurice, son of Gerald who accompanied Strongbow in the Anglo-Norman invasion. Gerald was constable of Pembroke in Wales and was married to Nessa, Princess of Wales.

Two of the most influential noble families in Ireland are Fitzgeralds. The Dukes of Leinster and Earls of Kildare were in Maynooth and the Munster branch were headed by the Earls of Desmond. Two branches of the Earls of Desmond have remained members of the Irish aristocracy and are known respectively as the Knights of Glin and the Knights of Kerry.

We are now calling on all Fitzgeralds to unite in the Fitzgerald Clan and we ask all interested people to get in touch with us in Maynooth at the Old School Presentation Convent or Carton, Maynooth.

When we have co-ordinated all the replies we will then have our first *Fitzgerald Clan meeting* and from there it is hoped that a Clan Committee will be formed and the Fitzgerald Clan can then be launched in their ancient Manor of Maynooth.

P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH CREDIT UNION NOTES

Maynooth Credit Union once again took part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. During the Parade balloons bearing 'Maynooth Credit Union' were handed out to eagerly awaiting children. Since St. Patrick's Day there has been a great amount of interest shown in the Credit Union and as a result there have been a lot of new members. We welcome all our new members and we look forward to welcoming a lot more to the Credit Union in the future.

With the summer just around the corner we would ask any of our members thinking of taking out loans to please give adequate notice so as there won't be any disappointment.

Hours of business are as follows:-

Thursday - 7 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

Friday - 7 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

May Haren

Societies, Clubs & Organisations

I.C.A. NOTES

The April meeting was held on Thursday April 4th. Our President, Madeline Stynes, was in the chair. Sympathy was extended to Mrs. Rita O'Reilly and family on the recent death of her husband. In the early days of the I.C.A. the late Mr. O'Reilly gave his time and energy to the erection of our hall which today is such a comfortable meeting place for the I.C.A. and Community, something which we I.C.A. will always treasure. Ar dheis De go raibh an am.

We would like to thank all our helpers on Daffodil Day.

The monthly competition for an Easter Bonnet was won by Mary Doyle. Second was Rosemary Hanley.

All activities continue with arts and crafts, Mondays at 8 p.m. Badminton Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30 - 12 noon.

The May meeting, our A.G.M., takes place on Thursday May 2nd at 8 p.m. New members are always welcome. We have a lot to give and a lot to share.

Mairead Scanlon

P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to all those talented young people who won prizes in the library's Easter Competitions. The standard of entries was very high, needless to say the children of Maynooth; possess a wonderful sense of creativity as is evidenced by the delightful stories and paintings sent in for the competitions.

In the short adventure story (based in the library) the winner was Alice Dunworth aged 10 for her story 'Bookland'. Second prize went to Eloise Mac an Airchinnigh who wrote 'A Strange Adventure'.

For the painting competition, children were asked to paint a scene from a story told by author Terry Hasset Henry. First prize went to Ann O'Donoghue aged 4, and second prize to David Lorenzo aged 6 - who had the distinction of being the only male winner! In addition to these competitions, children had a chance to win spot prizes when they answered correctly a book-based question. The competitions were sponsored by the Bank of Ireland, Ulster Bank, Allied Irish Banks and Coonan Auctioneers. We would also like to express our thanks to Terry Hasset Henry, the charming author from Celbridge.

I would like to remind people that a range of forms are available in the library - including driving licence forms, (both provisional and full), passport application forms and car tax renewal forms. Forms for Personal Taxation and social welfare matters are available from the Citizens' Information Centre, upstairs in the library. Also available for consultation in the library are the register of electors for the area, and a list of the most recent planning applications. We have various notice boards containing information about forthcoming events of cultural or educational importance. Anyone wishing to display a poster of this type is welcome to do so.

Some of the recent additions to stock include:-

Cookson, Catherine - *The Gillyvors*

Peters, Ellis - *The House of Green Turf*

Barry, Michael - *By Pen and Pulpit*

Coogan, Tim Pat - *Michael Collins*.

In the childrens' section, twenty books by Roald Dahl are now available; more books by Judy Blume; more adventures from Enid Blyton and the Hardy Boys; for the very little ones, more Spot the Dog books. Over the next few weeks, more exciting titles will be emerging!

Thanks again to all those who entered the Easter Competitions. All entries are on display now in the library so do come along to view the local talent!

Margaret Walshe-Gannon

OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

The Easter party held on April 14th was enjoyed by about 70 of our senior citizens including nearly 20 visitors from Celbridge. We started with Mass celebrated for us by Fr. Brendan Moran. The Easter Bonnet competition was very well supported and we all enjoyed the ingenuity and beauty of the creations as they were shown off in the Easter Parade! Our thanks to the ladies from the Country Shop for judging this competition for us. The entertainment was provided by Josie, Kevin and Vinney aided by Eddy Kellet of Celbridge who, incidentally, produced the 'sexiest hat' in the competition!

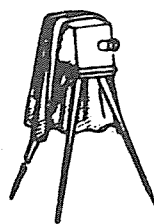
Our next party will be held on May 5th as the final event of Active Age Week. As usual it will take place in the Post Primary School starting with Mass at 3.30 p.m..

The time table for Active Age Week (28th April - 5th May) is given below. As usual we have a full and varied programme and we are sure that there is something for everyone to enjoy. These events are open to all the elderly of Maynooth and we would be delighted to welcome new faces.

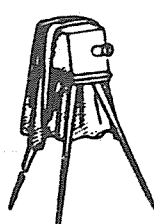
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Societies, Clubs & Organisations

We hope that you have all received your Easter coal. Many thanks to all whose generosity made this possible.

Two people, who have been associated with the Old People's Committee from the earliest days, have died recently. They are Eugene O'Reilly whose wife Rita was one of our founder members and May Fagan who was a committee member from the beginning. We extend our sincere sympathy to their families and friends.

Active Age Week programme

Sunday 28th April - prayer in both churches on Sunday morning

Tuesday 30th April - cards and board games. Prizes will be awarded. I.C.A. Hall 10.30 a.m. Followed by tea and cakes.

Tuesday 30th April - cabaret, Caulfield's Lounge at 8.30 p.m. Tea, sandwiches and cake.

Wednesday 1st May - trip to Art Gallery, Kilcock from I.C.A. Hall at 10.30 a.m.

Thursday 2nd May - special bingo, I.C.A. Hall at 10.30 a.m. Followed by tea and cakes.

Thursday 2nd May - concert by Maynooth Brass and Reed Band in Band Hall at 8.30 p.m.

Sunday 5th May - Mass at 3.30 p.m. in the Post Primary School and Party.

Competition - Impressions of visit to Art Gallery by writing, sketching or painting.

During the week there will be a display of Senior Citizens' Crafts in the library, Main Street, Maynooth.

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This is a reminder to all parents and friends of the association that our forthcoming fundraiser will be held on 10th May, 1991 in the Hitchin' Post. Music by Fiddlers Green. Tickets for this event are still on sale in the school or from committee members. Please support this venture and come along and enjoy what promises to be a great nights' crack.

Sheila Fleming,

P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES Swans

Our swans have temporarily moved their residence from the Island to a new position adjacent to Bond Bridge. With the growth steadily improving on the refurbished part of the island I am sure they will return to their usual residence next year.

Spring Fair

The Spring Fair is gathering momentum all the time and it is hoped to have C.K.R. Radio present for both days. Other attractions are also planned but details are not to hand at time of print. A profile of the Spring Fair appears elsewhere in this issue. Maynooth Brass Band will hold a Band Marathon in the Parish Hall to coincide with the trade fair.

Jamboree

We are looking for ladies to participate in our Jamboree Queen contest which coincides with the Jamboree. If you know someone who would like to enter or you would like to enter yourself then why not give me a ring at 6283672.

Carton (Pikes Bridge)

Work is continuing at a steady pace and things are starting to look very well. The existing scheme finishes on 19/4/91 and a new reduced scheme will have only six persons due to departmental revision and so the Committee would like to express gratitude to those workers whose services have to be dispensed with as a result of the revisions. Because we have a much smaller scheme it will be, in all probability, necessary to re-introduce the voluntary Saturday morning work parties so if you would like to be associated with this work, please leave your name at the Spring Fair office - Tel: 6286463.

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CARTON DEVELOPMENT PLAN

In the last issue of the Newsletter, reference was made in the course of a short notice on the Carton Committee, that a number of trees had been removed to make way for a golf course and that 300 houses were proposed in a development plan for the demesne.

The Committee has been assured by Mr Mallaghan, the owner of Carton, that no such clearing has taken place and that most of the tree-felling has been undertaken to remove old and diseased trees. I apologise for any misunderstanding in this case. In relation to the buildings in the demesne, 188 and not 300 are proposed. See report on next page on the Gleneagles Development Plan for Carton.

Patrick Duffy.

CARTON COMMITTEE MEETING WITH DEVELOPERS

Representatives of the Carton Committee had a meeting with parties associated with the proposed developments at Carton on Sunday 7th April in Carton House. The developers were represented by the current owner of Carton and members of the management of Gleneagles, as well as the chairperson of Guinness Ireland, the architects and the director of the public relations agency. P.J. Duffy, Mary Cullen and Peter Hussey represented the Carton Committee. In the morning there had been meetings with representatives of the Irish Heritage Trust, Irish Georgian Society and an Taisce. The Carton Committee held a follow-up meeting in the College on Wednesday to examine the proposals of the developers. At the time of writing (15 April), the Committee is waiting to have a look at the complete planning application and the Environmental Impact Study (EIS) before it will give a more considered reaction to the proposals.

The plans for the development of Carton can best be described as dazzling in their initial impact - but like most things when you remove the dazzle and razzamatazz, the sober facts of the development are less attractive.

There are perhaps six main areas in the Gleneagles proposals which might be focussed on.

1. Conservation: there is a commitment to conservation and restoration of the house and landscape which must be welcomed. It was claimed for example that there were some serious problems in the House and the ancillary buildings that needed attention. We would like to examine the Environmental Impact Statement on this. We would also like to see some copper-fastened guarantees in relation to conservation. The County Development Plan fairly comprehensively lists buildings that are worthy of preservation and protection and the Council must stand by its principles in this area.
2. Development: The proposals in relation to the erection of 188 residential-type buildings throughout the grounds of the demesne cause most concern. In particular the erection of 40 luxury residences for outright sale represents the first major break-up of the demesne of Carton which has been a single entity for over 200 years. There are also proposals for the erection of fairly large staff accommodation blocks in the Co Meath part of the demesne and an Equestrian Centre, as well as a golf driving range beside the Dunboyne avenue.
3. The ownership of forty houses - and the ambiguous legal situation surrounding the other 148 residences - make this aspect of the development very worrying. In many ways, this proposal is very similar to the plan of ten years ago for time-sharing villas in the woods of Carton.

4. From a planning point of view the development proposals are a cause of concern. The Co Development Plan has fairly strictly maintained the "green belt" between Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge. The proposal for a large number of residences in this open space will be a breach of this planning strategy, and indeed by any measure it will represent bad planning practice: there will be enormous pressure for adjoining properties to seek similar concessions for development.
5. Access. The Carton Committee, with its large local representation, has always been concerned about restoring as much as possible of the traditional accessibility to Carton Demesne. The developers were very anxious to play down the 'exclusive' nature of their development and to stress that Carton would be open to the local community: for example they suggested that they would help to restore the 'Lime Walk' (or Grand Avenue) connecting Carton with the town of Maynooth and that they would reinstate the entrance to the demesne at the end of the avenue. However, it seems that the plans envisage pedestrian entrance at the Kildare bridge and that access may mean little more than normal access to hotel facilities such as bars etc. The plan as presented would clearly exclude walkers from most of the demesne: the woodlands with their residences would presumably have to be secure, and the golf courses on the existing parkland would also be inaccessible.
6. Commercial impact: this clearly is the sledge-hammer with which Gleneagles hope to crack the nut of any resistance to their proposals from local or national groups and from planners and politicians. £60m investment, 460 jobs, with £15m trickle-down into the local economy is a large-scale development by any measure. While we must welcome such a significant development, we would need to do so with caution. One assumes that 460 jobs, for example, is the most optimistic possible scenario, and that in line with most other developments, both industrial and commercial, that are regularly launched, target like this are seldom if ever actually achieved. In the context of Carton, therefore, which is probably the most important Great House and intact surviving 18th century parkland in Ireland today, we must very carefully consider all aspects of the Gleneagles proposals. We must not sell Carton and its parkland down the river at the first mention of jobs.

*P.J. Duffy,
Chairperson, Carton Committee.*

THE REDEVELOPMENT OF CARTON

The intended future of Carton House and its Demesne was announced at a lavish press conference and lunch on Thursday, April 11th in Carton House. The lunch was attended by the Minister for Tourism Seamus Brennan. A consortium, consisting of the Guinness-owned Gleneagles Hotel Group, PGA European Tour, MacInerneys, Lee and Mary Malahan and Guinness Ireland, outlined their detailed and far-reaching plans to turn the demesne into a massive leisure resort. This will include a hotel, conference centre, Country Club, three golf courses, an Equestrian Centre and some forty private residences.

Wooing the sceptical

The publicity exercise provided by Murray's was designed to woo the sceptical. The hard sell included Guinness carriages to ferry us to the front of the house, a piper to serenade us and a first class bar and lunch. The Scottish connection with the original Gleneagles Resort was emphasised by the wearing by the hosts of the traditional insignia to distinguish them from the guests. The English and American accents and presence was immediately obvious. On a cold, wet, windy, dreary Thursday, all was confidence, promises and good-humoured banter in Carton House. From the outset, there was great emphasis on the benefits and the spinoff to the local community and its hinterland. There was an obvious anxiety to allay any fears that we might have as regards the development. Every speaker stressed that we would benefit greatly from this development in every possible aspect. During the long lunch, Seamus Brennan welcomed the project which, he said, had been planned for the last four years with the blessing of the Government. It need hardly be noted that the local community only heard of it in the last number of days! It was a very hard sell, with a gentle iron touch, which tends to make the cynic in me even more cynical! The Minister also added that some finance would be forthcoming from the European Structural Fund. May we dare to hope that this funding will extend to repairing the roads and footpaths in the vicinity of the town if only to facilitate the future residences of the Resort?

Outline of the Plan

The outlined project promises virtual open access to the house and bridle paths, along with the legally bound 'restricted' housing development. They guaranteed long term employment and spinoff prosperity for the area. If the Planning Permission is achieved, work will begin later this year to be completed in 1994. The total cost is estimated as £65 million.

* Carton will be the location for the first of ten Gleneagles Resorts to be situated worldwide. Guinness Ireland will be the major shareholders in this venture.

* The house is to be preserved and restored to its former glory. The repairs to the stonework, roof, dry rot etc. coupled with restoration will cost £1.5 million. All interiors are to be preserved and are to be used as originally intended. A small number of suites will be provided for guests in the existing bedroom area. It is asserted that the Chinese bedroom and the old kitchen will be preserved as a museum piece.

* A 200 bedroom Five Star Hotel and restaurant are to be built to the north-east of the house where there are modern farm buildings. The existing kitchen 'courtyard' will be adapted to provide public areas to the hotel. This will be screened by a wooded area. The downstairs east wing will be transformed into a long gallery connecting the main hall to the new foyer in the kitchen yard.

* The Country Club will be situated to the south-west of the house, incorporating a swimming pool, a spa and club facilities for the Gleneagles Golf Club. Positioned in the coachyard, it will be covered by a glass roof. The coachhouses are to be restored without major structural alteration to the buildings. It is maintained that the Coachwash will be transferred to the Equestrian Centre, for use as originally intended.

* The Conference Centre will be built to the east of the house, it will include the existing bell tower and the related buildings. There will also be 29 corporate lodges serviced by the hotel. This will also be covered by glass.

The double storey bedroom block will lead to the south of the house from the Restaurant and will be screened by existing trees. There are no buildings in place here currently. It is asserted throughout that the original vista of the house, front and back, will be preserved and that none of these buildings will be visible.

* Effectively the grounds of the demesne will become one large golf complex. A full three-quarters of the land will be covered by the three Golf Courses with the PGA European Tour Course encompassing a full third of the estate. This will be situated in the north-eastern section of the demesne and will be designed by Peter Townsend. A new clubhouse will overlook the Course and it is intended to be the focus of future European events. The Gleneagles Course and the 9 hole course will be available for corporate entertaining and to the local communities through membership as well as the guests and residents. We have been assured that women will have equal access.

* There will be 119 Golf Villas constructed in the woods on the northern section of the estate, close to the PGA Gold Course.

* An all-weather Equestrian Centre will be built north-east of the house with 40 livery stables. It will contain an indoor area of 2,148 square metres as well as outdoor arenas and equestrian trail throughout the Estate.

* There will be 40 demesne residences costing approximately a quarter of a million pounds. These are envisaged as holiday homes for Europeans and Americans.

* The boathouse will be used as a bar, but it will also revert to its original intended use.

* The Shell Cottage will be used for informal dining, similar, apparently to its original intended use.

It is asserted, in accordance with the Environmental Impact Statement, that the wood will be restored, a planting programme will be implemented along the walls, the river, around the Dunboyne Gate and in the environs of the house itself. The Rye River and the lake are to be drained, cleared and redeveloped for fishing and boating. The deer herd is to be preserved.

Jobs Promised

It is stated that there will be 250 skilled construction jobs during the construction phase and that when the resort is fully operational that there will be 460 employed, many from the local community. Gleneagles maintain that they will train the necessary staff and that they will liaise with CERT and FAS. It is also asserted that the payroll, supplies and services will provide £15 million annually and that most of this will stay in the local community and the greater Dublin area. It is said that the additional spin-off is expected to generate £30 million annually.

If all these promises are to be believed the future for Maynooth and hinterland is indeed rosy. The preservation of the house is a cause for hope. However, there are some major questions, concerns and reservations which we should consider and address.

Carton Development

Causes for Concern

The answer given by Robin Harding, Development Manager of Guinness Enterprises and the Gleneagles Group attempts to alleviate this concern. He says: 'The developers propose to enter into a number of covenants with Kildare Co. Council which will restrict and control development within the demesne.' However, exactly how binding these covenants will be and how they can be enforced is very unclear. Significantly they do not exclude the possibility of further building and development. For example, will the 40 private houses in the proposal expand to 400 in 5 years time?

The second and linked concern is the preservation of the woodlands. Can we trust these owners of holiday homes not to interfere with the existing trees and woods? Are these covenants sufficiently binding in this area? It seems difficult to believe that such strictures may be placed on people paying such a sum for a holiday home. They assure us that the covenant is placed on the land itself and that it will last in perpetuity. Again this needs careful and detailed investigation.

The issue of public access is addressed in the Carton Committee report. Given the exclusive nature of both the proposed housing development and recreational facilities one wonders just how free the public will be to wander around.

It is asserted that there will be a snowball effect of an annual £15 million in income to the Maynooth area. Could it not also be envisaged that the resort would exist as a totally self-contained, selfsufficient entity generating its own resources? This would have a limited influence on the local infrastructure.

In addition, it is possible that the prices in the resort will be so prohibitive that the general public will not be able to avail of any of the facilities, bar, restaurant or general amenities. This would discourage people from visiting the estate at all.

It is also possible that Gleneagles will import the workforce and that the lower paid, unskilled labour will be provided by the local employees. This is not an acceptable scenario.

The overriding fear remains that Carton House may become the demesne and the preserve of the super-rich and the general public will be, de facto, excluded.

Safeguards

The community must not allow itself to be lured by the carrot of "possible" employment and spinoff income. We must insist that the safeguards are legally binding and that these are included into the Planning Permission. If necessary, a Trust may be established as a guardian and watchdog. Once building commences behind the high walls of Carton, what guarantees are there that these covenants will be respected? Promises are cheap and money can buy anything and anybody if there is enough of it. £65 million is enough. The Government has given this project its unreserved backing, realising that the responsibility for Carton may now pass into the Corporate sector. The people of Maynooth, and indeed Leixlip, owe it the Irish public and to future generations that access to the demesne becomes permanently open. We must take responsibility for ensuring that the estate is not sold piecemeal.

The Community Council is arranging to meet with a representative of Guinnesses to ensure that all these points are answered and firmly elucidated to the satisfaction of the local community and the Irish public in general.

Muireann Ni Bhrolcháin



Pictured at Carton to announce details of the project were: (from left to right) Carton's owner Mr. Lee Mallaghan, Mr. Peter Townsend of the P.G.A. European Tour, Mr. Seamus Brennan TD, Minister for Tourism & Transport and Mr. Brian Slowey, Chairperson, Guinness Ireland.



Colonel Tuthill at the Sun Dial in the Front Garden of Carton at an auction of goods. Does anyone know when this was?

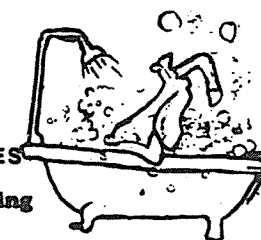


Visitors to the Golden Room in Carton House during the auction.



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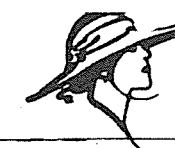


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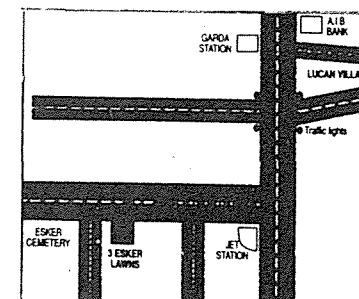
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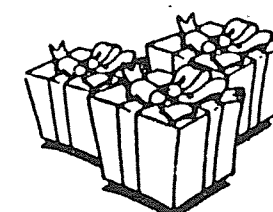
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Local News

CREATIVE WRITING MAGAZINE FOR MAYNOOTH

Cobweb literary magazine made its appearance in St Patrick's College in April 1990 as a broadsheet of student poetry. The subsequent two issues have taken a magazine format and have included prose, critical essays and poetry. This month sees the arrival of **Cobweb 4** and with it the expressed desire of the magazine's editors to include also material from residents in Maynooth who may not be students. It is currently on sale in most newsagents in the town for 50p.

The magazine has established itself in the college as an ongoing concern and is enthusiastically supported by the college students and by the English department. Lack of finance has prevented actual printing of the magazine but this in no way detracts from the standard and quality of the publication. Each issue has had a striking and an attractively designed cover; the layout has been clear and imaginative and the quality of writing therein has always won the interest of this reviewer at least.

The next issue is due to appear in November so use the summer months to develop your writing. The editors receive up to fifty contributions for each issue but publish only those which achieve, in their own words, "a certain standard" of authority and maturity. Issue 4 for instance has 9 poems and 1 short story, albeit all of which provide food for thought. Manuscripts, marked "Cobweb" can be sent to No. 1 Suva House, Main Street, Maynooth.

OPENING OF MAYNOOTH GARDA STATION

Last month saw the official blessing by Fr. Supple of the renovated Garda Station. The ceremony was attended by a large number of invited guests representing the various organisations in the town, who included local Garda Officers, including Chief Superintendent Michael McKeon, Superintendent Walsh and Inspector Gerry Moran from Naas. Attendance also included retired Sergeant Micheal Higgins and his wife Phyllis and Sergeant Dan Monaghan, Edgeworthstown, who formerly served at Maynooth Station. The renovations which cost £90,000 were carried out by Karmac Builders, Longford, for the Office of Public Works.

Both Fr. Supple and Chief Superintendent McKeon spoke of the need for co-operation between the Gardai and the population which they serve. Chief Superintendent McKeon also spoke of the awareness among the Gardai of the growth of Maynooth and the problem this growth may cause. This awareness has led to Maynooth being given the exclusive use of a patrol car. Both speakers paid particular tribute to Sergeants Donnolly, Higgins and Canny, three of a total of only five sergeants who have serviced the town. There are five gardai currently working in Maynooth and they were thanked on behalf of all local interests by Fr Supple for their special fostering of a sense of community in the town. The Garda Siochana in this area have actively promoted neighbourhood watch schemes and other communal activities and have regularly supported and participated in all manner of local affairs.

The renovated station itself now consists of an interview room, recreation room, a doctor's room, two cells and a bathroom with shower. It is a building with a history of serving the people of Maynooth dating back to 1923 when the R.I.C. handed it over to the Garda Siochana. In its new renovated condition it will be even better able to serve the new Maynooth.



The New-Look Garda Station (Photo Gerry Fitzpatrick)



Sergeant Canny and Carmel Canny cutting the cake at the official opening. (Photo: Gerry Fitzpatrick)



Guests at the official blessing by Fr. Supple of the new station. (Photo: Gerry Fitzpatrick)

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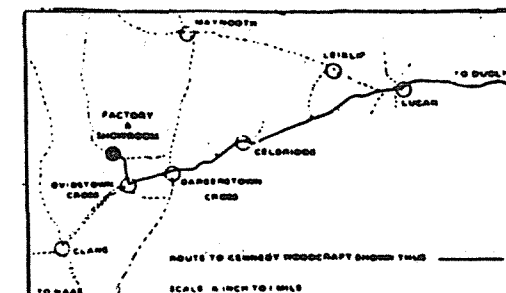
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Property Moves

Eye Hear that CIE have succeeded in selling their 11.5 acre site beside the canal to a Dublin housebuilder for around 250,000 pounds. There is planning permission for sixty houses, and CIE have agreed to allow the builder, should he or she wish, to build a footbridge over the canal to facilitate pedestrians walking in to town. The *Irish Times* report of the sale was accompanied by a very attractive coloured aerial photograph of the Maynooth area, showing large acreages of green fields. Eye Hear wonders how long they'll last with the new housing boom created by the motorway? Let's hope the builder will display some imagination and local awareness in choosing a name for the new development.

Carton update

It looks like any hopes of Carton becoming public property have finally been dashed by the recent announcement of Gleneagle plans for the estate. The proposals are certainly attractive, and Eye Hear that the management have plans to open the grounds to the general public, and that everyone who has the price of a pint can drink in the bar. Eye Hear is certainly looking forward to the privilege. Still, this is an upmarket luxury development where we suspect that the gnáth daoine from Maynooth will not be welcome other than as workers. It will be like the good old days when Maynooth people acted as hewers of wood and drawers of water to the 'quality' in Carton. Although it has to be said that from all accounts, the incumbents of Carton were not the worst employers around.

Maynooth's Challenging Times

Congratulations to the College Team who did Maynooth proud in winning through to the finals of the *Irish Times* Challenging Times quiz. Showing all the hallmarks of misspent youths in pub quizzes the perenniel student, John Flynn, and his team mates, Scott Willig and John Coughlan decimated all before them. Glad to see that going to College provided some knowlege for some.

Elite face lift

Trespassing into Street Talking's patch, Eye Hear that the Elite has applied for planning permission for a change of facade, and to the internal layout of the cafe. While the existing facade seems fine, we give three cheers for the change of layout, if it will prevent customers standing in line at the counter from being attacked by the front door, as incoming customers try to battle through.

Route 66

Eye Hear has spotted the tell tale signs that the motorway is coming. Young men with surveying instruments have been camping out on the Straffan Road. It's only a matter of time before the road is upgraded and the "quiet" leafy lanes are a memory.

Potholes again

Okay, so Kildare County Council has filled in some of the potholes created by the arctic conditions of the Winter. However, it is still true to say that the difference between the Newtown Road, and a packet of twenty Major is that there is more tar in a packet of Major!

Strong Pagans

Congratulations to Mary O'Donnell (former contributor to Street Talking) on the recent publication of her first collection of short stories by Poolbeg Publishing, entitled, *Strong Pagans*. This collection has already received rave reviews and the Newsletter intends to give a more indepth review in the next issue. However, readers are invited to look out for the story entitled "The Adulteress" in which our own dear Maynooth is the setting. Every graduate of Maynooth has their own "Maynooth novel" languishing at the bottom of their dreams. Maybe Mary will consider putting Maynooth on the literary map with a full length treatment?

Printable Wishes

A special happy birthday to Joe Wall, who has been of immense help to the Newsletter in the past, and will, hopefully continue in the future. The Newsletter has authorised me to buy him a pint in celebration.

Vigilante actions

Eye Hear that it is illegal to cycle on the path, but sometimes it's safer for the cyclist concerned, especially in the vicinity of Kavanagh's Mills. But not so for one twelve year old girl who left Mass on 13th April. A short stocky man in a grey coat decided to take the law into his own hands by pushing the child off her bike, telling her not to cycle on the pavement. Let's hope he's proud of his achievement in causing the child to break her collar bone.

Old Maynooth

Well at least someone reads Eye Hear! Thanks to Gearoid MacTeighrnoin for sending in the photography (below) of an incredibly young and handsome Phil Brady presenting B. O'Brien of the North Kildare Cycling Club with the Kildare Grand Prix Cup on Sunday, June 29th 1957. Behind Dunlop Sign - Gearoid MacTeighrnoin holding John O'Brien (Bernies Brother).



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HOW TO PASS YOUR EXAMINATIONS

May is the prelude to Summer for some, but for the thousands of students at both second and third level throughout the country it merely signifies the most stressful period of their lives - the countdown to examinations. The Newsletter can't pass examinations for these poor unfortunates, but it can give some advice which can save a lot of pain and frustration. So if you are a student, or if you know someone facing examinations, keep this article. It may help to save lives!

Preparation

The key to success in examinations is preparation. Here are some hints on how to prepare:

1. It's never too soon to start revision.
 - look at your course material and note the topics you must cover for each subject.
 - plan around these, working back from the exam date to give you a starting date for your revision.
 - allow 1-2 weeks before the exam for overall revision of topics already revised in depth and within this allow 1-2 days per subject.
 - make a realistic timetable, allocating time to each topic
2. Don't gamble too closely on what will appear on the paper.
 - revise all major topics.
 - revise any essay topics which you did in depth.
 - scan all other topics.
3. Techniques for revision vary, but
 - don't just read your notes, be active.
 - criticise your notes.
 - skim a text and make brief notes for final revision. - revise related topics together (even if not in the same course). - make flash cards for last minute use.
 - look at old exam papers. Plan answers to them and write model answers. Use any mock exams available. These give practice in working under pressure and organising your thoughts.
4. Don't forget other pursuits.
 - always allow time for rest, relaxation and enjoyment.
 - eat well and properly (greasy fries can take their revenge!). - take exercise (fresh air is crucial).
 - get the usual amount of sleep you require - if you cannot sleep, or if you feel unwell see the doctor before the exams. If you are ill, this may be taken into account, if you supply certification in advance.
5. Work with other students, test each other or discuss your topics together.
6. In the week before your exam, go through your notes. Don't try to cram too much into each day.
7. Find out where the examinations are to be held. If you are not familiar with the location, find out from someone where it is, and if possible go the exam centre.
8. The day before the exam:
 - don't try to learn anything new.
 - revise, but try to allow yourself some relaxation.
 - get all pens, calculators, rulers, erasers etc, together, and set your alarm clock. Check your bike/bus or train timetable. Check the time of the examination.

The Big Day

Too many students have done all their study and revision perfectly, only to fall at the last hurdle. Again there are some hints which will prevent you from falling into the traditional traps:

1. Try to have plenty of sleep on the night before the exam and allow yourself enough time to get ready slowly. Leave plenty of

time to get to the examination centre. Make sure, in advance, that you know exactly where it is and how to get there.

2. Before starting to write, read through the paper very carefully.
 - read the instructions to candidates - how many questions should you answer; are any compulsory; are there special sections. Read the back page of the paper.

- consider each question thoughtfully. What are you being asked to do?

3. Budget your time.

- allocate time according to the marks per question, leaving 10-15 minutes for checking at the end. Remember that your answer plans will need to be made in the allocated time.

4. Structure your answers, writing an outline of your structure in your answer book.

- note the main points and important details.

- form notes into an outline, in order of writing - spend up to a quarter of the time allocated for your answer in planning. - check your outline against the question - have you answered all parts of the question; have you kept to the point?

5. Priorities

- select the question you can answer most easily.

- concentrate on main ideas and important detail.

- observe your time budget strictly - complete your answer in note form if you are obviously going to run out of time and leave space so that you can go back to it later.

6. Writing your answers.

- write simply and keep to the point - avoid filling in answers with excessive words.

- when working out solutions to problems, write clearly all of the steps used.

- write legibly and make sure it is all grammatically correct.

- attempt the required number of questions - you will nearly always get some marks for trying.

- if you are stuck, jot down everything you can think of about the topic to help you remember and select the relevant information.

- if you do not have enough time to complete your last question properly, then write in note form in order to convey all the points.

- Allow enough time to read over your paper.

- Have you put your name and examination number on all answer books?

And after that, all you can do is sit back and wait for the results.

EXAM TIPS FOR THIRD LEVEL

At this stage there's no point in me telling you not to leave everything to the end of the year. Unless you've been hiding out behind a Greek goddess in the Roost for the last few weeks, you will have noticed the rapid increase in worried faces around the College. Exam fever is in the air. Unfortunately this dreaded phenomenon must be faced up to. Here are some tips that may be helpful.

With only two or three weeks left before the kick off, you should have much of the work done already. If you haven't, then it's about time you got started. Dig up recent past papers. These will give you an idea of the general type of questions that will be asked and, unless the course has changed, will show the structure of the exam, ie how many questions are to be answered, from what sections etc. Check that the structure of the paper hasn't changed since the previous year. Typically four or five questions are to be answered in a three hour period. Divide your time accordingly, allowing for reading of the paper at the beginning, and rereading at the end. You will be amazed at what will pop into your head on re-reading.

Pick areas on your course which you wish to answer on. Often the same basic questions appear every year in slightly different forms. Second or third years can offer sound advice as to what part of the course can be ignored and what should be concentrated on. They also may have a treasure chest of essays and notes which may be useful. Do not be afraid to approach lecturers for last minute advice.

Some people find it helpful to stay up all night and drink large quantities of coffee to keep awake. This works only for a very few. Information retained is inversely proportional to the tiredness of the brain. Two wide-awake hours will yield just as much as eight hours spent half-asleep.

Gather together lecture-notes and notes from books and amalgamate them. Then summarise, summarise and summarise. Do not be afraid to waste plenty of paper. Condense everything. Write things out point-by-point and try to find the logic behind the argument. Once you understand the argument you will only have to remember the first sentence and the rest will automatically follow.

Check your exam timetable - check whether your exam is in the morning or the afternoon. Budget your time for each question and do not go over this time. Read the paper through a couple of times and pick the questions you are going to answer. **Answer the easiest question first.**

Make out a quick essay plan for each answer on a separate sheet. Not only does this help you follow the argument logically, but also, if you do not complete a question, it shows what you had intended to say, had you time. Try and be structured in your argument. Clarity is the best policy. Do not be afraid to cross-refer to other parts of your course, or even to other subjects, when answering. However do not make irrelevant points, no matter how interesting! Reread your answers at the end.

After the exam, relax! Don't do the dreaded post-mortems - it can destroy both your own confidence and that of others. Put the exam out of your head and concentrate on the next one.

Always remember Oscar Wilde: 'In examinations the foolish ask questions that the wise cannot answer.'

FOCUS ON LEAVING CERT ENGLISH

(Higher Level):

Hints for a less stressful exam.

1. Read as many past papers as you can so that you become familiar with the format and layout of the paper. Often the same question will be asked and simply worded differently.
2. In Honours English this is particularly the case. For instance

the question on Macbeth generally falls into two distinct categories - one on character and one on the play as a whole. Regarding either question, there are a limited number of topics which can be discussed at length and which are general enough to include a broad understanding of the play and its characters. It is your style of writing, analysis and argument which will gain you marks over and above those acquired for displaying a thorough knowledge and understanding of the text. Some elements which go towards creating an effective style are clarity (precise punctuation and fluid syntax), **authority** (a confident attitude regarding the topic under discussion and a familiarity with the text in question) and **originality** (either objectively debating prevailing critical attitudes regarding the topic or elaborating your own, backing it up with reference and/or quotation).

3. It is often helpful if the student imagines her/himself as a teacher when answering a question or writing an essay for class. As such, you must thoroughly discuss the question at hand bearing in mind that all points you make will have to be explained with reference to the text and will have to be as clear as possible so as to facilitate ready understanding. A logical process of argument will have to be followed in order to maintain the reader's interest and to ensure that she/he does not become confused by what you are saying.

4. Questions can usually be divided into sub sections, each section requiring equal comment and discussion. It is helpful to break the question down into the areas of discussion on a sheet of paper (entitled 'Rough work') and to sketch out four to five points regarding each. There are usually three parts to most Leaving Cert. questions but do not take this as standard.

5. Examiners have two methods of marking. One is called Impression Marking (giving a mark based on the overall impression given to the examiner by the answer). The other is more precise. It involves the examiner awarding each **well developed point** in your answer a certain proportion of the overall maximum marks. This is the type of answer most students should aim to supply, i.e., one in which there are distinct, well developed points to each question or part of question. Needless to say, examiners will deduct marks from candidates who make totally irrelevant points or who do not discuss the actual statement made in the question.

6. Time can be divided and apportioned to individual answers. Consider allowing five to ten minutes at the beginning to read and re-read the paper and to select the questions you wish to answer. Similarly, before answering any question, allow perhaps five minutes to be devoted to sketching out points on your rough work sheet. Using this as a guide you will be in a better position to develop a logical and fluid answer.

7. It will not be sufficient when answering the comprehension question on paper one to make short points instead of full answers. The series of questions after the piece may look as if they require only brief statements but this is not the case. Develop each answer as you would normally develop answers to other questions. This year, of course, there will be no section on paper one devoted to prescribed prose. The comprehension will have only one section.

8. Finally, as is the case with all exams, a good performance on the day is directly proportional to how many Weetabix you've had that morning!

Garda Talk

Recent robberies

In past few months, the tranquility of Maynooth has again been shattered when vicious gangs of criminals travelling in stolen cars, carried out lightning robberies, on a local newsagent, and supermarket. We would like any persons who witnessed these or other events to please let us know.

The Garda advise that in circumstances like these you should as far as possible:-

1. Try to remain calm; concentrate and observe.
2. Obey - do only what you are asked, and no more.
3. Note details - description, viz age, height, hair, dress, and at the first opportunity write down these details, especially the make, colour, and registration number of any vehicle involved.
4. Preserve the scene from unnecessary interference to allow technical examination.
5. Remember - your assistance could help the Gardai to stamp out vicious crime such as these. Be Vigilant.

Time and time again, we return to the need for the public to take care of their property, to deter the criminal, to satisfy themselves that goods are being purchased in good faith. The criminal does not steal unless he or she has a buyer.

Security of bicycles

Each year, numerous cycles are reported as stolen to Gardai. This causes great inconvenience to owners. Proper identification is all important, and you should be in a position to know your cycle and particularly the correct serial number.

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Renovations at garda station

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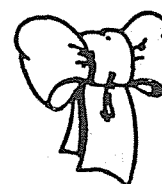
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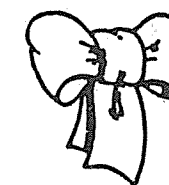


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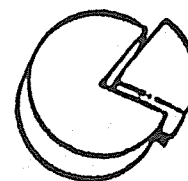
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"I am going back in my memory to the first world war, the Kaiser war. When my father and my uncle Jack, Dennis Carroll and Larry Hyland from Maynooth joined the army and fought in the First World War.

I remember when (I was very small) my mother would bring me and my brother Christy down to draw my father's pension. My mother brought us in to get our hair cut and when the barber put hair oil on my head I started to cry. We then went over to Dawson's and when my mother bought us a little suit each we were delighted with ourselves.

We used to go over to my grandfather with his washing and he would be at his meals, he used to give us a cup of shell cocoa and crusts that he could not eat himself. When he would go up to the room with his washing we used to eat the sugar from his jar. When we were coming home that night, there was a curfew on at that time, we were very late (it was after seven o'clock). We were very frightened when one of the tans came over and took us by the hands and left us across the main road to safety."

Gerry Coyne, the author of the above, also told this reporter of the custom of the 'May Bush' in Maynooth. On May 1st each year the children would cut a bush suitable for carrying and decorate it with blue and white ribbon, in honour of Our Lady, and with holy pictures. This bush would then be carried around the town by the children who would collect money. This money would be used for an open air party for the people of the town - a party at which the bush would be placed in the ground. Mr. Coyne recalls a time when Lord Frederick Fitzgerald from Carton, while riding by, stopped and gave the children a half crown.

Gerard was also a 'wren boy' in the town as well as playing with his six brothers in the band. His father before him was also a keen musician. When Gerard was not playing music he was learning to be a gardener and has till got a lot to tell the people of Maynooth about how to keep their gardens. He has promised to do so through the columns of the Newsletter.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Coyne are now in their eighties but are both still very alert and warm hearted. It was a pleasure to sit and pass an hour with them.

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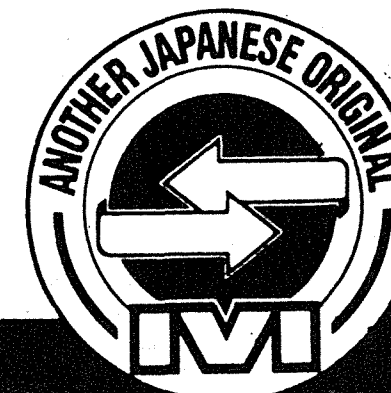
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"Three men and a little lady" at the Savoy

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The three men follow Mary and her mother to England to attend her wedding and also with the intention of persuading them to return back to America.

Tom Selleck saves the day as he exposes the future plans of Christopher Cazenave.

An enjoyable film and I highly recommend that you go to see it.

'Charley's Aunt' in the Gaiety

The Gaiety Theatre have just begun a run of "Charley's Aunt" by Brandon Thomas with Derek Chapman, Malcolm Douglas, Nicholas Grennell, Derry Power, Lise-Ann McLoughlin, Mary McEvoy, Orla Charlton, Godfrey James and Doreen Hepburn. This classic farce is set in Oxford in the 1890's. The imminent visit of Charley's Aunt, Donna Lucia, from Brazil provides the excuse for Charley and Jack to invite their young ladies to luncheon. When a telegram arrives postponing Donna Lucia's visit, they persuade their fellow student Babbs (since they must have a chaperone) to impersonate the Aunt. Here the fun begins - Babbs thoroughly enjoys being kissed and caressed by the girls, indulges himself in accepting the attention of Jack's father and Amy's brusque Uncle, but finds his ingenuity severely taxed when brought face to face with the real Donna Lucia who conceals her identity to stretch his performance. The total confusion is, of course, resolved happily for all.

The ticket prices are £7.50, £10.00, £11.00, £12.50 and £13.50 with the usual group discounts, i.e., Monday-Thursday 10% for twenty or more. There will be a matinee performance on Saturday 4th May at 3 p.m., at which all seats will be £7.00.

To book seats contact Alan at 771717.

Smokie at the Spa Hotel

Thursday 4th April saw 'Smokie' playing in the Spa Hotel, Lucan. A disco preceded the band who played at from 11.30 p.m. till 1 a.m. They gave a spectacular performance singing a wide selection of songs, from 'Living Next Door to Alice', to cover versions such as Bryan Adams 'Summer of '69'. Throughout the night the stage was invaded by young women who were trying to get as close as possible to their idols. There was a large well behaved crowd which added to the excitement of the night. All in all a very enjoyable night and well worth the £7.00 admittance fee with only one complaint which was a very overpriced bar. (A small can of coke was 90p.)

[Your fate for the month of May, predicted by the bitter, malicious, wizened and deceitful Minerva Big Dipper Murphy entirely for her own pleasure.]

Aries (21 March - 20 April)

Keeping your nose to the grindstone for the past two weeks has done absolutely nothing for your complexion and even less for the grindstone. Who told you that hard work and dedication would reap rewards Aries? Cop on to yourself craythur and throw a party. You will be shocked to discover just how much you have missed since you turned all dutiful and righteous. For instance, you will notice on the 15th that you haven't fed the children since Easter (yes, you do have some - remember?) and that your partner hasn't been seen since you took to the workload. A special message for the unpartnered Aries - shingles is looking for you and will surprise you on the 17th.

Taurus (21 April - 21 May)

Trust your instincts this month - especially on the 21st. Your doorbell will ring at half past eight that evening. Have candles and smelly things everywhere in evidence and be dressed in as much of yourself as is decently permissible. Music should be polluting every crevice of your home (something Italian and passionate) and steam should be wafting in massive amounts out of the bathroom. Splatter water on your hair so that it looks all dribbly and seductive, carry a towel to the door, grab the handle and swing it open. Devour whatever stands on the doormat.

Gemini (22 May - 21 June)

Insufferable and all as you are I have to tell you that even more good fortune falls before you this month. You wouldn't be half so bad if you didn't insist on boasting about all your good luck. Your boss has decided to reward you for your work by paying for a holiday to Paris for you in the last weekend of the month. However you'll get your comeuppance very soon - on the 31st in fact. And I'm not telling you what it is except that it is repulsive, very big, ugly, hairy and smitten by a certain Gemini. Ha!

Cancer (22 June - 22 July)

This is the month to improve your status Cancer. Somewhere around the middle of the month someone will attempt to sell you a bogus Third Level Qualification. You will know this person by the amount of black or missing teeth leering at you and by their long, dark, ragged coat. Don't be foolish however - resist any temptation to dismiss the individual. Pay whatever price they ask for the degree and have it framed in gold. It will be your only opportunity of ever acquiring it, especially if you think you are currently studying for one.

Leo (23 July - 23 August)

This month is dangerous. You will suddenly be overcome by the desire to be totally extravagant (even more so than usual). Those people whom once you considered to be friends will sniff out this peculiar trait and hound your every waking hour. Pleas and petitions regarding needy causes (theirs) will pile up upon your doormat. Believe none of them Leo. Turn instead to a dark haired occultist with the initial M (for Minerva) and bestow copious amounts of cash upon her. I am forced to be direct this month Leo since my gentle hints in the past three Newsletters fell on deaf ears. And remember that Hell hath no fury like a flying crystal ball.

Virgo (24 August - 23 September)

Now, we all know how cool, calm and collected you are Virgo and let's face it - this pathetic behaviour has had no discernable results whatsoever. This month, dear, it is time to spit iron (in vast quantities). When those people who rarely notice you least expect it (which, my pet, is anytime) leap upon the nearest table

and kick hell out of the crockery. Rant and rave (best wear leather for this) and shout (any high pitched series of syllables ending in 'me' will do). When you think you've got their attention, pause on all fours and snarl (dribble a bit if you can). Time this performance to coincide with their discovery of your actual existence - which will be close to midnight on the 9th - and you will have their attention for ever.

We will all visit you in the months to come, bringing your favourite magazines and plenty of grapes.

Libra (24 September - 23 October)

Home life will become turbulent from the 15th onwards, work will cease on the 16th and a partnership will dissolve on the 17th. You may be present at a fire on the night of the 18th and become homeless on the 19th. The 20th brings brighter tidings in the form of an arrest and detention for arson and the 21st will herald news of a bereavement. However, someone will remember that it's your birthday on the 22nd and they will send you a birthday card. Unfortunately, it will become lost in the post.

Scorpio (24 October - 22 November)

A very dull month Scorpio when the only interesting event occurs on the 10th. You will discover spare body bags in the broom closet that night and will overhear a strange conversation in the parlour. Dismissing it as hallucination you will proceed to the study when a man will come racing from the dining room crying 'Colonel Mustard did it!' and will exit via the kitchen window with a rope. Just when you regain the power of speech you will be jostled out of the way by an elegant woman in a hurry to locate a hammer in the bedroom, which she will claim belongs to a Miss Peacock. Unfortunately, before you have time to question her she will slither down the drainpipe outside the bedroom window and disappear into the night. Remain calm and do not consider it odd or unusual. However, do not mention it to anyone.

Sagittarius (23 November - 21 December)

This month heralds the arrival of children - lots of them. They'll be crawling out of every closet and drawer in your house and they will give you multiple ulcers. Not a pleasant month Sagittarius, but you will survive. The horror of the situation may be avoided however if you carefully choose your words when you talk to friends and relations who have offspring: tell them that your carnivorous plants are beginning to tire of the pedigree pet diet and are demanding to be fed hairless flesh. Speaking of which, it seems that a very peculiar species of fungus has begun to come forth and multiply behind the hotpress. More on this in June.

Capricorn (22 December - 20 January)

Someone will pour their heart out to you on the 13th and you will have to spend the afternoon mopping it up of the carpet. This will not be as much of a problem as your domestic row on the 20th. No matter how convinced you are that you are being reasonable, let me tell you here and now that nobody in your house will put up with sharing the living room with a horse even if it is only at weekends.

Aquarius (21 January - 19 February)

Write to your friends on the 5th and let them know that you are planning to sink into a depression from the 15th to the 25th. Advise them that you will be wearing autumn russet with a dash of mauve-green, complete with a downmouth-cream scarf and a wistful, oh-I-wish-I-was-understood black coat. Tickets for viewing and attempting to console should be priced firmly above the £30 mark. Scatter violets and clover around the doorstep and pre-record about 46 hours of Chopin. You will be taken to task at work during this period and the person who does so will receive

a decent burial when you've finished replying to them. You may compose an opera and write a novel while you endure your depression but it would be inadvisable to promote either of them in any way during this time or indeed, afterwards.

Pisces (20 February - 20 March)

It is time for an exciting change. Fling caution to the winds and take up bridge. Indulge in a weekly trip to your home and perhaps, for that extra bit of daring, spend a night there. Do not trust any ice blond females you might encounter during the month as they will be intent on persuading you to lapse into your old ways and go with them to the States for a weekend. Be especially wary of making more money or furthering your career as this will lead to boredom. Prepare for a resurrection on the 12th when a four wheeled rusty object will creak to your doorstep. Finally, a small rebellion is indicated at work on the 24th when you would be advised to pack a fire hose and a couple of hatchets in your briefcase.

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The Men of Maynooth in 1916

[The Newsletter has managed to discover some information regarding the participation of Maynooth men in the 1916 rising. We are indebted to Joe Buckley for much of the account outlined below].

Last month saw the 75th anniversary of the Proclamation of the Irish Republic, an event which at the time inspired at best ambivalence, at worst outright hostility. These conflicting views of the events of Easter Week 1916 remain with us after some twenty odd years of continuing violence in the six counties.

And these were views the Maynooth contingent of Volunteers had to bear with them as they marched forth to Dublin on Easter Monday 75 years ago. The son of one of these volunteers, Domhnall Ua Buachalla, recalled in an interview that his father faced considerable hostility at the time. Domhnall Ua Buachalla had the distinction of being Pádraig Pearse's only client in his brief career as a barrister. In 1906 Domhnall lost his case and was fined 10 shillings for putting his name in Irish on his own van. The fine was paid for by the auctioning of a bolt of cloth bought by a Mr. Patrick Fitzsimmons who promptly returned the cloth to Domhnall. He was invited by Pádraig Pearse to send his son to the recently opened St. Enda's where he remained until 1916. Those ten years saw the blossoming of the violent revolutionary ideas of Pearse, and Domhnall found himself following the same path.

In 1914 the Maynooth branch of the Irish Volunteers were founded. They met in a room in Farelly's, now Fuscaldi's. Among them was Tom Byrne who had fought in the Boer War in South Africa. Pike-heads from Henshaw's, the hardware dealers who had a factory in Clonsilla, were to be used against British Cavalry in possible street fighting. As well as pikes the volunteers had 24 shot-guns hidden in a loft in Ua Buachalla's shop. When on Easter Sunday 1916 the call-to-arms was countermanded by Eoin McNeill, Domhnall Ua Buachalla travelled to Dublin to assess the situation for himself. He returned to mobilise 15 of the volunteers on Easter Monday, after receiving absolution from the president of the College. It was local opposition which forced them to travel along the canal to Clonsilla before moving across in Dublin city via the cemetery in Glasnevin, a route suggested by Tom Byrne.

They arrived at the G.P.O. on Tuesday and after some tea and sandwiches they were sent to Parliament Street to help in the attack on City Hall. This meant crossing the Ha'penny Bridge under heavy fire. They occupied the Royal Exchange Building for a day and a half. After evacuating there, they were ordered to Clery's where they fought soldiers from the Officers Training Corp based in T.C.D. This skirmish lasted a day after which they were sent to occupy the tower in Arnott's to engage British soldiers occupying Mc Birney's (now the Virgin Mega Store). Towards the end of that eventful week the order to evacuate and surrender was given. Ua Buachalla decided to escape on a train from the Broadstone station. However after his exhausting week he fell asleep in Moore Street. He awoke next day and while walking along Dominick Street, was fired upon and forced to surrender. The bullet hole can still be seen in his uniform in the National History Museum in Dublin. Only two men from Maynooth managed to escape back to the town, Pat Weafer and Joseph Ladwide. The rest were interned in England until the following June.

If any of our readers have anything to add to the above account, please write to the Newsletter.

YOUTH REPORT

First, I would like to apologise for the misunderstanding that occurred in the issue before last; the letter of complaint published in last month's issue was relayed to me too late to apologise then. As it was an error to describe it as an 'open day', I will point out that the article was not intended to cause offence, and that it was merely the point of view of a junior author. As I said in the article, the registrars were very welcoming.

On the 14th of last month, the junior band went on an outing to Dundrum Bowl, where they bowled and also played 'Quasar', a futuristic game played along the lines of cops and robbers; each team is given a laser and as pack and then put on either the green or the red team. The object is to score as many points as possible, both for your team and for yourself. It costs around £2 (50p extra for beginners) to cover teaching of the rules. I would recommend this to anyone who is thinking of going on an outing. All the members enjoyed their day out and thanks to Elaine Bean for supervising and organising the event.

Now that the summer is here, it would be nice if teachers would consider easing off on the homework for a while; surely some teachers do have this wise custom, but to those who do not, do consider the option.

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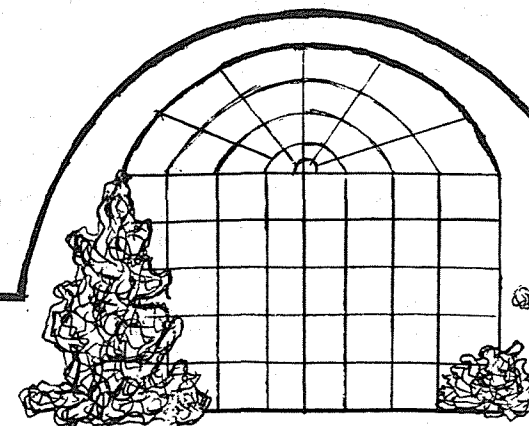
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Spring Fair

It is, inspite of the weather, Spring, and the Royal Canal Amenity Group along with the Management Committee of the Boy's National School have got together to organise the fifth annual Spring Fair. This extravaganza provides the people of Maynooth with the opportunity to view the products and services of a wide range of businesses operating in Maynooth and surrounding areas. They may even, if they wish, buy or order some of those products and services. If you just want a day out and a bit of window shopping then for £1 per adult the Spring Fair 'is your only man'.

The Fair takes place on Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th in the Boy's National School. Proceeds go towards the maintenance of the school and the financing of the Royal Canal Amenity Group. Both depend largely on the Spring Fair for their finances. The Fair is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday, with a gala public opening at noon on Saturday. There is also a tea room which serves beverages and snacks, sandwiches etc., at very reasonable prices.

On Sunday 28th St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band will be holding a musical marathon in St. Mary's Band Hall from 10 a.m. till 10 p.m. which will include a public concert from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. So keep this weekend free. The organisers of the Spring Fair, which attracts 2,000 visitors each year have assured me there will be a bouncing castle for the younger children.

The organising committee are Chairperson, Pierce O'Connell, Joint Treasurers, Matthew Kennedy and Pierce O'Connell, Secretary, Lisa O'Farrell, Co-ordinator, Matthew Kennedy aided and assisted by Juliana Kennedy, Mary Gaffney, Richard Watson, Philip McDermott and Gerry McGlinchey.

Plants in Square

For those of you who were wondering, the new plants in the Square are the handiwork of the Tidy Towns Committee. Unfortunately the plants have already suffered from the vandals. Anybody interested in helping the Tidy Towns Committee should get in touch with Mr. Fionan Hardiman, The Plant Place on the Dublin Road. They meet every Tuesday and Thursday evening between 7 and 8.30 p.m., and every Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The committee has also asked me to express their disappointment at the dirt in the Main Street on Sunday mornings.

Bits and pieces

Reagan's Independent Brokers are moving across the road to Mooney's Cafe, Patrick's Restaurant is being sold as a restaurant and the beautiful bin outside Bank of Ireland's Pass Machine has disappeared from sight (there are now the usual mountains of litter and advice slips scattered around the bank's doors). And finally, just to bring up an old, old issue lest it quietly dies down - when will there be public phones available in Cluain Aoibhinn, Moyglare Village and Beaufield and when will the Main Street coin boxes work on weekends? Did someone mention certain farm animals in flight??

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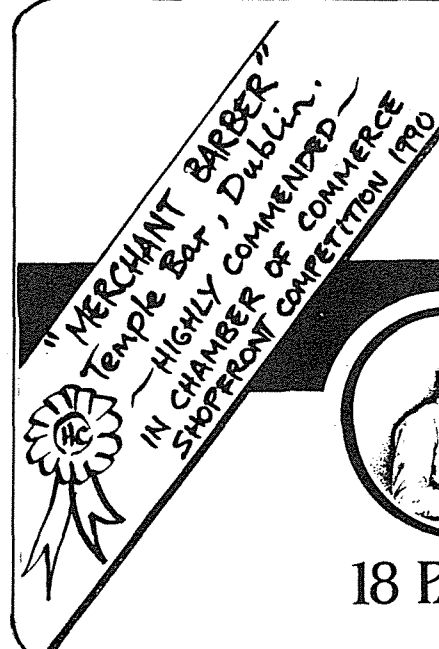


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WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

New Policy Document

A draft document setting out the basic principles of Workers' Party policy for the 1990s has been prepared for discussion at the annual Ard Fheis at the beginning of May. This is part of a normal ten-year review which takes into account developments both at home and abroad over the last decade.

The document, prepared by a special commission, emphasises the need to build democracy into all areas of Irish society, in order to give the ordinary people realistic control over their own lives. The Worker's Party believes that there are too many oppressive and authoritarian structures in our society which suppress human initiative and potential, with consequent loss to the community at large.

True democracy can only be built on a foundation of social solidarity and mutual co-operation, where people work together for the common good. The competitive structures which dominate society at present produce various forms of inequality and exploitation which are socially destructive.

The document does not attempt to provide a detailed blueprint for a socialist society of the future. Rather, it takes Irish society as it is today and identifies a range of measures which are necessary to move us in the direction of a democratic socialist tomorrow. These include industrial democracy, whereby workers can exert increasing control over their own workplaces; consumer democracy, giving consumers greater control over the market place; and local democracy, conferring on communities active control over the development of the environments in which they live. The document also calls for accountability on the part of the institution of state to the people as citizens.

The document rejects all forms of violence and discrimination, and calls for a pluralist society which tolerates differences in cultural expression. It emphasises the need for gainful employment and a basic income for all as a prerequisite for equal participation in the development of society. The need for harmonious relations between human society and the physical environment is also stressed. This can only be achieved through a democratically planned and co-ordinated approach to economic development.

The document was prepared after an intense process of internal consultation within the Workers' Party. The commission held a series of regional meetings to obtain the views of members, and also sought written submissions from individuals and branches. The draft document, based on these views and submissions, was circulated to all members after amendment by the party's Central Executive Council. Proposed amendment to the document were sought and will be discussed at the Ard Fheis, over half of which will be devoted to this single item. The amended document will then be put to the Ard Fheis for acceptance, after which it will become binding party policy.

Shopping Centre Improvements Planned

Following proposals for safer traffic controls in the vicinity of Quinnsworth Shopping Centre in Maynooth, Commissioner Catherine Murphy has been told by the company that is architects are currently considering a major refurbishment of the Centre, in which traffic flows will be a matter of priority. The Workers' Party suggestions for one-way flows in the interests of both vehicle and pedestrian safety will be given due weight in planning the proposed changes.

Unsatisfactory Response to Lights Survey

Commissioner Catherine Murphy has received an extremely unsatisfactory reply from Kildare County Council in response to the detailed survey on public lighting in Maynooth conducted by the Workers' Party. In a letter to Commissioner Murphy the County manager, Gerry Ward, argued that the situation in Maynooth was no different than that in many other towns in the county. This despite the strong argument made by the Workers' Party for treating Maynooth as a special case due to the unusually high proportion of pedestrians and cyclists in the town.

Mr Ward went on further to suggest that, if local community groups were to provide lights themselves, the county council would pay their running and maintenance costs! This approach to getting communities to pay directly for public services is spreading around the country, and must be resisted. Most people pay taxes through the nose, and deserve a better return for them than this.

FINE GAEL NOTES

Local Election Nomination:

At a special meeting held on the 10th April the Maynooth Branch nominated Bernard Durkan to contest the local elections being held in June. Bernard has been a very active member of Kildare County Council since 1976. During that time he has served on most, and chaired many, of its sub-committees. His efforts on behalf of his constituents are legend and his success in resolving their problems is such that many active and indeed prominent members of other parties have had recourse to him when their own representatives have failed them. We are confident that come June the voters in the Celbridge electoral area will have the good sense to return him to the Council.

Place Yours Bets!

A race night in aid of branch funds is being held on Friday 3rd May at 8 p.m. in the Leinster Arms. All those punters among you are invited along to have a flutter and fund democracy.

Labour Say No to Jobs for Maynooth.

So the statement in the March issue of *Maynooth Labour News* that 'Labour members on Kildare County Council will vote against any proposal to develop Carton...' another example of caring socialism at work. It is certainly bad news for the unemployed of the area who would have hoped to benefit from the 460 jobs created by the proposed development. In addition there is the loss to the economy of the area of £4-£5m. per annum. Perhaps the Labour candidates would explain to the electorate in Maynooth and surrounding areas why they should forgo these jobs in pursuit of doctrinaire socialism which may be dead in Eastern Europe but is alive and kicking in the Kildare Labour Party.

A few years ago the Workers Party in Leixlip proposed that the I.D.A. industrial site at Collinstown be sold and the proceeds spent on a carpark. Fortunately they did not get their way or we would not be looking forward to the completion of the Intel complex and 600 high tech jobs.

These efforts by the socialist parties to block the creation of jobs in North Kildare make the sacking of seven domestic staff in Aras an Uachtarain look like small potatoes. Perhaps they believe they can only succeed in the presence of unemployment and strife.

Political Party Notes

Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road

The following is part of the reply received by Bernard Durkan from the County Engineer following representations made on behalf of the residents. 'Dunboyne Road is a Regional Road and as such is intended for heavy traffic. Considerable strengthening work has been done on it in recent years. It remains however to strengthen the town end of it or Convent Lane and to widen the road at the narrow corner. It is proposed to do this work in 1991. The above work however is dependent on the 1991 grants, yet to be notified to the Council.

Trains for Students.

Following representations on behalf of students travelling to Maynooth by rail Bernard Durkan received the following reply from C.D. Waters, Managing Director, Iarnrod Eireann. 'Both the 09.00 and 10.00 lecture starts have been facilitated with the train services. For the 09.00 lecture we have a train which leaves Connolly at 08.30 (arriving Maynooth 8.50), having taken a connection off the 07.36 train from Dalkey, 07.30 train from Howth and the 05.50 train from Dundalk. For the 10.00 a.m. lectures we have a train leaving Connolly at 09.07 (arriving Maynooth 09.52) having connected with the 08.20 train from Bray, 08.35 train from Howth, 07.24 train from Dundalk and the 06.57 train from Arklow..... we are not in a position to operate a train leaving ex Maynooth for lectures finishing at 18.00 hours.'

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Our local Labour candidate, John McGinley, has recently been in contact with residents in a number of areas in Maynooth informing them of Co. Council allocations for work in their areas. Residents in Beaufield, Cluain Aoibhinn, College Green and Newtown will be glad to hear that the Council has allocated £32,000 for the resurfacing of Bond Bridge and the road to Cluain Aoibhinn. This will be of a standard applied to the bridge on the Straffan Road. It is expected that this work will be carried out in the next few weeks.

The Labour Party's campaign to have the Moyglare Road and footpaths properly constructed and maintained has also been successful and £30,000 has been allocated by the Council for this project. John McGinley has written to residents in the area informing them that this will complete the road and footpaths to the entrance to Moyglare Village. Public lighting will be provided from the development levies paid by the developers. John has also informed residents of Convent Road and Leinster Cottages that £20,000 has been allocated for the reconstruction of the road and the provision of footpaths.

Following representation from residents of Doctors Lane, John McGinley was pleased to inform residents that £10,000 has been allocated for a tarmacadamed carpet surface on the roadway in the area which will eliminate the present intolerable conditions. Proper surface dressing is also to be applied to the roadway in Leinster Park at a cost of £4,000 and a similar sum to be spent in repairing the roadway in O'Neill Park.

Straffan Road Plans

Mr. John Carrick, County Engineer, advised us two months ago that the plans for the link road would be available in early April. Mr. Carrick advised John McGinley on April 12th that the final plans were still not available. As soon as these plans are published John will be in touch with residents in Straffan Way, Kingsbry and Carton Court.

Carton Development

Preliminary plans for the development of Carton are now available and at first reading we have to welcome them for the following reasons:

- definite access for the public is promised throughout the demesne
- a maximum of 188 houses are being built and this is being guaranteed legally through a covenant. The houses will be discretely located and should not detract from the beauty of the demesne
- Carton house will be restored to its original splendour
- the Avenue will be maintained by the developers
- 460 jobs will be created

If all the promises given by the Gleneagles Group are met then this development should turn out to be a major asset to the Maynooth community. Residents can be assured that the local Labour Party will monitor all developments carefully.

Gaming Machines

At a recent meeting of Kildare Co. Council a Labour Party motion to have gaming machines banned from the county was defeated by a 16 to 4 margin. Maynooth residents will be interested to know that Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and P.D. councillors all voted against the ban. Labour Party councillors Emmet Stagg and Colm Purcell are appalled at the decision's given the mass of evidence available which shows that gaming machines and the addiction they sometimes cause leads to social deprivation and even suicide. Voters are reminded that June 27th is polling day in the Local Elections and you can show what you think of F.F., F.G. and P.D. candidates who support gaming machines.

National Conference

A large contingent of delegates from Maynooth visited Killarney for the Labour Party's National Conference during the first weekend in April. Emmet Stagg T.D., the Party's spokesperson on Social Welfare, presented a radical and thought provoking discussion paper entitled 'Beyond the Welfare State' which was very well received by Conference. The paper advocates a Basic Incomes Policy which would guarantee a basic income for all citizens of the state. All income above this level would be subject to tax. Such a policy would have a major impact in promoting social equity as well as implementing a more just taxation system. Copies of the document are available from John McGinley, 50 Greenfield Drive.

Maynooth Branch PRO, Peter Connell, was a candidate for the Administrative Council of the Party and was elected on the first count.

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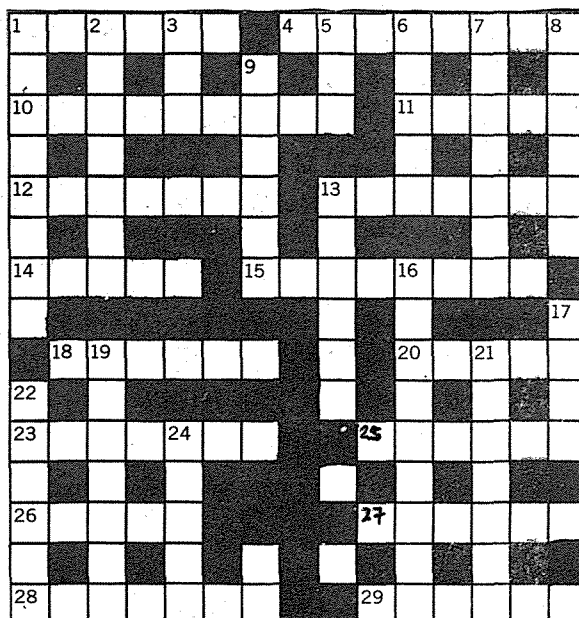
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Across

1. Safe (6)
4. Our roads are this (8)
10. A place in Wicklow (9)
11. Abate or slacken (5)
12. One who helps give birth (7)
13. Science dealing with matter and energy (7)
14. Boredom (5)
15. To turn away from, in affection (8)
18. Beautiful young boy of old. (6)
20. Murdered (5)
23. Mandarin belongs to this family (7)
25. Ditch (6)
26. World religion emphasising world peace (5)
27. Supply (6)
28. Those who push drugs (7)
29. What we hope will make crossing the Main Street a bit easier (6)

Down

1. Loose Woman (8)
2. To be informed (5,2)
3. Stick (3)
5. Ancient (3)
6. Writer, Thomas...(5)
7. Hobbling (7)
8. Despise (6)
9. Boyfriend to Oliver (6)
16. Unreasonableness, folly (9)
17. Unit of length (4)
19. Ancient Greek Coin (7)
21. Loss of memory (7)
22. To be illegally deprived of (6)
24. Smooth movement through air (5)



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Maynooth's great T.V. victory

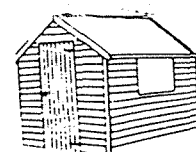
Congratulations to the Maynooth College team which stole the show several times on their way to outright victory in R.T.E.'s *Challenging Times* inter-university quiz competition. Maynooth literally swept through all opposition in the series, and in the process won £2,000 for the college's students' union. The money is to be spent on equipment for the new Medical centre.

The Maynooth team was captained brilliantly by John Flynn, a Sociology postgraduate, who was ably assisted by Scott Willig, a final year Arts undergraduate, and John Coughlan, a Science student. We thank them all for the very proud moments they have given us.

Work begins on Canteen and Sports Complex

Work began recently on the College's long-awaited new canteen and sports hall, located between the Students' Union and the Arts Building on the New Campus. The two projects are being constructed together as a single project, linked by a shared concourse. They are due to be completed by the beginning of the next academic year. The existing canteen in the Arts Building is also to be redeveloped into much-needed offices and teaching rooms during the summer months.

We hear that Mrs. Gaffney - popularly known as "Ma" Gaffney - who manages the existing canteen, will not act in this capacity in the new facility. This will be the end of an era, as she has run the student canteen in the College for over twenty years. It is not clear whether the existing canteen staff - many of whom also seen long service in the College - will be re-employed under the new management.



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New Apartments Near Completion

The College's splendid new residential apartment complex off the Moyglare Road is now nearly completion, and is expected to be available to provide accommodation for conferences on the campus during the summer. The complex is divided into self-contained apartment units, each of which contains five study bedrooms leading onto a central lounge area and kitchen. There are two bathrooms, one with bath and one with shower, in each unit.

The units will be fully furnished, with fridge, microwave and electric cooker utensils and delph, chairs, tables and armchairs. The cost is expected to be about £30 per week, and interested students should apply for places to Mrs. Marie Kelly, the Residence Officer.

CONDOM REFERENDUM

As mentioned in last month's *Newsletter* a lot of excitement surrounded the recent Student Union sabbatical elections. The next chapter in student politics is the Student Union policy referendum on condoms taking place at the time of going to press. A similar referendum on the same question last year caused considerable controversy and received widespread media coverage.

The issue of condoms will always be a point of contention within the College. The sizeable minority of clerical students adds a moral dimension to any argument on issues such as the provision of condoms, abortion information, or the recognition of the college's Lesbian and Gay Society. The influence of the clerics and the church who are ultimately the college authorities, is often exaggerated. There is no doubt that Maynooth Students' Union has differed to other Students Unions, however, in regard to their participation in student politics. A conservative ethos has been preserved within the union, a factor crucial to the union's non-participation in national student politics. Although progressive and radical forces have generally been evident in most Student Unions around the country, Maynooth Students' Union has never successfully taken such a direction. Signs of change in recent years are evident, however, especially with the emergence of a group known as 'Students for Change'. This is basically a grouping of left and progressive students, campaigning on issues and approaches taken by other colleges but not by Maynooth. 'Students for Change' have forced the holding of this current referendum, as they did last year, by collecting a petition of approximately 400 signatures.

The 'Students for Change' group have attracted considerable attention and opposition since becoming prominent within the union. The group was originally founded following Maynooth's withdrawal from USI and the union's refusal to hold a referendum on the freedom of information question. The leadership of the group has been closely identified with lesbian and gay rights activists and members of the Workers' Party. A referendum proposed and promoted by the group was passed by 60% of the student population in March of last year. The 'no' vote of 40% emerged despite no openly organised opposition. The referendum result was controversially overturned by the unions council of the constitution, however. A dispute emerged regarding the legalities of supplying condoms but this was not the reason given for overturning the result. The council ruled that the voters were not properly informed, a move that angered the supporters of the referendum and increased the level of apathy amongst the students. The availability of a Health Centre facility on campus this year has added to the likelihood of such a referendum being

passed without the same level of controversy. The national debate initiated by the Taoiseach's proposals will also help to properly inform the voters. Currently Maynooth is the only university which does not have condoms available anywhere on campus. Maynooth Student's Union is also unusual among Irish Student's Union in that it has a policy opposing the availability of condoms. The Students Union Executive and assembly are supposedly independent in this referendum as they have not directly called it. The independence of the union may be tested, however, in a clash with the bishops, who constitute the College Board of Trustees.

The high level of voting in the recent sabbatical elections promises to be repeated in this referendum. It should also show students that there's more to a student's union than running a bar.

Student affairs correspondent.

MAYNOOTH CITIZEN'S INFORMATION CENTRE

The Information Centre is currently looking for volunteers to help with its busy and worthwhile service. If you have time on your hands it could not be better spent participating in the C.I.C. All you need is a willingness to work on a rota based system and no previous qualifications. If interested please contact the Citizen's Information Centre at 6285922 during office hours.

Question: - After an absence of some years from the workforce I resumed working last September. The job only lasted six months. When I tried to sign on at the exchange for credits they said I couldn't sign on until I had worked for 39 weeks. Is this correct?

Answer:- No! This is not correct. The general rule for getting credits is that when you have a gap of two complete consecutive contributions years in your insurance record, you must work again for 26 weeks before you can be awarded credits. As you have worked for 26 weeks, you are entitled to sign on for credits, provided you are available for and actively seeking work. This is not to be confused with the position when you take up your very first job. In this case, you are granted pre-entry credits back to the beginning of the contribution year in which you first started working and for the two previous years as well. This allows you to come into benefit as soon as you can have worked for 39 weeks.

If your first job only lasts for one week you sign on for credits but you won't come into benefit until you have worked and paid PRSI for 39 weeks.

Part-time Workers and Social Insurance Cover

From 6th April 1991, part-time workers earning £25 a week or more will be eligible for the full range of Social Welfare Benefits under Class A PRSI.

When this extension of full insurance cover to part-time workers was first announced in the Budget, the threshold was set at £40 but was reduced to £25 when the Social Welfare Bill went through the Dail.

Up to now these workers were excluded from social insurance cover as they worked for less than 18 hours a week. The 18 hour rule has now gone.

Under the PRSI exemption scheme, introduced last year, workers earning under £60 a week will not have to pay their portion

Maynooth C. I. C.

of the PRSI contribution. This will not affect their entitlement to benefits. Workers earning over £60 a week will pay the Class A contribution of 5.5%. Employers will pay the standard rate of 12.2% in respect of each employee. Part-time workers will now have access to the full range of social insurance payments although most will not come into benefit until January, 1993.

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Sports Section

NORTH KILDARE CRICKET CLUB NEWS

As another cricket season fast approaches N.K.C.C. can look back on 1990 with considerable pride, as a season which proved to be one of successful progress both on and off the playing field. Much preparation and hard work led to an exciting season with our First team playing in the "Senior Two" division for the first time since the late Sixties. After the huge leap from "Senior Three", they had quite a successful season, finishing in fifth position in the division and proving themselves worthy of their promotion. Once more players like Joe Keogh, Guy Satchwell and Ian Walsh provided a powerful backbone to a highly skilled and committed team.

Like every good club our success was not merely limited to the First Team. After a season of memorable performances the Second team under the captaincy of Roger Satchwell succeeded in winning the Intermediate Cup for the first time since 1930, as well as reaching the final of the Whelan Cup and gaining promotion to the "Middle B" division.

After a blistering opening to their season the club's third team finished in third place in their "Junior A" division and competed in several rounds of their cup competition. Last year for the first time ever we saw a Fourth team entered in the Leinster Leagues and although the team did not equal the successful results of the other teams, the season was enjoyed by all who played during it. The team and club would also like to thank Clongowes Wood College for the use of their grounds when, on numerous occasions during the season, alternative grounds were needed because of the many teams in action.

Ladies team

The Ladies team, under the captaincies of Ann Mc Kell (off the field) and Meryl Bowden (on the field), played in the "Junior C" division of the Ladies League. They had several victories the most notable of which was their win over Clontarf who went on to win the division. They had a panel of fourteen players, with players such as Susan Mercier showing the most promise, and hope to start a second team if their numbers can be increased. The task of organising the "taverners" fell to Eddie Coonan who did an excellent job of organising a team who once again proved that cricket is not quite as boring as popular opinion would have us believe.

As well as some great sporting achievements on the pitch several successful social occasions also warrant a mention. These include the Annual Dinner and the Race Night run in conjunction with the Ladies Hockey section.

Already this year we have witnessed the successful advent of the Club's Poker Classic, and look forward to several more social evenings, perhaps in your company. These include an evening of music provided by young local rock bands on Saturday 1st June, in the North Kildare Club, and a Fashion Show on Monday 23rd September in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip.

All in all we could say that the 1990 season treated us well and that we are looking forward with eager anticipation to the oncoming season. We would also like to invite anyone with an interest, to any of the activities both on and off the field.

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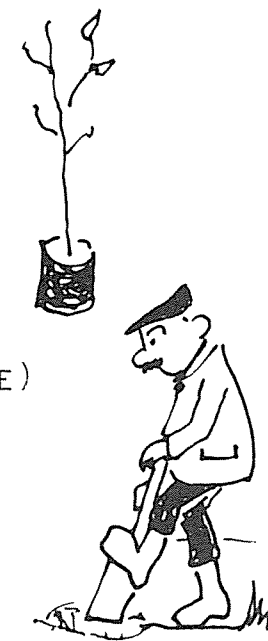
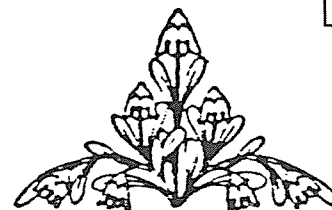
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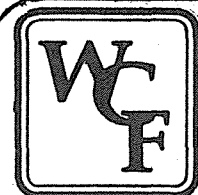
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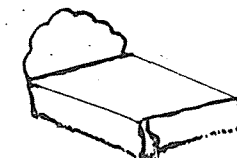
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Sports Section

MAYNOOTH A.C.

The juvenile athletes of Maynooth A.C. completed the cross country campaign for 1990/1991 when those selected on Kildare teams made the journey to Rostrevor for the All Ireland Championships.

Our best performance came from Patricia Purcell who put in a great effort to finish 11th. This was after her training had been seriously interrupted following an accident. Emer O' Sullivan also ran well to finish 27th with the team completed by Gemma Haren 41st and Tracy Kearney 42nd. Michelle Gillick put in her usual good performance to finish 25th in Girls u/12 while Susan Adderley was 60th in Girls u/11. Our only boy in action was Conor Diggins who finished Kildare's leading runner in 23rd position. Easter Sunday saw our athletes make the short journey to Dunboyne for the Annual Road Races. Conor Diggins put in a superb performance to finish a great 2nd in boys u/10. Gillian and Darragh Carr and Daniel Adderley also ran well in this event. Emer O' Sullivan was also in good form finishing 3rd in girls u/14. Michelle Gillick and Susan Adderley were in action and just out of the prizes in the girls u/12. Our only runner in the senior races was David Jolley who put in his usual good performance. The Club would like to thank all who supported our Grand National Draw and offer congratulations to the winners.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

With the weather now beginning to dry we should soon be able to overtake our backlog of league fixtures. When one reads of professional clubs complaining of congested fixture lists in a season it speaks well for the resilience and determination of mere mortals like ourselves who face the same situation. Having had a long run in two cup competitions and the persistent bad weather has left us with a backlog of games to be cleared in the next couple of weeks. We have been set a programme of five games in eleven days to bring us up to date with our league programme. If we maintain our recent league form and pick up near maximum points we can still perhaps pick up some reward for our efforts.

Maynooth Town 2 Broombridge Utd. 2

We were unlikely to drop a point in this tough encounter. Leading two one we seemed to have the points safe but a late equaliser by Broombridge left us disappointed after giving a good account of ourselves. Mark Shaw and Dessie Farrell scored our goals.

Monksfield United 0 Maynooth Town 3

Very strong winds made good football difficult but Maynooth adapted much quicker to the conditions and ran out easy winners in the end. Phillip Doyle opened the scoring early in the second half when he scored from the rebound following a Mark Shaw free kick. Tony Kearns made it two nil when he beat the Monksfield keeper with a long shot. The best goal was kept until last when John Doyle took the ball from the half-way line and beat several Monksfield players before hitting an unstoppable shot with his less favoured right foot.

Maynooth Town 1 West Park Albion 1

The team who have carried the tag of league favourites since the season began paid a mid week visit to Maynooth and can consider themselves lucky to have left with a point. Albion set out to prove that their favourites tag is warranted but Maynooth were undaunted and did not flinch in the face of fierce early pressure. We were caught flat footed midway through the first half when failing to clear we paid the penalty by conceding a simple goal. Before we recovered from this setback keeper Mick McGarry had to make a wonder save to prevent us going two down. We raised our game again following this let off and received due reward when Fergal Barton sent a pin point pass into the Albion penalty areas and ageless warhorse Noel Byrne powered an unstoppable header past the Albion Keeper. Maynooth dominated the remainder of the game but were unable to press home our advantage.

Conway Cup Quarter Final

Silver Granite 6 Maynooth Town 1

Our second team made their exit in disappointing manner when going down to far more experienced Silver Granite side. Too many of our players hit poor form at the same time. Michael Kelly equalised an early Granite goal and we looked to have a chance at half-time when only trailing by one goal. Granite hit a purple patch midway through the second half when scoring three goals without reply and left us with an impossible task.

Division 3 Private Grounds

Maynooth Town 4 Ballymun Celtic 0

Our seconds resumed league duties following a long break and scored an easy win over Ballymun Celtic who resorted to some unsavoury tactics when the game began going against them. Our lads deserve credit for not getting involved in retaliatory action in the face of some fierce tackles by a demoralised Ballymun side. The sending off of two Ballymun players during the second half when Maynooth led three nil was an indication of their demoralisation. Goals by Robert Thompson, Fergal Barton, Michael Kelly and Noel Dempsey ensured two easy points.

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Sports Section

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Our participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade was a most enjoyable event for our members. The swimming club float entitled 'MAYNOOTH NEEDS A POOL' hopefully conveyed the message to everyone of the great need for having a swimming pool in Maynooth. Let us hope that something can and will be done about it in the near future. Well done to all the members who took part in the fancy dress competition. All the outfits were superb and the result of considerable hard work. The winners were: 1st 'Simpsons' - Denise and Caroline Dolan, 2nd 'Turtle' - Brian O'Rourke, 3rd 'Shamrock' - Maeve McManus and 4th 'Singing Nun' - Emma Fleming. All the participants received a special treat. Our sincere thanks to Mrs. Siobhan Byrne and Miss Ursula Byrne who had the very hard task of judging the entries. The committee would also like to thank everyone who helped with the preparation of the float. In particular we would like to thank the following:- Mrs. Dunne and family, Mrs. Anna Dolan, Mr. Fachtna Shortt, Mr. Owen Byrne Jr., Mr. James Fleming and Mr. Patrick Healy.

We are now in our final term of swimming before the summer holidays. The club are currently looking for new members. For further details please contact our secretary Mary Healy, Phone 6286942.

A reminder to all our members to watch out within the coming weeks for details of the Maynooth Community Games Swimming. We wish all our members the best of luck in their attempts for places in the County Finals.

P.R.O.



Winners in the Fancy Dress competition: (L - R) Maeve McManus, Emma Fleming, Brian O'Rourke, Denise and Caroline Dolan.

MAYNOOTH GOLF SOCIETY

In conjunction with the *Festival Committee* of the Community Council - the Maynooth Golf Society has decided to organise and run a Golf competition to be held at Moyglare Par 3 Golf Course, subject to availability, during the Festival Week of 15th - 23rd June.

The competition will be run as a 9 Hole Scramble and the following rules have been drawn up:

1. It is confined to people from the Maynooth area and from the Golf Society.
2. The competition is open to all clubs, groups, associations, etc.
3. Each team will be made up by four persons: (a) 2 Golfers, (b) 1 Non-Golfer, (c) 1 Junior (under 16).

4. Handicaps will be used and will be based on those with (a) a Golf Club handicap, (b) a Golf Society handicap, (c) a Pitch & Putt handicap, (d) a local handicap. The handicaps used will be those based on 1991 handicaps.

5. The competition will be stroke-play.

6. Scoring will be based on 1/10 of the combined handicap of 2 handicap players.

For those not familiar with a Golf Scramble this is what happens: Everyone tees off. A decision is then made to play the best ball. The best ball is marked and again, each player plays from this spot. This continues until the ball enters the hole.

The competition is scheduled to start on Saturday 15th and finish on Wednesday 19th June. Each team can enter as often as they like. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

The scorecards will be checked by members of the Maynooth Golf Society and the decisions of the Golf Society in all matters will be final.

Further details of this event will be published in the next issue of the *Newsletter*. For those interested (including women players) further information can be had from Dominic Nyland, Joe Moore and Jim Ryan of the Golf Society.

Hon. Secretary,
Dominic Nyland

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

Congratulations to Anne Dalton and Olive O'Shea on winning their sections (Ladies Doubles) in the Coolmine Open Tournament on Good Friday.

Anne and her partner won section A-D in convincing style, while Olive and her partner won section E-G in three sets and completed a magnificent double for Maynooth.

Also well done to Hector Dalton who was narrowly defeated in the semi-final of the man's Doubles Event (section A-D).

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Sports Section

Football Championship Fixtures.

Junior 'A' Football Championship in Clane on Sunday 12th May. Maynooth v. Athgarvan at 7 p.m.

u/16 'A' League Fixtures:-

3th May v Suncroft - Away
10th May v Round Towers - Home
17th May v Rathangan - Home

u/16 'B' League

3rd May v Ballykelly - Home
10th May v Athgarvan - Away
17th May v Castlemitchel - Away

u/16 Hurling League Fixtures

Wed. 1st May v Sarsfields - Home
Wed. 15th May v Moorfield - Away

We are still looking for more people to look after our u/age hurling teams. If you are interested please come along any Saturday morning at 10.30 a.m. All welcome.

Junior League Div. 2 Fixtures

13th May v Leixlip - Away
20th May v Celbridge - Home
27th May v Monasterevin - Away
4th June v Ballymore - Home
10th June v Sarsfields - Away
17th June v Kill - Home
24th June v Kilcock - Away
1st July v Towers - Away.

U/21 Football Challenge

Maynooth 0.7 v. Dredid 2-11

Maynooth put up a good show in this game. This game was much closer than the scoreline suggests. The Carbury/St. Kevins combination excelled form in this game. But taken nothing from Maynooth they had good players in M. O'Farrell, P. Stynes, M. Nevin, J. Nevin, M. Madden, S. Molloy.

Minor Football League Results.

Maynooth Minor Footballers started their league campaign on Sunday 17th February with away game v Robert Emmets and a bad start we got with defeat. Score Robert Emmets 4.6 v Maynooth 1.2. Best for Maynooth, M. O'Shea, P. Byrne, E. Dunne, B. Nevin.

Maynooth 2.9 v. Moorefield 0.4. Maynooth had a good win in the opening half was very close. In second half Maynooth got right on top to run out easy winners. Best for Maynooth J. Nevin, M. Donnolly, P. Hogan, E. Lacey, E. Dunne, K. Killoran
Maynooth 1.4 v St. Lawrences 2.4

Maynooth can count them unlucky to loose this game by 1 goal. The official referee did not turn up so a St. Lawrence Official took control and this did not help. Best for Maynooth, G. Kelly, K. Killoran.

Maynooth 3.12 v Rathangan 1.1

Maynooth collected their third brace of points in this well contested game with a very young Rathangan side. Maynooth with E. Dunne and

K. Killoran dominating they gave their forwards a good supply of ball and they took their chances. Best for Maynooth, E. Dunne,

K. Killoran, D. Ryan, M. Mealy, M. O'Farrell, M. Madden, M. Noonan, G. Horn, D. Fleming, E. Lacey, J. Nevin.

Underage League.

The Club's underage league started on Saturday 13rd April and will continue each Saturday at 11.30 a.m. until further notice. Results - Cork (James Gallagher Team) beat Galway (Chris Arthur's team) Mayo (Barry Connolly team) beat Meath (Niall Downey's team) Donegal (Declan O'Rourke's team) beat Kerry (Eoin Nevin Team) Kildare (Adrian Boylan team) beat Dublin (John O'Shea's team). In all some 70 youngsters took part and are eagerly looking forward to the remaining fixtures.

Saturday 4th May - Semi-Finals

Saturday 11th May - Final

Community Festival Week.

The players participating in the Saturday League will also be participating in a competition during the Maynooth Community Festival Week June 1991.

U/16 Football Results

Maynooth A v Ballyna - Maynooth got a walk over. Maynooth B Team lost to Confey.

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With no distractions in Italy or Germany this year we expect a very exciting tournament.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. CLUB

Results

Senior Football League Div. 3.

Maynooth 1-10 v Confey 2-1

First league match of the season got off to a winning one for Maynooth. The game started slowly for both teams. Maynooth took an early lead but Confey came back to level the match. Maynooth took control at Mid Field and scored 5 pts. without reply. Then with 5 minutes to half time a long ball from midfield saw James Gilligan punch to the net to leave half time score. Maynooth 1-6 - Confey 0-1. On restart Maynooth Defence were caught napping and let Confey in for a goal this got Maynooth going again and they scored 4 pts. with 5 minutes to go Confey broke down the field and got there second goal to leave the full time score Masynooth 1-10, Confey 2-1. Best for Maynooth, P. Kearney, P. Stynes, A. Burke, M. Nevin, P. Ennis, J. Nevin, E. O'Neill, J. Gilligan. Best for Confey, P. McDonald B. McGill-rigin, T. Croighan, M. McKiernan. Scores for Maynooth, J. Gilligan 1-1, J. Nevin 0-3, A. Burke 0-2, S. Molloy 0-2, P. Ennis 0-1, E. O'Neill 0-1.

Maynooth Team - M. O'Farrell, M. Flaherty, K. Dunne, P. Kearney, P. Stynes, M. Nevin, M. Kelly, A. Burke, P. Ennis, J. Nevin, L. O'Toole, J. Conway, J. Gilligan, F. Devereaux, E. O'Neill. Subs S. Molloy for F. Devereaux, J. O'Toole for L. O'Toole, D. Corcoran, M. Madden, M. Gahan, P. Mullane - Man of the Match - Paul Stynes.

Senior Football league, division 3

Maynooth 2-5 v Ardclough 1-6.

Maynooth playing with the aid of a strong breeze in first half got it very hard to get through the Ardclough defence. Ardclough were first to score a point by L. Cullen. Maynooth replied with a punch goal by S. Molloy to leave half time score, Maynooth 1-3, Ardclough 1-3. On turn over it looked bad for Maynooth playing against a strong breeze. Ardclough scored in first minute but Maynooth broke from defence and score a great goal by M. Kelly with N. Nevin and A. Burke holding centre field. Maynooth held out to win. Best for Maynooth M. O'Farrell (goalkeeper) M. Kelly, M. Nevin, J. Nevin, A. Burke. Best for Ardclough, L. Cullen, M. Devaney, H. Devaney, E. Duggan. Scores for Maynooth, S. Molloy 1-2, M. Kelly 1-0, J. Gilligan 1pt, J. Nevin 1pt. Ardclough scores - J. Conselley 1-0, L. Cullen 2 pts., M. Devaney 1pt., E. Duggan 1pt. Maynooth team - M. O'Farrell, M. Flaherty, K. Dunne, P. Kearney, M. Kelly, M. Nevin, J. Conway, A. Burke, P. Stynes, J. Nevin, P. Ennis, M. Madden, J. Gilligan, S. Molloy, O. O'Neill. Subs - L. O'Toole for M. Madden, J. Edwards for M. Flaherty, M. Gahan, D. Corcoran, J. O'Toole. Man of the Match - Michael O'Farrell (Goalkeeper).

300 club draw - Results for March.

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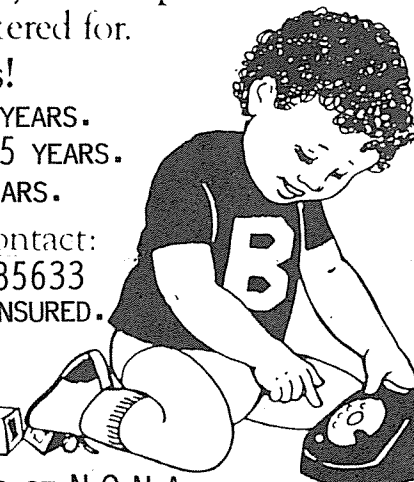
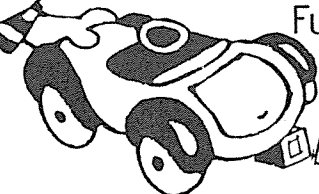
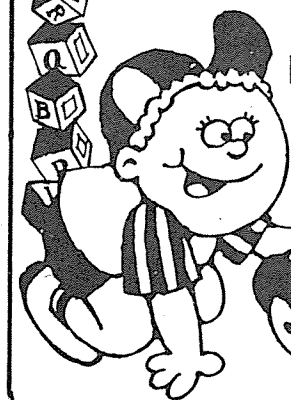
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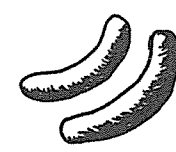
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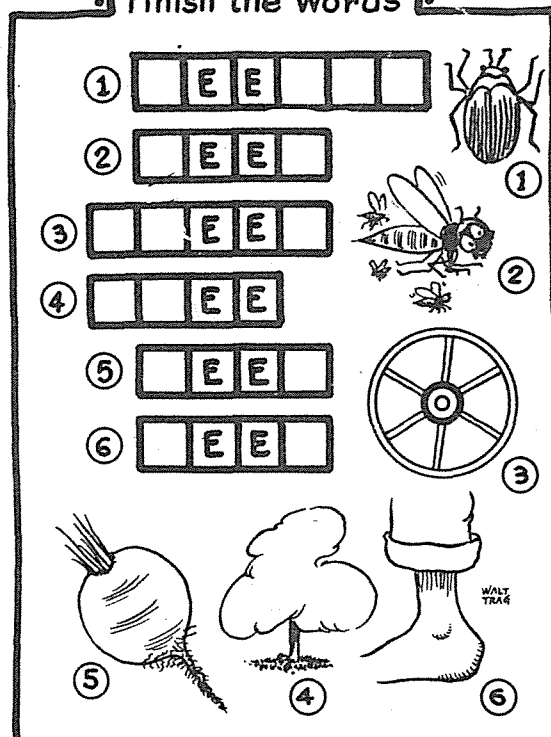




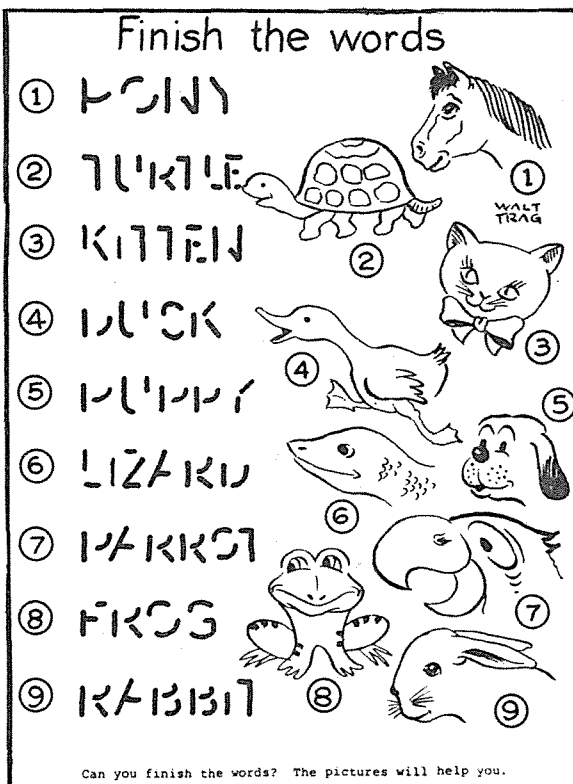
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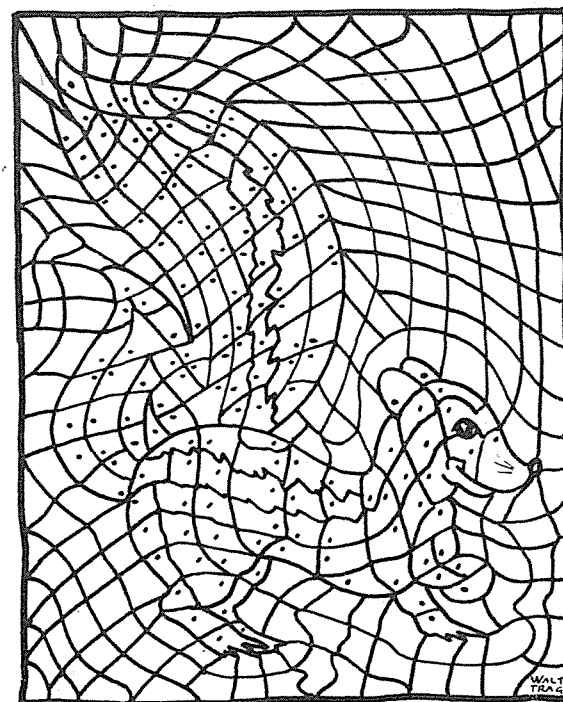
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P.R.O.: Phil McLoughlin

Committee: F. Kearney, B.O'Shea, M. McLoughlin, M. Gleeson, J. Fleming, F. O'Connor.

The Games are starting this month, and all the information currently available is shown below:

Event	Venue	Date	Time	Boys/Girls
Swimming	Stewarts Hosp.	11/5/91	4.30-6.45pm	Both
Art & Modelling	Post Primary School	18/5/91	10.00 - 1.00pm	Both
Badminton	Leixlip	16/4/91	TBA	Both
Draughts	U10 Allen	TBA	TBA	Both
Draughts	U14 Maynooth	TBA	TBA	Both
Basketball	U16 TBA	"	"	Girls
GAA	U10 "	"	"	Boys
Hurling	U14 "	"	"	Boys
Tennis	U16 "	"	"	Both
Soccer	U12 "	"	"	Boys
Soccer	U15 "	"	"	Girls
Variety	U16 "	"	"	Both
Volleyball	U15 "	"	"	Boys
Volleyball	U16 "	"	"	Girls
Gymnastics	"	"	"	Both
Athletics	GAA Field	19/5/91	12 Noon	Both

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For future dates and venues watch out for posters in the schools and town.

[TBA = To be advised]

Kay Lynch
Secretary

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Rowley

The wife and family of the late Paddy Rowley, 3 Cooldrinagh, Leixlip, wish to thank most sincerely all the people who attended the funeral, who sent Mass Cards and flowers. Masses offered for all your intentions.

Boyd

The wife, daughter, sons and family of the late Michael Boyd wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent great loss and all those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes, messages of sympathy, attended the removal of remains, Mass and funeral. A special thanks are due to Fr. Supple, Fr. Thynne and Fr. Cogan, and the doctors and nurses of St. James's and Peamount Hospitals. Trusting that this will be accepted by all as a token of our appreciation. Mass will be offered for their intentions.

Dowling

The wife, sons, daughters, sons in-law, daughters in-law, relatives and friends of the late James (Chico) Dowling of Old Greenfield, Maynooth wish to thank most sincerely all their many friends and neighbours for their support in their great loss. A special word of thanks to those who called personally, sent floral tributes, mass cards and letters of sympathy, attended the removal of remains, Mass and funeral.

To Fr. Supple, Fr. Thynne, Fr. Cogan, the S.M.A. Fathers, the priests of Celbridge and Straffan, Dr. Maurice Cowhey.

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Martin Donnelly, Newtown on the death of his mother in Ra-toath.

Mrs. O. Graham, Newtown, on the death of her sister in England.

Paddy Foy, Parson Street, on the death of his aunt in Ballymote

Sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, brother-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of the late May Fagan (nee Cusack) Maynooth.

Mick Donohue, O'Neill Park on the death of his brother in Cork.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Belated birthday greetings to Triona Cahill from Annette and Orlaith, 17th April.

Hello to Mrs Boylan and all the sixth class in Room 15. From Orlaith and Annette.

Happy birthday Rachael, 20th April. From Muireann, Don and Eithne.

Birthday greetings to Alex Brady, 18th April, and Richard Brady, 24th April. Love from Theophilus P. Wilderbeest.

Happy Birthday to Aoife Daly, Colistown, Kilclone on her 13th birthday on 31st May. Love from Cliodhna and Etain.

Birthday greetings to Sandy Foy aged 7 on May 12th from Grandad, Paddy and Grandmother Bernie and Uncle Martin.

Belated Birthday greetings to Bernadette Tobin, Main Street, April 28th. Love from Karen.

Belated Birthday Greetings to Rachel Cassidy, Jnr., Rail Park, April 12th and to Rachael's mammy on April 4th. Best wishes from all the family.

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Una McGovern and Doreen Tracey of Greenfield, Maynooth on the birth of triplets (3 boys) to their niece Ann Roccliffe in Donnycarney Dublin. Ann is daughter of Kevin Coughlan, Westport, Co. Mayo and formerly from Maynooth.

Congratulations to Ann and James Roccliffe, Donnycarney, Dublin on the birth of triplets. Three brothers for Jamie.

Congratulations to Tom and Rachael Cassidy, Railpark, who celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary, May 23rd. Love and best wishes from all the family.

Congratulations to Niall and Carmel Byrne, Greenfield on the birth of a son.

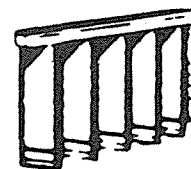
Congratulations to Patricia Nevin Barrogstown, who celebrated her 21st birthday with a party in The Hamlet, Johnstown Bridge, April 13th, attended by parents, family and a host of friends. The crack was mighty.

Congratulations to Paul and Mary Fitzgerald on the birth of their baby boy, Conor.

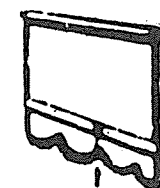
Congratulations to Mrs Mary Moran, 486 Redbank Plains Road, Red Bank Plains, Queensland 4301 Australia, daughter of the late Andy and Agnes Graham, 345 Greenfield, Maynooth, who graduated from Queensland University on the 21st December 1990. Mary is sister to Willie and Andrew Graham, Mrs Liam Brilly and Mrs Joe Mc Keever.



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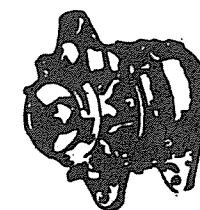
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Sunday, 28th April to Sunday 5th May
Active Age Week, Maynooth

Saturday, 27th April:
Trade Fair in Boys' National School. 10am - 6pm

Sunday, 28th April:
Trade Fair in Boy's National School. 10am - 6pm

Monday, 29th April:
I.C.A. Drama, Prosperous

Tuesday, 30th April:
I.C.A. Drama, Prosperous

Thursday, 2nd May:
I.C.A. AGM, Maynooth 8pm

Saturday, 4th May:
Boy's and Girl's First Holy Communion

Wednesday, 8th May:
Summer Project Meeting, Salesian House, 8pm

Thursday, 9th May to 12th May,
The Heart Foundation Collection

Friday, 10th May:
Fiddlers Green - Hitchin' Post

Saturday, 11th May:
Community Games Swimming, 4.30 pm - Stewarts

Saturday, 11th May:
Community Games Volleyball Co Final Caragh 2pm

Sunday, 12th May:
Jamboree - North Kildare Club

Saturday, 18th May:
Community Games Art & Modelling, Post Primary School,
10am - 1pm

Sunday, 19th May:
Community Games Athletics - GAA Field 12 Noon

Tuesday, 21st May:
Flower Club Meeting with Maureen Gleeson

Saturday, 25th May:
NACAI Track & Field Championships - Kilcock

Sunday, 26th May:
NACAI Track & Field Championships - Kilcock

Sunday, 26th May:
Harbour Day - Maynooth

Saturday, 8th June:
Flower Club Outing

Friday, 14th June to 23rd June
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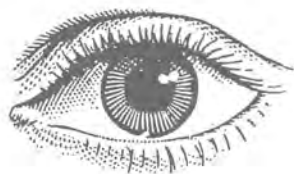
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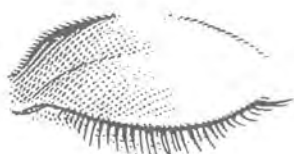
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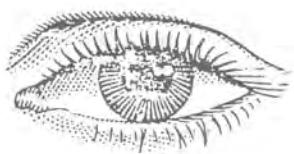
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