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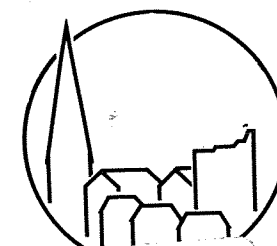
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Editorial

1992 and All That

Well, it's here at last, the long awaited 1992, which will see us further cementing our membership of the European Community. There has been remarkably little discussion of the impact which the historic decisions which are being made, will have on our lives, and particularly the lives of the ordinary citizen. Some of the newspapers have made attempts to explain the issues, but alas, there is an impression that the reader would need to approach these treatises fully prepared with doctorates, to help them understand the EuroSpeak. While we in Maynooth hostels talk of nothing else but principles of subsidiarity, democratic deficits, cohesion, harmonisation, EMUs and WEUs, and not to mention synergy, we felt it was time to call in our special correspondent to decipher for us what lies behind these terms, and what will they mean to us in our daily lives. This issue contains the idiot's guide to EuroSpeak, to assist us in our deliberations.

CAO Time

Meanwhile, the minds of many sixth year students are far from deciphering the problems of the EC, as they tussle with the intricacies of the Central Applications Office forms. We offer some help to these students in this issue. However, we would urge parents to take a positive interest at this most crucial time, and particularly to ensure that forms are filled in correctly. Wrong choices made at this stage can have serious consequences for students who may find that doors are closed to them next October.

Happy New Year

The Newsletter extends best wishes for 1992 to all its readers and advertisers.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,
In last months' issue you stated that "the recent extension of the Dublin taximeter area to Maynooth may prove to be a life-saver for many people." We are under the illusion that we work in a 24 hour taxi service in Maynooth. We thought when we get out of bed at all hours of the day and night we are serving the needs of the local community. Obviously the bus services we run to schools, colleges, nightclubs and the cars we drive from one end of the country to the other are figments of the imagination. The fact that our clocks start at 0.00 p - we don't charge 40p per item of luggage and 40p per person (unlike Dublin taxis) - is an even bigger illusion. To imagine for one moment that we could be saving lives by running a service like this is quite blatantly preposterous. It must be Santy's helpers that give C.K.R. Radio their North Kildare area traffic reports in the mornings. Finally we would like to wish all the customers who travel in our fairytale land a very peaceful, prosperous and happy New Year.

Yours Hopefully (wish we were here)

All the staff of M.C.L. Cabs

P.S. To the Editors: Is the advert on page 32 of December issue a mirage and if so can we have the cheque back please.

Dear staff of MCL cabs

We never stated that you did not exist nor that you didn't operate a 24 hour service and we have no idea who employs Santy's helpers nor did we repute the fact that your cars run all over the country. We merely welcomed more taxis. Whose imagination is producing mirages we wonder? Having said that, we would like to officially endorse your existence and to agree with the majority of the community in stating that an excellent and efficient service is provided by MCL Cabs at all times. And no, you can't have your cheque back!
Happy New Year.

The Editors.

Dear Editor,
The traders at Greenfield Shopping Centre would like to thank most sincerely, the residents of Laurence Avenue, Maynooth Park, Straffan Way, Greenfield Drive and The Crescent for the graciousness and courtesy shown them by all on the recent door to door survey which was carried out on behalf of the El Dorado Take-away.

Greenfield Shopping Centre.

Dear Editor,

A short editorial note in your August edition began - "Since the demise of M.A.D.E. Maynooth has been sadly lacking in adult education provision . . ." This information is entirely false. Maynooth Adult Daytime Education remains very active. Our new term begins on Monday, February 3rd, 1992,

with enrolment on January 21st, 1992, at our centre from 10 -12 a.m. We will be offering courses on:

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Chakras	Wednesday 10 - 12 a.m.
Art	Thursday 10 - 12 a.m.
Exploring the Road Less Travelled	Thursday 10 - 12 a.m.

B. Duffy (on behalf of the committee).

A chara,

I refer to the proposals for traffic management presented by Maynooth Community Council in the December issue of the Maynooth Newsletter. Most of these are most desirable and urgently needed. However, I fail to understand the suggestion that a one-way system in the square would not improve matters.

It seems obvious to me that a one-way system is desperately needed in the Square. In fact, it is frequently next to impossible to drive up to the Bank of Ireland side of the Square towards the Canal when a bus is parked at the terminus outside the "Square" shop and a stream of traffic coming from the Canal direction has passed the bus out, thereby blocking the other lane. In addition, it is hard to imagine how traffic lights would work in this area without a one-way system.

One of the main causes of traffic hold-ups in the Main Street is traffic coming from the Galway direction turning right at the Bank of Ireland corner. Traffic proceeding to Dublin frequently cannot take the inside lane at this point because of cars parked at Barton's. The location of petrol pumps here would appear to rule out the use of double yellow lines to prohibit parking on the inside lane. However, with a one-way system in the Square, traffic would be required to turn right at Brady's corner, and yellow lines could be placed outside the old post office to allow through traffic to get by.

Three further observations: Firstly, while any move to get rid of the 'Thing' in the Square must be welcomed, I would not favour using the vacated space for more car parking. The centre of the Square should be turned into a pedestrian-friendly feature, not a car park. Secondly, given the nuisance - not to mention danger - caused by cars parking up on the footpaths in the Main Street, is it time to consider narrowing the footpaths between the trees to provide inset car parking spaces? This would, I think, be more beneficial to pedestrians while also allowing more freedom of movement in the Main Street itself.

Finally, is it not time also to define the various laneways leading onto the Main Street more clearly through the use of kerbing (with ramps to cater for prams, wheelchairs, etc.)?

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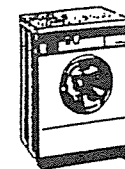
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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Re: El Dorado Take-Away

On behalf of the Committee of Greenfield Estate Residents Association, I wish to refer to the Editorial and letters in the December issue of the Newsletter on the above subject.

In this Season of Goodwill we would not wish to reply in kind to some rather wild and emotive comments made by E. Donovan and Ms. Carey. However, for the benefit of your readers, I would like to put the record straight on a number of points that have been raised:-

1. The existing authorised closing time for the El Dorado as approved by An Bord Pleanala is 12 midnight.

2. This closing time has consistently been breached by the proprietor, Mr. Jennings. Indeed in an advertisement in the December issue of the Newsletter the closing time is given as 1 a.m.

3. Kildare County Council refused a recent application from Mr. Jennings to extend the authorised closing time to 1.30 a.m. and Mr. Jennings has lodged an appeal to An Bord Pleanala against that decision.

4. A Special Meeting of this Association held on 12th November 1991 was called in order to give members the opportunity of deciding whether or not the Association should support the decision of Kildare County Council, by lodging an objection with An Bord Pleanala to the granting of extended opening hours up to 1.30 a.m.

5. In accordance with normal practice, notification of the meeting was delivered by hand to each house in the Estate whether the occupants are members or not.

6. To suggest that non-members should have a vote on the policy of the Association on this or any other matter displays a fundamental lack of understanding of the primary role of an Association such as this, i.e. to promote the interests of its members. It was, of course, open to non-members at the meeting to pay the annual subscription (£10) and thereby qualify for full voting rights.

7. To say that Mr. Jennings' side of the argument was not heard is blatantly false. By prior arrangement with Mr. Jennings, a letter from him setting out his case for extended opening hours was read to the meeting. In addition quite a number of people attended the meeting to express their support for the application and were given every opportunity of doing so.

8. At the outset of the meeting it was made clear that insofar as this Committee is concerned the El Dorado is a facility which is availed of and appreciated by many of our members and that the only issue is the application for extended opening hours.

9. After a full discussion a secret ballot was held resulting in a substantial majority in favour of the motion that the Association should support the decision of Kildare County Council by lodging an objection with An Bord Pleanala against the application for extended opening hours.

10. The outcome of Mr. Jennings' application for extended opening hours is entirely a matter for An Bord Pleanala at this stage.

P. Hogan
Secretary

Dear Editor,

I wish to take this opportunity to thank most sincerely all the people of Greenfield Estates who received us with such courtesy in our recent door to door survey. Of 150 houses covered in that survey, the results were 128 in favour of 1.30 a.m. planning extension, 16 against, 2 in favour of 1.00 a.m. and 4 with no opinions. Our shop counter petition yielded results of 763 for 1.30 a.m. extension and 3 against. The 16 against in our door to door survey included most of the present and past Committee Members of Greenfield Estate Residents' Association. The criteria for membership of this committee would seem to be "total opposition to the El Dorado Take-away". The feelings of Greenfield Residents and the people of Maynooth in general are not in line with the actions of this Committee. The only honourable course now for this Committee to take is to withdraw their objection and resign.

Michael Jennings,
Prop. El Dorado Take-Away.

Dear Editor,

Having been one of the first families to come to Greenfield Estate I have seen many changes over the years. From a beginning of about 12 houses up to the current day 200. As a child I remember with great excitement the opening of the first shop. This situation cured the Sunday afternoon argument as to who would cycle to the town. Over the years, shops came and went and the centre eventually fell into a state of disrepair which would probably have looked at home in a suburb of Beirut.

Living next to the centre we had many reasons over the years to call on the Gardai due to the frequent disturbances that arose. However, every cloud has a silver lining.

Along came a new landlord and with him a whole new face for the centre. With new tenants and services it was turned into the very excellent little centre that it has become.

Of these new tenants probably the one who has contributed most is one, Mick Jennings of El Dorado Take-Away.

We all know the reputation that take-aways have in residential areas. However, Mick has proven to be the exception to this. He serves up an excellent product. He can be seen sitting in his car night after night warding off any trouble that might arise. After closing He walks the car park picking up any litter that may have accumulated during the day. All in all what amounts to a very public minded and public spirited gentleman. This has resulted in this commercial area becoming one of the quietest and cleanest in Maynooth, if not Ireland. One would wonder what valid reason if any, the local Residents Association would have for objecting to this man from carrying out his business. Surely he should be commended?.

S. Donovan.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Re your editorial "Gun Fight" at the El - Dorado. I would like to make a few comments: 1. "Some compromise could be worked out." Not on! Reason: The Committee of Greenfield Residents Association have rejected all requests for a meeting to discuss this matter: one can only wonder why. 2. "Undesirable noisy crowds loitering". There are no such crowds. Reason - Mr. Jennings by his constant vigilance and presence has discouraged any aid on who would indulge in Anti-Social Behavior. As for dirt and litter - there is none. Reason: before going home, whether it be rain, hail or shine or snow even Mr. Jennings cleans up the area. One could say that he, single-handedly, contributed in no small way to the Greenfield Estate coming so high in the Tidy Estates Competition. Perhaps the P.R.O. of the Tidy Town Competition could take note of the sterling work carried out by Mr. Jennings. He is after all helping to keep Maynooth a tidy town.

R.P. Mc.Mahon
4 Carton Court
Maynooth.

Community Council Notes

The following is a Submission by a Deputation from Maynooth Community Council to Celbridge area Committee, Kildare County Council.

Our submission concentrates on three specific areas:

1. Traffic Plan
2. Toilet Block Removal
3. Condition of the Roads

1. PROPOSED TRAFFIC PLAN FOR MAYNOOTH

Traffic congestion in Maynooth has now reached crisis proportions. Getting through Maynooth is a nightmare for both locals and through traffic. Long tailbacks on all roads is the order of the day. The by-pass should solve a lot of the problems, but its completion is too far off. It is the view of Maynooth Community Council that the following proposals should be implemented by Kildare County Council without delay:

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

- (a) Ulster Bank to end of Kiernan's Shop - to allow buses to pull in without disrupting traffic flow.
- (b) Brady's/Caulfields - to allow buses to pull in without disrupting traffic flow.
- (c) Bank of Ireland - to allow traffic from Straffan Road to turn down Main Street more easily.
- (d) Hanah Floods - to allow traffic from Straffan Road to turn down Main Street more easily.
- (e) Gerry Bradys/Roost - to allow articulated trucks to take the turn at lower Main Street with ease.
- (f) Patricks/Barrys - to allow articulated trucks to take the turn at lower Main Street with ease.
- (g) Kevin Mc Namaras/ - to allow traffic from Newtown/College to turn left to Kilcock Newtown Road more easily.
- (h) O' Neills Butchers/Hula Bou - to avoid Dublin bound traffic being held up by traffic turning right up Straffan Road.
- (i) Maynooth Jewellers to corner on Dublin Road

2) Installation of Traffic Lights

- (a) Newtown Road/Main Street junction - Long overdue
 - (b) Straffan Road/Main Street junction - with lights at Bank of Ireland, Main St. and Bradys, Main St.
- The lights at (a) and (b) should be synchronised and include a pedestrian element. A roundabout may be an alternative at (a).

3) Straffan Road/Square: Remove the public toilet building to give increased road space and increased parking facilities.

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

5) Kilcock Road: Proper signposting of the College Arts Block and Library is urgently required in order to avoid a serious accident.

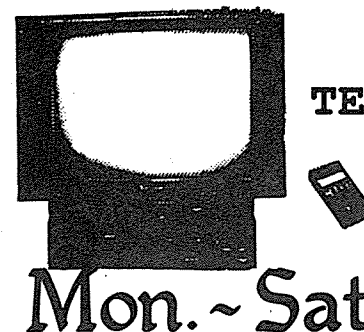
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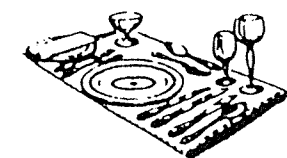
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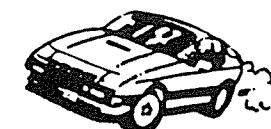
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6) Kavanaghs Mill: The owners should be asked to redesign their system of loading lorries in order to remove the major disruption to traffic that this now causes.

7) Pound Lane: Drivers are continuing to use this road as an escape route despite the 'no entry' sign. This could be overcome somewhat if a continuous white line was painted across the entrance with 'No Entry' written on the road. It is our view that if these proposals are adopted by Kildare County Council the traffic flow in Maynooth will be improved significantly and make life easier for all of us.

2. Toilet Block Removal:

As we have pointed out in our submission on the traffic plan, the demolition of the toilet would ease the traffic flow considerably. However, there are also other reasons for seeking its removal. The ugliness of the toilet block has been recognised countrywide.

Bord Failte referred to it in their report as one of the main reasons why Maynooth ranks consistently low in the Tidy Town marks.

In a recent survey of Irish Times readers Maynooth Public Toilet was rated among the ugliest buildings in Ireland. In addition 2,500 inhabitants of Maynooth signed a petition demanding its removal. Maynooth Community Council unanimously agreed that the building should be knocked and we also got the E.S.B. to agree to move their substation to another location. The substation is part of the building. We would sincerely hope that Kildare County Council would act on the democratic wishes of the people and demolish this building forthwith.

3. Condition of Roads in the Maynooth Area:

(i) Moyglare Road: £30,000 was allocated for work on this road in 1991. It stretches the imagination to see where it has gone. Drainage appears to have been carried out for 2/3 of the road. The remainder, at the top end, continues to pond surface water which causes a lot of hardship to the residents in the area. As this is the worst road in Maynooth we are asking the Council that work on it be finalised in 1992.

(ii) Bond Bridge/Newtown Road: £32,000 was allocated for this work in 1991. The bridge was carpeted but no work was carried out on Newtown Road. It is very difficult to see how £32,000 could have been spent on the bridge alone. The residents in this area have been waiting 19 years for a new bridge. Substantial contributions towards the cost has already been collected in special development levies from the area. Unless a new bridge is forthcoming in the immediate future steps will have to be taken to secure the safety of pedestrians. There are two options:

(a) Install traffic lights, (b) Build a pedestrian bridge

As an immediate safety measure a sign should be erected on the Maynooth side stating that 'Pedestrians should walk on the left hand side'.

(iii) Back Lane, Greenfields: £10,000 was allocated in 1991. The work has not been completed and it is obvious that all the money has not been spent.

(iv) Greenfields Lane: This road hasn't been resurfaced in many years. The road and the footpaths are now in a very bad state. Priority funding should be made available in 1992. In addition the roadway should be closed off at the last house at

Newtown end in order to stop the 'rat run' of traffic avoiding the Main Street.

(v) Leinster Park/ O Neill Park: £8,000 was allocated in 1991. There is no evidence of any work having been carried out. This should be rectified immediately.

(vi) The Boreen: The Maynooth Soccer Clubs football pitch is off this road. It is nearly impossible to drive on this road because of the enormous potholes. It is the first view of Maynooth that visiting Soccer Teams get and the Soccer Club have five teams representing Maynooth.

(vii) Straffan Road: This road is to become the link road to the new by-pass. There are some 800 houses off this road. We have not even seen a draft of the proposed design yet. Apart from interest in the interface with housing estates we are very anxious that the design has a cycle path included to cater for school children and the university students.

(viii) Carton Avenue: Considerable damage has been done by the contractor on the sewage works. As Kildare County Council are the owners of this Lime Walk we hope that the Council will ensure that all reinstatement will take place. The Avenue has been ignored by Kildare County Council since it was taken in charge. We ask Kildare County Council to make amends by maintaining the Avenue in future and to erect appropriate public lighting and to install seats at regular intervals so that it can become an amenity for the people.

John Mc Ginley,
Chairperson.

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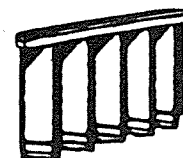
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CITIZENS' INFORMATION CENTRE

Question: A friend of mine in her late 70's wants to sell her house and move to a nursing home as she is no longer able to look after herself. She doesn't want to lose her Non-Contributory Old Age Pension as she will be relying on the proceeds from the sale of her house to cover the nursing home fees, which will cost about £180 per week. Was there some change recently about pensioners selling their homes?

Answer: Yes! New regulations came into effect on the 18th October, 1991 which will allow certain pensioners, who have to sell homes to move into accommodation more suited to their needs, to retain their pension. They must be aged 66 or over, and in receipt of means-tested payments such as Non-Contributory Old Age or Widows' Pension.

This change means that income of up to £75,000 received from the sale of a principal residence will be exempted from the means-test in the following circumstances:

- * When a pensioner sells her/his own home and buys accommodation more suited to her/his needs.

- * Where the proceeds for the sale of the house are used to rent more suitable accommodation, such as special or sheltered housing in the voluntary, co-operative, statutory or private sector.

- * Where income from the sale of a house is used to pay fees in a registered nursing home or retirement home.

This exemption only applies in the case of pensioners who sell their homes on, or after, 18th October 1991.

In the case of married pensioners they must both be aged 66 or over when the house is sold.

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Thurs 10 - 12 & 7.30 - 9pm	Fri 10 - 12 & 2 - 4.

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GIRLS' NATIONAL SCHOOL.

The following people were elected at the A.G.M. in September for the Girls National School:

Committee members 1991 - 1992.

Lila Flynn (Chairperson), Mary Corbally, Margaret McLoughlin (P.R.O.), Mary McMahon, Noelle McTiernan, Rosemary Reynolds, Aisling Richardson, Isobel Walshe, Denise Riordan, Moira Baxter (secretary), Michael Barry (Treasurer), Judy Brady, Helen O'Brien, Peter Robinson, Geraldine Tobin.

Fundraising is ongoing and we would appreciate your continued support.

I would like to point out that the proceeds from the Christmas Raffle has been donated to the needy of the parish.

Thanking you.

Wish everyone a Happy New Year.

Margaret McLoughlin,
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

As we enter into a new year of work, we would like to thank our small band of workers who helped the above committee in any way during the past year.

We have great plans for 1992 and hope that more people will join us in our quest to make Maynooth a better place to live in.

R. Farrell,
Secretary/P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

As we enter the New Year we would like to wish everyone, especially the elderly, health, happiness and peace for 1992. On behalf of our senior citizens we would also like to thank all those who have given of their time, money and love during the past year.

The grand total for our sale of work is £3729.79. We are very grateful to everyone who contributed to making this event so enjoyable and successful. The results of the raffle are as follows:

1st Prize The Hamper - Pat Travers, Newtown, Maynooth.

2nd Prize £50 - Mrs R. McMahon, C/o 25, Laurence Ave.

3rd Prize £25 - T. Power, Rathmines.

The winners of the Doll and Truck raffle were: Nora Power, 838, Greenfield and K. O'Reilly, Leinster Cottages.

Cake and Whiskey raffle: Cake - Mr & Mrs T. Dean, Moyglare and Whiskey - J. Lennon, Maynooth.

The hospital visits take place on the weekend of December 14th and 15th. Our morning sessions conclude for Christmas on December 19th and resume again on Tuesday January 14th. New faces are always welcome.

Finally we would like to thank the staff and Editorial Board of the **Newsletter** for your service to us all and extend our best wishes for the coming year.

P.R.O.

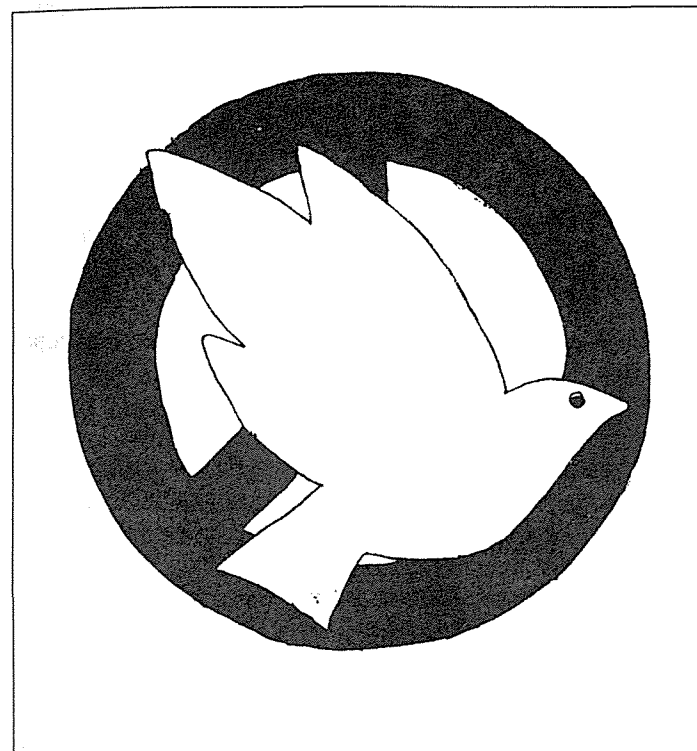
MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK LIONS CLUB NOTES

The Annual Christmas 2FM Food Appeal was a tremendous success with members throwing themselves into the occasion with great zest.

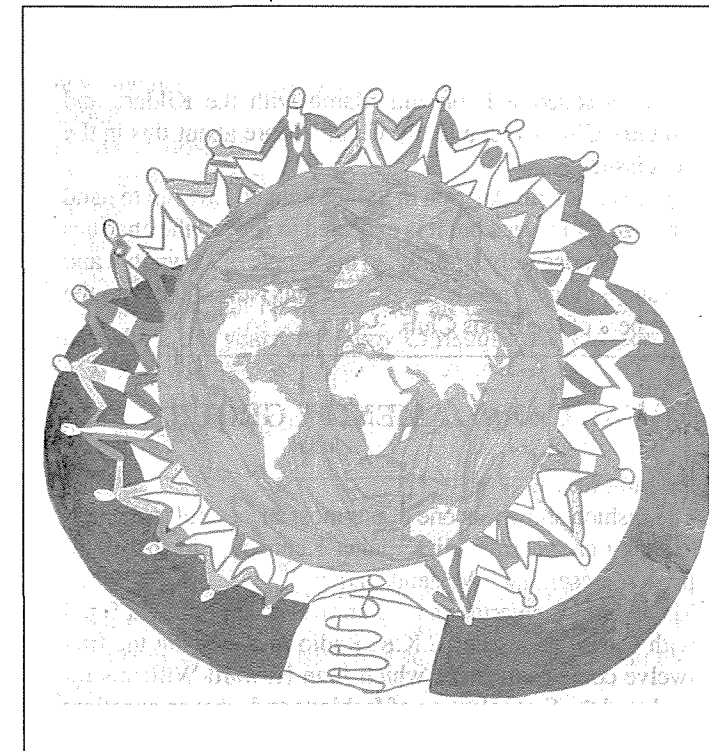
The week-end of Thursday 19th - Sunday the 22nd December was chosen and the club wish to take this opportunity of thanking all who contributed and supported this worthy charity.

It helped most of the less - well - off in our immediate area to enjoy Christmas and the festivities. Food parcels were yet again distributed by our friends in the St. Vincent de Paul.

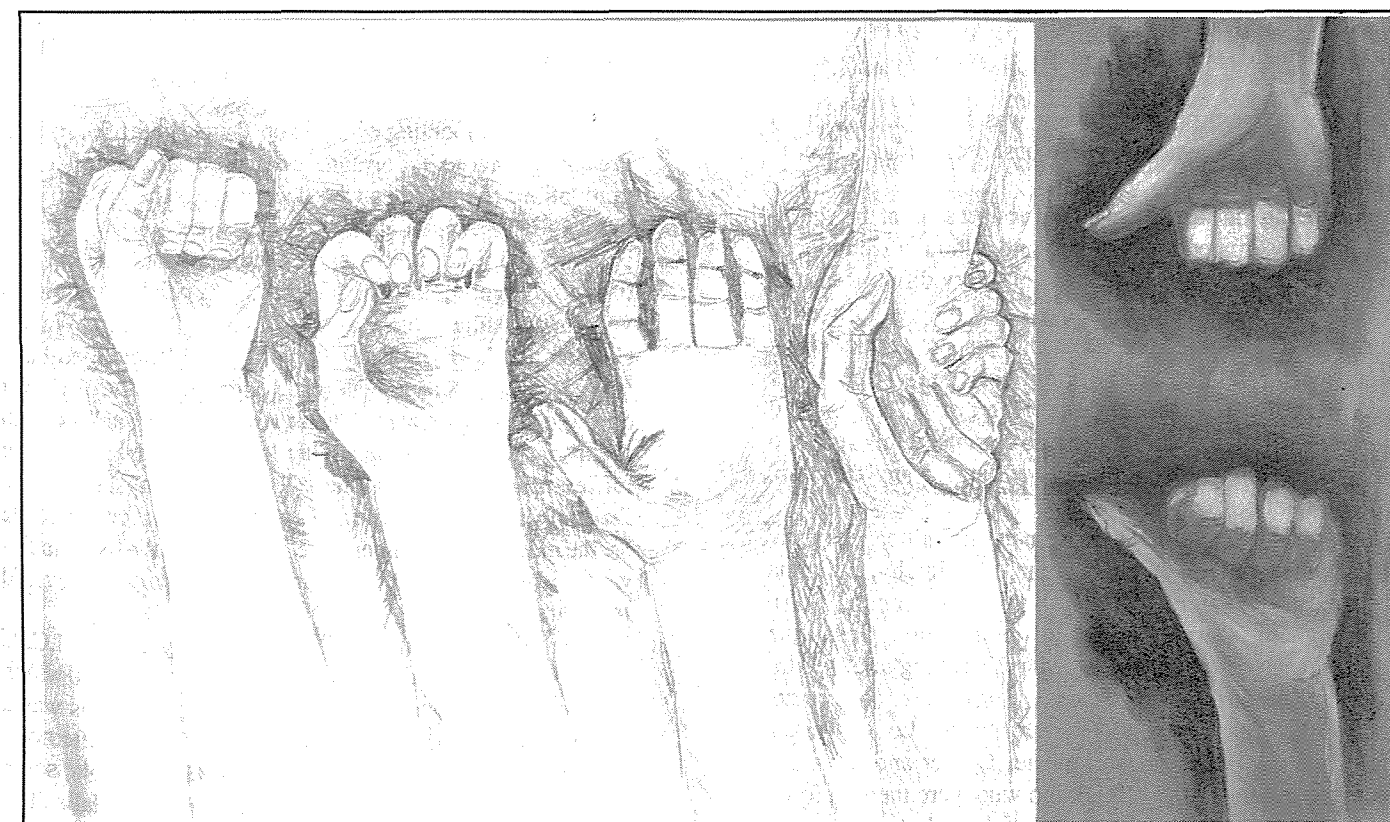
MAYNOOTH/KILCOCK LIONS CLUB PEACE POSTER WINNERS



Martina Dillane
Age 12
Old Rail Park, Maynooth.



Colin Phelan
St. Mary's Boy's National School,
Moyglare Rd., Maynooth, Co. Kildare.



Mark Curley, Age 13, Scoil Mhuire Community School, Clane, Co. Kildare.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

The Peace Poster competition had an enormous entry and the selection of the various age categories proved most difficult, with schools from Clane, Celbridge, Straffan and Maynooth taking part.

Each school had an individual winner and some are depicted opposite. The high standard of entry was noted and praised by the adjudicators.

Good news for the local ladies. The annual Lions Fashion Show is scheduled for mid March with the Kildare and Country Club Hotel a likely venue. More about this in the next issue.

Returns from our Auction in Saint Raphael's are not to hand since going to issue but it is expected to reward the charities chosen handsomely. Finally, to the people of Maynooth and the surrounding areas a very prosperous New Year from the members of the Lions Club.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP

Fashion Show

The fashion show was one of our most successful to date. A capacity crowd saw Miss Elaina Kennedy win the major prize representing "Westend Carpets".

The evenings entertainment commenced promptly at 9 pm with Christy Walsh of C.K.R. Radio interviewing the first twelve contestants, after which Joan Howard-Williams introduced the first selection of fashions and what an excellent job Joan made of the commentaries. After the interval Christy interviewed the second twelve contestants and then it was Joan's turn once more to complete the fashion line up. The results were then announced and I would, on behalf of the chairperson and committee, like to congratulate our new Miss Royal Canal, Elaina Kennedy. I should also like to thank all the other contestants who took part. The prize for the maximum sponsorship went to "Miss New Waves", Karen Boyd.

Best dressed gent on the evening was Mr Brian Gillen of College Green, Maynooth, while best dressed lady went to Mrs Catherine Boyd.

Apologies are due to those who did not get seats at the venue. We underestimated the response and although we reduced the number of "available tickets", it's very difficult to turn people from the door particularly when they had travelled distances to attend. May we extend sincere thanks to the Management and staff of the Springfield Hotel who bent over backwards to facilitate our every request. The personal attention afforded us prompts me to commend this venue to anyone contemplating a party, wedding or any function. You will not be disappointed.

I should also like to thank those non-committee members who helped on the night, Marian McGlinchy, Julianna Kennedy, Rosaleen Kelly, Kathleen Lynch, John Cunningham, Derry Cotter, Josephine Fay, Geraldine O'Sullivan, Norah McDermott, Mary O'Donoghue, Deirdre Treanor. Special thanks to all those who sponsored contestants and prizes. Thanks also to Theresa Murray, Louise Parker and Christine Walsh of the Leinster Leader and the management and staff of C.K.R. Radio who were there in force from the chief executive down. Special thanks to the staff of Airmotive Ireland for their help.

Competition

The R.C.A.G. are entering into the "spirit" of the New Year and we will give a book token to the person who can name the after described cocktail: Equal parts of Quantos, Baileys Cream and fresh cream. Answers in **writing only** to The Chairman of the Royal Canal Amenity Group, C/o Maynooth Post Office, Maynooth, co. Kildare.

Gerry Fitzpatrick,
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

We wish all our members a very Happy New Year and hope 1992 proves to be a fruitful one.

As New Years are about new things we think it's appropriate to give you the names of the new committee members.

Chairperson: Betty Farrell, Vice Chairperson: Mary Doyle (Maynooth), Secretary: Felicity Satchwell, Treasurer: Noeleen O'Brien, Assistant Treasurer: Mary Doyle (Kilcloone), Assistant Secretary: Pat Craigie, Sales Table: Catherine Fields, Maureen Stevens, Contest Secretary: Joan Reynolds, PRO: Rosemary Smyth, Hostesses: Kitty Core, Nell Byrne, Tony Reid.

Our other news is that from February all our meetings will be held in the SVD Hall on the third Tuesday of each month. The February meeting is on 18th at 8.0'clock in the SVD Hall and our demonstration will be by Marie McKeown from Rathfarnham.

R. Smyth, PRO.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The December meeting was held on Thursday the 5th and our President, Mary O'Gorman, welcomed everyone. Congratulations to the ladies who decorated the hall which now has a Christmas atmosphere.

Federation President, our own Member Maisie McMyler, handed over a book 1910 - 1990 I.C.A. celebrating eighty years to two ladies from Maynooth Library, Margaret Walshe Gannon and Lorraine Daly. One of our talented members, Mary Doyle, gave a very interesting demonstration on flower arranging for Christmas. Thank you Mary for making it all seem so easy. Mary donated her lovely finished articles for raffle and auction. The winners: 1st Bernie King, 2nd Imelda Delaney, 3rd Mary McInerney. As usual the monthly raffle for the month of December were Turkeys and the lucky ladies were as follows: 1st Anna Dolan, 2nd Rosemary Hanley, 3rd Joan Grant.

Sunday 8th of December 1991 was a busy day for I.C.A. After all masses we had a cake sale and we raised £110 which will be forwarded to the Children's Hospital. This was a request from the Hospital to all I.C.A. guilds. In the afternoon we had a Monster Bingo in the Parish Hall to make some money to enable us to replace the roof on our Hall. The amount of money made will be published at a later date.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

Thank you to everyone who supported us on the day. A special big thank you to Owen Byrne and helpers and Pat Travers and members of Hall Committee.

Our usual monthly meeting (first Thursday) will be during the Christmas Holidays and it was decided to hold the meeting on 9th January 1992 at 8 pm in the I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour. Hoping for a large attendance and maybe some new members. The competition for January is "A Slice of Christmas Cake" iced or uniced.

Wishing everyone a Happy New Year.

P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Some dates to enter into your diary this year are the 15th, 22nd and the 29th January. We are running a series of talks entitled "The Healthy Body", the emphasis being on the preventative aspect of health care.

The first lecture, on the 15th of January will be given by a speaker from the Irish Cancer Society and the title of the topic is "Good health for all: prevention and the early detections of cancer". The second topic, on the 22nd of January, is entitled "How to prevent Heart Disease in the Community", and will be given by a representative from the Irish Heart Foundation. On the 29th of January, a representative from the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland will give a lecture on Arthritis and the work of the Foundation.

The lectures will begin at 8.00pm, and are free. All are welcome to attend. In March we will have a lecture on gardening, and in April there will be a series on "The Body Beautiful". Further information about these will be available at a later stage.

Some recent acquisitions to stock in the adult library include: Anthony Bruce - *An Illustrated Companion to the First World War*.

Martin Dillon - *The Shankill Butchers*.

Mick Doyle - *Doyler*.

Elizabeth, Countess of Fingall - *Seventy Years Young*.

Desmond Morris - *Babywatching*.

And for all of you Catherine Cookson fans, her latest offering is entitled "The Rag Nymph". Don't forget you can request any of the above titles if they are not on the shelf when you call in. Just in case you didn't know already, Maynooth Library is now open to the public on Holy Days.

At the moment we're considering having an exhibition case exclusively for children, so any collectors of anything out there who'd like to put on an exhibition please contact the library.

Wishing all borrowers and browsers a very Happy New Year.

Margaret Walshe Gannon.

CREDIT UNION NOTES

We have reached the end of another year with our Credit Union, it has been a very successful year with a great increase of new members and completion of the extension to our building at the Harbour House, Maynooth. We would like to

take this opportunity to thank the building contractors and all others associated with its completion. We would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused to our members while work was in progress. The closing date for the Poster Competition was

December 6th and a great number of entries have been handed in. Winners of the competition categories will be announced in the next issue of the Newsletter. As stated before new members are always welcome at Maynooth Credit Union.

Hours of Business:

Thursday 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Friday 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

On behalf of Maynooth Credit Union I would like to thank the staff of Maynooth Newsletter for all their assistance to us throughout the year. A Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year to all.

May Haren.

A.C.R.A.

Following many queries from Residents' Association in the North Kildare area, ACRA recently contacted Bord Gais to enquire about the provision of a supply of natural gas to the area.

Unfortunately, the company feel that at present there are insufficient industrial/commercial or residential developments in the area to justify the level of expenditure required to lay on a supply. To provide any parts of Kildare with gas, it would be necessary to construct major new feeder mains from the main Cork to Dublin pipeline. This is a very costly operation. However Bord Gais are constantly monitoring the situation to ensure that extension to the gas network will be planned when economically viable.

ACRA feel that it is vital that an efficient, economical and clear alternative to the coal still being widely used in Kildare be made available as soon as possible. We would hope to press public representatives to make this a priority concern in the coming months.

For the Leixlip area, there is a possibility that there may be good news "in the pipeline" sooner rather than later. Bord Gais are currently negotiating with the owner of the new INTEL project with regard to extending a gas main from Lucan to supply their new factory. If this project goes ahead, Bord Gais say they would then consider the extension of the gas supply to some of the existing residential estates in Leixlip. We await with interest the outcome of these negotiations.

Other news from the branch concerns contact we made recently with Iarnród Eireann re the restoration of a rail service to and from the Hazelhatch station in Celbridge to alleviate commuter problems in the area. Once again, the problem is one of finance. Iarnród Eireann informed ACRA that while they would be keeping their options open, at the moment they feel that the level of usage would not justify the costs involved in restoring the Hazelhatch service. The company are however, keeping all representations made to them on file for future reference.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

Perhaps an increase in public pressure from the Celbridge area would help?

ACRA Kildare meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Kildrought Inn in Celbridge. We welcome any enquiries from Residents' Associations.

*Michael Quinn, Secretary.
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Residents' Associations' Notes

LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

1. We held our last meeting before the Christmas recess and had a very full agenda to get through.
2. Our recent 300 raffle was a great success and we now have our finances in a healthy state for the New Year. Many thanks to all who sold and bought tickets.
3. On a more serious issue we have decided that it will be necessary for our committee to formalise and promote a campaign against the proposed plans of the Co. Council to allow the continued use of the Dunboyne Rd/Dillons Row/Convent Road to service access to the town for the high volume of heavy commercial and private vehicles currently using this route. On top of this existing congestion the Council would see fit to allow this route become a feeder route to the proposed By-Pass. We feel therefore that we shall make our feelings known through the circulation of a petition objecting to this situation present and future. We urge all residents to sign and support our efforts in this matter. We will expect active support from our local Council Representatives and we shall seek their commitment on this issue.
4. While on the subject of roads we are presently bemucked since the commencement of the sewerage pipework on the Dunboyne Road. It is only lucky that the Tidy Towns Judges saw our efforts before these works began. We ask that the Contractors/Co. Council pay us the respect of sweeping the roads on a daily basis while this work continues.
5. A special word of thanks from the Committee to the person(s) who saw fit to rearrange the seats in the Green. By the time this is read we hope to have the seats repaired.
6. The unauthorised removal of the No Entry sign at Westend Carpets, Mill St. does not mean there is now "Entry Allowed". We hope to have this sign replaced as soon as possible.
7. Many thanks to all our helpers who tidied the neighbourhood over the past months. Our improvement was noted by the Tidy Towns Judges and this is very encouraging. We felt some of the criticism unfair but overall we are glad to be on the up.
8. A meeting will be held in January with the Gardai to revitalise the Neighbourhood Watch and we will notify all residents of the time and place. In the meantime keep alert for all strange goings on and don't hesitate to contact the Gardai of your suspicions.

*Tony Bean
Secretary*

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

You will have read in the letters to the Editor page, our Chairman Pat Hogan's response to the Editorial and letters concerning our Associations attitude to the El-Dorado appeal to An Bord Pleanna, see December Newsletter. We would like to advise of the following:
Mr. Jennings (El-Dorado) Take-away applied to Kildare County Council for extended opening hours from 12 midnight, present closing time (which is what was granted,

Residents' Associations' Notes

following an oral hearing by An Bord Pleanala) to new closing hours of 1.30 a.m. This application was refused by Kildare County Council on the following grounds:
"It is considered that the operation of the Take Away after mid-night would, by reason of the noise, disturbance and general activity generated by or associated with such operation, be serious injurious to the amenities of properties in the vicinity and would be likely to depreciate the value of these properties. It is considered, therefore that the development would be contrary to the proper planning and development of the area."

This was read out and voted upon by the members of our association at a special convened General Meeting. By a substantial majority the committee were mandated by the members to prepare a submission to An Bord Pleanna outlining our support to Kildare County Council's decision to refuse permission to El-Dorado for extended opening hours. This has now been done.

Annual Supper Dance

The Association's Annual Supper Dance will be held on 8th February 1992, in Ned Slevin's, Dunboyne. Mini Bus will be available. Tickets and other details available from committee members.

Finally, as we enter into another year we would like to pay a special tribute to the residents of our estate for all the work done by them in the many associations throughout Maynooth.

We wish all our Newsletter readers, members and residents of our estate a very happy New Year.

*R. Farrell,
P.R.O.*

CARTON COURT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

New Committee

Following the A.G.M. on 18th November 1991, the following is the Residents' Committee for 1991/92. We thank sincerely Mr. O'Rourke, manager of Cassidy's Roost, for allowing us to use the balcony for this important meeting.

Chairperson:	Dick McMahon	(No. 4)
Vice-Chairperson:	Phil Dix	(53)
Secretary:	None elected	
	Noelle Topley	(14)
	Agreed to act as secretary pending the acquiring of a new one!	
Treasurer:	Pádraig Kearney	(5)

Road Representatives/Road Co-Ordinators of Neighbourhood Watch.

Nos. 3 - 16	Dick McMahon	(4)
	Pádraig Kearney	(5)
	Noelle Topley	(14)
18 - 32	Jeremy Farrell	(28)
	Chris Hayes	(32)
33 - 53	John Green	(48)
	Phil Dix	(53)

54 - 74	Tom Clarke	(67)
	Bob O'Reilly (73)	
85 - 99	Breda Gormally	(91)
	Ciarán Hassett	(99)
100 - 114	Jim Ryan	(103)
	Feargal Cosgrave	(114)

Important

We ask all residents to please note that your Road Representatives are also your local Road Co-Ordinators of Neighbourhood Watch. So get to know them!
Anyone who could not attend the A.G.M. and who would like a copy of the outgoing Committee's Report may obtain one from the acting Secretary, Noelle Topley.

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HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH SERIES

William Robert Fitzgerald, Second Duke of Leinster Part 2.

William becomes Earl of Offaly.

1765 was a year of both happiness and sadness for the Kildare family. On the 15th of January Lord Robert Stephen was born, but that same year five year old Louisa died and on the 26th of September, at Richmond House, George, Lord Offaly died. He was only seventeen years old and he was buried in the church of St Martin in the Fields. Lord William was now the heir to the title and, on his brother's death, he became Earl of Offaly. He was now sixteen years old, and for some time his mother and father were contemplating what profession he should undertake. In the end he followed the most obvious course and on the 18th of September he received his commission, as cornet in General Honeywood's troop of horses. He was a quiet and indolent young man and never really became attached to the army. As Lord Kildare said of him, 'William loves nothing with a degree of passion to excel at it.'

Military Education

Lord Kildare arranged for William to attend a military academy in France for several months and thereafter he could join the Holland's who were holidaying in the south of France and spend the winter with them in Italy. William seems to have fallen in with his father's schemes and in early July 1766 set sail for France.

The 'Grand Tour'

After his time was up in the academy near Paris, William accompanied as ever by Mr Bolle, left to join the Hollands in Lyons, Stephen and Charles Fox were also there. This was to be William's first stop on his 'Grand Tour' which included the cities of Naples, Rome, Florence, Turin and later Vienna, Dresden and Berlin among others. He remained in Lyons only a fortnight and then set sail from Marseilles for Naples: the journey was to take twelve days in all. Naples, the city and its life delighted William. He received a letter of introduction to the recently appointed British Envoy to the court of Naples, Mr Hamilton. It was through Hamilton and his wife that William was to be introduced to everyone of importance in Naples from the King downwards. William occupied his days by indulging in all the exercise he could as he was inclined to be fat. He rode and fenced daily. For three days in the week he studied 'fortifications' and drew plans with what today would be considered an army tutor. For the other three days he studied Italian with an Italian master. His nights were occupied with the endless round of balls and concerts and other social diversions. There was also the opera which proved magnificent. Naples was a city famed for gambling but William had a particular aversion to this pastime and rarely indulged in it.

In early December William learned through a letter from his mother that his father had been created a duke. 'You cannot conceive how happy I am!', he wrote to her in reply. He was now the marquis of Kildare. William was to remain in Naples a further three months, during which time he attended the celebrations of the king of Naples' coming-of-age. There was a court and a gala night at the opera. The carnival followed towards the end of January and continued throughout February, ending with a masquerade ball.

Rome, Florence, Leghorn and Turin

From Naples William and his travelling party set out for Rome. The Pope at this time was Clement XIII. William was in Rome for Holy Week ceremonies. He amused himself by visiting the churches and Palazze each morning. His stay in Rome lasted only two months and his next destination was Florence. He arrived there in the middle of June with letter of introduction to all the important people, including Sir Horace Mann and the German Compté Rosenberg, the Prime Minister. Rosenberg had known the duke and duchess of Leinster at the time of their marriage. William was in due course presented to the grand duke and duchess of Tuscany. William was in Florence throughout the summer: he had remained longer than intended in the hope of meeting the emperor Joseph II who was expected to visit his brother, Leopold, duke of Tuscany. The weather was to prove very intense yet William passed his time in Florence pleasantly. August brought cooler weather and Charles Fox arrived to accompany William, yet there was still no sign of the emperor.

In the end William left for Leghorn which was situated near the sea. Large numbers of people of all nationalities converged on this relatively small town each year to bathe in the sea. The Marquis of Kildare stayed only for a month and then returned to Florence.

The cost of William's tour of Europe was enormous. Bolle drew cheque after cheque for hundreds of pounds, and by this time the total had reached several thousand pounds. The Duke and duchess of Leinster were discontented with William's management of his finances and the Duke also complained that he was neglecting his military studies. He suggested that William should proceed immediately to Turin and Vienna to study the fortifications. William, in the hope of seeing the Emperor, delayed in Florence for a couple of weeks more. Disappointed, he made his way to Turin and arrived there at the beginning of November. He was presented to the king of Sardina, Charles Emmanuel III, and even went stag hunting with him. But soon William was studying the fortifications at the Citadel as his father had suggested. Turin was ideal for William's military studies while in Vienna he found the authorities unwilling to allow people examine their military installations/fortifications.

Election to Parliament

William spent Christmas in Nice with the Hollands, Charles Fox and Lord Carisle. It was at Nice that William, only eighteen years old, learned of his election, on the 28th of November 1767, as member of parliament for the city of Dublin in place of the deceased recorder Grattan. The other candidate for the seat in Dublin was John La Touche Esq who was a banker. The polling lasted eighteen days but in the end the marquis of Kildare won with 1,707 votes, a majority of 139. Because of William's absence John St Leger Esq was chaired in his stead. Shortly after the election the duke of Leinster returned the following reply of thanks on behalf of William for his election, to an address presented to him by the corporation of Dublin. It illustrates that the Duke considers it a great honour to himself that the City elected his son to represent them in parliament.

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him one of the representatives in parliament for the great and opulent City of Dublin. You may be assured that nothing shall be wanting on my part to inculcate into my son the most lasting remembrance of the high obligation we lie under, for the singular and peculiar honour you have conferred on him. I flatter myself that my son will do everything in his power to preserve and deserve the good opinion, which you have conceived of him, by a steady and uniform conduct in support of the constitution, laws and liberties of this kingdom, the preservation of the rights and privileges of the citizens, and the advancement of the trade and prosperity of this great metropolis in particular. I do assure you that I never was wanting in inclination to do everything that could be, for the advantage and aggrandisement of this my native country and city, to which I am more than bound by the late distinguished mark of regard shown me by the citizens of Dublin."

William, not being of age, could not take his seat in parliament and so he continued his travels. He returned to Turin, paid a short visit to Genoa and then returned once more to Turin. Shortly before he left Turin, William had news of a General Election in Ireland, which was held as a result of the passing of the Octennial Bill earlier in the year. His seat was uncontested so he did not interrupt his travels abroad.

Susan Dempsey.

THE WINNER OF OUR MEMOIRS COMPETITION IS MRS BRIGID SAULTS 9 PARSON'S STREET

The first part of her memoirs
appears on page 28.

The Newsletter Editorial Board
and staff
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support in 1991. Happy 1992 !

THAT WAS THE YEAR THAT WAS: A VIEW FROM THE NEWSLETTER

January: January's Newsletter started off with 18 New Year wishes, including hopes that the statues in the Roost would stop moving and interfering with the clientele - like most of the other New Year wishes, this did not come to pass. The Chamber of Commerce was on about the state of the footpaths in Main Street. The Old People's Committee had its AGM on 15th January. Maynooth Castle Committee reported their pleasure in the switching on of the flood lighting. New Garda in town, Michael Clifford was welcomed. Work was starting on the St. Patrick's Day Parade arrangements. Attacks on students were reported.

February: A letter to the editor lamented the lack of a vegetarian restaurant in Maynooth. The AGM of the Community Council returned unanimously the same slate as the previous year. The 'No Entry' sign had at last been erected at both entrances to Pound Lane, and Lyreen Residents were looking forward to crossing the lane again, and getting to the other side. The Band was working hard to obtain their new uniforms. The Maynooth Miscarriage of Justice Group reminded us that the Birmingham six had spent their 17th Christmas in jail. The invasion of Kuwait, and subsequent war in the Gulf, merited a mention. Generally, however, the theme was love, and Valentines.

March: The Green Issue, complete with photograph of the ROAR protesters appeared. There was much coverage of the Repair Our Awful Roads protest. The political parties were gearing up for the local elections. Mr Michael Nolan was the subject of 'Muintir Maigh Nuadhat'. Reports of the first Maynooth Garda Dance indicated positive results had been apprehended. Once again, the Community Games Committee lamented the lack of interest among parents in helping out with organisations.

April: As usual, reports of the once again successful St. Patrick's Day Parade dominated. The Editorial considered 1916 and all that. In a shock report, our special correspondent revealed that Maynooth Castle would be demolished because of structural weaknesses. The ROAR Campaign was roaring still, but with little obvious success. Concern about plans for the development of Carton was rising. Ms Annie Daly of O'Neill Park was featured in Muintir Maigh Nuadhat. The Workers' Party reported on a survey of bad lighting in Maynooth, but the light was too bad to see where they were going. Fine Gael returned to the Newsletter raring to take on all comers. John Moran, Leinster Park, came second in the All-Ireland Gymnastics in Cork.

May: Plans for the development of Carton were unveiled, giving rise to controversy and divergent opinions. The parties struck back, taking issue with some comments made by Fine Gael in the previous issue. Our special correspondent was sacked, as his/her report on the demolition of the Castle proved to be without foundation (unlike the Castle). The swans in the Canal had temporarily moved residence to Bond Bridge during refurbishment of their island by the RCAG. The renovated Garda Station was opened. Gerard Coyne was our Muintir Maigh Nuadhat for May.

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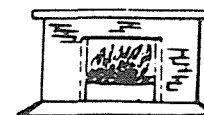
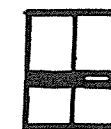
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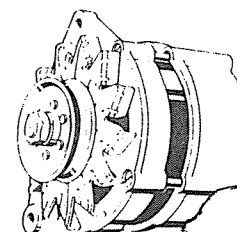
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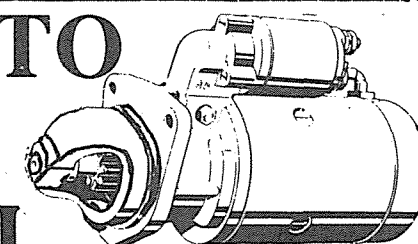
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June: First communicants, Ciara Monaghan, Rachel Cunningham, Elaine Farrell, and Gillian O'Hurley graced the front page. Local election fever was mounting. The Carton debate continued, with the Community Council welcoming the developments proposed by Gleneagles Ltd. The 'Thing in the Square' earned a reprieve, when County Councillors voted to demolish it only if a replacement was built. The programme for Community Week was launched. An obituary to the late Professor Barbara Hayley, from the College, paid tribute to her work for her students and for her subject. President de Klerk of South Africa's visit to Maynooth had miraculously coincided with Kildare County Council's decision to do some work on the Moyglare Road. Pages of messages were relayed from the Annual Spring Fair. The winners of the Short Story Competition were: Andrew Rowan (under 12s); Catherine Devaney (12 - 18 yrs); and Valerie O'Neill (over 18 yrs).

July: Maynooth's most popular barperson, James Connolly, the Roost pulled a pint for us all on the cover. Dominic Nyland visited Gleneagles in Scotland and lived to tell us the tale. Kingsbry 7-a-side had won the interstates soccer competition. Fred Leavy was profiled for Muintir Maigh Nuadhat (he gave the local parties a run for their money in the elections!). The Maynooth writing school which has produced so many writers in recent years - Mary O'Donnell, Clairr O'Connor, Peter Denman, Joe Buckley, Isabelle Cartwright and so on - was featured. College Green went to Amsterdam, and showed us the photographs. Bernard Durkan (FG) and Gerry Brady (FF), the two successful Maynooth County Councillors appeared on the back page.

August: The August cover provided hours of memories and speculation for many old Maynoothians, as it showed a photograph taken in the Square in 1970, in which over 200 of the then residents could be clearly identified. More dissenting voices taking issue with Carton plans were heard. A successful open day in Carton was recalled. A generally quite issue overall.

September: Carton day had raised 4000 pounds for the community. Congratulations were extended to leaving cert students on their results, although Mr Ashe, Principal remained tight lipped on the breakdown of results. Margaret Walshe (mother of the monumental sculptor, who is not Fran Walsh) was the subject of Muintir Maigh Nuadhat. More lengthy statement about Carton appeared. Peter Connell reported from Russia with love. His visit had far reaching consequences. Pub Spy reported in on the annual raid on Maynooth pubs.

October: Maynooth snooker hero, Joe Canny was cover boy for this issue, on his way to the world championship in Bangkok. The Tidy Town results were once more a slap in the face for the hard working committee, although there was a slight rise in marks. Ms Kay Burns won the monthly ICA competition, for brown bread. Nanny Kenny was profiled in Muintir Maigh Nuadhat. The passing of Greenfield Phase 3 Residents' Association was lamented. John Sauls and Louise Boyce finally took the plunge.

November: The historic handing over of the keys of Maynooth Castle to the state was captured on the front page. The judges of the Tidy Estates competition delivered their verdict - congratulations to Cluain Aoibhinn. It was revealed that the star of the film 'The Commitments', Andrew Strong, had started his career by winning the Battle of the Bands competition in Maynooth. The Ulster Bank launched its new ATM. Peter Denman launched a collection of poetry. MOB launched a few broadsides, as gaeilge.

December: An exchange of letters highlighted the problems of reconciling the sometimes conflicting wishes of residents and business people, with letters about the El Dorado fast food takeaway. The Community Council proposed a plan for traffic management (or calming as it is now known) in Main Street. Local people of the year, Norah McDermott and Kathleen O'Leary received awards at a function in Newbridge and were pictured with the thinking woman's crumpet, Pat Kenny. Joe Canny came fourth in the world championship snooker in Bangkok and returned to a reception in the Roost organised by the Community Council. Local graduates, Susan Dempsey, John Nevin, Mary McGinley, and Dotty Knauer had their photographs displayed. The Leinster Arms qualified for the most mystifying advertisement.

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John Kenny
Manager.

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WISHES FOR 1992:

- * That the Maynooth by-pass be finished and we never see another traffic jam in Maynooth again.
- * That Quinnsworth sorts out the traffic parking chaos by installing a one way system, drawing permanent white lines, and putting down kerbing.
- * That the Thing in the Square is replaced by 'No Thing', and certainly not by more car-parking.
- * That more Presidents come to stay at Moyglare Manor so the road will be kept pot hole free.
- * That a rich, solvent tycoon will buy Carton and present it to the state for the use of all the people.
- * That the Harbour Field playground be restored to its proper function, and the travellers currently camped there (and who are at least making use of it) find more appropriate accommodation.
- * That none of the restaurants in Maynooth close down during the year as has happened in the past.
- * That exciting new shops open on Mill Street and not more clothes shops, grocers or newsagents.
- * That Kildare County Council immediately cleans up Carton Avenue after the mess it has created.
- * That more people buy the Newsletter.
- * That Maynooth's literary magazine, Cobweb, grows in strength and stature throughout 1992.

BOB'S KITCHEN

Vegetarian Days

Following the success of our vegetarian Christmas (no one has contacted us to say they were poisoned, but then, how could they?) we are going to provide some more recipes to tempt even the greatest carnivores in our midst to abandon their evil ways. Anyway, who knows how old that lump of meat on your plate is, and where it has been.

Lasagne with Leeks and Lentils.

Ingredients: 4oz of brown lentils, washed; 1tbsp olive oil; 1 lb leeks, finely diced; 1 medium carrot, diced; 8oz mushrooms, diced; 1 lb tomatoes, skinned and chopped; 1 clove of garlic, 1tsp dried oregano; 1tsp marjoram; 1tbsp shoyu (this is a naturally fermented soya sauce which doesn't have the additives and sugar - try soya sauce if not available); salt and pepper; 8oz lasagne; half pint bechamel sauce; 2oz parmesan cheese, grated.

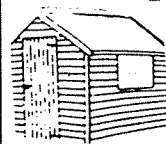
Method: Put lentils in a pan with plenty of water to cover. Bring to the boil and simmer, cover for 25 minutes. Drain, reserving the stock. Heat the oil, and gently fry the leeks, carrots, mushrooms, and garlic for 5 or 6 minutes, or until fairly soft. Add the cooked lentils, tomatoes, herbs and shoyu, cover and cook for 15 or 20 minutes, adding a little lentil stock if the mixture is too dry. Preheat the oven to 180 centigrade, gas mark 4. Meanwhile, cook the lasagne in boiling salted water for 10 minutes, or until just tender. Put a layer of lasagne in a lightly greased baking dish. Cover with a layer of the lentil mixture and one of bechamel sauce. Continue in this order until you have used all your ingredients, ending with a layer of sauce. Sprinkle over the grated cheese and bake for 30 minutes.

Spinach and Almond Cannelloni

Ingredients: 12oz spinach; 1 large onion, diced; 1tbsp oil; 1 green pepper, deseeded and diced; 4oz ground almonds; half pint water; 1tsp dried thyme; grated nutmeg; salt and pepper; 1 lb of cannelloni; Tomato sauce (1 tin of tomatoes; 2 sticks celery, finely chopped; 2 cloves garlic, crushed; 1tsp marjoram; 1tbsp tomato puree); 2oz parmesan cheese grated.

Method: Make tomato sauce first. (Put tomato sauce ingredients in a pan and simmer over a gentle heat for a least 15 minutes, until you have a thick sauce. Stir occasionally. This can be cooking while you are making the rest of the dish). Preheat the oven to 200 centigrade, or gas mark 6. Blanch the spinach in boiling water for 1 minute. Drain thoroughly, and chop finely. Gently fry the onion and garlic in the oil for 4 minutes until soft. Add the green pepper and cook for 4 minutes more. Stir in the chopped spinach, and cook over a moderated heat for another 2 minutes. Add the almonds, water and thyme and bring to the boil, stirring. Season with nutmeg, salt and pepper. Fill the cannelloni with this stuffing. Arrange them in a lightly greased dish and cover with tomato sauce. Sprinkle with grated parmesan cheese and bake for 25 minutes.

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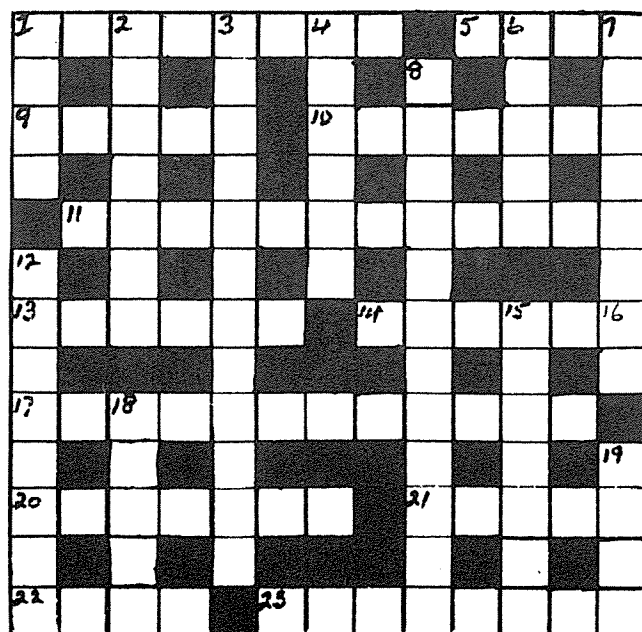
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Across

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

Down

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



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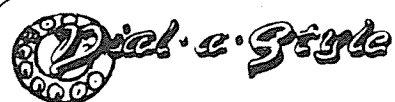
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Solution to Crossword 49:

Across: 1. Community; 8. Kilo; 9. Lime trees 10. Iced; 13. Boxer; 15. Lie low; 16. Devout; 17. Not out; 19. Minnow; 20. Sedan; 21. Used; 24. The Avenue; 25. Eats; 26. Geraldine.

Down: 2. Omit; 3. Meet; 4. Narrow; 5. Teemed; 6. Kilcloone; 7. Dowdstown; 11. Alan Dukes; 12. West Meath; 13. Bonus; 14. Resin; 18. Tee Hée; 19. Manana; 22. Herd; 23. Ruin.



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Check tyre pressure (including the spare), clean windows, mirrors and lights. On your journey if you encounter any of the following elements follow this advice:

Fog:

1. Slow down - fog is very deceptive.
2. Use dipped headlights.
3. If you have fog lights, use them.
4. Keep a safe distance from the vehicle in front.

Snow:

1. Remove all snow from windows and mirrors.
2. Accelerate gently - brake gently.
3. Use main roads where possible.
4. Most important avoid speed, but if travelling fast slow down gradually.

Ice:

1. In the comforts and heat of your vehicle you may be unaware of the drop in temperatures outside - Be aware and always alert.
2. Black Ice - You cannot see it, but reduced road noise tells you that it's there.
3. Above all - slow down and take your time - it's better to be late than DEAD on time. Carry de-icers, jump leads and in very severe weather carry a shovel, a heavy warm coat and an effective sizable car lamp. **FOREWARNED IS FOREARMED.**

A thank you to the public and best wishes for the New Year.

The past year has been one of pressure and challenge on the Garda Síochána members locally. There has been an increase in crime and generally the resources have been stretched to deal with the on-going problems of crime, lawlessness, vandalism and the ever worsening traffic situation. We experience much success in our operations especially in the area of crime Prevention. These successes were due in no small way to the excellent help and assistance we received from you the public. I want to convey our sincere thanks and appreciation for the loyal co-operation and goodwill afforded to the Gardai by the public in the past and I look forward with confidence to the continuation of this spirit of harmony and friendship between us in our mutual interest. Thank you. We extend our best wishes to all the people of Maynooth during the coming year.

Your local Gardai.

MEMORIES OF MAYNOOTH

by Mrs B. Sauls

Maynooth is very special to me. I was not born here, but having lost both my parents when very young it became home when I was fifteen years old. Memory takes me back a long way to times so dear and different. My brother and I lived with my aunt and uncle-in-law in Upper Parson Street, more commonly known as "The Pux". My uncle loathed the name! The house was large, with a yard, haggard and garden to the back. There were hen houses, horse stables and a barn. There were hens, chickens, ducks and turkeys in abundance. The chant was - D'arcy's ducks went up the "Pux".

My aunt also kept a small shop. In addition she kept a lodging house for men, mostly self-caterers. Some worked locally. Then there were the tradesmen - blacksmiths, carpenters, harness-makers and tailors. Those latter came occasionally to seek employment around and invariably succeeded in so doing. There was a master tailor living in the Main Street who catered for the college clerical clothes requirements. In September when the college re-opened after the summer vacation, the tailors returned. They were always sure of employment with the late Pat Carthy and, of course, accommodation in D'arcys. I used to love this time. The men came up in the evening, cooked and ate their meal in the kitchen, then went down to the local and came back in good voice and entertained us with such lovely songs as "The Moon Behind the Hill", "The Rose of Tralee" and many more. They were supplied with their own cooking utensils, crockery and cutlery. There was a turf fire on the hearth. My uncle had his own farm and bog in Ballinacagh about eight miles off. He cut and brought home his own turf and set the land for grazing purposes. We had our own separate cooking utensils, crockery and cutlery, but all the cooking was done in the kitchen. We lived in the parlour. What lovely pot-oven and griddle bread and potato-cakes were baked beside that fire on the hearth. We had a coal fire in the grate in the parlour.

I remember one morning a tailor was frying a herring for his breakfast. He took the pan down off the fire to cool it and turned round to the table for some purpose. When he turned back to the pan the herring had disappeared! The cat had been watching and when the opportunity arose, seized on it and had the herring under one of the tables. The tailor turned round in consternation to find his breakfast with the cat. He had a knife in his hand. He bent down and said "I'll cut her b****y throat, I will". I was howling laughing. He joined in the laughter, retrieved the herring from the cat, returned it to the pan and ate it! He was a good humoured, educated man. Another morning a man was frying a piece of steak. He had a slight accident while turning it and it landed in the ash pit beside the hearth. He returned it to the pan - it has lost nothing only what it gained (ashes). There were many funny and pleasant scenes enacted in the kitchen. My uncle, when he was at leisure, kept to the parlour, my aunt moved around, but they never denied my brother and I the pleasure of spending time amongst the men.

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One great annual event when the house would be packed to capacity was Windgates races. All the old regulars would arrive. Accommodation had to be provided for them. We had a busy time. There was no water or electricity in the houses then. The water had to be carried from the pump on the square, or from the well up over the bridge. Barrels of rain-water for domestic use were a great help. It was lovely water to wash in - so soft! Paraffin oil lamps and candles supplied light. There was plenty of washing-up to be done, rooms to be cleaned, beds to be made and big washings to be tackled. One night there was a knock on the door around bed-time. It was a college student who had had permission to go to Dublin that day on business. He had been unavoidably delayed and could not gain entry to the college. He explained his presence, and asked if he might stay the night. My aunt was in a right quandry. The college rules were strict and she always had a good relationship with the management thereof. They used to buy poultry from her. This would be taking a great risk of incurring the displeasure of the President. On the other hand the thought of turning him out into the night was appalling. Anyway, he partook of a cup of cocoa which was being had at the time. He enjoyed the chat at the fire. A relation of ours who was there at the time came up with a solution. To the left of the house there was a tunnel (it's still there) which led down to the river, in which there were stepping stones leading across to the opposite bank beside the college wall. This relation took a ladder across the river and placed it up against the wall. By this means the student was able to climb across the wall. He knew the night watch-man and all was well. The students were very restricted in those days. The only outing they had was a walk on Wednesday afternoons, accompanied by a dean. Those silent black-clad figures passed along. Looking back now it seems so sad. However they made fine priests, some of whom went beyond our shores bringing Christ to the nations and putting Maynooth on the map as the largest Catholic seminary in Europe.

An amusing tale was told about a student and boy servant ("saucepan"). Around 11 am there used to be porridge served to the students. One morning a student was absent when it was being served. After a while the boy took the porridge away. When the student came in he called the boy and asked for his porridge. The boy explained that as he was out he thought he did not want it. Whereupon the student said:-

"Within or without it was my stirabout
And upon me I'll compel you to wait,
If not I'll complain to the bursar and dean
And have you put outside the gate".
The boy replied:-

"To have me put out might put you about,
Likewise give you something to do,
And before that I go I'll have you to know,
I'm as strong in the college as you".

On the other end of the town Carton was occupied by some of the last remaining Fitzgeralds. Lord Frederick insisted that on Sunday mornings as he was being driven to service in the Church of Ireland his male employees would assemble along

the main street, bow down and say "My Lord". Anyone who failed to do so would run the risk of being dismissed unless he had a very good reason for his absence. As the time of the service coincided with the time of 11.30 mass, it left the men pushed for time for mass. The then parish priest, knowing of this arrangement spoke out on the subject one Sunday. In conclusion he turned towards the tabernacle and said "The Lord is here and will be here when there won't be a Lord in Carton". How right he was!

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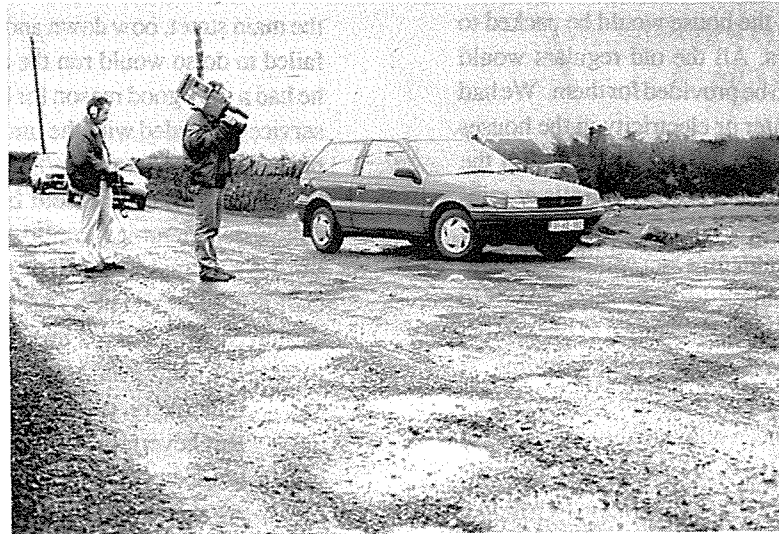
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THE YEAR IN PHOTOS



R.T.E. take time to record the Community Council's R.O.A.R. protest march and to film the pot-holes on the Newtown Road. March



Staffing the Newsletter /Community Council stand at the Trade Fair in April were Gerry Scully (Then roving reporter with The Newsletter) and John McGinley (Chairperson, Community Council).



A section of the participants in one of the year's table quizzes held in Caulfield's lounge.

THE YEAR IN PHOTOS



Launching The Guinness sponsored Community Festival in the Roost Lounge in June were Peter Hussey (Secretary, Community Council), Marie Gleeson (Chairperson, Festival Committee), Anne Cotter (Secretary, Planning & Development Committee) and Muireann Ní Bhrolchain (Vice-chairperson, Community Council).



The winning team in the Festival Treasure Hunt in June being presented with their cheque in Caulfield's (L - R): Carolann Reaper, John McGinley, Kay McKeogh (Organiser), Lenny Murphy and Peter Hussey.

THE YEAR IN PHOTOS



Noel Dempsey (Captain of The Simpsons, winning team) accepting the Joe Murphy Memorial Trophy from Mrs. Annie Murphy during the Soccer club's tournament in August.



Enda Breslin, astride The Harley Davidson he won in July.



Boats pulling in along the Royal Canal for Maynooth's first Harbour Day and a visit by the Steam Train in Maynooth.

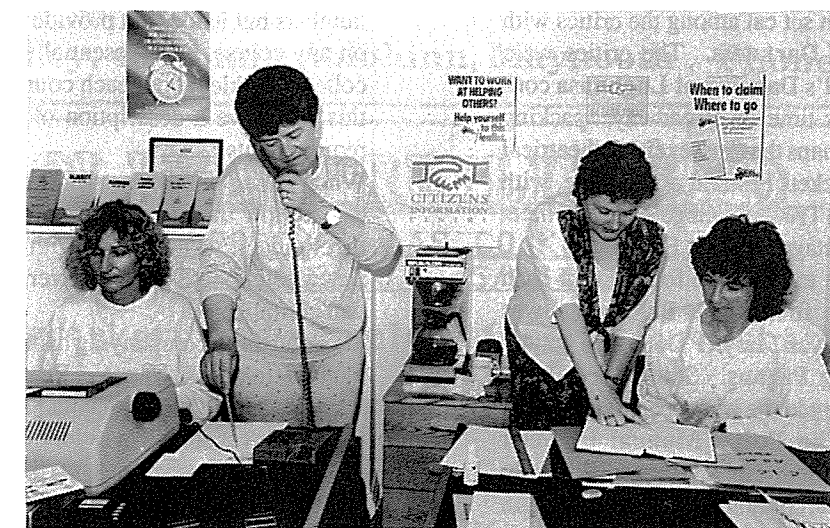
THE YEAR IN PHOTOS



New Arrivals to the Boys' National School in September.



Enjoying the sunshine, the jokes and the end of a busy open day at Carton House on 28th July were Anne Cotter, Norah McDermott, John McGinley and Christina Saults.



New Office and New Staff for The Citizen's Information Centre in June. Freda Kelleher, Delma Walsh, Frances Daly (Organiser) and Breda Gormally in their new office beside The Community Council offices on Main Street. (Photo: Louise Parkes).

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LITERARY REVIEW 1991.

When one begins to write a literary review of a year one tends to slip comfortably into phrases like, 'it was a good year for books', or 'bookworms were spoiled for choice this year' etc. Well, in my opinion, 1991 was not particularly a fantastic year that sent me running to the bookshop with every spare tanner. Or rather twenty-pound note (strange how books seem perpetually to increase in price). Anyway despite the generally insipid offering the literary world has given us this last year, there were some - albeit few - highlights.

1991 saw new collections of poetry by three of our leading poets. Michael Longley ended a ten year silence with **Gorse Fires**. Superb stuff, and well deserving of the Whitbread nomination recently announced. Pipped at the post for this nomination was Seamus Heaney's most inspired collection since **Field Work**, the excellent **Seeing Things**. The poetry of Heaney seems to have lost a bit of power of late. He gets back to his best form though in this latest volume. Paul Durcan allows up on the success of **Daddy, Daddy** with the innovative **Crazy About Women**, a beautifully produced volume of poems about pictures Durcan has selected from the National Gallery's Collection.

Roddy Doyle seems to go from strength to strength - why I don't know. **The Van** won him a nomination for the Booker Prize and, of course, **The Commitments** has brought him worldwide fame. He has changed the course of the English language as we know it. The Bookers Prize eventually went to Ben Okri for **The Famished Road**. The book, however, is not about the tar-starved roads around Maynooth. Unfortunately I don't know what it is about, and I'm waiting until it comes out in paperback to find out. 1991 also saw new novels by Peter Carey, the bleak and disturbing **The Tax Inspector**, and Martin Amis, the controversial **Time's Arrow**.

Speaking of controversy, John McGahern, no stranger to it for his novels, has once again set cat among the critics with his first play the **Power of Darkness**. The critics were strongly divided. Brian Friel's **Dancing at Lughnasa** continued its great success, this time on Broadway, packing them in night after night. Perhaps the most exciting theatrical event, however, was the Beckett Festival at the Gate, with various other events staged in Trinity College and elsewhere. All of Beckett's plays were staged. Great Fun. Maynooth Writer's continue to be at the forefront of Irish writing. Clair O'Connor's first novel, **Belonging**, was greeted with enthusiasm, as was Mary O'Donnell's collection of short stories, **Strong Pagans**. Sotto Voce Press, meanwhile, opened its account in the Irish poetry publishing world impressively with **The Poet's Manual** by Peter Denman, with illustration by Kevin Honan. Finally **Cobweb**, Maynooth's literary magazine, continues to go from strength - issue 5, its most substantial to date, is now in the shops. It's nice to end the year on controversy. Seamus Deane and friends have made sure we leave 1991 scratching our heads, wondering where Irish Literature is going, if anywhere. **The Field Day Anthology of Irish Writing**, edited by Deane, has in some way attempted to be an evaluation of where Irish Writing has been (for anyone who can afford the £166 price

tag). As we enter Europe and (hopefully) new and fresh influences, 1992 seems to promise a year of diversity at the very least. One final word, worst book of the year must go to **Cats in the News**, a series of tales about, believe it or not, cats who have appeared on the ITV news over the past number of years. Edited by the newscaster Martin Lewis. Unbelievably bad.

Best wishes for 1992 and happy reading.

CAO/CAS Applications.

The closing date for college applications is looming for many Leaving Certificate students. The recent streamlining of the application procedure should lead to less confusion all round. However up to 10 per cent of applicants make mistakes in filling out the form each year. Since last year the Dublin Institute of Technology's (DIT) application form and the separate forms of all the Regional Technical Colleges (RTC's) have combined with the university's application form to create the CAO/CAS form.

The CAO/CAS form is made up of several parts. The first part asks for general information - date of birth, examination details etc. The second part contains three separate lists of course choices:

- (a) CAO degree courses (includes all universities, Thomond College, and the National College of Art and Design). You can list up to ten course choices here.
 - (b) CAS List 1 - degree courses in RTC's. You are allowed up to three choices here.
 - (c) CAS List 2 - certificate and diploma courses in RTC's and DIT colleges. Up to ten courses may be listed here.
- Each list will be dealt with separately and given equal importance when offers are made. Before filling out the CAO/CAS form, do some research. Preparation is vital. Don't rely on the CAO/CAS handbook - it contains basic information, a list of courses and their code numbers but it does not provide comprehensive information on any course. It is essential that you read the individual college booklet about each course you wish to apply for, as this will have a description of the course and basic entry requirements.

When filling out the form-

- (1) Follow the instructions carefully. Despite the ancient theory that if you can cope with the CAO form, the Leaving Certificate should be a walkover, filling out the form is not all that complicated.
- (2) Read the accompanying handbook and make sure you are eligible for each course. Remember some courses have specific subject requirements.
- (3) Put down course in order of preference - not in order of what you think you might get. This is very important. Places will be offered on the presumption that you have listed the course in order of preference. Offers of places will depend on what your points qualify you for. This applies to each list. If you are offered your eighth choice on the first round of offers, you may be offered your third choice on the second round if the points required for your third choice drop. You will always be offered a higher choice in subsequent rounds if points needed go down, but never a lower choice. Each list

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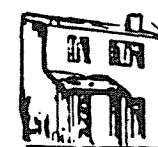
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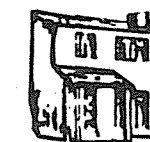
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will be treated separately, so up to three offers may be made on each round, although only one can be accepted.

(4) Sometimes it can be helpful to either photocopy the form or get a spare one for a trial run. Photocopy the form once it's complete and keep all the information and documents to do with the application together in a file, you'll need it all in August.

(5) Make sure all the details are correct - don't forget to include all your subjects.

(6) Maximise your opportunities by applying for something on all three lists. It will cost the same regardless of whether you apply for one or twenty-three courses.

If you are still undecided coming up to the closing date write 'pending' next to the course choice section. With the application acknowledgement you will be sent a separate document to fill in your course choices and CAO/CAS serial number.

There is also an opportunity to change your mind up to the beginning of August. A 'change of mind' slip is included with acknowledgement of application. If you have completely missed the closing date and wish to apply, you can make a late application for around twice the usual fee, up to the beginning of August.

Finally, the education columns in the national newspapers are very useful for up-to-date information regarding not only applications but also later on when the offers are being made. Good Luck!

Maastricht

What Does It Mean ?

Where Will It All End ?

And How Much Will It Cost ?

There was a time when government and politics were relatively easy to understand. The budget put 1d on the pint and 2d on twenty fags, the Children's Allowance went up by five bob and your local TD called around once every four years and said - 'Don't forget to give me a stroke' and we said 'No, we won't forget you' and he went away happy. Well those simple days are long past and, now, we are constantly bombarded with a stream of political and economic jargon, the like of which hasn't been heard since the Tower of Babel came tumbling down.

Over the past ten years jargon of all sorts has insidiously seeped into our newspapers, TV and even ordinary conversation. The Public Sector Borrowing Requirement raised its ugly head about 1982 and was closely followed by the Debt GNP Ratio. These two thingies apparently went out of control and caused consternation even though the vast majority of us hadn't a clue what they meant. This proved that we were well capable of producing our own home grown gobbledegook. But it has taken the EC, and especially the recent Maastricht summit, to break all records in the jargon industry. The result has been that talking heads on the TV speak a language completely divorced from what you'll hear anywhere else. So, as a special service to Newsletter readers, here is a guide to some of the more exotic Europeak:

Cohesion

We're totally in favour of this. More cohesion means us

becoming as wealthy as the Germans and French. The idea is that the EC will try to ensure that the poor countries catch up with the rich ones.

EMU

We're in favour of this but only if there's more cohesion. Economic and Monetary Union (for that is what EMU is) means that VAT rates and other such taxes will move towards a common level. This will be followed (in about 1999) by the introduction of a single currency called the ECU (yeuch!). Then it will be goodbye punt, franc, lira etc; hello ECU. At least it will be handy for the holliers.

Subsidiarity

We're in favour of this (I think). What it means is that the European Commission and the Parliament won't go poking their noses into our business if our own government can do a better job at it. Certain functions will be left to national governments to take care off - like buying business schools that no one wants.

The Democratic Deficit

This is a bad thing. What it means is that we're giving loads of power to the EC but we have little control over what they do with it. The problem is that the European Parliament which we all elected (name your local MEP) has only limited powers compared to the European Commission who are a crowd of bureaucrats appointed by national governments (our bureauocrat is Ray McSharry). The treaty signed in Maastricht has beefed up the Parliament though the problem remains that only 15 of the over 400 MEPs are Irish (and one of those is Ian Paisley).

Synergy

We had one of these at home once but it would never start on a cold morning and eventually the wheels fell off.

Sports Review of 1991

January

Only the hardiest souls brave the frosty playing fields of mid-winter and Maynooth's cross-country runners (from the under 10s to the over 45s) proved themselves as tough as they come by performing very well in last winter's local and Leinster Championships. Conor Diggins was second in the under 11 Championship. Local ladies Frances Kearney (3rd), Margaret Gillick (4th), Marie Gleeson (6th) and Bernie Dunne (7th) won the novice team title. Maynooth man Pat Gleeson starred in the over 45s All-Ireland Championship, eventually finishing second.

February

Maynooth Town's fortunes improved significantly this month after a poor run leading up to Christmas. A good win over Broombridge Utd in the Premier Division followed by a good 3-2 victory over Bessborough Utd in the 6th round of the Dalton Cup.

March

John Moran from Leinster Park does Maynooth proud by finishing second in the All-Ireland Gymnastics Championship in Cork.

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Maynooth Town flattered to deceive on the soccer front when the first team were knocked out of both the Dalton and Sheeran Cups.

April

On the GAA front Maynooth got the season off to a flying start with two victories - over Confey and Ardclough. The club's underage league also got under way in April with 70 youngsters turning out each Saturday morning.

May

College Green F.C. won promotion to Division 1A of the Meath and District League following a long, hard-fought campaign. Promotion was eventually gained following a second play-off against Kells Celtic. The club also embarked an end of season tour to Holland which saw them capture the Estec F.C. Challenge Cup. According to reports, however, most of the more frantic action took place far from the playing fields. But this is a sports review. North Kildare Under 13s carried off the O'Daly Cup against strong opposition.

On the same Sunday half of Maynooth headed for Croke Park for the National League Final where, despite a gutsy performance, Kildare lost narrowly to Dublin.

June

The lazy, hazy days of summer and sporting activities break out all over - golf, angling, athletics, Gaelic Football (we won't mention a certain game in Drogheda). Pride of place this month goes to Maynooth's Under 10 GAA team who won the title in the Leixlip Salmon Leap Festival Tournament. Centre Forward Karl Ennis accepted the trophy amid scenes of wild rejoicing.

July

Loads of activity on the GAA front. Under 10s, 12s, 14s, 16s and seniors all fielded teams with varying degrees of success.

Soccer took a break. Maynooth Town's first team player of the year was awarded to goalkeeper Mick McGarry while John O'Neill was second team player of the year.

August

The highlight this month was the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup run By Maynooth Town. Spectators turned out in large numbers for all games in the Harbour Field. The Simpsons beat Scousers Army in an exciting final.

September

This month saw Maynooth GAA team win promotion to Division 2 of the Senior Football League after a hard fought campaign. Promotion was sealed with a 1-10 to 1-4 win over Sallins.

October

The golfing season wound up with John Duffin and John Byrne beating Jim Ryan and Terry Moore on the 19th hole in the matchplay final. The Golfer of the Year award was secured on the last Saturday of the season by Noel Herterick.

November

Joe Canny put Maynooth on the world sporting map with a magnificent performance in the World Amateur Snooker Championship in Bangkok. After beating some of the world's best, Joe finally succumbed to Dominick Dale of Wales in

the Semi-final by 8 frames to 6. The Community Council hosted a reception for Joe on his return to mark a magnificent achievement.

December

Maynooth's Tae-Kwon-Do instructors Gerard McClelland and Michael Devereux continue to promote the sport in the town. A recent success was the promotion of Martin Traynor and Sean Foy to 1st degree Black Belts of the Association.

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Political Party Notes

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

No to Coalition

At the Annual General Meeting of the Labour Party Kildare Constituency Council held in Naas recently, a motion ruling out coalition with the conservative parties was passed overwhelmingly. Many speakers outlined the damage that had been done to the Party during coalitions in the 1970's and 1980's when Fine Gael dominated governments had implemented policies such as the removal of food subsidies and the introduction of service charges.

Addressing the meeting, Deputy Emmet Stagg stressed the need to work for the realignment of Irish politics along a left/right divide by forcing together Fianna Fail and Fine Gael who no longer had a rationale for being separate parties. On the other hand, it made sense for those on the Left - the Labour Party, the Workers' Party and left independents - to co-operate as, in terms of policies, they have much in common. Deputy Stagg referred to the gains made by the Labour Party since 1987 when it won less than 7% of the vote in that year's General Election to its current rating of 15% in the opinion polls. All these gains would be thrown away if the spectre of coalition loomed on the horizon.

John McGinley and David Moynan from Maynooth were re-elected as Chairperson and Treasurer of the Constituency respectively.

Successful Race Night.

The branch would like to thank all those who helped make our Race Night in the Leinster Arms on December 6th last such a great success. Thanks especially to our sponsors, to those who bought horses and to the punters who showed great staying power during a twelve race card!

Sewerage Works in Maynooth.

The on-going sewerage works around the town continue to be something of a nuisance. However, following representations from Deputy Stagg to Kildare County Council the contractors appear to have cleaned up their act to some extent. Dangerous holes alongside the road at the entrance to Greenfield were fenced off and some other tidying up was carried out. The Avenue still remains in a mess and repair work must still be carried out on the pillars leading to the avenue. We expect that the contractors will leave the road and grass margins on the Straffan Road.

Happy New Year.

The branch would like to wish all the people of Maynooth a Happy and Prosperous New Year and to thank them for their continued support which was so evident in last years' local elections.

WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

The State of the Nation

1991 will not go down as a good year for Ireland's political institutions. The almost continuous bombardment of scandals and scandalous allegations over the last few months has

generated an alarming level of cynicism among the public concerning those entrusted with running the affairs of the nation. The culture of the rip-off and the quick buck which has been allowed to grow in Ireland in the last thirty years has clearly permeated to the highest levels in politics and business.

The workers' party has frequently been accused of being anti-business. This is not so. What the workers' party opposes is a business culture where the emphasis is on property speculation, share dealings and other such activities which do not add one penny to the productive capacity of the economy and which do not create a single job. What we need is to encourage those business activities - whether in the public or private sector - which create real wealth in the economy and generate desperately needed employment. The current dominant business ethos does nothing to encourage such activities by making it too easy to accumulate profits through strokes and shady deals.

More Tax Scandals Revealed

A central element in Ireland's rip-off business culture is tax evasion. Huge numbers of businesses are engaged in it, because the chances of being caught are tiny, and even when you are caught, the penalties are puny. Nobody has ever being put to jail in this country for tax evasion, which involves direct theft from the state. Yet last year alone, two hundred convictions were secured for social welfare fraud, which is in the Mickey-Mouse League compared with tax evasion in Ireland.

The recent report of the Auditor General made for sober reading in this respect. Some fifty thousand of those who are required to make returns under the self-assessment form of income tax failed to do so last year. Of these, only two hundred and seventy eight were issued with warning. Of those who did file returns, less than one per cent were checked. Over three quarters of these were found to have underpaid, by an average amount of over eleven thousand pounds.

Most alarming of all, the report showed that, in May of last year a total of two thousand seven hundred and eighteen million pounds was owed in tax to the state. Most of this was owed by business. Yet, out of this astronomical figure only four hundred and twenty five million is expected to be collected. The PAYE tax payer is entitled to ask: why isn't it all collected? Imagine what that kind of revenue could do for the help, education and social welfare services of this country.

As long as the big political parties in this country are beholden to business interest, we will never get a government committed to a fair and effective tax system which will take the enormous burden from the shoulders of PAYE workers and provide the basic necessities of life for the disadvantaged in our society.

Greetings.

This column extends best wishes for a prosperous, just and peaceful 1992 to all our readers.



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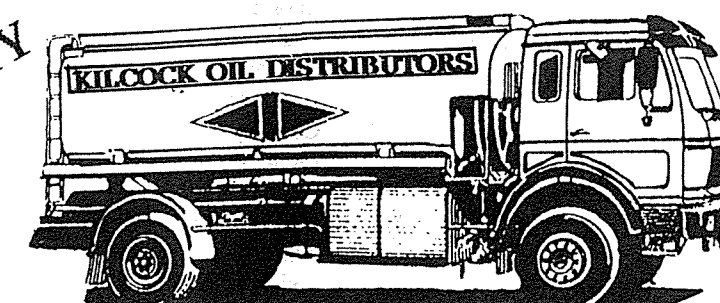
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Sports News

MAYNOOTH GUN CLUB

Will the person/persons who are taking the ducks off the Canal at the Harbour in Maynooth please refrain from doing so. Any information as regards names of those doing this please pass onto Denis Carroll or Peadar Haren.

Peadar Haren.

MAYNOOTH GAA

1st Team

The seasonal lull in activity gives us the opportunity, to reflect back on the 1991 season and to look forward with some relish to 1992.

(1) Summary of 1991 Outings.

Played 41 games: Won 27: Drew 1 and lost 13.

Scored 55 goals +382 points (547)

Conceded 55 goals + 293 points (458)

Biggest win - against Straffan in League.

Biggest loss - against Castledermot in League.

A total of 36 players were used in the 41 matches.

Leading match appearances Eoin O'Neill and Seannie Molloy with 39 each.

(2) Top 6 Scorers

1 Seanie Molloy 6 goals - 103 points (121).

2 Johnny Nevin 8 goals - 40 points (64).

3 Joey Edwards 6 goals - 45 points (63).

4 James Gilligan 7 goals - 37 points (58).

5 Killian Fagan 6 goals - 20 points (38).

6 Colin Feeney 6 goals - 15 points (33).

(3) Leading Trainers.

1 Pascal Ennis.

2 Eoin O'Neill.

3 Mick Kelly.

4 Michael Faherty.

5 Seannie Molloy.

6 Johnny Nevin.

(4) Highlight of the year

Winning Promotion to Division 2.

(5) Disappointment of the year

Our tame exit from the championship at the lands of Kilcullen.

(6) Best Performance

Taking a point from Eadstown in Eadestown. They later went on to win Division 3 of the League, the Junior A Championship and the Jack Higgins Cup.

(7) Worst Performance against Castledermot in Castledermot.

(8) Goals of the Year

Eoin O'Neill away to Ballykell. Johnny Nevin away to Cavagh.

(9) Save of the Year

Michael Farrell's penalty save in the controversial away game against Athgarvan.

(10) 1992 Campaign.

Looking forward to 1992 the Club is joining with Rathcoffey and Caragh to play in the Kildare Senior Championship. The draw for that Championship has already taken place and has thrown up something of a local "derby". Kilcock are the opposition. In Junior A we have drawn very difficult opponents in the 1st round - Rheban who were beaten finalists two

years ago and have Kildare's Tom Harris in their ranks. The Under 21 Draw wasn't very kind to us either - we came out of the hat against Senior side Sarsfields. When the above is taken together with the better quality opposition we will be meeting in Division 2 of the league - where Senior and Intermediate sides will be encountered - it is obvious that there is plenty to look forward to in 1992.

Underage

Under 12 V Naas (Away)

Score: Naas 3-6 Maynooth 1-3.

Scorers: Adrian Boylan 1.0; Brendan Burns 2pts; Chris Arthurs 1pt.

Best for Maynooth: Eoin Nevin, James Gallagher, Declan O'Rourke, Brendan Burns, Barry Connolly, Eamon O'Donoghue, Gearoid Higgins.

Naas were physically stronger particular at numbers 6, 11, 14. Maynooth had long periods of superiority but failed to reflect this superiority on the score board. Several gilt-edged chances were driven straight into the goal keepers hands and Maynooth also missed a penalty. Leaving aside the result there were many heartening performances and valuable experience is being gained for next years campaign. 12 of the side are underage again in 1992.

Under 10 V Naas

Score: Maynooth 7 - 12 Naas 0 - 2.

Scorers: Martin McLoughlin 2 - 2, Karl Ennis 2 - 1; David Campbell 2 - 0; Sean Woodhouse 1 - 1; Stephen Redmond 0 - 3; Jodie Connolly 0 - 2; Trevor Naughton, Pierre Ennis and Connor O'Malley one point each.

Best for Maynooth: Thomas Halton, Patrick King, Daragh Carr, Conor Diggins, Stephen Redmond, Martin McLoughlin, David Campbell, Karl Ennis, Aidan McCarron.

Maynooth overwhelmed a very young Naas side and ran out very easy winners. They could even afford the luxury of giving all six substitutes a run. The side are now running into form again and look like chasing Leixlip all the way to the final. The one point dropped to Celbridge could yet prove very costly.

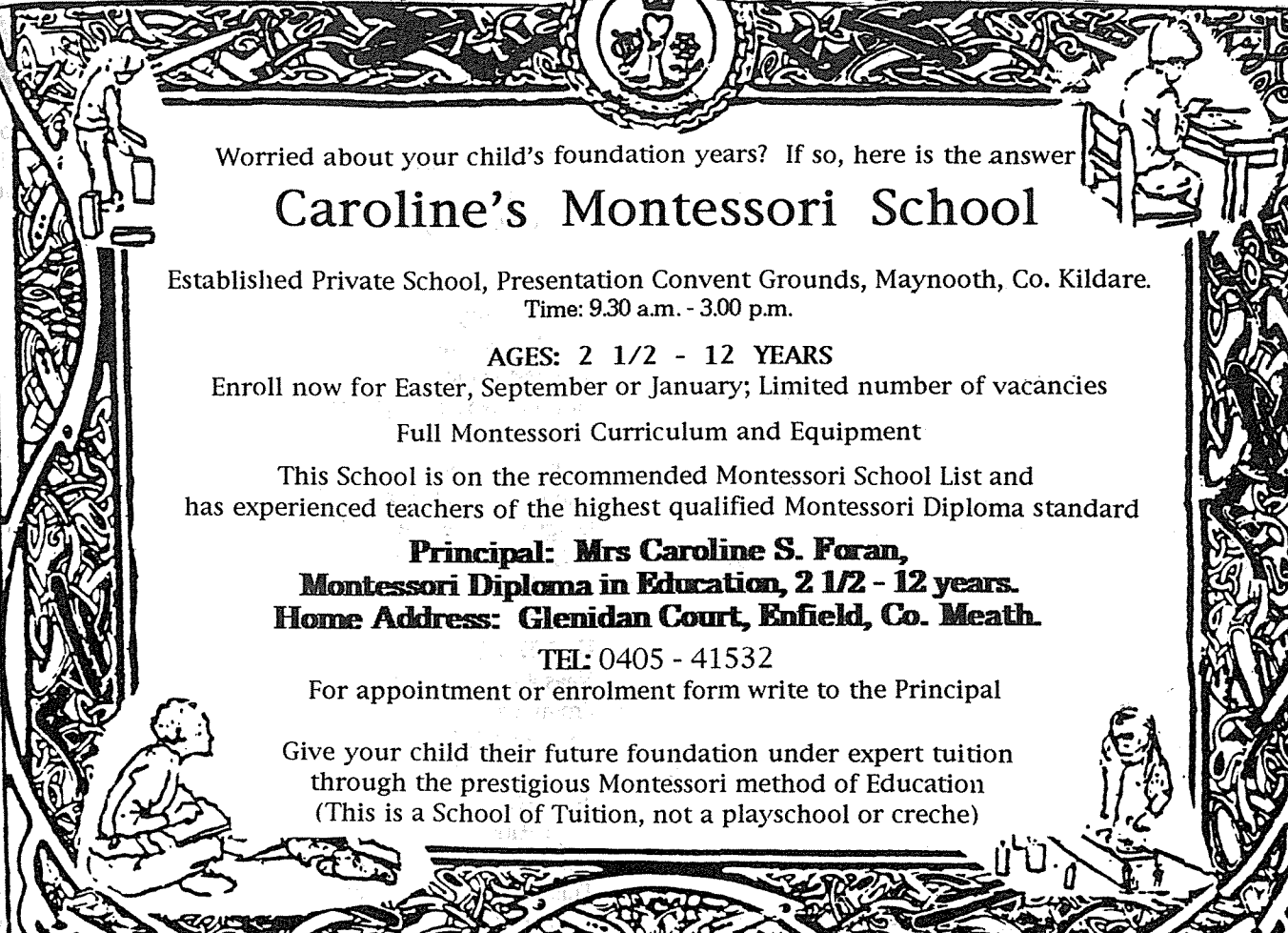
Under 12 V Confey (away)

Score: Maynooth 1 - 4 Confey 1 - 3.

Scorers: John O'Shea 3 pts; Barry Connolly 1 goal; Seamus Cummins 1 pt.

Best for Maynooth: Halton, Higgins, Downey, Nevin, Gallagher, O'Rourke, O'Shea, Boylan, Connolly, Burns and Fleming

Maynooth won a thrilling game against a very lively Confey side who never gave up the fight. There was never more than a kick of the ball between two well matched teams and the game featured some excellent performances on both sides. Confey had pulled 2 points clear mid-way through the second half and were resisting all Maynooth efforts to haul them back. The breakthrough came with only three minutes to go when a move down the right spearheaded by Fleming and Lennon was finished to the net by Connolly. A fitting reward to this squad of players who kept plugging away in the League without always having luck on their side.



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Sports News

Under 10 V Confey (away)

Score: Maynooth 4 - 3 Confey 1 - 7.

Scorers: Karl Ennis 2 - 0; Jody Connolly 1 - 1; Sean Woodhouse 1 - 0; Stephen Redmond and William Farrelly 1 point each.

Best for Maynooth: Ryan, Halton, O'Rourke, Diggins, Carr, Geoghegan, Redmond, Ennis, Connolly, Woodhouse and Farrelly.

Much closer than the scoreline suggests, Maynooth, who had to field without regular stalwarts King, Campbell and McCarron, were put to the pin of their collar to survive against a Confey side who appeared to have improved by leaps and bounds since we played them in the Spring League. Three brilliant goals by Maynooth lit up the game - two by Ennis and one by Connolly. All three came after marvellous solo runs from way out field. A satisfactory outcome with two more valuable points picked up as we continued to battle with Leixlip for top spot.

Underage Football

Under 12

Maynooth 3 - 7 Kill 2 - 1

After impressive, if unsuccessful, outings against the senior clubs, Kilcock, Leixlip and Celbridge the breakthrough for the under 12's came at last. The team played no-nonsense, first time football in very difficult conditions and fully merited their win over Kill side who kept battling to the final whistle. Best for Maynooth were O'Shea, Downey, Nevin, Gallagher, O'Rourke, Boylan, Fleming, Connolly, Burns, Arthurs.

Under Age football training.

As you know our under 8 to 14's train every Saturday morning at 11.30am. For the New Year we ask anyone out there who wishes to help out to please come along every Saturday morning. You are very welcome. We need your help now.

Under Age hurling training.

As with the football we need more people to look after our underage hurlers. Training is every Saturday morning at 10.30am in Moyglare Rd. field. Any hurlers out there please come along and help out. We need it.

Christmas Draw.

We would like to thank everyone who supported our Christmas Draw for u/age teams. On going to press we had no result. It will appear in February issue. Thank you for your support.

Annual General Meeting.

The club will review the past season at their Annual General Meeting which will be held in our new Social Centre, Moyglare Road on Sunday 19th January 1992, at 2.00pm. All members and intending members are very welcome to attend.

Our u/16 who won the Kildare u/16 football league were presented with their medals by Meath Football Manager Sean Boylan at a function in our new Social Centre on Friday

6th of December. We would like to thank Sean Boylan for coming. Also many thanks to our Lady's committee for their lovely tea and cakes and selectors of our u/16 team M. Donnelly, M. Ryan, M. Meally, K. Fagan, A. Killoran.

North Kildare League

U/11 Hurling 19-10-91.

Kill 2 - 1 Maynooth 1 - 2.

The best game of hurling so far in this league. A lot of the players have still to get that extra bit of wit which is needed to win games but I am sure that this will change in the New Year. A sound performance by M. Gleeson, B. Kehoe, P. Ennis, P. Sheehan and the McCarrans. A feature of this League is to ensure that all subs get a run, J. Mullarkey and P. Guideon showing up well.

2-11-91.

U/11 Hurling.

Naas 4 - 1 Maynooth 2 - 2.

Prominent for Maynooth were D. Travers, M. Sweeney, K. Ennis and P. Ryan.

2-11-91.

U/13 Hurling.

Naas 3 - 1 Maynooth 1 - 3.

This was a day that ducks would drown, it rained so much. But the lads turned out and put in a good performance with the backs playing well. M. Bennett, O. Nevin, S. Brennan doing well in the centre, J. Casey, E. Heslin, M. Callaghan and D. Buckley playing well in the forwards.

With one game left for U/13 and two for U/11 before Christmas, we are looking forward to next years U/12 and U/14 championships and are nearly certain that bonfires will be burning in Maynooth by mid summer. Stick to the training lads and by the way don't forget to hang up the ould onion bag this Christmas. You never know an ould Helmet or a sliotar or something might fall into it.

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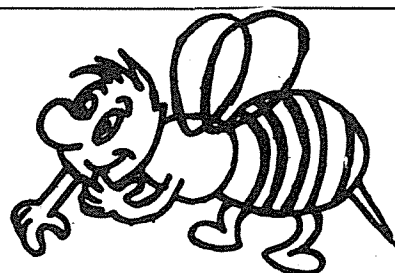
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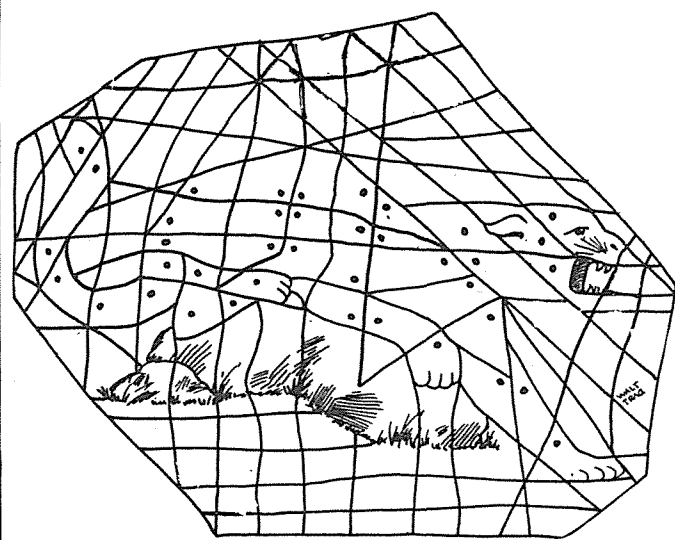




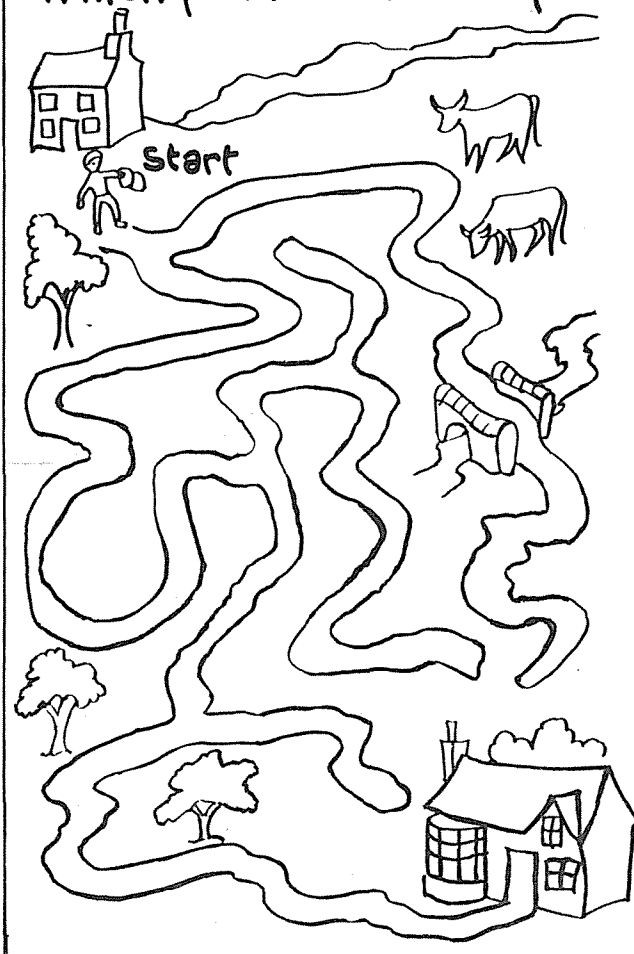
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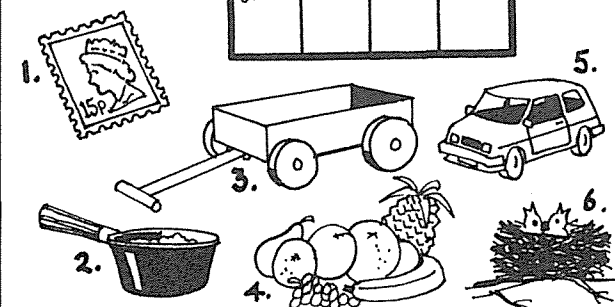
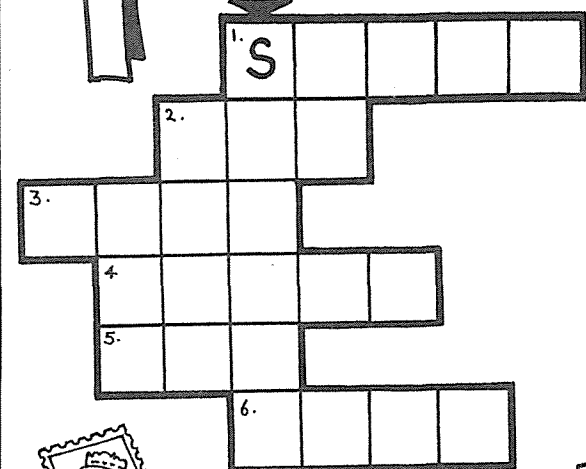
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Sports News

MAYNOOTH TAE KWON-DO SCHOOL

Two new Black Belts for Maynooth.

On November 30th, two members from the Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School went through a gruelling grading session under the examination board of the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association. Sean Foy (22) of Leinster Cottages and Martin Traynor (21) of Old Greenfield were both promoted to 1st degree Black Belts of the Association. This examination and promotion is the culmination of many years of training since Tae Kwon-Do came to Maynooth. This came about in 1986 and since then, Maynooth's Tae Kwon-Do has become a very strong integral part of Maynooth's Community. Both Sean and Martin are delighted with their promotion and intend to go even further in the field of Tae Kwon-Do in the future. They follow closely to Antoinette Mooney who attained her Black Belt last year.

In October of this year, Maynooth were pipped at the post by St. Mark's in the National Championship, to come home a close second in the competition which the school actually won last year.

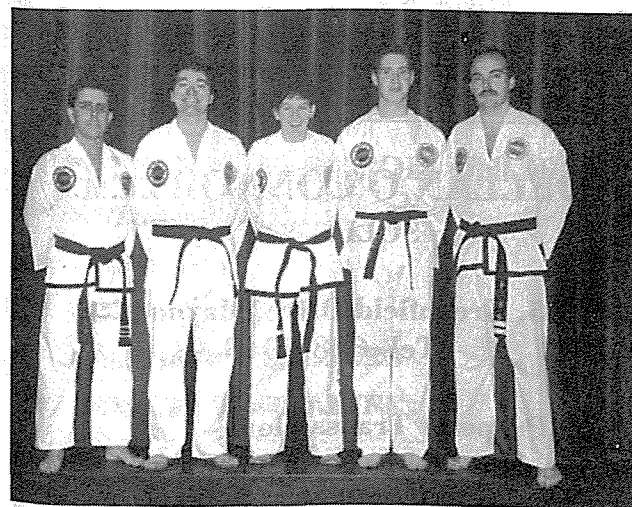
It is the intention of the instructors, Gerard McClelland and Michael Devereux, to host a competition in Maynooth early in the new year. In its early days, many people went through this Tae Kwon-Do School and attained certain grades. As happens, members became interested in other activities and withdrew. In a lot of cases, school takes priority so, members must cease training. The instructors would like to invite all former members to visit the Parish Hall any Monday night (7 - 8) and are very welcome to re-join.

New beginners are always welcome to call at anytime.

Hours: Mon - 7 - 8.
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G. McClelland 3rd Dan
Michael Devereux 2nd Dan.

Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School's Black Belts



L - R: Gerard McClelland 3rd Dan (Inst.) Sean Foy 1st Dan, Antoinette Mooney 1st Dan, Martin Traynor 1st Dan, Michael Devereux 2nd Dan (Inst.)

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We had our stretch of canal stocked with carp early in November. One hundred carp ranging in weight up to 10lb. As you know carp is considered the king of coarse fish. Membership is growing by the week, especially on the junior side. Our first pike Competition was held on the canal in Leixlip. Five pike were caught and quite a number were lost.

Seniors:

1st prize - Turkey and Ham - Jane Flynn, Oaklawn - 2 pike, 61/2 + 61/4 lbs.
2nd prize - Turkey - Brendan McGee, Oaklawn - 1 pike 51/2lb.
3rd prize - Bottle Southern Comfort - John Brennan, Leixlip Park - 1 pike 31/2lb.

Junior:

1st - Dan Reel - Aidan Devoy, Oaklawn - 1 Pike, 51/2 lbs. We have built a foot bridge across the ditch to connect the back of the Amenity Centre to the back of the Canal. This means that there is better access for children and adults alike. You can now walk along the Canal into the back of the Amenity Centre. This is safer than having children walking along the road.

A.G.M notes in forthcoming issue.

Declan Shannon.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Premier Division

Anner Utd 1 Maynooth Town 0

With Mark Shaw on Leinster Junior League duty in the O'scor Traynor Trophy some of our unusual midfield sparkle was missing but nevertheless we were unlucky not to receive better reward for our efforts. Inaccuracy in front of goal cost us dearly when a number of good opportunities were not availed of. We conceded the winner midway through the second half and did not recover. Player manager Vinnie McKenna displayed some of his old skills at centre-back while Aidan Burke, Sean Moore and Paul McCourt had excellent games.

Dalton Cup 4th Round.

Newbridge Town 1 Maynooth Town 2.

Maynooth gave a true exhibition of grit and determination to overcome a stubborn Newbridge Town. We were still smarting from an earlier League defeat by the same opposition in which Paul McCourt was controversially sent off and were out to make amends. Mark Shaw put us in front as early as the 5th minute but Newbridge were on terms 8 minutes later. 12 minutes later good approach work by Ger Thompson and Mark Shaw provided the chance for Gerry Quinn to put us back in front. Every man then had to call on reserves of energy beyond all expectation to hold out for a deserved win. There were many heroes in this victory which booked our place in the next round. Muscles Farrelly was a superb stand-in until the late arrival of some players and displayed some excellent touches. Joe Edwards in goal did nothing wrong for

the afternoon and could not be faulted for the only Newbridge goal. The introduction of Gerry Treacy when legs began to tire was an added bonus until Vinnie McKenna limped off with a hamstring injury. Having used our subs it meant backs-to-the-wall stuff for the final 25 minutes. The defence gave nothing away with Bob Reilly, Paul McCourt and Ger Thompson allowing nothing to pass. Fergal Barton, Mark Shaw and Joe O'Riordan battled valiantly in midfield while up front Gerry Quinn never stopped battling for the ninety minutes. Bobby Barry took charge after the departure of Vinnie McKenna and bottle out any Newbridge danger that threatened. All in all a fine team performance.

Division 3 - Private grounds.

Maynooth 4 Tower Utd 1
Maynooth had an easy win over Tower Utd and maintained our high league position. Maynooth goals were scored by Mick Kelly, Gerry Treacy, Noel Dempsey and John O'Neill. Maynooth now lie in second place in the League and look forward to the New Year with great expectations.

Tower Utd 2 Maynooth Town 4.
Goals by Mick Kelly, Philip Doyle, Johnny Thompson and Noel Dempsey provided Maynooth with two easy points. Two late goals by Tower took nothing away from this fine win.

Schoolboys. U/13 League.

Greenfields Boys 1 Maynooth Town 1.
An excellent Niall Byrne goal gave us a share of the points in a game we should have won. Our forwards were not up to their usual high standard and therefore we paid the penalty.

U/13.
Maynooth 3 Loughlinstown Boys 2.
It took extra time to separate two very good sides in this cup thriller. A hat trick by leading scorer Eamon Gallagher was the feature of the game but it was far from being a one man show. Eoin Guha was once again in excellent form and he got good support from Darren Naughton and Declan Buckley.

U/15 Schoolgirls NE League.

Maynooth 3 Nobber 0.
Maynooth maintained their push for League honours with this fine win over Nobber. Goals by Leeanne Hughes, Ann Lyons and Antoinette Mooney ensured a fine victory. Others to contribute well were Paula O'Shea, Michelle Gillick and Tracey Kearney.

U/11 Schoolboys League.

Riversdale 5 Maynooth Town 0.
Although beaten by superior opposition Maynooth gave a good show and can consider themselves unlucky to lose by five goals. Riverdale were flattered by the final scoreline in their favour and did not always find it easy. Shane Folan and Thomas Geraghty had fine games for Maynooth and show promise for the future.

The wishes to extend best wishes and good fortune to all for 1992.

COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

The last period scarcely brought us much cheer, with only two points out of a possible six
"The memory be green, and that it us befitted
To bear our hearts in grief and our whole kingdom
To be contracted in brow of woe..."
Hamlet Act 1 Scene 1

League Div 1A

Oldcastle Utd (1) 2 College green (0) 0
The howling gales of Oldcastle reduced this one to a lottery. Unfortunately our hosts held the only ticket, particularly when we gifted them two goals through defensive errors. We might have deserved a draw, but no complaints.

College Green (4) 7 Abbey Celtic (1) 4

Siggins(2), O'Brien(2)
Hughes, Broughan (R)
McGroarty (pen)
At 7-2 and ten minutes to go it could, and maybe should, have been pushed into double figures. Despite the concession of so many goals it was a reasonably accomplished performance by us. But to be fair one of the highpoints had to be the visitors fightback to a more respectable 7-4 scoreline.

Rathkenny Rovers (1) 5 College Green (2) 3

McGroarty (2), Siggins
The scene was the rolling hills of Rathkenny, beside the Parish Hall, the home of "The Rathkenny Revels", well known in amateur dramatic revues. But scarcely has Rathkenny been the home to such a pantomime. They'll remember this as the year that Santa Claus came to Rathkenny early!

That leaves just one match between us and the second round cup tie home to the holders Drumcar Celtic, on the 5th January 1992. Bookings are advisable for this all ticket match. Kevin Fay appears by courtesy of Mullinahone Rotary Society. Brian O'Brien is currently starring in the Kingsbry Strollers production of "Puss 'n Boots", where he plays the boots. Ever since he saw "Treaty" on the box Aidan Siggins thinks that he's the "Big Fella", although most referees are not too keen when he cycles across the box.

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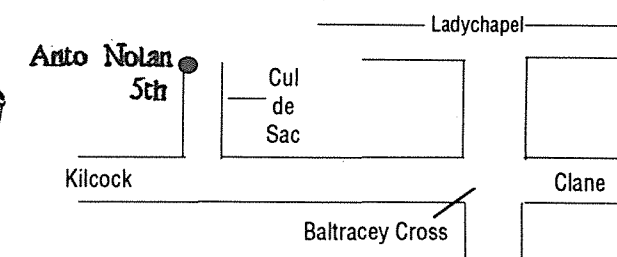


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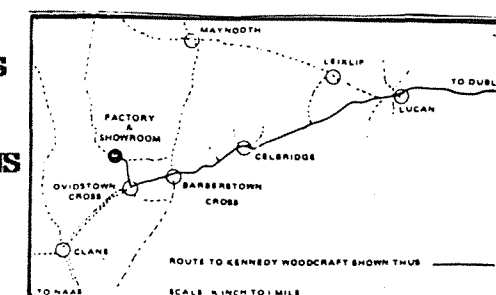
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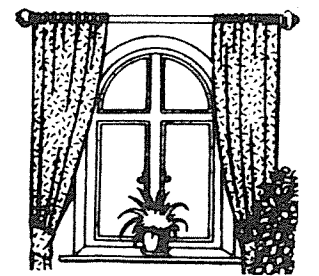
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To Nicola, Happy Birthday. Love the Muldoon family XXX.

Happy 6th Birthday to James Tallon "Junior" of 1093
Avondale, Leixlip, on the 9th of January. Lots of love from
Mammy, Daddy, Jackie, Cinti, Melissa and Philip XXX.

To Mary, Happy Birthday on the 8th of January. Best wishes
Paul and the Haren family.

To Peadar, Have a lovely Birthday on the 11th of January.
Lots of love Mai, Gemma, Lynda and Paul.

To Paul, Happy 7th Birthday on January 31st. Lots of love
Daddy, Mammy, Gemma and Lynda.

Birthday Greetings to Karina McGovern Greenfield who
celebrates her 11th birthday on January 14th. With lots of
love from Nannie, Una and Uncle Kevin, also from Nannie
Flynn in Kilcloon XXX

Happy birthday to Karina McGovern Greenfield age 11 years
on Jan 14th lots of love and kisses from Mammy, Daddy,
Sisters Stacey, Michelle, Debbie and Regina XXX

Happy 11th birthday to Karina McGovern Greenfield, love
and best wishes from, Marie, Noel, Richard and Thomas
XXX

Happy Birthday to John Saults who celebrates his birthday on
the 10th of January.

Happy Birthday to Doreen Tracey Greenfield, January 14th,
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To David Tracey Greenfield Happy Birthday on January
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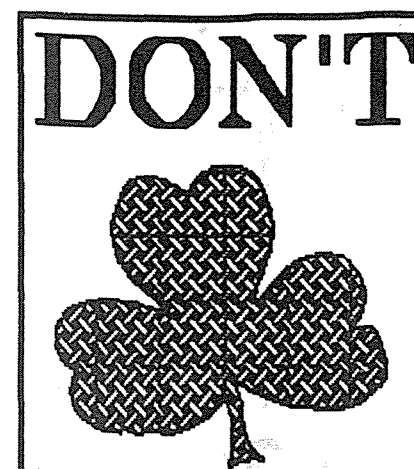
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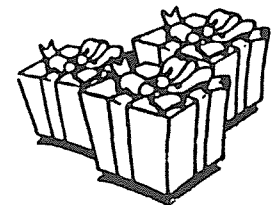
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Congratulations to Christy and Frances Burke, Barrogstown, on the birth of their baby girl (Katie).

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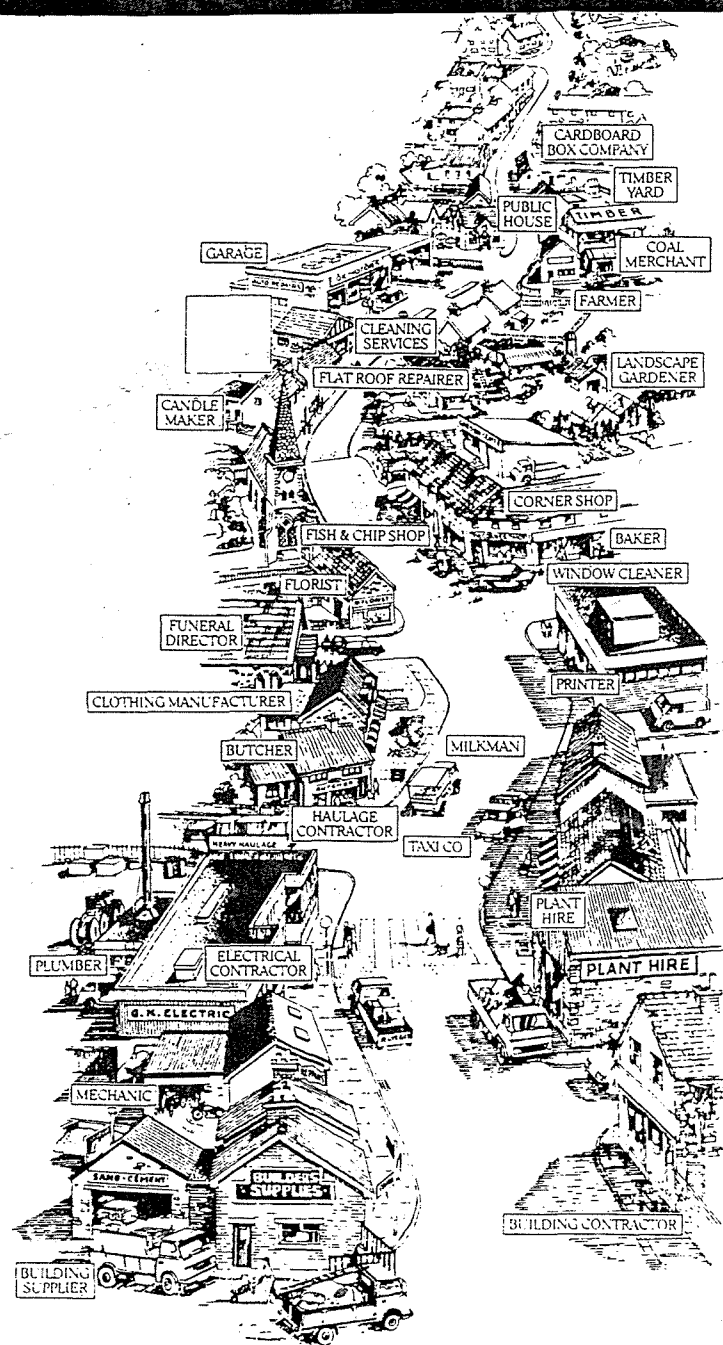
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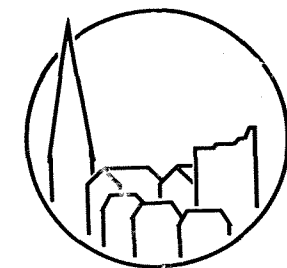
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Editorial

Carton

Kildare County Council has voted to allow a material contravention to the County Development plan to allow for developments in Carton. The public are still entitled to object, but time is running out. Attitudes to the proposed developments can only be described as a mixture of fear, hope and despair. Fear, that a unique part of our heritage has been given away in the hope that a few hundred jobs may be created, and despair that there appears to be no other alternative. But is there no alternative? A government which appears to have no other problem in finding millions of pounds on governmental palaces, museums of modern art, redundant educational institutions, fancy private jets, somehow cannot see its way to stepping in to preserve our heritage. The promised jobs are a pipedream that may evaporate in the colder economic climate existing now, and in view of the plethora of luxury leisure parks which have sprung up in Ireland which are now experiencing less than the success predicted. If the Gleneagles proposal fails, even after twenty years or so, what will be left is the most profitable development site in the Dublin region. The logic of developers will ensure that what could have been a resource shared among the people of Kildare and Dublin, will be divided up among thousands of semi-detached suburban dwellers, and lost forever.

Pothole Protest

Readers will remember last year's ROAR protest - when hundreds of Maynooth residents marched to persuade Minister Flynn to Repair Our Awful Roads. Now our County Councillors are taking a leaf out of our book, and will be staging a protest outside the Dail on Budget Day to highlight the poor condition of Kildare roads and the miserly allocation of funds for their repair. Fortunately, this winter has not yet brought its usual completion of ice, rain and snow, however, no doubt we will not escape from the consequences. Let's hope Mr Ahern will listen to our representatives, and will release the purse strings.

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GAA Functions

Congratulations to the GAA on the recent unofficial opening of their bar and function rooms. Reports of decor and service are favourable, and residents are looking forward to patronising this new addition to Maynooth night life. We hear that the GAA in this part of the world are quite ecumenical and players from other codes, and no codes are welcome, as long as they are signed in by a member.

Valentine's Day

Happy Valentine's Day to all our readers. We would also point out that it is a leap year, when traditionally women could take the initiative. However, we should advise caution to anyone contemplating taking the plunge, and buying a house. In view of a recent High Court case it appears that married women cannot assume that they have any rights to their home, so look before you plunge, and make sure that both parties have equal rights.

Dear Editor,

In reply to Mr. P. Hogan of Greenfield Residents' Association in the January issue, I wish to state the following:

1. The Residents' Association objected to the original application to Kildare County Council with statements that were untrue and misleading thus resulting in the application being turned down.
2. At the meeting that was held on the 12th November notification of same was not delivered to any household that it was thought might oppose the Residents Association Committee.
3. If Mr. Jennings had to present his case in letter form why didn't the Committee present their case in letter form as well. They surely don't believe that it contributes to a fair and level playing field to be able to verbally oppose a written submission.
4. It must be remembered that this situation has arisen because the Residents Association Committee originally took a stand on this important issue without a proper mandate from the resident in the area, a mandate they find they do not have.

Yours

E. Donovan.

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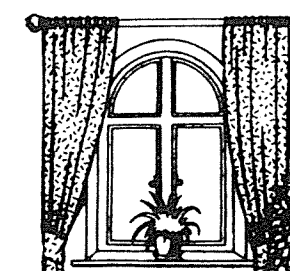
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Community Council Notes

Footpaths/Overhead E.S.B. Wires

Kildare County Council have shown in Convent Road what can be achieved if our footpaths are properly paved. The footpaths throughout Maynooth are in a very dangerous condition at present. It is now open to the Community Council to take the next step. The following course of action was adopted at the Community Council Meeting on 13th January:-

1. Advise the E.S.B. of the situation when it is likely that footpaths will be paved, in order to give them a chance to underground their overhead network. Undergrounding the network will save the E.S.B. maintenance costs in the long term, and the time to do this is certainly before the footpaths are paved.
2. Agree to cut-outs on the footpaths between trees to provide parking places. This would have a 4-fold effect.
 - a) Improve traffic flow in the Main Street.
 - b) Stop the present dangerous parking on the footpaths.
 - c) Increase the number of parking spots available.
 - d) Reduce the amount of footpaths to be paved.
3. Ask Kildare County Council if they would let us have their proposals for paving the footpaths, taking into account points 1 and 2.

*John McGinley,
Chairperson.*

Planning & Development Notes

The above Committee has had a number of meetings since our inaugural meeting in September.

Margaret Cline was elected Chairperson and Ann Cotter was elected Secretary.

Many groups are represented by this committee which has been set up to plan and develop Maynooth. Our ideals are the development of resources and public facilities in Maynooth and its environs.

We are actively developing a positive working relationship with many public organisations in Maynooth, e.g. RCAG, ICA, Castle Committee, Students' Group and Tidy Towns. Our aim is not just to concern ourselves with plans which would not only improve existing amenities, but would also strive to create new ones, attract tourism and improve the appearance and layout of the town (footpaths, parks, The Square etc).

Various working parties were established to look at a number of plans for Maynooth which have been developed over the years e.g. County Development Plan, Theme Town Entry, Tidy Towns Report etc. Also, Maynooth was divided into workable areas which were looked at and assessed with regard to the various requirements needed for each number of problems existing relating to environmental issues. Because of this it has been decided to apply for a Fás scheme to work on a Tidy Towns project for 1992.

The Planning and Development Committee is a sub-committee of Maynooth Community Council. At our last meeting Richard Farrell was elected PRO and Fionan Hardiman and John Saults joint treasurers.

We welcome any suggestions and groups who wish to become involved in our group.

*Richard Farrell
PRO.*

Maynooth Tidy Town Notes

We have re-planted the flower beds in the square. Our next project is to renew the wood chippings in the Square, and to start planning for the coming season. We plan to present prizes for Best Shop Front and Estate individually rather than at a function.

*Richard Farrell,
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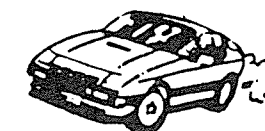
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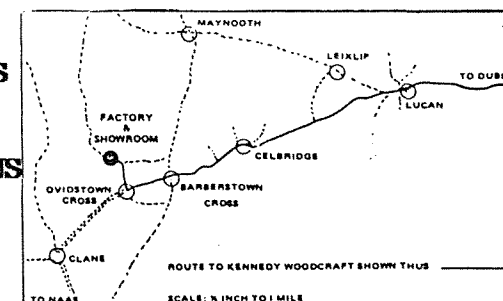
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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who participated in our recent Poster Competition. Prize money has already been awarded to the winners. The competition was very successful with a large number of entries. The standard was very high indeed. Winners in all categories go forward to Chapter Level and we wish all our winners every success.

Winners of the different age groups are as follows.....

Under 8 yrs..... 1st Ruth Hallinan.

8 yrs to 11 yrs 1st Mark Hallinan & 2nd Chris Arthurs.

12 yrs to 14 yrs..... 1st Stephen Hallinan & 2nd Jonathan Arthurs.

15 yrs to 18 yrs..... 1st Patrick Halton & 2nd Graham Loane.

A photograph competition is now underway. The theme for the competition is "Credit Union in Focus".

It is open to all Credit Union members and to all amateur photographers. There is no entry fee. All entries have to be submitted through a Credit Union Office. Where an amateur photographer is also a member of a credit union he/she may choose the category under which the entry is submitted by ticking the appropriate box on the entry form. A maximum of three colourprints of dimension 6" x 4", gloss or matt, unmounted may be submitted with each entry form. Official entry forms are available at Credit Union House, The Harbour, Maynooth, Post Primary School, Maynooth, Barry's Shop, Main Street and the Public Library, Main Street, Maynooth. Closing date for all entries is 31/1/92.

Our annual social evening will be held in the Green Isle Hotel on Saturday night 18th January. As stated new members are always welcome.

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May Haren,
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

I hope everyone who came enjoyed our first series of talks on "The Healthy Body". Now, armed with the relevant knowledge, it is up to each and everyone of us to start leading a healthier lifestyle. Browsers will be delighted to note that we will now be receiving back issues of a number of periodicals - including Hot Press, Hello!, Practical Gardening, and House Beautiful. Any of these may be borrowed, on the same basis as book/cassette borrowing.

For those of you doing Adult Education classes, we will try to obtain some books for the various courses if we do not already have suitable titles in stock. Some recent acquisitions include the following titles:

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Bill Soiffer - Life in the Shadow, Living with Cancer.

Marion Stroud - Face to Face with Cancer.

As you can see, there are a number of new books on health topics - in case anyone missed the lectures! Incidentally, our next lecture is in March, on gardening. The date has not been finalised but details will be available soon.

May I also remind our younger members that if they have any collections

they would like to exhibit, they are very welcome to do so.

Margaret Walshe - Gannon.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The first meeting for 1992 was held in the I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour, Maynooth, on Thursday 9th January at 8.00pm. The President, Mary O' Gorman, was absent due to illness. The vice-President Imelda Delaney, welcomed everyone and wished them all a happy and prosperous New Year and also hoped that Mary would have a speedy recovery to health.

The total profit from the Monster Bingo held on Sunday 8th of December 1991 was £540.00. This amount unfortunately is nowhere near the amount needed to replace the roof on the I.C.A. Hall. To enable us to have a new roof, we will at a later date have to have another fund raiser of some kind.

Maynooth I.C.A. has been in the town for approximately thirty years. The members meet on the first Thursday of every month and Enjoy craft nights on Monday evenings and badminton sessions every Tuesday and Thursday mornings. The members also compete in local and National Competitions for Drama, Set Dancing and Make & Model crafts ranging from Knitting and Sewing to rug-making, toy-making and painting also. The ladies are offered the opportunity to improve Public Speaking, organisational and other skills in friendly and un intimidating situations. Fund raising is also a part of the I.C.A., and Maynooth members during last year (1991) have been involved in raising money for very worthy causes including the Blind, Elderly, Heart Foundation, Conquer Cancer, Temple Street Childrens Hospital.

The winners of the monthly competition were as follows:

1st - Mary Flynn, 2nd - Rosemary Hanley, 3rd - Margaret Kirwan.

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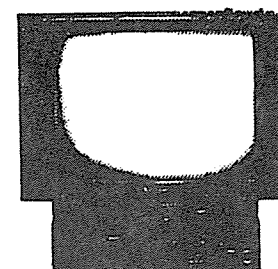
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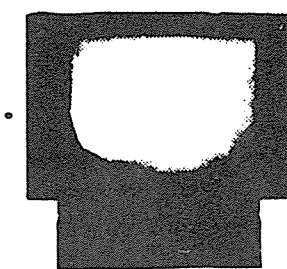
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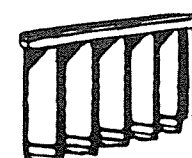


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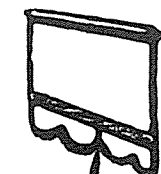
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P.R.O.

POST PRIMARY NOTES

Maynooth Post-Primary School celebrates the 21st Anniversary of its foundation this year. To mark the occasion a 21st Birthday Dinner Dance is being held on April 10th 1992 in the Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge. This reunion will give many past-pupils, former colleagues and teachers an opportunity to meet and recall times past.

Tickets for the function will cost £18 and go on sale in March in the school, and as demand is expected to be great you are advised to get your tickets early. While formal evening wear will not be essential gentlemen will be expected to wear suit and tie.

Thomas Ashe,
Principal.

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL.

A special collection will be held at all Masses on Sunday, 23rd February, 1992 to support the work of the: Catholic Marriage Advisory Council.

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Eustace Centre, Celbridge.	593467
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A counselling service is available for those experiencing difficulties in a relationship.

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Marriage Preparation Courses are available for engaged couples. Phone Central Booking Office at 784400 to ensure a place.

Please show your support for Marriage and Family Life by contributing as generously as you can to this special collection for CMAC.

CITIZENS' INFORMATION CENTRE

Organisations for the Deaf.

There are a number of voluntary organisations which provide services for the deaf and hard of hearing. The following are the most important ones.

National Association for the Deaf.

The National Association for the Deaf is a voluntary organisation providing a range of services for people who are deaf or have impaired hearing and for the parents of deaf children. The primary aim of the organisation is to improve the welfare of deaf people in all aspects of life by working for the provision of better services and by directly providing services. Among the services provided are:-

Social Work Service:

The NAD social worker provides a service to deaf people and their families.

Technical Support:

In the NAD Deaftech Centre, people with hearing problems and their families can see a wide range of technical appliances and environmental aids designed for deaf people. NAD can arrange the supply of this equipment to individuals/organisations throughout the country.

Parent Support.

NAD co-ordinates a network of parents of deaf children who act to support those whose children have just been diagnosed.

Library and Information:

NAD has a comprehensive library available for reference and loan. They publish a range of leaflets on aspects of deafness including guides for employers on interviewing; guide to educational facilities for the deaf; lists of sign language classes, the deaf in hospital etc. These leaflets are available free of charge (please send stamped addressed envelope). The association also publishes a quarterly journal, LINK.

The NAD has a number of branches in all parts of the country. You may find out where your local branch is or get other information from National Association for the Deaf: NAD House, C/o St. Joseph's, Cabra, Dublin 7. PH: 01-388124.

The Catholic Institute for the Deaf.

The Catholic Institute for the Deaf is the management body for the schools for deaf children in Cabra, Dublin. The Institute was originally founded in order to provide schools, but it now provides other services as well.

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It owns the St. Vincent's Centre for the Deaf in Drumcondra, Dublin. The offices of the CID are in that centre which also houses a number of other groups including:

The Dublin Deaf Association - this is an umbrella organisation for sports and social clubs for the adult deaf in Dublin. There are extensive sporting and social facilities available in the centre.

The National Chaplaincy for the Deaf,

The Ann Sullivan Foundation (for deaf blind people).

The Sign Language Tutors Association of Ireland.

The CID also runs a residential home for the adult deaf. There is also a Citizens' Information Centre run by the Institute.

The Institute may be contacted at St. Vincent's Centre for the Deaf, 40 Lower Drumcondra Road, Dublin 9. PH: 01-300522.

Irish Hard of Hearing Association.

The Association assists in the formation of small hard of hearing groups. It provides counselling in relation to lip-reading and wearing of hearing aids, and promotes installation of loops, etc. It also publishes occasional newsletters.

The Association may be contacted at: C/o St. Joseph's, Brewery Road, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin.

Opening Hours of Citizens' Information Centre:

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Tues. 10 - 12

Wed. 10 - 12 & 2 - 4

Thurs. 10 - 12 & 7.30 - 9pm

Library.

Mon. 2.30 - 4.30

Tues. 2.30 - 4.30

Thurs. 2.30 - 4.30

Fri. 10 - 12 & 2 - 4.

Tel: 6285477 for both offices.

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

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

The Christmas Festivities for the elderly began with their Christmas Party in "Slims" on Saturday December 21st. The entertainment was provided by Josie Moore ably assisted by Vinny Mulready and Kevin Mc Govern. Santa Claus put in a welcome appearance and distributed gifts. We are very appreciative of the help and hospitality shown by the owner and staff. On January the 12th, the elderly enjoyed a superb Christmas dinner. The meal was provided by Mr. Peter O' Brien and we want to express our heart - felt appreciation to both him and the staff. We also wish to thank Mr. T. Ashe for providing the venue for the meal. To the many entertainers who provided the after dinner entertainment we want to say a big thank you.

The morning sessions resumed on Tuesday, January 14th and all were very happy to return to the weekly routine. Anyone who wishes to attend these sessions is very welcome. Just make your way to the I.C.A. hall on Tuesday and Thursday at 10.30 am. The Committee wish to extend their sympathy to the families of

the late Mrs. A. Connolly of Old Greenfield and Mrs. K. Keegan of RailPark. We send get well wishes to Miss. Peg Geraghty, Josie Nolan and Mrs. Donovan currently in hospital and to Mrs. Tracey, Mrs. Daly and Mrs. F. Farrelly just recently returned from hospital.

P.R.O.

THE LEIXLIP RESOURCE CENTRE FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

The Leixlip Resource Centre for the Unemployed is one of four Co. Kildare centres, established by the County Kildare Council of Trade Unions in co-operation with the unemployed job-seekers of the county and other concerned citizens. The other centres are in Naas, Newbridge and Athy with clinics in Celbridge and Suncroft. They intend to open up more centres around the county. The Leixlip centre caters for the Maynooth area at the moment.

The centres aim to provide help to the unemployed both in terms of finding a job and also in making sure everyone has information about their entitlements to Social Welfare. Each centre provides free and confidential assistance and information concerning Social Welfare benefits and allowances. There is a continually updated notice board available in each centre displaying not only job vacancies in the area but also information on various courses available, both Fás organised and others. Fas Clinics are held every first and third Wednesday of the month.

Secretarial services are also provided by the centre. This includes help with job applications and with the layout and presentation of C.V.'s. There is also a telephone service available. Information is also available on job availability and emigration advice. Job-seekers can register with the centre to be informed of any suitable vacancies as they arise. Alternatively, drop in regularly to read the vacancy notice board. Since the end of January this year the centre has begun to hold adult education classes. The first classes are Conversational Irish and Sociology.

The centre in Leixlip is open from 9.30am - 5.30pm, Monday to Friday. It is situated at 70 Main Street, Leixlip (above French Estates), telephone 01 - 6242511.

PRESENTATION CONVENT PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The parents' committee of the Convent School Parents' Association wish to thank the business people of the town for their generous donation towards the Christmas raffle. There was 32 prizes in all plus a prize for each class. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Margaret McLoughlin,
P.R.O.

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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Christmas Draw

The Christmas Raffle was a great success and the winning tickets were drawn at a function in the Roost Lounge on the 18th of December. A packed Lounge saw the following tickets drawn:

1st Prize No. 125 Eleanor Caulfield, 7 Laurence Ave., Maynooth.	5th Prize No. 230 John Cafferty, 111 Carton Court, Maynooth.
2nd Prize No. 1099 Daniel McDonnell, 23 Cluain Aoibhinn, Maynooth.	6th Prize No. 326 Declan Murphy, c/o 2 Dillons Row, Maynooth.
3rd Prize No. 922 Rose Connolly, 838 Greenfield, Maynooth.	7th Prize No. 160 Doreen Wall, 95 Carton Court, Maynooth.
4th Prize No. 330 Gerry Mulcahy, Greenfield Shopping Centre, Maynooth.	

Mr. Gerry Mulcahy of Mulcahy Butchers won the turkey which he himself had kindly donated, but being the season of good will, Gerry decided to donate the turkey to the local conference of the St. Vincent De Paul for one of their deserving causes. Gerry Mulcahy is to be highly commended for his kindness.

Lost and found:

No, we are not trying to take over from Sgt. Joe Canny and staff, but we have a couple of items on hand which were found during the clean up after the Fashion Show; (a) Ladies Bangle, (b) a watch. Owners can have same by contacting the undersigned at 6286372.

Royal Canal Jamboree

Discussions are ongoing with our friends in the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club in relation to this year's "Royal Canal Jamboree". More details in next month's issue.

Steam Train

To all those, who were disappointed last year through not being able to purchase tickets for this trip, and those who have been enquiring about the train, we are delighted to be able to announce that we have been very fortunate in obtaining the services of the train again this year. The train is in very heavy demand all over the country and it can only do a certain number of runs each year because of its old age (the one we will be using was built in 1932). In fact because the Maynooth line is so level and therefore places little stress on the engine, we have secured the use of the train for two days in order to cater for everybody. More details nearer the time.

*Gerry Fitzpatrick,
P.R.O.*

MAYNOOTH FOLK GROUP

Maynooth Folk Group wish to thank all the group's members and their friends who came carol singing with us at Christmas. £200.35 was raised to be divided between the Simon Community and Childline. Thank you especially to those public houses that allowed us to sing and collect on their premises. Thanks is also extended to the Church of Ireland community for their invitation to participate in their carol service. We were delighted to accept and enjoyed their generous hospitality afterwards. We look forward to similar occasions in the future. Once again we call on any singers and musicians who would like to join our folk group, to contact us any Sunday after 9.45am mass. An increased male presence will be particularly welcome. Maynooth Folk Group take this opportunity to wish all a very happy and peaceful 1992.

MAYNOOTH MORTALITY SOCIETY.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in Band Hall on Sunday March 1st 3.30pm. It is in your own interest that you are asked to attend. The annual mass for deceased members will be offered on the same day at 11 am in St. Mary's Church. Celebrant Very Rev. Fr. B. Supple P.P. You are invited to attend.

*P. Nolan,
Hon. Sec.*

CARTON COMMITTEE NEWS

The County Council has begun to cross the Rubicon with regard to the Carton development proposals: the application contravenes the County Development Plan and so the zoning in the plan will be changed to allow the application to go through. A few councillors stood by their Development Plan at Monday's meeting of the Council. Most have been seduced by the promise of a lot of jobs if the application gets the go-ahead. Either way Carton gets sold down the river.

What exactly will be the consequences of this development? There is no doubt about the destruction of Carton. There is a lot of doubt about the jobs. The unique thing about Carton is that it is the only completely intact House and Demesne from the middle of the 18th century in the country. All the others have deteriorated in various ways. For two and a half centuries this legacy of the ascendancy world has stood on the outskirts of Dublin on the road to Galway, its trees, its parks and its family famous in Ireland and England. Queen Victoria stayed in Carton twice and the Fitzgeralds were intimately associated with Irish life for a thousand years. They built the house in which sits our parliament. Carton's buildings and parklands are monuments to the good things and the bad things in our history. and in this day and age in Europe everybody agrees that it is important to conserve our heritage and hand it on to the next generation.

So when this plan goes through what will we be handing on to our children's children? At this moment it looks like: a couple of golf courses for the elite in Ireland or Europe or Japan; an unaesthetically-recycled parkland with woodlands gouged out to provide clearings for villas for super rich company executives; a

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few dozen woodland mansions to be sold off to affluent globe-trotters; the House with a soulless hotel tacked-on. The implication in all this is that it is being sold to us as the only viable way to 'save' Carton! The end result, on the contrary, will be the final destruction of Carton for our descendants. But our political representatives have clearly decided that this is the price we will pay for the promise of jobs: "sure in the end it's only a house and demesne! Aren't there plenty of those around?" But there aren't! And none like Carton! Carton is unique in Kildare, in Leinster, in Ireland. All the rest have houses burned down, or parks grown over, built over, walls falling, houses in ruins Carton is intact and whole and that is what we are preparing to consign to a Disneyland of leisure for the wealthy.

But will they and the jobs actually materialise? Are we selling our Carton for a speculation, for an investment risk? It is very likely that we are - that so many of these 'leisure' developments are coming on stream that some or all of them will go to the wall. So what will be left in Carton? A building site in a prime location on the edge of Dublin as a permanent reminder to all of us of the sell-out of our history and our future. Carton deserves more than this.

Patrick J. Duffy.

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Resident's Associations

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

As this is our first notes of the New Year, we would like to wish all residents a Happy and Peaceful '92.

It was nice to see things getting off to a good start in the estate with the remaining lights being connected. This was a great relief to the people in the areas affected.

As building is progressing well on the final houses in the estate, perhaps we can look forward to the estate being completed this year and taken in charge by the County Council. With this in mind the A.G.M. of the Association, which will be held in March (date and venue will be circulated), will be of great importance. Looking forward to seeing a large attendance and a few new faces for the committee.

*Kevin Coyle,
P.R.O.*

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our Annual Supper Dance will take place on Saturday 8th February 1992, in Ned Slevins Dunboyne - Music is by "Misty Blue". Tickets are £13.00 and can be obtained from Committee members.

A bus will operate on the night and seats can be booked, again by contacting your Committee member.

The AGM of the Association is to take place on a date to be arranged.

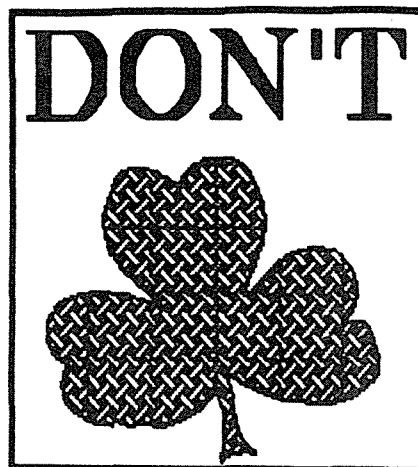
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Full details in the next issue of
the Maynooth Newsletter.

POETRY COMPETITION

It's Poetry Competition time again. There will be 3 sections: Under 12 yrs, 12 - 18 yrs and over 18 yrs. Poems may be on any topic and must be previously unpublished. Further details of prizes will be in the next issue. Closing Date: Friday 17th April. Entries should be sent to: Poetry Competition, Maynooth Newsletter, Main Street, Maynooth.

MEMORIES OF MAYNOOTH,

by Mrs. B. Sauls.

Part 2.

The Royal Canal was utilised in those days. Motor and horse-drawn boats carried merchandise from Dublin to Galway. Leech's boatmen sometimes had their horses stabled in Darcy's stable. The canal was a great source of entertainment in summer - some swimming, some diving off Bond Bridge, some fishing and some playing cards on the banks. As traffic was so light in those days there used to be dancing on the bridge to the tune of a melody. Pitch and toss was played on the accommodation road between the canal and railway. Hand-ball was played against the wall of the driveway leading down to the paddock, now a development site. My aunt used to do a great trade in the cigarettes during these games. The champions of the "pux" played the champions of the ball-alley. The summers were long and lovely in those days. We used to love climbing on to the college bogies as they went up to Newtown to draw in hay from the farm there.

We used to have a fete in summer in some of the fields around. We had some lovely singing, Irish step-dancing, boxing matches and oral Irish tests. Above and beyond all this we had the majestic music of our own great band - the pride of the late Father Tom Grogan (R.I.P.). The music always started with "Faith of our Fathers" and concluded with our national anthem.

The railway line was busy with passengers and goods trains then. There was a station-master living in the station house. We were losing our station altogether some years ago but for the intervention of the college authorities. The canal, too, had been neglected and abandoned for some years, but thanks to the Royal Canal Amenity Group it has been restored and it is now a pleasure to walk along its banks, and let the years roll back. My hope is to one fine day be able to cruise along it's placid waters to somewhere near the Old Bog Road and to visit the grave of Teresa Brayton in Cloncurry cemetery.

Maynooth has changed greatly over the years. We used to be able to stand on Bond Bridge and gaze across on green fields and hedges so easy on the eye. Now we look across at miles of bricks and mortar. Those houses are now occupied by our much larger population. We gaze at what seems like millions of lights shining where only the moon shone down at night and stars twinkled. The electric light was first turned on in our church for mid-night mass during the Eucharistic Congress in June 1932. It was at this time that our newly-restored band wore their new uniforms for the first time. They played to the midnight Mass and to Phoenix Park for devotions. They played a lot more about the place then they do now. They have grown to nation-wide fame and have lots of engagements. We are indeed proud of them! The electric light was first switched on in the streets in 1934.

Every Christmas morning the band went up along Parson Street

to the rectory gates and then on to the first Mass which was at seven a.m. No midnight Mass then.

When we returned from first Mass my uncle (who went to a later Mass) had the breakfast table laid, complete with Christmas pudding on the centre with a piece of berried holly on top. There was a glass of wine at each one's place. My first Christmas there I reminded them of my confirmation pledge. My uncle said "What's to beat one talking about a confirmation pledge on a Christmas morning?" As the changing of water into wine was the first miracle, our Lord thought it was probably a fitting gesture to toast his feast-day with it. We stayed in our homes on Christmas Day. On New Year's Eve the band played up to the rectory gates again about 11.30 p.m. and back to the Square (minus "The Thing") to hail the New Year. Along Parson Street doors were open wide at midnight to let the New Year in. Greetings of "Happy New Year" were called to the neighbours from one to another as we stood in the doorways.

Although in less than four years after coming to Maynooth, I moved away, a whole life time seems to unfold when I look back. Wherever I went Maynooth was always my home. My aunt and uncle would not have wished it otherwise. They have been gone many years now but I can still re-live those happy far off days. I married a Maynooth man and settled in Parson Street, this little island of it's own, bounded by the Royal Canal, Joan Slade rivers, the Geraldine Castle and St. Patrick's College.

Many years have elapsed since I first came to dwell here, In this town I always call home.

Wherever my footsteps have wandered, Back again to Maynooth I did roam.

My paths have been varied and winding.

Life's sorrows and cares I have known,

It's joys and its beauties I've known, too,

Like seeds in a fair garden sown.

My wanderings have long been completed.

I thank God for this wonderful truth.

I'm settled and shall stay here forever,

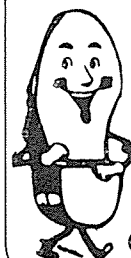
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The most important thing of all is to stop your vehicle if involved in any traffic accident resulting in death, injury, or damage. This is a requirement under the Road Traffic Act.

The second most important is to prevent a further accident. Immediately activate your hazard warning lights. Summon help.

If persons are injured try to get a doctor or ambulance service, whichever is quicker. Do not move somebody that is injured unless you are trained in first aid. Further injuries may occur to the victim. Call the Gardai. The law requires that you report accidents involving a vehicle resulting in death or injury to the Garda Siochana. Even where there are no apparent injuries, it is advisable to call the Gardai to the scene, or report it at the first opportunity to the nearest Garda Station.

Give your name and address, also the name and address of the owner of the vehicle, and registration number of the vehicle and particulars of insurance, to other party.

Obtain the same particulars from the other driver. The full name and address of all witnesses to the accident should be noted by you and made available to the Gardai. If you have sustained any injuries it is advisable to see your doctor. Report the accident to your insurance company, together with the name and station of the Garda who attended the scene. Finally see your own solicitor, who will assist you in handling problems relating to all accidents.

Safety Notes For Children Using Buses:

1. Arrive in good time at your pick up point.
2. Queue properly and avoid pushing or jostling.
3. Wait for bus to stop, then enter and take your seat in an orderly manner.
4. Keep passageway clear. Stow your schoolbag underneath your seat or on the luggage rack.
5. Do not tamper with doors or windows.
6. Don't distract your driver. Smoking in school bus is prohibited.
7. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop at your destination, then alight in an orderly manner.
8. If you must cross the road, please remember to: Stand well back from the bus after getting off. Allow the bus to pull away so there is a clear view of the road in both directions.

Look right, look left, look right again. Cross over checking both directions, only when the road is clear.

Note: Above rules are for your protection - don't put your school friends or yourself at risk by failing to honour them. We advise children who walk to school to please use the Pedestrian Lights Crossing on the Main Street. School children tend to cross the road way/ Main Street at locations fraught with danger.

Pedal Cyclists - General Rules.

Many complaints are received at the Garda Station about Pedal Cyclists and their behaviour on the road especially when going

to and returning from school. Hereunder are a list of general rules on road behaviour for cyclists and a check list of requirements on a pedal cycle to ensure safety while in use. Parents are urged to spend some time instructing their children on road safety so as to prevent their involvement in serious traffic accidents. Above all proper lighting etc. at night and please, School Children, No cycling on the road to school more than two abreast. Of course above rules and requirements also apply to us adults.

The Bicycle

Make sure the bike you ride is not too big or too small for you. Adjust it so that both feet can reach the ground comfortably. Make sure your brakes are in good condition and that you have a bell.

Luggage

If you are carrying anything, tie it securely to the carrier or use the basket. Never carry anything hanging from the handlebars.

The Rules of the Road

Cyclists must obey traffic signs just like other road users. Make sure you know what they mean (e.g. a "Stop" sign means exactly what it says!). Never weave in and out of slow moving traffic or cycle on the footpath.

Concentration

Since other traffic cannot hear you and may not notice you coming, always be alert to what is happening around you. Do not carry a radio or a cassette. Wearing head phones is especially dangerous.

Control and Braking

When you brake in an emergency, keep your weight on the saddle. Apply the back brake just before the front. Walk down very steep hills.

Signalling

Always signal your intention of turning or changing lanes in good time. Look behind before you signal.

Parked Cars.

Look behind well in advance of passing a parked car. Signal and then look behind again. Move out and leave room in case a door is suddenly opened. Always cycle in a single file whilst overtaking.

Turning left

If there is a vehicle turning left, don't edge up between it and the kerb. Stay behind and let it go. Look out for other traffic, signal and complete your turn, keeping well to the left.

Turning right

Many accidents happen when cyclists are turning right. This is a very dangerous manoeuvre. Look back well in advance of the junction, signal and look again. When it is safe, move to the middle of the road. Stop, look right and left and right again. When there is a safe gap in the traffic, signal and move out. Keep well to the left of the road you are entering.

Cycling in Groups

Never cycle more than two abreast and never in groups of more than six. Where groups are greater, break up into groups of six or less and leave a good gap between each group. If you need a rest move off the carriage way and make sure you are not a danger to others.

Cycling at Night

Your bike must have a rear reflector at all times. At night, you need a red rear lamp and a white or yellow front lamp. Pedal, rod and spoke reflectors will help motorists to see you up to 500 ft away. So will reflective armbands, belts and bandoleers.

BE SAFE BE SEEN

Bicycle Check List

Handle bars - Square with the frame and level with the saddle. Movement should be neither stiff nor too loose.

Saddle - Balls of both feet should just touch the ground.

Wheels - Get expert advice if buckled or out of alignment.

Spokes - Have loose ones tightened and damaged ones replaced.

Tyres - Hard with a good thread.

Chain - Should have about 3/4" play up and down on the bottom run. Clean and lightly oil regularly.

Mud Guards - Should be secure and well clear of the wheels.

Gears - Check and have adjusted when necessary.

Brake Cables - Check and adjust when necessary. Replace when frayed.

Brake Shoes - Closed ends should face the front.

Brake Blocks - Close to the rim of the wheel replace worn blocks.

Pedals - Replace when worn or broken.

Lamps - Red back and white/yellow front. Red reflector. Replace batteries when necessary and clean lenses.

Bell - Should be within easy reach of your thumb.

Lubricate all moving parts.

Annual Garda Dinner Dance:

On a lighter vein, plans are fully in place for our second Annual Dinner Dance, which takes place at the Setanta, Hotel, Celbridge on the 28th of February 1992. Unfortunately tickets are all sold out. We regret that the Hotel cannot accommodate more. We are sorry so many people were disappointed. Sincere thanks to everybody who made inquiries about the dance and were so enthusiastic to support this Annual venture.

MUSIC IN THE COLLEGE

Lunchtime Concerts - Mondays 13.15 - 14.00
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27 Jan	Dublin Consort of Viols
3 Feb	Jonathan Grimes, trombone
	Catriona McInerney, piano
10 Feb	John Murphy, clarinet
	Gillian Smith, piano
17 Feb	Frank Dunne, tenor
	Charles Pearson, piano
24 Feb	Martin O'Leary, piano
9 March	Eleanor Dawson, baroque flute
	Elizabeth Kenny, Fute
16 March	College Traditional Musicians
23 March	Leonard Dorrian, organ*
30 March	Third Year Class Concert
27 April	Second Year Class Concert
4 May	First Year Class Concert

Other Events

Tuesday 18 Feb 20.00 - RTE invites the staff and students of Maynooth to a concert by the National Symphony Orchestra, at the National Concert Hall, conducted by Colman Pearse with Gerard Gillen and Peter Sweeney, organ.

Monday 9 March 16.00 - Seminar in the music Department on baroque performance practice.

Sunday* 15 March 20.00 - Brahms' *Requiem* and *Alto Rhapsody* and Schubert's *Mass in G* performed by the College Choirs, Orchestra and Soloists Cara O'Sullivan, Bernadette Greevy and Nigel Leson-Williams. Directed by John O'Keeffe.

* in College Chapel.



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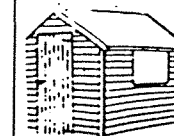
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Paddy and Maureen Malone of Leinster Cottages recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Maureen is a native of Maynooth, while Paddy, a native of Broadford in north Kildare, came to Maynooth to work in the early 1930's. He worked at the building of the E.S.B. dam in Leixlip and the water scheme between Celbridge and Maynooth. During the early 1940's, he remembers working at Lawlors in Straffan and having to walk to work because of the unavailability of rubber tyres for his bike due to the war. He was working in the College when the strike occurred there in 1939. The workers in the College went on strike for more pay and he remembers that at that time conditions in the College were

Maureen and Paddy Malone on their Wedding Day



very tough. Eventually the strike had to be called off as the staff started to go back to work or as Mr. Malone puts it, took a wrong turn and ended up back at work instead of on the picket line.

Mrs Maureen Malone was one of ten children whose father died in 1934 before the last child was born. She worked for forty years in the College and like her husband, thought that it was a difficult place to work and that the bursars were tough task masters.

Mrs Malone can remember back to the time when she made her confirmation. It was a different affair back then since the family did not usually attend the ceremony, just the children on their own. The bishop would give his sermon and after the ceremony the girls went back to the convent where the nuns provided them with some food. As a child she can remember going to see films which used to be shown in the convent. Later on she used to go to dances in the Parochial Hall which is now Centre Point Mall. The admission price for the dances was four old pence and she used to enjoy them greatly.

Mr. Malone also remembers going to these dances and enjoyed them a great deal. Apart from the C.Y.M.S. Hall, where young men could go and play snooker, billiards and table tennis there was little for a young person to do in Maynooth at the time other than to go to dances and to see films.

They both remember the fact that life was very

tough in the Maynooth of earlier years. During their fifty years of marriage, many changes have taken place in Maynooth and they can still recall a time when none of the housing estates currently dotted around Maynooth existed, with much of the land surrounding Maynooth belonging to the College. Mr. Malone also remembers the Medical Hall of Doctor Kearny which has since become the Country Shop. Mrs Malone thinks that while times were tough in the Maynooth of fifty years ago most people were friendly and happy. She does not like the noise of present day Maynooth, especially the noise of people going home from the pubs after closing time. Overall, however, they are both happy in Maynooth.

We would like to congratulate them on reaching their 50th Wedding Anniversary and to wish them many more happy years in Maynooth.

Maureen and Paddy relaxing at home



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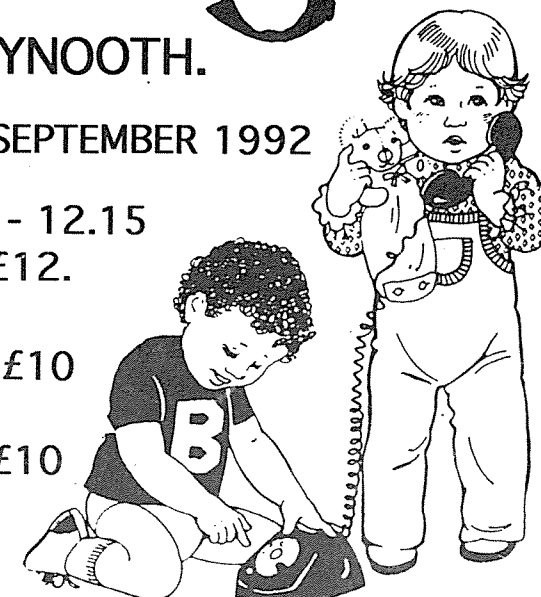
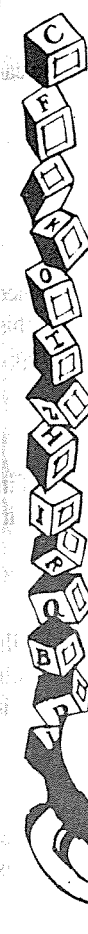
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HISTORY OF MAYNOOTH SERIES

William Robert Fitzgerald, Second Duke of Leinster Part 3.

On the 7th of July 1768, William was elected member of parliament for the borough of Kildare; and on the 23rd of the same month member for the city of Dublin; he chose to sit for the latter.

Meanwhile, William's Grand Tour continued, visiting Milan which he disliked, Vienna which he thought beautiful and where he chose to spend the winter of 1768. On New Years Day he was presented to the Emperor Joseph II at court. From here he began to make his journey home, calling at Prague, Dresden, Berlin and Berne on his way. While at Berne he stayed with the Hon Charles and Lady Margaret Bentinck who was his great aunt. After his visit count Bentinck said of him;

"... I could not but admire at first sight the plain and decent appearance, and easy politeness, of Lord Kildare; and, much more still, his sense and knowledge when we can talk of the places and persons he had seen. I can truly venture to say that I never yet saw a man of his age, nor several years older, that had travelled with as much judgement and attention, nor that seemed so much improved by seeing the world; which to me is proof of his good nature as well as good sense."

Although only the opinion of one man, it is the only reference to William's character available at this stage of his life.

William, anxious at this stage to get home, made his way to Ireland via England and was present at the opening of the new parliament in October.

Susan Dempsey

THE WYRD SISTER REPORT: Stars

Aries (21 March - 20 April)

It's time to come out of the closet this month luv. Nostradamus was wrong.

Taurus (21 April - 21 May)

You will receive some startling news from overseas on the 22nd. It will be bottled and will be about 25 years too late. Expect a long, lost loved one on the 27th when your partner will struggle home bewildered and by accident.

Gemini (22 May - 21 June)

A leap year does not mean that you are compelled to perform acrobatics for the duration of February. You poor unfortunate bothered gobbledaw you.

Cancer (22 June - 22 July)

Go easy on the hint-dropping this month pet. Everybody knows that one sends Valentine cards on the 12th. You will be asked, on the 13th, to be a contestant on Mastermind. Specialise in The Obvious.

Leo (23 July - 23 August)

Yawn *once* more in company and a deranged house martin will stuff your mouth with wattle.

Virgo (24 August - 23 September)

"Oh oh!" will not be accepted as an adequate response to the car crash and ensuing mayhem you cause on the 14th.

Libra (24 September - 23 October)

Getting fatter dear. But, as long as you're happy...

Scorpio (24 October - 22 November)

If there's a recent addition to your family, enjoy the experience while it lasts. With your record for murdering houseplants this one should get by its first day pretty O.K. Thereafter it's a rapid descent to death.

Sagittarius (23 November - 21 December)

Opportunity for personal development swirls through the roof in neon lights and blue smoke. It settles on the table before you in the form of a bar of soap. Grab it.

Capricorn (22 December - 20 January)

An unbelievable, magnificent, voluptuous spot of luck befalls you on the 21st. It will quickly get up off you however, dust itself down and wander away wondering what class of a vegetable it had the misfortune to collapse upon.

Aquarius (21 January - 19 February)

The 17th. One of the most mortifying experiences of your life. In The Body Shop. Lesson learned: never judge a shop by its title.

Pisces (20 February - 20 March)

Beware the pitter-patter of little feet around the house: the mice are propagating a fascinating strain of fungus behind the fridge and are busy transporting live mammals to feed to it.

None of this smoochy love and Valentine's business for me - just the plain facts.

- Minerva.



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STREET TALKING

A new shopping centre with seven units has been completed in the Beaufield estate and they should be ready to open soon. According to Mr. Leahy of Gunnes Auctioneers in Lucan, a number of shops will definitely be opening. They are, a super-market/newsagency, a video rental shop and a butchers. There are also a number of other possibilities in the pipeline and these include a hairdressers, pharmacy, boutique and a greengrocers or sports shop. Brian and Ailis Connaughton, who already have a shop at Newtown, will be opening a supermarket and Newsagency to be known as Newtown Stores. They will stock the usual range of products including fuel, also have a Lotto machine and hope to duplicate their current high standard of service in the new store.

A number of new retail units are being completed at the moment opposite the Garda Station. According to Coonans Auctioneers one of the units has already been sold and this is due to open shortly as a video rental shop. They are close to agreement on the sale of the other two ground floor units but do not want to say what the plans for them are at the present time.

A new 18 hole Pitch and Putt course is currently being developed on the Dunboyne Road, by Tony and Thomas Bean, both of whom are originally from the Main Street. The course will open to the public in mid-summer.

The Elite Coffee Shop and Confectionery recently opened their newly refurbished premises which features a greatly expanded seating area. The range of food on offer has also been increased with salads and pizzas now available. The Elite also features a very attractive new shop front which brightens up the Main Street.

El Dorado

There has been a spate of controversy recently over the application by Mick Jennings of the El Dorado take-away, Greenfield Shopping Centre, for an extension of his opening hours from 12 midnight to 1.30 am. The application was refused by Kildare County Council and Mr. Jennings subsequently appealed the decision to An Bord Pleanala.

Although the County Councils' Planning Office has no comment to make on the affair it seems likely that they refused it for much the same reasons as those put forward by the Greenfield Residents Association. According to Mr. P. Hogan of the Greenfield Residents Association, the reason why they object to it is because of the excessive noise which is generated by people going into and hanging around the chip shop at night, with a large amount of car movement in the area as a result and the fact that having a take-away so near depreciates property values. However, Mr. Jennings points out that much of this noise would be present anyway as the estate is near a main road and many people would be going home from the pubs via the estate and that even if the El Dorado was not there, there would not be any reduction in noise. He also points to the fact that he will not tolerate any rowdy elements in his shop and that he cleans up the car park every night. He also claims that the recent meeting which decided on the policy of opposition to extended opening hours by the Residents Association was not democratic as a number of people who were supporting him were not allowed to vote. However Mr. Hogan stated that the meeting was a general

meeting of the Residents Association with voting rights confined to paid up members of the Association. Those present at the meeting had the option of joining the association on the payment of a fee of £10 but only one person took up this option. Mr. Hogan also pointed out that voting was carried out by secret ballot and the majority in favour of opposing the extended opening hours was decisive.

Mr. Jennings claims that only a small number of residents objected to his take-away and that they were opposed to it from the very start and that the association is only following their lead. Mr. Hogan points to the fact that the associations policy was endorsed by a large majority of its members. At the moment both Mr. Jennings and the residents association are awaiting a decision by An Bord Pleanala.



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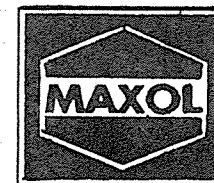
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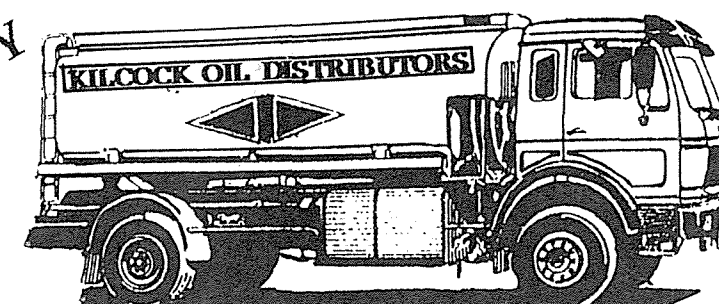


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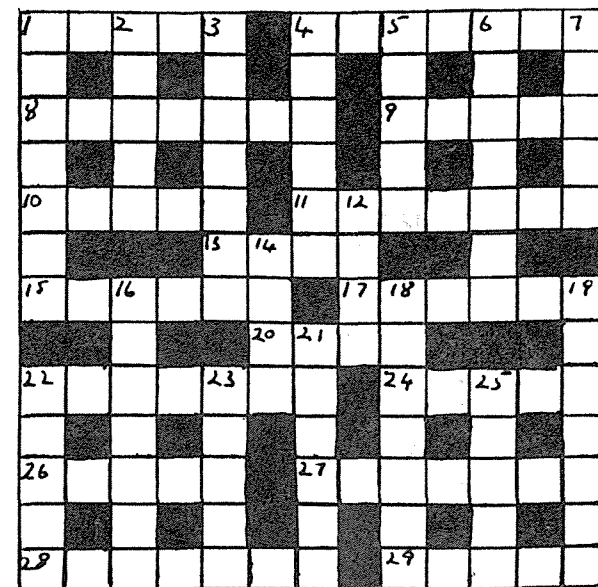
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Across

1. Mostly cocktails served in here?
4. Yore ill, upset, looking down in the mouth on Main Street (1'6)
8. Blow up or destroy ten and fail (7)
9. Placed in such sheets or clothes, if you're lucky! (5)
10. Value the choice between w and TH (5)
11. Fifty snakes take you **up** on board... (7)
13. ... and turn back to see about fifty snake-like fish (4)
15. Grouchy fermented milk (6)
17. Back these, of course! (6)
20. Cook has **entree** following starters... (4)
22. ... and so will aspire to serve up herb tea (7)
24. Meeting-place holds unruly four thousand (5)
26. Maynooth highpoint gives odds on anger (5)
27. Disturbance in court? (7)
28. I screen "Trading Places", honest! (&)
29. Princess Di describes Maynooth waterway (5)

Down

1. Track liar on way back (7)
2. Bid that you can't refuse? (5)
3. Cheater, caught out, has class (7)
4. A single patient in this park? (1'5)
5. Sea sick before Edward relaxed (5)
6. These little pigs won't join the Tidy Towns Committee (7)
7. Pulls americans (5)
12. As he states indeed, at once principal and secondary 3 in Maynooth (4)
14. Way to reproduce part of sketching (4)
16. Um 2000? E.G. cairn is piled up (7)
18. Captain is not on cake decorator (7)
19. Half the north, Alfred, is seedy (7)
21. One-way transport for one to Laraghbryan... (6)
22. ... while 66 or 67 do return trips to Dublin (5)
23. Indicates some things in the south-east (5)
25. When sunbeam closes in, save this kind of day (5)



Entries before 5.00 pm Friday 14th February

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Solution to Crossword 50:

Across: 1. Busy Body; 5. Half; 9. Clane; 10. Not Fair; 11. Silken Thomas; 13. Tenths; 14. Abated; 17. Delicatessen; 20. Noon Day; 21. Trait; 22. Seep; 23. Apoplexy.

Down: 1. Back; 2. Station; 3. Break the code; 4. Dining; 6. Alarm; 7. Fireside; 8. At The Bus Stop; 12. Students; 15. The Pale; 18. Loose; 19. Athy.



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In the Spirit

One of the most intelligently hilarious films to have been released on video in the past two years. A naive *New Age* health-cum-spirit-freak is flung together with a no-nonsense socialite in an attempt to avoid being murdered. The two women's traps for the would-be killer are almost as funny as their harried relationship. Excellent cast and wonderfully witty script with cameo appearances by Peter Falk, Olympia Dukakis and Melanie Griffith.

Rating: 10 out of 10.

Crimes of the Heart

Jessica Lange, Sissy Spacek and Dianne Keaton star as three woefully different sisters brought together by the youngest's failed attempts to kill her husband. Set in the Deep South the film touches on some race issues but largely focuses on the relationship between the sisters with an off-beat and gentle sense of humour. Sissy Spacek is particularly good as the sister who fails at just about everything from hanging herself from the chandelier to putting her head in the gas oven.

Rating: 7 out of 10.

Men at Work

Positively the worst and most stupid film currently on release. Charlie Sheen and Emilio Estevez astonish themselves by revealing how boring they actually are in this, their jointly produced venture. As charismatic and exuberant as the clippings of a toe nail.

Rating: It doesn't.

MUSIC REVIEW

U2: *Achtung Baby*

Great Rock Music is all about creating energy, and conveying that energy to an audience. Only occasionally, however, is this relatively simple task completed successfully. U2 are an exception to the rule. Their last three albums - *The Unforgettable Fire*, *The Joshua Tree* and *Rattle and Hum* - all succeeded in generating considerable excitement, *Rattle and Hum* especially, which managed to convey not only the powerhouse that the band is in the live situation, but also showed the band breaking new ground in their explorations of blues, country and gospel influences.

Achtung Baby, amidst great hype (which for me is always a suspicious sign) also breaks new ground. I am hesitant however to commend the album as successful. A band can only sustain a high-level of energy for a time, and given the mammoth *Joshua Tree* tour and the triumphs of *Rattle and Hum*, it is no surprise that *Achtung Baby* exhibits a certain lack-lustre quality. The simplicity of many of the great songs of *Rattle and Hum* is replaced by an ever-increasing use of special effects, often smothering the songs. I would like to hear 'One', for example, one of the more promising songs on the album, with just Bono's

voice and a single acoustic guitar. Over-use of effects is surely the greatest crime (and greatest compensation for talent - a facility U2 do not need to avail of) in contemporary rock.

Achtung Baby opens with the surreal 'Zoo Station', an excellent experiment that, unlike many of the other songs on the album, does come off. The expectations that this quality will be sustained throughout the album, and 'One', the third track, certainly measures up. However mediocre songs like 'Until The End Of The World', 'So Cruel' and 'The Fly' betray that lack of energy, from which so many great bands have suffered as their careers move on. Only the brilliant 'Mysterious Ways' make up for these disappointments.

I mentioned the word 'experiment' earlier, and it is true to say that *Achtung Baby* is an experimental album. In this it is a brave album, unrelenting in its explorations of what for U2 is new territory - 'New

Wave' and Rap-like rhythms, for example - and willing to compromise popularity for experiment and discovery. This is the only way in which a band can grow, and U2 must be complemented for this. Though *Achtung Baby* does not manage to convey its energy to certainly this member of its audience, the potential lying under the surface in the band's latest excursion promises only good things to come from U2.

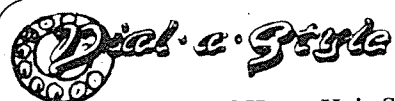
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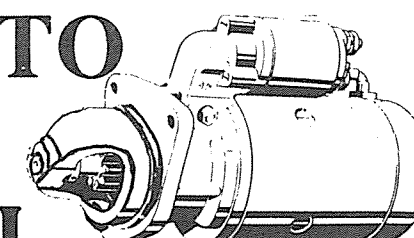
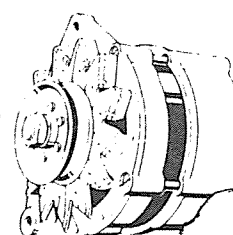
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WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

VEC Grants must be kept

The Government's decision to introduce means tests for grants to third-level VEC colleges is a major step backwards for Irish education. This may give parity with the universities, but parity for whom? The income limit for university grants is already ridiculously low. Only families earning well below the average industrial wage qualify. Many families with such low incomes cannot afford to keep their children at college, even with a full grant.

The existing system was a godsend for students from low and middle income families who, otherwise would not have been able to avail of third level education. These will be the main casualties of the proposed change - another example of how Irish society defends the well-off and penalises the rest. Ireland is one of the few European countries which does not provide free third level education for all. The Workers' Party is committed to universal free education, to be paid for by an effective and fair income tax system.

Information On Failure Rates Needed

Maynooth College does not publish any information about failure rates, either in the College as a whole, or in individual faculties or departments. As a result students who pay a lot of hard-earned money to attend the College do not know how likely they are to get through. Nor do they know if standards are the same for all subjects.

To try to get an idea of drop-out rates, the Maynooth College Workers' Party Students Group has been looking at final year enrolments compared to enrolments for the same groups in their first year. This shows that, over the last decade, there is a consistent drop-out rate of over a third for Arts students, and sometimes over one half for Science. This does not include those who fail their final exams.

Workers' Party Students regard this drop-out rate as being alarmingly high, and requiring urgent attention. Students deserve an informed choice and value for money. Maynooth Workers' Party Students call on Maynooth College to publish failure rates and rectify anomalies. Students at the College are urged to ask their class representative to push this issue in the Students' Union.

Footpath Funding Demaded

Visitors to Maynooth frequently express disbelief that footpaths anywhere could be so bad. There is an urgent need for something to be done about them. Yet, Kildare County Council has no special budget for footpaths. Believe it or not, footpaths are considered to be part of our roads system, and are included in the roads budget. And, given how bad the roads themselves are, footpaths get the short end of the stick when the money is being given out. This simply isn't acceptable. Most of the population are pedestrians, including those who are most vulnerable, especially senior citizens and young children. It is high time that the County Council had a separate budget to look after the majority who have to put up with our footpaths. Councillor Catherine Murphy has now made just such a proposal to the Council, to be discussed shortly. In the meantime, take care!

FINE GAEL NOTES.

A.G.M.

At a lively and well attended A.G.M. the following officers were elected to serve the branch for 1992.

Chairperson: Bernard Flanagan.
Vice-Chair: Manus McCarron.
Secretary: Senan Griffin.
Treasurers: Pearl Conlon.
Nellie Bradshaw.

P.R.O.: Fionan Hardiman.
Assistant P.R.O.: Margaret Howe.
Organiser: Michael Gaffney.

Christmas Raffle

The branch would like to thank all those who, through providing prizes or buying tickets, made their Christmas raffle such an enormous success.

Development of Carton

On Monday 13th January a meeting of Kildare Co. Council was held to consider the proposed contravention of the Draft Development Plan necessary to allow a planning application for the development of Carton to be considered. The meeting agreed to the proposal. The council must now advertise the proposed contravention and allow two months for interested parties to make submissions. It must then meet again to consider these submissions and then decide whether to approve or refuse the planning application.

Addressing the meeting on Monday 13th Bernard Durkan said that the prospect of 400 jobs in the Maynooth area was very attractive. He stressed however that Carton House is of local and national historical, architectural and cultural importance and that any planning decision to change its use should take account of this. Future generations will judge such a decision on the basis of the lasting benefits accruing to the local community, he said. It was his view that before permission is granted substantial benefits should be obtained for the people of Maynooth by way of recreational facilities such as playing fields and tracks for local schools, advancement of the swimming pool project, provision of proper roads, footpaths, public lighting, underground cabling for E.S.B. and Telecom and relocation of the public toilet. In short the opportunity should be taken to upgrade Maynooth to the standard expected in a modern university town. He believed that these objectives were attainable given previous proposals made in respect of the development of Carton. He said it was his intention to pursue these matters vigorously during the debate at council level.

Motions to Co. Council.

Bernard Durkan has submitted motions to the Council on the following issues.

- Flooding of the Dublin Road.
- Completion of resurfacing of Moyglare Road.
- Reinstatement of roads after sewerage works.
- Re-surfacing of the Crescent, Straffan Road.

Car Insurance Costs.

For all those who have been shocked by the cost of renewing their car insurance the following figures, supplied by the Minister of

Political Party Notes

Industry and Commerce in response to a question from Bernard Durkan, make sobering reading.

Year	Gross Premiums	Cost of Claims
1987	£383.6 M	£343 M
1988	£389.7 M	£359.4 M
1989	£406.8 M	£448.2 M
1990	£482.9 M	£503.8 M

While premiums exceed the cost of claims in '87 and '88 the position was reversed in '89 and '90 when claims exceeded premiums by £41 M and £20 M respectively. It would appear that the changes made in the legal representation for such claims have not been effective in reducing costs.

FIANNA FAIL NOTES

Deputy Sean Power T.D. has received the following letter from Mr. J. G. Ward County Manager:

Dear Deputy,

I wish to thank you for your recent letter in regard to the Intel Project.

I can assure you that I am only too well aware of the difficult unemployment problem throughout the county and every effort is being made to obtain and develop industry within the county and to encourage the creation of employment.

Concerning the possible purchase of land by Kildare County Council in the North Kildare area for industrial development, I regret that having regard to the extremely limited resources which are available to Kildare County Council to provide the essential Council services that the Council has not available to it any funds which would enable it to acquire land for industrial purpose.

I have on every occasion possible brought to the attention of the I.D.A. the particular problems of the North Kildare area and the importance of obtaining other projects for that part of the county and will continue to do so in the future. When next meeting the I.D.A. Regional Manager, I will again press upon him the importance of giving special consideration to the purchase of land in North Kildare in view of the exceptional circumstances which arise there.

I will keep you advised in the matter.

Yours sincerely,

J. G. Ward
County Manager.

Labour Party Notes

Service Charges Imposed Again

Waterford, Limerick and Cork have followed Dublin's example of abolishing water and refuse charges. Here in Co. Kildare, however, despite strong opposition from Labour Party councillors Stagg, Purcell and Keane, residents will again be burdened with the double taxation of service charges in 1992. Late last year both the Labour Party and Workers Party representatives put forward motions seeking to have local charges excluded from the 1992 estimates. Subsequently Councillors voted 14 to 10 in favour of charges, with water charges being increased from £55 to £60 and refuse charges remaining at £50. For those paying before February 1st there will be a discount of £20.

Maynooth residents will no doubt be interested to know that among the coalition of Fianna Fail, Fine Gael and PD councillors

who voted for the charges was local Fianna Fail councillor Gerry Brady.

'The Thing'

Residents will probably have noticed that the infamous 'Thing' is still 'in situ'. However, the campaign to have it removed has been reactivated and the Labour Party feel that now is an appropriate time to consider what should replace it. The Branch feel that a simple structure which would allow St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band give public recitals would be most appropriate. Obviously any new structure should be much smaller than 'The Thing'. One idea put forward is that an oval based, stepped pyramid structure with a vandal proof fountain at the apex would represent a suitable and useful focus for the Square.

Such a project would be a nice way for the Maynooth 1916 Committee to spend the £10,000 which they won in the Prize Bonds 2 years ago. The Labour Party are inviting members of the public to send their proposals for 'The Thing's' replacement to John McGinley or any other member of the local branch.

The Crescent

Emmet Stagg TD has tabled the following motion for consideration of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Co. Council: 'That the Council take action to finally eliminate the ponding of water on a constant basis at the Maynooth town entrance to The Crescent, Straffan Road, Maynooth.'

Leinster Park

Following representations from Deputy Stagg some repair work was carried out in December by the Co. Council to the road at Leinster Park. However, the entrance to Leinster Park remains in a deplorable condition. Deputy Stagg will seek finance to repair this area from the Special Road Grants in 1992.

Traffic Through Back Lanes

Deputy Stagg has again made representations to the Council regarding the continued use of the back lanes by motorists in contravention of the one-way signs at Leinster Cottages. The Council have approached the Gardai, asking that the one-way system be enforced.

Death of Mrs. Connolly

Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party extends its deepest sympathy to the Connolly family on the recent death of Mrs. Ann Connolly after a long illness.

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Sports News

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

All Ireland Veterans Championships

Ladies 0/30, 3rd Noelle McTernan.

0/35, 3rd Frances Kearney.

Maynooth 1st Club Team - Noelle McTernan, Frances Kearney, Margaret Gillick and Marie Gleeson.

An excellent result for the Veterans who were also in the Kildare team which took second place for the county.



Maynooth, 1st Club Team. (L to R) Marie Gleeson, Noelle McTernan, Frances Kearney, Margaret Gillick.

Men 0/45 16th David Jolley - member of the Kildare team which took 3rd place for the county.

Leinster Championships

Ballinacree December '91.

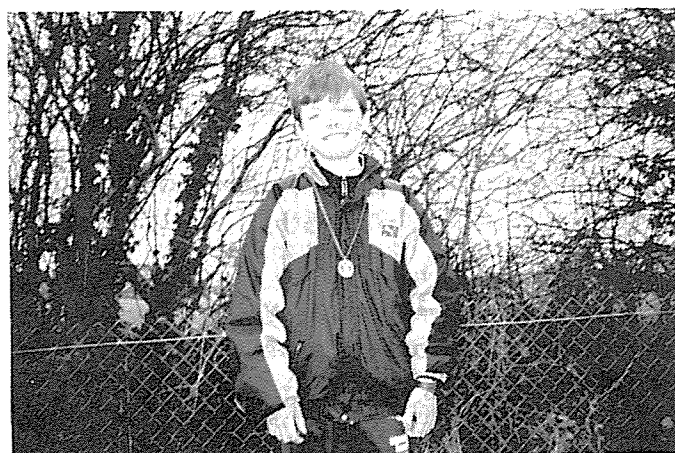
Girls u/9 - Gillian O'Hurley (30th).

Boys u/9 - Morgan Sweeney (6th), Pierre Ennis (12th), Cillian Carr (24th), Jamie O'Neill (32nd), Stephen Healy (53rd) - 2nd Club Team (without Patrick O'Rourke and Daniel Adderley). Morgan, Pierre and Cillian were also part of the Kildare team which took 3rd county.

Girls u/11 - Irene Kearney (64th), Joy O'Neill (73rd), Aoife McTernan (77th).

Boys u/11 - Conor Diggins (1st - Gold Medal), Karl Ennis (15th) David Campbell (18th) Padraig O'Sullivan (57th) Richard Leavy (59th) Darragh Carr (67th) and Noel Healy (79th).

Conor, Karl, David and Padraig took gold medal (1st Club, Conor, Karl and David were also in Kildare team which took 3rd county).



Conor Diggins Gold Medal Winner,
under 11 Leinster Championship.

Girls u/13 - Michelle Gillick (35th), Sarah Commene (37th), Susan Adderley (75th) and Laura Kearney (85th).

Girls u/15 - Patricia Purcell (3rd - Bronze Medal) Emer O'Sullivan (23rd) Dervla McDermott (53rd) and Lynda Haren (57th).

Novice Ladies - Frances Kearney, Margaret Gillick, Noelle McTernan and Marie Gleeson took 2nd team.

0/45 Mens - David Jolley (9th).

Leinster Championship - December 15th Carton Estate.

Boys u/10 - Padraig O'Sullivan (16th), Morgan Sweeney (20th), David Campbell (24th), Cillian Carr, Daniel Adderley, Noel Healy, Stephen Healy, Richard Leavy all finished positions unknown.

Girls u/12 - Susan Adderley (37th), Irene Kearney.

Boys u/12 - Conor Diggins (4th), Karl Ennis (31st) Darragh Carr (87th).

Conor was on the Kildare team and came 3rd county.

Girls u/14 - Michelle Gillick (37th) Laura Kearney (56th) Lynda Haren (57th) Dervla McDermott (58th).

Ladies 0/30 - Frances Kearney (12th) Margaret Gillick (13th) Marie Gleeson (17th). Frances was on the Kildare team - 3rd county.



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Sports News

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

The Dublin League is well underway and our first team began with great success by winning all its home matches.

The second team began poorly but have now found their feet and are back on the winning trail. The Ladies League, with the addition of two new members are holding their own in a very difficult group.

The Committee organised coaching sessions for all members during the months of November and December which proved to be most beneficial to all concerned. Many thanks to coach Ann Dalton and hopefully we will have her back in the near future. Free open nights were organised for Tuesday nights 21st and 28th of January. A further free night is arranged for Tuesday 4th February from 8.30 - 11.30 pm in the Parish Hall. All members are most welcome.

All the club would like to wish a speedy recovery from various injuries to Mary Sheehan, Elaine Sheerin, Jim Miller and Pat Farrell.

Congratulations to former member Frances Burke and her husband Christy on the recent birth of their daughter Katie.

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TAE KWON-DO NOTES

Ireland conquer England, Scotland and Wales in Cardiff
The wonder students of the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association (I.T.F.) (I.M.A.C) brought further glory to the association by sweeping the board at the recent British Open Tae Kwon-Do Championships in Cardiff. The association sent six students to compete against the cream of international competition with the dynamic team returning home with six gold medals, one silver, two bronze and two overall championship trophies. Floyd Keane enjoyed a spectacular tournament winning three gold medals for pattern, sparring and destruction in the Junior Black Belt category, thereby earning the distinction of being crowned British champion.

Lennon Doyle became British Champion in the Colour Belt category by winning two gold medals for pattern and destruction and a bronze medal for sparring.

Other notable successes included Derek O'Neill who won bronze in the Senior 1st Degree Black Belt pattern and Karl Smyth who won silver in the 2nd Degree Black Belt pattern and Keith Darcy who won gold for sparring in the Colour Belt category.

The Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association came third overall in the competition, an excellent performance from such a small team competing against fifty six top class schools. Representing the R.I.T.A. were from St Mark's Tae Kwon-Do School, Tallaght, David Hales, Floyd Keane and Derek O'Neill and from Ballyfermot Tae Kwon-Do School, Karl Smyth, Lennon Doyle and Keith Darcy.

Christy Higgins.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

Result of u/age Christmas Draw. We wish to thank everyone who supported our Draw. 1st prize, C. Ryan c/o C. Feeney; 2nd, prize Jim's Shoe Repair, Maynooth Shopping Centre; 3rd, prize T. Bailey c/o P. Ennis; 4th prize, M. Normoyle; Kingsbry; 5th prize, Mrs G. Kelly, Beaufield; 6th prize, T. Donovan, Greenfield; 6 prizes of a Bottle of Whiskey, L. Shinnors, Leixlip G.A.A.; T. O' Shaughnessy; P. Noone, Laragh; C. B. Murphy c/o M. Donnelly; M. Timmons, Donadea Naas; R. Sell, Beachgrove, Athboy.

Under Age Hurling Training

Our u/age hurlers train every Saturday morning from 10.30 am to 11.30 am. Any members of our community who would like to coach our under age hurlers are very welcome to our field any Saturday morning.

Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 19th January in New Social Centre. Officers elected for 1992:
Presidents - J. Tracey, J. Nolan. P. Brady, J. Murphy, D. Breen.
Vice Presidents - T. Twomey, O' Reilly.

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Secretary - B. Leacy, Ass. Secretary - T. Fay.
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Committee - S. Molloy, L. Lacey, R. O'Malley, D. O'Herlihy, D. Madden, A. Kelly, S. Nevin, E. Dunne, D. Boylan, P. Carr, K. Connolly, F. Devereux, P. Nevin, M. Stynes, M. Kelly (sen), A. Killorgan, M. Caden, B. O'Farrell, D. McDermott, O' Geoghegan, J. Lawlor, D. Quigley. From this Committee all sub committees will be elected. Full Membership of our New Social Centre will be £15.00, Husband and wife £20.00, Club House member £12.00, Student £10.00, Husband and Wife Club House Member £17.00.

Selectors for 1992

Junior A; J. Farrell, K. Connolly, M. Donnolly.

Junior B; P. Carr, T. Coffeey, M. Gillick.

U/21 K. Connolly, T. Fay, J. Nevin.

U/18 M. Mealy, M. Donnolly, M. Ryan, A. Killorgan, K. Fagan.

Maynooth G.A.A.

1st Team

Training for the 1992 season started on Sunday the 12th of January and will continue each Sunday at 11.30 am. Until further notice sessions are being held in the College- Arts Block Pitch. A full muster of players is expected at these sessions. Fitness will be vital this year when Senior and Intermediate teams will be encountered.

New players are more than welcome to attend.

Underage

Under 12 V Leixlip B (Home)

Score: Maynooth 4.7 Leixlip 2.1

Scorers: John O'Shea 2.1; Seamus Cummins 2.1; Barry Connolly 3pts; Adrian Boylan and Karl Ennis 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Downey, Nevin, O'Shea, Connolly, Gallagher, Boylan, Cummins, Higgins, Farrelly, Fleming and Higgins.

U/10 V Leixlip B.

Score: Maynooth 8.2 Leixlip 2pts

Scorers: Sean Woodhouse 2.1; Jody Connolly 2.0; Daragh Carr, Thomas Halton, Connor O'Malley, Pierre Ennis 1 goal each; Karl Ennis 1pt.

Best for Maynooth: Mc Dermott, Ryan, Diggins, Geoghegan, Carr, Campbell, Halton, Ennis (K), Mc Carron, Ennis (P), Woodhouse, Connolly and O' Malley.

Under 10 V Kill

Score: Maynooth 5.7 Kill 1.1.

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

Best for Maynooth: Diggins, Carr, Geoghegan, Ennis, Campbell, Mc Carron, Lennon.

Underage training restarted on Saturday the 11th of January and another busy year is in prospect. At this stage indications are that the first League action will be in March with age categories of under 10 and under 12. It is possible that the Winter League will be for the age groups under 11 and under 13. Regardless of the categories we are confident our lads will give a very good account of themselves.

Sympathies

Mrs Hand and family, Main Street, Maynooth on the death of her sister Mrs Margaret Dunne of Co. Wicklow.

sons, daughters, sisters, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of the late Anne Connolly, Greenfield, Maynooth. Funeral Mass was read by her grandson, Very Rev. Father Peter Dowling S.S.S., P.P. St. Patrick's Church, William Street, Glasgow assisted by Very Rev. Father B Supple P.P. and Rev Father D. Cogan C.C.

The Members of Maynooth Labour Party formed a guard of honour at the removal. The Coffin was draped with the plough and the stars flag. Mrs Connolly was second oldest parishioner in Maynooth and was held in high esteem by all who knew her. The large cortège at the removal, mass and funeral was a fitting tribute to a grand old lady.

husband, sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, relatives and friends of the late Catherine B. Keegan (nee Nash), RailPark, Maynooth, formerly Phillipsburg Ave, Fairview.

Mrs Eileen Hand, Main Street on the death of her sister in Glenealy, Wicklow.

The wife, sons, daughters and family of the late Michael Halligan, Station Road, Leixlip, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, those who attended the removal, mass and funeral, sent mass cards, floral tributes, and letters of sympathy, good friends and neighbours. Trusting this will be accepted by all in grateful acknowledgement. The Holy Sacrifice of the mass will be offered for their intentions.

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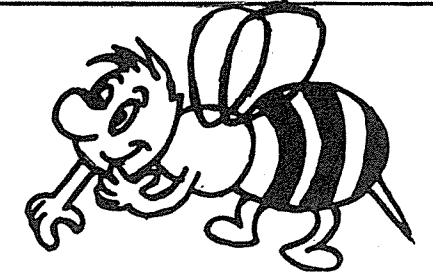
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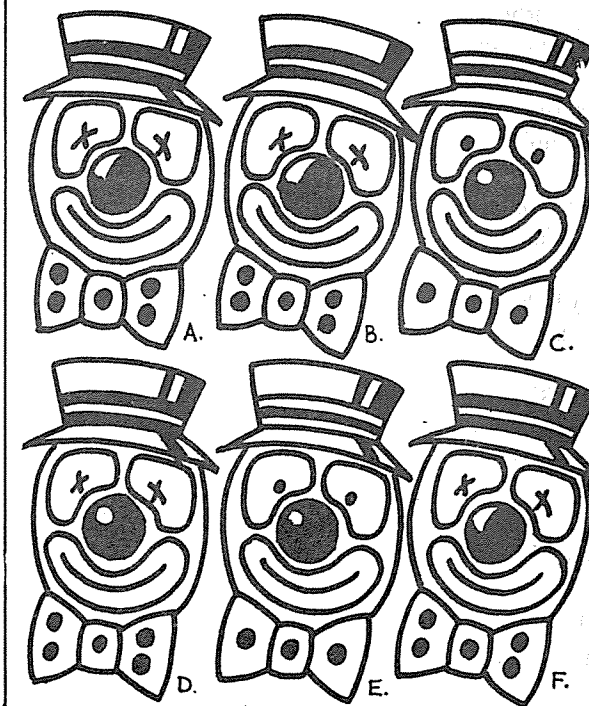
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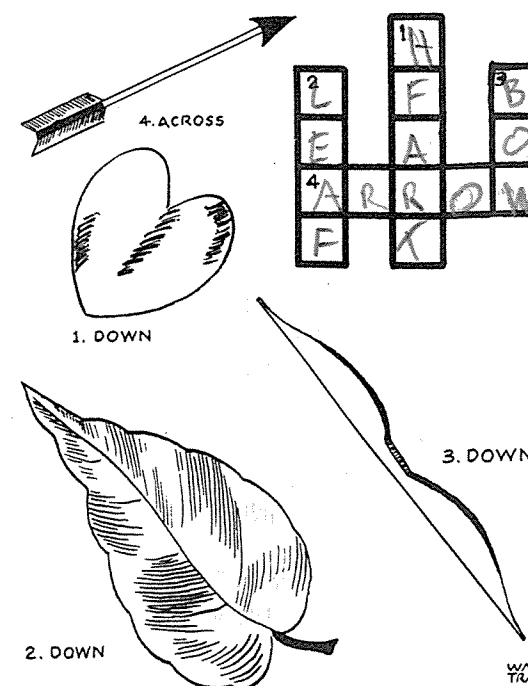
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Birthday Greetings

Happy Birthday to Una McGovern Greenfield, February 2nd. With love from your sons, daughters-in-law & grandchildren, all our love & have a nice day. X X X

Happy Birthday to our dearest Nannie Una, February 2nd. Love & kisses from Karina, Stacey, Michelle, Debbie, Regina, Richard & Thomas. We all love you. X X X.

Belated Birthday greetings to my dad Tony Kavangh whose birthday was on the 9th of January. From Karen & Jennifer.

Belated Birthday greetings to Niamh Anglin 235 Kingsbry, who was 6 on the 20th of January; from Karen.

Belated Happy Birthday to Brian Gannon, Mulhussey, Co. Meath. From Mary Harty.

Happy Birthday to Deirdre Cassidy on 9th March who will be a teenager at last. From Eileen, Eamon, Gooley, Martie, Kim, Christine and Marie.

To Bernie Gannon, Happy Birthday. From Orla and Mary.

Happy Birthday to John Perry on the 25th February, who will be 8. Lots of love, Mum, Dad, Jessica and Tina.

Happy Birthday to Jessica Perry on 14th March age 5. Lots of love from Mum, Dad and Tina.

Happy Birthday to Charline Moran of 895 Highfield Kilcock who will be 4 on the 9th of February.

Birthday Greetings to Sharon Kiernan, The Coppins, Celbridge. Aged 1 on January 30th. Best Wishes from Granny, Grandad, aunties and uncles.

Birthday Greetings to Darielle O'Sullivan, Beaufield, Maynooth aged 1 January 31st. Best wishes from everyone.

Happy Birthday to Janet McWeeney, Carton Court who was 13 years old on the 23rd of February. Best wishes from Mammy and Daddy and brother Willie.

Happy Birthday to Sean Bennett, Newtown who was 14 on January 23rd. Best wishes from Mammy and Daddy.

Birthday Greetings to Darren Naughton, Greenfield who will be 12 on the 14th of February.

Happy Birthday to Larry Mc Ternan, Highfield, Kilcock on February 25th and to his brother Gerard from "Cearravilla", Greenfield on February the 26th and to their Mammy Ita Mc Ternan of Parson Street whose birthday was January 11th. Love from all of the family in Maynooth, Kilcock, Dunboyne and Leixlip.

Happy Birthday to Mrs. Shirley Cummins, Highfield, Kilcock on February 12th and to daughter Niamh aged 8 on February 5th.

Happy birthday to Paul Mc Ternan, Highfield, Kilcock aged 16 on February 4th, to his sister Gillian aged 10 on January 24th, and their cousin Maeve Mc Ternan, Avondale, Leixlip aged 15 on January 24th.

Birthday Greetings to Phil Brady Clock House who celebrated his birthday on January 19th. Best wishes from all the patrons of Clock House.

Happy early Birthday to Aine Mc Eilligott. Hope things are going well with Doyler from Orla and Mary.

Happy Birthday to Pierre on the 25rd of February. Love from all of the family.

Happy 19th birthday to Michelle on the 25th of February. Love from all the Family.

Happy Belated Birthday to Ciana whose birthday was on the 11th of January. Lots of love from all the family.

Happy Birthday to Thomas Bean, 'Lemar' Dunboyne Road, Maynooth. From his Dad, Mam, Tony, Mary and Children. Thomas will celebrate his birthday on February 27th.

Happy Birthday to Peter Hussey on 9th February. Peter is due to surprise his many friends with a party.

Hello to everyone in room 15 and 16.

Hello to Eamonn, Darren, Gooley, Trevor, Marty from your loving ex girlfriend Jackie.

Hello to Christine, Sinead, Simone, Nichola H and Nichola C, Siobhan, Martina, Gemma, Ann-Maire, Michelle G, Michelle F, Maeve, Kate, Debbie, Valerie and Tracey. From Eileen.

Hello to Gooley, Eamonn, Eileen, Deirdre, Linda. From Trevor.

Hello to Eileen and Deirdre who are so gorgeous. From a secret admirer. D. O. A.

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Congratulations

Congratulations & Best Wishes to Michael & Eileen McGovern, Greenfield, who celebrated their 12th Wedding Anniversary on Jan. 26th. With love from Mam, Kevin, Noel, Marie & family, also from Mrs Flynn in Kilcloone. X X X.

Congratulations to Sharon Reilly and Fintan McMahon on their engagement on the 23rd of December. Speedy days to the wedding. Lots of love from family and friends.

Happy Anniversary to Mum and Dad, on their 9th anniversary on the 9th of Febuary from John, Jessica, Tina.

Happy 12th Wedding Anniversary to our Darling Mam & Dad, Jan 26th. With lots of love from Karina, Stacey, Michelle, Debbie & Regina. X X.

Congratulations to Margaret Byrne, Ballygoran and John Doyle, Parson Street, on their recent engagement. Best wishes for your future, from your families and many friends.

Congratulations to Jackie and Mark on their recent engagement. Best of luck. Love from all of your working mates.

Congratulations to Darren Moran, Greenfield and Caroline Dunne, Kilcock, on their recent engagement. The happy couple celebrated the event with a surprise party hosted by the Moran Family in Slims on January the 18th.

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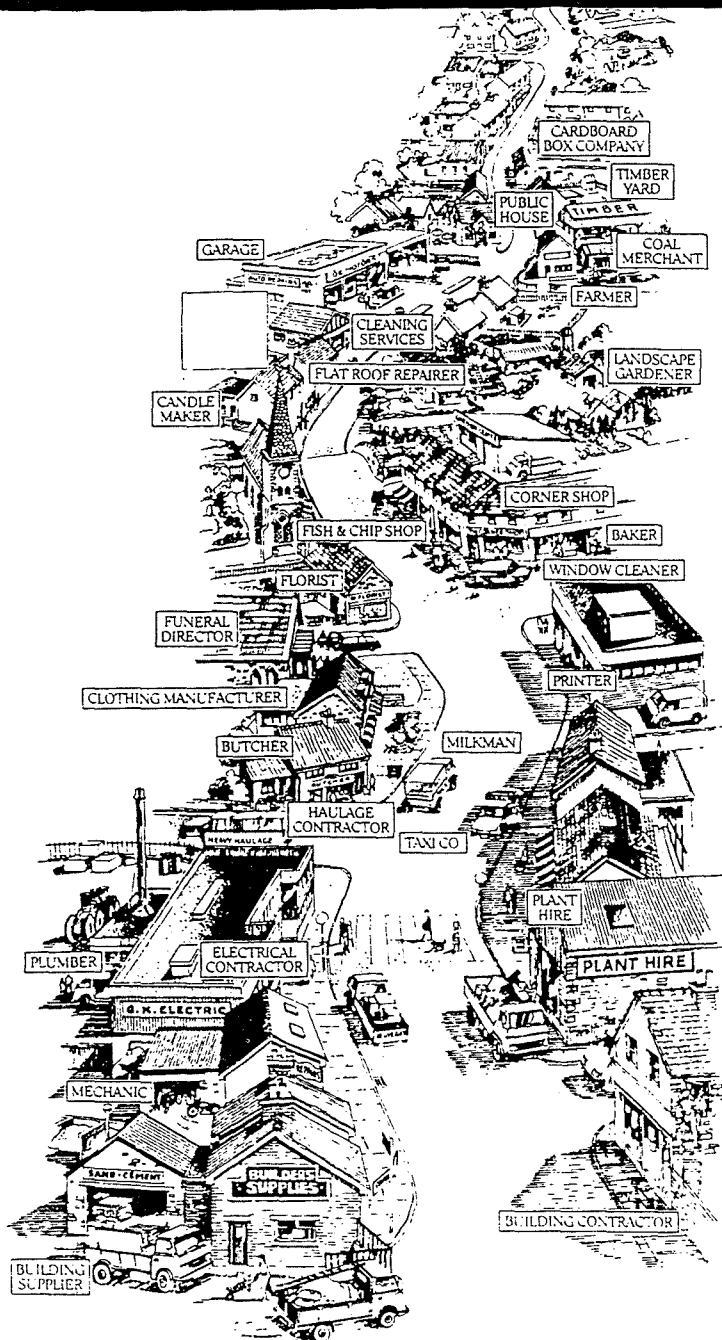
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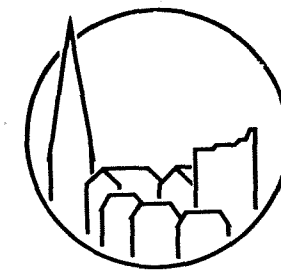
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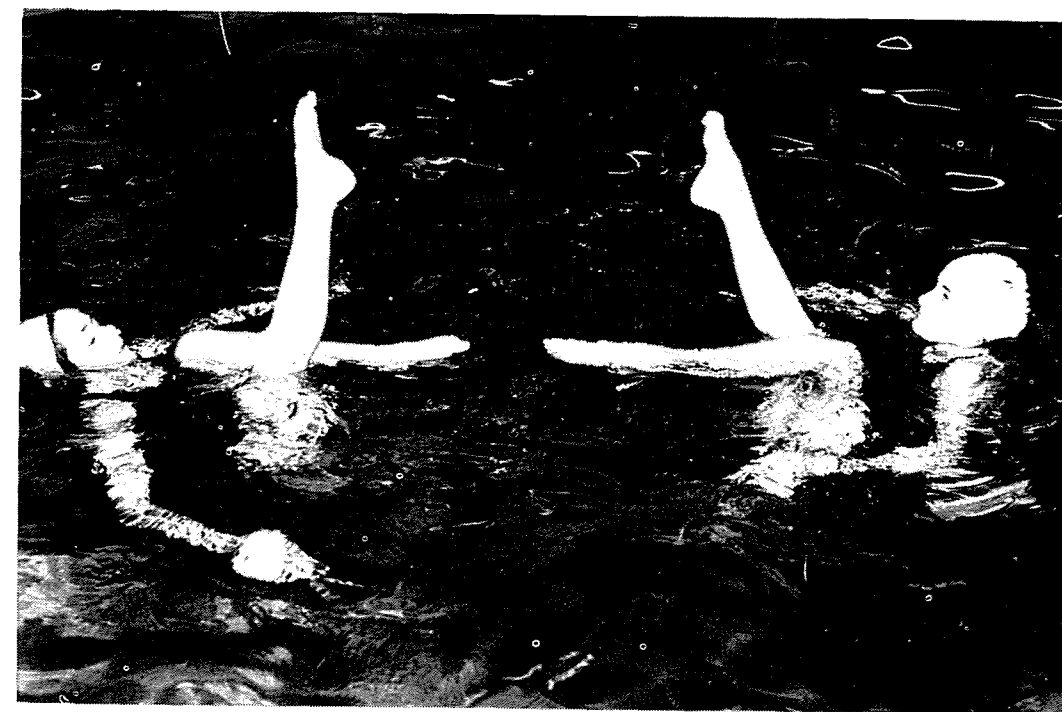
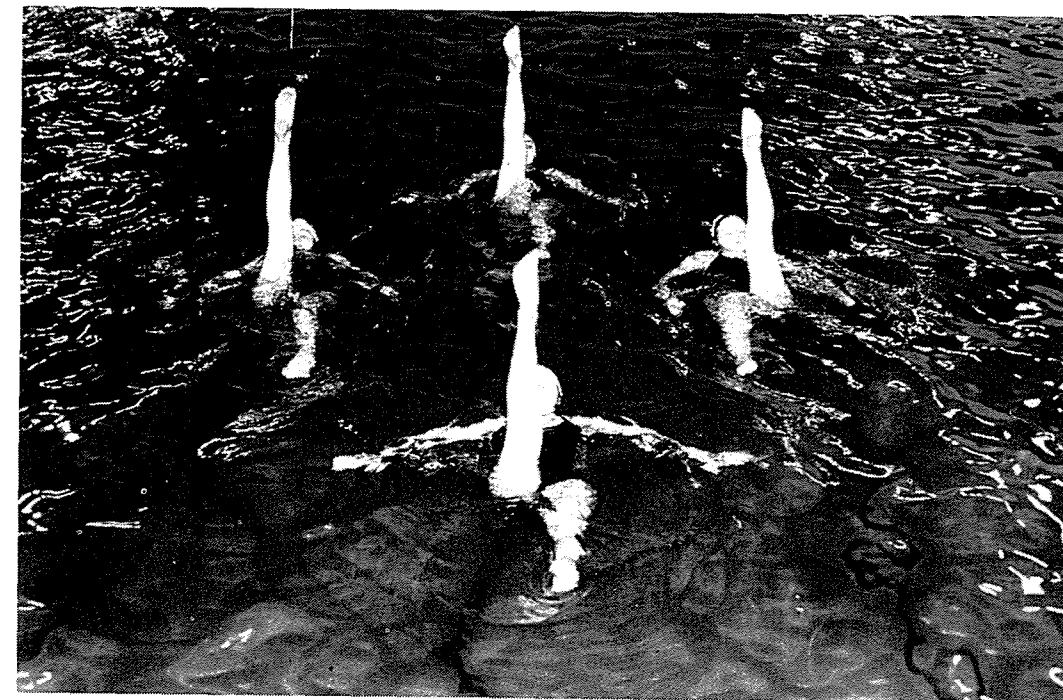
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Editorial

Limits to Freedom

Some interesting questions, of how free our society is, have arisen in the last month. Certain freedoms which we thought we had, such as freedom to leave Ireland to carry out activities which are totally legal in another jurisdiction now appear to have been curtailed. In this particular case, the Attorney General, drawing on powers conferred on him as guardian of the public interest, placed an injunction on an Irish family preventing them from obtaining an abortion in England for a fourteen year old child who had become pregnant from rape. The circumstances of the case are tragic and no amount of words can exercise the trauma which that fourteen year old child has suffered. Hopefully, time will help her to view these events in some sort of perspective. However, there is now a danger that this same injunction can be used to prevent any woman suspected of being pregnant from leaving the jurisdiction. A nightmare paranoid scenario, perhaps - but when this possibility was raised prior to the amendment in 1983, those supporting the amendment denied that this could ever happen. It has happened nine years later, and it is up to our legislators to remove this threat to our liberty.

Another issue regarding freedom of speech has also arisen with the decision to allow Sinn Fein to hold their annual conference in Ballyfermot Community Centre. This is a group which supports and refuses to condemn violence and destruction carried out by the IRA, although objecting to similar activities when carried out by other groups. The argument about censorship and freedom of speech becomes fuzzy in such cases. Can one argue that advocates of violence have an unalienable right to promote their support of violence necessarily a sign of support for the activities of those groups? In the long run, decisions have to be made and often principles do not help us to make decisions in the real world.

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International Women's Day

International Women's Day falls on the 8th March - one day out of 365 when all women are 'officially' recognised! There is a lot to be recognised. More importantly, there is far more work yet to be done before women cease to become physically, psychologically, morally and sexually exploited. Given recent developments in the High Court it would seem that Ireland has little intention of moving in a direction which allows women a voice, a choice or the means to prevent gender discrimination. March 8th is a day to draw attention to the roles of women in society and to celebrate the female spirit.

Support your local Parade

Maynooth's St Patrick's Day Parade again promises to be a spectacular success. Over the past few years our parade rivalled all other parades in Leinster outside Dublin. Its success has been due to the hard work of the St. Patrick's Day Committee, the wide spread participation of local groups and organisations and, not least, the big turnout of local people in the Main Street on the day. The towns' achievement in holding a successful parade each year reflects well on Maynooth's high level of community activity when many larger towns fail completely to sustain a parade.

Cobweb

Issue six of **Cobweb**, the literary magazine founded and based in Maynooth, is now available in newsagents and the bookshop in the town. With this issue **Cobweb** enters a new stage in its development. Continuing the policy of reflecting the diversity of voices in contemporary writing in Ireland, the magazine now accepts contributions from writers anywhere on the island. The new look magazine now presents an even stronger challenge to the older established literary journals in the country, boasting a wide range of fresh, innovative voices in both poetry and prose. Contributions may be sent, with S.A.E., to Cowbeb, Art's Block, Maynooth College, Co. Kildare. Priced at only £1, **Cobweb** is a magazine well worth checking out.

Charlie's in, Charlie's out.

The demise of Charlie Haughey brought dramatic promotion for our own Charlie - Charlie McCreevy who has been appointed Minister for Social Welfare. A long time thorn in the side of the Fianna Fail establishment, he now assumes a completely new role as a member of the cabinet, responsible for one of the big spending departments. Talented and affable, his friends and even his political foes, are sure to wish him well.

St. Patrick's Day

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our readers. We look forward to seeing everyone out at the parade which as usual should be the biggest and best ever. Perhaps this time RTE will even bring their cameras, now that they are all back in business.

Dear Editor,

In a couple of months the people of Ireland will be asked in a Referendum to ratify or reject the Maastricht Treaty. As most of the political parties in the Dail will be campaigning for a YES vote we could be railroaded into plumping for a treaty which will have serious effects on our economy, social welfare, and neutrality.

On the 7th February last at a press conference in Buswells Hotel, Dublin, a group entitled "Platform for Employment, Democracy and Neutrality" launched themselves as a centre for critical information on the Maastricht Treaty. A number of serious aspects of the treaty were identified including:-

1. Abandonment of neutrality; the next generation of young Irish adults could become conscripts into a new European Army.
2. A decade of deflation; by 1998 we have to reduce our national debt by one third. Surplus budgets with cutbacks in social welfare, etc., will probably be introduced.
3. Monetary Union; to accelerate unemployment and emigration as the stronger regions will find their advantages reinforced and their competitiveness strengthened.
4. Structural funds; renamed Cohesion Funds, they are to be kept to 1.5% of the GNP of all EC states. Ireland has only a vague idea of how much we will get and we cannot spend the funds on the kind of industrial developments that we need.

I also believe that the Maastricht Treaty needs to be critically examined by people here in Kildare and would like to hear from interested people with a view to setting up a local Platform for Employment, Democracy and Neutrality.

Yours faithfully,

Michael Quinn.

Dear Editor,

I refer to the further letter from E. Donovan in the February issue regarding the El Dorado planning appeal.

In the light of previous coverage of this matter in the Newsletter, the Committee of this Association considers it regrettable that you should publish such a letter which contains statements that are offensive and completely untrue. It is obvious at this stage that the author of the letter does not wish to be confused with the facts and believes in the theory that if one keeps throwing mud some of it may stick.

P. Hogan,

Chairman, Greenfield Estate Residents' Association.

Dear Editor,

The Maynooth/Leixlip branch of the Irish Guide Dogs Association propose to have its first Dog Walk on Sunday 10th May 1992 (National Dog Walk Day) or Sunday 24th May 1992. To discuss this we are holding a meeting in Caulfields Meeting Room on Tuesday 3rd March 1992. Proposal route starting:- The Square, out Straffan Road, turn right past Railway Station to Bome Bridge, turn right into Parson Street and finish at College Gates, where orange and crisps will be served to all.

Hope you can come to the Meeting and all suggestions will be gratefully appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Hilda Dunne (Hon Sec) 6286310.

P.S. Angela Allen, Leixlip, her Guide Dog "Chole" will step out to lead the other canines - All welcome with or without four legged friends.

Dear Editor and Faithful Staff,

I want to say how pleased I was with the response I had to my last advertisement in the Maynooth Newsletter of February.

It was a great success and many Valentines Roses were sent to loved-ones!

Thanks again and keep up your good work in supplying a very informative paper.

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Maynooth Community Festival

The Festival Committee are presently filling in events for inclusion in the festival which lasts from 12th June - 21st June. Guinness Ireland have again agreed to be our main sponsors. The 7-a-side football will be going ahead as usual under the steady hand of Peter Holland and the Steam Train will be with us again on 13/14 June. We are hoping that as many local organisations/clubs as possible will contribute to the festival. The pubs were very helpful last year in their willingness to put on events. Unfortunately, Bradys lost out; perhaps traditional Irish music each night would be ideal for this location. Those who organised events last year will hopefully be willing to do so again i.e. Kingsbry Residents Association - Inter Estate Pitch and Putt, Juvenile football - G.A.A., Cabaret - Old Folks Committee, International Folk Dancing - Peter Holland (he has many talents), Fire Fighting Display - Fire Brigade (with Dublin Band this year?), Children's Fishing competition - Maynooth Summer Project, Maynooth Accordion Band - 60s night - Lyreen Residents' Association.

Following discussion with the Management Committee it is hoped that we will be able to hold a number of the events in the new G.A.A. Social Centre.

If you wish to contribute in any way to the Community Festival please contact Christina Sauls or Norah McDermott in the Community Council Office.

Table Quiz

Our Christmas Table Quiz was a joint venture between the Community Council and the Maynooth Soccer Club. We would like to thank most sincerely John and Ethna Carey, Caulfields, for sponsoring the first prize and Noel Cassidy, The Roost for sponsoring the third prize. Also, many thanks to the sponsors of the raffle prizes.

Carton Demesne Development:

The following is a copy of our response to the proposed development of Carton which was submitted twice to Kildare County Council before the deadline for objections occurred last month.

Mr. H. Lyons,
County Secretary,
Kildare County Council,
St. Mary's,
Naas,
Co. Kildare.

Dear Secretary,
Maynooth Community Council welcomes the development proposed by the Gleneagles group for the Carton Demesne. Our welcome is based on the planning application and on the promises given by the Developers to the Community Council. These are as follows:

1. Definite access to the public throughout the Demesne.
2. A maximum of 188 dwellings are being built and this is guaranteed legally by covenant.
3. The dwellings will be discreetly located.
4. Carton House will be restored to its original splendour.
5. The Lime Tree Avenue will be restored and maintained by

Community Council Notes

the Developers in accordance with the wishes of Maynooth Community Council and with the agreement of Kildare County Council. The Community Council require the following restoration work to be carried out on the Avenue:

- Cut and restore green area.
- Install appropriate public lighting for length of the Avenue.
- Install seating at appropriate intervals.
- Rebuild wall where in danger of collapse - this is particularly true at the back of Leinster Court.
- Access to the Demesne must be available to the public at the bottom of the Avenue.

As a gesture of good will this work on the Avenue should be the first to be undertaken by the Developer on receipt of planning permission.

6. The golf courses will be constructed to match the existing contours of the Demesne. Therefore, disruption to the landscape will be minimal.

7. A Forum comprising Community Council, Chamber of Commerce and Carton Committee would be the vehicle through which the developers would channel communication with the local community on receipt of planning permission.

We would appreciate if Kildare County Council included the foregoing in any granting of planning permission.

Yours sincerely,

John McGinley,
Chairperson.

P.S. We would hope that as a matter of policy Kildare County Council will be using the development levies, associated with the development, in the Maynooth Area and not throughout the county.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Maynooth Community Council comes to the end of its term of office at the beginning of April. Elections for a new Council will be held at the end of March. In all, there are 44 places to be filled in these elections. Two further places will be allocated to nominees of Maynooth College Executive Council and Maynooth College Student's Union. Further members may be co-opted at the discretion of the incoming Council.

Election Arrangements

There are some modifications to the division of the Community Council catchment area into electoral areas compared with the previous elections.

The number of Council places per electoral area is based on a rough ratio of 100 voters (from the Electoral Register) per Council member. The electoral areas are as follows:

- Town Centre (5 places) comprises the area bounded by Bond Bridge, Mullen Bridge, Blacklion, Kildare Bridge (Dunboyne Road) and the Parish Church.
- Railpark/Stafran Road (1 place) includes the Crescent.

- Railpark Estate (2 places).
- Greenfield Estate (5 places) includes Laurence Avenue, Maynooth Park, Greenfield Drive and Stafran Way.
- Carton Court (2 places).
- Kingsbry (5 places).
- Greenfield Lane/Greenfield phase 1 (1 place).
- Greenfield Phase 2 (1 place).
- Greenfield Phase 3/private sites (1 place).
- Beaufield (3 places).
- Meadow Brook (1 place).
- Cluain Aoibhinn (2 places).
- College Green (2 places).
- Moyglare Road/Moyglare Meadows/Moyglare Village (4 places).
- Newtown/Woodlands/Ashley Court (2 places).
- Outlying Area A (see map) (1 place). Includes the townlands of Carton Demesne, Old Carton, Catherinestown, Kellystown, Blakestown.
- Outlying Area B (2 places). Includes the townlands of Windgates (East side of Stafran Road), Toolestown, Corbally, Griffinrath, Moneycooley, Ballygoran, Barrogstown/West/East, Killmacredock, Donaghmore.
- Outlying Area C (3 places). Includes the townlands of Rowanstown, Dowstown, Taghadoe, Toolestown, (West side of Stafran Road), Windgates, Newtownmacabe, Rooks, Smithstown, Johninstown, Graiguesallagh, Cowanstown, Kealstown, Graiguelin, Derrinstown, Donaghstown.
- Outlying Area D (1 place). Includes townlands of Timard, Laraghbryan East/West, The Maws, Ballycurraghan, Treadstown, Cormickstown, Crinstown and Laragh Demesne.

Election Schedule Nominations

A Nomination Form is included in this issue of the Newsletter. Additional forms may be obtained from the Community Council Office.

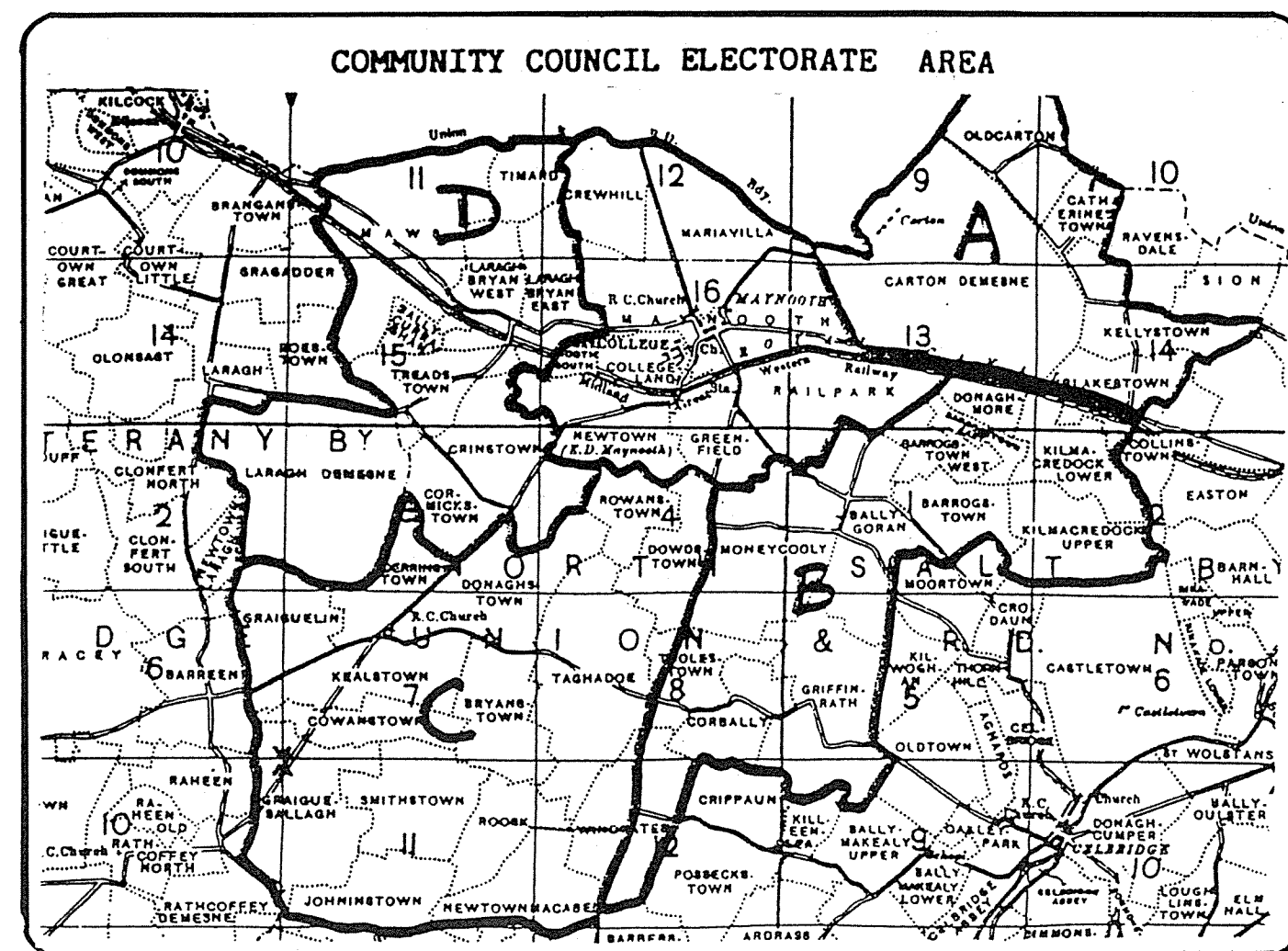
All nomination forms should include the signature of the nominee signifying her/his acceptance of the nomination. All nominations to be submitted to the Community Council Office by Monday, March 23rd. Any resident over 18 is eligible for the election and for voting.

Voting

Voting papers will be distributed to all eligible households between March 26th - 29th. Votes will be collected the following week. Where votes have not been collected, they may be brought to the Community Council Office. All votes must be returned by Friday, April 3rd.

Counting of votes will take place on Saturday, April 4th. Counting will be done by neutral volunteers under the supervision of outside scrutineers. For single seat electoral areas, the single transferable vote method of counting (as in by-elections to Dáil Eireann) will be used. For multiple-seat areas, each voter will have as many votes as there are seats available, with the candidates obtaining the most votes being elected, as appropriate. This system is both easy to operate, and fairer than first-to-the-post methods used in British elections.

The first meeting of the new council will take place on Monday, April 13th.



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MAYNOOTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

First of all, may we thank those people who contacted us and welcomed the establishment of our committee. At time of printing we are awaiting word on our Fás Application. As part of the on-going commitment to keep all advised of our activities and plans, our chairperson Margaret Cline has written to associations/clubs active in Maynooth inviting them to a meeting in the Post Primary School on 27th February 1992.

If your group could not make it on the night and would like to become involved please contact us.

Fund Raising

Watch out for details of our first fund raising venture. YES by popular demand! We are running the "Daisy Pat" competition for St. Patrick's Day. Thank you for your interest in reading about the Planning and Development Committee.

Apology

In last months issue we incorrectly stated that one of our joint treasurers was John Saults. This should have read Willie Saults - John is not in the Planning and Development Committee.

*Richard Farrell,
P.R.O.*

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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION GIRLS' NATIONAL SCHOOL

At the last meeting it was decided to hold an auction. This will take place in the Parish Hall on Sunday 8th March at 2.30 p.m. Bric-a-brac, jewellery, household furniture, toys, livestock etc., will be accepted on Saturday 7th March, 5 - 7 p.m., Sunday 8th March - 11 - 1 p.m.

OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE

The A.G.M. of the Old Peoples' Committee took place on January 15th. The following were elected: Chairperson - Imelda Delaney; Vice Chairperson - Bridget Tierney; Secretary - Rose Bean; Assistant Secretary - Joan Lennon; Treasurer - Catherine Mulready; Assistant Treasurer - Patricia Cusker; P.R.O. - Joan Lennon; Entertainment Officer - Josie Moore; Catering Committee - Lily O'Riordan, Agnes Boyd, Helen Doyle, Patricia Cusker; Laundry - Catherine Mulready, Patricia Cusker, Joan Lennon.

Gerry Coyne's 80th birthday falls on February 10th. We send him our heartiest good wishes and congratulations. At the time of this publication a number of the elderly will have attended the performance of the Pantomime "Dick Whittington" in Whitefriar St. on February 16th. The outing was organised by Liam Green in Conjunction with the Committee.

The Annual Collection will take place on March 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th at the Shopping Centre and at each of the Masses. We look forward to your usual generous support. The Easter Party takes place on April 12th in the Post Primary School. All are welcome to participate in the Easter Bonnet Competition.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Spring is here (I think!) and thoughts are turning to flower-filled, beautifully scented sanctuaries of tranquillity - in other words, its gardening time again! With this in mind we are organising a talk on gardening, to be held in the library during March - the date is yet to be confirmed. The speaker will be Tony Addeley from St. Raphaels Abbey Garden Centre. He will answer any queries you might have after the talk, so keep your eyes open for posters announcing further details!

To help our younger borrowers, and their parents, the fiction books in the children's section are colour coded - i.e. each book is given a coloured sticker indicating what type of book it is - e.g. black indicates horror, white would indicate pony or animals stories. So follow the code!

In the same vein we have created a "crime" section in the adult library. These books may be identified by yellow sticker on their spines.

In the line of new acquisitions, we have received some new reference books, which include the following titles:

"Applying to College 1992" by R. Dunne.
"Thoms Dublin and County Street Directory 1991"
"Rules of the Game" by Diagram Group.

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"Book of Rock Stars" by D.Rees and L. Crompton.
 Additions to general stock include the following titles:
 "Gather Together in my name" by Maya Angelou.
 "Don't panic! Guide to overcoming Panic Attacks" by Sue Breton.
 "Fortune Telling by Tarot Cards" by S. Fenton.
 "Toxic Parents" by S. Forward and C. Buck.
 "Women in Early Modern Ireland" by M McCurtan and M. O'Dowd.
 "Ah Ref! A Century of Gaelic Games on Castledermot" by T. Wickham.
 "Princess" by A. Morrow.
 "Fr. John Murphy of Bodavogue 1753-1798" by N Furlong.
 Some new fiction books include "The Darling Buds of May" by H.E. Bates and "Polo" by Jilly Cooper.

I would like to thank all those benevolent people who have recently donated books and periodicals. All were greatly appreciated. Back issues of any periodicals (including the National Geographic) may be borrowed.

May I remind all non-members it's still only £2 to join for the year, with a charge of 10p per item borrowed, and members are entitled to borrow three items. Children's membership is £1 for the year. We're open during the following hours.

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Tuesday - 2.00 - 5.00

Wednesday - 9.30 - 1.00; 2.00 - 5.00

Thursday - 2.30 - 8.00

Friday - 9.30 - 1.00; 2.00 - 5.00

If you have any queries, call us at 6285530.

Margaret Walshe-Gannon.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The February meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday, 6th February at 8.00 p.m. Once again the Vice President, Imelda Delaney, welcomed everyone and hoped the President, Mary O'Gorman, would be fit and well and back with us soon again.

Our guest speaker this month (February) was Declan O'Connor (Solicitor). He gave a very interesting and informative talk on the advantages of making a will before coming to "Deaths Door". A will may be made by a person who has attained eighteen years or has been married, and is of sound mind. In all cases a Solicitor should be consulted when making a will. A "homemade" will can be dangerous and can be the source of much dispute and claims after death. Delighted to report this month, work has commenced on re-roofing our hall. Maybe some of our artistic ladies will get together and "spring clean" the inside with paint and paper. The winners of the monthly competition "on the spot" were as follows:

1st Bernadette Duffy, 2nd Norah McDermott, 3rd Imelda Delaney.

The winners of the raffle: 1st Mairead Scanlon, 2nd Mary McInerney, 3rd Joan Shannon.

The competition for the meeting, Thursday, 5th March, 1992 at 8.00 p.m., will be a "St. Patrick's Day Card". We

trust that we will have a large number of entries. Taking this opportunity of wishing Mary Flynn a short stay in hospital and a speedy recovery to perfect health. Crafts every Monday night at 8.00 p.m. in I.C.A. Hall. Badminton every Tuesday and Thursday morning in the Parish Hall. New faces are always welcome.

P.R.O.

CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE

Know Your Rights

Question: It was reported in the newspapers over the Christmas that people taking early retirement would not be paid Unemployment Benefit. This would affect me as I had intended to retire this year on my 63rd birthday. As there was nothing in the Budget about this, does this mean that it is not going to happen?

Answer: In his policy speech made on 19th December last, the Minister for Social Welfare gave details of a number of policy measures which were to be introduced "to use Social Welfare resources more effectively and more efficiently." Among these proposed measures was the one to control the topping up of voluntary severance and early retirement packages mentioned above. The details about this are to be announced in the Social Welfare Bill which will not be published until March. Until this Bill is published we do not know precisely who will be affected.

Judging by the numerous enquiries we are getting about this, these proposed changes are extremely important to the people like yourself who had already planned to take early retirement this year. Some people may decide to bring their retirement forward and to retire before April in order that their Unemployment Benefit Claim will already have commenced before the changes come into effect.

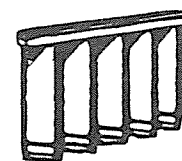
People retire early for various reasons and not everyone is fortunate enough to get a substantial severance package. In fact, some people have to rely entirely on their Unemployment benefit. The proposed changes will have to take account of this.

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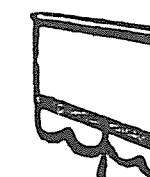
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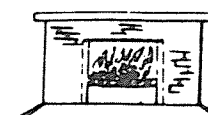
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CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Catholic Marriage Advisory Council recently opened a new subcentre in Celbridge which will also cater for the Maynooth area. It is situated in the St. Eustaces centre on the Main Street. The C.M.A.C. will have exclusive use of the centre for one night per week and confidential counselling sessions will be held then. The Celbridge subcentre is affiliated to the Main Centre in Clondalkin (phone: 593467) through which all appointments can be made.

The Celbridge Subcentre offers a counselling service only and other services such as marriage preparation courses and the legal information services are dealt with through Clondalkin.

The money to provide the service was raised by the Kilcock and Maynooth Lions Club through a committee consisting of Michael Doyle, John Lawlor and Brendan Lawlor.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Coming of Age

Dear Reader

Do you know that the Maynooth Post Primary School is celebrating its 21st year of existence this year. Time passes so quickly. Past Pupils of the school are celebrating the occasion by having their own Dinner Dance in the Keadeen on April 10th, and tickets will be on sale via the school during March. While, on the other hand, the Parents' Association is considering a suitable way of celebrating this mile-stone in a way which will involve the current school's students. All suggestions in this regard would be favourably received by any committee member for consideration at our next meeting (meetings are held in the school on the second Tuesday of each month of the school year at 8.00 p.m.).

Dear Parents,

For a great night out we have organised an **American Tea Party** as a fund raising activity, the proceeds of which enable the Parents' Association meet financial demands placed upon it by the school. The Tea Party will take place on Friday 22nd May 1992, in the County Club Dunshaughlin:- Music by Panache (9-2). Tickets will be available from any committee member. Further details will be announced in the next issue of the **Maynooth Newsletter**.

Last year's American Tea Party, held at the same venue, was a run-away success where everyone without exception enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Consequently, the committee this year expects that its problem will be to confine the number wishing to attend within the maximum permissible as dictated by the venue: **Be warned, Tickets will be issued on a first come first served basis.**

How You Can Help!

Host/Hostesses will be required to host a table of 10 or more persons. Start thinking now of your grouping and confirm your booking and/or table reservation with any one of the committee members over the next few weeks, they are:- Pat Halley, Chairperson, Noel Lysaght, Secretary, Patsy O'Rafferty, Treasurer, Catherine Hodge, Assumpta Duffy,

Teresa Bennett, Lynne Whitaker, Joan Lennon, Lise O'Farrell, Anne Egan, Kathleen Dempsey, Sally Cotter, Irene Mathews, Marie O'Sullivan, Tom Ashe, Principal, Joan Carroll, Josephine Dempsey, Mary Dunworth, Joe Kelly, James Fleming, Mary Boland, Maisie McMyler, Pat Devaney, Teacher Representative, Mary Farrell, Dick Sheehan, Joe Buckley and Dermot Nangle, PRO.

Interested in Cards?

The Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association is arranging a **CARD GAME** in Kean's of Kilcloon on Friday 27th March '92. The card session will commence at 9.00 p.m., and Mr. Joe Fahy would be pleased to see you turn up for the night out. Proceeds will help the Association provide further benefits to our children at school.

Interested in Bingo?

The Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association is arranging a **BINGO GAME** in the Parish Hall on Sunday 22nd March 1992. Again the proceeds will help the Association provide further benefits to our children at school. All parents, their friends and relations are encouraged to support this main fundraising event at which approximately £1,500 will be given away in prize money. Bingo Tickets will be distributed to you in a variety of ways over the next few weeks. Please support us and your children.

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CREDIT UNION NOTES

Over the coming months we hope to explain the development growth, and working of the Credit Union. We will try to deal with all aspects of the organisation.

Background/Growth of Movement

The modern Credit Union Movement traces its origins to Germany and to Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen, the Mayor of a small town in Southern Germany, who in 1849 formed Societies, which later evolved into credit unions. Raiffeisen laid down these conditions which he considered necessary for the success of the organisation.

* Only members could save or borrow.

* Loans were made for provident or productive purposes at rates of interest members could afford.

* The character of the member would be the most important security for his/her loan.

* The member would own, control and administer the Society, the Credit Union.

These conditions are still the basis of the modern Credit Union in Ireland. The modern Movement prospered in Canada and the U.S.A. The U.S.A. proved to be the source from which it eventually spread to Ireland in 1958. Under the early leadership of a Dublin based teacher, Miss Nora Herhily, and a number of other dedicated pioneers, the Credit Union Movement gained acceptance in urban and rural Ireland. Dramatic expansion took place and has been maintained over the last three decades, so that today, Credit Union is recognised in Ireland as a unique and practical expression of self help through co operative endeavour. The Irish Credit Union Movement has grown from three Credit Unions with a Membership of 200 and a shareholding of £415 in 1959 to 514 Credit Unions with a membership of 1,165,000 and a shareholding estimate of £906,000,000 in December 1991.

New Members are always welcome.

Hours of Business.

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,
P.R.O.*

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

Rector: Rev. Gavin E. Williamson,
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Belated congratulations to Mrs Louisa McAssey, Harbour View, Maynooth who was 90 on 6th February. This event was celebrated in the Rectory on 13th February at a party organised by The Mothers' Union.

An auction of Goods and Services is to be held at the New G.A.A. Club on the Moyglare Road on Saturday 7th March at 8.30 p.m. Admission £1.00 in aid of parish funds.

Time of service:

1st Sunday	9.30a.m.	The Eucharist
2nd Sunday	10.30a.m.	The Eucharist
3rd Sunday	10.30a.m.	Morning Prayer
4th Sunday	10.30a.m.	The Eucharist

BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Parents' Association of St. Mary's Boys National School, Maynooth are holding a Race Night on Friday 10th April at 8.30 p.m. in the new G.A.A. Hall, Moyglare Road to raise funds for general school equipment. We are very grateful to the G.A.A. Club for the use of their premises. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

Bridie Furlong, P.R.O.

SEPARATED PERSON GROUP

The Maynooth C.I.C started a Separated Persons Support Group for unattached, widowed, single parents and separated people in July last year. Meetings were held in the meeting room in Caulfields on Monday nights at 9 o'clock. The people that went to the meetings found it a great help meeting people with similar problems and now socialise together.

The meeting nights have since been changed to Tuesday nights at 9.15 pm at the same place. New members are more than welcome.

Tel: 6285447 9.30 - 1.00 a.m.

2 - 5 p.m.

6286104 after 5 p.m.

Depending on the interest shown we hope to run a monthly social get together.

GRANGEWILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the above Committee will be held on Monday, 2nd March 1992 at 8.30 p.m. in the Parish Hall (Maynooth).

Everyone is welcome to attend. All help and suggestions, which would contribute to the success of this project, would be greatly appreciated.

For further information please contact:- Peter Nevin (Secretary) Phone - 6285179 or Kathleen Murphy (P.R.O.) Phone 6286399.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

By the time this notice is in print, we will have enjoyed our first demonstration of the year, given by Marie McKeown from Rathfarnham. Marie has won many national competitions and we are looking forward to her exhibits.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 10th, at 8.00 p.m. The March meeting being traditionally a garden one, we have engaged the very talented Mr. John Joe Costin. Mr. Costin has won many awards for his garden design including a gold medal in an international competition in Japan.

Please keep in mind also our Annual Spring Show which will take place on April 28th. We will have details of this at our March meeting. We urge all our members to enter this competition. All levels are catered for.

Remember!! All our meetings are now held in the SVD Hall on the Moyglare Road.

*R, Smyth,
P.R.O.*

LEIXLIP ANGLING NEWS

Leixlip and District Anglers' Association are delighted to announce, that after discussions with Mr. Frank Turpin, Manager External Affairs, Intel Ireland Ltd., have again given official permission to the above Association for access to the Rye waters running through their land, from Carton Bridge to within 200 yards of Dock Arch (aqueduct).

The Association would like to take this opportunity to express their deep appreciation to Mr. Turpin for his co-operation and courtesy in this matter, also for tree-planting along river bank, in the near future.

We hope to carry out development work and stocking in the near future, in conjunction with the fishery board, who have been most co-operative and helpful in the development of the Rye waters.

Jim Carroll.

Water-keeper and pollution officer river Rye.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Harbour Days

This year's canal "Harbour Days" will kick off what is expected to be a new look "Festival Week". Your Royal Canal Committee are, at present, busy arranging what is hoped will be an enjoyable two days. We can now confirm that the steam train will operate on Saturday 13th June and Sunday 14th June with two trips operating on both days from Maynooth to Enfield and return the cost of these trips will be as follows: adults £3.50, children £1.50 and a very special rate of £2.50 for students.

It is also hoped to have a vintage car exhibition as well as many other attractions. More about this in next month's issue.

"Steam Organ"

The committee can also confirm that we will have on location in the harbour on 13th and 14th June a magnificent "Steam Organ", one of only two in this country. In fact there are only about 8 of these machines in the whole of Europe. The Steam Organ dates back to the early 1800's and without a doubt far surpasses any modern day synthesizer, keyboard or organ of which it is the fore runner. I have seen this organ

in action and I can assure our readers that it is a "must". The technical brilliance of this makes one stand in awe, that a machine of its age could do so much, speaks extremely well of the designers of the time.

Works Report

The fencing at Pikes Bridge is now complete and work on the walls is also at an advanced stage. Some of the area has been planted with flowers and shrubs. Foreman Philip McDermott and staff have availed of the recent spell of fine weather to complete some of the walls and advance other work to near completion.

Appeal

ONCE AGAIN ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE I APPEAL TO THE BETTER JUDGEMENTS OF, THE FEW WHO STILL LITTER THE HARBOUR AREA IN MAYNOOTH TO DESIST FROM THIS PRACTICE. IT IS MOST UNFAIR TO THE VAST MAJORITY WHO RESPECT THIS WONDERFUL AMENITY, AND WHO HAVE GENEROUSLY SUPPORTED ITS RESTORATION. WE DO NOT LIKE TO CONTINUALLY MENTION THIS SUBJECT. IT IS IN THE INTERESTS OF ALL TO PRESERVE THIS AMENITY AND MAINTAIN IT IN GOOD ORDER IF WE INTEND TO BOOST TOURISM IN THE LOCALITY.

*Gerry Fitzpatrick,
P.R.O.*

ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

The Annual General Meeting was held on 3rd February 1992. The overall attendance was good. A special thank you is addressed to the outgoing committee for their good work. 1991 was a difficult year as we were fundraising for our new uniforms. We would like to thank Margaret Dempsey our previous P.R.O. for all her work.

The new committee is as follows:

Hon Presidents: Fr. O'Higgins, Mr. Phil Brady, Chairperson: Michael Dempsey,

Vice Chairperson: Cliff Murphy, Secretary: Elaine Bean, Assistant Secretary: Suzanne Higgins, Treasurer: Paddy Boyd, Assistant Treasurer: Padraic Flood, P.R.O.: Fiona O'Malley, Staff Major: Cliff Murphy.

Committee Members - Stephen Corcoran, Liam Kelly, David Mulready, Tara Boyd, Mick Hyland, Colm Carroll, Stephen McCarron, Deirdre Brophy, Neasa Hogan.

New Uniforms

The new uniforms will be completed for 29th February 1992. The uniforms are being made by Tailorman in Thomas Street, Dublin. The hats are being made by Dermot Meade in Dublin. We are playing at the Annual International Band Competition in Limerick on 15th March, and also parading locally on St. Patrick's Day. Our first airing of our new uniforms will take place on Sunday 8th March.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

A special Band Mass to celebrate this event is at 2 p.m. We look forward to seeing all our supporters and friends at the mass.

Congratulations to David Mulready on winning 'Bandperson of the Year'. To achieve this members are judged on their overall performance in the band.

Booking for band engagements should be made in writing to - Secretary, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley,
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St. Rapheals' Special National School, Celbridge, is holding a PUBLIC INFORMATION DAY at their school on Thursday, 5th. March, '92 between the hours of 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon. 1.30 pm. - 3.00 p.m.

The purpose of the day is to give interested persons information on the work that is done here and an opportunity to talk with teachers working with children between the ages of 4 years - 18 years who have special needs. If you are interested, but unable to attend, why not telephone the Principal at 6288161 (Ext. 237/254).

CARTON COMMITTEE

By the deadline for submission of objections to the proposed contravention of the County Development Plan, up to 1000 signed objections were received in Kildare County Council offices in Naas. While a number of these were in the form of circular letters, they are representative of the rising volume of dissatisfaction with the proposed development scheme at Carton. Following recent meeting and publicity more people in the area are now thinking seriously about the implications of what looked initially like an exciting project. The Carton Committee is concerned that people be aware of exactly what is involved in the development, what changes it will bring about and what benefits will come to Maynooth and North Kildare, and get onto their local councillors to let them know what they think. The questions to ask ourselves are - what is the next stage, what are the advantages to us of the development, what will it cost us and what will we lose?

These would seem to be the main points to bear in mind:

1. The County Council's intention to allow this development as a contravention of its Development Plan is a major about-turn by the Council.

The County Development Plan is revised every few years and represents the policies which the Council will follow to carry through its planning objectives in following years. "Material contraventions" of the Plan are only allowed in very exceptional circumstances.

In the case of Carton, Kildare County Council undertook for its Plan in 1985 to protect the House and Demesne of Carton in the face of what was seen to be growing pressures from the expanding Dublin region. The Plan said that the House and its landscaped setting constituted an internationally important example of the heritage of that period; that the Council would ensure the preservation of the Demesne and its environs, that it would ensure access to and develop the capacity of archaeological, architectural and historical interest; that it would preserve the character and amenities of the open countryside separating the towns within influences of Dublin. In other words, Kildare County Council and its public representatives elected by us, were giving a guarantee to the people of Kildare and the people of Ireland that they would preserve and protect Carton. And they have done so up to January 13th, when the Council proposed to renege on its commitments and to give permission for what amounts to the destruction of Carton.

2. The houses proposed for Carton represent a very serious breach of the County Development Plan.

Carton is zoned as agricultural land. It is an important piece of countryside between Maynooth, Leixlip and Celbridge. At the present time, the County Council is refusing planning permission for houses in the countryside right across North Kildare. But this development is proposing to build 190 houses, masquerading as 'golf villas' and 'conference units', in this vital and high-amenity Kildare countryside. And it is proposed to allow this contravention of the Development Plan through in the next few weeks.

3. The proposed development also directly contravenes the County Council's commitment to preserve Carton.

Building 190 houses on the demesne will destroy the integrity of House and landscaped parkland in a way that can never be reversed in the future. Further, once planning permission is given for building any houses on the demesne, the precedent is set and it will be more difficult in the future to refuse applications for building more houses. If the property changes hands in the future this is only too likely to happen. The prospect of Carton ending up completely covered by housing estates is not at all unreal. It has happened four miles away at Castletown House in Celbridge and it can easily happen here.

The proposal also involves structural changes to Carton House itself and to many of the unique features of the estate, including among others the renowned Shell Cottage, the boat-house, the entrance gates and the Rye River waterway so beautifully incorporated into the landscaped parkland.

The proposed development creates a hotel, three golf courses, and equestrian centre, and provides for the outright sale of 40 mansion-style houses. All these are designed to attract a wealthy international clientele.

All of these are major contradictions of the letter and the spirit of the County Plan quoted above.

4. In exchange for the destruction of the Carton inheritance what is offered to the people of Maynooth and of Ireland?

One claim is that the proposed development is not desirable but that it is the lesser of two evils, the alternative being that

Carton "is doomed", will "be lost", and that this is the "last chance" for Carton. **This is not the case.** Carton House is in no danger of falling down or disintegrating. It has no more than the normal problems to a 250 year old house, including some damp, but no more than that. Indeed the present owner of Carton has looked after it very well. There is no cause for panic in rushing to a "solution" that is infinitely worse than the present position, and which will mean the end of the estate as we know it and as we want to preserve it.

Another inducement is the promise of jobs. Jobs are badly needed and are an important issue. But can we seriously entertain the idea of exchanging Carton for jobs? In addition the promise of jobs needs examination. At best, if all goes according to the developers' proposals, the jobs will not come on-stream for a number of years at least. In the present uncertain economic climate no one can guarantee that the hotel and golf courses which are to provide the jobs will eventually go ahead as proposed. Nor can anyone guarantee that there will be 400 jobs, that local people will get any or many of them, or that these jobs will be substantial and well paid.

The third inducement is access to Carton by the local community. Indeed the community should have full access to Carton, and this is stated as an objective in the County Plan. But golf courses and 190 residential units are not compatible with local people being allowed wander about the beautiful estate, which is what most of us understand by open and full access. Under the proposed development Carton will become a leisure facility of hotel, bars, golf courses and equestrian centre aiming explicitly at a wealthy international clientele. Access will be for those who can pay the price charged in developments of this type. Not many local people fall into that category.

It has been suggested that there will be other local economic benefits. Shopping? The development at Carton will be largely self-sufficient - it will have its own shops. Remember, the Carton development is aimed at an international jet set. These rich Americans and Japanese are not interested in strolling down the Main Street of a small town. There may be opportunities for local taxis - but then most of these may come from the airport.

5. So we have in Carton House and Demesne, as the County Plan says, 'an internationally important' heritage, linked with the history of Maynooth town and people.

It seems obvious that Carton is much too valuable to Kildare and Ireland to allow this development through.

Houses and golf courses are excellent in the right place. Carton is *not* the right place. Jobs are needed and jobs are important, but we do not need to destroy Carton in order to get jobs.

Carton can be developed in a way that will preserve the integrity of the historical and cultural heritage, provide full and open access to everyone, and provide better quality jobs than are likely in the proposed development.

Carton *should* be developed as a national park and cultural amenity. It *can* be developed in this way if the local people and Kildare County Council join forces to demand that it be taken into public ownership for this purpose.

Money is scarce but not completely unattainable if the will and unity is there. There are funds available for such a project from the EC Structural Fund. At national level budgets are tight but if the united forces of local people and County Council made a serious, organised campaign to draw government and national attention to the importance of Carton as a national and international cultural inheritance, a present-day amenity of enormous potential at local, regional, national and international level, and an essential factor in preserving the green belt between towns in the countryside threatened by the expansion of Dublin, - we could succeed.

Now is the time for us to come together and act! Each of us can begin today by asking Kildare County Council to join and lead the campaign.

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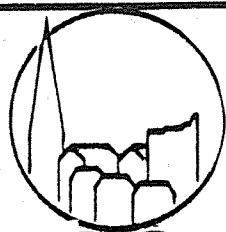
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Residents' Associations News

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

We held our Annual Supper Dance on the 9th of February 1992 in Ned Slevin's, music by Misty Blue. A great night was had by all with spot prizes galore. The Association would like to record its thanks to the businesses in Greenfield Shopping Centre and Maynooth Town, to residents and friends of the Association who provided spot prizes for the above event.

We were paid a visit from the Leinster Leader and a photograph and report appeared the following week. We thank all who supported the night but in particular the residents from Straffan Way who turned out in force.

A.G.M.

We wish to remind members of the above Association that the Annual General Meeting will take place on 3rd March 1992 in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth at 8 p.m.

Best wishes to all taking part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

R. Farrell
P.R.O.

LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Tuesday 28th January was a busy night for our committee. We had an open meeting for all residents and attended by Garda Peter Kearney at which we revitalised the existing Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. It was a well attended meeting and was both informative and encouraging. It was particularly heartening to know that our area has a very low crime rate, and Garda Kearney was very keen that through the Neighbourhood Watch that we would maintain this record. Please ensure that you know your Area Co-Ordinator and Street Co-Ordinators and don't hesitate to contact them or the Gardai with your observations or suspicions.

With the conclusion of the Neighbourhood Watch meeting it was down to business for the committee. The most important item was the finalisation of our petition to Kildare County Council in which we are objecting to the large number of heavy vehicles using the Dunboyne Road/Dillons Row/Convent Road at present. We also want to oppose the Council's plan to allow this route become the feeder road to the By-pass. This is particularly distressing as it will mean a serious deterioration of an already chronic situation. The situation is even more perplexing when one considers the fact of an alternate route being almost instantly available to this traffic.

The issue of the Back Lane still burns hot. Our latest information on this is that the Council are looking at the option of ramps. This is certainly good news. Our membership of ACRA has been renewed for the coming year.

The A.G.M. of the Association will take place early in March. I will notify each household when a definite date is decided.

Sympathy to Maureen Malone and Madge Dowling and her family on the recent death of their Mother Mrs. Anne Connelly of Greenfield.

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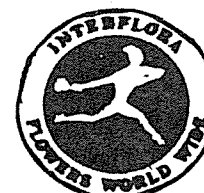
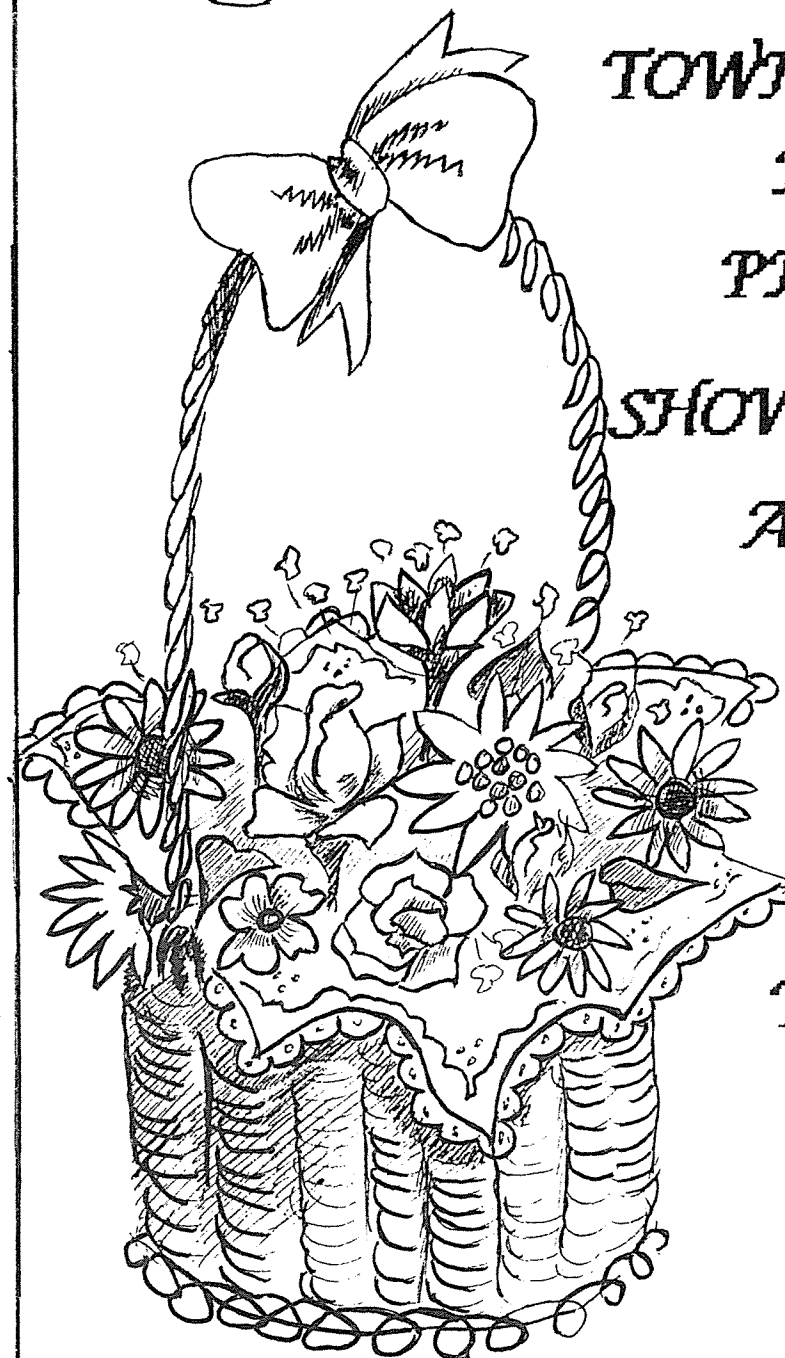
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ONE MALE'S VIEW OF A MILLS AND BOON NOVEL

The essential plot of a Mills and Boon book seems to be the ability of true love to overcome any obstacle which the author finds convenient to place in its way. Very often the books will start with the romantic couple being at loggerheads but eventually after many trials and tribulations they realise that they were made for each other and, indeed that they were passionately in love with one another from the very start but hadn't got around to recognising it.

The books also lack credibility due to the fact that their heroes tend to be drawn from an upper class type background, usually being doctors or land owners instead of being working class type people. It is somewhat more acceptable for the heroines to come from a relatively poor background, but this probably reflects the fact that society finds it much more acceptable for a husband to be wealthier than his wife, rather than vice versa. Overall, it can be seen that the Mills and Boon books are really a form of romantic escapism into an ideal world which does not really exist and to paraphrase Marx's saying about religion, probably provides many people with an opium to relieve the drudgery of everyday life.

LOCAL ARTIST TO HOLD EXHIBITION IN CHICAGO

Mr Vincent Doyle of Pound St. is due to put on an art exhibition in Chicago in May 1993. This is the latest of a number of exhibitions which Mr. Doyle has put on with a recent exhibition being held in Barberstown Castle. His preparation for his forthcoming exhibition in Chicago has been facilitated by being granted a years unpaid leave of absence by his employers, Kildare County Council, and by the sponsorship of Mr. Denis Enright. He will exhibit 100 paintings in Chicago, and some of the money raised by this exhibition will be used for research into A.I.D.S. Mr. Doyle served his time as a plumber before he went to the National College of Art and Design to train as a painter. This study was only possible for him because of the sponsorship he received from Mr. Eugene Austin O'Brien, Mrs. Tom Kavanagh, Mrs. McKenna, Mrs Oliver Reilly and Mrs. Mary Cullen. Their sponsorship, together with that of Mr. Denis Enright, has allowed him to develop his talent as an artist, and we in the *Newsletter* wish him success with his forthcoming exhibition.

LOOKING BACK THROUGH THE MAYNOOTH NEWSLETTER

Continuing our series of looking back through the files of the Newsletter, we present a brief review of March, 1979, thirteen years ago. What exciting times we were having in those days!

The front page featured an obituary of Henry McAssey, who will be remembered by many whose cars he repaired at his house in the Harbour. The passing of Sonny Kearney, Anne

Fullain, and Eileen MacDonagh was also noted. The stork had visited Noel and Ann Cassidy, The Roost; Kevin and Maria Flood; John and Elizabeth Travers; Seamus and Angela Barnwell; and Patrick and May Mahoney.

It was the year of the big snow and freeze up when so many pipes and radiators cracked, and engines froze. The meeting of the first Community Council had been cancelled due to the weather conditions. The AGM was planned for 13th March.

The Editorial focused on the tidy towns issue (so what's new). Also worries were expressed about the passage of trains through Maynooth, carrying acrylonitrile to the Asahi factory in Mayo. With memories of the destruction of Whiddy Island still fresh, it was feared that Maynooth might also fall victim to a terrible accident. Does the stuff still go through at the dead of night we wonder?

Ailis Bean Ui Droineain wrote (as gaeilge) to tell us that she had seen some travelling children in the street, eating crisps and bananas, who had actually placed empty bags and banana skins in the litter bin. Ms. Alice Dunning (Young Christian Students) lamented the early departure of massgoers at the communion. Fr. John Nevin kept his fans up to date with doings in his mission in Pakistan.

The Scouts reported the usual lack of interest on the part of parents but were delighted to welcome the lone politician to their AGM - Mr. Charles McCreevy TD. The second AGM of the Post Primary School PPU also reported poor attendances - but Peter Brady, Rose Burke, Eugene Fitzgerald, John Bean, Catherine Malone, Desmond Bell, Frank Kennedy, Ann Kelly, David Heslin, Edel Bean, Mary Kennedy, Sheelagh Deane, and Joe Farrell formed the incoming committee. Greenfield Residents' Association, in a lengthy report, pleaded with residents to turn out in their throngs for the forthcoming AGM, perhaps fearing an experience similar to the Railpark Residents' Association which reported a complete washout at their AGM due to poor attendance. Meetings were suspended until May.

On the political front, Fine Gael reported that its monthly meeting had been attended by Mark Clinton and Cllr. Bernard Durkan, and welcomed a considerable increase in membership. The familiar issues exercised the politicians, public lighting, Laraghbryan cemetery, and road works. Cllr. Terry Boylan announced that he had submitted a motion to the effect that services in Leinster Park be taken in charge by Kildare County Council, and also had asked for four lights to be erected on the Moyglare Road. Gerry Brady had been nominated by Maynooth Fianna Fail to contest the local election convention for the Clane electoral area. No mention of the Labour Party.

The Band was looking forward to the St. Patrick's Day parade, starting from the College at 11.30 a.m. It was even hoped that there might be some floats joining the parade. As usual funds were needed, this time £2,000 to repair the Band Hall.

The Flower Show Committee of the ICA had resumed their meetings in preparation for the annual flower show. Mrs. Satchwell won the pork and bacon competition, and also won the raffle.

The Post-Primary School was being re-furnished and repainted, resulting in disruption to classes, but things were getting back to normal. Complaints were made about the

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poor quality of service given by the 66 bus. The under 14 boys cross country team won the Kildare School Championship. Representing Maynooth were David Cunningham, Kevin Breslin, Paddy Travers and Colm Myles. The second annual dress dance was to be held on 29th March - tickets a modest £5.50. Transport could be arranged for non-lemonade drinkers. Gerry Brady Auctioneers had donated a scholarship to the Kerry Gaeltacht to a local pupil.

A meeting to start up a Maynooth branch of N.A.C.A. was held in February. The new committee for the Community Games included Pearse Breslin, Eilis O'Malley, Peig Lynch, Paddy Boyd, and Norah McDermott. The Maynooth Cycling Club announced a growth in membership, with seven youths in the club.

The commercial life of the town was dynamic as usual. A young Larry Eyres made his appearance in Maynooth, quiff and all, as the opening of the Bank of Ireland's new branch in Main Street was announced. Who now remembers the Swiss Chalet on the Dunboyne Road, which opened on 15th February, selling wicker and other whatnots? A similar venture, was Pop'n Gay, in Greenfield Shopping Centre, which sought to entice Dads and children to see their large selection of mother's day gifts. The Leinster Arms had come under new management, this time with Jack McElhinney, and a cocktail lounge was now open from 8.30 p.m. T. M. Connolly & Co. had 350 colours of paint in stock. North Kildare Travel were offering to whisk you away to such dens of throbbing attraction as Blackpool for £70, Spain from £99, Greece from £179, and Yugoslavia for £89. Noone Motors could supply you with the most up to date Chrysler cars, vans and trucks. Lee Autoparts, Greenfields, were selling car aerials for £2.80; spark plugs at 48p each. Where are they all now?

Watch out for next month's stroll down memory lane.

REVIEW

Conversations on a Homecoming by Tom Murphy was first performed in 1985. One wonders why Garry Hynes, Abbey Director, has chosen to revive this play, with its hackneyed theme, its self-indulgent dialogue, and its appalling attitude to women. Perhaps it was thought that the allusions to JFK and Camelot in this play would help to cash in on the current revival of interest in that era.

The play is set in a pub in a small town in Galway, in the early seventies. A group of drinkers sit around, drink copious pints, smoke like chimneys, stand up, sing snatches of hymns, and country and western songs, go out to the toilet (off stage, thankfully), argue about the meaning of life, gossip idly, reminisce about their shared past. Just like any night in Caulfields or the Roost. What is unusual is that no-one thought fit to discourse on the quality of the pints served. The situation revolves around Michael (Garrett Keogh) who has returned unexpectedly from New York. Why he has come back is a source of speculation among the characters, but we are never told. There are some hints, from the unused cigarette holder in his coat pocket, his story of the naked man dancing on tables in New York, the fact that he is an actor 'resting' between parts, from which we must draw our own conclusions.

He finds his old friends still installed in the same bar, becoming ever more morose as the small town crushes their ambition. Tom the teacher (played by Sean McGinley - tribute must be paid to his kidneys which allowed him to stay on stage for almost two hours, and drink several pints, without one exit) has been engaged to Peggy (Marie Mullen) for ten years, with no date ever likely to be set while the mammy still lives. Liam (Ray McBride), the local auctioneer, has designs on the daughter of the house, more for the value of her dowry than for her sparkling personality. Junior (Gary Lydon) is the youngest of them all, still with some optimism.

The most dissatisfying aspect of the play to this reviewer was the way in which women were treated. The men were allowed full scope to express themselves, thus giving the audience some insight into their situation. Of the three women in the cast, one (Anne, played by Nell Murphy) was a monosyllabic virginal schoolgirl, silently filling pints in the background; the second was an elderly woman (Missus, played by Pat Leavy) shuffling around, her main dialogue consisting of 'haaaaaa, haaaaaa'. The third unfortunate, Tom's fiancée, was required to howl like a hyena from time to time, or pout disapprovingly. Tom Murphy clearly has no interest in what women have to say about their lives. According to this play, women in Tom Murphy's world are brainless birds, chicks, and all of the other dated appellations which we thought had been finally discarded.

The acting was less than impressive, particularly Garry Lydon most of whose lines were inaudible, while Nell Murphy's role as Anne provided little opportunity to display her limited acting talents (one suspects that Dad might have been instrumental in getting her the part). There were some lines which generated laughter. However, most of the time this reviewer was conscious of how slowly time was passing, and wishing that the lads would get on with it, and release her before the pubs closed, so that she could discuss the meaning of life with her friends.

STREET TALKING

New Video Store

A new video rental shop has been opened opposite the Garda Station. The Moviemaster Store is run by Mr. Kieran O'Connor who also has a video rental store in Lucan. The Store will be open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. everyday and stocks a full range of films, including new releases. Free pop corn will be given out with every film rented.

Beaufield Shopping Centre

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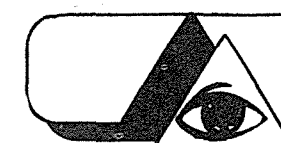
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G.A.A. Club Bar

Maynooth G.A.A. club recently opened their new pavilion on the Moyglare Road. Since then it has been busy, especially at weekends but the club is still promoting their pavilion membership scheme. This costs £12 per person or £17 for couples.

The club has a great atmosphere and tries to encourage sing-songs and Irish music and they are already looking forward to a gala St. Patrick's night. An interesting feature of the club house is the very efficient ventilation system which should afford a smoke-free atmosphere. This makes the pavilion an enjoyable place to drink in and with a pint costing only £1.55 it is also good value for the members and guests.

The club is still fund raising to pay off the costs of developing the pavilion and the necessary improvements to the pitch which is used by 16 teams for matches and training and also by the athletic club for their training.

The club hopes that the pavilion will become a hive of activity with events such as quizzes and music sessions being held on a regular basis for its members and the guests which they sign in. Who knows, by next September the Lily-Whites might be bringing the Sam Maguire to visit the Club House.

Taxi-Cabs Move Premises

M.C.L. Cabs have recently moved into new premises at Stephen Hero's on the Main Street. They will continue to offer a 24 hr, 365 days taxi service from their new, more central location.

St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth

According to Mrs. Bridie O'Brien of Leinster Cottages the earliest parades which she can remember were those of the St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band who used to parade along the town on both St. Patrick's and Christmas morning. During the 1970's a number of people notably Mrs. Peig Lynch and Mr. Paddy Boyd organised parades. These were by to-days standards relatively small and usually consisted of the band, a few floats and a number of people in fancy dress.

During the mid eighties the parade was taken over by the Social and Recreational Committee of the Community council and eventually grew to have between 30 and 40 floats on average every year. The fact that prizes, both trophies and financial are being offered are a great idea and she is thankful to the three banks in the town for sponsoring them. The early parades were difficult to organise because of the lack of financial banking but this has since got easier as more money has become available.

Leixlip/Maynooth/Kilcock By-pass

It was good to see that the contract for the long awaited Leixlip/Maynooth/Kilcock by-pass was signed recently. Kildare County Council have awarded the contract to Siac Ltd.

THE VEGETARIAN KITCHEN

Cauliflower Moussaka

Here is another recipe for the non carnivores, and those trying to lower their cholesterol level. Serve cauliflower moussaka with a green salad and garlic bread, as a main course. This recipe will serve four.

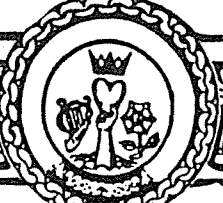
Ingredients: Tomato sauce: 1lb tomatoes, skinned and coarsely chopped; 2 sticks celery, finely chopped; 1 medium onion, finely chopped; 2 cloves garlic, crushed; 1 tsp chopped marjoram; 1tbsp tomato puree. Cheese Sauce: 1.5ozs butter; 1oz whole-wheat flour (white flour will do); 2 eggs; 2oz grated cheese (cheddar or whatever is handy); also: half pint milk; 1 medium cauliflower, divided into florets; salt and pepper; olive oil for frying; 12ozs aubergines, thickly sliced.

Method: Make tomato sauce first. Put the tomato sauce ingredients into a saucepan, cover and simmer over a gentle heat for at least 15 minutes until the sauce is thick. Stir occasionally. Bring the milk to boiling point, and poach the cauliflower in it for 5 minutes. Drain, reserving the milk. Add enough water to make it up to a half pint. Chop the cauliflower finely and season well. Heat the butter until it foams. Sprinkle over the flour, stir it in and cook over gentle heat for 2-3 minutes. Add the cauliflower milk gradually, stirring well until thoroughly amalgamated. Let simmer gently for 5 minutes. Allow this to cool and then whisk in the eggs and cheese, and season well. Preheat the oven to 180c or gas mark 4. Meanwhile, heat 2tbsp oil in a large frying pan and lightly brown the aubergine slices on both sides. Remove the slices and place on kitchen paper to drain. Do a few at a time, so that the oil remains hot and less of it is absorbed by the aubergines. When adding more oil, make sure it is hot before putting in the aubergines. Mix half of the cheese sauce with the cauliflower. Grease a 3 pint ovenproof dish. Put in a layer of aubergines, then one of the cauliflower mixture, and cover with tomato sauce. Continue in this order until you have used all the ingredients, finishing with a layer of aubergines. Cover with the rest of the cheese sauce and bake for 30 minutes, until the top is browned.

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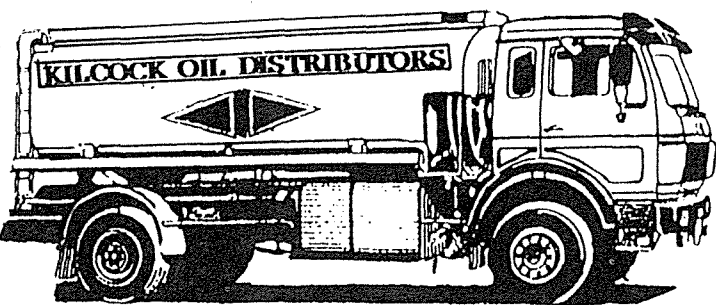
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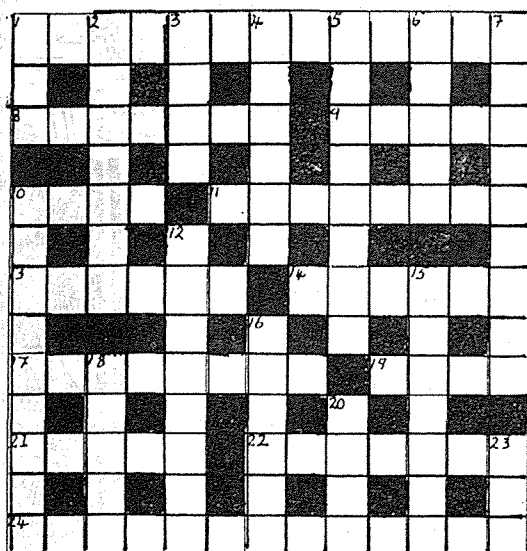
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CROSSWORD NO. 52



Entries Before 5.00 pm Friday 20th March.

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Across

1. Don't turn deaf ear so inside woodland park (7,6).
8. Deceive with diplomacy in order to touch (7).
9. Arrange lease to support work of art (5).
10. Take a long ladder to start with, when working on such a building (4).
11. Bends oar, breaks it, then gets bigger (8).
13. Sailor lies back to slide down rope (6).
14. It's a bad mark to get drunk! (6).
17. Run fast, Fran, to this place it's only six miles away (8).
19. Maynooth, probably, in the reader's case (4).
21. Bid nothing very loudly, then hesitate....(5).
22.and this local business can soon get put out (7).
24. An article, information, correspondence all at your fingertip's (3,10).

Down

1. O'Rourke or Cowhie, for example, get back cash on delivery! (3).
2. Minus? Confuse (7).
3. &23. This letter opener is expensive, man! (4,3).
4. Cast or performers (6).
5. In charge of every shilling? Boss don't wear that! (8).
6. Follow us back into east and north east (5).
7. Far seeing instrument might make one pee in closet (9).
10. Car or bus, for instance, can make for fun after I get out of train (9).
12. Wind pressure provides aerial support in combat (3,5).
15. Lots of cattle here (3,4).
16. Hops two steps, for instance (6).
18. Steal a weapon (5).
20. Is there ice cream in this road marker? (4).

Winner of £5 prize for Crossword No. 51: Elizabeth Meally, 1 Rail Park, Maynooth, Co. Kildare

Solution to Crossword 51.

Across

1. Roost, 4. O'Reilly, 8. Inflate, 9. Satin, 10. Worth, 11. Ladders, 13. Eels, 15. Yogurt, 17. Horses, 20. Chief, 22. Breathe, 24. Forum, 26. Fire, 27. Ruction, 28. Sincere, 29. Royal.

Down

1. Railway, 2. Officer, 3. Teacher, 4. O'Neill, 5. Eased, 6. Litters, 7. Yanks, 11. Grecian, 12. Ashe, 14. Etch, 18. Officer, 19. Seminal, 21. Hearse, 22. Buses, 23. These, 24. Ficer, 25. Rainy.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PC (PERSONAL COMPUTER)

It is hard to believe that it was only 12 years ago that Commodore computers first introduced The Pet (Personal Electronic Transactor). This computer had an 8k memory and built-in audio-cassette recorder, slow and expensive though it was. It nevertheless generated a lot of interest and appealed to the general public as a way by which the "Lay Person" could begin to become familiar with the, hitherto, mysterious world of computing.

In 1980, Cive Sinclair's ZX80 was launched (followed very quickly by the ZX81) and these proved to be better and cheaper than the Pet, having the facility to add memory (up to 64k) and the flexibility to work with any tape recorder, though the connecting leads were a pain in the proverbial and often failed to operate successfully. Commodore was quick to follow with the Commodore 64 (A 64k machine) - still tied to a dedicated tape recorder but suffering less "Crashes" than the ZX81 with its fiddley connections. This marked the beginning of "popular computing" as we know it. Together with the new Commodore 64, the 2 x 81 created a lucrative market for the new breed of "popular computer" monthly magazine and set the stage for the constant battling which is now an inevitable part of the competitive wrangling in which the major computer companies are constantly engaged as they try to become the second largest in the business (IBM is still the largest).

As part of a national plan to bring about more widespread "computer literacy" amongst the population at large, BBC Television produced a six part series on the principles of computing to coincide with the launch of the BBC Micro Computer. Both series and computer were a huge (and well deserved) success and formed an important part of the UK Government's aim of a "Computer in every school" (one per school!!!).

Around this time, a small(ish) trading company, Alan M. Sugar Trading Co. Ltd. - later to become known as Amstrad - was dipping its toe into the murky waters of the home computer market. we will return to Amstrad presently. Meantime, in the USA, Apple launched a unique computer - called the Macintosh - which differs from the PC in so far as the interface (the way in which the user may instruct the

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computer) is entirely menu driven, through the use of a device called a "Mouse". The Macintosh (or Mac), essentially a "designer computer" becomes a type of "cult" purchase - a hugely successful seller but its very uniqueness limits its sale to those who are not worried about the likely costs of putting all their eggs in one basket. (If you can use a PC, you can use any PC - if you can use a Mac, you can use a Mac).

In 1983, IBM launched the "IBM Personal computer" (IBM PC). This machine was a new concept in computing in that it had sufficient capacity and speed to be used for more "serious" applications such as the production of accounts in moderately sized companies, whilst being relatively cheap (around £5,000) and thus infinitely more affordable than the Mainframe/mini machines which were the only type of "serious" computer available up until then. Other factors which encouraged companies to opt for these (PC) machines were the fact that they did not need to be kept in a controlled environment and that they were small enough to sit on a desk. An added bonus was the privacy and convenience they afforded to companies who, until the advent of the PC, had to pay rental to the larger companies, ie. those who had Mainframe or mini computers, in order to run their own weekly/monthly programmes (pay-roll/accounts/invoices etc.)

The development and launch of the IBM PC was to change forever, this dependence upon large and expensive computers and to create a totally new market - a market which was very quickly and successfully exploited by far Eastern electronic companies who, through having a cheaper labour pool and being able to copy the "open architecture" used in the PC's design, were able to produce machines which were 100% compatible with the IBM PC and which offered superior performances at a fraction of the cost. Moreover, these cheap "clones" were able to run any of the software which had been developed for use with the IBM PC, for, such was the power and influence of IBM, that software companies could confidently make the major investment necessary to write applications for a computer which must inevitably become a major seller and a world standard. As a result, all major software applications were written to the IBM standard and were, by definition, able to run on the 100% compatible clone computers. "IBM compatibility" then became the buzzword among the computing fraternity as the standard to which one had to comply in order to ensure the viability and saleability of any computer related product which was to be launched onto this highly competitive market.

Despite the fierce competition generated by the Clone Makers - and despite its more expensive price tag - IBM continued to dominate the corporate PC market throughout the late eighties. (This was due in no small part to the conservatism which abounded among decision makers in the corporate sector - it was said that no one was ever fired for buying IBM).

Inevitably, however, a major challenger arose whose marketing skills had been honed in the world of consumer goods. The Alan M Sugar Trading company (Amstrad) was to prove a formidable contender in the PC world with its highly aggressive marketing and its revolutionary approach in regarding the computers a consumable good - much like

a washing machine or car. Amstrad's success may best be inferred from the fact that all major computer related products and add-ons destined for the PC market now bear the legend "suitable for Amstrads, IBMS and Compatibles". Some of the major software houses now produce "special" versions of their programmes designed to work only with Amstrad machines and selling at a fraction of the price charged for the "IBM and Compatible" versions.

Of course IBM could not allow this situation to continue unchallenged, so, a new strategy was devised with the intention of dictating the future course of the development of the PC whilst allowing IBM to retain its small dominance of the market. The two main components of this new strategy are; (a) Proprietary Architecture (MCA - Micro Channel Architecture) which would be the exclusive province of IBM and could be used only under licences approved by IBM and (b) A new operating system, (PS/2 - Personal System 2) designed to work only with the new architecture. These products were launched in early 1989 and it remains to be seen if the strategy proves as successful as IBM have hoped. Counter strategies have, of course been launched by the other major players, led by Compaq (and known as the Gang of Nine) who envisage adopting a common, different operating system (EISA - Extended Industry Standard Architecture) in direct opposition to OS/2. The old maverick, Apple Macintosh, will continue to go its own way and command its own brand of loyal supporters. The likely outcome is that some sort of compromise will emerge ensuring that users will have a choice and that IBM will retain its position as a big fish in a very large pond.

GARDA TALK

Garda Confidential Telephone

A Confidential Garda Telephone was installed in January this year to facilitate members of the public who wish to communicate with the Gardai in a private and confidential manner. The number is 1800 589589.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

As in former years we are looking forward to our forthcoming parade which draws a very large attendance. In the interests of safety please keep a watchful eye on your children, - they have a tendency to run out onto the street. Most people are aware of times etc, so plan your day well and avoid taking your car down to the village while the parade is in progress. There will be parking restrictions along the Main Street from early morning, and we ask all motorists to please obey these. Wishing all a very successful parade.

Drink Driving

May we pass on our sincere thanks to everybody who observed the drink/driving campaign over the Christmas period. Countrywide it resulted in less tragedy where alcohol is involved. However, a large number of arrests were made, and those drivers who are found to be over the legal limit will face a disqualification of 12 months and a hefty fine on conviction. The drink driving laws will be rigidly enforced all year round, so please remember - **IF YOU ARE GOING OUT FOR A DRINK, LEAVE THE CAR AT HOME.**

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Visits to Schools

As in former years we intend in the next month or so, to visit all schools and give talks on many topics. Despite our best endeavours, some school going children are continuously running out in front of cars while crossing the road and such like matters. Interest yourself in helping us to prevent some serious accident happening.

Crime

Yes we have written on this subject before, and perhaps you are the lucky one who has not been the victim of some sort of crime, but now is the time to review security of our homes and property. Time and time again we find that through carelessness and complacency the criminal will take maximum advantage, and steal. Check your locks and windows - make it as difficult as possible for the criminal. If you need advice call into the station. Install alarms from reputable companies.

Above all if you see anything suspicious - call us . .

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HOW MUCH A GALLON?

Most motorists haven't got a clue how much a gallon of petrol costs. Mostly its a case of give us £20.00 worth or fill her up. The Newsletter conducted a quick survey of prices in Maynooth and farther a field with a view to checking what kind of value we're getting. Maynooth's three stations charge approximately the same for diesel, unleaded and super leaded. These work out at £2.44, £2.71 and £2.80 per gallon respectively. These prices seem to be more or less in line with prices in provincial towns across Leinster. However, petrol in many stations closer to Dublin is significantly cheaper. You can buy diesel for £2.35 (-9 pence), unleaded for £2.59 (-12 pence) and super for £2.71 (-9 pence) on the way into Dublin - and this without driving around looking for the very cheapest prices.

We hear a lot about the need for free competition so it is up to you, the consumer, to make sure you're getting a fair deal.

THE WYRD SISTER REPORT

Seeing as it will be International Women's Day on 8th March, this month's horoscopes are devoted exclusively to my female readers. The theme of the column is 'Co-habiting with the male: practical solutions to the problem.' Read and enjoy, sisters.

Aquarius (Jan 21st - Feb 19th)

The time has come my dear to acknowledge that your partner actually exists. He may not be everything you want him to be. Come to that, he may not be *anything* you want him to be. Added to this, he is no doubt a ferocious embarrassment to you what with you being so perfect and all. However, a *little* leniency is called for on your behalf, so unlock the garden shed and let him out from time to time.

Virgo (Aug 24th - Sept 23rd)

It's time to introduce your partner to a selection of the items of machinery in the kitchen. A two-week course in *Washing Machine Management & the Properties of an Ironing Board* should be sufficient for starters. If learning problems arise, give him a quick turn in the spin-dryer to clear his head.

Sagittarius (Nov 23rd - Dec 21st)

Now that Spring is here I would advise you to plunge into the spirit of the season and launch yourself on the club scene. Fling on the glad rags, grab a drink-link card, three or four of your best friends and begin to party in earnest. Your excuse is that it's still Christmas really - use this one till June. After that say 'sure isn't Christmas just around the corner?'

Gemini (May 22nd - June 21st)

Some one *has* to tell you dear and it has fallen upon me to say it: your partner is *unbearable*, pet. Two courses of action immediately present themselves: you can either suffer him for the duration of your natural lifetime (which will be very short) or you can embark upon the following: (1) Greet him with as much of a smile as you can produce (2) Hand him a drink (3) Ask him to sit in the huge, comfy armchair by the fire (4) Plug it in.

Cancer (June 22nd - July 22nd)

Discipline and strength of mind are required this month Cancer. You will return from a weekend away only to discover that the house, the kids and the husband are actually still there and have not vanished for good. Be more practical in your efforts to get rid of them the next time: three days of fervent hope and cabalistic incantations will not do the job.

Leo (July 23rd - Aug 23rd)

Peculiarly enough you seem to be happy enough with your lot. Have you talked about this with anyone?

Scorpio (Oct 24th - Nov 22nd)

When difficulties arise with the loved one simply open the deep freeze (i.e. your facial expression when furious) and haw on him. Leave for four hours before defrosting.

Libra (Sept 24th - Oct 23rd)

A balanced relationship how are ya! Who, I mean *who*, are you trying to fool pet?? Get a grip luv! Being the bearer of everything from laundry bins to children is not *balanced*!

Capricorn (Dec 22nd - Jan 20th)

A bit of spice is needed in your relationship to give it that extra little 'tang'. You will find it growing only in the Algarve. It appears briefly at only one stage during the months of June, July, August and September so you will need to be on location for the entire four months in order to reap it. I know it is a major sacrifice to ask you to spend so much time away in a hot, Mediterranean seaside resort but the effort will be worth it. You will return with your bit of spice and your relationship will zip along quite nicely until the same time next year. I'm afraid it's the only thing for it luv.

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Aries (March 21st - April 20th)

The problem here is rather an unusual one. Your partner just does not seem to notice you. I suggest a minor alteration in your behaviour will affect an awareness. Begin to get up during the daylight hours and move from the attic to a bedroom - it's altogether a lot less drafty. If this doesn't work, a good sized explosion directly beneath him should do the trick. Major side-effect: perpetual orbit of a distant planet.

Taurus (April 21st - May 21st)

Well, you could just ignore him I suppose. Or you could pretend he was a plant that needed the odd drop of waterin' and an occasional re-potting. Better still, you could begin to convince yourself that he actually spoke intermittently and address a few sentences to him yourself. Then again, you could fluff him up a bit and put him sitting on the mantleshelf - give the shiny bits a good polish though. Of course, there's always the option of putting him out on a Wednesday morning and hoping for the best when the bin-collectors arrive.

Difficult one, this.

Pisces (Feb 20th - March 20th)

Well, you've stuck it this long. It mustn't have been all that bad, was it? I suppose there *are* the odd exceptions. This one's pretty odd alright. What'll you do if the pair of you are ever caught at home at the same time??

*Good luck now dears. Youse will all need it.
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Minerva.*



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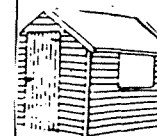
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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Carton Development

Debate on the issue of Carton has intensified in the last few weeks as the Co. Council engages in the process of considering the planning application submitted to it by the Gleneagles Group. Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party would like to make its position clear as some elements of the media have sought to misrepresent our stance. Below is a summary of a detailed submission sent to Kildare Co. Council last month.

The Labour Party has for some time been campaigning for the proper development of Carton Demesne in a way which would preserve Carton House and facilitate public access to the demesne. As residents will be aware Carton House is in urgent need of significant capital investment. Additionally, there is no public access to the estate at the moment. Our concern has always been that any proposed development would address these issues. Through Deputy Emmet Stagg we have called on the Government to take the estate under State control. This request took the form of a Dail question tabled by Deputy Emmet Stagg to the Taoiseach. Unfortunately the Government refused to consider this proposal and it is in this context that the Branch has given a qualified welcome to the development proposed by the Gleneagles Group for the Demesne. Our position is based on the Planning Application and on the absolute guarantees given by the developers to the local community. Elsewhere in the Newsletter readers will find details of the Community Council's submission to the Co. Council regarding the proposed development of Carton estate. The Labour Party endorses the Community Council's position on the understanding that the guarantees regarding public access and the strict limitation on residential development on the estate are completely adhered to.

In addition, we would expect that Kildare Co. Council will use the development levies, associated with the development, in the Maynooth area. There are a number of projects that the Branch believe should receive such funding. The Dunboyne Road at Blacklion should be developed to become the main road from Maynooth to Dunboyne thereby eliminating this traffic from Convent Road which is totally unsuitable for such traffic. The levies should also be used to pave the footpaths in Main St., Maynooth in a similar way to the pilot scheme in Convent Road.

As stated at the outset, the Labour Party in Maynooth favours public ownership of Carton Demesne and regrets the fact that the Government has failed to appreciate the tremendous benefits to the whole eastern region that such a development would bring. Given the Government's position we believe that the Gleneagles proposal can be the basis for a balanced development of Carton which can, at the same time, bring much needed investment and jobs to the Maynooth area.

Budget For The Rich

The recent FF / PD Coalition budget has been hailed as a great giveaway for the PAYE sector and a great reform of the taxation system. Nothing could be further from the truth. The stark facts of the matter are that someone earning

£60,000 per year will gain nearly £60 a week while those on low wages of under £6,000 a year less than £1 per week. When VAT increases are taken into consideration many families struggling on low incomes will be worse off because of this budget. Social welfare recipients remain trapped in poverty because of this budget while those on over £30,000 per year are laughing all the way to the bank. The real basis of tax reform would be to increase the basic tax allowances and tax bands so that those on low wages escape the tax net altogether and workers only pay tax at the higher rates when they reach high levels of pay.

Fianna Fail and the PDs nailed their colours to the mast in this budget and defined themselves as parties committed to maintaining the gross inequalities in our society.

Local Matters

Following representations from residents in the area, Deputy Stagg has brought the very poor condition of Blacklion Road to the attention of the Co. Council and has asked that repair work be carried out as a matter of urgency.

The issue of our footpaths in Maynooth has again been raised at the Co. Council by Deputy Stagg who has been acting on behalf of the Community Council on this matter. Deputy Stagg has asked the Co. Council to provide signs on Kildare Bridge (over the River Rye at Carton, Maynooth). This bridge is particularly treacherous as it is impossible to see oncoming traffic as the bridge is approached.

FINE GAEL NOTES

Good Luck Charlie!

As we say our goodbyes and best wishes for a happy retirement to Charles Haughey, we offer our congratulations to that popular Kildare T.D., Charlie Mc Creevy on his appointment as Minister for Social Welfare. We are sure that he will be undaunted by the thought that his decisions and performances will have a direct effect on the lives of the 18% of our work force who are unemployed, of whom over 50% are under 35 years of age and more than 25% are under 25 years of age. We trust that he will continue to display that independence of thought and action and openness to new ideas which has brought him to prominence over the years and that he will persuade his Taoiseach and cabinet colleagues to accept the Fine Gael proposal for a National Jobs Forum, composed of representatives of all parties and the social partners, to tackle this national scandal.

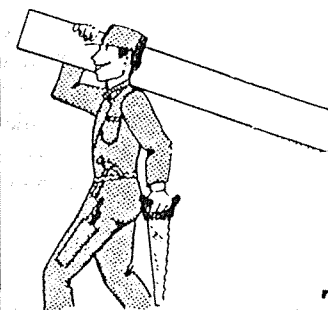
He might also have a word with the new Minister for Education, Mr. Brennan, to see if he has any ideas on how to resolve the problems posed by the threatened closure of St. Wolstan's Girls School in Celbridge. Hopefully he will be more positive than his predecessor, Mr. Davoren, who informed Bernard Durkan, when he raised the matter in the Dail recently, that his department was considering what steps must be taken. Something more definite might have been expected since the Holy Faith Sisters have only undertaken to keep the school open for another five years. This means that the girls enrolling in the next year or so cannot be sure of finishing their secondary education at the school. Mr. Mc Creevy might also have a word with the new Minister for Health about the availability of geriatric beds in

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Political Party Notes

the northern end of the county. While the former Minister Mrs. O'Rourke informed Bernard Durkan that she was satisfied that there were adequate geriatric beds in Kildare, she failed to recognise that these are concentrated in the southern end of the county, in Athy and the Curragh. Meanwhile, there are inadequate subvented beds in the private nursing homes operating in the north of the county. The problem is compounded by the fact that Kildare patients are denied access to geriatric beds in Dublin Hospitals.

Great Gas

When Bernard Durkan campaigned and eventually succeeded in getting the I.D.A. to purchase the land at Collinstown for an industrial site he could not have foreseen the effect it would have on the area. First there was the Intel factory and the hundreds of jobs it is providing and now we can confirm that An Bord Gais will be extending its natural gas pipeline to the factory this year. Once the pipeline is in place the Bord will be considering the extension of the supply to other businesses and homes in the surrounding area. So Bernard's foresight is not alone providing jobs in the area but also offers the prospect of a clean environmentally friendly form of heating for our homes.

WORKERS' PARTY NOTES

Special Help Needed for the Homeless

Under Section 10 of the 1988 Housing Act, local authorities may seek special funding from the Environment Minister to provide assistance for homeless people. Kildare County Council has never applied for funds under this scheme. In other words, there is no special provision for the homeless in the county.

This was highlighted recently when a family which had its house burned down was sent to stay in hostels in Dublin. This family ended up being split between two hostels. Councillor Catherine Murphy believes that the County Council should have a specific policy in this area, and has put down a motion to this effect.

Catherine Murphy believes that the extent of the problem can easily be underestimated, as there are many cases of families sharing houses in extremely crowded conditions. Families which have to move in with relatives in this way are really homeless, and need special assistance. The problem, of course, has become much worse due to the virtual elimination of local authority house building by successive governments over the last decade.

GENDER AUDIT SOUGHT

If you call to the Kildare County Council offices in Naas, the chances are that the public receptionist you meet will be a woman. However, if you then meet the County Manager, Engineer or Finance Officer, you can be sure that they will all be men. This is not to say that all these people do not have the highest qualifications for the job. The problem is that women in Ireland do not tend to obtain similar qualifications. And even if they do, the chances are that if they apply for a job, all those on the interview board will be men. In order to highlight this situation, Councillor Catherine

Murphy has requested the County Council to conduct a "gender audit" of its own staff. She wants to find out not only the overall division between men and women, but how different types and level of work are divided between them. If, as she suspects, most women are found in the least skilled jobs, she will be asking the council to take special note of gender imbalances in filling future vacancies. Watch this space!

DAIL BUDGET PROTEST

Kildare County Council agreed to conduct a special protest outside the Dail on Budget Day to highlight the low level of funding the county gets from central government. A very colourful and effective event took place. However, a majority of councillors failed to show up. Essentially, the event was boycotted by the two main political parties. So, the next time a Fine Gael or Fianna Fail councillor comes to your door, ask them where they were on Budget Day.

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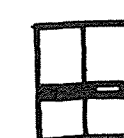
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Norah and Philip Mc Dermott

Reading this month's column will come as a total shock to Norah and Phil as they were completely unaware that it was being compiled. It was recently their 25th wedding anniversary and the Newsletter decided to surprise them with this profile. As Norah works in the Newsletter offices, this feature had to be compiled under a great deal of secrecy and a lot of cloak-and-dagger activity! Thanks to all who gave photos, information and anecdotes and who kept quiet about it for a month!

Norah and Philip Mc Dermott now live in Leixlip, having previously lived in Kellystown, Maynooth. They are both firmly involved in Maynooth life, serving on a host of local organisations and clubs for the past twelve years. As most people know, Norah's involvement in voluntary organisations has been well documented over the past year by the regional and national media when two significant things happened to her. The first of these was the culmination of seven years of action on her behalf: she won her case against the state in the European courts when, along with Mrs Anne Cotter from Dublin, she campaigned for the equal treatment of married women in the payment of unemployment benefit. Norah's second claim to recent fame is the result of her being nominated as one of ten Persons of the Year for Kildare and winning an award as such last year.

Both Norah and Philip work in Maynooth and both are supervisors. Philip oversees work on the Royal Canal Amenity Group project while Norah manages S.E.S. workers in the Community Council/Newsletter offices on Main Street. They became involved in community organisations in 1979 when their oldest daughter, Anna Marie, was 13. There weren't very many activities for teenagers and young children in Maynooth then so the Mc Dermotts, along with other interested parents, founded the Athletic Club and were instrumental in bringing Community Games to the Maynooth area. Since then, they have between them been involved in the Citizen's Information Centre, the Summer Project organisation, the I.C.A., the Community Council, the Maynooth Newsletter, the R.C.A.G., Community Games (at regional and national level), Athletic Club, youth clubs, the Planning and Development Committee and various national organisations such as the National Cultural and Athletic Association of Ireland (of which Norah is International Secretary). Of their three children, Tanya is the youngest and is still at school while the only son, Darren, is currently working in London.



Norah and Phil on their wedding day in 1966.

Philip was born in Monaghan and moved to Celbridge with his family when he was still very young. He has one sister and a small, closely knit family group. It therefore took him years to get used to the fact that Norah came attached to six brothers and sisters, various lodgers, umpteen inlaws and outlaws and assorted cats and dogs! Her family had always kept lodgers so there were always people coming and going through the house at a startling rate. Norah's large family come from Maynooth where she went to the convent school, winning a scholarship in sixth class to attend St Wolstan's Secondary School in Celbridge. From there she joined the Civil Service, working in the Department of Education. Her responsibilities included paying the wages for all the teachers in Dublin and Cork: half of her work had to be conducted through Irish as the Cork teachers all taught through the medium and in *gaelscoil-eanna*. Philip meanwhile was busily engaged at home in Celbridge and working on the Bog of Allen (work he had been doing since he was eleven).

The couple met by accident in a flurry of snow in 1961 at the bottom of a hill near the Ryevalle in Leixlip! It was an icy, cold winter's day when Norah was 17 and sliding down the hill on a tray with her friends. She came a cropper at the bottom of it and a young, dashing 16 year old plucked her out of the mound of snow into which she'd crashed. Her gallant knight was to become her

'toy boy' husband five years later. After their marriage they moved to London where Philip worked with Heinz. Anna Marie was born in London and when she was a year and a half they moved back home to Kellystown.

Both Norah and Phil were hugely interested in rally driving (as anyone who has ever sat in a car with them will testify!!) and when their children were younger they spent Sundays travelling to Mondello to watch the racing. When they were courting they both drove mopeds and they travelled all over the country on these.

In her wilder days Norah and a gang of friends spent week-ends going to dances all over the locality. This was no mean feat as many of the dances were six or seven miles away. However, they had an ingenious method of getting there with only two bicycles between six or eight young women. Two of them would cycle along for a mile, leave the bicycles on the side of the road and walk on. When the main group came to the bicycles two more would take them, cycle a mile, leave them and walk on. Eventually both the bicycles and the women got to the dance but not without some small difficulties. For example, cycling while wearing your dancing outfit was absolute hell as the huge black skirts had to be gathered up and at the same time you had to prevent the wind from doing as little damage as possible to your new hair-do. Often, sorry specimens arrived at the dances but nevertheless they greatly enjoyed themselves.



Attending one of the many functions on their agenda last year.

Ferocious religious fervour used regularly break out amongst the young women in Maynooth when Norah was a teenager it seems. When the mission came or when benediction was taking place on Monday nights the older teenagers took unusual care to be in attendance for as many nights as was possible. We have since learned that this behaviour had more to do with the fact that the 'boys' would also be in attendance than it had to do with the fear of God: many a snatched conversation and a forcible impression was made outside the gates after the service and with the shortage of dances, this often happened to be the only venue where one could dress to impress!

Philip was heavily involved in sport as a youth. He has many Kildare and Leinster medals in hammer throwing, discus and the shot. Many people will attest to the fact that when it comes to playing the harmonica Phil can make the flagstones want to dance! Last year during the Community Festival he entertained about thirty people outside the Roost after the pubs closed in a rare musical treat from which no-one wanted to leave.

Probably one of the best known couples in Maynooth and undoubtedly one of the most loved, Philip and Norah Mc Dermott have continued to add to the improvement of the town's social, recreational and environmental life since they first became involved in it. We wish them continued health and happiness for another twenty five years (at least) of successful marriage and spirited community involvement.

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

1st Team

League fixtures for the year are now at hand. They are as follows:-

Sunday	1/3/92	Caragh	(away)
Sunday	15/3/92	Milltown	(away)
Sunday	22/3/92	Grange	(home)
Sunday	29/3/92	St. Laurences	(away)
Tuesday	21/4/92	Robertstown	(home)
Sunday	26/4/92	Rathangan	(away)
Tuesday	5/5/92	Rathcoffey	(home)
Tuesday	19/5/92	Castlemitchell	(away)
Tuesday	9/6/92	Monasterevan	(home)
Tuesday	13/6/92	St. Kevins	(home)
Tuesday	7/7/92	Kill	(home)
Tuesday	28/7/92	Eadestown	(home)
Tuesday	18/8/92	Castledermot	(away)

Some really attractive fixtures in prospect including visits by Monasterevan, Grange, St. Kevin's and Eadestown. Our season wouldn't be complete either without our usual quota of trips to the south of the county. This time not alone do we have to travel to Castledermot but also to Castlemitchell and St. Laurences. All in all a lot to look forward to and a lot for players to prepare for.

Games to date:-

(1) The season got off to a start (less than auspicious) on February 2nd with a challenge against Kilcloon.

Results: Kilcloon 1.8pts Maynooth 8pts

Scorers: James Gilligan 3 pts; Killian Fagan 2pts; Michael Madden, Joey Edwards and Liam O'Toole 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Aidan Burke, Mick Kelly, Paul Stynes, Pascal Ennis, Killian Fagan, Joe Conway and James Gilligan.

Best Player: Mick Kelly.

2. Straffan Tournament:

Maynooth 6 pts Ardclough 5 pts

Scorers: James Gilligan 2pts; Joey Riordan 2 pts; Killian Fagan and Fergus Devereaux 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Molloy, Dunne (E), Conway, Ennis, O'Neill, Fagan, O'Toole (L) and Gilligan.

Best Player: Killian Fagan.

Training for senior players continues each Tuesday and Thursday night at 8 p.m. (sharp). New players are more than welcome.

Underage Football:

The underage leagues for 10's and 12's will not start until March. In the meantime the teams for the year are being sorted out each Saturday morning from 11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. at the Moyglare Road Grounds.

In regard to Underage football in the club all members will be interested to read the following extracts from the Kildare G.A.A. Supporters Club Annual Report 1992 - it refers to the Football Summer Camp organised by the Supporters Club and the Kildare County Board which took place in July 1991:-

"Despite the on-going developments to their club facilities (which are near completion) this week was a memorable success. The players showed tremendous interest and keenness in the course and this was very encouraging and

they demonstrated that they had improved considerably by the end of the course".

The above extract will revive fond memories for our young players of the 1991 Summer Camp which was attended by, among others, Martin Lynch, Kildare's midfielder who later went on to capture an All-Star Award.

The following were elected to Sub Committee's:

Bar & Social committee - Chairman, F. Devereux, Secretary, T. Fay, J. Lawlor, D. O'Hurley, M. Caden, P. Kearney. Finance & Development - S. Nevin, R. O'Malley, O. Geoghegan, P. Carr, M. Stynes.

Sports & Ground's - K. Connolly, P. Carr, J. Nevin, A. Killorgan, B. O'Farrell, E. Dunne, D. Madden.

300 Club Draw: January result:

£100 - Irene Kearney, £50 - Tony Flood, £20 - Jack Farrell, 4 prizes of £5 each - Seamus Mee, Una Ryan, Sonny Kearns, Kit Edwards.

The following were elected as selector's for our under age teams 1992 -

Football:

U/16 - P. Nevin, B. O'Farrell, M. Gillick, J. O'Rourke. U/14 - A. M. Meally, F. McCarrick. U/14 B - P. Nevin, B. O'Farrell, K. Fagan. U/10, U/11, U/12, U/13 - K. Connolly, D. McDermott, O. Geoghegan, P. Sweeney, J. O'Rourke, J. Fleming, P. Ennis.

Hurling:

Hurling Teams for 1992, U/10, U/12, U/13, U/14, U/16 and the selector's are M. Gleeson, P. Nevin, M. Gillick, B. Gunian, P. Commerford, K. Diggins, T. McMullarkey, L. Lacey, M. Keogh, P. Sweeney, J. Travers, S. Cummins. Training for Hurling Team's every Saturday morning from 10.30 a.m. to 11.45 a.m. at the Moyglare Road Grounds. The Minor football league has started on going to press. We had no dates for this League. The following are the fixtures for the minor league: home to Leixlip, away to Monasterevan, home to Rathangan, away to Suncroft, away to Moorfield, away to John Devoys, home to Castlemitchell, home to St. Laurence, away to Ballyna, home to O'Plunketts. The minor league started on Sunday 23rd February.

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

As mentioned in the February issue, the club organised free open nights during January and February. The response to this promotion proved very successful and we are more than happy with the quality of new players which have now joined the club.

As a result of this, we are now entering three mixed and one Ladies League teams in the forthcoming Tallaght League. The qualifying stages have now been reached in the Dublin League and congratulations are in order to the 1st team on reaching the quarter finals. This fixture takes place in Baldoyle Badminton Centre on Wednesday 19th February at 6.30 p.m. Success follows success and the 1st Team have also qualified to the 2nd round of the Cup competition. This match will take place on Friday 21st February against Guinness B.C.

Congratulations are also in order to our Ladies League Team who were runners up in their section in the Dublin League.

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The third term began on 22nd February with a free swim. There will be swimming each Saturday except for Easter Saturday 18th April, and Saturday 30th May, (Whit weekend). Community Games swim date has yet to be announced. There will be a family swim on April 25th. The junior gala is planned for June 6th and the senior gala for June 13th. We finished the year with a family swim on June 20th. No buses will run on family swim days, namely April 25th and June 20th. As there have been few pool closures this year, this term will run for fifteen weeks. As a result of this there will be an additional charge of £5 per child for the extra 5 weeks. The new fees are as follows; 1st child - £28, 2nd child - £51, 3rd child - £74. Incorporated in this term, we have included two family swims and one free swim. The committee request that fees should be paid by 14th March.

Once again Maynooth Swimming Club will be taking part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. We invite all our members to participate in our fancy dress competition. Attractive prizes will be awarded for the best "FANCY DRESS". Members are asked to assemble at 10.30am on the morning of the parade on Maynooth Park Green. We look forward to seeing you all there. Please note that competition is confined to members only.

Sheila Fleming P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Following the Christmas fixture close-down the season has now got back into full swing again. With the exception of our schoolgirls team our other teams have fulfilled a number of fixtures since the break.

Our first team continue to make progress in the Dalton Cup but show poor League form. Our second team are showing very consistent League form and are well in for top honours in their division.

Our U/13 schoolboys are just behind the leaders in their division and are also in the 2nd round of the U/13 cup. Our U/11 team are finding it tough in their division but in their first season of competitive football this was to be expected. However, with the bulk of the panel eligible to compete at U/11 again next season, this season's experience should stand them in good stead.

The U/15 schoolgirls team have now completed their league programme and did exceptionally well to finish runners-up, only failing to force a play off with Drogheda by one point. They now await the commencement of their Shield competition and with the same dedication and a little more luck may reap the benefit of their efforts.

Results

Premier Division

Maynooth Town 2 Grangewoodbine 3

We have only ourselves to blame for this defeat as too many defensive errors led to our own undoing. Having conceded the opening score as early as the 1st minute we fought back to get an equaliser from Gerry Quinn. We once again gave away a silly 2nd goal but pulled ourselves off the floor once more to grab our second equaliser from Sean Moore.

We seemed to be in for at least a share of the points but a deflected shot late in the game was to prove costly. Ger Thompson had an excellent game for Maynooth and got good support from Gerry Quinn and Bobby Barry.

Dalton Cup

Molloys F.C. 3 Maynooth Town 7

Maynooth paved the way for this good win early and scored in the 3rd minute. Fergal Barton was in good form on the right wing and sent a stream of good crosses into the centre for an eager forward line. This was by no means a one sided game as Molloys proved to be dangerous on the break and proved that fact by scoring three good goals. Our defence had to be vigilant throughout and got through a good mornings work. This win puts us into the 1/4 finals and a repeat performance should give us a good chance of qualifying for the semi-final. Our goals were scored by Martin Curtis (2), Gerry Quinn (2), Robbie Moran (1), Mark Shaw (1) and Bob O'Reilly (1).

Fergal Barton, Paul McCourt and Bob O'Reilly were our stars in this game.

Division 3 Private Grds.

Maynooth Town 4 Ballymun Celtic 1

Our second team maintained their drive for League Honours with this good win over Ballymun Celtic. We dominated the 1st half with Philip Doyle controlling the midfield. The Ballymun defence was kept under pressure for most of the game and it was only an inspired performance by their keeper which saved them from a heavier defeat. Our own keeper Barry Desmond was not to be outshone by his opposite number and produced a brilliant penalty save when Ballymun threatened to get back into the game. Two goals by Noel Dempsey and one each from John Geoghegan and Philip Doyle kept the pressure on league leaders Caragh Celtic

Maynooth Town 2 Sacred Heart F.C. 1

This was a thriller between two very well matched sides. Maynooth can take heart from this gutsy performance because Sacred Heart had set out to keep a point late in the game when reverting to a defensive style of play. Maynooth conceded a penalty midway through the 1st half but fought back to grab the equaliser through a Gerry Treacy free kick which was deflected to the net by an under pressure Sacred Heart defender. The second half developed into a dour midfield battle and our own midfield combination had to be at their best to break even. John Geoghegan was in inspired form in this sector. Barry Desmond was once again in top form in goal and set a shining example to his team mates.

With time ticking away Martin McTiernan secured two points for us when sending a 25 yds. free kick all the way to the Sacred Heart net. The final whistle sounded shortly after and the jubilation in Maynooth's dressing room was matched only by the disappointment in the visitors camp. Apart from

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those mentioned Noel Dempsey and Robbie Moran played well for Maynooth.

Schoolboys

U/13 League

Maynooth Town 3 W.S.A.F. 3

This game was totally dictated by a very strong wind. Maynooth had the benefit in the 1st half and took a 3 nil interval lead with goals from Darren Naughton (1) and Eamon Gallagher (2). W.S.A.F. got on top with wind assistance in the 2nd half and got their equaliser just before full time when it looked as if we would hold out for a win. Darren Naughton, Martin Byrne and Pearse Ryan battled hard for Maynooth.

U/11 League

Maynooth Town 0 Newlands Celtic 2

We battled hard in this game but with little reward and can feel unlucky not to have scored ourselves. The much bigger visitors did not overawe our own lads who showed great courage in fighting to the very end. Davitt O'Neill, Andy Madden and Colm Cahill were our best players in this game.

We would like to take this opportunity to extend good wishes to Maynooth G.A.A. Club on the opening of their new complex at Moyglare Road and wish them many fruitful years in the future.

Ladies Soccer

Following their excellent showing in the league, the entire Maynooth Panel were invited to take part in trials to select the North-Eastern League team to compete against other Leagues. Those trials took place in Drogheda on Sunday 16th February with further trials taking place at the same venue on Sunday March 7th, after which is expected that the League team will be announced. We would hope to gain a number places on the team which would be a tribute to Frances Kearney who manages the local girls and has instilled a great deal in skill and confidence into our own team. Local girls taking part in the trials are:

A. Mooney, A. Lyons, L. Conway, J. Smith, L. Hughes, C. Thompson, S. Thompson, T. Kearney, L. Newman, M. Flood, P. Purcell, P. O'Shea, M. Gillick, V. Breslin, I. Kearney, L. Kearney, O. Cahill.

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The club has two training sessions per week, with a beginners' class held at the St. John of God pool in Celbridge and advanced sessions held at the Kings Hospital, Palmerstown. At the moment the club has 42 members, which is the maximum which the club can take due to its need for a lot of space in the pool for manoeuvring. The instructors are Michael Byrne, Mary McKay and the chief instructor is Anna Byrne. In order to become proficient at synchronised swimming a person needs a lot of dedication, since it may take a number of years before a person is able to swim in a competition. There are a number of grades, ranging from preliminary to grade 6 with a person being eligible to compete in international competition once they have reached grade 3. A number of swimmers in the Heron have reached that grade, which usually takes 5 or 6 years to achieve. The club follows a set programme for the year and usually undertake a number of displays and demonstrations to encourage the growth of synchronised swimming.



The swimmers come from a wide area and not just the Celbridge vicinity. There are swimmers from Maynooth, Leixlip, Lucan and even further afield. It is a very healthy pursuit and is recommended for people who suffer from asthma, since swimming strengthens the lungs and helps people to control their breathing.

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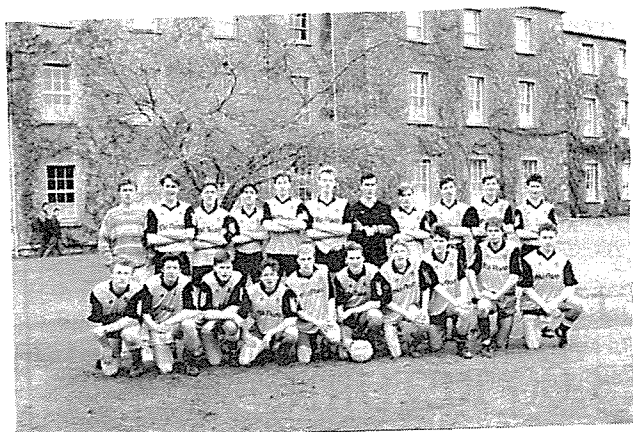
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College Notes

College team win Freshers Gaelic Football Championship for first time. The first year gaelic football team trained by Mr Kevin Tunney pulled away from Waterford RTC in extra time. Maynooth displayed great spirit in fighting back from a 5 point deficit to pound Waterford RTC by 7 points. The final score was 4-18 to 1-17. Best for Maynooth were Brendan Kiely, Ger Holland and Andy Coyne. The chairperson of the football club paid tribute to the great spirit of the Freshers in responding to the promptings of their trainer, who gave a lot of time and effort to moulding the team into a very successful unit.

In the Gaelic Football inter-varsity competition, the Sigerson Cup, Maynooth got off to a great start by defeating U.C.D. in a toughly fought match which was marred by the incompetence of the referee and an unsavoury off the ball incident which led to Maynooth full back, Sean O'Sullivan being hospitalised. Among the best players for Maynooth who were trained by Malachy McCann, were Conor Martin, Con Moynalin, Sean O'Sullivan, Glen Ryan, Frank Doherty and Kevin Tunney. Maynooth's next game in the Sigerson will be against St Marys Teacher Training College in Belfast.



College Freshers Team win
All - Ireland Championship.
Trainer K. Tunney standing on left.

Other College Sports

The college hurling team recently defeated the University of Ulster Coleraine in the first round of the Fitzgibbon cup. The camogie team were knocked out of the Ashbourne cup by Coleraine in a match played in Belfast. They were down by 4 points.

Maynooth recently hosted the inter-varsity road relay race. The mens event was won by U.C.C. and the womens event by U.C.D. A good day was had by all although Maynooth were somewhat unlucky to come only 5th in both races.

We wish Frank Mulligan a quick recovery from his recent unfortunate injury received from the boot of a Kerry man during a recent football match and hope that he will soon be back to full fitness.

Results of Photo Competition

RESULT OF PHOTO COMPETITION

The winner of the photo competition was Josephine Moore, "Greenville", Straffan Road, Maynooth.

Answers:

3rd and 4th Class about 1956.

Sheila Donovan, Rosaleen Higgins, Josie Kelly, Evelyn Curren, Maura Moore, Kathleen O'Donoghue, Cait Dowling, Mary Holden, Monica Malone, Catherine Cusack, Deirdre Regan, Betty McCann, Kathleen Dempsey, Mary Regan, Eileen Grehan, Maureen Donovan, May Richardson, Bina Twomey, Aoife Flynn, Bridie Hoban, Kitty Flynn, Marie Rafferty, Joan Farrell, Carmel Geoghegan, Teresa O'Neill, Ann Monahan, Margaret O'Donoghue, Eleanor O'Donoghue, Rosemary Murphy, Mary Murphy, Eve Burke, Mary Graham, Josie Leavy, Patsy Murray, Elizabeth Dowling, Mary Mackin, Deirdre Smith, Mary O'Brien.

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 Greenfield Residents Association - A.G.M. 3rd March, ICA Hall 8.00p.m.
 Separated Persons Group - Meetings will take place on Tuesday nights 9.15 in Caulfields.
 Planning and Development Group - Meeting 27th February in Post Primary School.
 Submissions date for Community Council nominations. Monday March 23rd.
 Irish Guide Dogs Association - meeting in Caulfields - Tuesday 23rd March - date for National Dog Walk.
 Dinner Dance/Past Pupils of Maynooth Post Primary School April 10th.
 Post Primary - Bingo - Parish Hall - Sunday 22nd March.
 American Tea Party - Friday 22nd May - The County Club, Dunshaughlin, Maynooth Post Primary School.
 Card Game - Kean's Kilcloon - Friday 27th March at 9.00
 Race Night - 4th April - O'Keeffes Pub, Kilcock, 9.00 in aid of Scoile Ui Riada Gaescoil, Kilcock.
 Steam Train - 14th & 15th June - Harbour.
 Public Information Day - St. Raphaels' - Thursday, 5th March 10.00am - 12 noon and 1.30pm - 3.00.
 St. Mary's Boys National School - Friday 10th of April at 8.30, Race Night in G.A.A. Hall, Moyglare Road.
 Auction - New G.A.A. Club - Moyglare Road - Saturday 7th March 8.30pm in aid of Parish Funds.
 Old Peoples' Committee - Easter Party - April 12th Post Primary School.
 Parents' Association Girls' National School - Auction will take place in the Parish Hall on Sunday 8th March at 2.30pm

Sympathies

Leavy - Celbridge - Late Windgates, Maynooth.
 The son and daughter, brother and sisters, relatives and friends of the late Mary Leavy wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad loss; to those who attended removal mass and funeral; those who sent mass cards, letters of sympathy and floral tributes; to those who called to the house. A special word of thanks to the priests of the parish and visiting priests. Also thanks to our many friends and relatives who helped in any way and to Dr. Gerard Waters for his kind attention. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered in grateful appreciation.

Mrs. P. Burke, Convent View, and her sister Mai Hughes, Convent Road on the death of their brother, Paddy Hughes, in England.

Mrs. M. Feeney, Celbridge Road, on the death of her brother, Steve Faherty, in America.

Brother, sisters, brothers-in-law, sister-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and large circle of friends of the late Breige (Breda) Marrow (nee Geraghty) Donadae, late Main Street, Maynooth.

Relatives, god-daughter, Mary T. and devoted friends of the late Margaret Geraghty, Main Street, Maynooth.

The family of the late Anne Connolly, 350 Greenfield, Maynooth, wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their sad bereavement. Those who sent mass cards, letters of sympathy, wreaths and floral tributes, those who attended removal of remains, mass and funeral. A special word of thanks to Mrs. Dillion and staff of Larchfield Park Nursing Home.

Maynooth Branch of the Labour Party, students and brothers from High Park, Drumcondra, Dublin; also her grandson, Fr. Peter Dowling, S.S.S., who concelebrated mass with Fr. Supple P.P., Fr. Cogan C.C., Fr. Nevin and priests from D'Olier Street, Dublin; all our friends and neighbours and the local gardai. We trust you will accept this as a small token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the mass will be offered for your intentions.



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Happy Birthday to Thomas McMahon, Mulhussey, Maynooth. Lots of love from your Godmother.

Happy Birthday to Anne-marie Thompson on the 6th March from the office staff.

Happy Belated Birthday to John Walsh who celebrated his 21st birthday on the 24th February. Lots of love from Nuala and all his friends.

Happy Birthday to triplets, Paráig, Ciarán and Séan Rocliffe, Elm Road, Dannycarney, Dublin, who celebrate their 1st birthday on March 23rd. With lots of love from the McGovern family and Tracey family in Greenfield also from Joan and Tom in London.

Happy 18th birthday to Darren Holmwood on 20th March. Love from Cinti.

Happy 18th Birthday to Salome Heuston on 21st March. Love from Jackie.

Happy birthday to Mark on 6th March. Lots of love from Jackie.

Happy birthday Gerry Coyne, Dunboyne Road, February 10th.

Happy birthday Lorna and Grainne Burke, Newtown, age 10 on March 2nd.

Happy birthday Jason O'Brien, Highfield, Kilcock aged 3 on March 8th.

Happy birthday Nicola O'Brien, 18 on April 7th.

Happy birthday Joanne O'Brien, 20 on March 13th.

Happy birthday Mark O'Brien, Newtown, 21 on March 22nd.

Happy birthday Susan O'Brien, Highfield, Kilcock, 8 on March 22nd.

Happy birthday Sinead Cummins, 10 on March 25th.

Happy birthday Eddie Quinn, Greenfield, 20 on March 29th.

Happy birthday Mrs. P. Quinn, March 17th.

Happy birthday Tom Richardson, Mariaville, March 14th.

Happy birthday Sharon Halligan, Greenfield, 12 on March 26th.

Happy birthday Gerard McTernan, Carravilla, Greenfield, 16 on March 4th.

Correction:

"Last months Newsletter"

Birthday greetings to Sharon Kiernan, The Coppins, Celbridge age 1 January 30th. Best wishes from Mammy, Daddy and brother Willie. Correct name is Shawn not Sharon.

Happy Birthday to Karen Kavanagh who was 12 on the 5th of March. From Mam, Dad, Jan, Neil, Declan, Mark and Jennifer.

Happy Birthday to Jennifer Kavanagh who was 1 on the 14th of March. From Mam, Dad, Jan, Neil, Declan and Mark.

Happy Birthday to Jennifer Kavanagh who was 1 on the 14th of March from Karen.

Happy 18th Birthday to Becky on the 1st of March, lots of love Jackie and Cinti.

Happy belated birthday to Jennifer Reilly who celebrated her birthday on the 16th of February. Lots of Love from family and friends.

Birthday Greetings to Manus Mc Carron, Greenfield on February 15th. Best wishes from all the family, also his daughter Yvonne age 6 on February 27th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, brothers, sisters and Nana.

Happy Birthday to Rozalia, who is 11 on the 9th of March. Lots of love from family and friends.

A very Happy Birthday to Ned Murphy, Donadea, who is 21 and a bit on the 8th of March. Lots of love from the family.

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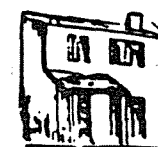
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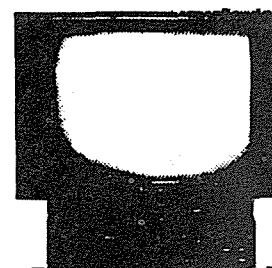
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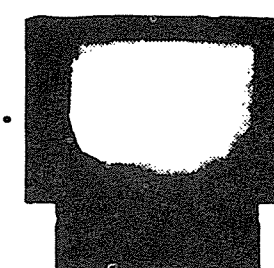
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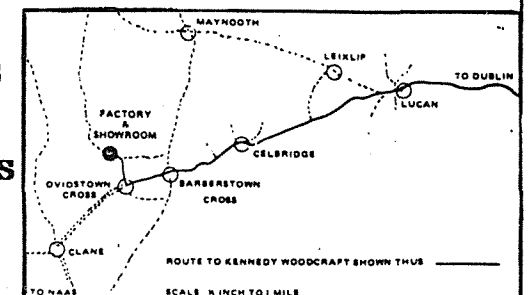
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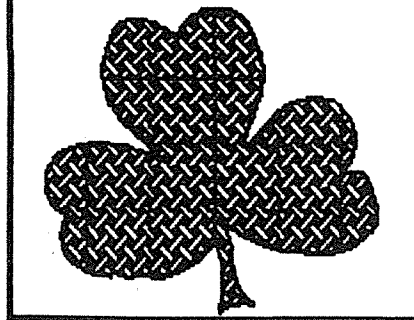
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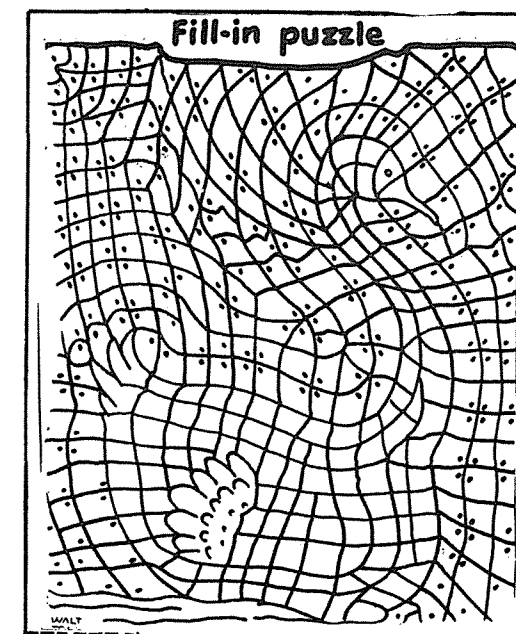
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Congratulations to Ann and Norman Birchall on the birth of their son.

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Editorial

Work on the way out?

This may well be the third last *Newsletter* published by Maynooth Community Council, that is if plans to terminate the *Teamwork* Schemes around the country in July are carried through. Readers may not realise that this Newsletter could not be produced in its present format without the work of a group of people employed under the *Teamwork* Scheme. Through the *Newsletter*, many young people from Maynooth have gained valuable work experience, in accounts, advertising, office procedures, publishing, and have gone on to other employment when their term of office has finished. Are these people now to join the 280,000 currently unemployed? When are we going to recognise that there is an emergency in Ireland, with a jobs famine crying out for attention. With a decline in emigration opportunities abroad, more of our people are staying behind, to swell the ranks of the unemployed. It is not acceptable to blame this situation on the weather, laziness, national characteristics, lack of resources, acts of God. We cannot sit back and say that full employment is a thing of the past. What about Scandinavia with its 3% unemployment rate? The government has had enough reports over the years, analysing the causes of our endemic unemployment problem, and making proposals for change. Instead of setting up new task forces to examine the reports of the previous ninety task forces, action is required. And while we're waiting for the economic miracle, could we ask them to keep their hands off our *Teamworkers*?

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Easter Rising

This month we celebrate Easter with its memories of the Easter Rising in 1916. The *Newsletter* is pleased to see that the tree planted in Pound Park last May to commemorate the Maynooth men who took part in the rising is still standing. Perhaps the Easter Rising Committee might consider using some of their winnings to putting up a more prominent memorial in the square to replace that ugly memorial to modern Ireland.

Radio Maynooth

We hope readers enjoyed the recent week of broadcasting from KCI radio. This allowed a significant proportion of the population to voice their views on life in Maynooth. The advent of local radio in the last few years has been one of the more important developments in providing a sense of belonging for people all over Ireland and in opening up opportunities for reflecting on the importance of the local dimension in life.

Finally

This issue is full of reports of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. As usual, this event was most successful, thanks to the co-operation of all concerned, organisers, participants, sponsors and spectators. The *Newsletter* would like to thank the Teamworkers, and particularly Big Bird who took part in the parade.

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Dear Editor,

I should like to refer to your editorial entitled "Limits to Freedom", contained in your March issue, Ref. No. 176. I would contend that your concern for the freedom of movement of all our citizens to other jurisdictions is indeed a noble objective to which I would readily subscribe. However, on further examination of the complete text of your article, your core argument albeit shrouded in your concern for freedom and liberty, clearly emerges. The amateurishness of your coded language amounts to little more than a feeble attempt to disguise your real agenda, which discernibly is your unfettered support for the introduction of the free availability of statutory abortion within our country.

At this juncture, and in total difference to your modus operandi, I experience no difficulty and proffer no apology in proclaiming my unreserved support for the legal protection of the unborn child as 'sine qua non' and my absolute revulsion at the prospect of introducing the barbaric procedure of abortion to the statute-book of our nation.

In declaring my position on this fundamental human issue of unconditional paramountcy, I am fully cognisant of the risk of personal vilification and character assassination in accordance with the edict, currently emanating from our National Broadcasting Organisation R.T.E. and the likelihood of consignment to the dustbin of bigotry and fanaticism as clearly defined in the novel lexicon recently imprimatured by the Stations High-King, Gaybo himself.

However, in anticipation of the likely outcome in accordance with my proclaimed scenario, I am both comforted and fortified in the knowledge that AT WORST I may face banishment to the excellent company of the courageous Mrs Bernadette Bonar and the Rev. Fr. Michael Cleary, who have been journalistically savaged at the behest of their bravery. In gauging the information that has been presented by all sections of the media relating to the family at the centre of the current controversy, it is reasonable to assume that all decent minded citizens nationwide are sharing in the trauma of their position at this time, many of whom have been magnanimous in their offerance of a variety of practical assistance. Nonetheless, it is equally valid to appropriate that those same decent people are also extremely traumatised and anguished with the prospect of the destruction of the unborn child now nearing the fifth month of its existence.

I would readily concede and support your democratic right to free-speech and expression of genuinely held views, however, I would equally affirm that your endeavour to further your legitimate political aim at the expense of this afflicted family to be grossly disingenuous, and unbecoming of the publication to which its development you are charged with the responsibility of advancing.

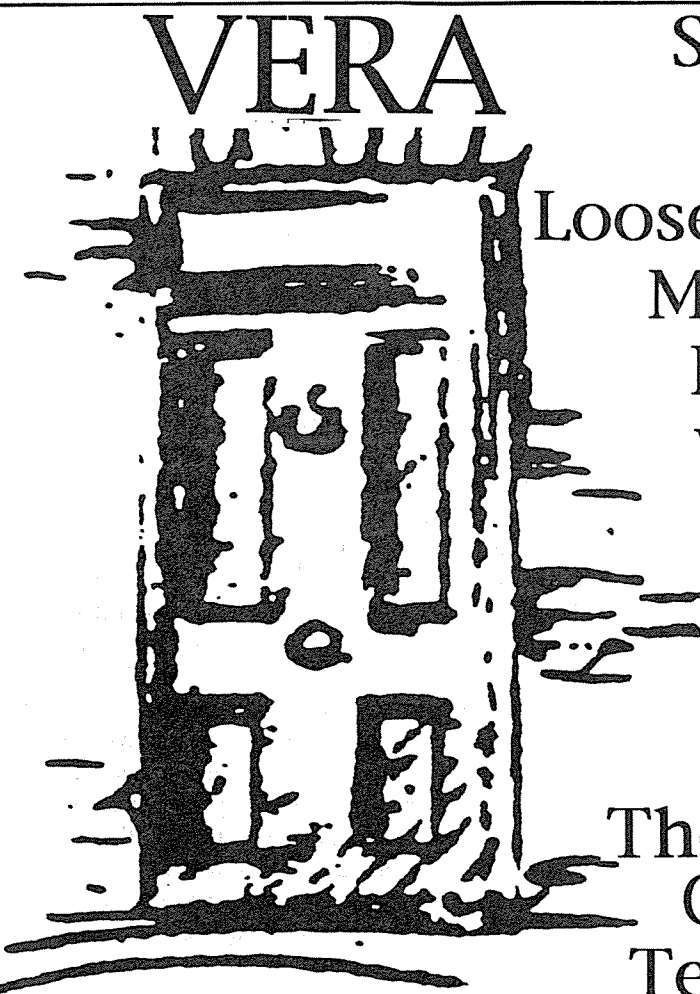
In conclusion, on closer study of your "Limits to Freedom" scenario, I further conclude that appropriate expression to the undercurrent of your true sentiments would have been more accurately achieved, by a simple juggling of your chosen title to read - "Freedom to Limit".

Yours faithfully,
W. J. Gartland.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I read with interest the editorial in your March issue entitled "Limits to Freedom" and as a woman and a democrat I support very much the assertion that it is up to our legislators to remove those laws which allow the state to prevent females from leaving Ireland to avail of abortion services which are legal in other countries.

But I was then astonished to read the editorial questioning the decision of Ballyfermot Community Association to make available their premises to Sinn Fein for their Annual Conference. I believe that freedom of speech is as basic a right as freedom to travel. We should recognise that Sinn Fein is a registered political party both in the Republic and the North and does have considerable political support, especially in nationalist communities which have suffered so much since partition.

It seems to me that to banish a legitimate political movement which, from media reports, is debating within its own ranks the question of continuing the arms struggle, would have the effect of driving them further under ground and less likely to seek a political solution.

Rather than more censorship what is now needed is an open democratic debate by all those involved and interested including Sinn Fein and that this debate should be allowed take place without labelling those who hold that the basic problem is the continuing British presence, as supporters of terrorism.

Yours faithfully,
Dolores Quinn.

A Cara,

On behalf of myself and my college I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who helped and sponsored my recent trip to France. I was fortunate enough to be chosen with eleven fellow students to represent Ireland at "Eurodrame" in Yzeure. The exhibition included groups from France, Holland, Greece, Portugal, Poland and Germany and was designed to promote the integration of youth through cultural exchanges. The show which lasted three hours and was broadcast live on French T.V. incorporated Ireland's 30 minute piece of mime and dance with a distinctively Irish flavour. The trip was a most enjoyable, rewarding and educational experience but this would not have been possible except for the generosity of my immediate family, Bernard and Maureen Mulligan, Eilis O'Malley, Helen Brady and the following local businesses and business people Gene Gargan A.I.B., Top of the Crop, Gerard Brady Auctioneer's, Celbridge Hire Services, Conroy's Chemist, Caulfield's Bar and Lounge, Cassidy's Roost, Castle Gate Restuarant, J. O'Neill Victualler, Maynooth Jewellers, Sports Locker, Just Gifts, Trevor Reilly, Maynooth Curtains, Classified Casuals, Barry's Newsagent, Country Shop, Jim Shoe Repairs, McCormack's Chemist, FMK Casuals, Moulin Rouge, P&L Bakery.

Thank you all for your support and generosity.

Paul Daly

Dear Editor

I read with interest Mrs. Bridie O'Brien's brief history on the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Maynooth, which was correct except for one very important point. During the mid eighties Paddy Boyd called a meeting concerning the parade, in the Band Hall, his idea being to find some way to enlarge the parade. Willie Coughlan, Tommy O'Flaherty, Mick Kelly, Jimmy Dolan and myself were the only ones who turned up. I suggested it might be possible to start the parade at Greenfield, as most of the young population were around that area. Nobody there thought it possible. However Paddy Boyd said the band did not want to have any thing to do with the parade, except they would lead it as they had a full schedule with the Band. The four men and I stayed behind for a chat that night, and we decided to give it a go, and we did just that. Never was there such a hard working little committee: everybody gave of their best. The clubs I knew I could depend on, the question was commercial floats. I must say the business people of the town were very good to me, they all thought it was hilarious, yet they gave their support. We had no money at all. One of the men went to look for scaffolding but the price was out of our reach. However the castle was being renovated at the time and I approached the fore-man with our troubles. Work stopped and all the staff gathered around, Irish style, and it was decided to take the problem to their boss, who gave permission. Then we found from the Garda that the scaffolding could not be put up until the morning of the parade, as we had no insurance. Nothing daunted Willie Coughlan, Mick Kelly and Paddy Lynch got up at six that morning to erect the stand. The very reliable I.C.A. came up with the greenery. McMyler's came to the rescue with carpet. We decided to separate the Young Folk and the commercial Floats: the children to Maynooth Park and the Commercial floats to Straffan Way. We wound up with 32 entrants, approximately 12 of which were marchers. Paddy Desmond gave the commentary (you can always trust a Cork Man to go on talking). Willie Kirwan came to our rescue with a mike for the commentator, and we were off.

Then it all started to happen, and because it was new and the committee so small, there was a few moments of sheer panic. I was at the top of Maynooth Park, being literally bombarded with questions. Half of the little committee were down town. All entrants had to be got into formation for Paddy Desmond on the roof of "The Thing", as I had sent him down a small account of each entrant. Then round the corner came Pearse Breslin in his Track suit, his cherry face full of smiles. Need any help Peig? Never was there such a welcome sight. Just shoved a sheaf of paper into his hand. After that the whole committee of the Athletic Club came forward, and order came out of chaos. Yes Bridie, we had prizes. The Three Banks came up to scratch - Commercial, Clubs & Marchers. I felt I had to write this little article to salute that wonderful little committee who let nothing stand in their way. I called them The Believers. The following year I handed over to the Social and Recreational Committee of the Community Council. The proof that our idea was a success, is that the parade has gone from strength to strength, and our route and original plan has never been changed except to put the stand in a far better place and of course they do not have so much

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hassle because of a much bigger Committee. But I still say it took that first little crew of five to prove it could be done. Admittedly the Athletic Club, as always came up trumps. The Parade didn't cost us a penny, just sheer hard work. Congratulations on this year's Parade and on making T.V.

Peig Lynch.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Printed below is the text in full of two letters sent to the Manager, Kildare County Council regarding the Straffan link road and the Kildare Planning Officers decision on Carton.

Re: Straffan Road as Link Road to Maynooth By-Pass
Dear Mr. Ward,

The proposed up-grading of the Straffan Road as the sole access road from the Maynooth area to the Maynooth By-Pass road has given rise to much concern among residents living in the vicinity of the Straffan Road and Convent Road. This concern is focused on two main aspects:

- (1) The generation of extra traffic on the road.
- (2) The use of Convent Road by heavy traffic from Navan Road.

(1) The use of the Straffan Road as the sole access road to the By-Pass is certain to lead to a very considerable increase in the level of traffic on the road. This will include not only locally-generated traffic but also much traffic coming from the Navan Road directly North of Maynooth. A lot of the latter traffic will consist of heavy vehicles. The proposals to upgrade and widen the Straffan Road to accommodate this extra traffic will, in the view of local residents, lead to a significant increase in the speed of traffic using the road. This combination of extra traffic and extra speed constitutes a major danger to the local resident population, especially to young children. The Straffan Road, it should be noted, passes through the main residential area of the town, with a very large and growing young population, and with a high level of pedestrian flow - especially when the large student population is also taken into account.

A particular point of concern for residents in the Greenfield Lane area (see Map 1) is the prospect that this Lane will be used by motorists from the housing estates to the West of the town in order to gain access to the By-Pass. This is a narrow but a straight roadway, with obvious potential for dangerous speeding traffic. As the main Council housing estates in Maynooth are located just off this road, local residents are quite concerned for their future safety.

Maynooth Community Council believes that Kildare County Council has long-term plans for building a relief road to the East of Maynooth skirting existing and future housing estates in this area (see Map 2). This road offers the potential for solving many of the problems which will arise from the use of the Straffan Road as the access road to the by-pass. By linking the relief road to the Dunboyne Road at Blacklion, on the Dublin Road leading out of Maynooth (Map 2), traffic coming from the North would be diverted away from the town centre, with consequential benefits not only for the Straffan Road area, but also for the environmental amenity of the historic town centre. This proposal would also solve the long-standing problem of congestion along Convent Road, at the entrance to Maynooth from the Dunboyne Road. In addition, the relief road would serve to divert the large volume of heavy traffic generated by Maynooth Livestock Mart away from the town centre.

The long-term County Council plans also provide for an extension of the relief road to the Southwest of the town to serve the housing estates in that area (Maps 1 and 2). This offers the solution to the problem of traffic from this area using Greenfield Lane in order to get to the by-pass.

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Accordingly, Maynooth Community Council calls on Kildare County Council to bring forward their plans to build the above relief road, in order to alleviate the public safety and environmental hazards which will arise from the proposal to use the Straffan Road as the access road to the Maynooth By-Pass.

In our submission to Celbridge Area Committee Kildare County Council on 17/10/86, 8/2/91 and 9/12/91, we highlighted the problems presently being encountered by the residents of Convent Road. This road is totally unsuited to the heavy traffic which comes from the Navan Road. It is also likely that this traffic will increase significantly when the Link Road to the Motorway is completed, unless an alternative route is provided. As we pointed out to you before that an alternative is available at Blacklion/Carton. Kildare County Council should as a matter of urgency widen this road by overfilling the drain and resurface the road to make it suitable for heavy traffic. This road will link up with the proposed relief road outlined in point 1.

John McGinley
Chairperson.

P.S. Could we have your up-to-date drawings for the Link Road including the cycle path.
C.C. to all our Councillors.

Dear Mr. Ward,
We would like to congratulate you, your officials and the elected councillors on your decision of Friday 6th March on the Carton Development. In addition we particularly welcome the statement by Mr. John Carrick, County Engineer, to make Maynooth a Model Town through voluntary donation of £250,000 from the developers. If Maynooth Community Council can be of any assistance to you in this regard we would be only too willing to assist.

As the paving of the footpaths will be part of this development we want to advise you of a change in our thinking to our draft proposals. At the Community Council meeting on 9th March it was agreed that parking cut-outs on the footpaths would detract from the beauty of the Main Street and that the footpaths should be paved intact.

Finally, E.S.B. (Martin Heavey, Ballymun) would like to be advised if paving of footpaths is going ahead so that they could lay pipes for undergrounding of overhead L.V. Lines.

John McGinley,
Chairperson

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 1992

This year's parade was a great success, with 42 different groups taking part. On behalf of the Community Council I would like to thank all those who helped the St Patrick's Day Committee in any way. In particular I would like to thank the following:-

Christina Saults for the tremendous amount of work that she put in over the last few months preparing for the parade.
All the other staff in the Community Council Office.
Mattie Callaghan for providing the reviewing stand.
Leo Bean and Ollie Bright for decorating the reviewing stand.

The Flower Club and Fionan Hardiman also for decorating the reviewing stand. Felicity Satchwell in particular for her improvisation when the carpet wasn't available.
Paddy Desmond for again performing his duties as Master of Ceremonies so well.

Our 30 guests on the reviewing stand.

Willie Kiernan for again providing and installing the public address system.

St Patrick's College for providing the carpet for the stand.
Michael Hyland and Proinnsias Breathnach for transporting the carpet.

J. P. & M. Doyle Ltd. for opening the gates of the car park to allow the parade to turn round, Tony Brennan in particular.
Sergeant Joe Canny and the Gardai for their co-operation and for providing the No Parking cones.

Mrs. Sheila Smith for the power supply for the Public Address.

Charlie McCreevey Minister for Social Welfare for being guest speaker.

Myles Doyle Jnr. for providing a mobile loud hailer.

Maynooth Tae Kwon Do School for their display of the Korean art of self defence.

Owen Byrne, our mayor, for leading the parade.

All the stewards who performed their tasks so professionally.

St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band for entertaining us at the break. Pat Travers of the Parish Hall Committee for providing the chairs and steps for the reviewing stand.

The Leinster Arms, for providing tea and sandwiches for our guests, free of charge.

Eddy Sherry for cleaning the Main Street.

Eileen Dunne and her St Patrick's Day Committee for giving Maynooth Community something of which to be proud.

The participants without whom there would be no parade and the general public for showing up in such great numbers.
Congratulations to all the business people who did such a splendid job of decorating their shop windows.

Thanks to our many sponsors who funded the parade. In particular Lee Mallaghan, Superquinn, Lucan and Caulfields.

The prize winners were as follows:-

- Best commercial float - Barrett's
- Best new commercial entrant - G. & W. Autos
- Best Club entrant - G.A.A.
- Best band - St. Mary's Brass and Reed
- Best marchers - O.N.E.
- Best Costumes - Keeble School of Dancing
- Most topical float - Leixlip Vac and Wash
- Funniest Float - Billy McCrory
- Best Shop Windows -

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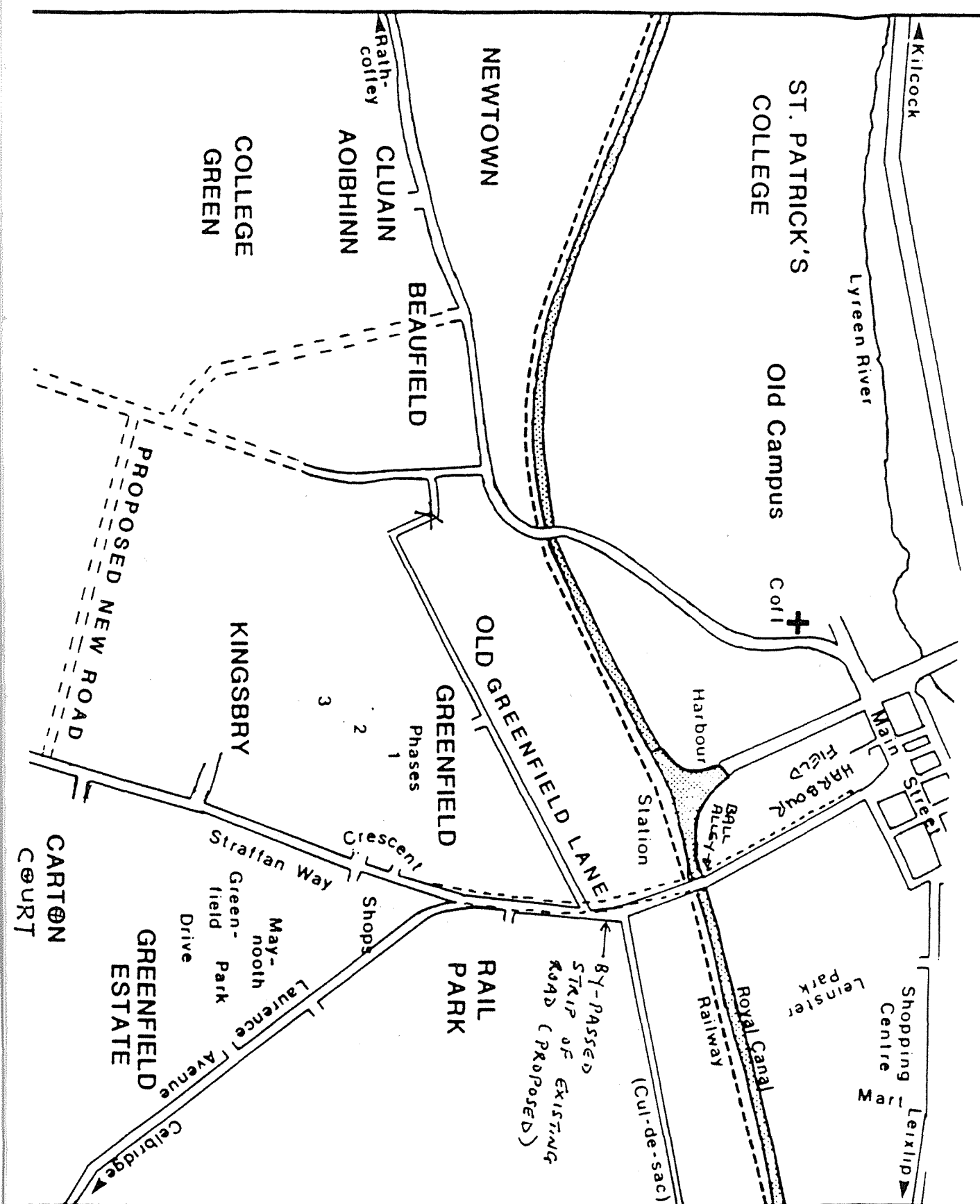
3rd: Gerry Mulcahy

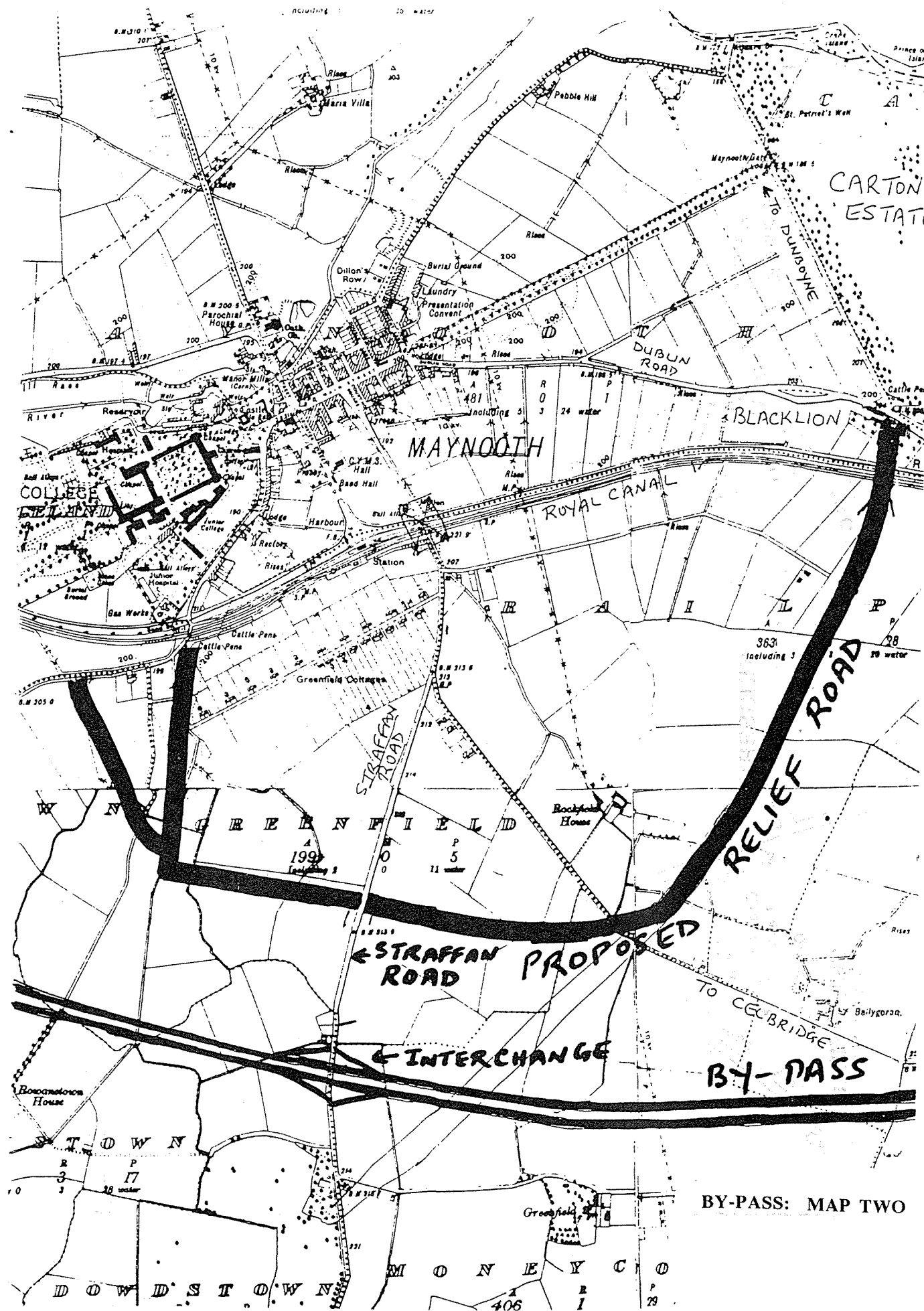
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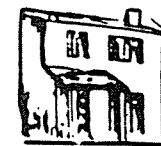
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Community Council Notes

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Thanks to Mattie and Elizabeth Callaghan and family for all their work on our entry in the St. Patricks Day Parade. We took the opportunity to present our Best Shop, Best Estate/Best Area Trophies for 1991. Our thanks to the St. Patrick's Day Parade for their co-operation.

For the record trophies presented to Best Shop Fronts:- 1. Frank Regan /Kids and Co, 2. Centra Foodstore, 3. Coyne and Bergin.

Best Large Area:- 1. Cluain Aoibhinn, 2. Beaufield, 3. Greenfield.

Best Small Area:- 1. Greenfield Phase 1, 2. Leinster Cottages.

Overall Winner: Cluain Aoibhinn

In May we hope to publish "Judges Criteria" for 1992 competition.

We look forward to the coming season. Already we have replanted trees in the Square. We look with confidence to the improvement of the Environment of Maynooth, with the promised FAS scheme.

Finally: Don't forget our Annual House-to-House collection in Early April.

*Richard Farrell,
Secretary.*

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES

Help: Once again we are appealing for people to help run the Games for the Children and young people of Maynooth. If your interested in helping in any way please ring 6285131 (evenings).

Congratulations: 1. Susan Dillon won the Cup for the participant who through her participation at local level achieved the highest points. All Susan's points were from swimming.

2. The O'Shea family, Brid, Anne, Paula, John and Niall won the family cup for their participation right across the board in the games and amassed the greatest number of points. Mind you Bernie the Mam deserves credit too as she manages the Volleyball as well as being a committee member.

3. Our mixed age quiz team took part at county level and won a place in the National Finals to take place in Birr on the 28th of March. The team is as follows: U/17 Caoimhe O'Sullivan, Vivienne O'Connor, Damian Cassells, O/17 John McGarry, Brian O'Malley, Declan O'Connor.

4. Our Certificate recipients (A) Isabel Fay U/12 Gym, (B) Conor Diggins U/12 200m, (C) Susan Dillon U/14 Swimming, (D) Aoife Callaghan U/14 Swimming.

Our thanks to Niall Walsh, Community Council Office, who helped in working out the points for the overall winners and Fiona O'Malley for the work on the Certificates.

This years games are starting earlier than last years and so we have already started some events:

Basketball U/16 - contact Jim Fleming
 Draughts U/10 and U/14 - contact Breda Gormally
 Volleyball U/16 - contact Bernie O'Shea
 Variety U/16 - contact Annemarie Thompson
 If you are unsure of phone numbers please ring the Community Council Office and leave a message.

Collection: Our only source of income is our Annual Collection. This takes place 23rd - 30th April and we need people for the house to house part of this collection. If you could give one night we would be grateful.

Last years committee was small so it was really action packed - no place for idleness on the Community Games Committee - Thanks to all.

Looking forward to another year of successful Community Games in Maynooth and in anticipation of your support - thanks.

COMMITTEE

Chairperson - Eilis O'Malley; Vice Chairperson - Bernie O'Shea; Correspondence Sec. - Shay Lynch; Treasurer - Madeline Stynes; P.R.O. - Margaret McLoughlin; Secretarial Duties - Madeline Stynes, Marie Gleeson, Frances Kearney, Eilis O'Malley; Asst. P.R.O. Gerard McMahon; Registrar - Marie Gleeson.

Committee: Breda Gormally, Co-Ordinator Draughts.

John Fleming, Co-Ordinator - Basketball.

Michael Gleeson, Co-Ordinator - Athletics.

Josephine Fay, Co-Ordinator - Gymnastics.

Frances Kearney, Co-Ordinator - Girls Soccer.

Bernie O'Shea, Co-Ordinator - Volleyball.

Anne Marie Thompson, Co-Ordinator - Variety and Brigid Devereaux.

Eilis O'Malley.

MAYNOOTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

A very good attendance was recorded at our last meeting. Our main news this month is that our application for a Fás Scheme has been approved:- recruiting will be taking place shortly and we hope to be up and running by the end of April. This will be a great help to the environment of Maynooth. We are currently working on the first draft of the plan for Maynooth. We hope to have this ready by early summer. We welcome any input.

We have received a letter from Kildare County Council welcoming our establishment, and a meeting with their Environment Committee, is being arranged.

The Maynooth By-Pass and particularly the amount of Northern Traffic, which it is proposed will come through Maynooth via Convent Lane. This will be looked at urgently by the committee.

Looking forward to your input.

Richard Farrell, P.R.O.

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Historical Information

The first band uniforms were bought in 1932 and without change they lasted for fifty years. In 1981 the band purchased new uniforms, although they were really second-hand.

On Sunday 8 March we had the blessing of our new uniforms. We were very pleased to have back with us our Patron Fr. Higgins who was our main concelebrant at the Mass which was very well attended by friends and family. Following the Mass we all adjourned to the Band Room for refreshments, all in all a memorable afternoon.

Sunday 15 March saw us bright and early heading for Limerick to participate at the Annual International Band competition. We enjoyed participating with other bands both home and abroad and were delighted to win our section which was The Best Home Brass and Reed Band.

St. Patrick's Day

Once again we headed the local parade. We liked the new style of parade whereby the band played at the reviewing stand at half-time. Within forty eight hours Lady Luck was with us as we won our second award - this time for The Best Participating Band in the parade.

As you can see from the above it has been a very hectic month for the band members. Do you not think we really look well in our new uniforms? Thanks to all those who helped in any way!

Just to remind you that bookings for band engagements should be made in writing to: Secretary, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley, P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

St Patrick's Day Parade

Huge crowds turned out on a fine St. Patrick's morning to see the "Annual Maynooth Parade". All aspects of life in Maynooth were represented from industrial to cultural and recreational to sporting. Your local R.C.A.G. had a fine float consisting of an articulated vehicle with 45ft. trailer suitably adorned and decorated. Live music was provided on the float by the talented "Rustic Blue" group, now a four piece outfit with the arrival of female vocalist Elizabeth (Betty Cullen). Betty was imported from Clane and what a fine vocalist she is. Other members of the group included; Canal Restoration Supervisor, Philip Mc Dermott on "Blues Harp" (mouth organ) and David Jolley on guitar and vocals. The vehicle used was provided and driven by Johnny Tinkler of Tinkler International Haulage Services", to whom we extend sincere thanks. Thanks also to "Celbridge Hire Services" for the generator. A vote of thanks is also extended to Gerry Mc Glinchey who supervised and directed the dressing and decorating of the float despite being under severe stress from a recurring back injury.

Royal Canal Jamboree

Once again the Royal Canal Jamboree will take place at the "North Kildare Club" on Sunday the 10th of May as with each year the event will feature the "It's a Knockout"

competition which will be televised by R.T.E. for transmission at a later date. The event will also feature a junior knockout competition with teams from second level schools in Kildare and adjoining counties taking part. It's a knockout teams consist of 12 members and a manager. Members of teams compete in various games all of which promote fun and companionship. The "knockout" is conducted by a team of voluntary helpers to raise funds for our charities. Among the charities to benefit from this years event are "Crumlin Childrens Hospital and the local Senior Citizens Holiday fund". Local businesses, sporting or cultural groups may enter a team by completing sponsorship Cards for the charities mentioned. Sponsorship Cards are available from members of Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club who are hosting the event in association with the benefiting groups.

The jamboree will also have "all the fun of the fair" with childrens amusements, jumping castle, water activities, donkey rides etc.

The full programme has to be finalised but it promises to be a great day for all the family. C.K.R. Radio, it is hoped, will broadcast live from the venue.

Restoration Update

Work at Pike's bridge is continuing with ground levels in certain parts being lowered to their original level disclosing aspects of this wonderful harbour which hitherto were covered. Fences at the Carton Harbour are now almost complete and further planting has taken place. Supervisor Phil Mc Dermott tells me that the recent clement weather conditions have been conducive to good progress at the Harbour.

Litter

Once again with the advent of finer weather, activity in the vicinity of the canal will be on the increase. Yes! by all means enjoy a walk along the canal or sit and enjoy the harbour with its swans and wild fowl; but please leave it in good condition for others to enjoy. Please! please! take home your litter and do not dispose of objects by throwing them into the canal. Maynooth in the past, being the seat of the Fitzgeralds 'Dukes of Leinster', set trends which the rest of the country followed. Let us once again lead by example and restore some of the greatness to the town and its environs by making our town and its amenity "Your Canal" a cleaner tidier place. Let us make Maynooth the pride of county and country.

Finally: It is my pleasure, on behalf of the chairman and committee to extend Easter greetings to one and all.

The Chairperson and Committee would like to wish Jimmy and Anna Barry the very best as they both retire from business at the end of this month.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

At our last meeting on March 10th, John Joe Caslin spoke eloquently about the composition of an Irish Country Garden albeit in Osaka, Japan. He showed us beautiful slides of his award winning garden and his entry in the prestigious Chelsea Garden Show. Maynooth gardens will never be the same again!

His wisdom no doubt will inspire Sarah Angel and Noleen O'Brien who have been chosen to represent the Maynooth Flower and Garden Club in designing a garden at the Spring Show in the RDS in May. We wish them luck!!

Our Annual Spring Show will be held as usual in the Divine Word Hostel on 28th April. Enquiries may be made to Mrs Felicity Satchwell, Tel - 6286240. The show will be open to the public from 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm. A Bring and Buy sales table will be held on the same night. Please bring and buy, the proceeds will go to Multiple Sclerosis.

As we write we are looking forward to a day school with Nuala Hegarty who will explain to us the intricacies of the continental style.

Irene Cole will be our exhibitor on May 19th, more of which in the next issue.

K. Smyth, P.R.O.

GRANGEWILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the above committee will be held in the Parish Hall, (Maynooth), on Monday, 6th April 1992 at 8.30 p.m. We are anxious that all interested persons attend this meeting as plans and decisions will have to be made to put into operation the work necessary to carry out this restoration project. For further information contact:- Peter Nevin (Secretary), phone - 6285179, or Kathleen Murphy (P.R.O.), phone - 6286399.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND MAYNOOTH

Rector: Rev. Gavin E. Williamson, The Rector, Lismahon, Batterstown, Co. Meath. Ph: 250020.

A special word of thanks to the G.A.A. for allowing us to use their new clubhouse as the venue for our parish auction on 7th March. The profits on the night were approximately £850 - thanks to all who supported and to the Post-Primary School who once again supplied us with some chairs and tables.

Times of Services:

1st Sunday 9.30 am The Eucharist

2nd Sunday 10.30 am The Eucharist

3rd Sunday 10.30 am Morning Prayer

4th Sunday 10.30 am The Eucharist

Please note the following services will take place during Holy Week

Wednesday 15th April 8.00pm Evening Prayer

Good Friday 17th April 10.30am Morning Prayer and Ante-Communion

Saturday 18th April 8.00pm Easter Vigil in Moyglare Church

Easter Sunday 19th April 9.30am Eucharist

CREDIT UNION NOTES

Structure of the Credit Union

Democracy in Action

A Credit Union is a democratic organisation, with the ultimate control in the hands of the members who meet once a year for the Annual General Meeting. The newly elected Board of Directors must meet after each Annual General Meeting to appoint its President, Vice-President, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer and its committees to enable the work of the Credit Union proceed smoothly until the next Annual General Meeting of the members.

Board of Directors

The job of running the credit union is delegated to a Board of Directors, who are elected by and from the membership at the Annual General Meeting. Only members may be elected as Directors. This democratic election of Directors is your first active participation in the management of your credit union.

Credit Committee

One of the basic committees is the Credit Committee. The Credit Committee considers loan applications and this committee through much experience has learned to understand the members and their problems. It is the committees function to ensure fair and equal treatment for all. All loan applications are considered most sympathetically and in strictest confidence.

Supervisory Committee

The other basic committee is the Supervisory Committee, which checks the books of the Credit Union and evaluates its operation. The committee has specific duties under the law which include checking members' pass- books, preparing bank reconciliations and reporting to the members at Annual General Meeting.

The Treasurer

While each director shares equally the management responsibility, the Treasurer is normally appointed to look after the day-to-day operation of the Credit Union. The members at the Annual General Meeting may vote to pay honorarium to the treasurer for the extra duties to be performed. All other officials of the Credit Union - by law - must serve without pay. They must all be unpaid volunteers. This also applies to the members of the committees which are part of every Credit Union.

Credit Union Pledge of Secrecy

All Boards and Committee members must sign a pledge of secrecy concerning all Credit Union matters. New members are always welcome.

Opening Hours:

Thursday 7pm - 8.30pm

Friday 7pm - 8.30pm

Saturday 10am - 12.30pm.

M. Haren, P.R.O.

Clubs, Organisations & Societies

CATHOLIC MARRIAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Catholic Marriage Advisory Council is a voluntary service. Their trained male and female Counsellors offer the following services: Marriage Counselling, Family Planning, Educational and Psychosexual Counselling. These services are available to people of all creeds through any of their nine Centres. The Centre for Dublin West and North Kildare is at Monastery Road, Clondalkin. If you feel you might be interested in this work we invite you to ring C.M.A.C. at Clondalkin Tel: 593467, any morning, Monday to Friday from 10am - 1pm.

CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE

Know Your Rights

Question: Can you tell me who is entitled to the arrears arising from the Equality Directive and what is the procedure for claiming it?

Answer: Married women who were receiving Unemployment Benefit, Disability Benefit, Invalidity Pension, Injury Benefit and Disablement Benefit 23 December 1984 (the date when the Directive should have been implemented) and 15 May 1986 received a weekly rate that was less than that payable to men. They are now entitled to claim the extra amount.

Married women who were receiving any social welfare payment between 23 December 1984 and November 1986 did not receive an Adult Dependent Allowance in respect of their husbands unless the husband was incapacitated. A man always received an allowance for his wife if she was living with him or was being maintained by him. Those women who were living with their husbands at the time are now entitled to claim an adult dependent allowance in respect of the husband. The same women are entitled to claim a child dependent allowance in respect of their dependent children. Compensatory payments were made to certain married men who had been receiving adult dependent allowances in respect of their wives at the date in which the new rules on adult dependency came into effect (see above). Men who ceased to get an adult dependant allowance because their wives were getting a social welfare payment received £20 per week initially. Those men who lost the adult dependent allowance because their wives were earning over £50 per week got £10 per week and the full amount of the child dependent allowance.

Women who were receiving social welfare payments on the relevant dates are now also entitled to those payments. The compensatory payments are still being paid but at a reduced rate. They have been reduced each time there was an increase in the general increase in social welfare payments. The question a woman has to establish is: If she were a man, what payments would she have got? She is now entitled to get these payments.

To claim the arrears, you should

* Write to the section of the Department of Social Welfare which was paying you during the period December 1984 and May 1986.

* State in the letter your RSI Number, the benefit that you were claiming during the above period, and that you are claiming arrears in respect of that period.

* You should also request an acknowledgement from the Department of receipt of your claim.

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

Opening Hours:

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Tuesday 10-12	Tuesday 2.30-4.30
Wednesday 10-12 & 2-4	Thursday 2.30-4.30
Thursday 10-12 & 7.30-9pm	Friday 10-12 & 2-4

Tel 6285477 during office hours.

We would like to thank Barton's Transport for lending us a minibus for St. Patrick's Day. Thanks also to Brendan Barton for organising the bus for us and Peadar Cosgrove for driving it on his day off.

Frances Daly, Supervisor

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The monthly meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday 5th March at 8.00 p.m. Our President, Mary O'Gorman was in the chair and welcomed all and thanked the Vice President for taking the last two meetings. Our guest speaker this month (March) was Kathleen O'Connor. She gave a most informative demonstration of finishing garments and should be of help to our ladies who are busy sewing for the "Make & Model" Competition, which will take place on the 14th of May 1992 at 8.00 p.m. in the Red House, Newbridge. Please ladies support your contest secretary, Avril O'Gorman, by having a large number of entries. If you have not already started knitting or sewing, get going, you have plenty of time.

The federation meeting takes place on the 18th of March in Athy. Our Guild will be hosting the next federation meeting which will be held in the Divine Word Hostel on Wednesday 27th May at 8.00 p.m. Members please be prepared to help. The Waltzing Competition takes place on the 26th April. The McCarthy Cup this year is for Verse reading and takes place on 4th May. This competition is in Memory of the late Kitty McCarthy, Rest In Peace, who died rather suddenly. Kitty was a very popular and much loved Federation President and it was a pleasure to have known such a fine Lady. The winners of the competition "St. Patrick's Day" Card were as follows:-

1st Rosemary Hanley, 2nd Connie Harper, 3rd Mary Bradley.

Next month's competition will be the smallest Cream Jug. We are pleased to say that Siobhan Grehan will be representing Maynooth I.C.A. as the "Sales Person of the year". Siobhan was put through her paces at the meeting and the Guild members adjudicated. Thanks to Connie Harper who was an excellent if awkward buyer. Best of luck to Siobhan. Winners of raffle were: 1st Mary McInerney, 2nd Joan Grant and 3rd Mary McInerney again.

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As usual Crafts Monday nights are in the Hall at 8.00 p.m. Badminton Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Parish Hall.

Committee meeting 25th April for next meeting which will be an A.G.M. on 7th May 1992. Ladies be prepared to act on Committee.

P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Currently on display in the Library is an exhibition on Meningitis, containing facts, figures, and descriptions. Leaflets are available for those interested. Early recognition of symptoms is important as prompt treatment is essential for this disease. Most of the information for this project was obtained from the British Meningitis Trust.

Also on display is a Dinosaur Exhibition by Erin Kirk from Celbridge consisting of drawings, models and printed information. It is both educational and entertaining and handouts are available for those who want to know more about the land before time.

This month will also see the initiation of members of the Black Tulip Club at Maynooth Library. This club is for "Book loving Literary and Creative Kids". The aims of the club are as follows:

1. To expose children to the enjoyment of the Arts, to foster an appreciation of reading, writing, drama, art, films, music etc., with an emphasis on what books have to offer in these areas.
2. To stimulate childrens' creativity and improve their powers of expression through writing and drama.
3. To encourage children to read more, and to introduce them to books which they might not otherwise discover.
4. To increase childrens' use of the library to enable them to see the library as a place not just for book borrowing but as a source of information.

5. To promote more worthwhile use of leisure time. The group will be meeting weekly, for discussions and exercises, for approximately 45 minutes. A bulletin called "The Black Tulip" will be produced monthly containing critiques, pieces of writing, illustrations etc. from the group. Initially, the group will consist of approximately 10 members, and will meet for 12 sessions. In a sense, this is a pilot project and its continuation will depend upon its success. During April, three more talks are planned to take place in the library, to help get your bodies and your gardens fit for the summer!

On Wednesday, 1st April, at 8.00 p.m., "Colourfully Yours" colour consultant Patricia Orr will demonstrate how the correct use of colour when choosing clothes and make-up can enhance your image.

On Wednesday, 8th April, at 8.00 p.m., Brendan Hackett from "Motions Gym" in Leixlip will give a talk on how the right nutrition and exercise can help people to look and feel good.

Tony Adderley from the Abbey Garden Centre, St. Raphaels, in Celbridge will give a short talk on gardening on Tuesday

April 14th at 8p.m. - not in March, as previously stated. He will also answer any queries people might have.

There is no charge for any of these talks, and all are welcome.

Margaret Walshe-Gannon

ACTIVE RETIREMENT

A public meeting was held on the 9th of March 1992 in the Health Centre, The Harbour, Maynooth. This meeting was called to launch a branch of the Active Retirement Association. A small number attended but a committee was formed as follows:- Rita O'Reilly, Ted Kelly, Dymrna Clifton, Geroid Mc Ternan, Imelda Delaney.

It was decided at the meeting to arrange an outing to the Gaiety Theatre at the end of March and we hope this will be the first of many outings and activities. Taking this opportunity of wishing Rita O'Reilly a very speedy recovery to health. Rita is at present resting after an operation.

Hoping to see a large attendance at our next public meeting which will be held in the Health Centre on the 13th of April 1992.

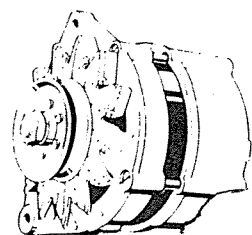
A.C.R.A. KILDARE - PRESS RELEASE

An Bord Gais have just contacted the Kildare Branch of ACRA with good news for residents of Leixlip. Following negotiations, it has been decided to extend the existing gas pipeline into the area to connect the new Intel plant to the supply. It is planned to have Intel connected to the Natural Gas supply by July 1992. An Bord Gais have informed ACRA that once the pipeline has been extended to reach Leixlip they will then carry out surveys in residential estates to determine the level of interest among consumers in availing of gas supply. Mr. Jimmy Farrell, the projects manager of An Bord Gais says that he would hope that some estates where a high level of interest is shown will be connected to the gas supply by December 1992. ACRA are delighted to see some movement in this direction occurring in Kildare and will continue to press for an increased choice of smokeless fuels for consumers in the area. We will have more information on this project soon.

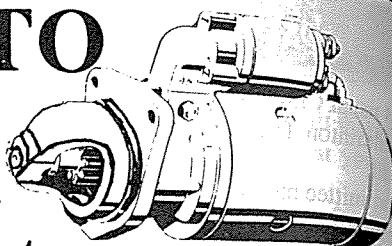
Other branch news concerns the issue of local charges in the air once again. The Kildare branch have watched with great interest the recent events in Counties Cork, Limerick and Waterford where corporations have voted to follow Dublin's example and abolish local charges. Here in Kildare, this must increase the frustration of residents forced to pay these charges. ACRA hopes to raise the question again with local representatives, to maintain a campaign of resistance to local charges. We also hope to increase pressure on central Government to come up with a better, fairer system of funding for local authorities.

Bernard Lynch, P.R.O.

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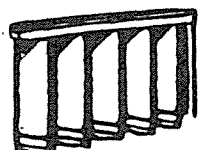
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MAYNOOTH FOLK GROUP

February and March have been busy months for the Folk Group. Ursula Walsh S.R.N., M.C.S.C.L., M.S.R.I., one of the group's members gave a Reflexology demonstration in the Post Primary School on Wednesday February 19th. This proved to be a very popular and instructive evening and proceeds went to St. Mary's Church of Ireland building fund. Womens' International Day of prayer was celebrated in St. Mary's Church of Ireland. Women from each community attended and prayers and readings on an environmental theme were offered. It is hoped that this will become an annual event. Several members of the Folk Group took part in Trocaire's Annual Twenty-Four Hour Fast. Many thanks to all those who sponsored this very deserving charity.

Residents' Associations

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Thank you to the residents/ members who attended the A.G.M. in the I.C.A. on the 4th of March.

Reports received from the officers of the association covered all aspects of the 12 months of the association. Pat Hogan thanked all the committee for all their valuable work. The following members were elected: Chariperson Pat Hogan - Maynooth Park, Vice Chariperson: Mattie Callaghan - Straffan Way, Secretary: Nuala Quinn - Straffan Way, Treasurer: Mary Farrell - Greenfield Drive, P.R. O. : Richard Farrell - Greenfield Drive,

Committee

Laurence Avenue - Eilis O'Malley, Michael Quinn, Tom Purcell.

Maynooth Park - Melanie Oliver, Shea Corbally, Kevin Gallagan.

Greenfield Drive - John Mc Ginley, Richard Farrell.

Straffan Way - Marie Gleeson, Michael Quinn.

The environment of the estate, local charges and Maynooth By-Pass were among the items discussed for investigation and action by the incoming committee.

Already, meetings have taken place with representatives of the Residents' Associations and our residents on Straffan Way to discuss the effect of the By-Pass on the Straffan Road. This of course will be an ongoing project.

Any items for discussion by the above committee should be with our secretary Nuala Quinn, 2 Straffan Way by first Monday of the month.

Richard Farrell, P.R.O.

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION C.A.R.A

Gardening

Its that time of the year when residents are dragging lawn-mowers "out of the moth balls" as gardens receive their first cut of the year so I will start with some useful garden hints for our residents:

Do:- Check that your lawn-mower has sufficient oil and the blade(s) are in good condition (if possible get it serviced now before the season gets really underway).

Do:- Check the leads on electric mowers for "perishing" and replace if necessary.

Do:- Act with vigilance when using electric mowers.

Do:- Cut your grass with your mower set "High".

Do:- Prune your roses at this stage.

Do:- Apply moss killer to lawns now (not when frosty).

Do not:- "Shave" your lawn at this stage - we're not finished with frost yet.

Do not:- Repair electric mower leads with insulation tape.

Do not:- Walk on your lawn when covered with frost (This can cause severe damage which will not show until much later).

Do not:- Feed your lawn immediately after cutting - allow 48hrs to elapse before feeding.

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Do not:- Leave cut grass on your lawn rake it immediately to avoid damage to your lawn.

Table Quiz

The annual table quiz will take place at the G.A.A. Club on 9th of April next. This quiz is ran annually for charity. This year the Childrens' Hospital at Harcourt Street will benefit and it is hoped that fellow Resident Associations as well as clubs and groups will participate. As with last year Question Master will be Denis Lynch. Table of 4 ten pounds, Prize for winning table, and raffle at interval.

Estate Open Areas

Once again the assistance of all residents is requested in the upkeep of these areas, if everyone co-operates in this matter the burden of work on each person will be very little.

Tidy Estates

Having won the tidy estates competition in 1991, we are, due to extenuating circumstances, not in receipt of the trophy as yet. Perhaps the presentation could now be made at our forthcoming table quiz in the G.A.A. Club.

Speed

With the approach of finer Spring weather the children will be spending more time out of doors. Drivers on the estate and in the adjoining College Green Estate are respectfully requested to take cognisance of this when driving within the confines of the estate.

The Chairman and Committee wish you all a Happy Easter.

Gerry Fitzpatrick, P.R.O.

CARTON COURT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Membership Contribution

Our A.G.M. in November agreed that the Annual Membership subscription would continue at £10. Your Road Representatives will call on you during the next couple of weeks to collect this, and we ask you to receive them with courtesy and consideration. Receipts will be given.

Last year monies collected were spent on a Neighbourhood Watch Sign, security pens, skip for clean-up day, shrubs, new trees, and paving stones. This year the committee wants to move ahead and erect that long-awaited boundary at the back road to finish off the estate. We would like as near as possible to a 100% response in membership contributions to enable us to fulfil this important need. Your Committee needs your help and support in this.

News Update

The Committee is about to make strong representations to Kildare C.C. to ensure that we have an adequate screen or wall between our estate and the Straffan Road, soon to be the link road for the new By-Pass. We will solicit the help of our local Councillors and T.D.'s in this matter and we hope to join up with the other Residents' Associations' on the Straffan Road, with a view to a strong single, concerted effort.

Estate Improvements

In this regard, we ask residents to prune trees fronting their houses **now**, as Springtime is the best time for doing this. Some roads are obstructed by overgrown trees and shrubs. We also ask residents to ensure that 'For Sale' signs are securely and safely erected and are not a hazard to neighbours or children.

New Residents - Welcome

We welcome all new residents to Carton Court. If you would like a Neighbourhood Watch Kit (including booklet, stickers etc.), you may obtain one from Estate Co-Ordinator of Neighbourhood Watch, Jeremy Farrell, No. 28.

Wanted - A Secretary!!

Since our last A.G.M. we have been operating without an official Secretary. If anyone is interested in fulfilling this role until our A.G.M. next November please contact our chairperson, Dick McMahon (No. 4) or our Vice-chairperson, Phil Dix, (No. 53), or indeed any member of the Committee.

LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our A.G.M. was held on Thursday 19th March and was well attended. A new committee was elected as follows: Chairperson: Elaine Bean, Vice-Chairperson: Ollie Bright, Secretary: Tony Bean, Treasurer: Patricia Harkin, Committee members: Helen Doyle, Tommy Sherry and Imelda Dowling.

The new committee wish to thank the outgoing committee for their work during the past year. We are glad to report that the funds of the Association are in a healthy state and with the subscriptions due for the new year this should boost finances even more.

The primary business of the new committee will for the moment remain the ongoing situation in relation to the route to the Motorway, and our wish to have it diverted along the road from Kildare Bridge to Blacklion. We are glad to report that our petition to the County Council has received backing from the Community Council and the New Planning and Development Committee. There has also been a report done for C.K.R. Radio on this situation.

It was great to see the efforts of our members recognised by an award from the Tidy Town Committee for the 'Leinster Cottages' area as the Runner up in the 'Best Small Area'. This is very encouraging for the coming year.

We wish to extend our sympathies to Pat Flaherty on the death of his wife and to Sean and Catherine Fay and family on the sudden death of Catherine's mother.

Tony Bean, Secretary.

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NEW TELEPHONE PLAN FOR MAYNOOTH

Maynooth is to play guinea pig for Telecom Eireann's new scheme. Not only are more card phones now in operation but Maynooth residents will notice another change soon. Telecom Eireann plan to introduce an innovative method of cutting down if not eliminating telephone vandalism. From April 1st the telephone boxes in Maynooth will all be locked from the hours of 9pm to 8am, apparently the peak hours for telephone vandalism to occur.

Originally Telecom had hoped that the change over to card phones would eliminate vandalism, however the receivers and cords continue to be damaged or ripped out. Pubs and shops in the town are said to be welcoming this development as more people will have to enter their premises to avail of the telephone services and they hope to benefit from spin-off profits.

This method is expected to be extended to other towns if the Maynooth trial turns out to be a success. See page 25 for further details.

ART REVIEW

Carravaggio: National Art Gallery

Being the year that's in it the National Gallery has taken a very significant step in the European Art World with the introduction of one of Italy's most important Renaissance artists: Michaelangelo Menisi de Carravaggio. The painting "Supper at Emmaus" was only very recently borrowed from the National Gallery in London. Its a must for anyone to see. Carravaggio's place in the history of art is very significant since he was the first Italian artist to paint by copying the lights and shadows directly from the model, in other words a photo realistic approach. The source of illumination is as usual coming from the left. While the room is basically well lit, the illumination is not without ambiguity.

Most notably the innkeeper casts his shadow on the wall, but not on Christ. Thus Christ's face seems to be illuminated by an inner light, which is emphasised in contrast by the shadow behind his head.

Carravaggio chose to represent the moment of the blessing of the bread when the apostles recognise Christ as the resurrected reclamer. Following St. Mark's comment that "He appeared in another likeness", He is clean-shaven, rather than bearded as is more usual.

The rhetorical gestures of the two apostles mark the moment as one of recognition. Many scholars down through the ages have always taken particular notice of the artist's use of the technique of "foreshortening". Whereby an image extends itself giving the illusion of breaking through the canvas. Notable examples would be the elbow on the left hand side of the painting and the extended hand on the right.

Like the first "Conversion of Saint Paul", this is an intricate picture, a little self-conscious and contrived. The artist seems to be deliberately displaying all his skill, i.e. his ability not only to conceive and carry out a dramatic composition with subtle theological implications, but also his technical virtuosity.

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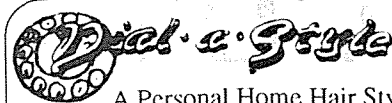


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Dunboyne Road

At the moment the Dunboyne Road and it's environs is suffering from the heavy traffic flow due to vehicles, especially articulated trucks, using the road as a short cut which allows them to avoid Dublin. The residents are now worried that with the development of the Maynooth by-pass that the Dunboyne road will be used as a feeder route for it. According to Mr. Tony Bean of the Lyreen Residents Association this development would lead to an increased traffic flow on the road, which would not be able to stand the strain. He points out that the area is a residential one and that the present traffic volume makes it very awkward for old people. Many of the houses in the area are very old and that the heavy volume of trucks passing by is damaging the foundations of these houses since their foundations are not very deep. Mr. Bean also states that the Blacklion route would be a much more logical route to develop and while the council states that it is their intention to utilise this route Mr. Bean is worried that this is only a long term plan that may not be realised.

As part of their efforts to direct traffic away from their area the residents recently issued a petition which was signed by nearly all of the residents in the area and have contacted all of the local elected representatives. Mr. Bean also points out that the Blacklion road is a much more logical route since it is a lot straighter and less populous and that when the Dunboyne road was closed for pipe laying in October 1991, the Blacklion road proved to be adequate on that occasion. Mr. Dick O'Brien of the road planning department of Kildare County Council points out that once the Maynooth and Clonee by-passes are completed there would be no need for traffic to come through the Dunboyne road as it would be a lot quicker to follow the main roads. He also said that the council have no plans to develop the Dunboyne road as an access road. However, Mr. Bean fears that the Dunboyne road might still attract a heavy volume of traffic among those trying to avoid tolls on the road.

Hatitudes

The 'Hatitudes' shop has recently moved to new premises opposite the Boys National School in Lucan. They have ladies hats available for all occasions especially weddings, confirmations and race meetings. They have an extensive

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Video Nites

A new video shop has recently opened in the new Shopping Centre in Beafield. The shop "Video Nites" has free membership and is open from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m., 7 days a week. It stocks a wide range of films which includes all of the latest releases.

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Celbridge Tutorial Centre

The Celbridge Tutorial Centre is situated over the Inter Flora Shop near the Celbridge Shopping Centre. According to the principal, Mr. Michael Beirne all of the teachers employed by Mr. Beirne are highly qualified and have a very high reputation. Mr. Beirne's centre is divided into four separate areas, a Montessori School and Tuition for Primary School children and for students sitting their Junior and Leaving Certificates.

Mr. Beirne feels that Montessori education is very important since it develops children's ability at an early age and gives them a head start in life. The services offered to primary school pupils include tuition in subjects which students are having difficulty with usually Irish and Maths, European languages such as French or German which are only an option in most schools at the moment. Mr. Beirne feels that pupils should learn languages when they are young since communications is now such an important facet of European life. Speech and Drama classes are also run in Celbridge and according to Mr. Beirne this has many advantages such as developing self confidence, their ability to express themselves and allows them the scope to develop their vocabulary. At the end of this section is a poem by one of the speech and drama students, 12 year old, Miss Sinead White of Kilmacreddock, Maynooth, entitled "The Old Man".

Mr. Beirne also offers tuition to Junior Certificate and Leaving Certificate students. These are held in small classes with the students being known to the teachers who are then in a position to keep the parents informed of their progress. Students are expected to work but it is all carried out in a friendly environment where they can mix with other students.

Mr. Beirne points out that he is providing a service for the area since prior to this students had to go into Dublin, but now they can stay in the locality. He also points out that reduction in fees are available to students who do more than one subject or if there is more than one child per family involved.

THE OLD MAN

The old man sits down with a groan
And starts to feel his aching bones,
With a pipe in his mouth - he grumbles,
And so it all comes out in mumbles
'Tis a cold, cold day he starts to say
Then his dog starts to whine -
For he is old, and sick, and dying,
The fire starts to flicker and then goes out
And the man gets cold and starts to shout:
"That god damned fire" and "is anyone about?"
He sits back deep into his chair
The cold no longer can he bare,
He closes his eyes and falls asleep,
And leaves the world to scold - or weep.

*Sinead White Age 12 years.
Kilmacreddock.*

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A large group of people attended this year's first social outing of Glór na nGael Mhá Nuad on Thursday 20th February last. A bi-lingual table quiz was held in the comfortable surroundings of the G.A.A. Social Centre Moyglare Road. The large attendance created a competitive atmosphere as old adversaries competed against new for a duais. The night was punctuated with comhrá, caidreamh agus craic and all present seemed to have enjoyed the night. The coiste of Glór na nGael wish to thank the G.A.A. for facilitating us with the use of their magnificent Social Centre and for their co-operation and civility in making the night a success. Also we wish to thank Maynooth I.C.A. who attended in force and whose support was most welcome. Finally to many other organisations and individuals in our community who supported us on the night. We are most appreciative.

Glór na nGael is interested in promoting the Irish language and culture in Mhá Nuad. If you are interested in any facet of Irish culture feel free to join us at our April meeting on Thursday 9th April at 8.30 p.m. in the G.A.A. Social Centre, Moyglare Road.

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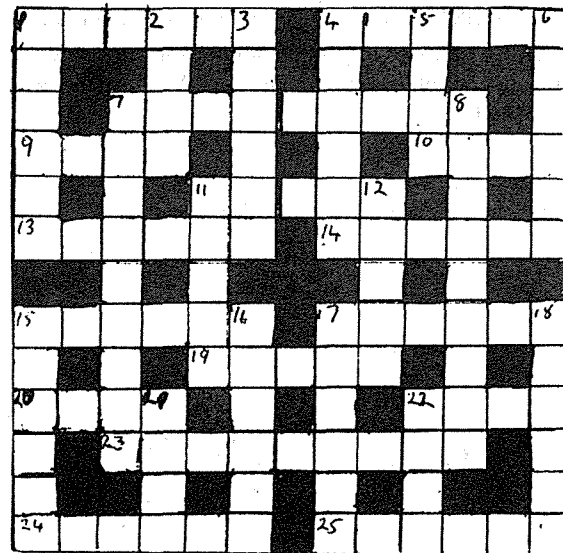
CONCERT REVIEW

Tom Petty And The Heartbreakers at The Point, 19th March 1992.

A concert by Bob Dylan at the R.D.S. in 1989 came to my mind during Tom Petty's second gig at the Point Depot on March 19th. It is not as unlikely, some might say unworthy, a comparison as it seems. Not only have Dylan and Petty shared the "Wilbury" mantle in recent years, but Petty and the Heartbreakers acted as Dylan's support and backing band back in 1985. What brought the Dylan concert to mind was the total contrast between his performance and that of Tom Petty. Where Dylan was lack-lustre and subdued, Petty and his band were energetic and exciting. Dylan was noisy. Petty was **LOUD**. What disappointed me so much about the Dylan gig at the time was his total lack of awareness that he was performing, with the consequent feeling that he really couldn't wait to get the gig over and get back to his hotel room. Tom Petty's performance was quite the opposite. You knew that he was enjoying himself, you could feel that energy that is so important in live performances. He ran through all his hits, from the early 'Refugee' to 'I Won't Back Down', 'Free Fallin' and 'Learning to Fly'. He played for two hours solid, where Dylan only played for ninety minutes. Of these 120 minutes the first 80 and the last 20 were the best, the gig hitting a lull somewhere after 'Don't Come Round Here No More' (with its spectacular light display). This lull persisted for about 20 minutes until the crowd was again injected with life with 'Yer So Bad'. A lot of credit must go to the Heartbreakers, especially Mike Campbell on guitar and Benmont Tench on keyboards. The Heartbreakers have of late been compared to the E-street band, a compliment to the E-street band as far as I'm concerned! Someone has said that Petty plays 'radio music'. Certainly, but then radio was invented for Rock n' Roll. And that is what Petty plays, great, honest to goodness rock n' roll.

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CROSSWORD NO. 53.



Entries before 5.00 pm Thursday 16th April.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Across

1. This bus operator is not going back after passing a pub (6)
4. 1000s follow reversing cart to see tyre marks (6)
7. I fled all around after beauty begins to build this estate (9)
9. Describes seaman who can ? (4)
10. Oil container starts sucking up more petroleum (4)
11. It's safer to arrange payments of these on 8 Down (5)
13. A chest can be made to hold shampoo, for instance (6)
14. Outfitter follows tinker (6)
15. This surrounds and tops off college wear for clerics (6)
17. Made amends for sound in commercial (6)
19. Money for ice? (5)
20. Space for bed or mush (4)
22. Part of bottom useful, then seen from behind, for Japanese wrestling (4)
23. I get excited seeing leg in these garments from Hidden Treasures! (9)
24. Soft offer (6)
25. Adder up of staggering amount? (6)

Down

1. Sometimes for heart, soon for Kilcock, Maynooth and Leixlip (2,4)
2. Leaves on this every year (4)
3. Confectionery destroys a gut? No! Yes! (6)
4. I put a landlord's sign around the thing in the Square (6)
5. As Liam lies back he feels ill inside (4)
6. Late meal for P.P.? Sure! (6)
7. Dark and beastly king is found a little way to the east of Maynooth (9)
8. 66 or 67A, for instance, and its operator (6,3)
11. Beastly flare out (5)
12. Flavoured like a seaman (5)

15. Escort, confused, unlikely to wear one under 23 ... (6)
16. Wave can put curl in your hair (6)
17. Get off 8 Down in flames (6)
18. The medical man is finished, and this cattleman's no longer herds his beasts to the mart (6)
22. Each TD has one, each 8 has about seventy (4)

Solutions to Crossword No. 52.

Across

1. Donadea Forest, 8. Contact, 9. Easel, 10. Tall, 11. Broadens, 13. Absail, 14. Blotto, 17. Straffan, 19. Here, 21. Offer, 22. Coonans, 24. The Newsletter.

Down

1. Doc, 2. Non plus, 3. Dear, 4. Actors, 5. Overalls, 6. Ensue, 7. Telescope, 10. Transport, 12. Airforce, 15. The Mart, 16. Dances, 18. Rifle, 20. Cone, 23. Sir.

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St. Patrick's Day Parade

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Young Children at Play

We would like to draw parents attention to young children playing near their homes. Recently a vigilant lady observed a man speaking to young children in an estate and prevented what could have transpired to be a nasty incident. It is a fact that disturbed persons are among us in the community and to address this problem we urge all parents to know where their children are at all times. Advise your children, and warn them never to go with strangers.

Campus Watch

You have heard of Neighbourhood Watch. Well now we have Campus Watch which is designed for university grounds. It is based on the same principal as N.W., and we are delighted to announce that meetings were recently held in the College to establish such a scheme there.

Garda Dance

Our 2nd dance held on 28th February was a tremendous success, and again we were honoured with the presence of the Garda Commissioner and his wife. Commissioner Culligan spoke about this the 70th year of the Garda Síochána, and how our fore fathers envisaged a police force which would carry out its functions without force of arms, and depend on the good will of the people they serve. He went on to say how delighted he was at the excellent relationship the Gardai in Maynooth had with the community, and the large numbers that turned out for the dinner dance. Music was provided by 'The Aces' and many danced till the small hours of the morning.

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Anybody with suggestions for improving the night, we would welcome your views.

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There was good, if slightly overcast weather for the St. Patrick's Day Parade which was led off by the St. Mary's Band who were looking quite splendid in their new uniforms. The national flag was escorted by the local branch of the Organisation of National Ex-servicemen. The army was also represented by the pipe band of the 5th Infantry Battalion who travelled out from Dublin for the occasion. Many local groups were represented such as the Community Council the G.A.A., clubs and dancers from both Celbridge and Leixlip. Among the businesses which were represented in the parade were Bartons Transports', Kavanaghs Mill and Leixlip Aluminium. Also present were the local Fire Brigade and Ambulance Service who proudly displayed their vehicles.

The parade formed up by the Greenfield Shopping Centre and its' route was along to the Straffan Road, turning into the Main Street at the 'Thing' and along the Main Street to the reviewing stand at the gates of Carton Avenue. Among those on the reviewing stand were the recently appointed Minister of Social Welfare Mr. Charlie McCreevy and an assortment of other local dignitaries. After passing the reviewing stand the parade swung around and returned up the Main Street, which was looking quite splendid for the day and it was good to see such a large crowd out to watch the parade. The success of the parade reflects the hard work which was put into it by the organising committee and the stewards who helped to make it an enjoyable occasion for everyone. After the parade, prizes were given out for the best entrant in the parade and to the various estates which were judged to be the tidiest in Maynooth.

Among the highlight of the parade where Billy McCrorys' demonstration of the different ways of delivering coal and Barretts version of Robin Hood and Nottingham Castle.

CARTON ESTATE

One of the most controversial issues concerning Maynooth at the moment is the future of Carton Estate. One person with strong views on this subject is Mrs. B. O'Brien of Leinster Cottages. Mrs. O'Brien feels that those who are trying to keep the estate in its current condition are not reflecting the views of the majority of the towns people. Most of them are connected only with the college and are not concerned with issues such as the provision of jobs for young people. She also feels that the estate is not really a reflection of Irish Culture since it represents alien influences. Having said that she thinks that it is only fair to point out that Carton did a lot more for its workers and the town than the college ever did. They provided houses on the Estate and in the town for their workers. Mrs O'Brien also takes issue with those who claim that if the estate were developed it would not be accessible to local people. She points out that there never has been any open access to the estate.

Regarding the possibility of only menial jobs being available to locals, Mrs. O'Brien points out that there never was any real industry in Maynooth and that this suited the college since it meant they could pay their workers low wages such as in 1955 when they were paying 26/- for a 44 hour week. If there was more industry then the college would have to pay better wages. At the moment no second level students are

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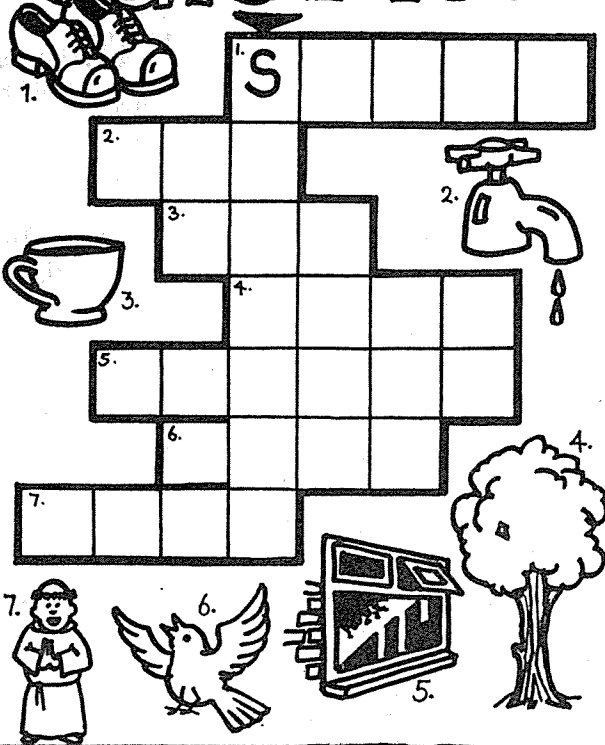


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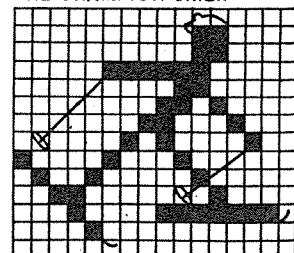


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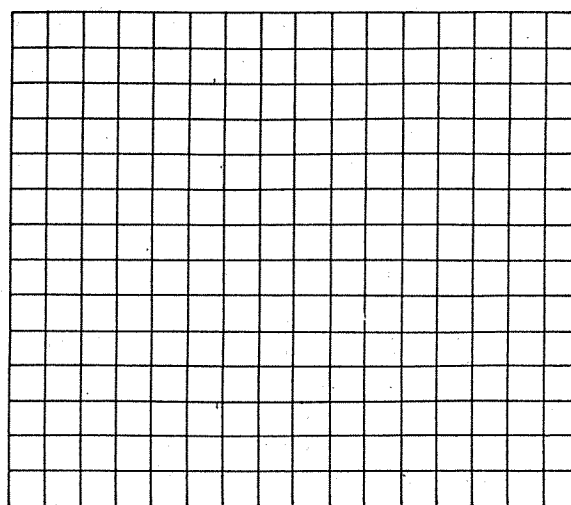
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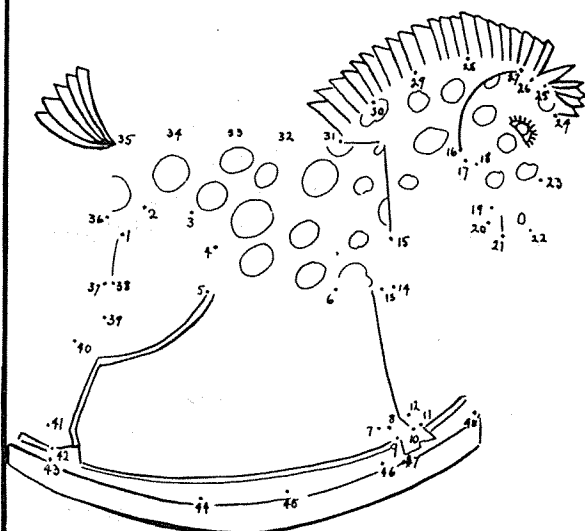


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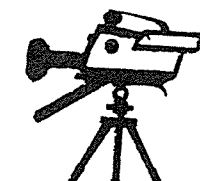
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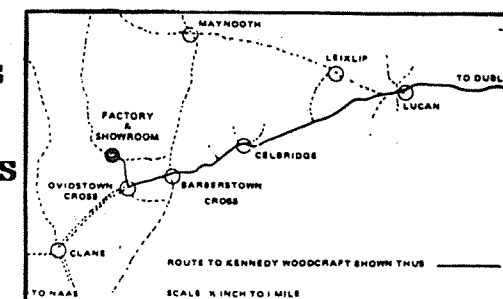
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NEW AGENDA NOTES

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New Agenda believes that, with proper planning of the country's resources, we can bring an end to mass unemployment and poverty. We also believe in the concept of a health and education system available to all. We are committed to the separation of church and state and the creation of a tolerant and pluralist society.

Above all, New Agenda is about involving people in controlling their own lives, as workers, consumers and citizens. We aim to provide a vehicle whereby all those struggling for dignity, rights and fair treatment can work together to transform the privileged and unequal structures of Irish society. Our own party will itself be member-centred, governed by democracy from the bottom up, and with special provisions to ensure a fair representation of women members in the party structures.

If you would like to know more about New Agenda, call 6285241.

Carton

It was with great reluctance that New Agenda, through Councillor Catherine Murphy, voted in favour of the proposed development of Carton Estate as a hotel and leisure centre. However, we were concerned at the absence of any firm alternatives, and the possibility that, if this proposal was turned down, a less attractive project might, in time, be allowed to go ahead. We were also greatly influenced by the prospect of creating over 400 long-term jobs in the area.

However, New Agenda, wishes to dissociate itself from the outrageous and offensive attacks which have been levelled against those who have been opposing the proposed development. We fully accept the good faith and genuine concerns of the opponents of the project. Indeed, we share most of these concerns ourselves. Catherine Murphy will be doing her utmost to ensure compliance with the rigorous planning conditions which are to be applied if the project secures planning permission.

Housing Crisis

There are now over 1,000 families on Kildare County Council's waiting list for public housing. Over half of these have an income of less than £5,000 a year (i.e. £100 per week). There are at least four members in almost 400 of the families in question. Between parents, children and other dependents, there are now 3,361 people looking for housing in the county.

In response to this huge waiting list, Kildare County Council intends to build the grand total of twenty houses this year. This would be ridiculous if it weren't so tragic. There has been a lot of talk about the right to life in Ireland in recent times. But for thousands of people in Kildare, the life they have is increasingly becoming hardly worth living. It is these kinds of conditions which New Agenda aims to eradicate from our unjust society.

FINE GAEL NOTES

Top Performer

To those of us who know him, it comes as no surprise that Bernard Durkan should figure so prominently in a survey of Dail performance carried out by the Irish Independent between October and December 1991, the results of which were published on the 3rd and 4th March. Not only did he top the list of those submitting written questions to Ministers, but he was also ranked among the top contributors to Dail debates following hard on the heels of such prominent people as Bertie Ahern, Charles Haughey and Dick Spring. It is notable that, with the exception of his colleague Alan Dukes, no other Kildare T.D. appeared in these rankings which covered the top 16 - 20 performers. These results, taken in conjunction with those from a similar survey carried out in 1990, in which Bernard's performance was equally good, are proof, if proof were needed, that while others are talking about what they are going to do, Bernard Durkan is getting on with the job.

Roses By Other Names.

With all this talk of "New Beginnings" and "New Agendas", a visitor to this country could be forgiven for believing that some new fresh political forces had burst on the scene. Nothing could be further from the truth. With his "New Beginning" Mr. Reynolds is attempting to conceal the fact that he and most of his senior ministers e.g. Ahern, Flynn, Brennan and Walsh were members of the Government which was responsible for controlling, or more correctly not controlling, the various businesses now subject to investigations. So nothing has really changed; just the logo. Similarly with New Agenda. Having gone from Sinn Fein, to official Sinn Fein, to Sinn Fein the Workers Party, to the Workers Party the Chameleons of Irish Politics seem to think that another name change will make people forget their origins, philosophy and associations. They, like a shady businessman opening and closing companies to hide his tracks, overlook the fact that regardless of the change in title the names and faces are the same.

FIANNA FAIL NOTES

Councillor Gerry Brady has received the following letter from Kildare County Council.

Re: Kingsbry Residents' Association, Maynooth

I am to refer to your recent letter regarding work outstanding in the Kingsbry Estate and I wish to report as follows:

1. Public Lighting.

The 7 lights referred to are connected to the electricity system since before Christmas. With regard to the inadequacy of the lights the developer will be required to provide lights in accordance with the standard set down by the E.S.B. before the estate is taken in charge.

2. Landscaping.

The developer will be required to complete all landscaping to the satisfaction of the planning authority before the estate will be taken in charge. No application for taking in charge has been received so far from the developer.

3. With reference to the pedestrian walkway linking Kingsbry Estate with Beaufield Estate, this walkway has planning

approval under Permission No. 343/89 for Beaufield Estate. The Council is making contact with the developers about other outstanding matters which require attention within this estate. Damage caused to the front of the estate by the contractor due to drainage work will be made good by the contractor.

Yours sincerely,

J.G. Ward, County Manager

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Post Primary School

The post primary school Parents' Association has asked Deputy Stagg to pursue the matter of extra classrooms at the school. Deputy Stagg has written to the Minister for Education pointing out the acute shortage of space in the school and requesting immediate action.

National School

Last September the Department of Education terminated the school transport system for children in the Old Carton and Carton Estate areas. Following representations by Deputy Stagg to the Department the service is being reinstated.

Kingsbry Estate

Following a meeting with the Kingsbry Residents' Association, Deputy Stagg has asked the Co. Engineer to investigate the matter of pedestrian access between Kingsbry and Beaufield estates. Deputy Stagg has also requested the Co. Engineer to provide the Residents' Association with a copy of plans for underground cables and services in the estate. The provision and repair of public lights on the bridge at Straffan Road and the obligation of the sewer contractor to repair the road and restore the green area along Straffan Road are issues which have also been brought to the attention of Kildare County Council by Deputy Stagg.

Straffan Road Plans.

Kildare County Council have still failed to provide detailed plans for the widening of Straffan Road and also whether a cycle lane is planned. These plans were promised before Christmas. This matter will continue to be pursued by the Maynooth branch.

MR. DENIS CARROLL

Mr. Denis Carroll was born in Maynooth 73 years ago and has lived in Maynooth for all of his life, except for a few years in the 1940s when he worked in England. He remembers his early years growing up as being very tough, especially in the late 30s when the depression began to bite. There was no dole and Social Welfare at the time, and sickness benefit was limited to 7/6 per week no matter what the size of the family was. Housing conditions at the time were very bad and T.B. was rampant. From the mid 1930s onwards, housing conditions began to improve as new houses were built in Greenfield and later in Newtown. The first houses in Greenfield were being built at the same time as Mussolini launched the Italian invasion of Abyssinia, and this resulted in Greenfield being nick-named Abyssinia. A dole system was eventually introduced in the late 1930s. In order to get this a man had to work 9 hours a day 3 days a week with the wages being 4/6 per day, at a time when the average wage was £1 to 25/- a week. This work was near Barberstown Castle and men had to walk or cycle there, and if they were late they would have to wait until 10 am to start and they were then docked a quarter of a days wages.

When Mr. Carroll was going to school in Maynooth, it was a two teacher school with about 60 - 70 pupils. Pupils stayed in school until they were 14 and during the summer holidays more local children went to work on Carton Estate cutting thistles for 7/6 a week. Among the amusements which the children had were fishing and swimming in the canal or following the Kildare fox hunt which met every Saturday in the Square, and hunted on the Carton Estate and on the land bordering the Straffan Road.

The life of the town at that time was dominated by Carton and the college. The college students used to go for a walk every Wednesday through the grounds of Carton, marching in military formation with a Dean in front and behind. He can also remember the students arriving back from their holidays, in special trains when a lot of local people would meet the trains and hope to get paid for helping the students to carry their luggage. He can also remember the weekly "Fairs" in the college when shopkeepers and tradesmen such as cobblers and tailors would be allowed in to trade with the students. Many local youngsters also carried on an illicit trade with the students by smuggling in banned goods such as chocolate to students in the playing fields by the Canal. The games played by the students at the time were Gaelic games, croquet, tennis and handball. The College also sold dripping to local people at 6.30 a.m. in the morning. The cost was 6d. per 1lb until a woman in Kilcock started buying it in bulk and the price went up to 1s per pound. As people began to have more money the demand for dripping died out since they were able to afford butter and margarine. Among various other jobs Mr. Carroll worked in the college from 1968 to 1980 and helped to unionise the workforce, a move which was not welcomed by the college authorities at the time.

One practice which Mr. Carroll remembers well was the division of the seating arrangements of the Parish Church

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into three separate social groups. In the North transept would be a half dozen or so wealthy people such as large farmers or doctors who would pay 6d at the door. In the South transept would be around 20 middle class people such as shop keepers or tradesmen who would pay 3d at the door and in the main church was the proletariat who would pay 1d at the door. This practice was stopped in the 1950's. The only exception to this would be during retreats when these restrictions would not apply. During these retreats there would be Mass at 7 a.m., followed by a sermon. During one retreat the sermon was very long and the college staff were late for their 8 a.m. start as a result, upon being informed of the reason the then bursar Fr. Maguire, told the workers that they should only pray on their own time and not the colleges. It was ironic that the Carton Estate, which was not Catholic, did not expect their workers to be in until 9 a.m. during these retreats. The only time which the staff from Carton and the college would get off was during the Punchestown Races which was then a two day festival. Most people cycled there, although it was possible to get a lift on an old Ford model T truck owned by Fullams who would charge a fare of half a crown. Mr. Carroll's abiding interest has been in hunting and gun dogs although health problems have restricted his activities in the last few years. He was a founder member of the Maynooth Gun Club and is a well known breeder of English Springer Spaniel Gun Dogs. He can remember helping to arrange shooting rights for local enthusiasts with land owners in the area and helping to breed pheasants in order to maximise the hunting potential. Overall, Mr. Carroll thinks that the quality of life in Maynooth has improved since the 1920's with the present day town being a lot different and bigger than the Maynooth of his youth.

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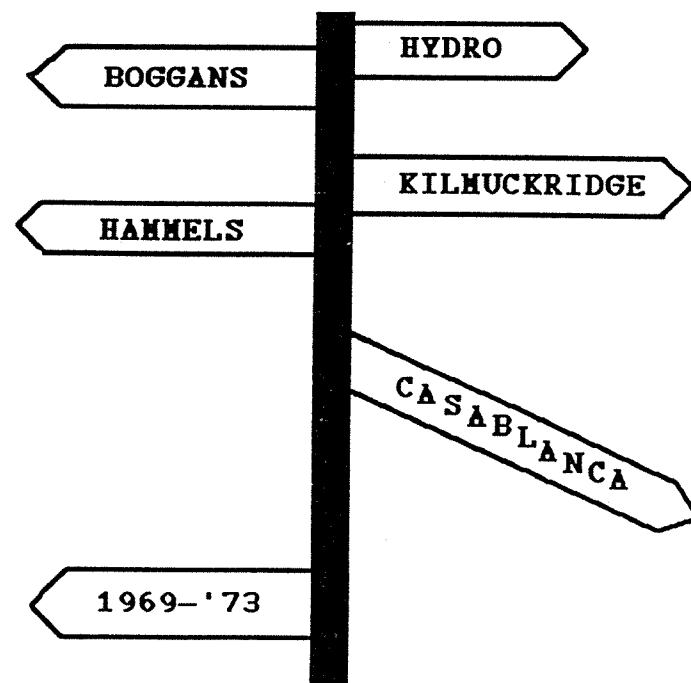
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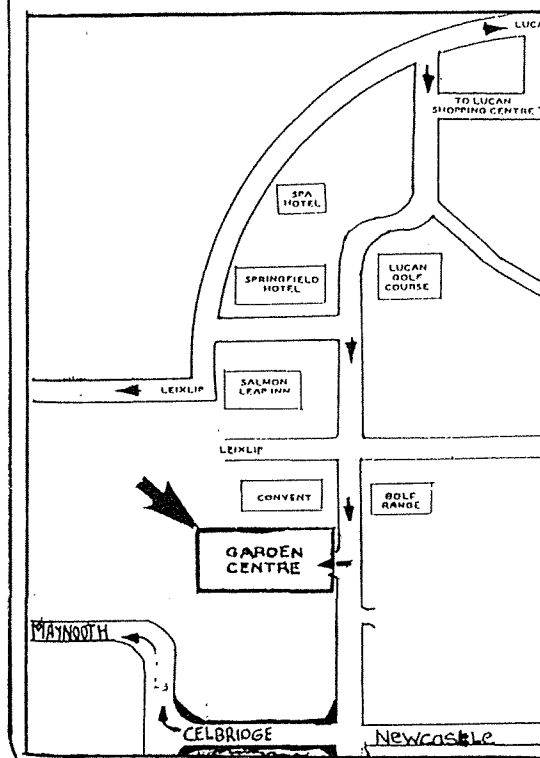
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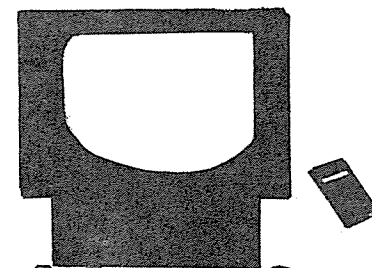
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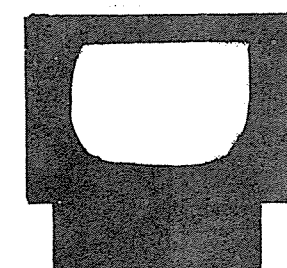
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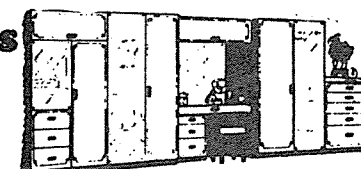
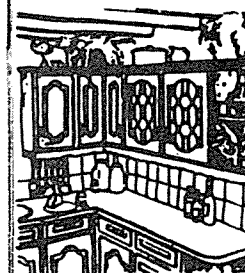
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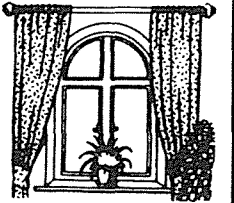
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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

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Division 3 Private Grds.

Maynooth Town 1 Caragh Celtic 0
Caragh came to town with a big reputation but were brought down to earth with a bang. Maynooth made their intentions known early and dominated the game from the kick-off. Maynooth's midfield of Philip Doyle, John Geoghegan and Gerry Treacy made the going very tough for Caragh who must still be wondering what hit them. This win rekindles Maynooth's outside chance of League honours if the present form can be maintained. The home side might have won this game more handsomely but for a number of good chances not taken. It looked as if the number of missed chances would prove costly but with time running out Fergal Barton made progress down the right wing before playing the ball into the penalty area and when the ball was only half cleared he was on hand to shoot to the net.

U/13 Schoolboys

Gray Celtic 0 Maynooth Town 3
This was a first class away win at the Brickfields for Maynooth where a good all round performance ensured a good victory. Martin Byrne, Eoin Guha and Declan Buckley shaded the honours for Maynooth and set a fine example for their team-mates. Goals by Niall Byrne, Eoin Guha and Martin Byrne paved the way for this good win.

U/15 Schoolgirls

The club girls travelled to Drogheda recently to take part in the North Eastern League trials blitz and totally dominated proceedings. The trials took the format of a seven-a-side and such is the strength of our panel we were able to provide two strong teams. The strength of our two teams was fully advertised when topping their respective groups to meet in the final with the "A" team coming out on top by 3 - 0 over the "B" team. With the shield beginning shortly this good form must augur well for a good run.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who contributed to our recent successful Race Night. To our advertisers, our race sponsors, donors of spot prizes, all those who entered into horse ownership for the evening and those who helped so tirelessly on the night and behind the scenes to make the occasion such a successful venture we say a sincere thanks to all.

We would like to extend sincere sympathy to our schoolgirls member Linda Conway on the recent death of her mother and to the Conway family on their Bereavement.

MAYNOOTH GOLFING SOCIETY

The AGM of Maynooth Golfing Society was held on Friday, February 21st last in the I.C.A. Hall, Maynooth. The meeting was well attended and the following officers and committee were elected for the forthcoming season.

President: John Carey; Secretary: Dominic Nyland; Treasurer: Joe Moore; Captain: Sean Tracey; Vice-Captain: Liam Farrelly.

Committee: P. Foy, R. Delamere, M. Dempsey, D. Roberts, P. Brazil, J. Kinsella, E. Ledwith.

The Society members travelled to Trim Golf Club on March 7th for their first outing of the year. Due to the inclement weather conditions in the preceding week, the course did not play to its full potential and only 16 holes could be played. However, the very large attendance of 52 people made the day very enjoyable. I would like to thank Trim Golf Club for coping so well with the large number and especially to the catering staff for the terrific meal provided on the day.

Results from Trim - March 7th		Points
Overall Winner:	B. Carty (20)	35
Class 1: 1st	D. Roberts (10)	33
2nd	J. Ryan (12)	31 on back 6
3rd	S. Feeney (9)	31
Class 2: 1st	M. Hall (16)	35
2nd	E. Dunne (17)	33
3rd	K. Dukes (15)	32
Class 3: 1st	T. Flatley (22)	33
2nd	W. Moore (19)	32
3rd	E. Kavanagh (20)	31
Front 9:	H. Howley (18)	17
Back 9:	N. Heterick Snr. (6)	20 on back 3
Visitors:	G. Colton (12)	33

The 1992 first round Matchplay Draw was held at the above venue and some very interesting pairings were drawn. The details of the draw and rules are posted on the Maynooth Golfing Society Notice Board in Caulfields Bar. The society is presently selling tickets for their annual 500 Club Draw. The draw will take place on May 21st 1992 in Caulfields Lounge. Tickets are £10 each and the prizes are as follows: 1st Prize - £1000, 2nd Prize - £500, 3rd Prize £250 and 10 Prizes of £100. Tickets are available from any committee member. Our week-end outing this year is to Galway from May 22 - 24. Those intending to travel should contact a committee member as soon as possible. We are again looking forward to another fabulous week-end away. Listed below are the remaining outings for the 1992 season. April 18th - Tullamore; May 22nd - 24th - Galway/Oughterard (Christy Kenny Memorial); June 13th - Edenderry (Captain day); July 11th - Athlone (Shay Moore Memorial); August 22nd - Cavan (Presidents Prize), October 24th - Birr.

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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

All Ireland Juvenile, Ruan Co. Clare. 15.3.92.

Maynooth A.C. went as far as Co. Clare on Sunday 15th March to take part in the All Ireland Juvenile event. They had a very early start, leaving Maynooth at 7.45 a.m., to be there in time for the start of the race meeting at 12 midday. After a tough days racing against very good opposition they returned home at 9 p.m. Thanks to committee members who gave of their time and made a stop in Ballinasloe for refreshments for the children. The results of the day are as follows:

Boys U/9 - Patrick O'Rourke 13th, Morgan Sweeney 23th, Pierre Ennis 28th, Cillian Carr 60th, Daniel Adderley 67th, Jamie O'Neill 73rd.

3rd Club Team went to Patrick, Morgan and Pierre - congratulations.

Girls U/10 - Aoife McTernan 71st.

Boys U/10 - David Campbell 13th, Patrick King 18th, Padraig O'Sullivan 55th, Michael Gleeson 61st, Michael Costelloe 80th, Richard Leavy 82nd. David and Patrick were on the Kildare team which took 3rd county - congratulations.

Girls U/11 - Mary O'Sullivan 50th, Irene Kearney 64th and Joy O'Neill 70th.

Boys U/11 Conor Diggins 16th, Karl Ennis 17th and Darragh Carr 80th.

Girls U/12 - Susie Adderley 55th.

Boys U/12 - Declan O'Rourke 33rd.

girls U/13 - Michelle Gillick 42nd.

Girls U/14 - Dervla McDermott 45th.

Girls U/15 - Patricia Purcell 4th and Emer O'Sullivan 15th.

At an All Ireland event large numbers enter each race. To finish the race is good enough and to be placed is excellent. So congratulations must go to all the children from Maynooth A.C. for their fine efforts on the day.

Maynooth A.C. would like to take this opportunity to send our congratulations and best wishes to the Post Primary School, Maynooth, on winning the Leinster Intermediate and finishing 3rd in the All Ireland School's Cross Country. Two of our members were part of the team - Patricia Purcell and Emer O'Sullivan.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The theme chosen this year for our St. Patrick's Day parade float was entitled "No Pool Just A Duck Pond". Well done to all our members who took part in the fancy dress competition. All the costumes were superb and the result of considerable hard work. The winners were; 1st "Humpty Dumpty" - Sarah Flatley, 2nd "Flowers" - Ellouise and Therese Mc An Airchinnigh, 3rd "Knit Wit" - Emma Fleming, 4th "Mr. & Mrs. Sow & Sew" - Ciara and Colin O'Neill. Our sincere thanks to Anne Finn Byrne and Deirdre Finn who had the very hard task of judging the entries. The committee would also like to thank Mrs. Dunne and family and Mr. Owen Byrne Jr., for their help.

Swimming continues each Saturday. Please note that there will be no swimming on Saturday 18th April - Easter Saturday. There will be a family swim on Saturday 25th April and no buses will operate on this date.

Anyone requiring a place for their child/children on our waiting list please contact our secretary Mary Healy, Phone 6286942.

Wishing all our members a very Happy Easter.

Sheila Fleming, P.R.O.



St. Patrick's Day - Swimming Club
Winners in Fancy Dress Competition (L to R) Ciara O'Neill, Ellouise and Therese Mc An Airchinnigh, Emma Fleming, Colin O'Neill and Sarah Flatley.

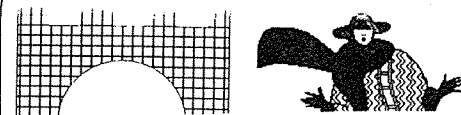
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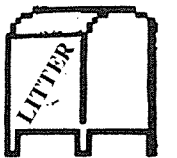
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Junior Football League Fixtures 1992 - All Games at 7.30 pm.

Monday 27th April, Maynooth V Rathangan, Away; Monday 4th May, Maynooth V Monasterevan, Home; Monday 11th May, Maynooth V Leixlip, Away; Monday 18th May, Maynooth V Celbridge, Home; Monday 25th May, Maynooth V Naas, Home; Monday 1st June, Maynooth V Ballyteague, Away; Monday 8th June, Maynooth V Round Towers, Away; Monday 15th June, Maynooth V St. Laurences, Home; Monday 22nd June, Maynooth V Kill Away.

Minor Football League Fixtures 1992

Sunday 1st March, Maynooth V Leixlip B, Home; Sunday 8th March, Maynooth V Monasterevan, Away; Sunday 15th March, Maynooth V Rathangan, Home; Sunday 22nd March, Maynooth V Suncroft, Away; Sunday 19th April, Maynooth V Moorfield, Away; Thursday 30th April, Maynooth V I. Devoys, m Away at 7.30pm; Thursday 7th May, Maynooth V Castlemitchel, Home at 7.30; Thursday 14th May, Maynooth V St. Laurences, Home at 7.30 pm.; Thursday 21st May, Maynooth V Ballyna, Away at 7.30 pm; Thursday 28th May, Maynooth V O/Plunketts, Home at 7.30.s

Minor Football Championship Draw 1992

1st Round: Maynooth V Monasterevan; 2nd Round Winners V Towers or Clane. Junior A Football Championship Draw 1992: Maynooth V Rheban; 2nd Round Winners V Caragh or Ardclough. Junior B Football Championship Draw 1992: Maynooth V Rheban; 2nd Round winners V Caragh or Ardclough.

Minor Football League: Maynooth 1-19pt, Leixlip B 0-1pt. Maynooth started their league in great style by easily beating Leixlip B Team. Maynooth were too strong for a very determinate Leixlip Team. Best for determined Maynooth, P. Garvey 0-7pts, A. Noonan 1-1pt, Joey Nevin 2pts, M. Donnolly 1pt, K. Killoran 1pt, E. Dunne pt, M. Noonan.

Minor Football League: Maynooth 1-12, Rathangan 1-3. In a well contested game played at Maynooth on Sunday 15th March they came out winners at the end. Rathangan tried hard but could not break down the Maynooth defence. Best for Maynooth were, K. Killoran, T. Fay, J. Nevin, H. Purcell, M. Mealy, G. Horan, M. Donnolly.

We would like to thank our Club Committee, Mick Kelly, Anne Kelly, Seamus Nevin, Declan Quigley, Brendan Farrell, for preparing our float for St. Patrick's Day Parade which was Club Float. Also our U/age players for marching behind our float.

Hurling

Our U/age hurling teams are in training for coming fixtures. Training every Saturday morning from 10.30 am to 11.45 am. New players welcome to attend.

Membership

Our membership for our New Social Centre should have been paid by 31st March. If you wish to have membership contact P. Kearney or any committee member. Our Club is still paying of Dept. on building and your support is very welcome. Our first home match in Senior Football League will be on Tuesday 21st April V Robertstown at 7.30. Give us your support.

1st Team

Since the last issue we have retained the Stanley Cup and taken full points from our first two League games. The team is starting to take shape and in the games to date Molloy, Dunne (E) Kelly, Ennis, Conway, Fagan, Nevin (M), Nevin (J) and Riordan have been particularly impressive.

Results

(1) Maynooth 3.11 Confey 1.5 (Challenge)

Scorers: Mick Gahan 2.2; Mick Nevin 1.1; Joey Edwards 3 pts; Pat Nevin 2 pts; Liam O'Toole 2 pts; Killian Fagan 1pt.

Best Player: Mick Kelly (right half back)

(2) Maynooth 9 pts Straffan 8pts (Stanley Cup Final)

Scorers: Joey Riordan 4 pts; Mick Nevin 3 pts; Joey Edwards 1 pts; Pascal Ennis 1 pt.

Best Player: Pascal Ennis (left half back)

(3) Maynooth 8 pts Eadestown 3.10 (Challenge)

Scorers: Joey Edwards 3 pts; Fergus Devereaux 2 pts; Joey Nevin, Pascal Ennis and Joey Riordan 1pt each.

Best Player: Mickey Noone (left back)

(4) Maynooth 1.8 Caragh 8pts (League)

Scorers: Joey Riordan 3 pts; Joey Nevin 1 goal; Mick Nevin 2 pts; Pascal Ennis 2 pts; Colm Feeney 1 pt.

Best Player: Joey Riordan (left half forward).

(5) Maynooth 2.5 Miltown 9 pts (League)

Scorers: Joey Edwards 1 goal; Liam O'Toole 1 goal; Killian Fagan 2 pts; Eoin O'Neill, Fergus Devereaux and Joey Riordan 1 pt each.

Best Player: Mick Kelly (right half back).

Under 21

Sarsfields 4.11 Maynooth 1.6 (Championship)

The unavailability, for a variety of reasons, of a number of key players, allied to the surprisingly early start to the campaign effectively killed off whatever chance Maynooth had of pulling off a surprise. Sarsfield, led by Kildare Senior player Niall Buckley, were a very talented side who will make a bold bid for outright honours. They had the bulk of their successful 1990 championship winning minor side on duty.

Plus points for Maynooth were:-

- The side never gave up the struggle and took the game to Sarsfield right up to the final whistle.
- The younger players Horn, Mahony, Joey Nevin, Killoran, Donnelly, Noone and Garvey showed up particularly well.
- Paul Garvey's place-kicking was excellent as was Johnny Nevin's contribution.

Scorers: Kenneth Killoran 1 goal; Paul Garvey 4 pts; Johnny Nevin 2 pts.

Best for Maynooth: Ger Horn, David Mahony, Johnny Nevin, Joey Nevin, Mick Madden and Paul Garvey.

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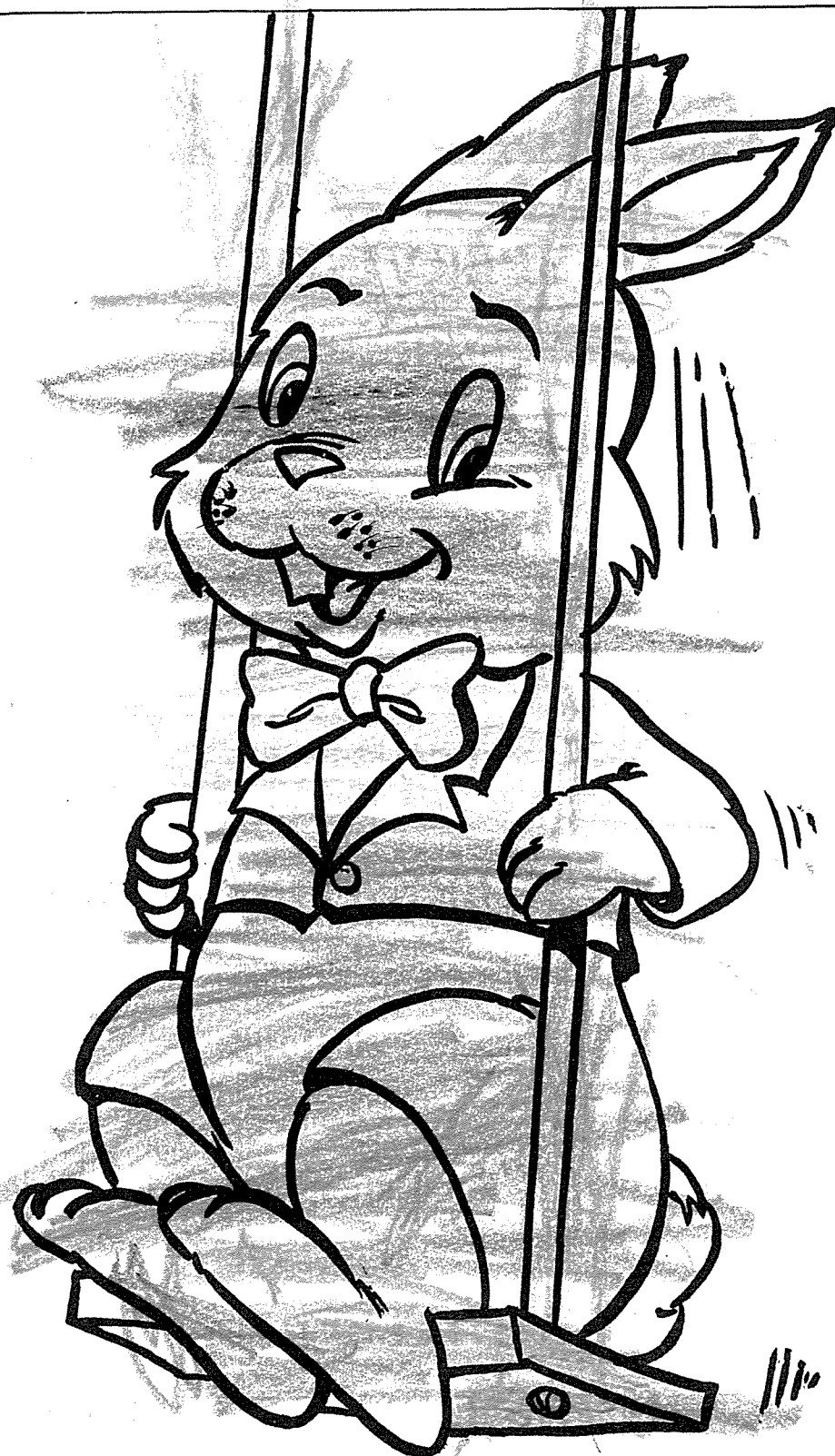
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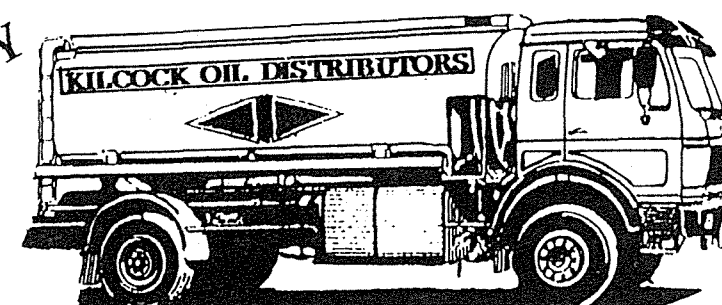


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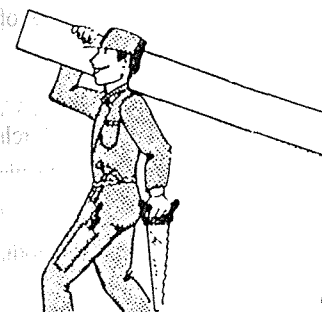
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Geraghty (Maynooth)

The relatives, god daughter Mary T. and close friends of the late Margaret (Peg) Geraghty wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Acknowledgements also to those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy, wreaths and bouquets of flowers, also to those who attended removal of remains, mass and funeral; all the people who travelled long journeys. A special word of thanks to Fr. Supple P.P. Fr. Cogan C.C. Fr. John Nevin who concelebrated at the funeral Mass, the organist and soloist Mrs. Ita Mc Cormack, the Sacristan and altar boys. Thanks to Dr. Maurice Cowhey for his kindness, and a very special word of thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff of Blanchardstown Hospital for all their help and kindness to Peg during her illness and in whose loving care she died.

May she Rest in Peace.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all.

Sympathy

Brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, Connolly family, relatives and friends of the late Patrick Colgan, Dowdstown, Maynooth.

Husband, son, daughter, brothers, sisters, son-in-law, daughter in law, grand-daughters, nieces, relatives and friends of the late Elizabeth (Lily) O'Flaherty (nee Timmins) Dunboyne Road, Maynooth formerly Capel Street, Dublin and Old Cumann na mBan.

Husband, daughters, sons, sisters, brothers, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and relatives and friends of the late Esther Conway (nee Kenny) Greenfield, Maynooth

Paddy Colgan R.I.P.

The family of the late Paddy Colgan, Dowdstown, Maynooth wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal; Mass and funeral, those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes. Special thanks to the Connolly family, Dowdstown for the kind loving care they showed to Paddy over the years. Thanks to the Priests of the Parish, Dr. M. Cowhey, and the staff at Winchmore House Nursing Home, the sacristan, altar boys and Reilly's Undertakers. Gratitude to all those who visited Paddy in Hospital during his long illness. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Memorial

Tenth Anniversary Anthony (Tony) Smith who died 3rd April 1982.

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have special thoughts of you to-day,
will those of you who think of
him to-day,

A little prayer to Jesus say.

Always remembered by his wife Kathleen, daughters Louise and Joanne, son Anthony.

Birthday Greetings

Happy belated birthday to Ecila Lorenzo on 17th of March, from family and friends.

Birthday greetings to Catherine Dunne, Celbridge Road, Maynooth, who will be 93 on the 17th of April. Love from Una, Eddie, Patsy, and grandchildren.

Birthday greetings to Caroline Dunne on 18th April, from Una and Gran..

To Philip Edwards Jnr. who is 2 on April 19th. Happy birthday, lots of love from the Muldoon Family.

To Ann Muldoon happy birthday lots of love, Paddy and Helena, James, Michael, Thomas and Nicola.

To Martin, have a great Easter. Love Hoggie Bear.

Birthday greetings to:

Ted Connolly, Greenfield - April 19th
Gearoid Mac Teighrmain, Sraid Parson - April 18th
Julia Donovan, Greenfield - April 7th
Eric Quinn, Greenfield age 14 - April 19th
Gerry Quinn, Greenfield age 17 - April 17th
Mary Traynor, Greenfield - April 19th
Pat Burke, Newtown - April 14th
Mrs. L. Mc Ternan, Highfield, Kilcock - April 6th
Declan Leigh, Meadowbrook - April 16th

Happy Birthday to Rachel Cunningham on April 20th from Mammy, Daddy, Eithne, Don and Evelyn.

Happy birthday to Smoker Farrelly who is 40!!! c/o Manor Mills; on the 19th of March, from all the lads and ladies in the Mill.

Happy birthday to Kitty Thompson who is 92 on the 4th of April. Lots of love from all the family.

Belated happy 1st birthday to Conor Bean, "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who was 1 year old on March 4th, from his Dad, Mam, Aisling and Brian and also his grandparents.

Happy birthday to Mickey Conneely, Pagetown, Maynooth. Love Mammy and Daddy.

Happy Wedding Anniversary to John and Annie Walsh, Mulhussey, Kilcock. Love the Ragu family.

Best wishes to the best Grannie and Granda in the world, John and Annie Walsh, Mulhussey, Maynooth. Love Mickey Conneely.

Happy birthday to Luke Walsh. Love Maura, Mickey and Michael.

Love and best wishes for a very happy birthday to Stacey McGovern, Greenfield, who celebrates her 9th birthday on April 13th. With love from Nannie Una, Uncle Kevin, Noel, Marie, Richard and Thomas XXXXXX

A very happy birthday to Stacey McGovern, Greenfield who is 9 years old on April 13th. With all good wishes for a very happy day. Best wishes and lots of love from Mammy, Daddy, Sisters Karina, Michelle, Debbie and Regina, and also from your Nannie Flynn in Kilcloone.

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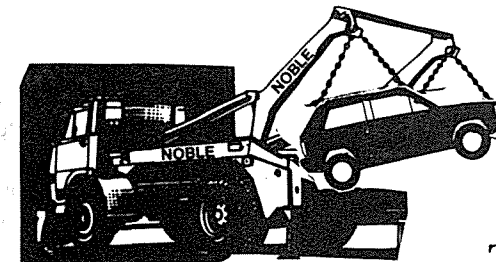
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Birthday Greetings

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 Stacey McGovern, Greenfield - April 13th
 Sean Tracey, Greenfield - April 24th
 Siobhan Burgass, Clane - April 30th

Love and best wishes for a very happy birthday to Joan Coughlan, Woodgreen, London, April 5th Also to Joan Collins, Woodgreen, London April 24th. From all your family and friends in Maynooth XXXXXX

Happy Birthday to our dear Nannie Donovan, Greenfield - April 5th. Lots of love and kisses from your loving grandsons, Richard and Thomas XXXXXX

Happy birthday to Harry Mitchell who celebrates his birthday of April 5th. Lots of love from family and friends.

Happy birthday to Sharon Synott 29th March.

Happy Mother's Day to Mrs. Dalton from Rathcoffey and Mrs. Burke from Newtown.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Keith Brown, Maynooth, Co. Kildare, a Third Year Arts Student with the National College of Art and Design, winner of the Olympic 1992 Banner Competition. First prize of £1500 in travel vouchers was presented by Noel Carroll, P.R.O. Dublin Corporation.

Belated congratulations to Sharon Brady, Kilcock Road, Maynooth who celebrated her 21st birthday on January 27th. Party was held in Springfield Hotel attended by parents, family and a host of friends for the happy event. Congratulations to Sharon's parents Jim and Marie Brady who celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on March the 9th.

The Newsletter would like to thank Ecila Lorenzo for giving us Bessie "The Wonder Horse" for the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Congratulations to Ann and Patrick Muldoon on the recent birth of their baby girl born on Thursday the 5th of March, love from Helena, James, Michael, Thomas and Nicola.

Congratulations to Jennifer Moran of Highfield, Kilcock on her engagement to Dermot Holton. Best wishes from Martina and Paddy.



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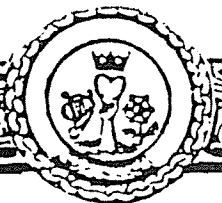
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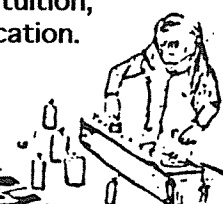
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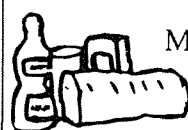
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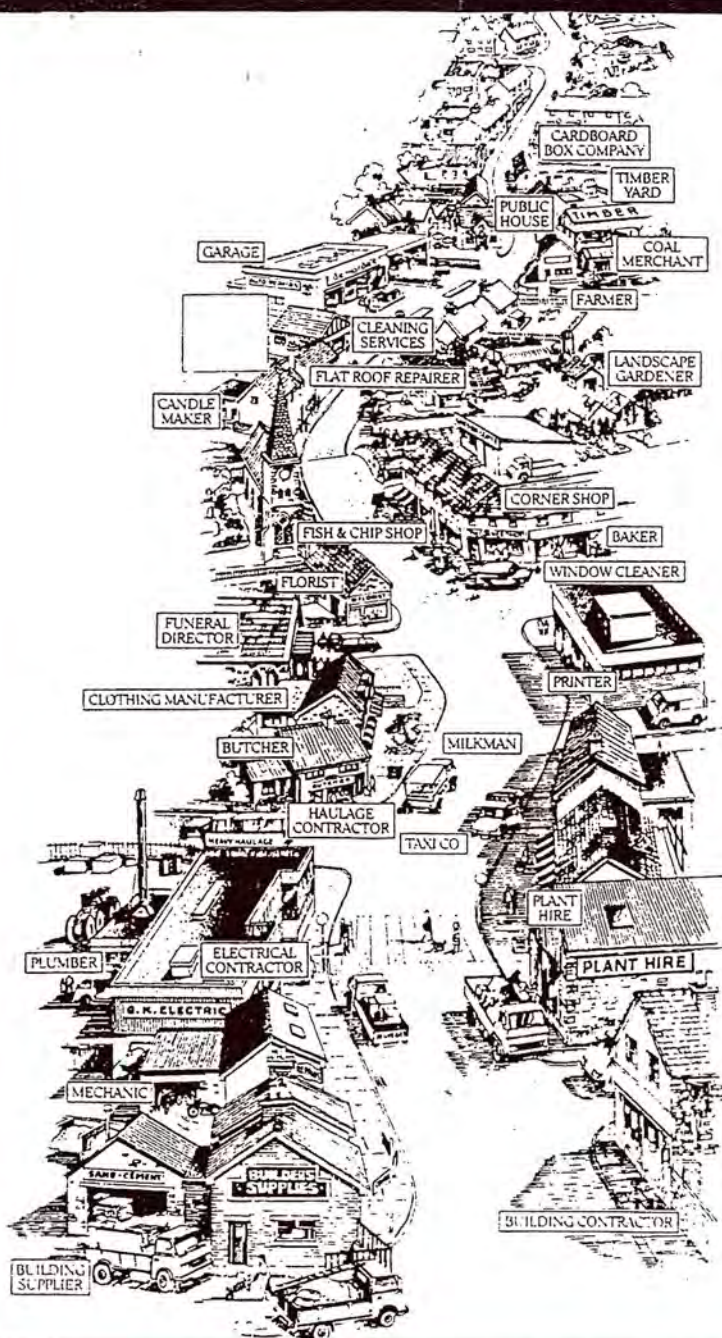
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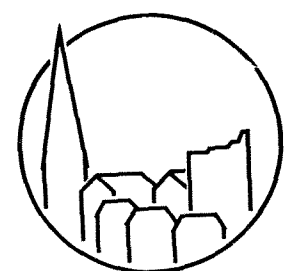
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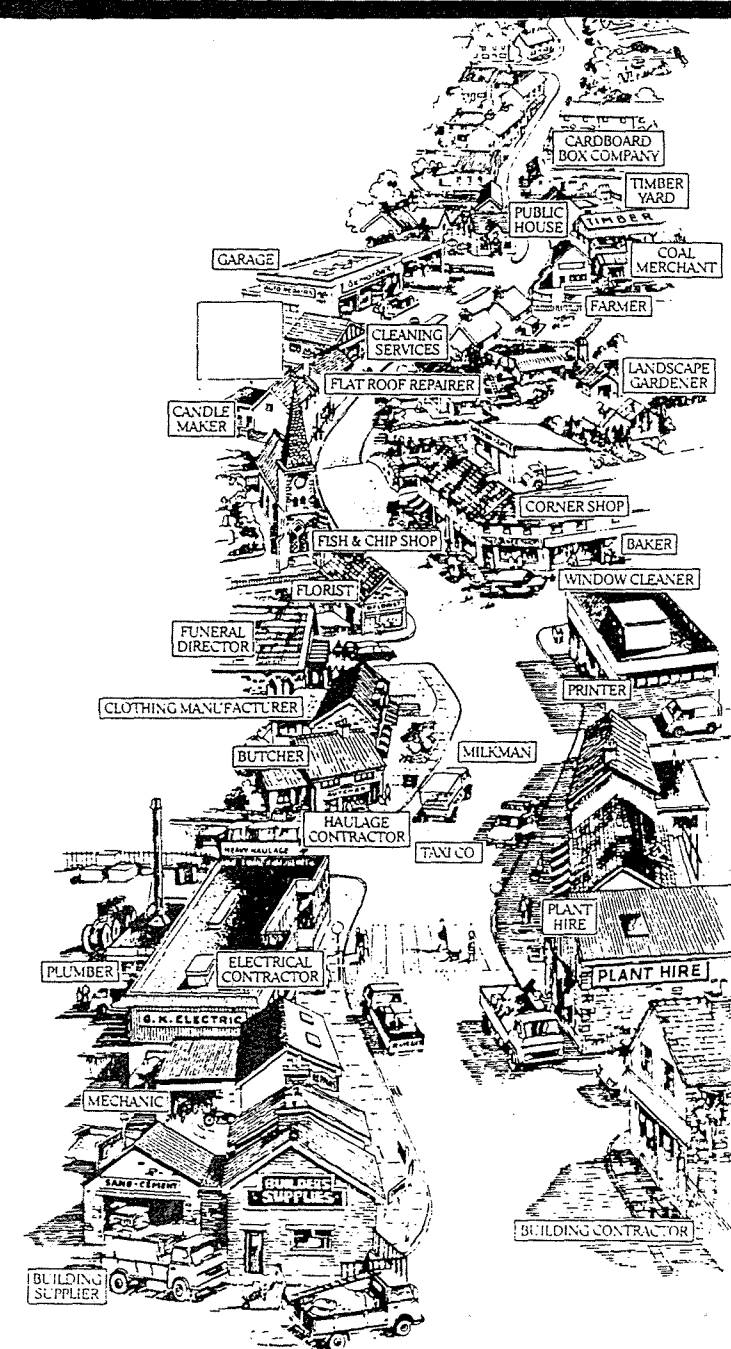
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Editorial

Carton Collapse

With regard to Guinness pulling out of the proposed development at Carton at this early stage. At least it will give an opportunity to rethink the future of the estate. The Carton Committee have made some good proposals worth considering with regard to the developing estate as a National Park. This would draw thousands of tourists to the area, and could create a number of jobs. In addition, the people of Maynooth would gain an invaluable and accessible resource. It's an interesting reflection on our entrepreneurs that one of the reasons for the withdrawal was that the banks would not guarantee Guinness's 65 million pound investment!

Maastricht Mess

We'll all be hearing more about the Maastricht mess in the next few weeks. It seems a pity that the debate about abortion has almost totally taken over, and meanwhile, other crucial issues, like our sovereignty, our neutrality, how our economy is going to cope with the reduction in borrowing to be imposed within five years, all lie unexplored. With this referendum, Irish people will be making probably the most significant decision about our future as a nation since the foundation of the state, and the most disturbing feature is that many people will be totally unaware of what they are voting for.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Big Bird who marched with the Newsletter group at the Patrick's Day parade. All will be delighted to know that Maura gave birth to a baby daughter a week later. Best wishes to the Brady family, and the new arrival.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

I wish to take issue with the views expressed by Mrs. B. O'Brien regarding St. Patrick's College Maynooth in last month's issue. Mrs. O'Brien appears to use the opportunity of an article on Carton to attack the College. May I say at the outset that I am neither a member of any committee on Carton nor an employee/student of the College, but I am a resident of Maynooth. I am disappointed that the Newsletter allowed such a one-sided article to be published.

In the first instance may I say it is quite unfair that Mrs. O'Brien attacks the College on their stance on the development of Carton, for the College has not taken any position good, bad or indifferent on Carton. However individual employees of the College as is their right as residents of Maynooth, have been active in the debate. Mrs. O'Brien would be quite justified in attacking the College if it refused to let its staff express their opinions, but they have not, and just because Mrs. O'Brien happens to disapprove of their opinions she is not justified in attacking their employer.

St. Patrick's College has contributed significantly to the growth and development of Maynooth. In the 1970's there were very few housing estates in Maynooth, the business community was small and underdeveloped. But since the influx of lay students into the College the town has taken off, business has grown to meet the needs of the College related community. Nearly every house in the town has either someone working in the College or have income from College sources ie students' lodgings or business from the College community.

Mrs. O'Brien's attack on the presence of the College and its employees and students does a lot of damage to community relations, not only between the College and the town of Maynooth, but between its residents who benefit from the existence of such an institution. The staff in Maynooth College are represented by various trade unions. If the conditions of employment are not sufficient then I would humbly suggest that these bodies would not be long in seeing that matters are rectified.

The majority of the staff of the College live in and around the town of Maynooth. In recent year the college has expanded its work force to cater for the increased intake of students, if the applicants for the positions are suitably qualified then they will be hired. Does Mrs. O'Brien expect the College to take on people for the sake of getting them off the dole queues? Surely not. The College plays its role in attempting to get young people jobs. They educate the youth of this country for the future and what better way to get young people off the dole queues then educating them for life and a career.

The town of Maynooth should be proud of its College with its long and distinguished history. I hope that Mrs. O'Brien will recognise the fact that both the college and the town need each other and that comments such as she expressed will not help the situation. I regret that I have to write this letter, but as some famous rock star once said "The Irish nation is a nation of begrudgers, they don't know what's good for them."

Yours sincerely
Catherine Fox.

Dear Editor,
I reluctantly must write to rectify some of the errors in Peig Lynch's letter on the St. Patrick's Day Parade which appeared in the last Newsletter. It is not my wish to "fall out"

with Peig as we have soldiered together on many committees in the past but I feel I must set the record straight. To begin with the first meeting was called by the Band Committee and not by me, credit where credit is due at all times. Secondly, was Peig thinking of the "Famous Five" when she named the Committee? What about the "Spectacular Six"? Remember Peig how I was elected chairman of that committee because I was a representative of the Band on it?

Probably the most hurtful remark of all was that I had said that the Band did not want anything to do with the Parade. Nothing could have been further from the truth. As older residents will well remember, the Band had been *The Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade* for decades and were proud of that tradition. As the town began to expand in the early eighties the Band made attempts to stage a 'proper' Parade with only limited success. The main problem here was that all of the Band Committee were actual playing members, hence the need for "outside" support to organise the Parade.

Yes Peig, that first committee was a success and thanks to the Community Council the Parade has grown year by year and is now one of the most successful in the County, but I hope the people of Maynooth will always remember the part played by the Band in the history of the Maynooth St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Paddy Boyd

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COMMUNITY GAMES '92

Well the A.G.M. went off very well and we got a good committee. It's good to have some new faces and the promise of such support as we progress. Thanks to the local Radio K.C.I. for allowing us the "spot ad." It seems that people were listening and they responded well.

Now some dates to remember for the coming month.

Gymnastics - Girls School Thursday 30th April, Co-ordinator Josephine Fay.

Athletics - Co-ordinator Michael Gleeson, Back of G.A.A. Field Sunday 24th May 1.30p.m.

Swimming - Stewarts Pool, 10th May (time later) Co-ordinator James Fleming.

We have entered teams in the outdoor events as follows:

Variety - Co-ordinator Christine Reilly, Manager Anne Marie Thompson

Volleyball (Boys & Girls) Co-ordinator Bernie O'Shea

Soccer Girls - Co-ordinator Frances Kearney

Soccer Boys - Co-ordinator J. Thompson/M. Dempsey

Gaelic Boys - Co-ordinator Michael Gillick

Hurling - Co-ordinator Michael Gleeson

Tennis - Co-ordinator Tom O'Sullivan

Pitch & Putt (Boys) - Co-ordinator John/Gerard Higgins
Our girls basketball team (Co-ordinator James Fleming) played marvellously in the B section in Newbridge on Saturday 4th April and although they were not among the medal winners our congratulations on doing so well.

We had a great number of participants in the Art Competition held in the Post Primary School on Saturday 4th April 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Thanks to all who helped. Before giving the local winners, we were thrilled to have three winners at the County final held in the Curragh National School Sunday 12th April as follows:

U/8 Girls Silver medal Elizabeth Broderick

U/8 Boys Bronze medal Mark Dunne

U/12 Boys Gold medal Mark Hallinan - our first person to get to the National Finals this year.

The results at local level were as follows:

Art Tiny Tots U/6.

Boys

1. Phillip Ryan
2. David O'Hehir
3. Ross Cullinane/Kevin Farrell

U/8

1. Neil Custer
2. Conor Brady
3. Mark Dunne

U.10

1. Andrew Lynch
2. Aaron O'Neill
3. Brian McLoughlin

U.12

1. Mark Hallinan
2. B.J. Devine
3. Eoin Hardiman

U/14

1. Stephen Hallinan
2. John O'Shea
3. Aiden O'Rourke/Ciaran McDermott

Girls

1. Muire Ennis
2. Ciana Ennis
3. Becky Ryan

1. Ruth Hallinan

2. Triona Cahil
3. Elizabeth Broderick

1. Lynn Brennan

2. Aoife Treacy
3. Emma Fleming

1. Caroline Farrell

2. Theresa Nic An Airchinnigh
3. Brid Anne O'Shea

1. Janet McWeeney

2. Carol Lysaght
3. Claire McDonagh

U.16

1. Patrick Halton

Modelling U/10

1. Finbarr O'Gorman
2. Paul Fitzsimmons

U.14

1. John O'Gorman

2. John O'Shea

3. Michael Gleeson

1. Paula O'Shea

1. Maeve Stynes

2. Geraldine O'Gorman

Please support the local events and our thanks in anticipation of a good annual house to house collection from 23rd to 30th April. This is our only fundraising event.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS REPORT

First of all may we thank the residents of Maynooth for the courtesy and generosity on our recent door-to-door collection shown to our collectors.

If we missed you, or you had no change when we called, there is a collection box in the Community Council for donations. Our entry for the Bord Failte Tidy Towns has been submitted. The FAS Tidy Towns project under the auspices of the Planning and Development Committee is just about to get underway.

If you would like to become involved in the Maynooth Tidy Towns campaign or have any ideas please contact the committee, c/o the Community Council Office.

Next month we'll have news of the Best Area/Best Shop Front competition.

Keep Maynooth Tidy!

P.R.O.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Our thanks to the various organisations who have sent representatives to the above committee.

As previously advised we have two major projects for this year.

1) The FAS scheme for the Tidy Towns is just about to get underway shortly, this we feel will help to lift the spirit of Maynooth.

2) We hope to have a plan of our and your ideas of Maynooth ready before the summer. If you have any ideas, please submit immediately to the Planning and Development Committee, c/o Community Council Office.

Thank you for your interest.

R. Farrell

P.R.O.

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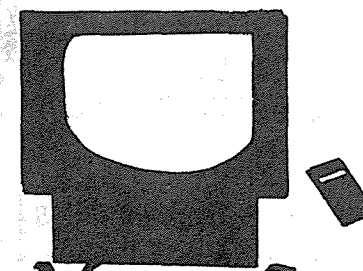
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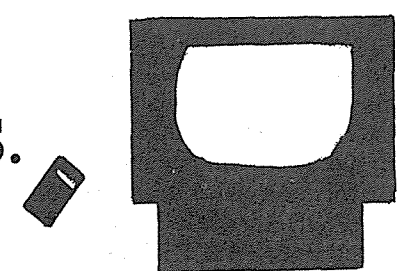
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ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

It is time for our band bulletin again. With the number of engagements coming up and with your continued support, we hope to defray the costs of the new uniforms and also to re-roof the Band Hall, which is in the region of £5,000. Listed below are some of the summer engagements. We hope to see as many of our friends and supporters as we can!

April Sunday 19th - Naas, Saturday 25th - Leixlip.
May Saturday 16th - Maynooth.
June Sunday 14th - Dublin.
July Sunday 5th - Dublin.

Booking for band engagements should be made in writing to: The Hon. Secretary, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

Fiona O'Malley,
P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Harbour Day

Arrangements for the Harbour Days are now being finalised and indications are that the Harbour will be well worth a visit. The Harbour Day coincides with the opening of the Community Council's Mid Summer Festival week and so we aim to make it an enjoyable day for all. As well as the Steam Train there will be canal trips, side shows, live music and of course Hudson's Carnival. Refreshments will also be available. It is also hoped that C.K.R. will be on hand to play your requests.

Jamboree

The Royal Canal Jamboree takes place at the North Kildare Club on Sunday 10th May 1992. Once again we are honoured with the presence of the "It's a Knockout" team and the knockout competition will be televised by R.T.E. The Air Corps will demonstrate air/sea rescue as well as a parachute jump. The charities who will benefit this year include Crumlin Children's Hospital and Maynooth/Kilcock Senior Citizens holiday fund. The Jamboree is hosted by the Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club in association with the Royal Canal Amenity Group.

Steam Train

As stated the Steam Train will operate for two days - the 13th & 14th of June. There will be two runs on both days and tickets will shortly be available for each trip. Fares have been kept to a minimum. Adults £3.50, children (under 12) £1.50 and a special student rate this year of £2.50. You will be advised of ticket outlets in the next issue. **TICKETS WILL NOT BE ON SALE ON THE DAY OF THE TRIPS SO DO GET YOUR TICKETS IN GOOD TIME.**

Works Update

Phase 1 is now almost complete at Pike's Bridge and this area is now looking very pleasant. Some stone work is in the course of completion and this will leave the area in good order for the summer season.

Finally the Chairman and Committee would like to congratulate Joe Canny on his move into professional snooker and wish him every success in the future.

Gerry Fitzpatrick
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Our Annual Spring Show will be held in the SVD Hall on 28th April. Enquiries to Mrs. Felicity Satchwell - 6286240. A Bring and Buy sale in aid of Multiple Sclerosis will be held that evening. The show will be open to the public from 7.30 - 9.00 pm.

Sarah Angel and Noeleen O'Brien are working hard on their garden for the Spring Show. Gardens will be on view from Wednesday 6th May to Saturday 9th. Do go along and view! Our next demonstration evening will be on May 19th when Irene Cole will exhibit, her theme being "Time For".

The Club's outing will be held on June 13th. This year we are going to visit Birr Castle and Shannon Bridge and we will also have a trip on a train crossing the bog.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Annual Show.

R. Smyth, P.R.O.

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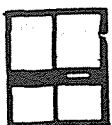
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CREDIT UNION NOTES

The Maynooth Credit Union would like to congratulate Ruth Hallinan on her success with the Poster Competition. Ruth won in the Regional Competition under 8 Section and her entry now goes through to the All-Ireland. On the 28th of March the new extension at Harbour House was officially opened. Mr. Tom McCarthy, President of the League of Credit Unions cut the official ribbon and opened the premises. Our local Parish Priest, Fr. Supple blessed the building. Refreshments and a selection of savouries and sandwiches were served to the large attendance.



Ruth Hallinan winner of U/8 year old section of Regional Final Credit Union Poster Competition

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Many people still keep their savings at home, in jars, boxes and even mattresses. Perhaps they have a fear of the large financial institutions such as Banks, Building Societies etc. yet how often do we hear of people losing their life savings, which they had kept at home?

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May Haren, P.R.O.

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Answer

Under the Holidays (Employees) Act 1973, you are entitled to one and a quarter days leave for each calendar month in which you work at least 120 hours. If you work 1,400 hours in the year for the same employer, you would be entitled to three weeks holidays.

People working in certain industries may be legally entitled to more than the fifteen days leave, e.g. construction workers get twenty-one days, hairdressing employees in Dublin and Cork get twenty days, certain workers in the catering trade outside the Dublin City and County area get nineteen days. Part-time workers who regularly work for the same employer for at least eight hours per week are entitled to six hours paid leave for every one hundred hours worked after they have been working for that employer for thirteen weeks.

There is no legal requirement on your employer to pay you whilst you are out sick. Some employers do give a certain amount of paid sick leave, others do not. Unless your conditions of employment state that you are entitled to be paid sick leave, then, you do not have to be paid.

It is proposed that employers will take over the payment of Disability Benefit from the Dept. of Social Welfare for the first four weeks or so of the illness.

If you are not getting your holiday entitlements or if you want to know if there are any Registered Joint Labour Court Agreements for your particular employment you should contact - The Dept. of Labour, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 765861. There are about 17 of these Agreements registered with the Labour Court.

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

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The April meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held in the I.C.A. Hall, The Harbour, on Thursday, 2nd April 1992 at 8.00 pm. The president Mary O'Gorman welcomed everyone. A vote of sympathy was passed with Josie McWeeney on the death of her husband Rest in Peace.

This month (April) Sr. Aquinas, The Presentation Convent, gave a very informative talk and demonstration of Calligraphy. If we have sufficient members interested in learning more about this particular art, classes can be arranged later in the year. Sr. Aquinas kindly donated some lovely cards (her own work) which were raffled among the members and the winners were as follows: 1st Margaret Kirwan, 2nd Therese Mooney, 3rd Mary Doyle, 4th Imelda Delaney, 5th Therese Mooney.

The winners for the monthly competition "The Smallest Cream Jug" were: 1st Mary McInerney, 2nd Ursula Forde, 3rd Mary Bradley.

The winners of the usual monthly raffle were: 1st Mary Halton, 2nd Connie Harper, 3rd Mary McInerney.

There will be no guest speaker, demonstration or competition for next meeting 7th May as it will be the A.G.M. Hoping to have a lot of nominations for the committee. It is unfortunate that our President wishes to resign and we wish Mary the very best of luck, health and happiness.

Reminder of dates mentioned in last Newsletter: McCarthy Cup for verse reading 18th May, Johnstown Inn at 8.00 pm. Make and model competition 14th May in the Red House, Newbridge at 8.00 pm. Good luck to members taking part in these events. Federation Meeting hosted by Maynooth Guild, S.V.D. Hostel, Wednesday 27th May at 8.00 pm.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the staff of Maynooth Newsletter for publishing my notes for the last year and reminders of "Copy Date". Good luck to all concerned for the future.

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MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Do come and see our latest exhibition, presented by the Dublin Travellers Education and Development Group. It is a display of photographs of travellers, expressing a wide variety of emotions, and will run from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May inclusive.

It is also hoped that the creative artists from the MADE class will mount an exhibition of the best of their work during the month of May.

Joe Buckley author of "Run Donny Run" will be doing a session in the library on Monday 4th May at 3.30 pm. He will be speaking primarily to the Black Tulip Club (book loving, literary and creative Kids!) but anyone who wishes may come along.

Good news, too, for all our borrowers - lots of new books! Titles include the following non fiction: Howard, Alice and Walden - Exploring the Road Less Travelled. Gorbachev, Raisa - I Hope. Tisserand, Maggie - Aromatherapy for Women. Kubler-Ross, Elizabeth - Living with Death and Dying. Hall, Derek (ed) - The New Business Letter Writer. Baker, Carol - Helping Your Schoolchild. Horley, Sandra - The Charm Syndrome. Giles, G.B. - Marketing. Baker, K. - The Complete Keyboard Player. Callery, Sean - Tracing your Family Tree. O'Callaghan, Jerry - The Red Book, AA Guide to Camping and Caravanning in Ireland 1992. Collins, Stephen - The Haughey File. Jacobs, John - Golf Doctor. Peck, M. Scott - The Different Drum. Rhodes, Robson - Getting Started: How to set up your own business. Dickson, Anne - A Woman in Your Own Right. This is just a sample to whet your appetites! Also included in our new acquisitions is the "Fit for Life Cookbook" by Marilyn Diamond and for those of you who watch Darina Allen on the TV, we have three new books by her.

In the area of parenting there are at least two new books - "Positive Parenting" by Pat Rees and "Parenting" by Maureen Gaffney and others.

Just in time for spring cleaning we have a range of new books on interior decor. Read how Laura Ashley does bedrooms, windows and Living Rooms. Or provide "Finishing Touches in Homes and Gardens", to mention but a few.

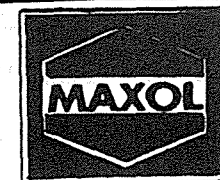
Also relevant to the present season is the area of gardening - two new titles include "Popular Garden Design" by G. and D. Farthing and "Garden Style" by Gerry Daly.

The health conscious have not been forgotten, either. You can start with "Everyman", (equality at last!) and work your way down to a "Consumers Guide to Prescription Medicine" or "Yoga and Health" by Mary Rose Doorly.

Various Berlitz travel guides have arrived in time for the summer holidays and also some language guides. Are you interested in "Cheap Sleeps in Paris"? or "French in three months"?

Also, remember that if the book you are looking for is not on the shelf when you come in, you can always reserve it.

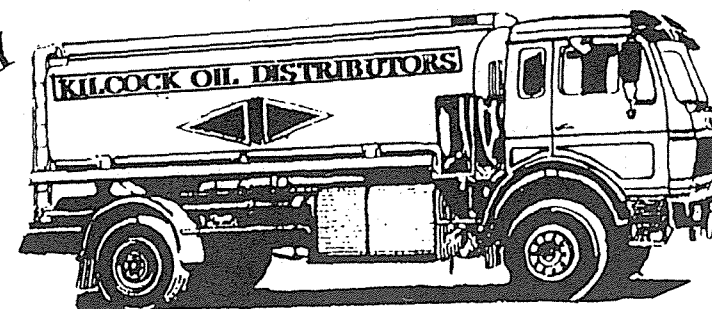
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All this is of course in aid of some very worthy charity work. The principal local benefit is that a large group of old age pensioners, who would not otherwise be able to have any holiday, will be taken by the Lions clubs for a week in Mosney Holiday Centre. Only those who have witnessed the pleasure given by this scheme to pensioners from our area over the last 10 years, could appreciate how much good can be done for those for whom the twilight years can bring loneliness.

The other beneficiary of note from the Jamboree will be Crumlin Children's Hospital who are badly in need of funds for a "CAT Scanner". This hospital treats hundreds of children from our area every year, so the child who gains from the new equipment could be yours.

The Jamboree must surely provide the best value possible in entertainment and fund raising combined: £2 per person or £5 per car load will gain admittance to an event you simply cannot afford to miss.

If you want to get even more involved you could raise a team for the "Knockout" Competition. A Youth Team (15 to 20 year olds) must consist of six boys and six girls. The 2 best Youth Teams from the day will win entry to RTE's Youth Knockout and will be filmed in action at Mosney later on (all expenses paid). If they were to win at Mosney they will progress to the International Youth Knockout Finals. All you need to enter is enthusiasm a quick adaptability to obstacle courses and new games, and £120 per team raised for the charities - sponsorship cards are available. Adult teams can also enter, at £400 per team, in an open competition. All team information and entry forms (to be returned by Tuesday 5th May) are available from Gerry O'Sullivan, Maynooth Electrical Supplies, Dunboyne Road, Phone 6286718, or any Lions Club member.

No one interested in improving their local amenities or just having fun can afford to miss Jamboree III!



Maynooth/Kilcock Lions Club present
St. Raphael's Celbridge with a new mini bus.
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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our annual collection took place in March. The response was very good and for all your generosity we want to say a big "Thank You". The committee members have acquired I.D. cards in recent times. We are very appreciative of the help given to us by Norah and the staff of the Newsletter.

On Sunday 12th April we had our Easter Party in the S.V.D. and were glad to have a group from Celbridge. The highlight of the afternoon was the parade of Easter Bonnets. Prizes were given for the most colourful, elegant, original, spring-like, attractive and eye-catching. Recipients of the prizes were Nancy Farrell, Mrs. Burke, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Waldron and Eddie Kellett. Eddie from Celbridge, participated for the second year running and was the cause of much merriment among the onlookers. Our thanks are due to the Comhaltas group from Kilcock, who entertained with a good selection of set dancing, singing and music. Josie, as ever, was the mainstay of the afternoon's entertainment.



Easter Bonnet Parade

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk in aid of Maynooth Old Folks takes place on Sunday 10th May at 3 p.m. Sponsors are being sought and we look forward to a good response. The walk heralds the start of Active Age week, which continues until Sunday 17th May. The programme for the week is as follows: Sunday May 10th, T. Smith Memorial Walk at 3 p.m. Bingo at the same time in the I.C.A. Hall. Refreshments will be provided.

Tuesday 12th, Cards and Board Games in I.C.A. Hall
Wednesday 13th, Outing to Landscape Art Exhibition in Kilcock Art Gallery departing at 10.30 a.m.

Thursday 14th, Morning Bingo in I.C.A. Hall. 8.30 p.m. Cabaret in G.A.A. Centre.

Sunday 17th, Make and Model Fashion Show in I.C.A. Hall with refreshments provided by I.C.A.

The Library will exhibit Craft work from the elderly during the week. The theme for this year's Active Age Week is "Memories" and stories, photos, scrap books, poems on the theme are welcome.

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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Come and enjoy yourself

For a great night out we have organised an *American Tea Party* as a fund raising activity, the proceeds of which enable the Parents' Association to meet financial demands placed upon it by the school, on Friday 22nd May 1992 in the County Club, Dunshaughlin. Music by Panache (9-2). Tickets will be available from any committee member. Full details are available from any of the committee members.

Last year's American Tea Party, held at the same venue, was a runaway success where everyone without exception enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Consequently the committee this year expects that its problem will be to confine the number wishing to attend to within the maximum permissible as dictated by the venue: *Be warned. Tickets will be issued on a first come first served basis.*

How you can help!

Hosts/hostesses will be required to host a table of 10 or more persons. Please co-ordinate your grouping and confirm your booking and/or table reservation with anyone of the committee members over the next few weeks, they are:- Pat Halley, Chairperson; Noel Lysaght, Secretary; Patsy O'Rafferty, Treasurer; Catherine Hodge; Assumpta Duffy; Teresa Bennett; Lynne Whittaker; Joan Lennon; Lise O'Farrell; Anne Egan; Kathleen Dempsey; Sally Cotter; Irene Mathews; Marie O'Sullivan; Tom Ashe Principal; Joan Carroll; Josephine Dempsey; Mary Dunworth; Joe Kelly; James Fleming; Mary Boland; Maisie McMyler; Pat Devaney; Teacher Representative, Mary Farrell; Dick Sheehan; Joe Buckley and Dermot Nangle, PRO. The main organiser of this American Tea-Party event is Ms. Jacqueline Smith, Phone 6286660.

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ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE NEWS

Music In College

Lunchtime Concerts Mondays 1.15 - 2.00p.m., Education Hall, Old Campus.

Sunday College Chamber Choir

26 April 8.00p.m.-Benjamin Britten's Te Deum, The Chichester Psalms by Leonard Bernstein (with harp percussion and organ accompaniment) and Gabriel Fauré's Requiem (with orchestral accompaniment). * Conductor: Paul Brady (Second Arts Honours Student)

27 April - Second-Year Music Class Concert

4 May - First-Year Music Class Concert

Wednesday 6 May - 12 noon Pádhraic O Cuinneagáin, piano (M.A. Public Examination)

2.30p.m. Antoinette Baker, organ*

(M.A. Public Examination)

* in College Chapel.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT 1992

Hello children and parents. Planning for Maynooth Summer Project is well underway. Your 1992 Committee has been working very hard over the last few months to make sure everything runs smoothly in July. Registration date is Tuesday 7th July and our camp will be from Friday 24th July to Sunday 26th July, so start getting your ruck-sack and sleeping bag in order. We will be having all our usual outings in July e.g. bowling, swimming, picnics, games, Donadea Forest and Bar-B-Que. We look forward to seeing all the children, boys and girls from 7 up registering for the Project. Full programmes for all will be in the schools towards the end of June. We would appeal to all parents to give as much help as possible to run the project. It would be impossible to run the project without lots of adult supervision.

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GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.

First of all my apologies to Carmel Nolan of Maynooth Park in last months notes for leaving her name off the list of Committee members representing Maynooth Park. On the Greenfield Estate Residents Committee Carmel and other members of the Committee will be calling in the near future for annual subscription of £10 and £5 for unwaged, O.A.P. etc.

Grass cutting rotas are now being set up for Greenfield Drive, Straffan Way, Laurence Avenue and Maynooth Park.

If you want to be included please give your name to our roads representative or to our secretary Nuala Quinn 2, Straffan Way.

Finally, we plan to have an estate tidy-up day second week in May.

*Richard Farrell
P.R.O.*

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NOTES

The Table Quiz was a great success. A total of twenty three tables took part in an exciting contest culminating in Table 10 winning by the narrowest of margins.

"Dashing Denis" asked the questions while daughter Fiona and boyfriend John Devine checked answers. Special thanks to those who provided prizes: Casey Courts Ltd., Centra Supermarket, The Roost, Caulfields, The G.A.A., and Mary McTiernan, Greenfield Est. Thanks also to the G.A.A. for the use of the premises and here I might single out Michael Cadden. As luck would have it, it was Michael's turn to lock up but the quiz over ran timewise and Michael just smiled - Thank you Michael.

The A.G.M. will take place in the near future, each resident will be advised and we would appreciate a good attendance.

*Gerry Fitzpatrick,
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COMPUTER CORNER.

Have you ever been in a flap over Floppy Discs ??
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Do Computer buffs get your back up ??

Depending upon the reaction to this item, it is proposed to run a regular "computer corner" column as a learning ground for anyone (of any age or persuasion) who would like to have some understanding of what computers are about.

The idea is that anyone who would like to learn how to use a computer (or is just casually interested in what its all about), can read this column occasionally and learn at their own pace. The text will be in simple, plain English and, where technical terms must be used, they will be explained.

If you are already a "whizz kid", this column is not for you (although any comments, from any interested party, critical, or otherwise, will be welcomed). It will attempt, at a reasonably basic level, to help the computer novice who has regular access to a personal computer (PC) and would like to know how to do more than just the word processor/accounts package, or whatever.

By way of introduction, I will deal with the concept of the computer as a medium for storing and processing information (data).

I/O. (First piece of computer jargon).

The term I/O simply stands for "in/out" - i.e., you put information *in* and you take information *out*. Hence, the term *bios* stands for *basic in/out system*. There, that wasn't too difficult, was it? The basic in/out system in the computer is the keyboard (for putting information in) and the screen (for taking information out). There are other ways of putting information in and taking it out, e.g. through one of the sockets (usually at the back), called a *serial port*. Think about it, the *serial port* carries *input* (hence, *port*) in *serial* order (i.e., one bit at a time) and carries *output* in the same manner (one bit at a time). The *screen* and the *printer* are *output* devices, only. Another *port* (again, usually at the back of the computer, is the *Parallel port*. This, as the term suggests, allows information to be *output* (usually to the printer) in *PARALLEL* mode (i.e. more than one bit at a time).

Had enough yet? - No ?, OK, Let's see if you can put *Binary Maths* away in 30 seconds flat.

The decimal system evolved as the one most favoured by us humans (simply because we have ten fingers). It is a convenient way of expressing numbers by using the concept of columns, whose position denotes the value of the unit and where the value increases by a factor of ten as you move left by one column.

Decimal Notation

1,000	100	10	1	
5	2	7	4	= 5,274
2	4	9	3	= 2,493
	7	1	8	= 718

In the *decimal* system, therefore, we simply indicate the number of *multiples* in the appropriate column. Hence, 718 = 7x100, plus 1x10, plus 8x1.

The binary system is the one used by *Computers* because they don't have fingers - only switches - and these switches can *only* be in the *on* or the *off* position. In this system, again we use the concept of *columns*, whose *position* denotes the value of the unit, but, in this case *the value doubles as you move left by one column*.

Binary Notation

512	256	128	64	32	16	8	4	2	1	
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	= 1023
1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	= 718
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	= 6
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	= 2

In the *binary* system, we again indicate the number of multiples, this time as either 1 or 0, in the appropriate column. Hence, 1011001110 = 718. Or 1x512, plus 0x256, plus 1x128, plus 1x64, plus 0x16, plus 1x8, plus 1x4, plus 1x2, plus 0x1. Notice the use of *plus* in these examples (1x4 plus 1x2 etc.). Computers are incapable of actual multiplication, subtraction or division (they do everything by addition). Tell that to your friends over a pint and see how far you get. Although, for humans, to express the number 718 in *binary* notation (1011001110) is both tedious and liable to error, for computers (which are *less* liable to error !), the appropriate switches only need to be switched to *on* or *off* and this switching can be effected at astonishing speeds.

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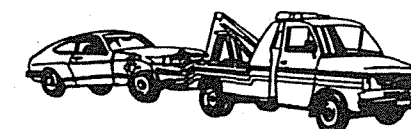
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DELICATESSEN, Lighthouse 1, Dublin.

If you need cheering up, then make sure you see *Delicatessen*, the first offering from a French duo Jean-Pierre Jeunet and Marc Caro. Although I'm not usually one for subtitled films, the visual images move so swiftly and the high points are so numerous that after a few moments all awareness of the subtitles is lost as you get caught up in the tale. It is impossible to adequately describe all of the events. To say it is basically about a butcher who has a nasty habit of killing the handymen he hires and selling their bodies as meat and about the ex-clown who is about to become his next victim takes away from the richness of the story and makes it sound very unfunny. However it is one of the most hilarious films I have seen in a long time. It's off beat to say the least, but this is what makes it so entertaining.

To add to the treat, it is preceded by the Irish Short film "Three Joes", about three lads sharing a house and their day's activities. An unusual and very funny piece of work, almost completely silent, this serves as a very suitable prelude to *Delicatessen*.

EXAMTIPS FOR THIRD LEVEL STUDENTS

One of the great Paradoxes of the Irish education system, especially concerning third level students, is that while encouraging initiative and experiential learning students continue to be evaluated according to their performances in exams. Unfortunately what ensues is an examination not of the students understanding of a particular subject, but rather an examination of how capable they are in managing their time, condensing their thoughts and preforming (I use that word deliberately) in high pressure situations. Ability to play the exam game, in other words, is what is actually tested. The following tips may be useful in playing that game.

1) Be selective in your reading when preparing for particular questions. Read perhaps one or two essays or articles about the topic you have decided to answer on and know and understand the main points of these articles as well. Do not read hundreds of books and articles about your topic, hoping that the more you throw the more will stick. It doesn't work like that.

2) In the exam plan your essays carefully. Be ruthless with your self. One of the main criteria an examiner uses when reading answers is relevance. Stick always ruthlessly to the point. Do not digress into areas you know more about but which are peripheral to the question. The examiner will be ruthless if you are not.

3) Spend some time before beginning to write your answer, planning it. Usually you are expected to write an introduction, 4 to 6 paragraphs (make 1 point in each paragraph then go to a new one), and a conclusion.

4) Use a separate answer-book for all your planning and rough work. In this answer-book write down in short, note form, all you know about your topic. Sift through this for what is relevant to the question you are asked and again in note form write down the points of your answer. This enables you first of all to stick to the point when writing our your answer, and furthermore enables the examiner to have an idea of what you were going to say should you run out of time. 5) Stick rigidly to the time. In a three-hour exam you have approx. 42 min per question (for a paper demanding 4 answers). Give yourself time at the start to read the paper and

time before each question to plan your answer. Do not go over that time under any circumstances.

6) Do your best question first. This ensures that what you know best is on paper, regardless of what happens in the rest of the exam.

7) Once the exam is over, forget it immediately, especially if you have an exam the following day. Also do not indulge in post mortems - they can damage your confidence, the major driving force behind success in exams.

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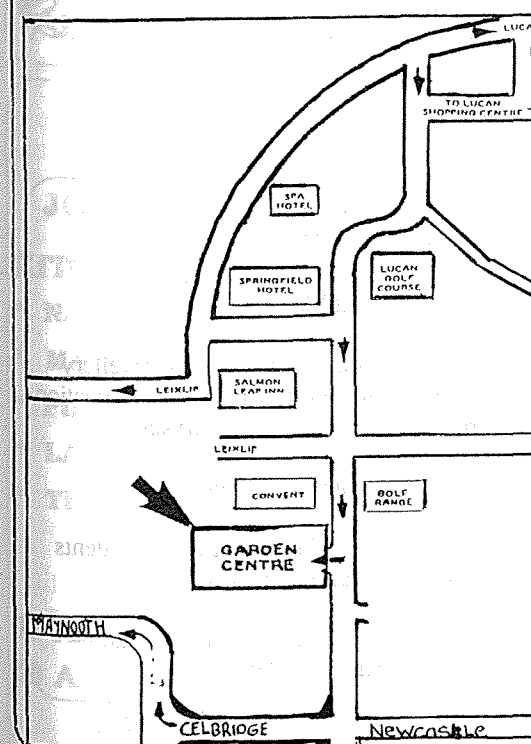
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Crime:

A sincere thank you to those concerned citizens who took the time to contact the Gardai when they witnessed acts of crime, vandalism, suspicious vehicles etc. Indeed some of these phone calls resulted in the arrest and conviction of criminals. The old saying "It's not my problem" is long gone. It is a problem for everybody. Surely we all desire less crime, and a better society to live in. Play your part. If you observe a crime tell the Gardai. The confidential freephone number is: 1800 589 589.

Fraud:

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6. Be aware of juveniles cashing cheques, they are not legally liable for their debts.
7. Do not accept a cheque which shows signs of change have the issuer write a fresh cheque.
8. Keep in mind that in accepting a cheque which is post-dated or cheques over a month old you are taking a chance.
9. Don't let the client hurry you in accepting the cheque, take all the time you need, and get answers to all your questions.
10. Be aware of cheques presented over bank holiday week-end, or other busy times.
11. Stop and think, if somebody asks to cash a cheque for a sum larger than what is required to cover the transaction.
12. Have all employees initial cheques cashed by them, and lodge all cheques promptly.

SNOOKER LOCAL HERO

Local Snooker "Ace" Joe Canny made his Professional Debut at the Quarry Snooker Centre, Celbridge, on Tuesday 7th April before an invited audience of over 300. His opponent in his first professional match was none other than Irish Masters runner up Ken Doherty. In the "best of nine frames" match, Doherty, who is in top form at the moment, came out well on top, but young Joe will have gained from the experience. The event was hosted by Celbridge Snooker Club in association with Buckleys' Builders Providers.

Joe, who recently came second in the World Amateur Championships is the son of local Garda Sergeant Joe and Mrs Canny of Rail Park in Maynooth. His decision to go professional was not an easy one and we wish him success in the future.



Joe in Action
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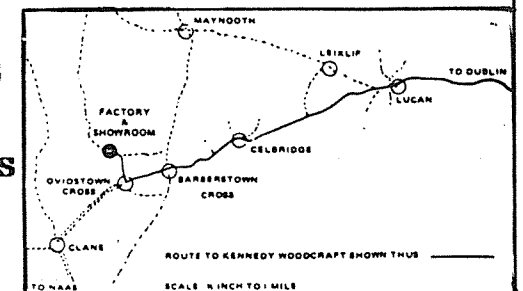
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STREET TALKING

Carton Development

It has been announced recently that the Guinness group are pulling out of the proposed Gleneagles development of the Carton Estate. They were to have invested 65 million pounds in the estate which would have included a hotel, golf courses and holiday homes. The reason that Guinness gave for pulling out of the deal is the fact that the various banks wanted Guinness to guarantee the loans given to the Carton Estate and in such recessionary times Guinness's could not afford such a radical departure from their core activities.

It has been announced that some of Guinness former junior partners are to appeal to An Bord Pleanála against some of the conditions imposed on the development by Kildare County Council, notably the decision to reduce the proposed number of holiday homes by more than thirty. It is understood that, since Guinness's has withdrawn, the proposed development is now unlikely to go ahead, although new investors are being sought. However, in these recessionary times it may prove very difficult to attract the necessary scale of investment.

Set Dancing

Set dancing classes are currently being held in Saint Joseph's Hall, Kilcock. The instructor is Frank Keenan. The classes are held every Wednesday night, from 8.30 to 10.30 pm. A number of Maynooth people already attend these classes and more are welcome.

Ceilis are held on the last Friday of every month, the venue being the North Kildare Club and they begin at 9 pm. During the year a number of dancing workshops are held in various parts of the country. One is to be held on Inis Turk on the 8th of May, which is to be attended by seventy-four people from the Maynooth and Kilcock region.

Examinations

Exam time is upon us once again so a few helpful hints may not be out of place. Revision: You should try and study in a quiet atmosphere where you will not be distracted. Try and keep your books and notes in order so that you will know where everything is and not have to go searching for anything in a hurry.

When you are revising it might be a good idea to start with the subjects you are weakest at and make sure you understand them properly before moving on to subjects with which you are comfortable and thus may need less revision.

While everyone has their own method of studying it might be a good idea if after each hour of study you have a few minutes break, either go for a walk or have a cup of tea in order to refresh yourself. A good method of revision includes the production of 'flash cards' which contain the necessary information on a certain topic or question. They can be used in order to help you answer the question. Another good method of revision is to practice answering questions from sources such as sample papers, keeping strictly to the recommended time. This will also help your exam technique.

For the exam itself you should make sure to arrive at the exam centre in plenty of time. Once the exam begins make sure that you spend a few minutes reading the exam paper, go through the questions carefully, answer the question which you have been asked, not the one which you would have preferred to have been asked. It might be a good idea to underline the key instruction words in the question eg. 'compare with the aid of diagrams'; describe, compare and contrast etc. You should already be familiar with the format of the exam paper and know how much time you should allocate to each question,

decide on the order in which you are going to answer the questions and budget your time accordingly. If you have not finished a question leave it, you can always come back to it later on, or if you are short of time at the end put in a few key phrases which show that you understand the questions which you are being asked. It suits some people to answer any compulsory questions first, followed by the questions which you are most comfortable with. Before you answer any question write a brief outline of your proposed answer. This should include the key phrases for each paragraph etc., if you run over time then the person correcting the exams will know that you knew the answer and can mark accordingly. For exams which may demand essay-type answers such as History and Geography it is important to stick to the point. You should only answer the question which you have been asked. There is no point in overloading your essay with useless information, you will not get any marks for it. To conclude, a few helpful points to remember are that you should try and stay fit and alert during your exams. All night study sessions tend to be counter productive. Once an exam is over don't go in for post-mortems, they will only upset you and take your mind off the exams which follow. Finally, write legibly, it helps if the examiner is not frustrated by having to make out an incomprehensible scrawl.

New Coffee Shop

'The Square' newsagents shop is being converted into a newsagents and coffee shop following recent renovations which included the expansion of the premises and the installation of new doors and windows. According to the proprietors, Mr. Paddy Hayes and Mr. Eugene Duffy it will be open from 7 a.m. until late and they are looking forward to your custom.

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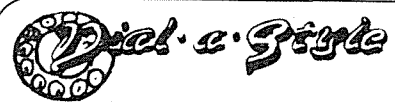
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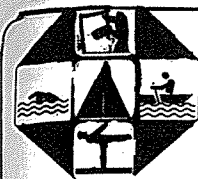
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SATURDAY 13TH JUNE

Harbour Day/ Steam Train/ Steam Organ
Frog Divers/ Canoeists.
Air and Sea Rescue ?

Karaoke - L.A.

Childrens Treasure Hunt.

SUNDAY 14TH JUNE

Harbour Day/ Steam Train/ Steam Organ

Adult Treasure Hunt

Al Brady's Band - Leinster Arms

Talent Competition - G.A.A.

MONDAY 15TH JUNE

Bachelor of the Year - Caulfields

Traditional Music in Brady's

TUESDAY 16TH JUNE

Old Folks - Caulfields

Table Quiz - G.A.A.

WEDNESDAY 17TH JUNE

Poetry Reading - Library

Set Dancing/ Folk Dancing - G.A.A. Club
Irish Dancing/ Accordion Band
Traditional Music in Brady's

THURSDAY 18TH JUNE

Athletic Club Children's Races

Karaoke - G.A.A.

FRIDAY 19TH JUNE

Band in the Leinster Arms - L.A.

Traditional Music in Brady's

SATURDAY 20TH JUNE

Fire-brigade display
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Children's Disco
Al Brady - Caulfields ?

SUNDAY 21ST JUNE

Classic Car Rally

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NORTH KILDARE-DUBLIN WEST GROUP AGAINST THE MAASTRICHT TREATY

At a recent meeting of local people who are concerned with the implications of the Maastricht Treaty for Ireland, a group under the above title was formed. We are mainly concerned with the economic and neutrality effects of the Treaty.

Unemployment and Emigration

We believe that this treaty will mean that the control of our finances will pass to a European Central Bank under the domination of the two strongest powers in Europe - Germany and France. This will accelerate our already drastic unemployment figures and lead to even further emigration. The stronger regions of Europe will find this to their advantage and their economic competitiveness will be strengthened.

Neutrality

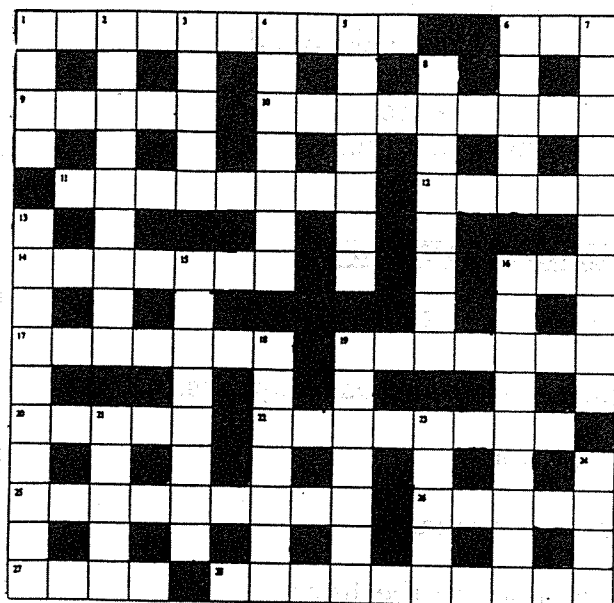
The Treaty states "The Union and its Member States shall define and implement a foreign and security policy including in the longer term the formulation of a common defence policy". This clearly shows that there is no neutrality inside a military alliance, and that Ireland's freedom of action in questions of war and peace will be no more. Military union means conscription for all our young men and women and possible involvement in war.

We will be campaigning for a NO vote in the forthcoming referendum and will be contacting the local branches of all political parties and asking them to declare themselves against this Treaty. We will also be issuing leaflets, posters, holding public meeting and debates.

All interested in becoming involved in our campaign and seeking further information can contact me at the address below.

Your sincerely,
Derek Palmer, PRO,
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CROSSWORD NO. 54



Entries before 5.00 pm Friday 15th May.

Name:

Address:

Across

1. Regal passage (5,5)
6. Pull an unsettled gut (3)
9. Sal is a bit ropy (5)
10. It's fireworks when she's around (9)
11. As desire upsets the coastal resident (8)
12. Vital part (5)
14. This man has an iron fist (7).
16. Downhill in a skid (3).
17. Fidelity, on my oath (7).
19. What the government takes to the health service (7).
20. Slick way of cooking (2,3)
22. Leave your train in this estate (8).
25. Half six from Connolly (4,5).
26. Do the chickens come to drink here? (5).
27. What father wore at the window (4).
28. Mam, test egg for local rep (5,5)

Down

1. Go to north Dublin town in a hurry (4).
2. When all the troubles seemed so far away (9).
3. Quiet intervals (5).
4. Consented (7).
5. The ninth flower is Obelix's friend (7).
6. Object to confused night in the square (5).
7. Verdant pasture in Maynooth (5,5).
8. Woman from the iron cave (8).
13. Geraldine is up in arms here (10).
15. It's to chill to cover the table (8).
16. Exploding star is more than ravenous (9).
18. Measure ship's limb. (4,3).
19. Blind people with this (7).
21. Watering hole in a barren place (5).
23. Get plastered in France or Texas (5).
24. It's a social gathering of male chauvinists, dear (4).

Solutions to Crossword No. 53.

Across

1. Barton, 4. Tracks, 7. Beaufield, 9. Able, 10. Sump, 11. Fares, 13. Sachet, 14. Tailor, 15. Collar, 17. Atoned, 19. Lolly, 20. Room, 22. Sumo, 23. Negligees, 24. Tender, 25. Totter.

Down

1. By-pass, 2. Tree, 3. Nougat, 4. Toilet, 5. Ails, 6. Supper, 7. Blacklion, 8. Dublin Bus, 11. Feral, 12. Salty, 15. Corset, 16. Roller, 17. Alight, 18. Drover, 21. Mend, 22. Seat.

Winner of Crossword No. 53:

Mr. Jim Reilly, Doctors Lane, Maynooth.

We apologise for the omission of clue no. 21 down in last months crossword. We have allowed for this error in judging the competition.

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

The new democratic socialist party led by Prionsias De Rossa and five other former Workers' Party TDs was formally launched in Dublin on March 28th last. At a convention attended by 1,000 members and supporters, Proinsias De Rossa was elected President of the new party, to be known as Democratic Left. Two members from Kildare - Councillor Catherine Murphy from Leixlip and Proinsias Breáinach from Maynooth - were elected to the party's National Executive.

Democratic Left's central objective is to remove control over Irish society from privileged elites and to place it instead in the hands of the mass of people who are currently powerless. This involves giving workers control over their workplace citizens control over politicians and bureaucrats; and consumers control over those selling goods and services. It also involves restoring dignity to the poor and unemployed by providing real jobs and decent incomes; giving full rights and equal status to all marginalised groups, especially women; and protecting the living environment from excessive development.

An ad hoc group of Democratic Left members has already been formed in Maynooth. It is planned to convene a public meeting in early May to formally establish a local branch. Further details will be publicised later. In the meantime, anyone who wishes to become involved in furthering our objectives should call 6285241.

Maastricht Mess → who are "us"? Those of us who campaigned against the so-called "Pro-Life" Amendment in 1983 warned against the legal complications which could arise from the particular wording to be inserted into the constitution. However, even we were not prepared for the absolute mess in which the country has found itself as a result of the Supreme Court decision. The lack of nerve shown by Fine Gael ten years ago, added to the cynical exploitation of the situation by Fianna Fail, have deservedly made us the laughing stock of Europe.

Despite the complexities of the case addressed by the Supreme Court, the so-called "Pro-Life" groups continue to insist on a black-and-white view of the issue which essentially boils down to an outright priority for the unborn foetus over the mother. The Catholic Hierarchy, in its statement on the matter, reinforces this view by completely ignoring the position of mothers. This is but another example of the anti-women attitudes which Democratic Left seeks to eradicate from our society.

Democratic Left believes that the original amendment should be deleted completely from the Constitution, and that power to legislate on the matter should be restored to the Oireachtas. In the meantime, we believe that the protocol to the Maastricht Treaty should also be deleted, and that the Government has not done enough to pursue this possibility. The Supreme Court judgement essentially means that, while abortion within Ireland is now permissible where the mother's life is endangered, it remains illegal to either obtain information concerning abortion or to travel abroad to secure an abortion. This ridiculous situation is guaranteed by the Maastricht protocol. It is clear that the only way forward is to restore the position which obtained prior to 1983, and to entrust to our elected legislators the responsibility for dealing with the complex issues involved.

→ This piece, one suspects, was written by a 'well-heeled, well-financed' pseudo-marxist & pseudo-enlightened "fundamentalist" Proinsias de Rossa, whose demonstrates how the vast majority of the Irish people cannot trust a man who has been a member of the 1985 so called Family Planning (Amendment) Act.

Maynooth By-Pass

Democratic Left welcomes the commencement of work on the Maynooth By-Pass, which should make life much more pleasant for most of us when completed. However, we are concerned by some of the possible consequences of using the Straffan Road as the only access road to the By-Pass. Councillor Catherine Murphy supports the call from Maynooth Community Council for the early completion of a relief road, linking the Dunboyne and Dublin Roads directly with the by-pass at the junction with the Straffan Road. This relief road is already in the County Council's long-term plans for Maynooth.

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Carton - Guinness Pullout Disaster for Maynooth

The decision by the Guinness Group to pull out of the Carton Development is a major blow to the town. The prospect of jobs, the restoration of Carton House and the free access to Carton for the public are now in jeopardy. We can only hope that An Bord Pleanála will turn down the appeals by those against the development thus keeping alive the prospect of the development of Carton as originally envisaged.

Upgrading of Blacklion Road

The upgrading of the Blacklion Road along Carton Wall was made a priority at a recent meeting of the Branch. Proper financing of improvements on this road will enable it to take the large traffic that now uses the Convent/Dunboyne Road. We will pursue this matter through Deputy Stagg.

The long term proposal for a relief road from the Straffan Road to Blacklion was also discussed. Members support the proposal in the knowledge that the road will be constructed as development occurs along the proposed route.

Parking of Lorries in Beaufield Estate

Arising from complaints from residents in the Area Deputy Stagg contacted the County Council and the Gardai concerning the illegal parking of lorries in Beaufield Estate.

The Chief Superintendent for the Carlow/Kildare Division has responded favourably and advised that a number prosecutions in respect of same have been instituted.

We hope that the matter is now resolved to the satisfaction of the residents of Beaufield.

Road Grants for 1992

At a recent meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council the Road Grants for 1992 were allocated. The total received from the Government for the Celbridge Area was £336,500 or one fifth of the amount required to cover the works listed for attention. £100,000 had to be provided for a new footbridge over the Liffey in Celbridge and this reduced the amounts available for Maynooth, Leixlip and Ardclough. The works to be carried out in Maynooth are as follows:

Moyglare Road - A sum of £28,000 has been provided to continue improvements carried out last year. Further monies will also be available from Development Levies later in 1992. This years work should be more visible as the bulk of the work carried out last year was on drainage. Work included for this year is the provision of kerbing and extra gullies, provision of new footpath and additional carpet surfacing of the road way.

Greenfield Lane - A sum of £20,000 has been provided to repair footpaths, improve drainage and resurface the road on the Lane from house number 350 to the Straffan Road.

Bond Bridge to Cluain Aoibhinn - A sum of £22,000 has been provided to repair kerbs, improve drainage and surface dress the road from Bond Bridge to Cluain Aoibhinn. Repairs will also be carried out to the Rathcoffey Road out to Crinstown.

Pike Bridge to Ballygoran - £15,000 has been provided here to improve edges and surfacing of the road. While the sum available for the above works is inadequate it will make lot of pedestrians and motorists less hazardous.

Leinster Park - Deputy Stagg has succeeded in getting a commitment from the County Engineer to seek funds from the National Primary Routes Grants to carry out the required repairs to the entrance to Leinster Park and for the footpath from the supermarket to Doctors Lane. We will continue to pursue this matter until it is carried out.

Straffan Road Resurfacing - The Private Contractor who carried out the pipe laying at Christmas has confirmed to the council that the Straffan Road would be properly resurfaced in April. The delay in carrying out this work was due to the necessity to wait for proper subsidence of the ground due to the depth of the pipe laying. Any further delay by the contractor will be pursued vigorously by Deputy Stagg at Council level.

Straffan Road Upgrading - In response to requests from Residents Associations Deputy Stagg has arranged for a deputation comprising of residents from each of the Residents Associations along Straffan Road to meet with the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council to put forward their concerns for the proper upgrading of the road and provision of proper screening in anticipation of the By-Pass.

Convent Road Voltage Supply - Concern has been expressed by residents along Convent Road that there is a weak voltage supply to their area. Consequently lights flicker as other electrical goods are turned on. Deputy Stagg has contacted the E.S.B. on the matter and they have advised that the Local area supervisor is investigating the complaint. We will keep you advised of progress.

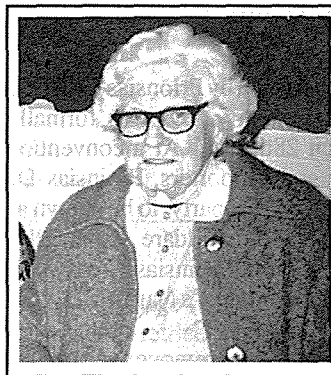
Convent Road Footpaths - Flooding which has been occurring on a regular basis on the new interlocking footpath at Convent Road has been reported to the Council by Deputy Stagg. We will keep you advised on this matter.

Footpath in Railpark - Crumbling and deterioration of the footpath outside No. 126 and No. 127 Railpark has been brought to the attention of the Council by Deputy Stagg.

The Avenue - The piers at either side of the entrance to the Avenue were recapped by the private contractor carrying out pipe laying in the area. However they are now different from each other. The County Engineer has advised Deputy Stagg that the Private contractor is obliged to reinstate them perfectly. Deputy Stagg has also received a commitment from the County Engineer to provide proper gates at the Carton side of the Avenue.

Public Lights Greenfields Phase 4 - 7 Public Lights are out of order in Greenfield Phase 4. Deputy Stagg has contacted the Council and E.S.B. re same. We expect them to be repaired as a matter of urgency.

Rubbish on Green - Following requests from residents of Greenfields Phase 3 Deputy Stagg has requested that the Council remove rubbish from the Green in front of houses No.'s 818 to 829. We will keep you advised of progress.



ing employed in the laundry. She had two brothers and four sisters, only of whom a sister is still alive, who lives in Scotland. She remembers the early years of this century when Carton was, along with the College, the largest employer in Maynooth. As well as her parents, her neighbours and one of her brothers also worked there. The estate did not pay very well but against that most of the commodities which were on sale were fairly cheap. Among the shops which she can remember were O'Briens, Dawsons and Gibleys, an off-licence situated near the current Caulfields pub where half pint bottles of whiskey were on sale for 1/11. In those years Maynooth was a quiet rural town, where everyone knew everyone else.

Among Mrs. Thompson's most vivid memories are those from the years of the War of Independence. The present Garda Barracks was then an R.I.C. barracks with a few policemen based there. During the time of the troubles it became a base for the Black and Tans as well. Many people were frightened of them at first, and her mother used to insist on quenching the paraffin lamps at night in case they would see the light and raid the house as a result. However, since Maynooth was a very quiet town at the time there was no real trouble and everyone was soon on good terms. Mrs. Thompson points out that after an initial period of mistrust that the Black and Tans were very friendly towards the local people. Many of Mrs. Thompson's neighbours and one of her brothers were involved in the I.R.A. at the time but very little happened in Maynooth itself, although a few of her neighbours did take part in the Easter Rising. When the British forces were being evacuated from Ireland following the signing of the Treaty Mrs. Thompson was on her way to Liverpool, but as all of the ships were being used to transport the troops she was forced to wait for four days before she was allowed to travel by the authorities.

For the twelve years following her departure in 1922 Mrs. Thompson worked in Liverpool in a hospital run by the Sisters of Charity. The pay was £2 a month, a lot of money in those days, plus food. She states that at that time many people were forced to emigrate. She returned to Ireland in 1934 when she married John Thompson, who died 20 years ago. They had two sons, one of whom lives in Maynooth, the other in England. Mr. Thompson worked for forty years in OBuachallas hardware shop and Mrs. Thompson can remember Domhnaill O'Buachalla when he was the governor of the free state.

Among the other memories of Mrs. Thompson was the rationing which was in place during the second World War

Mrs. Catherine Thompson, nee Burke, was born in Maynooth 92 years ago. Her family lived in Leinster Cottages, which then belonged to Carton Estate where her father was a dairy hand, who used to have to be in work for 6 a.m. each morning. When her mother was younger she used to work in the estate as well, being employed in the laundry. She had two brothers and four sisters, only of whom a sister is still alive, who lives in Scotland. She remembers the early years of this century when Carton was, along with the College, the largest employer in Maynooth. As well as her parents, her neighbours and one of her brothers also worked there. The estate did not pay very well but against that most of the commodities which were on sale were fairly cheap. Among the shops which she can remember were O'Briens, Dawsons and Gibleys, an off-licence situated near the current Caulfields pub where half pint bottles of whiskey were on sale for 1/11. In those years Maynooth was a quiet rural town, where everyone knew everyone else.

and the following years. She says that people in Maynooth were not too badly off in those years and that if people were very short of anything it could usually be obtained on the black market. She views a lot of the changes which took place in Maynooth in recent years as being for the best with people being better off now than they would have been in the early years of the century. The one disadvantage is that the town may not now be as friendly as it once was.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A NOTES

1st Team

The team has had little or no luck over the last three games with an understrength side going down to Kill in Ardclough and losing to Senior and Intermediate sides, St. Laurences and Grange in the League. In the latter two games Maynooth competed very well against opponents who are used to playing in a higher level of competition. The Grange game in particular could have been won with a little more accuracy up front.

Details:-

(1) Maynooth 7 pts - Kill 1.6

Scorers: Killian Fagan 5pts; Mick Nevin and Eoin O'Neill 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Fagan, O'Toole (J), Kelly, Noone, O'Neill and Murray.

(2) Maynooth 6pts St. Laurence's 1.11

Scorers: K. Fagan & M. Nevin 2pts. each; Colm Feeney & Eoin O'Neill 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Molloy, Dunne (E), Nevin (M), Ennis, Fagan and Devereaux.

(3) Maynooth 8pts. Grange 1.7

Scorers: Joey Nevin, Mick Nevin & Killian Fagan 2pts each; Liam O'Toole and Joey Edwards 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Conway, Dunne (E), Stynes, Ennis, Nevin(M), Fagan, Nevin (J), Devereaux and Edwards.

Underage:

The North Kildare League for Under 10's and Under 12's started on April 6th with two excellent victories for the Maynooth youngsters away to Kilcock. both games were hard fought and the win for the Under 10's was particularly gratifying as the team mentors could only call on five of last years very successful side. The Under 12's on the other hand had the bulk of last year's team available again, and if the Kilcock form can be reproduced on a regular basis there is no reason why they cannot have a very successful campaign.

Best for the Under 10's: Shane Devereaux, Patrick King, Mikey Gleeson, David Campbell, Seanie Brady, Pierre Ennis, Stephen Fleming and Mark Kavanagh.

Outstanding for the Under 12's were: Gearoid Higgins, Niall Downey, Declan O'Rourke, Darren Naughton, Niall Byrne, Barry Connolly, Ger Hanly and Stephen Redmond.

Underage Training.

All underage players and their parents should note that until further notice the Saturday morning training sessions will be held on the Salesians pitches on the Celbridge Road. This is to allow repair work to be carried out to our own pitch on the Moyglare Road. There is no change in time i.e. 11.30a.m. - 12.45p.m. approx.

U/16 Football League.

Maynooth 0.7pts. V Clane 1.3.

This game produced a great game of football between two well matched sides. Clane with wind assistance dominated the first half but were unable to convert their chances into scores. An A. Killay goal for Clane gave the visitors a 1.1 to 0.2 interval lead. Maynooth with points from T. Farrell 2pts., H. Nevin 1pt, D. Noonan 1pt, gave them a two point lead. Then two points from Clane brought the sides level and a

draw looked the likely result. In the final minute of the game an excellent run by J. Lawlor saw him on the Clane 20 meter line where he found J. Rossiter who scored the winning point. Best for Maynooth, S. Noonan, T. Farrell, D. Noonan, J. Lawlor, H. Nevin, J. Rossiter, P. Grant, T. Byrne, T. Fay, J. Higgins.

Man of the Match:- T. Farrell.

U/16 Football Challenge.

Maynooth V Navan O Mahoneys

Maynooth 1.6 - Navan O Mahoneys 1.8

Navan finished the better team scoring their two winning points with minutes to go. The Maynooth team played very well throughout the game. Best for Maynooth, T. Farrell 2pts; J. Lawlor 1.2pts; H. Nevin 1pt; P. Burke 1pt; P. Grant, R. Murphy, C. Ryan, H. Nevin, T. Fay, N. Gillick.

Man of the Match:- J. Lawlor.

U/16 Football League.

Maynooth 4.6 V Na Fianna 1.5

Maynooth had their second win in u/16 League. Best for Maynooth; S. Noonan 2 goals. 1pt, O. Nevin 1 goal, C. Ryan 1 goal, T. Farrell 3pts., J. Lawlor 2pts., T. Fay, V. Murtagh, T. Byrne..

U/16 Football League Fixtures

Friday 10th April - Home to Clane. Friday 17th April Away to Na Fianna. Friday 24th April - Home to Kilcullen. Friday 1st May Home to Suncroft. Friday 8th May - Away to Round Towers. Friday 15th May - Home to Caragh.

U/14 Football League fixtures.

Friday 5th June - Home to Ballyna. Friday 12th June Away to Round Towers. Friday 19th June - Home to Celbridge. Friday 26th June - Away to Monasterevan. Wednesday 1st July - Away to Na Fianna. Monday 20th July - Away to Athy. Monday 27th July - Home to Caragh.

U/16 Hurling League Fixtures.

Wednesday 8th April - Home to Kilcock. Wednesday 15th April - Away to Kill. Wednesday 22nd April - Home to Moorfield. Wednesday 29th April - Away to Kilcock. Wednesday 6th May - Home to Kill. Wednesday 13th May - Away to Moorfield.

North Kildare Hurling League. U/10 and U/13.

Monday 4th May u/13 - Maynooth V Leixlip. u/10 Maynooth V Corra Coill. Monday 18th May u/13 & u/10. Maynooth V Confey, Home. Monday 8th June u/13 v Naas, u/10 Kill, Home. Monday 22nd June u/13 V Leixlip. u/10 V Corra Coill.

Junior "A" Football Championship - Maynooth v Rhaban in Naas on Sunday 3rd May at 2.15 p.m.

Junior "B" Football Championship. Maynooth V Rhaban in Sarsfields on Saturday 16th May at 7.00p.m.

Senior Football Championship. Geraldines V Kilcock in Newbridge on Sunday 17th May at 2.15p.m.

Minor Football League.

Maynooth 1.12 V Rathangan 1.3

Maynooth turned in their best performance to defeat Rathangan. Maynooth laid the foundation for victory in the opening half. In second half Rathangan put up a good fight. Best for Maynooth, K. Killoran, T. Fay, J. Nevin, M. Mealy, G. Horan, H. Purcell, M. Donnolly.

Minor Football League.

Maynooth 2.6 V Suncroft 4.5

Maynooth playing with the wind in first half and with H.

Purcell causing the Suncroft defence a lot of problems we looked to have the game won and lead at half time by 2.5 to 1.2. The second half it was all Suncroft and Maynooth defence could not keep them out. Best for Maynooth in a game they could have won but for missed chances, were: H. Purcell 1.3, T. Farrell 1.0, M. Donnolly 1pt., J. Nevin 1pt., M. Noone 1pt., A.O'Shea, K. Killoran, P. Guinan.

Minor Football League.

Maynooth 2.9 V Moorfield 0.4pts.,

Maynooth playing against the wind in first half opening the scoring with a point by K. Killoran, and further points by J. Nevin and P. Garvey 2pts. to leave half time score 4pts. each. Maynooth dominated the second half and scored a further 2.5pts. without reply. In this period D. Fleming moved to full forward and scored 2 great goals. Best for Maynooth; K. Killoran, J. Nevin, P. Hogan, G. Horan, D. Fleming, M. Donnolly.

HURLING

Under 16

Maynooth 5.4 Broadford 3.2

This was the Semi-Final of the Autumn 91 League and another hard game as we would expect from Broadford. There was nothing in it up to half time but a Cathal Ryan goal gave Maynooth the lift they needed and they went on to earn a place in the final against Castledermot. Best players on the day were H. Nevin, P. Leacy, T. Farrell, C. Ryan and S. Brennan.

Maynooth 2.1 Kilcock 1.0

Maynooth got off to a winning start in the 1992 campaign but made hard work of this game. Best performers were T & P Farrell, Leacy, Nevin, S. Noonan and N. Gillick. Scorers Noonan 1.0, P. Farrell 1.0, Leacy 0.1.

U/16

Maynooth 2.3 Kill 1.2

This was a tight game though Maynooth always looked the better side. Scores were level at half time and Maynooth exerted a bit more control in the second half. There were good performances from R. Casey, P. Leacy, T. Farrell, E. Hassett and S. Brennan. Scorers: E. Hassett 1.2, A. Gaffney 1.0 and N. Gillick 0.1

Under 13

Maynooth 3.1 Confey 0.0

The North Kildare League got off to a good start for this team with a fine win at Confey. Michael Ryan had an outstanding game for Maynooth as had B. Keogh, S. Cummins, W. Gannon, S. Gutnan, E and V Nevin. Scorers B. Keogh 2.0, S. Cummins 1.0, W. Gannon 0.1.

U/13

Maynooth 5.2 Naas 0.0

Maynooth were always in command but the scores were slow to come. The move of Seamus Cummins to the forward line improved things and a comfortable win was the end result. Best players were S. Cummins, O and V. Nevin, M. Gallagher and A. and M. McCarron. Scorers: S. Cummins 2.0, C. Diggins, V. Nevin, M. Gleeson, 1.0 each, K. Ennis, W. Gannon 0.1 each.

Under 12

Maynooth 2.0 Rathangan 2.0

The u/12s had to dig deep for this draw after falling 2 goals behind in the second half. They never gave up and Peter Guinan and Karl Ennis scored two good goals for a deserved draw. Others to do well were C. Diggins, S. Cummins and T. Mullarky.

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Under 10

Confey 2.0 Maynooth 0.1

The u/10s led at half time by a point from a Mikey Gleeson free. Confey put on the pressure in the second half and in spite of great defensive work by our backs they got through for 2 goals. Maynooth's best were T. Masterson, A. Molloy, M. Sweeney, P. Ennis, S. O'Flaherty and M. Kavangh.

Maynooth 6.5 Kill 0.0

We got a fine victory here to give the lads a boost after the Confey defeat. Maynooth were always on top with Mikey Gleeson in top form scoring 2.5. The other scorers were Mark Cummins, James Hoare, Damian Travers and Peter Guinan 1.0 each. Other good performances came from P. Sheehan, J. Mullarky, S. O'Flaherty and P. Ennis.

U/10 Panel: T. Masterson, A. Molloy, M. Sweeney, P. Sheehan, P. Ennis, J. Mullarky, S. O'Flaherty, M. Gleeson, D. Travers, M. Kavanagh, J. Hoare, M. Cummins, P. Guinan, P. Nevin, S. Brady, F. Devereux, F. Molloy, E. Diggins, S. O'Farrelly, C. Lynam, K. Gannon, P. O'Flaherty.

Training will continue at 10.30 on Saturday mornings at the Salesian College while the Maynooth ground is under repair. New members always welcome for all age groups.

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Our season is now coming to a close and we still have an interest in the destination of a number of trophies. Our first team have reached the quarter finals of the Dowdall Cup and eagerly await the draw to see who our opponents might be. Our second team are still battling away in their division of the league and despite a slight set back a couple of weeks ago, have now regained their impetus and subsequent results in which other teams in contention have dropped valuable points, we have now got a chance to take the title.

With both teams still to play several league games and hopefully a number of cup games still to come our season may still show some benefit for our efforts throughout. With midweek games now in operation our players are going to have a busy period which will stretch our resources to the full. Our under 13 school boys have been a revelation all season and with just a few league games left are still up there battling away at the top and will not be shaken off. They still have a very live chance of winning their division and the next few games will decide their fate.

The under 11 side did not as expected set the world on fire this season when making their debut in competitive league football. Nevertheless their improvement in the latter half of the season was an encouragement for all concerned and the gathering of a few points here and there was some reward for their efforts. It was some consolation to see that some longer established teams have not fared as well.

The u/16 schoolgirls have commenced their NEC shield campaign and have easily disposed of Celbridge 6 - 0 in the 1st round. In recent weeks they have been taking part in trials to select a league team to compete against other leagues. Their 1st game in this venture has already taken place against the Leinster League ladies which resulted in a 1 - 1 draw. Details are not at hand and will appear in the next club report. At this time of the season preparations are usually being made for the Club Annual Dance and Player of the Year awards. We expect to have full details of same in the next report also. The European Finals are beckoning even closer and will commence in early June. Even the lack of the Republic of Ireland on this occasion will hardly diminish the interest of the public who will doubtless be watching with interest the progress some of the teams we might have to face in the World Cup finals in the U.S.A. Wishful thinking? Hardly with the number of young players being gradually integrated into Jack's panels to coincide with the experience gained in previous campaigns by the more established members of the team.

In order that we would have more than a passing interest in this years Euro Finals our Supporters Club are running a Euro '92 football forecast. Entry fee is a £1 and there is £200 in prizes. All you have to do is forecast the result of the various games and the highest no. of points wins the top prize and so on. All our clubs have entry forms which are already available.

Our Schoolboys section have held a coaching evening under the supervision of Jimmy Jackson and Liam L'Estrange and we are now making plans to have a full week-end session in the near future where we can develop the budding talents of many of our young hopefuls. We would like to thank Jimmy and Liam for their help and advice during the evening in which we learned a great deal about the coaching aspect of schoolboys and the ever important point of keeping everyone occupied and part of the proceedings.

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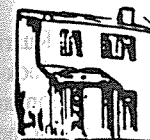
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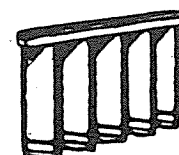
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Sports News

to our assistance. Tom Geraghty of Greenfield Supermarket has sponsored a set of training cones to start us off which will be of considerable help. There are many more aids required to complete our stock so hopefully there are more people now with the sporting interest of our first sponsor for this venture to help us out further.

Recent Results.

Dowdall Cup

Maynooth Town 2 Bridge Celtic 1

This was a most heartening result which keeps alive our season on two fronts for senior section. Having played a 2 - 2 draw against the same opposition a few weeks ago, we expected to push this more exalted opposition very close. The game was played at a furious pace from the outset and we missed a number of good chances before finally breaking the deadlock. Following a long period of pressure Fergal Barton put us in the lead after half an hour. Bridge soon showed why they have been to the forefront of the Premier Division for a number of seasons and came storming back looking for an equaliser which they eventually got. Our defence made a number of efforts to clear a loose ball from our own penalty area and were punished for their slackness and keeper Bobby Barry was given no chance from close range. This setback seemed to give our side a jolt and the defence immediately closed ranks and gave an impeccable display of rearguard action in the face of some fierce pressure. We were not to be denied our victory however and with 10 mins remaining we got the vital winner after a great build up in which several players were involved. When the ball broke loose in the penalty area following a shot by Fergal Barton a number of players were in position to claim the glory which eventually fell to Gerry Quinn. We held firm for the remainder of the game and with Bobby Barry giving a superb display in goal Bridge were left looking a very dejected side at the end. Division 3 P. Grds.

Maynooth Town 2 St. Matthews Boys 2.

This game was played on a day when every piece of available shelter was utilised to the full. An almost incessant hailstorm turned the pitch into a quagmire and tested the hardiness of both sets of warriors in the face of near Arctic conditions. It was a measure of the skills of both sides that a high level of entertainment was maintained throughout the ninety minutes. St. Matthews were determined to maintain their own high league position when opening in a flurry and putting early pressure on the Maynooth defence. Barry Desmond was in top form in the home goal and instilled confidence in his back four which performed heroically and had determined performers in John O'Neill and Darren Moran. John Geoghegan and Gerry Tracey were powerhouses in midfield and toiled incessantly all afternoon to prevent St. Matthews taking charge whenever they threatened to do so. They shared our two goals between and this was just reward for their tireless efforts in the home cause. With a few games still left this result will keep us to the forefront of our division which is still there to be won.

u/13 Schoolboys

Maynooth Town 1 Greenhills Boys 0

An early goal by leading scorer Eamon Gallagher was the difference between two very well matched sides who have been in consistent form all season. Darren Naughton was in superb form at the heart of the home defence and got good support from Declan Buckley and Patrick Carroll. Niall Naughton's handling in goal was of the highest order and looked unbeatable throughout the game. Eoin Guha was

once again his usual impeccable self and showed a wide variety of his various skills. Martin Byrne, Aidan O'Brien and Eamon Gallagher peppered the opposing defence all through the game but found them as capable and rock like as our own and showed very little reward except our only goal by Gallagher.

U/11 Schoolboys

With only one league game remaining to be played we have been idle for a number of weeks but a recent friendly against Beach Park turned out to be a most informative exercise.

Maynooth Town 4 Beach Park 4

We showed considerably more sharpness up front than in previous games and gave a very good account of ourselves in the scoring end of the business.

Goals by Trevor McMahon, Killian O'Connor, Ruari Wederfort and Thomas Geraghty made up our healthy looking total. The concession of four goals is not a reflection on a poor home defence but an indication of the strength of the visitors forward line. Keeper Davitt O'Neill could not be faulted for any of the goals and with Andy Madden and Colm Cahill in top form the Beach Park side were made to work very hard indeed to reap such a healthy tally.



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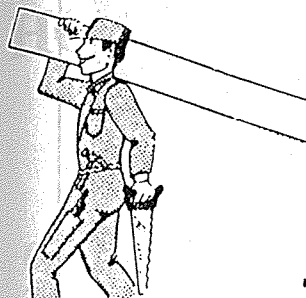
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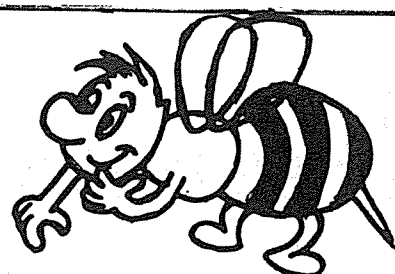
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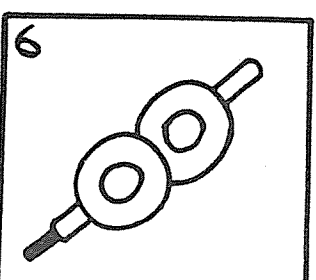
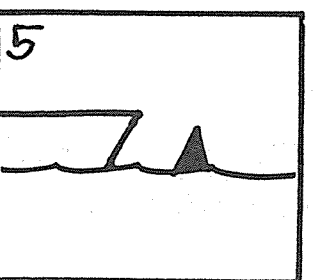
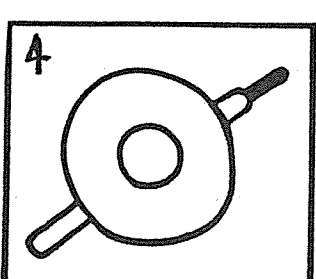
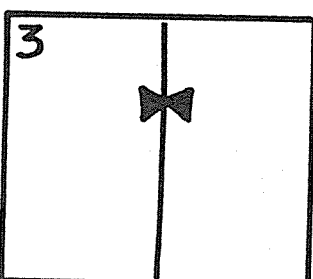
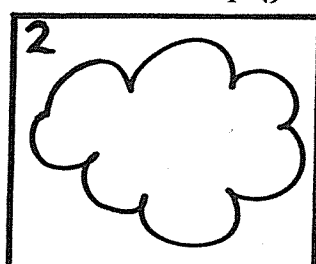
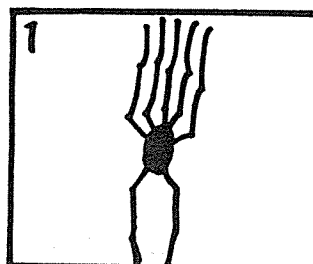


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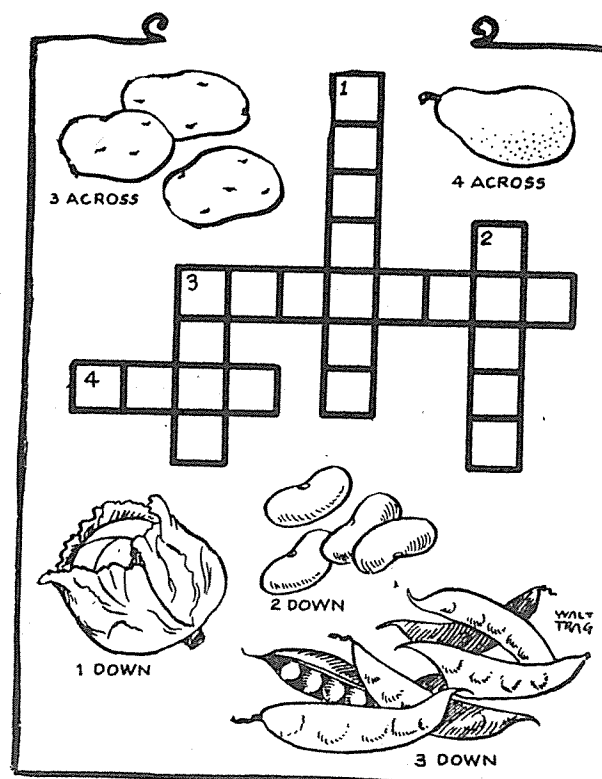


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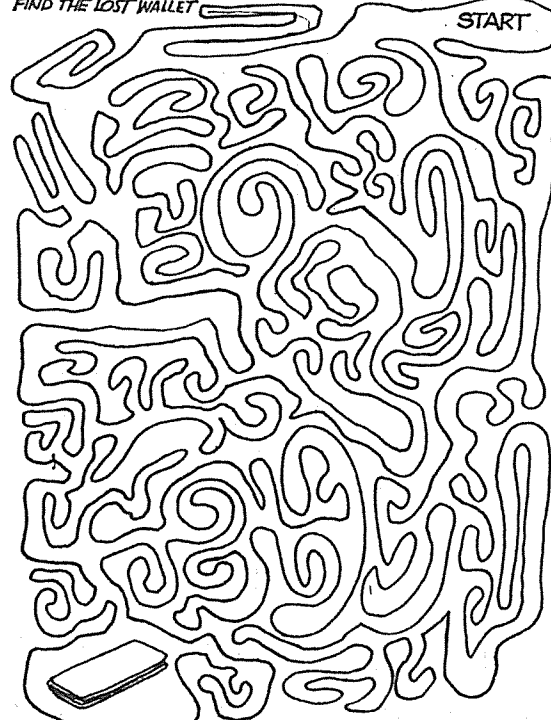


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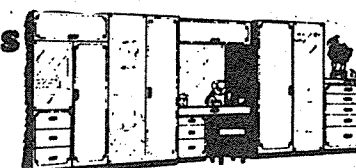
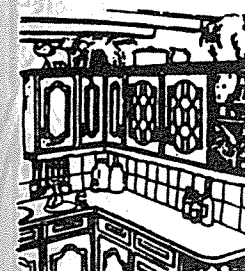
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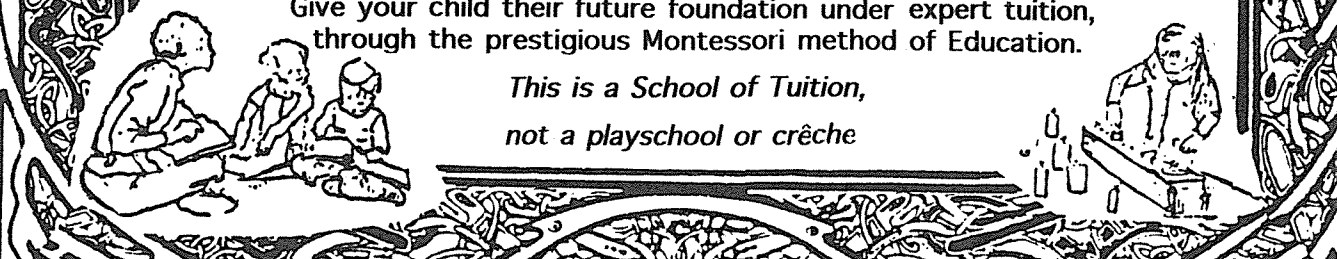
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Happy birthday Gemma on May 8th. Lots of love Dad, mam, Lynda and Paul.

Happy 5th birthday Morgan on May 31st, from Peadar, May, Gemma, Lynda and Paul.

Belated happy birthday to Suzy Harpur who is 17 on the 25th of April from Claire, Hazel, Rita, family and friends.

To Martin Farrell, happy birthday from Helena.

To all class 5 have a great Easter from Helena Muldoon.

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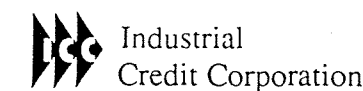
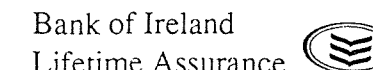
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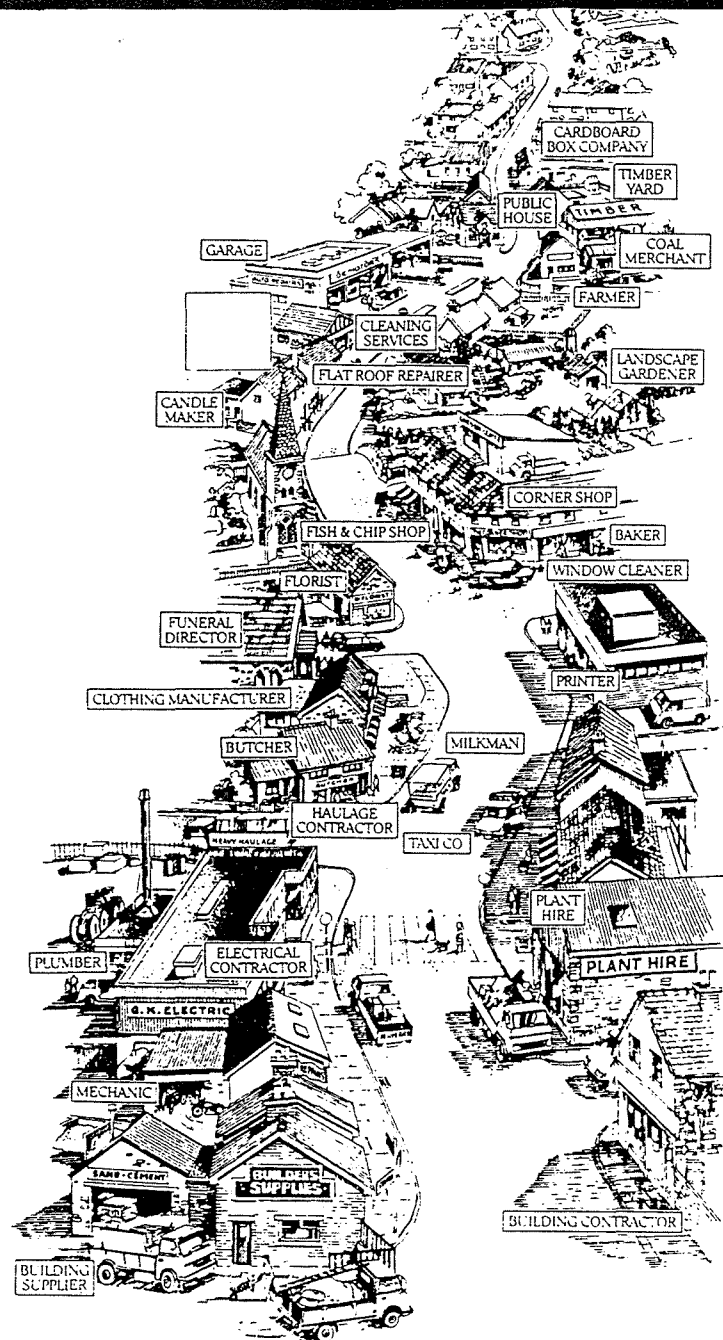
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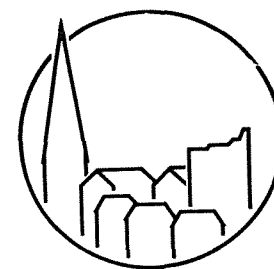
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Editorial

Maastricht and all that

This month brings the Maastricht Referendum on June 18th. Readers will probably be overwhelmed with information and opinions on the rights or wrongs of voting yes or no. Much of the discussion is hypothetical, as we really cannot predict the outcome for Ireland, whichever way the vote goes. So much can change so quickly as we have seen in the last traumatic year or two. The Berlin Wall fell almost overnight, the USSR disintegrated, Yugoslavia is still tearing itself apart. The question to decide is can Europe buck this trend, and even if it can, at what price to Ireland? Ireland has benefited tremendously from its participation in Europe, particularly with social legislation. But there are now more people unemployed than there were when we joined the EC; the promises of extra funding may not materialise; what is the future of our neutrality? Whatever way you decide to vote, it is important that all voters take every opportunity to inform themselves of the facts, to differentiate between the facts and speculation, and to go out and vote. Don't leave Ireland's future in other hands.

Freedom to travel?

With all the discussion about freedom to travel in other contexts, there is something both tragic and infuriating that it is not safe for a woman to travel alone in her own neighbourhood. Readers may be aware of the horrific attack on a Maynooth woman last month. There are no easy solutions to this kind of situation. It is not acceptable that women should become prisoners, and they should be able to walk home at night without this terrible fear. Certainly, something should be done about the lighting in the area where the attack began.

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Exam Times

By now most students in the College will have completed examinations. The *Newsletter* extends best wishes to all for a successful outcome, including our Editorial Board members, Richard Hayes and Peter Hussey. Maynooth residents will notice a reduction in student numbers this summer, not because of a higher pass rate, but because final year honours students will be taking examinations at the beginning of Summer for the first time, rather than at the end of the Summer as in previous years. To the Leaving Certificate and Junior Certificate students still awaiting their date with destiny, we advise you not to worry, just study effectively, and you'll get the results you deserve.

Good luck all.

Community Festival Week

We print details of the diary for Community Festival Week in this issue. The *Newsletter* urges all residents to get involved in at least one of the many events which the Committee has organised - at least the one in which the *Newsletter* has a direct interest - the Table Quiz.

Goodbyes

The *Newsletter* would like to extend its best wishes to Michelle Mee who has acted as secretary to the *Newsletter* Editorial Board, on her departure. We wish her every success.

Calling all writers

The *Newsletter* is seeking people to join the Editorial Board, and anyone who would be interested in writing material, either features, or regular reports. We are interested in receiving any material related in some way to Maynooth, which is fit to print. Those interested should contact Christina Sauls at 6285922, or Kay MacKeogh, 6285241.

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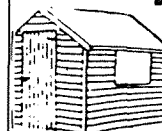
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Community Council Notes

Lee Mallaghan for Pierse Contracting

Statement from Pierse Contracting and Lee Mallaghan (owner of Carton House) in relation to Guinness withdrawal from Carton House:

We have been informed by Guinness Enterprises of its decision to withdraw from the Carton Estate Project.

We are shocked by this announcement and do not accept that they are entitled to withdraw. This action has been taken at a particularly sensitive stage in the appeal process.

Furthermore, only very preliminary discussions have taken place with a number of banks regarding financing for the project.

COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

Inter Estate 7-A-Side Soccer.

We are again holding this most popular event during the Festival. First matches should begin 8th June. Guinness are sponsoring the trophies to the tune of £800 i.e. £400 for men's competition and £400 for womens competition. Same rules apply as last year. Names of teams should be given to:

Peter Holland, 72 Maynooth 'Park.

John Mc Ginley, 50 Greenfield Drive.

Padraig Kearney, 5 Carton Court.

Denis Mc Dermott, 12 Carton Court.

Christina Saults, Community Council Office.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Planning and Development Committee are very disappointed that our FAS Project due to start in late May has been postponed until July (earliest). This is due to an over run on the FAS budgets for 1992.

However, the work of the committee continues and we hope shortly to have our outline plans ready.

We will be holding two major fundraising events in the near future.

The "Daisy Pat" competition will be held during the Community Festival week, please support it.

The other is a Race Night at a date yet to be confirmed.

Finally if you have thoughts on the future shape of Maynooth, please send them to Planning and Development Committee, C/o Maynooth Community Council.



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COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

Results of Gymnastics: Boys U/8 - 1st Eoin O'Sullivan, 2nd Conor Brady, 3rd Darren Hayes, 4th Edmond Cooney. Boys U/10 - 1st Brendan Eddery, 2nd Peter Sheehan. Boys U/12 - 1st Damien Travers. Boys U/14 - 1st John Moran, 2nd Cormac Eddery. Girls U/8 - 1st Deirdre Anglin 7.2, 2nd Lauren Eddery 6.8, 3rd Ciara Hayes 6.7, 4th Andree Heslin 6.5. Girls U/10 - 1st Josephine Fay 8.4, 2nd Anthonine Rossiter 7.7, 3rd Lynn Brennan 7.4, 4th Rachel Cunningham 7.2. U/12 - 1st Isabelle Fay 8.6, 2nd Aileen Billings 8.4, 3rd Anne Gannon 8.0, 4th Roisin Farrelly 7.8.

It was a marvellous evening and very successful. A special thanks to: Josephine Fay (Co-ordinator) Orlaith Murphy and Jennifer Caulfield - for sharing their experience and expertise, parents and children for coming in such large numbers. Congratulations to Josephine Fay, Isabella Fay and John Moran on winning County medals.

Swimming Results: Tiny Tots, 1. Nora McGlinchey, U/8 Fr. St. 1. Aileen Byrne. U/10 Fr. St. 1. Emma Fleming, 2. Catherine Gannon, 3. Emma Cullinane. U/12 Fr. St. 1. Rachel Watson, 2. Therese Flood, 3. Helena Healy. U/14 Fr. St. 1. Susan Dillon, 2. Anna Flood, 3. Eleanor Scully. U/16 Fr. St. 1. Aoife Callaghan, 2. Elaine Fleming, 3. Emer O'Sullivan. U/17 Fr. St. 1. Ann Marie Gallagher, 2. Paula O'Shea, 3. Caoimhe O'Sullivan. U/10 Bk. St. 1. Emma Fleming, 2. Emma Cullinane, 3. Catherine Gannon. U/12. Br. St. 1. Louise Gannon, 2. Therese Flood, 3. Sharon McLoughlin. U/14 Bk. St. 1. Susan Dillon, 2. Anna Flood, 3. Eleanor Scully. U/14 Br. St. 1. Susan Dillon, 2. Eleanor Scully, Joint 3. Maeve Stynes & Anna Flood. U/16 Bk. St. 1. Aoife Callaghan, 2. Elaine Fleming, 3. Emer O'Sullivan. U/16 Butterfly 1. Aoife Callaghan, 2. Elaine Fleming, 3. Paula O'Shea. Tiny Tots. 1. Patrick Pearse. U/8 Fr. St. 1. Mark Watson, 2. Paul Horan, 3. Kevin Farrell. U/10 Fr. St. 1. Padraig O'Sullivan, 2. Peter Sheehan, 3. Brian McLoughlin. U/12 Fr. St. 1. Mark McLoughlin, 2. Martin Sheils, 3. Martin Filbert. U/14. Fr. St. 1. James Gallagher, 2. Owen Maher, 3. Declan O'Rourke. U/16 Fr. St. 1. Michael Pearse. U/10 Bk. St. 1. Brian McLoughlin, 2. Padraig O'Sullivan, 3. Peter Sheehan. U/12 Br. St. 1. Martin McLoughlin, 2. Martin Filbert, 3. Martin Sheils. U/14 Br. St. 1. James Gallagher, 2. Owen Maher, 3. Declan O'Rourke.

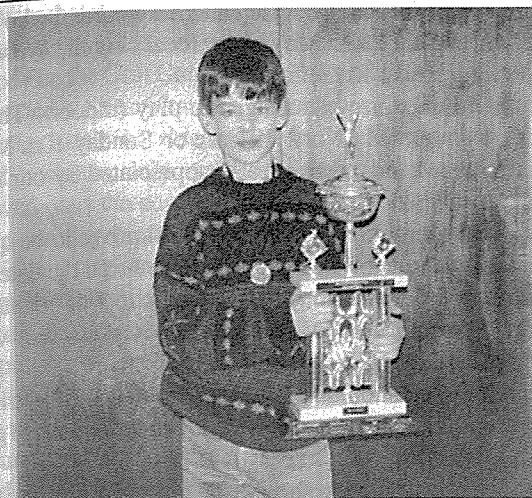
Thanks to Jim Fleming (Co-ordinator) and those too numerous to mention who came to help in the smooth running of the event in Stewarts. Also thanks to Maynooth Swimming Club for donations towards the cost of the day.

Variety: This year we hosted the county finals on 23rd May. Thanks to Annemarie Thompson and Christine Reilly. Team: Susie Creggy, William Gannon, Gareth Gallagher, Brian Folen, Eithne Cunningham, Virginia Breslin, Shirley Dowling, Josephine Behan, Valerie Nolan, Mary Nolan, Tony Dowling, Maeve Flood, Orla Cathal, Fiona Wederfort and Muireann Tierney for all of their hard work and dedication. It's a costly business hosting an event such as this so our thanks to Paul Daly for acting as compere on the night, Johnny Thompson for providing the lighting and all the other people who have given of their time.

Athletics: Thanks to Mick Gleeson for co-ordinating again. There will be more information in the next issue.

Community Council Notes

Well the individual events will all have taken place when this goes to press, we still have team events and Mosney to look forward to. We will keep you updated with the bits and pieces.



Mark Hallinan of Greenfield Drive, Maynooth, who recently won the under 12 Art Competition at the Kildare Community Games. He will now go on to represent Kildare at the National Games in Mosney, Co. Meath.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS

Our entry is now in for the 1992 Bord Failte Tidy Towns Competition. We are disappointed that the Planning/Development Scheme will not take place until later in the year. However our small band of volunteers has already started work.

We welcome any help, please contact 6286044.

As usual our Tidy Estates/best Area - best Shop Front Competition starts in June continuing to September.

If any area or business requires a copy of the judging criteria, please contact above telephone number.

We thank Kildare County Council for the Litter Bins in Main Street.

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OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

As Active Age Week 1992 comes to a close we wish to report a very successful and enjoyable week. The week was officially launched at a function held in the Town House, Naas on Monday, May 11th. The event was organised by the E.H.B. and a number of our Committee attended and enjoyed the outing.

On Sunday May 10th the draw took place for the holiday in Kerdiffstown in August. Successful were: Mary Waldron, Mrs Keoghan, Imelda Farrelly, Mr. and Mrs Edwards, Mrs Hand, Mrs Daly, Mrs Tracey, Moyglare Road, Gret Dunne and Tosheen Farrell.

We wish to thank the G.A.A. for the use of their premises on Thursday night May 14th. Thanks also to the entertainers who so generously gave of their time. The trip to the Art Gallery in Kilcock with tea and snacks in O'Keeffe's Pub was also very successful.

At a promotion in Quinnsnorth on April 30th Owen Byrne was asked to nominate a group as beneficiaries of a large amount of flowers, which the management of Quinnsnorth were distributing.

He named the Old People and the flowers were duly delivered to the I.C.A. Hall where the morning session was in progress. The Committee organised it from there. For a very thoughtful gesture we extend our thanks to the management of Quinnsnorth and to Owen Byrne.

Our annual outing takes place on June 20th. The morning session will finish at the end of June.

We wish to report that in April, tickets were being sold under false pretences in Maynooth. A number of teenagers were selling these on behalf of the "elderly". This exercise had nothing to do with our Committee or the elderly for that matter. We have two fund raising activities each year - Sale of Work in November and Annual Collection in March. Cloakroom tickets are never used by us and we never send children to do our work. All our members now have I.D. cards and are happy to produce them on request.

P.R.O.

ST. MARY'S BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Boys' National School Parents' Association held a Race Night in the G.A.A. Clubhouse on Friday 10th April. The night was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended it. We wish to thank all the people who sponsored races, those who placed ads in the programme, those who attended on the night and especially the G.A.A. Club for the use of their premises. The children of the school will all benefit greatly from your generosity.

B. Furlong, P.R.O.

ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

We congratulate Patricia Dempsey and her husband who tied the knot on Saturday 16th May in our local church. We wish them every happiness in the future.

Despite the downpour, we managed to play (indoor - Thank God) at the Jamboree in North Kildare on Sunday 10th May. Our musical renditions were greatly appreciated by our fans and supporters.

Over the coming months our schedule will prove to be quite busy. In the last issue of the *Newsletter* we listed the dates of our engagements. As you may be aware, the roof of our hall is at present being repaired. We hope to cover the cost with financing from our engagements.

In July our horizons should be broadened with a holiday trip to Wales (please Saint Swithin, can we ask you in advance to give us good weather'!).

Booking for engagements should be made in writing to Secretary, (Elaine Bean), St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley,
P.R.O.

THE CARTON COMMITTEE

The future of Carton remains uncertain. Guinness/Gleneagles has pulled out of the proposed development but the remaining members of the consortium, Mr. Mallaghan the owner and the building firm involved, are appealing to an Bord Pleannala against some of the conditions imposed by Kildare and Meath County Councils when giving planning permission. The worst possible scenario of Carton becoming a glorified housing development could yet become a reality.

Information is now emerging which highlights how important it is that everyone interested in the future of Carton - and that includes the entire population of Maynooth - is alert and questioning about the present and any future proposal for commercial development. One fundamental question concerns the commercial viability of these hotel - golf course - equestrian centre complexes. The market is awash with this type of development. All over the south of England demesnes and parklands are being converted to golf and equestrian centres for elite tourism. In Ireland there is a growing flood of applications for permission for developments almost identical with that proposed for Carton - similar in detail almost to the last golfing villa. There are no fewer than 60 private golf courses in the pipeline in Ireland at present. Many have the same formula: 200 bed hotel, golf course (most of them described as 'championship' - like the K club), equestrian centre, housing development in the woods (variously called 'villas', 'lodges', 'chalets', etc.) Examples abound and include Powerscourt, Co. Wicklow (currently under appeal to an Bord Pleannala), Lough Key in Co. Roscommon, Fota in Co. Cork, Muckross in Co. Kerry, Mount Nugent in Co. Kilkenny, and most recently in Meath, Killeen Castle and Oldbridge House.

Does anyone think all these will make money and provide secure worthwhile jobs? There have been persistent rumours that the K Club at Straffan, so close to Maynooth and so like the

Gleneagles proposal for Carton, is far from being a commercial success. The Carton Committee has recently been informed by someone who stayed at Gleneagles in Scotland for several days at Easter that at the time of the visit the total number of resident guests in the Gleneagles Golf Hotel was five, and there was nobody on the Golf Course! And Maynooth residents might be interested to hear that the Gleneagles Golf Course is now closed to locals in Achterarder; in an effort to boost the flagging hotel business, only residents in the Gleneagles Hotel are allowed onto the course. Local small hotels which formerly had a thriving business with customers staying in them and playing on the famous course are now up in arms. An even more disturbing aspect is also emerging. It now appears that Guinness had made the decision to withdraw from the proposed development before Kildare County Council voted for a material contravention of the County Development Plan to allow it to go ahead.

We understand that as early as last Christmas Guinness indicated that it was dropping a number of similar development in Europe. It is further reported that Guinness has been trying to sell its interest in the proposed Carton Development in England over the last few months. If this is indeed the case it raised serious questions about the *bona fides* of the planning application. Kildare County Council officials and councillors granted permission reluctantly in the belief that the proposal was the only viable future for Carton, and relying on the commitment of the proposers to carry the plan through. It is highly improbable that permission would have been granted had the Council had any doubts about the commitment of the major partner to the application.

A Carton Appeal Group has been set up recently to co-ordinate the work of the various groups interested in preventing the wrong kind of development of Carton and in working to bring about the best possible development. We will report further on this in future Newsletters. We hope also to encourage public discussion as to how Carton can be developed to serve the interests of all the community.

The Carton Committee.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

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2nd Sunday of month The Eucharist 10.30 am.
3rd Sunday of month Morning Prayer 10.30 am.
4th Sunday of month The Eucharist 10.30 am.
As part of the Community Festival in Maynooth, we are having a Fete on Saturday 20th June in the garden of the Old Rectory, Parson Street by kind permission of Walter Hayley. The Fete will commence at 12 noon and there will be lots of activities to suit both children and adults.
Church of Ireland is open to visitors every Sunday from 3 - 5.

CITIZENS INFORMATION NOTES

Question:

Can you tell me what annual holidays are employees entitled to. Is it three weeks or four weeks? Also, are all employees entitled to some sick leave with pay?

Answer:

Under the Holidays (Employees) Act 1973, you are entitled to one and a quarter days leave for each calendar month in which you work at least 120 hours. If you work 1,400 hours in the year for the same employer, you would be entitled to three weeks holidays.

People working in certain industries may be legally entitled to more than the fifteen days leave, e.g. construction workers get twenty one days, hairdressing employees in Dublin and Cork get twenty days, certain workers in the catering trade outside the Dublin City and County area get nineteen days.

Part-time workers who regularly work for the same employer for at least eight hours per week are entitled to six hours paid leave for every one hundred hours worked after they have been working for that employer for thirteen weeks.

There is no legal requirement on your employer to pay you whilst you are out sick. Some employers do give a certain amount of paid sick leave, others do not. Unless your conditions of employment state that you are entitled to paid sick leave, then, you do not have to be paid.

It is proposed that employers will take over the payment of Disability Benefit from the Department of Social Welfare for the first four weeks of the illness.

If you are not getting your holiday entitlements or if you want to know if there are any Registered Joint Labour Court Agreements for your particular employment you should contact - The Department of Labour, Adelaide Road, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 765861. There are about 17 of these Agreements registered with the Labour Court.

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

There is a new publication "Where to Complain" - a guide to the consumer which is available free of charge from this office.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our Annual Spring Show, held on April 28th, was a great success. There were a lot of entries and the standard was very high. Felicity Satchwell won the award for *Best in Show* and we give her our heartiest congratulations. A list of all other winners will appear in next month's issue. Our "Garden Trio", Sarah Angel, Noeleen O'Brien and Maureen Stephens did us proud at the RDS Spring Show achieving a "highly commended" for their garden exhibit. Congratulations to all three!

The Club's outing will take place on June 13th. We will take a train trip through the bog from Shannon Bridge. We will see the lovely gardens of Birr Castle and a photography exhibition there. Our evening meal will be enjoyed in the Montague Hotel

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near Portlaoise. We will leave Maynooth at about 10.00 am and return at about 9.00 pm. For information please call Felicity Satchwell Telephone 6286240. Non members are very welcome.

Our next demonstration will be held on June 16th in the SVD Hall and will commence at 8.00 pm. Linda Murphy will be the demonstrator and her theme will be "As I like it".

R. Smyth, PRO.

GARDA TALK

Child Protection The Garda's Role

The Garda Síochána accepts a responsibility for protecting all our citizens, and makes a special effort in those cases where the person is particularly vulnerable. We are especially concerned to ensure that children should be safe, and free from all forms of criminal abuse. In achieving our goals it is vital that adults appreciate this concern, and that children understand that we are here to help.

Investigation

If cases are not reported, then one of the main deterrents to future offending is absent. Reporting is often the first step towards ending these crimes. It may also help the child realise their "innocence" and the "guilt" of the other party. In any circumstance where abuse is suspected, we would urge that all information is given to the Garda Síochána, as soon as possible. These matters will be dealt with discreetly, and sensitively.

Children at Play.

When children are at play, they are generally beyond your immediate supervision. Here are some points which you should raise with them, and which they should remember.

1. They are always safer playing in groups, than alone.
2. They should not play in secluded, or dark places.
3. They should always tell you where they are playing and play only in that place.
4. They should not involve unknown adults in their games.

Children with Adults.

While we often talk of the dangers of strangers, many abusers are actually known to their victims. Before entrusting children into the care of adults, assure yourself that they are trustworthy, and reliable.

1. Use recommended babysitters whenever possible.
2. Be alert to danger signs, for example, if your child exhibits strange or reluctant behaviour in the presence of a particular adult.
3. Warn children against talking to adults they do not know.
4. Children should be cautioned against going off with adults without their parents' permission, even when they are known.

Signs of Abuse.

There are very many signs which may indicate abuse. They are not conclusive in themselves, but should give grounds for suspicion. Some of the main indicators are listed below.

1. The child has injuries which it cannot explain, or explains inappropriately.

2. The child exhibits fear in the presence of certain individuals and does not want to be in their company.
3. The child appears withdrawn, or exhibits abnormal behaviour, which is markedly out of character.
4. The child appears to be underdeveloped, constantly sickly, ill-kept or malnourished.

Appreciate Difficulties

Sometimes, it can be difficult for a child to know who to go to for help and assistance. Parents should always provide a "listening ear" for their children. Children should know that the right thing to do always, is to tell a parent what has happened. They should not fear criticism for being foolish, or disobeying your previous instructions. Of course, it should be made clear, that under no circumstances are they to be blamed.

Protecting Children.

Please let your children know that they can always go to any member of the Garda Síochána if they need help. The Gardai can be contacted 24 hours a day, every day of the year. Let them know that **The Garda is a Friend.**

Who is the New Garda?

A cead míle fáilte, to Garda Tom Milner who came to us in April. Tom who hails from Offaly, served for 10 years in the Cavan/Monaghan area. We wish him a happy stay while in Maynooth.

(I hear there is high transfer fee if the G.A.A. are interested)

Your local Gardai

GRANGE WILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The above Committee will hold its next meeting in the Parish Hall (Maynooth) on Monday, 8th June, '92, at 8.30pm. Cemetery Sunday will be held on the 14th June, Mass will be celebrated at 3 o'clock.

For further information regarding the restoration project etc. Please contact Peter Nevin (Secretary) 'phone - 6285179 or Kathleen Murphy (P.R.O.) 'phone - 6286399.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The A.G.M. of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday 7th May at 8.00 p.m. Our President Mary O'Gorman was in the chair and welcomed all. We had a great turnout.

Three of our ladies won their Matches in the Badminton competition in Clane: Mary Fleming, Bernie King and Rosemary Hanley. Well done girls.

The Raffle, winners for this month were 1st Bernadette Duffy, 2nd Mary O'Gorman and 3rd Joan Grant. Next month's competition will be the oldest magazine, so come on everybody have a root around the attic. You never know what you may find.

On Wednesday 27th May in the S.V.D. Hostel we are hosting the Federation Meeting.

The "Make and Model" competition was held in the Red House

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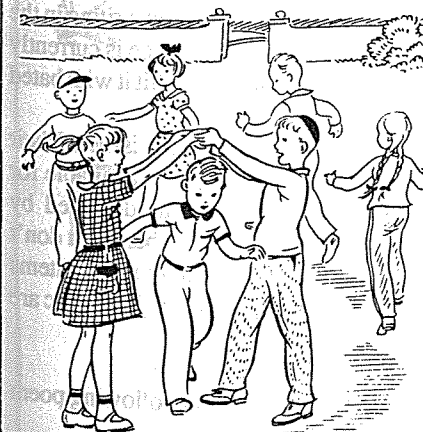
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in Newbridge on the 14th May, Maynooth ladies came away with five prizes. Ursula Forde, Betty Moore, Margaret Gee, Mary Halton and Pauline McCarty were the successful entrants, also Margaret Houlihan won the Brother Sewing Machine and Margaret Gee won the Singer Knitting Machine. We also had three raffle winners Josie McWeeney, Anna Dolan and Felicity Satchwell. Congratulations to all the winners especially the ladies who made the beautiful garments. Our Federation President Maisie Mc Myler presented the prizes. Unfortunately our Federation Crafts promoter Mary O'Gorman who organised the show and spent a lot of time travelling around the county was unable to attend due to a sudden death in the family. We offer our sincere sympathy to her family. Our Annual Show will be held in the Post Primary School in July, schedules are available in the shops. We are hoping for a large turnout of entries. Please support.

Our new Committee is:

President - Imelda Delaney

Secretary - Rosemary Hanley

Treasurer - Anna Dolan

Vice President and An Grianan Rep - Betty Moore

Ass. Treasurer & P.R.O. - Joan Grant

Sports Officer - Bernadette King

Contest Sec. - Kay Burns

Produce Officer - Mairead Scanlon

International Officer - Bernadette Duffy

Crafts Officer - Nell McLoughlin

Arts - Marian Souhan

Timire - Viva Kearns

Hostess - Joan Shannon

MAYNOOTH ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

On Monday May 11th, twelve members of above (both male and female) travelled to Naas at the invitation of the Eastern Health Board to a painting session. It was organised in conjunction with Active Age Week, and the Maynooth group was specially invited because it was a newly formed association. All enjoyed the afternoon though some showed more talent than others in the artistic field. But it was fun!

Nineteen members of the group went to the Abbey Theatre on Monday, May 18th to see Hugh Leonard's play "Moving". It is hoped to arrange a day trip on the train to Sligo sometime in June. Sligo has been selected, because that train may be boarded at Maynooth station, and those who have travel cards, will travel free.

All activities of the Active Retirement Association are open to all over 55 years of age. So it is hoped that many more (male and female) will come to the next meeting, which will be held in the Health Centre at 8p.m. on Monday 8th June '92. Do come and air your opinion!

P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE GROUP

With great joy we heard of the release of Judith Ward who had

been imprisoned for the past eighteen years for the murder of twelve people in an I.R.A. bombing of a British Army Coach. Judith was a victim of the same combination of unscrupulous police, the now discredited forensic "expert", Dr. Frank Scuse, and, popular hysteria that convicted the Birmingham Six, the Guilford Four and the Maguire Seven.

Indeed at the appeal court hearing, it was revealed that before her trial prison doctor reported that she was suffering from acute psychotic depression and that this report was not accepted at her trial. Such was the pressure on the British police to secure a conviction that they engineered the conviction of someone whom they knew to be innocent of such an atrocity. We are also delighted with the Irish Government's decision to grant Nicky Kelly a Presidential pardon for his conviction in 1978 in connection with the Sallins train robbery. Like Judith Ward, Birmingham Six, etc. Nicky Kelly was a victim of a signed "confession" extracted after lengthy interrogation and subsequent judicial maneuverings to ensure a conviction. We support Mr. Kelly's call that a Judicial enquiry be set up to investigate the full circumstances of this case that full compensation be paid to him and that for his wrongful conviction for a crime which he did not commit.

Both of these cases illustrate that the Miscarriages of Justice have taken place in both Britain and Ireland and what is now needed is the removal from office of Police and Judges involved in such cases. But more importantly, that laws are enacted and systems introduced to ensure that such injustices cannot reoccur in the future.

H. Dunne
(Hon Secretary)

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

People tell me that they have walked by the library recently, not recognising it in its newly painted splendour. We hope that this extra attention to our exterior will help increase the overall marks that Maynooth will obtain in the Tidy Towns Competition. Henceforth the library will be known as the "Building with the red door"!

The Pavee Point exhibition on Travellers is just over, and presently on display is an exhibition for Active Age Week, consisting of a selection of crochet and knitted articles. The entries for the written and photographic competitions will also be displayed when judging has taken place.

We would like to express our gratitude to Joe Buckley, author of "Run Donny Run" who recently gave a talk on writing in the library and read some extracts from his book. Joe is currently working on a follow-up to this book, and we await it with bated breath!

The Black Tulip Club have put together the first issue of their magazine-"The Black Tulip"- A copy of this is available for borrowing. The cover of this magazine was designed by Karina Mc Govern and Karen Bright. Remember - you don't have to be a member of the Black Tulip Club to submit items to the magazine - any pieces of writing, drawing, joking etc are welcome.

Some gems from the current issue include the following poem by Alice Dunworth:

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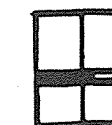
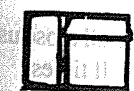
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The Crocodile.

One day I met a crocodile,
With a very crafty smile,
He asked me in for a cup of tea,
I answered very carefully.
He brought me in
And in his bin
There was a pile of bones,
He poured me out a cup of tea
And gave me 500 scones.
And then with one huge burp
Instead of trying to slurp
Down his tea
He ate me
Very very carefully
And the very next day
He began to say
Oh! I've a pain in my tummy
I'll have to tell mummy.
So she gave him a whack
On the bone in his back
And out I came
Not quite the same.

Raymond Bright submitted some titles which we don't have in our library:

At the South Pole - by Ann Tartic
The Bullfighter - by Matt Adore.
Aches and Pains - by Arthur Ritus.
Rice Growing - by Paddy Field.

And the following limerick describes the group itself -
There gathered some bright sparks one day
To read, to write and to play

The Black Tulip Club was the name of their gang
And in Maynooth Library their works they will hang.
One of the next activities planned for the Black Tulip Club is a guided tour of the Cardinal Printing Press. We are grateful to Mr. Joe Wall for allowing the Club this opportunity to learn about printing processes.

To facilitate local schools doing projects on Saints, we have added a copy of "The Seventeen Martyrs" to our stock - it must be the best read book in the library!

The second series of talks held in the library - "Get Ready for Summer", was very successful. Thanks are due to Patricia Orr, colour consultant, Brendan Hackett, proprietor of Motions Gym, and Tony Adderley from the Abbey Garden Centre, St. Raphael's Celbridge - who gave interesting and informative talks.

Margaret Walshe- Gannon.

PRESENTATION CONVENT GIRLS SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

The above Association wish to thank all who supported our recent auction and gave so generously the items for auction. The proceeds of the auction were used for the cutting of the grass and maintenance of the school grounds.

We also wish to thank the parents and children for the support given to our recent cake sale. With the proceeds from this event we have purchased games etc., for use by the children in school during bad weather.

We are ending the current year's fund raising events on May 20th with a beauty demonstration and talk given by Ann Carey, local beautician from Cameo Beauty Salon, The Country Shop, Maynooth.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a good holiday and looking forward to a good attendance at our A.G.M. at the end of September.
Thanking you again.

Margaret McLoughlin, P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Harbour Day

The final preparations are now being made for our "Harbour Day". The Community Festival week commences on June 13th/14th and we in the Royal Canal Amenity Group are proud to have been asked to provide the opening spectacle, and what a spectacle it will be.

The Steam Train will operate on both days and tickets will be available shortly at both branches of "Newtown Stores" as well as from committee members. The Harbour area of the Canal will be filled with many attractions: Side shows, Rock Bands, Maynooth Accordion Band and hopefully St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band. The Steam Organ will also be there and this is a "MUST" for all who appreciate craftsmanship at its best. It is also hoped to have boat rides on the two days. With regard to the Steam Train, tickets are priced very reasonably to enable people from all walks of life to enjoy this trip back into "Yesteryear". Tickets for adults are only £3.50 return, tickets for children are only £1.50 return, a special student ticket costs only £2.50 return. Tickets are on a "first come first served" basis so **DON'T DELAY GET YOUR TICKET TODAY.** While on the subject I should like this opportunity to thank the Station Staff at Maynooth Railway Station who have been most helpful in relation to the organisation of the Steam Train. One final word on the train - please follow the stewards' instructions on the day.

Works Update

Phase I is now complete at Pikes Bridge and the area is now looking very well. Visitors to the area should keep it tidy and take home their litter with them. Shrubs have been planted to enhance the area.

Safety.

Finally, with the good weather arriving we urge all those using this amenity to exercise the utmost caution at all times.

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Residents' Associations

LYREEN RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Once again the issue of the by-pass and its feeder routes were top of our agenda. Our association has joined with the other local associations who will be directly affected by the new or altered road systems. We expect that this combined group will carry some influence and that this will be translated into a response from the County Council who will hopefully give and fulfil some undertakings regarding the issues seen as important by this group of associations. It is our own particular regret that the by-pass will not fully by-pass the town at all, but perhaps bring in more heavy vehicles than at present and thereby defeat the possible benefits of such a roadway.

A note of caution to all our Residents. Please be alert to all happenings in the locality. We have experienced a number of incidents recently which were of great concern and distress. It would be best to nip all minor acts of vandalism/theft in the bud and we would ask the Gardai to give us their greatest co-operation in this regard.

Finally, we wish Gerry Coyne a speedy recovery. Gerry, get well soon or your paper round will have to be put up for grabs!!

Tony Bean.

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting of Kingsbry Resident's Association was held on March 2nd 1992 in Caulfields Lounge.

The following people were elected on to the committee:

Chairperson - Brid Anglin

Vice Chairperson - Eugene Hughes

Secretary - Brian McGarvey

Treasurer - Marian Alford

P.R.O. - Bernie O'Meara

Committee Members - Kathleen Kehoe, Cathal Gaffney

We would like to thank the outgoing committee for their hard work and dedication during the past year.

We would also like to thank everyone who has paid their subscription to the Resident's Association and grass cutting and we appeal to those who have not paid to do so as soon as possible.

Our first clean up day which was held on May 2nd, was well supported and we plan to have another later on in the summer. Now that building has finally finished in the estate, we hope that our roads will soon be tarred and that Kildare Co. Council will take over the running of the estate.

Bernie O'Meara
P.R.O.

CLUAIN AOIBHINN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Annual General Meeting will take place shortly, residents will be notified of the date and venue.

A clean-up day is being organised when it is hoped that residents will come together to help clean up the estate.

We welcome to the estate Mr & Mrs Philip Ryan and family who have recently purchased No. 3.

Good wishes are extended to those Students on the estate sitting exams in Maynooth College and we take this opportunity also to voice our good wishes to the children of our residents participating in Junior and leaving certificate exams.

Congratulations to Naomh Harney and Catherine Walsh who were members of "Its a Knockout" team which won their way into the semi-finals of the competition at the Royal Canal Jamboree on May 10th last. The team went to "Mosney" and were pipped for a "Final Place" by one point. They had some consolation, however, because the team which beat them was also from Maynooth, that of Coonan Auctioneers. With Catherine and Naomh on the team were Jemma Harran, (daughter of Peadar - well known local Garda), Jillian Power, Brian McGlinchey, Richard Cotter and some of the Students from Kings Hospital. Well done to you all.

Finally a few words from our illustrious chairman Mr. Tom McMullon:

We appeal to all residents in Maynooth to keep an eye open for a set of ladders and an Antique Pot which has been stolen from the estate. The ladders were steel double unit with CARA painted on the sides. The Pot was painted black about 12" high 12 - 14" across. Any sign of them can be reported to Garda or to Tom McMullon No. 63 or Tel: 6286526.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our first Estate Tidy-Up for 1992 was held on the first weekend of May. The estate looks the better for it. How much more would have been achieved if we had more people out.

Our thanks to those who came out even for an hour or two.

The skip was provided by Kildare County Council whom we thank.

Members of the Committee are now calling for the annual subscription, if you were out when we called please drop it in to our Treasurer, 11, Greenfield Drive.

The Association has been notified by An Bord Pleanala of the outcome of the appeal by The El Dorado Take-away for longer opening hours.

The decision was that the Application was refused for the following reasons.

The Take-away forms part of a local Shopping Centre whose function is to serve a local catchment population.

The proposed extended opening hours would serve to attract business from outside this local area and would cater for the after pub-trade.

Such extended opening hours would, therefore generate a level of late night noise disturbance and general activity that would be incompatible with the amenity of the surrounding residential area at the time of the night/morning.

It is considered therefore that the proposed development would seriously injure the amenity and depreciate the value of property in the vicinity.

Good Luck to all our residents concerned with the Community Festival.

We ask all our residents to support this annual entertainment.

Leixlip Amenities Group



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NORTH KILDARE/DUBLIN WEST GROUP AGAINST THE MAASTRICHT TREATY

As the referendum debate enters its final stages it has become clear that many voters feel that they have not been sufficiently informed on the details of the Treaty to make a decision on a matter of such far-reaching consequence. Would any person sign a contract without reading the small print?

What is also clear is that the Government is spending vast sums to cajole the electorate into voting Yes on items such as 1 million "Guides" to the Treaty, which do not reveal the true meaning or effect of its provisions. This contrasts to No finance whatsoever being available to the NO side - how can we have a proper democratic referendum on this basis? We believe that the electorate should vote No and look for a re-negotiated Treaty to include:

1. **Enlargement** of the E.C Budget and agreement on the size, nature and duration of Cohesion funds for Ireland.
2. **Transfers** to Ireland on a scale sufficient to really reduce unemployment and narrow the gap in living standards between Ireland and the E.C. average within 10 years.
3. **Extension** of the E.M.U. timetable. The proposed timetable is ridiculously short and will cause deflation, higher unemployment and lower living standards for most of this decade.
4. **More Democratic Control** of the European Central Bank. The major decisions of this Bank must be sanctioned by the European Council and the European Parliament.
5. Inclusion of the Social Charter to guarantee and protect the basic rights of working people from the greatly increased powers of international capital arising from E.M.U.

Won't the other eleven members go ahead without us if we vote No, leaving Ireland out in the cold? No. It is an E.C. Treaty and it must be ratified by all member states.

What if re-negotiation does not succeed? Then the status quo is preserved. We are at least no worse off, and we avoid the serious dangers in the present Treaty.

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OPTIONS SUMMER CAMP

The Options Summer Camp proposes to run 2 one week courses for 2nd level students (aged 12-17) in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth beginning on the 29th of June and the 6th of July. The purpose of the summer camp will be to broaden the horizons of students by acquainting them with both third level institutions and industry. This will be achieved by visits to various colleges, factories etc.

The fact that these summer camps will be held in St. Patrick's College means that the participants will be able to partake in a new type of environment. Another factor which will help to prepare the participants for life beyond the school will be the emphasis on interview skills and self-presentation. There will be a lighter side to the week with a number of sports being available as well as a visit to a water sports centre.

Overall the week should serve to open up the participants to new frontiers in a very enjoyable way.

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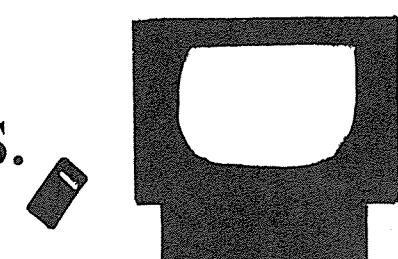
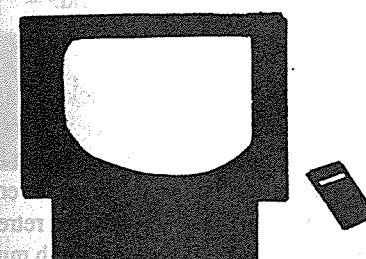
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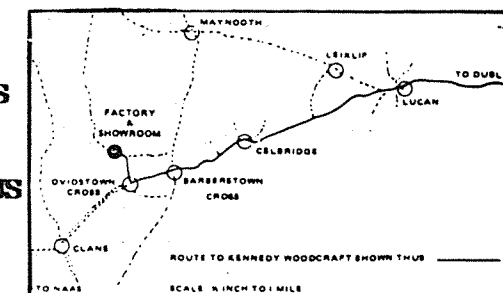
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POETRY COMPETITION

Winners of the Poetry Competition under 12's section:
1st Prize £10 to Deirdre Devaney (11),
19, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth

The Wave

First came the screams of the seagulls
Then the wave.
Topping the quay,
It paused at its height
and slid down again.

One could hear the children saying,
"Its" gone, really gone!"
But It wasn't for long;
This time it came higher and higher.
Taking with it lumps of clay, bits of walls
And smashing roofs as it went further up the hill.

Finally it slowed down;
Suddenly stopping dead in its tracks,
It slid down the hill and with a great gulp
disappeared in the sea.

2nd Prize £5 to Lynn Brennan (9), Taghadoo, Maynooth

Our World

This is our world,
Lets keep it clean
Lets keep it fresh
And keep it green
It's up to us to show we care
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We would like to thank everyone who entered the Poetry Competition. The winners will be presented with their prizes at the Poetry Reading in the Library on Wednesday 17th June.

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STREET TALKING

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Planning Permissions.

There have been a large number of planning permission applications to Kildare County Council for the Maynooth region within the past year. This can be a very controversial process as is known by anyone who followed the saga of the El Dorado takeaway.

Most of the planning applications are for alterations to existing houses or to erect bungalows in rural areas. There are also applications to build or extend housing estates in Newtown, Moyglare and Railpark. Two of the more interesting applications are for the erection of 20 two-bedroomed luxury apartments in Parson Street by a company called T. Hoare Ltd., and a proposal by a company called Atlanta Properties to build a hotel on the site of an existing garage in Greenfield.

Conferences in the College.

A number of conferences will be held in St. Patrick's College during the Summer months when the students will be on holidays. They will be held throughout the Summer with June and July being the busiest months. The types of conferences include language schools, academic conferences and retreats. Among the major conferences will be those on church music, the teaching of Spanish and a retreat given by the French-Canadian Jean Vanier.

According to Mr. Dominic MacNamara, assistant to the president, these conferences are important for keeping the college alive during the Summer and the few thousand people who attend the various conferences provide an important source of revenue for the restaurants, pubs and shops in the town at a time when the absence of students means that there will be less money in circulation. It also provides an opportunity for people to run courses to cater for their own specific needs. Mr. MacNamara further stated that one of the main advantages of holding conferences in Maynooth was its proximity to both Dublin and the countryside and areas of interest such as Wicklow, the Boyne Valley and Clonmacnoise. It can thus give visiting people the best of both worlds.

Classified Casuals.

Classified Casuals have now moved into larger premises within the Centrepont Arcade and it now occupies the site of the former Patrick's Restaurant. The proprietor, Rita O'Carroll informs us that she stocks a full range of casual menswear such as jeans, jackets, sweatshirts and rugby shirts. They specialise in Levis and Wrangler brands. The opening hours are Monday to Friday 9.30am to 6pm when late opening on Friday until 8pm.

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An Post Dispute.

The ongoing dispute within An Post has affected some postal services in Maynooth. However the following services are working as normal at the moment, the E.M.S. courier service, the parcel service and all incoming social welfare payments. The letter service within Kildare is normal but there are no services to or from the rest of the country. At the moment the situation is very fluid and it could very easily deteriorate.

Womens Mini Marathon

The forthcoming Womens' Mini Marathon will have a contingent of Maynooth women running in it. They hope to raise £800 in order to purchase a book page turner which will be for the use of Multiple Sclerosis (M.S.) sufferers in the Maynooth, Leixlip, and Celbridge areas. M.S. is a debilitating disease which leads to a gradual loss in the body's power, especially in the limbs. As a consequence reading is the only form of recreation available to many sufferers, especially women. The book turner, which operates by being pressed by a persons head etc. is essential for people who have lost the power to use their hands effectively. The machine will be rotated around the various sufferers in the area. If you want more information or are interested in sponsoring this worthy cause please contact Evelyn MacGrath at (01) 6286737 or Liz Delaney at (01) 6285591.

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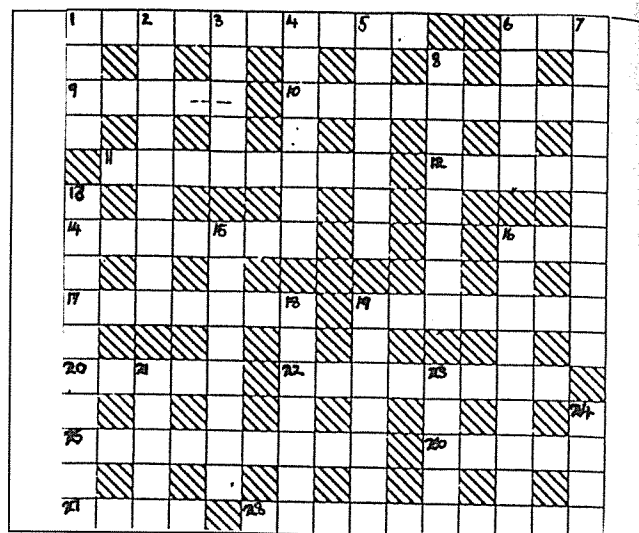
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CROSSWORD NO. 55



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Across

1. This local stud ran at the end (10)
6. Place the ball at the hole (3)
9. Savour in this state (5)
10. Beyond all bounds (9)
11. Forest fleas (8)
12. A numerical relation (5)
14. A hard place for Ed to sleep on (7)
16. A tool to punch holes in the law (3)
17. Makes the blood boil (7)
19. Nowhere to be found (7)
20. A pint-sized state, one's self included, perhaps (5)
22. The party member may be advancing, but there's a rodent in the end (8)
25. Chew after the flagpole (9)
26. Incompetent pet is inadequate (5)
27. Appendage with an aptitude for detection (4)
28. A book worm from all directions in the compass (10)

Down

1. A receptacle for the knight? (4)
2. The ultimate command may result in a jar (4,5)
3. Lose hope of return on effort (5)
4. This local erection is the height of folly (7)
5. A cause to unite the Greek Island at the end (7)
6. Indicate the meaning of it all (5)
7. The local education factory (3,7)
8. One clerk gives credit (8)
13. This mariner seems competent at first (4,6)
15. It looks like the vital part must expire at last to make this transparent muslin (8)

Features

16. An ultimate finish (1,5,3)
18. A doleful restaurant according to the ballad (3,4)
19. Mother starts the actors in a folk play (7)
21. Abstains (5)
23. A hundred begins the backward evil chap (5)
24. Agitate in the last iron (4)

Solutions to Crossword No. 54

Across

1. Royal Canal, 6. Tug, 9. Sisal, 10. Catherine, 11. Seaside, 12. Organ, 14. Android, 16. Ski, 17. Loyalty, 19. Scalpel, 20. In Oil, 22. Railpark, 25. Last Train, 26. Roost, 27. Sash, 28. Emmet Stagg.

Down

1. Rush, 2. Yesterday, 3. Lulls, 4. Acceded, 5. Asterix, 6. Thing, 7. Green Field, 8. Veronica, 13. Caulfields, 15. Oilcloth, 18. Yard Arm, 19. Science, 21. Oasis, 23. Paris, 24. Stag.

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The passage of a steam train through Maynooth one Sunday last month attracted the attention of hundreds of passers by. The event will give some inspiration to those trying to think of a novel way to throw a combined hen and stag party, as we understand the train was hired to host the prenuptial celebrations of Ms. Clare Guinness (yes, one of that family), and Mr. Hugo Jacob from London. The hundreds of Sloane Ranger guests partied on the train as it choo chooed from Maynooth to Mullingar and back.

Travelling on

Once again, Kay MacKeogh has asked the *Newsletter* to alert all and sundry that she will be running in the mini marathon this June. She will be looking for sponsorship for the Travellers Committee, of which she is the treasurer. Each year, over 300 pounds must be raised to offset the costs of transporting travellers' children to school. If anyone would like to assist financially, Kay may be contacted at 6285241, or sponsorship cards may be collected at the Community Council Office.

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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Crime Rate Increase

The alarming increase in the crime rate in Maynooth which culminated with the rape of a young woman recently and has seen residents in Parson Street living in fear of wanton vandalism was discussed at our last Branch Meeting. Arising from this Deputy Emmet Stagg is to table a Parliamentary Question in the Dail to the Minister for Justice calling for additional Gardai to be deployed in Maynooth.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

Following representations by Deputy Stagg on behalf of Maynooth Mortality Society the County Council have now advised that they intend to proceed with the extension of Laraghbryan cemetery shortly. The extension will consist of development of the area north of the old cemetery. A wall will be built around the new section and plots will be marked out. A considerable amount of drainage work will also be carried out. We will continue to monitor progress on this matter. Deputy Stagg has also been advised that the Council will carry out the following works while the extension is being completed. The Pillar at the main gate will be repaired and a proper stile will be built for people entering the old cemetery on the Kilcock Road.

Accommodation Road

Arising from requests from residents of the estates on Newtown Road Deputy Stagg requested Iarnrod Eireann to upgrade the Accommodation Road from Bond Bridge to the Railway Station and to provide lighting. The Managing Director of Iarnrod Eireann has responded stating that the costs of the works required would be in the region of £7,800 and that finance is not available for same at present. However he did indicate that some improvements would be carried out to the road surface. Deputy Stagg is to continue to press this matter.

Speeding along Greenfield Lane

Concern has been expressed by residents of Greenfield Lane at the speed of motor vehicles passing through the area. Deputy Stagg has now asked the County Engineer to investigate the matter to see how this problem can be solved, be it with the use of ramps, the provision of warning signs or the closing off of the road to motorised traffic at the Newtown end of the lane.

Skip Scheme

The Council operate a scheme whereby a Skip is provided to Residents' Associations to enable residents in Estates to get rid of items which are not collected in the normal refuse collection. Deputy Emmet Stagg has advised the Council of the names of Secretaries of Residents' Associations in Maynooth so that application forms could be forwarded to them. If your Residents Association did not receive an application form please contact Deputy Stagg.

Road Signs

Arising from a motion tabled by Deputy Stagg at the last Celbridge Area Committee of the Council the Council have agreed to erect a Regional Road standard directional sign at the junction of Parson Street and Main Street, facing Main Street,

indicating the route to the West. The Council has also erected a yield sign at the exit from Maynooth College on to Parson Street.

Straffan Road Upgrading

A deputation from the Straffan Road Committee met the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council on Monday 18th May. The Chairperson of the Committee presented a written submission as to the safety measures they felt were required when the Straffan Road is upgraded. Proposals include the erection of an 8 foot high wall be built on the green areas facing the Road, trees be planted inside the walls, a cycle lane be provided, adequate controlled crossing points be provided, the entrance to the Railway Station should be made safer, closing off or provision of ramps at the entrances to Railpark and Laurences Avenue to prevent these roads from being used as through roads. The upgrading of Blacklion Road was also included in the submission and the restricting of vehicles over 5 tons from using Convent Road. Deputy Stagg as Chairperson of the Committee thanked the deputation for their submission. The Committee will be invited back to another meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee at a later stage when the Co. Engineer has a draft plan for the upgrading of Straffan Road completed.

Stream in Brookleigh/Meadowbrook Estates

Deputy Stagg has requested the Council to contact the developer of Brookleigh/Meadowbrook Estates to clean up the stream that flows through the Estate. At present the stream is full of builders' rubble. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Tony Smith Memorial Walk

The Tony Smith Memorial Walk on behalf of Maynooth Old Folks was held on Sunday May 10th. The walk will raise approximately £1,200 for the Old Folks' Committee. Whilst the weather let us down on the day all those who participated enjoyed themselves. The proceeds of the Walk will be handed over to the Old Folks' Committee in the near future.

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Gender Audit

In a recent issue of these notes, we mentioned that Councillor Catherine Murphy had requested an audit of the gender breakdown of the workforce in Kildare County Council. This has now been produced, and, as promised, we now present the results.

There are 485 people in all employed by Kildare County Council, of whom no less than 390 are men. In other words, a man has four times the chance of a woman of getting a job with the Council. The Council staff are divided into three sections: Clerical/Administrative/Executive; Professional/Technical; and Non-Officer Grades. Over half of the 137 clerical/administrative workers are women. This includes ALL of the clerk/typists, but NONE of the revenue collectors. The top positions - County Manager, County Secretary, County Engineer and County Finance Officer - are all held by men.

Only 12 per cent of the 91 professional/technical workers are women, including eight out of 51 engineers, one out of 23 draughtpersons/technicians and one out of seven planners. Of the 257 workers in the non-officer grades, a mere six (just two per cent) are women. These all work in the sports/recreation area. There are no women drivers, caretakers, craftspersons or labourers.

There is no suggestion, of course, that Kildare County Council deliberately discriminates against women in its recruitment policies. The fact is that few women pursue educational courses which give technical qualifications. Nor do women apply for caretaker's or labourer's jobs. Nor will you find many men seeking clerical jobs. Kildare County Council is simply a reflection of Irish society in general in this respect. Nevertheless, might it not be a good idea if the Council adopted a positive policy of seeking gender balance in its workforce? In other words, where candidates are otherwise equally qualified, perhaps they should, for example, give clerical jobs to men and technical jobs to women until such time as there are equal numbers in each area?

Public Lighting

A survey of public lighting in Maynooth carried out last year by members of Democratic Left pinpointed the railway bridge on the Straffan Road and the area from there to Railpark Estate as a particular black spot, and urged immediate remedial action by the County Council. In his reply, the County Manager said that Maynooth's lighting needs were no greater than any other town in the county, and would have to wait its turn. This despite the huge concentration of young women in the town for the bulk of the year when the college is in session. The areas pinpointed in our survey is precisely where a young local woman was recently abducted and savagely attacked. There are similar black spots on the Rathcoffey Road where women walk home nightly in fear. Perhaps if we had a female County Manager, we might get some action. But then, who ever heard of a female County Manager? In the meantime, Councillor Catherine Murphy has called for immediate action to rectify the situation in Maynooth.

Straffan Road

A number of residents associations along the Straffan Road have recently come together to express their joint views to the

County Council concerning the forthcoming upgrading of the road, which will be the only access route to the by-pass road, now under construction. There is particular concern for the safety of children, and the new group is seeking the construction of a high wall on both sides of the widened road, with proper screening. Councillor Catherine Murphy welcomes this joint action, and fully supports the residents in their wish to safeguard our young citizens.

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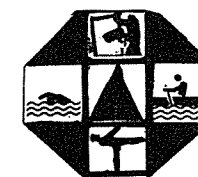
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MARGARET PAYNE

Mrs Margaret (Gretta) Payne Nee Nolan, was born in Ringsend, Dublin, 82 years ago next July. She lived in a number of parts of Dublin before moving to Maynooth five years ago where she now lives with her daughter and son-in-law. She is a very active lady and is the life and soul of any party which she is in and is very involved in the Old Folks' Group in Maynooth. She grew up during the time of the Easter Rising and the War of Independence. She remembers vividly the Easter Rising as her father had become stranded in the City Centre and could not get to Ringsend. He went instead to an aunt's house in Shankhill in South Co. Dublin and returned home a week later. Another memory from this time is of going to school in Baggot Street and being among a number of children who were given a penny by British Soldiers at Mount Street Bridge.



Margaret Payne in her earlier years

Her father, Mr. J. E. Nolan was a Councillor for the Labour Party in the Pembroke Council, which later became part of the Dublin Corporation. Mrs. Payne can clearly remember many of the Labour Party members of that time such as Johnston, O'Brien and Heron. Once when she was part of a group putting up posters in Deansgrange, Co. Dublin, the car in which they were travelling broke down and they were forced to walk home. She has remained a supporter of the Labour Party throughout her life. The times in which she grew up were tough. She had two brothers, one of whom emigrated to Herefordshire in England, the other to Cape Town in South Africa and a sister in Dublin.

During the 1930's Mrs. Payne travelled extensively throughout Ireland, usually by bicycle and stayed in hostels. She travelled a lot in the North, which was very quiet at the time and one highlight was going by boat from Newry, Co. Down to Omagh, Co. Tyrone. During the 1930's work was plentiful for women but not for men and the average wages were around 10 shillings a week. A trip to Dun Laoghaire by train at this time would cost 9d with a journey to Bundoran, Co. Donegal costing 11 shillings. There were a number of dances which Mrs. Payne attended during the 1930's such as those run by Frank Sherwin in Gardiner Street. One dance hall which she remembers cycling to in Lucan turned out to be no more than a tin shed. These dance halls were places where a Dublin gang known as

The Animal Gang, used to hang out; however while they did have a very bad reputation at the time Mrs. Payne contends that they were not as bad as they were made out to be and were really fairly harmless.

In 1943, Ms. Gretta Nolan became Mrs. Payne when she married Edward Payne, a very quiet man who came from an old Ringsend family. He died suddenly quite a number of years ago. They lived in various parts of the City before settling in Ballyfermot where Mrs. Payne remained for 35 years. She has one son and four daughters and a total of 17 grandchildren. Over the years Mrs. Payne travelled abroad a number of times, to France, Spain and Italy but her most memorable journeys have been to South Africa to visit her brother in Cape Town. She loved the climate there for its mildness and the fact that it allowed a very rich plant life to develop. Her brother once found an ancient elephant tooth on a beach and this later helped to prove that they were once native to South Africa but had died out for some reason. Overall Mrs. Payne has fond memories of her earlier life and finds the people of Maynooth to be very nice and kind to her as a newcomer on her arrival 5 years ago, and that since then she has fitted in very well.



A recent photo of Margaret

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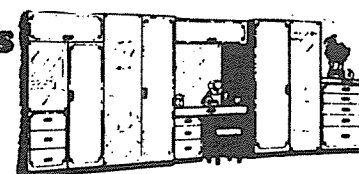
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Sports News

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

With the season now coming to a close it is good to report that we are still there fighting on a number of fronts.

With the 1st team out of the running for League honours the emphasis was placed on a good cup run to maintain late season interest. The Dowdall Cup provided the lifeline in this respect when a good run culminated in reaching the semi-final due to be played at time of printing. Hopefully a final place will be the reward.

The 2nd team have just succeeded in at least forcing a play-off for second place in their division. If Corduff Celtic drop at least a point in their final game Maynooth will finish a clear runners-up on their own. If Corduff win that game a play-off will take place.

Our U/13 Schoolboys have two league games remaining and can finish runners-up in their division.

Our U/11 Schoolboys have finished their season without any reward but better things are expected next season.

The U/15 Schoolgirls side have finished runners-up in the League and have qualified for the quarter final of the North Eastern Shield.

Dowdall Cup Quarter final

Maynooth Town 4 Slievenamon Utd. 3.

Maynooth booked their semi-final place with this thrilling victory. Maynooth were coasting to victory when disaster struck. Martin Curtis was ordered off for a second bookable offence and Maynooth got an acute bout of the jitters. Slievenamon made great use of the extra man and stormed into all out attack and scored three quick goals but were unable to get the equaliser when Maynooth settled again and took control once more.

Goals by P. Doyle, B. Barry, M. Curtis and John Geoghegan sealed victory.

Division 3 Private Grds.

Ballymun Ath. 1 Maynooth Town 5.

Maynooth guaranteed themselves at least a play off for runners-up in this division with an easy win over Ballymun. Philip Doyle opened the scoring when he tapped in a rebound off the post. Ballymun equalised just before half-time and it looked like Maynooth would have a fight on their hands. Maynooth took total control after the interval and scored four without reply when Bobby Barry 2, Fergal Barton and a second by Philip Doyle put a convincing look on the scoreline.

G.A.A. NOTES

Hurling

U/15 Win Autumn League

Maynooth 4-6 Castledermot 0-0

After several defeats in finals over the years Maynooth finally took a cup home with a superb victory over Castledermot. Maynooth were always in control with Peter Leacy and Thomas Farrell on top at midfield and Stephen Noonan and Stephen Brennan cleaning up anything that passed midfield. In the forwards Cathal Ryan and Eanna Hassett were causing all kinds of problems for the Castledermot defence. Maynooth led

2-1 to nil at half time and any chances of the opposition getting back into the game were finished by 3 fine points from Captain Patrick Farrell early in the 2nd half. Great credit is due to mentors Mick Gillick and Pat Nevin for looking after this team. Team: D. Buckley, M. Bennett, H. Nevin, R. Casey, R. Cotter, S. Noonan, S. Brennan, P. Lacey, T. Farrell, C. Ryan, V. Nevin, P. Farrell, N. Gillick, E. Hassett, R. Murphy, Subs D. Mooney (for Murphy), A. Gaffney (for Gillick), S. Griffin (for V. Nevin), M. Nugent, J. Higgins, D. Coughlan. Scorers E. Hassett (4-0), P. Farrell (0-3), T. Farrell, C. Ryan P. Lacey (0-1) each.

Maynooth have recorded 3 further wins in this competition, home, and away to Moorefield and away to Kilcock. These wins put them in the driving seat in this competition unbeaten with one game to go and definitely into the final. On current form they must be favourites to add this competition to the U/15.

U/14

Maynooth 1-1 Rathangan 1-1

A goal by Stephen Brennan and point by Robert Casey gave us a draw in this game that looked unlikely for a while.

Maynooth also recorded a victory over Confey in this competition and are well placed for reaching the final stages.

U/13

Maynooth scored a further victory in this competition beating Leixlip narrowly by 1-1 to 1-0 and are unbeaten in this competition.

U/12

The under 12 team went down to a strong Confey outfit despite fine performances from Tom Mullarkey, Conor Diggins, Karl Ennis and Seamus Cummins.

U/10

Maynooth 4-3 Corra Choill 2-2

We had to work hard to finally win a game that looked won at half time. M. Gleeson (2-2), M. Kavanagh, P. O'Flaherty (1-0) each and B. Guinan (0-1). Also impressive A. Molloy, M. Sweeney, P. Ennis.

U/16 Hurling League

Maynooth 8-1 V Moorefield 2-3

Maynooth had a good win over the fancied Moorefield team. Maynooth scorers: A. Hassett 4-0, N. Gillick 3-0, P. Lacey 1-0, P. Farrell 1pt.

1st Team

The main talking point since the last issue concerns the drawn championship encounter with Rheban in Naas and in particular how the side managed to draw a game which they dominated from the start and which they led by 6 points with only 3 minutes remaining. The injuries to Joey Nevin and Killian Fagan didn't help but slack marking and loss of concentration also contributed to Rheban's late late revival. The replay is set for Naas again on May 24th with the winners due to play Caragh in the next round. There is no reason why it cannot be Maynooth provided the effort is sustained for 60 minutes next time.

Scorers: Paul Garvey 1-2; Joey Riordan 0-2; Joe Conway, Joey Edwards, Mick Nevin and Paul Stynes 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Nevin (M), Nevin (J), Kearney, Conway, Ennis, Gagan, Stynes, Riordan, Devereaux and Garvey.



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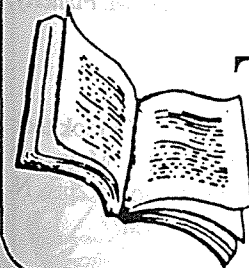
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Other results

1. Enfield 2-9 Maynooth 1-7
Scorers: Paul Garvey 0-5, Liam O'Toole 1 goal and Joey Edwards 2pts.

Best for Maynooth: Garvey, Murray, Fagan, Nevin (M), Conway and Reilly.

2. Maynooth 1-9 Clogherinkoe 6pts

Scorers: Paul Garvey 1-2, Joey Edwards 4pts, Liam O'Toole and Eoin O'Neill 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Nevin (M), Kearney, Stynes, O'Toole, Fagan, Edwards and Conway.

Underage

The under 10 and under 12 footballers followed up their April victories over Kilcock with a brace of wins against Celbridge. In addition the Under 12's kept up the winning habit by beating Confeby by 4pts on a night when the Under 10's went under to the same opposition by the narrowest of margins. The team mentors are delighted with the progress of both sides and with the high degree of commitment and skill shown in the games to date. Games to look forward to over the few weeks will be those against Ballyna and St. Marys', Leixlip.

Results Under 10

1. Maynooth 3-5 Kilcock 1-4

Scorers: S. Fleming 1-1; M. Sweeney 1-0; S. Brady 1-0; M. Kavanagh 3pts; A. Baxter 1pt.

2. Maynooth 1-6 Celbridge 2pts

Scorers: D. Campbell 1-1, P. Ennis and C. O'Malley 2pts each; S. Fleming 1pt.

Best for Maynooth: Campbell, O'Sullivan, King, Devereaux, Pigeon, Ennis and O'Malley.

3. Maynooth 1-3 Confeby 2-1

Scorers: M. Dolan 1-0; S. Fleming, P. Ennis and A. Baxter 1 pt each.

Best for Maynooth: Campbell, Ennis, Brady, Gleeson Baxter and O' Sullivan.

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U/16 Football League:

Maynooth 2-4 V Kilcullen 1-6

Despite the atrocious underfoot, this game served up a good standard of football. There was little between the teams in opening half. Maynooth opening the scoring a point by A. Hassett. Then Kilcullen were awarded a penalty and this was saved by T. Fay. After this Maynooth were awarded a penalty and T. Farrell put the ball in the back of the net, leaving half time score Maynooth 1-2 Kilcullen 3pts. The second half started well for Maynooth with A. Hassett punching to the Kilcullen net. Kilcullen fought back but could not overcome Maynooth. Maynooth scorers: T. Farrell 1-2, A. Hassett 1-1, P. Burke 1 pt, also to play well, T. Fay, J. Higgins, T. Byrne, C. Ryan, J. Lawlor, H. Nevin, O. Nevin.

U/16 Football League:

Maynooth 3-2 V Suncroft 0-9 pts.

Maynooth played very well in first half and led at half time by 3-1 to 4 pts. In the second half Maynooth fell away and let Suncroft back into game. Minutes to go Maynooth got there only point of second half and it turned out to be the winner. Maynooth Scorers: A. Hassett 1 goal, O. Nevin 1 goal, C. Ryan

1 goal, T. Farrell 1pt, J. Lawlor 1pt. Also played well - P. Lacey, J. Higgins.

U/16 Football League:

Maynooth 4-11 V Round Towers 2-3

Maynooth turned in an excellent team performance to defeat Round Towers. The Round Towers defence were on top for the opening minutes but once Maynooth forwards got going and S. Noonan opened the scoring there was no holding Maynooth back. Despite missing numerous scoring opportunities they ran out easy winners.

Maynooth Scorers: S. Noonan 1-3, T. Farrell 1-2, E. Hassett 1-1, C. Ryan 1-0, J. Lawlor 3pts, P. Burke 1 pt, D. Noonan 1pt. Also to play well, J. Higgins, V. Murtagh, N. Gillick, P. Grant.

Minor Football League:

Maynooth 2-8 V John Devoys 2-2

Underfoot condition played a big part in this game. Maynooth started well but John Devoys held the forwards in first half. In the end Maynooth were wordered winners. Maynooth scorers: H. Purcell 2-2, E. Lyons 2 pts, K. Killoran 2 pts, P. Hogan 1 pt, R. Quinn 1 pt.

Minor Football League: Maynooth 3-12 V Castlemitchel 0-2

In a very one sided game Maynooth ran out easy winners over Castlemitchel. Maynooth played against the wind in first half and this laid the foundations for victory with excellent scores from H. Purcell to lead at half time by 1-3 to 0-1. The second half seen Maynooth on top right through, with K. Killoran and E. Lyons tops at midfield, and continued to dominate the game. Some bad shooting by Maynooth forwards, the score could have been doubled. Maynooth scorers: D. Mahoney 1-2, H. Purcell 1-1, E. Lacey 1-1, P. Garvey 3pts, D. Fleming 2pts, R. Quinn 1pt, E. Lyons 1pt, E. Mitchell 1pt. Also to play well, E. Dunne, K. Killoran, M. Mealy, D. Horn.

Minor Football League:

Maynooth 2-15 V St. Laurance 0-4

Maynooth short 4 players were still too good for St. Laurance's. Maynooth forwards were on a high as score shows. Maynooth scorers: E. Mitchell 1-1, P. Garvey 4pts, D. Mahoney 1-0, E. Leacy 3pts, M. Donnelly 2pts, R. Quinn 2pts, H. Nevin 1pt, E. Dunne 1pt, H. Purcell 1pt. Also to play well, A. O'Shea, P. Hogan, M. Mealy.

Junior Football League:

Maynooth 1-3 V Rathangan 1-8

Rathangan came out best in this Junior Football League, played in Rathangan. Maynooth played well but could not catch Rathangan. Best for Maynooth: C. Feeney 1 goal, J. Nolan 2pts, M. Cahan 1pt, N. Reilly, D. Burke, D. Murray.

Junior Football League:

Maynooth 3-10 V Monasterevin 4-9

In a high scoring game Maynooth lost out to a young Monasterevin side. Maynooth scorers: J. Keigher 6pts, D. Murray 1-1, K. McNamara 1 goal, D. Burke 1 goal, D. Scraffe 1pt, M. Galan 1pt also to play well R. McTernan, M. Flaherty, E. Dunne, J. O' Neill.

Junior Football League:

Maynooth 1-4 V Leixlip 12 pts

Maynooth were beaten by Leixlip because Leixlip took their scores. Maynooth forwards kicked too many wides. Maynooth Scorers: P. Conway 1-0, D. Murray 1pt, J. Nolan 2pts, N. Reilly 1pt. Also to play well C. Feeney, P. Nevin.

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The family of the late **Liam McWeeney**, Carton Court, Maynooth, wish to thank all those who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the removal, Mass & funeral, those who sent Mass cards and floral tributes. Special thanks to all the Priests who attended and all the kind neighbours. We trust this will be accepted by all as a small token of appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Conway

The husband and family of the late Esther Conway, Greenfield, wish to express their most sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. Those who attended the Removal, Mass and Funeral. Those who sent Mass cards, Letters of Sympathy, Floral Tributes, Everlasting Gifts, and Telemessages. A special word of thanks to our neighbours, relations, and many friends. To the Priests of the Parish and to all who helped us in every way, many thanks. The kindness of so many will never be forgotten. We hope this Acknowledgement will be accepted by all in grateful appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

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To Gano and Julie-Ann happy birthday to you's, from all class 5.

To the best dad in the world, Patrick Muldoon, Happy Father's Day. Lots of love, Helena, James, Michael, Thomas, Nicola and Pattie Ann.

Wishing Eamon Dunne a happy 18th Birthday on 2nd June. From Mammy, Daddy and four sisters.

Wishing Eamon a happy 18th Birthday on 2nd June. From Nana and Una.

Happy Birthday Frube on the 11th of June. Love from Jackie.

Happy Birthday to the best uncle in the world, Paddy Walshe, Mulhussey, Maynooth. Love Maura, Michael and Mickey.

Happy Birthday to Stephen Conneely, Pagetown, love Mickey.

Wedding Anniversary greetings to Eva and Paddy Walshe, Mulhussey, Maynooth, love Cathiadda.

Happy Birthday to Mam on the 23rd of June (who still does not look a day over 16!). Lots of love from Daddy, Michelle, Theresa and Family.

Birthday greetings to Gran on the 15th of June. Lots of love from your daughter, son-in-law, and grandchildren, Michelle and Theresa xxxx.

Best Wishes to Patrick Greene, Highfield Park, Kilcock who made his First Holy Communion on Saturday 16th May in Kilcock.

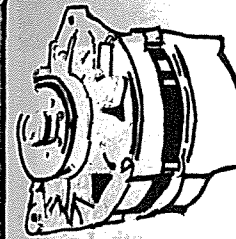
Hope you enjoyed your day at the Zoo and that your tooth grew in time for the Big Day. From Lenny and the Gang.

Belated Birthday Greetings to Feargal Barton "San Feliu" Maynooth, who celebrated his 21st Birthday on Sunday 24th May.

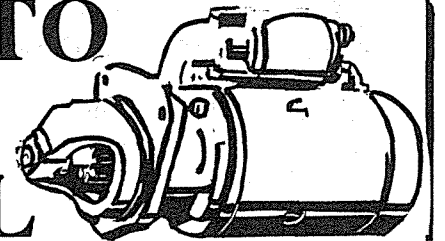
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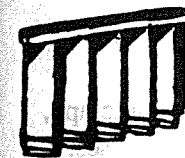
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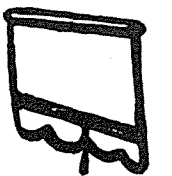


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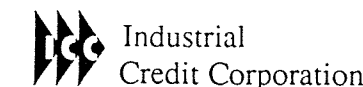
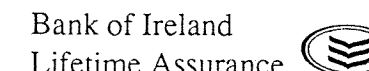
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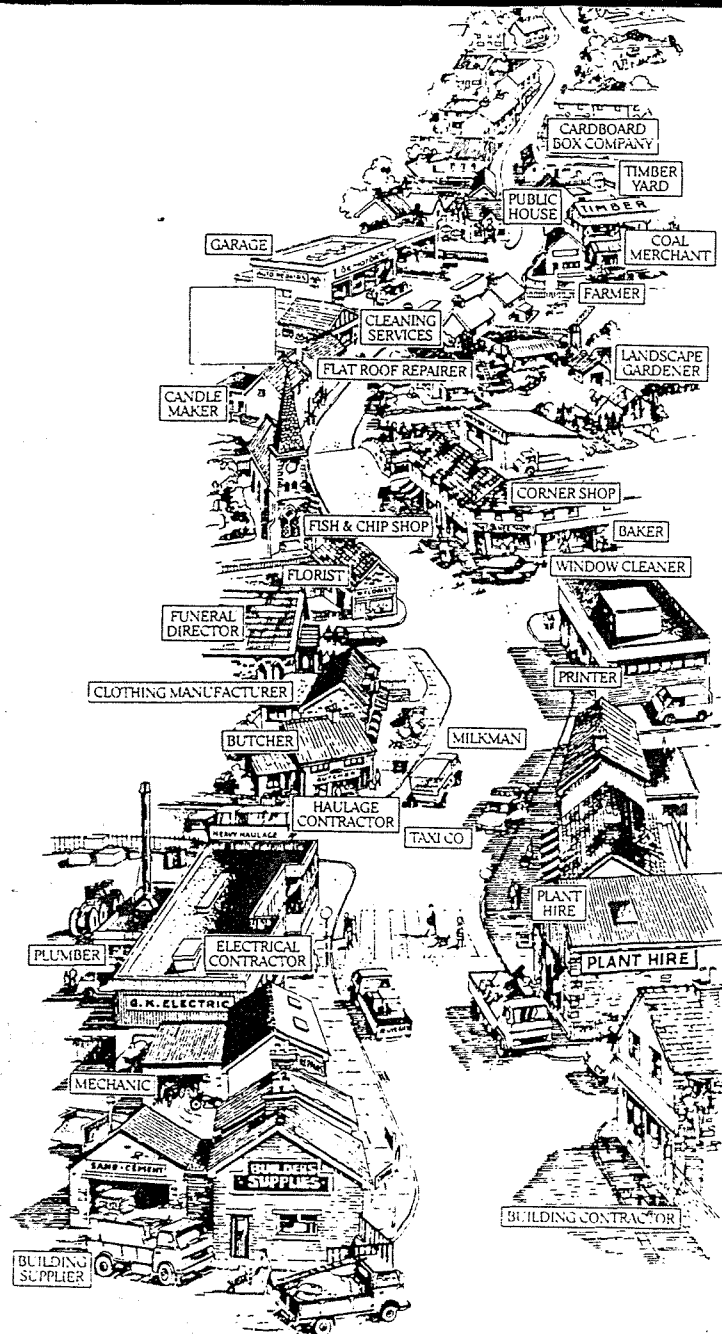
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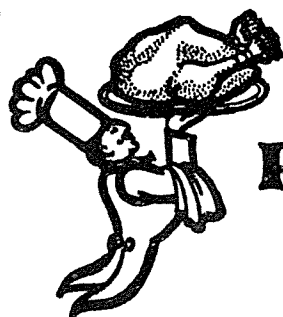
*Three of the older workers taking a break !. The clean-up day was organised
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Editorial

Crime in Maynooth

The spate of robberies in Maynooth over the past number of weeks is a cause of great concern. Within a matter of days the Centra supermarket and Maynooth Jewellers were victims of quite serious raids, where, it is believed, violence was threatened. Our own offices here in the Community Council were also broken into, together with adjoining offices in the building. Up to now Maynooth has probably escaped the worst of the crime wave which has hit the Dublin region but these latest robberies, together with a number of equally serious raids earlier in the year, suggests that we may not be so lucky in future. One hopes that the resources being made available to the local Gardai are sufficient to act as an effective deterrent to a further deterioration in the situation.

Maastricht

Like the rest of the country the people of Maynooth have voted by a good majority to become citizens of Europe. Most people will be relieved that the whole thing is over having been bombarded with conflicting views during the weeks leading up to June 18th. Depending on your point of view our economy is now set fair for expansion or doomed to high unemployment, our neutrality is secure or we're tied into a nuclear alliance, women's rights have been reaffirmed or Irish women are destined to become second class citizens. Perhaps the most disappointing aspect of the whole process is that the electorate have made a very far-reaching decision based, one suspects, on inadequate information and without all the issues being properly aired. If the Governments committed to Maastricht manage to patch the Treaty together again, with or without the Danes, we will all become citizens of a European Union first and Irish citizens second. It is a prospect which many may not have fully considered when voting on June 18th.

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School Holidays

By early July both Secondary and Primary level students will have embarked on their long summer vacation. In recognition of this fact the Editorial Board would like to extend its sincerest sympathy to the mothers (and fathers) of Ireland who will have to deal with their bored, hyperactive, lazy, accident-prone, permanently broke, noisy and very visible offspring for the next eight weeks. And who says teachers are overpaid?

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Dear Editor,

In last month's *Newsletter* (June) an article appeared from The Maynooth Miscarriage of Justice Group. The writer pertinently referred to the cases of the Birmingham Six, The Guildford Four and The Maguire Seven. Understandably, given their media coverage in the previous month, the writer illustrated the latest developments in the Judith Ward and Nicky Kelly cases. I hope that all of us consider the greatest miscarriage of justice of all is the fact that the real terrorist culprits in cases like the Birmingham pub bombings got away scot-free. That said, I must say I was disappointed and indeed surprised not to see the writer give any mention at all to one of the most appalling and questionable convictions of recent times. I refer of course to the case of The UDR Four - which in fact was being well reported throughout the media during the month of May simultaneous to the Judith Ward and Nicky Kelly developments. I wish to briefly bring to the readership's attention this most serious of miscarriages of justice.

The four men - Noel Beel, Neil Latimer, James Hogan and Winston Allen were convicted in 1983 of the murder of Mr. Adrian Carroll in Armagh three years earlier. Much controversy surrounds the case, ranging from alleged police brutality, faulty evidence, confessions made under intense interrogation, questionable compilation of police notes and inconsistencies in the RUC investigation. Indeed, a fifth man was cleared of the same charge when the judge decided he could not rely on that man's confession being made voluntarily. Last year a senior RUC officer told The Irish Times that a subsequent internal enquiry in the RUC has concluded that there was "some rewriting of notes" during investigations in the case of the four men. In addition, The Protestant Action Force (a cover name for the UVF) has admitted killing Mr. Carroll. Despite all of this and their consistently protested innocence, these four men remain serving a life sentence.

Surely the news in May's newspaper and TV coverage of the above case could not have escaped the attention of the writer - or the other members of The Maynooth Miscarriage of Justice Group. I trust that group is not selective or biased in their interpretations of injustices. Perhaps they can make amends by conveying to the Newsletter's readership what the group's campaigning position on the above case is. In addition, perhaps they might consider condemning the real bombers at Guilford the M4 motorway and Birmingham. After all, this group does concern itself with the politics of condemnation. The IRA, the UVF and all the other terrorist murder gangs are as much the perpetrators of injustice as the minority of police and judges associated with the various 'miscarriages'.

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Fiachra O Ceilleachair

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the organising committee for running the benefit night for myself and family. We would like to thank the G.A.A. Club for the use of their premises, the staff who gave of their time, the bands who played, those who gave spot prizes and all those who bought tickets and attended the function. Once again our grateful thanks to all concerned. If we omitted anyone it is certainly not intentional.

Jo McWeeney.

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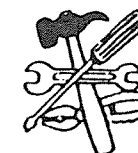
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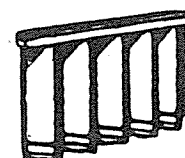


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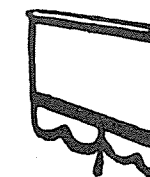


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Letters to the Editor

A chara,
I'm writing on behalf of all the English, French, German, Italian and countless other visitors to Ireland who will pass through Maynooth in the coming months - and who may even stop over for a cup of coffee or a browse in the shops. What a lovely town on a summer's day!

But how do its inhabitants, and especially its business people, allow such a level of litter to ruin the impact of the townscape? Where does all the litter come from and how can people tolerate it? The only conclusion I can come to is that it reflects a generally slovenly attitude to life and the environment in the community: how else can we explain to a young French couple sitting having breakfast at a pavement cafe while smoke from a nearby bonfire swirls around them? Or an English family parked on the main street with chip bags, burger cartons, sweet paper wrappings and plastic bags cluttering the gutters around their car? We can try to explain it away by pointing to the understaffed Co. Council cleaning department, or the poor state of the footpaths - but at the end of the day at the height of the tourist season it is just simply indefensible.

Maynooth is a mess. It is a dirty town and I doubt if many visitors will hang around.

*Yours sincerely,
P.Duffy*



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Community Council Notes

The Community Council held a clean-up day in the Harbour Field during the beginning of June. The working party, assisted by many children from the area, worked from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and cleared three skips of rubbish. The skips were kindly provided by Westside Waste. Gates were also installed at the entrance to the field.

Co-options

The following were co-opted onto the Community Council: Freda Kelliher - C.I.C., Lynn Whitaker - Senior Citizens, John McLoughlin - Research Student and Patrick Perry - Old Greenfield.

FESTIVAL REPORT

The Guinness Jazz Band set the opening night of the Festival alight with a jazz session in The Roost on Thursday 11th June. On the 12th the Band in the G.A.A. Club - Noel Brilly, Kevin McGovern and Tom Flood carried the Festival along in the same sparkling manner.

Aquatic interest featured on Saturday and Sunday with a Steam Organ, and canoeists in the harbour and on the canal. The Steam Train from Maynooth to Connolly and back added a touch of yester year to the day.

The Children's Treasure Hunt held on Saturday afternoon was a great success the winners were:

1st Prize Peter McCullough, Gerard McMahon, Annette McCullough and Tracy Horan.

2nd Prize Miriam Gormally, Louise Loane and Morvean Duffy.
3rd Prize Anthony Kennedy, Aidan Fay, Stuart Murray and Cian McGinley.

The Adult's Treasure Hunt lead the entrants a merry dance through Co. Meath. After their short sojourn in the Royal County the winners were

1st Prize: Elaine Behan, Leo Behan, Catherine Heslin and Melanie Oliver. 2nd Prize: John McGinley, Mary McGinley, Lenny Murphy and Carolann Reaper. 3rd Prize: Peter Hussey, Isobel Cartwright, Ann O'Connell and Mel Duffy.

The Harp Talent Competition in The Roost on Sunday night, attracted thirteen entries, comprising singers, bands and comedians. The high standard made the judges task extremely difficult. The winner was Sylvia Knox, runners up Paul Daly and Maisie Corcoran. Thanks to John Reid for providing the P.A. System at very short notice. Many thanks also to Nancy and Oliver Cline for the back-up music. Al Brady's Band enabled young and old to bop Sunday night away in the Leinster Arms. Ladies! wait for it, the Bachelor of the year 1992 is Sean Horan. The Senior Citizens party in Caulfield's was, as usual, very lively. Josie Moore and Kevin McGovern provided music and the food was lovingly prepared by the ladies of the Senior Citizens Committee.

Thirty teams took part in The Smithwick's Table Quiz in the G.A.A. Club. A very close finish resulted in the following teams emerging as the winners and runners-up.

1st Team. Community Games. Brian O'Malley, John McGarry, Paul Daly and Ben Daly.

2nd Team. Dublin West. John Donegan, Tony Clinton, John Nagle and Ciaran Tierney.

3rd Team. 3 way-tie. 1. Batman - Macdaragh McCauley, Tadg Lynch, Tomas Ashe and Harry McAuley. 2. Washer & Co. -

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Brian Moran, Joe Barrett, Joe Kavanagh and Maurice Nalpas; sub: Helen Ross. 3. Table No. 4.

Funniest Answer. The Greenies. Joe O'Rourke, Brendan Kelly, Keith Walsh and Bernie Owens. Thanks to Kay McKeogh, Peter Hussey, Peter Connell and Joe Manley for setting the questions, to the quiz master Peter Hussey and helpers John McLoughlin, Damien Smith, Norah McDermott, Grainne Kelly and New PMPA who donated spot prizes for the raffle on the night.

To more serious matters - the debate on the Maastricht Treaty in the I.C.A. Hall on Tuesday night gave much material for thought on this mind-boggling and sometimes mind numbing issue.

The Poetry reading in the Library on Wednesday 17th was very enjoyable. Thanks to all who participated.

The Car Trials in Doyle's Mart was well supported by drivers from throughout the thirty two counties. Again many thanks to Doyle's Mart for the use of their premises and to Don Foley for organising the Trials.

The Set Dancing in the G.A.A. Club brought all of those interested in Irish music and dancing to their feet on Wednesday night. Maynooth Accordion Band provided the music and the Claddagh Dancers and the Maher School of Dancing gave demonstrations of Folk and Irish dancing. A great display of set dancing also took place. Children of all ages took part in the Athletic Club Children's Races in the Harbour Field on Thursday 18th. The winners were as follows:

Three Legged Races:

Boys U/8.

1. Cillian Carr/Barry Hogan. 2. Enda Diggins/Fergal Molloy. 3. Stephen Healy/Alan Sweeney.

Boys U/10.

1. Morgan Sweeney/Patrick O'Rourke. 2. Shane Pidgeon/Michael Costello. 3. Noel Healy/Aiden Molloy.

Girls U/10.

1. Aoife McTernan/Lynn Brennan. 2. Emma Kennedy/Mary Keane.

Girls U/12.

1. Liz King/Rosin Farrell. 2. Mary O'Sullivan/Clare Hogan. 3. Irene Kearney/Joy O'Neill.

Girls U/14.

1. Sarah Commene/Susan Adderley. 2. Laura Kearney/Michael Gillick. 3. Joy O'Neill/Theresa McHale.

Wheel Barrow Races:

Boys U/8.

1. Alan Sweeney/Stephen Healy. 2. Fergal Molloy/Enda Diggins.

Boys U/10.

1. Matt Callaghan/Declan O'Rourke. 2. Connor Diggins/Michael Ryan. 3. Noel Healy/Aiden Molloy.

Girls U/12.

Lynn Brennan/Aoife McTernan. 2. Mary O'Sullivan/Clare Hogan. 3. Irene Kearney/Joy O'Neill.

Girls U/14.

1. Susan Adderley/Theresa McHale. 2. Michael Gillick/Laura Kearney.

Run and Get your Shoe Races:

Boys U/8.

1. Jamie O'Neill. 2. Alan Sweeney. 3. Fergal Molloy.

Boys U/10

1. Patrick O'Rourke. 2. Morgan Sweeney. 3. Shane Pidgeon.

Girls U/10

1. Lynn Brennan. 2. Aoife McTernan.

Boys U/12

1. Patrick King. 2. Conor Diggins. 3. Darragh Carr.

Girls U/12

1. Susan Adderley. 2. Mary O'Sullivan. 3. Joy O'Neill.

Boys U/14

1. Declan O'Rourke. 2. Matt Callaghan. 3. Philip Ryan.

Girls U/14

1. Sarah Commene. 2. Michael Gillick. 3. Laura Kearney.

The Brass and Reed Band entertained the public in the Square with their usual show of musical excellence.

Music again took over on Friday night with a band in the Leinster Arms and traditional music in Brady's.

After many problems of a transport and animal nature the Daisy Pat Lottery, on behalf of the Planning and Development, was held on Saturday afternoon. The winner of the lottery was the Community Council's own Norah McDermott. Congratulations Norah.

The Fire Brigade Display assured everybody who witnessed it that we can be sure of their prompt and expert services if we are unlucky enough ever to need them.

The Fete in the Old Rectory was very well attended and provided excellent value and entertainment on Saturday afternoon.

The following were the members of the Festival Gaelic Football U/14 display which took place on the last Saturday of the Festival.

T. Halton, M. Tumelty, G. Meally, D. McCarrick, R. Gavin, D. Coughlan, J. Lee, T. O'Keefe, M. Bennett, P. Ennis, B. Connolly, M. Walsh, N. Byrne, K. Ennis, D. Lennon, and J. Connolly.

S. Cummins, J. O'Gorman, Brid Anne O'Shea, Naomi Devereaux, Andrea Ennis, J. O'Shea, C. Diggin, E. Gallagher, F. Devereaux, P. Carroll, A. Nugent, E. Kerr, E. Nevin, J. Mee, J. Gallagher and M. Byrne.

The younger members of the community enjoyed themselves at the children's disco in the Parish Hall on Saturday evening.

To round off a very full day music was provided by Caulfield's. The Army Gymnastic display in the Harbour Field on Sunday afternoon was brilliant and much appreciated by the very large crowd.

The clown in particular went down very well with the small children. The Tae Kwon Do display held later in the afternoon demonstrated local agility and skill.

The main business of Sunday afternoon were the finals of the Inter Estates and Hurling League. The winners and runners-up of the hurling were as follows:

Team A. T. Mularkey, M. Quigley, O'Nevin, P. Sheehan, I. Devine, C. Lennon, F. Devereaux, J. Connolly, M. Cummins, P. Guinan, N. Devereaux and K. Gannon.

Team B. S. Cummins, S. O'Flaherty, S. Devereaux, D. Travers, A. Molloy, P. O'Flaherty, D. McCarthy, J. Mularkey, A. Geoghegan, Sharon Cummins, W. Gannon and B. A. O'Shea.
Team A. 4 goals 2 points - Team B. 2 goals.

In an excellent game of hurling played in a friendly but competitive spirit Team A led by in form captain Tom Mularkey scored a deserved but flattering 8 point victory over a Team B led in inspiring form by Team Captain Seam Cummins with man of the match award going to 6yr old Mark Cummins.

The Festival ended with the announcement of the winner of the (Guinness) most popular Bar Person - James Connolly. The runners-up were Dermot Coakley and Ben Mee.

Finally, many thanks to all those who helped organise events during Festival week, to all who took part in the various competitions, to all who attended the events, to Guinness for

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their generous sponsorship also to local publicans and the G.A.A. Club who sponsored the Barperson Competition and most particularly to the man or woman above for providing such beautiful weather throughout the week.

INTER-ESTATE 7-A-SIDE SOCCER

Guinness Ireland again sponsored the individual trophies for this popular event. The number of teams entering was down on last year which is probably a reflection of the age profile in the old estates. There was a time when Greenfield Estate had four teams. This year they had difficulty in getting one team.

Womens Tournament for the Tom Geraghty Cup

There were four entries:

Carton Court; The Dizzies Main Street; Greenfields; The Town. After a very exciting round robin series Greenfields and The Town finished on top to qualify for the final. Carton Court were only beaten on goal difference following their single goal victory in their last match against a determined Dizzies team. The final was a very exciting match with The Town winning 2-0 against a Greenfields team that were caught napping on the day. Congratulations to The Town and thanks also to Greenfield for providing us with such an entertaining match.

Mens Tournament for the Sean Donovan Cup

There were seven entries:

Kingsbry; Meadowbrook/Brookfield; Moyglare Village, Greenfields; Greenfield Estate; Celbridge Road and Beaufield. The round robin series had to go to the very last matches before Moyglare Village, Kingsbry, Greenfields and Celbridge Road qualified for the semi-finals. Celbridge Road qualified following their successful objection to Beaufield's victory over them. In the semi-finals: Moyglare Village's European type skills won out 1-0, against the up and under approach of Celbridge Road. The second game was very evenly matched with Keith Walsh equalising for Greenfields with a 35 yard rocket. However, the turning point in the game came when Greenfields had a player sent off just before half time. From the resultant penalty Kingsbry scored to win the match 2-1.

The final between Kingsbry and Moyglare Village was a repeat of last years final but with a different result. It was a very close encounter that took a vintage Willie Saults goal to decide the outcome. Congratulations to Moyglare Village on their success and indeed to both teams for providing a very sporting match. Next year the rules will probably be changed to allow participants of all ages to enter.

Anyone living in Maynooth area for over three months and not currently playing competitive soccer will be allowed to play. Hopefully this will result in more teams entering and eliminate objections.

COMMUNITY GAMES NOTES

The last month has been a fairly hectic one in Community Games Circles. May 23rd saw us hosting the County Variety Finals as we told you last month. By way of entertaining the crowd we had "Fallen Angel" a local rock band - our thanks to Kenneth, Oliver, Declan, Trevor and Colin. Our team got well deserved Bronze

Medals - it is a pity there are not medals for managers, as they deserved them also. Thanks to Michael Hanley for sound on the night and last but not least sincere thanks to Paul Daly for compering on the night. Really a great night by the young for the young.

May 24th Bright and early start next day for the Athletics we had a great turn out with lots of surprise winners and great participation and help by all the parents who were there. (Included are those who opted to represent us at the Co. Finals). Mick and Marie Gleeson who co ordinated the athletics were very pleased with the turn out.

June 6th Swimming Finals in Athy; again our swimmers gave of their best (see list), Pat Watson was in charge on the day and we had more medal winners. Susan Dillon took the gold in U14 Freestyle, Anne Flood Bronze in U14 Backstroke and Aoife Callaghan U16 Backstroke, Well done girls.

June 13th Our boys Pitch and Putt team - the first in many years - participated in the Co. Finals. There were 12 teams and Gerry Higgins said that the boys played great - they came 4th in the end.

June 16th We played Leixlip in the Hurling finals. We had a very young team, most were U12 but they battled on until the final whistle. Special thanks is due to all the Hurling Committee who took such great interest in the boys particularly Ciaran Diggins their manager and Seamus Cummins for the enclosed photos. We got well deserved silver medals.

June 20th & 21st Athletic finals in Allenwood G.A.A. In all we had over 80 entries. On Saturday in the field events we had 3 winners - Seamus Cummins (son) Gold in Long Puck, Paula O'Shea (silver) Javelin and Martin Byrne Bronze in Shot Putt. Sunday in glorious sunshine our athletics had a marvellous day out and the bonus was some more winners.

The O'Sullivan household was cheering loudly as Padraig got gold in U.10 Hurdles and Eileen got gold in the U.17 Marathon. Patrick Rourke Silver U.10 +100m, Relay U.10 Bronze were Richard Leavy, Patrick O'Rourke, Padraig O'Sullivan and Pierre Ennis, Conor Diggins got Silver U.12 600m and Paul Flood U.16 High Jump. Well done to all our competitors from our U.8 and U.17.

One sad note is that in both the swimming and Athletics some children who allowed their names go forward for relay squads didn't turn up for their races. This was a pity as sport is about a team effort and we were deprived of quite a number of teams on the day.

The information given alone is only part of the story - our soccer players, Gaelic players, tennis players and girls soccer have all been out there representing Maynooth. So well done to all.

The next step will be Mosney. We have a good representation this year - Art, Gymnastics, Swimming and Athletics but more about that next month.

If I've forgotten to thank anyone please excuse us as it has been a hectic time for our small but dedicated committee but whatever help you gave was really very much appreciated. More next month.

Eilis O'Malley.

Swimming Reps at County Finals

Boys: U.8 Mark Watson, U.10 Freestyle Peter Sheehan, U.10 Backstroke Brian McLoughlin, U.12 Freestyle Martin McLoughlin, Martin Filbert, U.14 Freestyle James Gallagher. Girls: U.8 Aideen Byrne, U.10 Freestyle Catherine Gannon,

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U.12 Freestyle Rachel Watson, Therese Flood, U.12 Breaststroke Louise Gannon, U.14 Freestyle Susan Dillon, U.14 Breaststroke Eleanor Scully, U.14 Backstroke Anne Flood, U.16 Backstroke Aoife Callaghan.

Boys Squad: Martin McLoughlin, Martin Filbert, Pdraig O'Sullivan, Peter Sheehan and Brian McLoughlin.

Girls Squad: Eleanor Scully, Rachel Watson, Therese Flood, Louise Gannon and Catherine Gannon.

Athletic Reps at County Finals

Girls U.8 60 metres: Emma Higgins, Muire Ennis, Muireain O'Sullivan.

Girls U.8 80 metres: Triona Cahill. Girls U.10 100 metres: Lynn Brennan, Anne-Marie Gallagher, Pearl Byrne. Girls U.10 200 metres: Gillian Fleming. Girls U.12 100 metres: Mary O'Sullivan, Ann Gannon, Aoife McTernan. Girls U.12 600 metres: Susie Adderley, Irene Kearney, Margaret Cauaghan. Girls U.13 Walking Race: Jean Ashe, Andrea Ennis, Elizabeth King. Girls U.14 100 metres: Sarah Commene. Girls U.14 800 metres: Maeve Flood, Sarah Commene. Girls U.14 Long Puck: Brid Ann O'Shea, Shauna Feeney, Aoibhinn O'Sullivan. Girls U.14 Shot Putt: Michelle Gillick, Lynda Haren. Girls U.16 100 metres: Ciara Power. Girls U.16 High Jump: Virginia Breslin, Leah Newman. Girls U.17 100 metres: Gillian Power. Girls U.17 Marathon: Emer O'Sullivan. Girls U.17 Javelin: Gemma Harey, Paula O'Shea, Dervla McDermott. Girls U.10 Relay (4 x 100m + SUB): Lynn Brennan, A.M. Callaghan, Pearl Byrne, Gillian Fleming, Emma Higgins. Girls U.12 Relay (4 x 100m + SUB): Mary O'Sullivan, Ann Gannon, Aoife McTernan, Susan Adderley, Elizabeth King. Girls U.14 Relay (4 x 100m + SUB): Sarah Commene, Maeve Flood, Virginia Breslin, Lynda Harey, Jackie Kinsella. Girls U.17 Relay (4 x 100 m + SUB): Emer O'Sullivan, Gemma Harey, Ciara Power, Gillian Power, Paula O'Shea. Mixed U.15 Relay (4 x 100m + 2SUBS): Declan O'Rourke, Stephen Brennan, Ciara Power, Lynda Harey, Donneha McCarrick, Michelle Gillick.

Boys U.8 60 metres: Brian Shiels, Fergal Molloy, Daniel O'Neill. Boys U.8 80 metres: Enda Diggins, Paul Haren. Boys U.10 80 metres Hurdles: Pdraig O'Sullivan. Boys U.10 100 metres: Patrick O'Rourke, Morgan Sweeney, Shane Pigeon. Boys U.10 200 metres: Pierre Ennis. Boys U.12 100 metres: Patrick King. Boys U.12 600 metres: Conor Diggins, David Cambell. Boys U.12 Long Puck: Seamus Cummins, Patrick McDonald, Michael Gleeson. Boys U.13 Walking Race: Karl Ennis, Eamon O'Donoghue, Niall Byrne. Boys U.14 Long Jump: David Cambell. Boys U.14 100 metres: Declan O'Rourke, Stephen Brennan, Donneha McCarrick. Boys U.14 Shot Putt: Martin Byrne, Chris Madden. Boys U.16 100 metres: Thomas Farrell. Boys U.16 1500 metres: Jason Devine. Boys U.16 Discus: Chris Byrne. Boys U.16 High Jump: Paul Flood. Boys U.17 100 metres: Brian McGlinchey. Boys U.10 relay (4x100m + Sub): Patrick O'Rourke, Morgan Sweeney, Pdraig O'Sullivan, Pierre Ennis, Cillian Carr. Boys U.12 relay (4 x 100m + Sub): Patrick King, Conor Diggins, David Cambell, Karl Ennis, Eamon O'Donoghue.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS REPORT.

As can be seen from around the town - Tidy Towns Committee has been active in the past month or so especially around the Church area.

We are still hopeful that the Social Employment Scheme will get off the ground shortly.

Our annual Best Shop Front/Best Estate/Area Competition has started, judging will be over the July/August months.

As promised here are some points which may help in improving your premises/area.

Best Shop Front

- 1) Level of maintenance e.g. paint work, colours etc.
- 2) Sympathy with surrounding architectural/setting.
- 3) Window displays.
- 4) Use of attractive decoration e.g. flower boxes/baskets.
- 5) Litter/weed control - outside premises.

Best Area/Estate

- 1) Attention to open space/play areas.
- 2) Front garden displays.
- 3) State of verges, kerbsides, walls - fences.
- 4) Shrubbery, trees, flowers.
- 5) Appearance of houses.
- 6) General level of maintenance.
- 7) Apparent community effort.

We hope the above will help. Good luck to all - thank you for your support.

Richard Farrell
Secretary/P.R.O.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

We still have no positive news of the start up of our Fas Social Employment Scheme.

We are having ongoing discussions with the Trustees of the Geraldine Hall as a centre for our Planning and Development Social Employment Scheme. Further information in Community Council notes.

We will have drawings of future plans for Maynooth available in early September.

A word of thanks to all who cleaned up the playground and harbour field. It is very much appreciated.

Richard Farrell
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

After a busy year, we will be taking a break for the Summer and will return with a demonstration on September 15th to be given by Beatrice Steward, whose theme will be "Back to Basics" to be held in S.V.D. Hall at 8.00 p.m.

This month took us on our annual outing to Birr Castle and a train trip on the Bog of Allen followed by dinner in the Montague Hotel in Emo. We had a wonderful day and were blessed with beautiful weather.

On the 16th Linda Murphy gave us a demonstration entitled "As I Like It". We all thoroughly enjoyed it also.

Also this month some of our Club members competed at the NAFAS competition in Glasgow and we would like to heartily congratulate Imelda Desmond who came fourth in her section. As promised we are including a full list of runners at our Annual Spring Show.

Class 1. 1st Mary Cleary. 2nd Toni Read. 3rd Carmel O Leary.
Class 2. 1st Terry Fox. 2nd Mary Cleary. 3rd Carmel O Leary.
Class 3. 1st Jean Fleeter Jones. 2nd Ena McGrattan. 3rd Maureen Stephens.

Class 4. 1st Pam Aeton. 2nd Felicity. 3rd Ena McGrattan.

Class 5. 1st Ena McGrattan. 2nd Theresa Ledwith. 3rd Eithna Nugent.

Class 11. 1st Mary Cleary. 2nd Aileen Howard. 3rd Francis Reynolds.

Class 12. 1st Joan Reynolds. 2nd Catherine Hodge. 3rd Mary Doyle.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank most sincerely Thornhill Garden Centre, Celbridge and The Orchard Garden Centre, Celbridge for their support and donations to the garden entrants at the Spring Show in the R.D.S.

Hoping you all have a happy and restful summer. See you in September.

R. Smyth

ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

Hi all! With Summer here we hope it brings lots of warm sunny days to help us with our busy schedule.

On Thursday 18th June we played in The Square for the celebrations of Community week. Although it is great to have so many young members it is exam time and holiday time so we apologise for the slightly lower sound. Hopefully they will all have reason to celebrate. Good Luck everyone!!

Sunday 5th July should see us at Herbert Park, Ballsbridge reciting our popular tunes.

On Sunday 28th June we venture off to "The Fields of Athenry" in Galway for Feile na nGael. This day involves U/14 footballers participating in All-Ireland events. This event will attract other bands and clubs from all over the country.

One of our dedicated 'senior' members passed out when marching in Dun Laoghaire on Sunday 21st June. Perhaps the excitement was too much!! Thankfully it was not serious but food poisoning. We thought he would only be playing in Dun

Laoghaire but we ended up being played upon by the nurses and doctors.

Just to remind you that bookings for band engagements should be made in writing to: Secretary, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane.

Fiona O'Malley
P.R.O.

GRANGEWILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The above committee will hold it's next meeting in the Parish Hall, Maynooth on Monday 6th July 1992 at 8.30 p.m.

Cemetery Sunday was held in Grangewilliam on June 14th. Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Nevin.

It would be appreciated if all interested persons would attend our next meeting as we are very anxious to plan a routine regarding the work to be carried out.

We regret to state that we failed to generate an interest and a response to the appeal we originally put forward, and because of this we are unable to carry out the extensive scale of work planned.

We wish to thank all those who gave donations; also the voluntary workers for their labour and valuable time.

For further information please contact: Peter Nevin (Secretary - phone: 6285179) or Kathleen Murphy (P.R.O. - phone: 6286399).

CITIZEN INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

Question:

I was transferred by my company to work in Northern Ireland in 1977. Two years ago I took early retirement and have been getting pre-retirement credits since then. We will be returning to the South to live later this year, and I have been advised that I will no longer be eligible for credits from Northern Ireland. Is there any way I can continue to get these pre-retirement credits in the South?

Answer:

Yes! you can arrange to sign on at the Employment Exchange here for credits. When you sign on you are declaring that you are available for and actively seeking work. However, this rule is not strictly enforced for your age group.

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If you had not worked here before, then, these particular credits would have been transferred to your Northern Ireland record. The whole area of credits is quite complex. It would be advisable to bring some documentation with you to show that you are presently getting pre-retirement credits in the North.

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Fund Raising

The C.I.C. did the catering for the launch of the Summer Festival. Thanks to Angela in the Elite who supplied all the bread, Coyne and Bergin for Cocktail sausages and Centra and Quinnsworth for cooked ham.

Bachelor of the Year Competition

Thanks to the following for lunch and dinner vouchers: Trevor Reilly, Barberstown Castle, Hitchin' Post, Captain's Inn, Riverforest House, Moyglare Manor, Springfield Hotel, Abbey Restaurant, Leinster Arms, Michael Angelo, Slevins, West Wing (Castletown Hse.), O'Keeffes, "K" Club, Caulfields. Thanks also to Katies Flowers and the Flower Pot for button-holes for the Bachelors and to Al Brady and Jim Cunningham for providing the music and Willie Kiernan for providing the sound system. Thanks also to all the Bachelors who made the night a wonderful success and to Maisie Corrigan who was M.C. for the night, and Kay Kavanagh, Mary O'Melia and Miss Ireland who were the judges.

As we have not got a starting date for our new scheme, we are operating once again on a purely voluntary basis. Our library office is open only on Tuesday and Friday 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and our Main Street Office will be open Mon - Fri 10 - 1 p.m.

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I.C.A. NOTES

The monthly I.C.A. Meeting was held on Thursday 2nd June. We had a very interesting speaker, Sergeant Bill White of Crime Prevention, Naas. He gave us very useful advice on home security. Our guild hosted Kildare Federation A.G.M. on May 27th. It was very well attended by guilds from around the county. Our president Imelda Delaney was very pleased with the magnificent craft display which was arranged by our craft promoter Nell McLoughlin and Mary Halton and also Joan Shannon who organised the making of our new I.C.A. banner with some of our craft ladies. After three hard working years Maisie McMyler our federation president handed over the chain of office to Nellie Dillon and her secretary Jackie Bergin both ladies from Kill Guild. There was a lovely supper to finish the evening. Well done to our quiz team Marion Souhan, Helen Doyle, Rosemary Hanley and Bernadette Duffy who won the Odium Cup. The June competition winners "the oldest magazine": 1st. Betty Farrell, 2nd. Bernadette Duffy, 3rd. Mary Flynn, and the raffle winners were Teresa Mooney, Margaret Gee and Connie Harper. On Saturday 6th June we had our annual summer outing to Kilkenny, we visited the Dunmore caves and went on a walking tour of the city. Thanks to our president Imelda Delaney who organised it all for us. Our members enjoyed an open night hosted by Superquinn in their new store in Lucan. We were joined by I.C.A. members from Lucan, Leixlip and Newcastle. There were demonstrations on wine, meat and confectionery and several of our ladies came home with lovely prizes and gifts. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 2nd July and the competition will be a "plain coffee sponge". We will not have a speaker for July as we will be preparing for our Annual Show on the 10th and 11th of July in the Post Primary School. We are hoping it will be well supported, schedules are available in all the local shops. As we hope to start the Drama in September. We would like to hear from a producer who would be interested in working with us. Please ring Marion at 6285714 for further details.

Autumn Holiday

Mrs. Bernadette Duffy, International Officer for Maynooth I.C.A. is organising an autumn holiday for members or non-members. The holiday will be of special interest to those with green fingers or garden club members as the highlight of the trip is to be a visit to the Floriade. This is a spectacular Flower and Garden Festival held every 10 years in Zoetermeer near the Hague. Other places visited will be Amsterdam, Antwerp, Guent and Bruges. The closing date has been extended, so there is still time to book a place if you hurry. The dates for the holiday are September 14th-20th. Contact Mrs. Duffy 6286774 as soon as possible if you would like to go.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

A meeting of the above was held on June 8th 1992. The attendance was less than usual, due, no doubt to holidays, though we did welcome a few new faces. The trip to Sligo will take place on June 30th 1992. The train will stop at Maynooth Rail Station at 9.10 a.m. and reach Sligo at 12.10 p.m.; a buffet car is attached. On the return journey, a train leaves Sligo at 5.40 p.m. and is due in Maynooth at 8.37 p.m. Those who have travel passes, travel free. Passes to be presented, please! A group will

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travel to the Gate Theatre, Dublin to see the "Cherry Orchard" on 17th June 1992, and the association was represented by a team at the Community Council's Table Quiz on 16th June. We wish them good luck! Wendy Geoghegan will represent the association at future Community Council meetings. We are grateful to her. The next meeting, before we break for the Summer, will be held on 6th July at 8 p.m. in the Health Centre. A lively attendance is requested, please.

CARTON COMMITTEE

The Oral Hearing on Carton is scheduled for 30th June and 1st July in the Council Offices, Naas. The public are entitled to attend these sessions and, indeed, the Carton Appeal Group would appreciate support from the local community expressed in attendance at the hearing. The Group is presenting the objections of the Carton Committee, An Taisce and the Irish Georgian Society at the Hearing.

Our case is based on the fact that the Gleneagles development is not the right development for Carton. Carton is such a valuable resource in a region of expanding population, that it should be saved for future generations of local people and ordinary tourists passing through. We think it would be much more suitable as a National Historic Park-like the Phoenix Park - to which everybody has access. The present proposals will represent the destruction of Carton as we know it and will make it impossible to ever develop it as a national resource. It is also extremely likely that once planning permission has been given by An Bord Pleanála the developers in future will simply apply for changes to their plans so that ultimately Carton will become an extensive residential development joining up the towns of Leixlip and Maynooth.

If all goes well and An Bord Pleanála turns down the present proposal the future of Carton will remain to be decided. This is something that closely concerns all of us in Maynooth. Carton is part of the heritage passed on to the present generation, and we share the responsibility for passing it on to future generations. Not everyone understands the importance of Carton as part of our heritage. Carton is recognised as being of national and European significance because it is one of very few eighteenth-century estates, comprising both house and demesne, to have survived to today virtually unchanged from the time they were created. It is this unity of house and demesne, and their joint survival, that is so unique. Carton is an outstanding example of the eighteenth-century fashion for setting grand houses like Carton in a carefully planned and landscaped parkland. The Carton parkland, largely the brainchild of James and Emily, the first Duke and Duchess of Leinster, is a beautiful example which remains very much as they created it. It is true that many trees have been cut down, but trees are not immortal and always have to be replaced eventually. The structure of the woodlands is intact and only needs the usual proper replanting and maintenance. The house too is in sound basic condition and it too only needs the on-going maintenance and attention that all old houses require.

Maynooth town itself is, like Carton, an eighteenth-century inheritance. Maynooth Community Council and others are planning for a cultural and heritage centre which would preserve and maintain all its aspects, the town itself, the medieval Geraldine

castle, linked to Carton by the Fitzgeralds, the College, the Royal Canal. The future of Carton surely lies here, as a unique component of the historical heritage of Maynooth. This entire heritage complex could be developed as an educational and leisure resource to be explored and enjoyed by everyone and to bring tourists, trade and jobs to Maynooth.

The Carton Committee has been encouraged recently to see growing political support for this type of approach to Carton's future. The Green Party has always argued for the preservation of Carton. The Democratic Left, in its new policy leaflet, suggests that Kildare County Council join forces with the owner of Carton, the Castle Committee, the Community Council and other interested groups to develop Carton as a regional heritage park. We know that many other individual public representatives have sympathy and interest for these and similar ideas. They will all be helped by members of the public showing their interest and encouragement.

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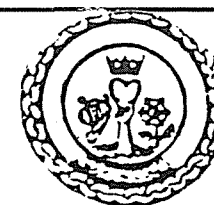
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The girls duly carried out their projects and Alice Guinan of 5th class won 1st prize. The competition is run on three levels - (1) Parish (2) Bishop's Area (3) Diocese. Alice won the prize in the Parish and has gone forward to Bishop's Area competition. Caitriona Tumelty, Sheila Greene and Joanne Duignan also got prizes in the same competition. Lynsey Glennon and Emma Kilduff won scholarships to study in the Gaeltacht during the summer.

Well done girls and congratulations to all on their achievements



Mary Fitzgerald, winner of the Maynooth branch of Quinns, "Check Out Operator of the Year". She will represent the branch at the National Final. Mary has worked in the store for five years. A native of Maynooth, she and her husband Paul together with children, Conor and Laura, live in Leixlip.

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We are seeking meetings with the Directors of the foreign students visiting Maynooth to ensure that - no problems will arise.

We wish everyone a pleasant holiday.

P.R.O.

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Committee are presently organising the Children's Sports Day which will be held on July 25th. We will also be organising a 5-a-side football tournament for boys and girls of Primary school age, the final of which will be held on Sports Day. We are still in negotiation with the contractor who laid the sewage pipes to re-seed the top of the estate. We would like to ask people to exercise caution on entering, and leaving the estate, and not endanger children's lives by speeding.

Bernie O' Meara

P.R.O.

Dear Resident,

The Children's Sports Day will be held on Saturday 25th July. There will also be a football tournament for boys and girls of primary school age. Committee members will be taking names of those interested in playing on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th of July, at the big green at 7.00 p.m. There will also be a bar-be-que later on in the evening at the usual place.

As judging for the tidy estates will be taking place soon, committee members will be doing a tidy up of the estates (weeding the slabs, tidying grass verges etc.), on Thursday 25th of June from 7.00 p.m. All help would be appreciated especially if you have a trailer so we can collect the weeds and grass, so bring a spade and come out and help.

Finally, a warning to motorists, from now on the children will be on school holidays so please show them a little consideration and slow down when driving through the estate. Constant speeding will be reported to the Gardai.

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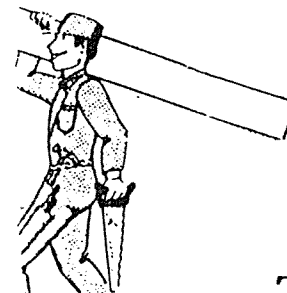
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Thieves often grab handbags thinking they contain valuables. Leave them at home! When out shopping, carry sufficient money and any keys in an inside pocket. The Garda can advise you on how to mark property with your own property number. This makes it less attractive to thieves, and also easier for us to return to the rightful owner when it is recovered. Fit a door viewer. Then you can safely see who any caller is, without having to open the door. A door limiter will enable you to open the door partly, and still maintain some control over entry. If you

think any caller looks suspicious, DON'T LET THEM IN! You can tell them that you are busy, and get them to call back when someone else is at home with you. Remember, if the person is genuine, they will appreciate your fears and will not mind calling back, or proving who they are. Official callers should have identification cards. Always ask to see one. Even if the person is dressed as a member of the Garda, you can still ask to see such a card. Treat door to door callers (who are not known to you) with caution. There is no need to turn your home into a fortress. However, it is important to have good locks fitted to your windows and all external doors. Lock them every time you leave the house. If you make an effort to do this regularly, it should develop into a habit, that way it will be less likely that you will forget. Advice is available from your Garda Crime Prevention Officer. Just contact your local Garda Station and they will put you in touch with him. We recognise that one of the best means of crime prevention is a good neighbour. This is someone who will keep an eye on your house when you are away, and who will call to make sure that everything is well. Good neighbours are part of Neighbourhood Watch - join it if you can. Once again, if you have any questions about this, contact your Garda Station. NOTE: The Garda Confidential Telephone number is : 1800 589589.

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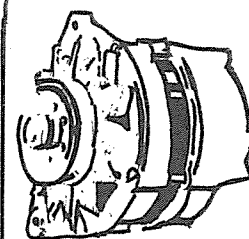
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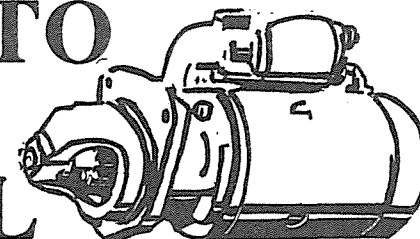
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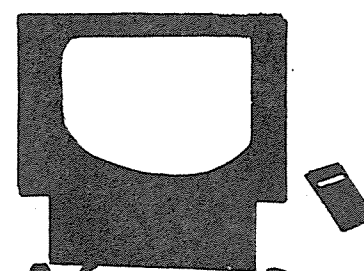


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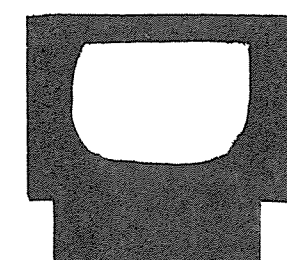
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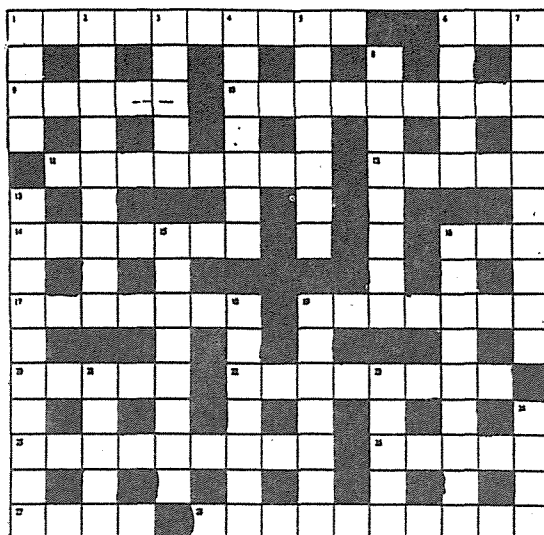


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Across

1. Local rag (10)
6. Get whiskey from local water supply (3)
9. Mother's offspring wears an apron sometimes (5)
10. Consigned to lower divisions (9)
11. It may take more than ten at last to make her look better (8)
12. This head is red by inclination and partly by name (5)
14. Confused feline may perform at the end (4,3)
16. Crush the preserve (3)
17. In her, it will be passed on (7)
19. Where father realises the value of possessions (3,4)
20. Form a judgement without sufficient evidence (5)
22. Throw off in an unrestricted fashion for surface excavations (4-4)
25. I'm firmly fixed (9)
26. The ma is upset but she's got Sam Og (5)
27. Confuse and raze the poet for a pound (4)
28. Start the couriers in disarray (10)

Down

1. I mean to call for a title (4)
2. Another side of the ma while she's upset (9)
3. Loren is upset to be like Garbo (5)
4. Mixed up men trot in distress (7)
5. Volunteers (7)
6. Stare in confusion at the property levy (5)
7. Terms of affection as ten men read peculiarly (10)
8. Do an injustice to one (8)
13. Heading for a less militant season? (10)
15. Vera is a bit harsh (8)
16. Joan deals in an upset fashion as she makes her way through Maynooth (4,5)
18. Here comes our belt to cause distress (7)

19. Staggers to rest after the tee (7)
21. This chap seems more wooden (5)
23. A male clerical assistant initially can play with this (5)
24. In this way, as a result (4)

Solutions to Crossword No. 55

Across

1. Ballygoran, 6. Put, 9. Taste, 10. Excessive, 11. Woodlice, 12. Ratio, 14. Bedrock, 16. Awl, 17. Enrages, 19. Missing, 20. Elfin, 22. Democrat, 25. Masticate, 26. Inept, 27. Nose, 28. News-reader.

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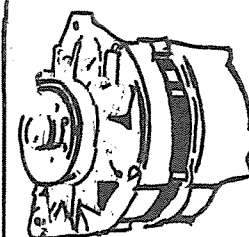
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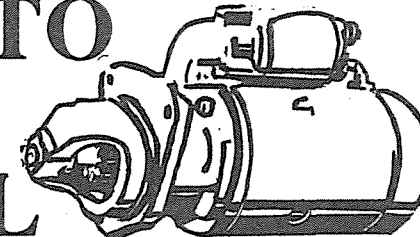
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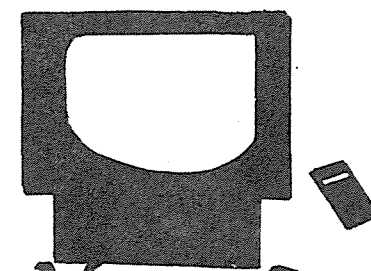
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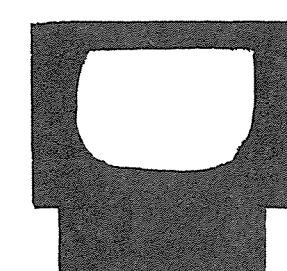
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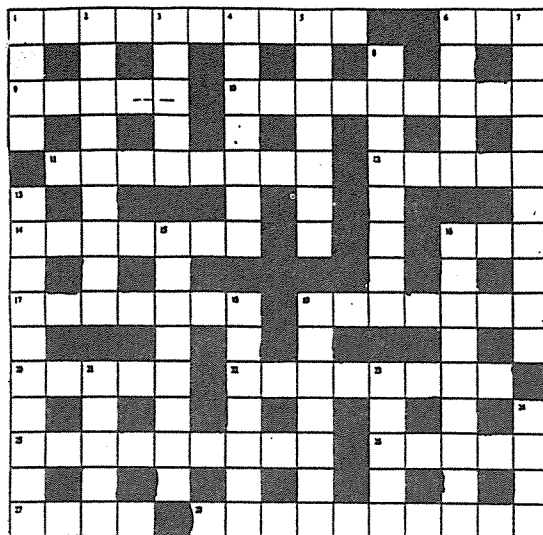


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CROSSWORD NO. 56



Entries before 5.00 pm Friday 17th July.

Name: _____

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Across

1. Local rag (10)
6. Get whiskey from local water supply (3)
9. Mother's offspring wears an apron sometimes (5)
10. Consigned to lower divisions (9)
11. It may take more than ten at last to make her look better (8)
12. This head is red by inclination and partly by name (5)
14. Confused feline may perform at the end (4,3)
16. Crush the preserve (3)
17. In her, it will be passed on (7)
19. Where father realises the value of possessions (3,4)
20. Form a judgement without sufficient evidence (5)
22. Throw off in an unrestricted fashion for surface excavations (4-4)
25. I'm firmly fixed (9)
26. The ma is upset but she's got Sam Og (5)
27. Confuse and raze the poet for a pound (4)
28. Start the couriers in disarray (10)

Down

1. I mean to call for a title (4)
2. Another side of the ma while she's upset (9)
3. Loren is upset to be like Garbo (5)
4. Mixed up men trot in distress (7)
5. Volunteers (7)
6. Stare in confusion at the property levy (5)
7. Terms of affection as ten men read peculiarly (10)
8. Do an injustice to one (8)
13. Heading for a less militant season? (10)
15. Vera is a bit harsh (8)
16. Joan deals in an upset fashion as she makes her way through Maynooth (4,5)
18. Here comes our belt to cause distress (7)

19. Staggers to rest after the tee (7)
21. This chap seems more wooden (5)
23. A male clerical assistant initially can play with this (5)
24. In this way, as a result (4)

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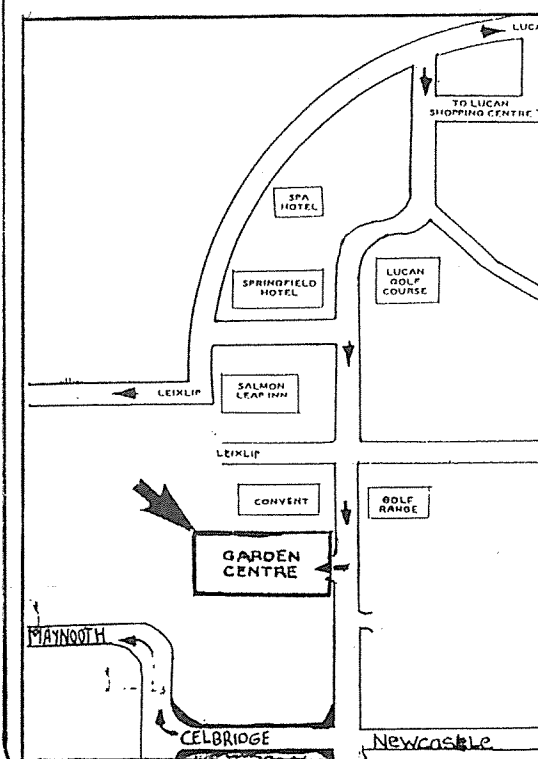
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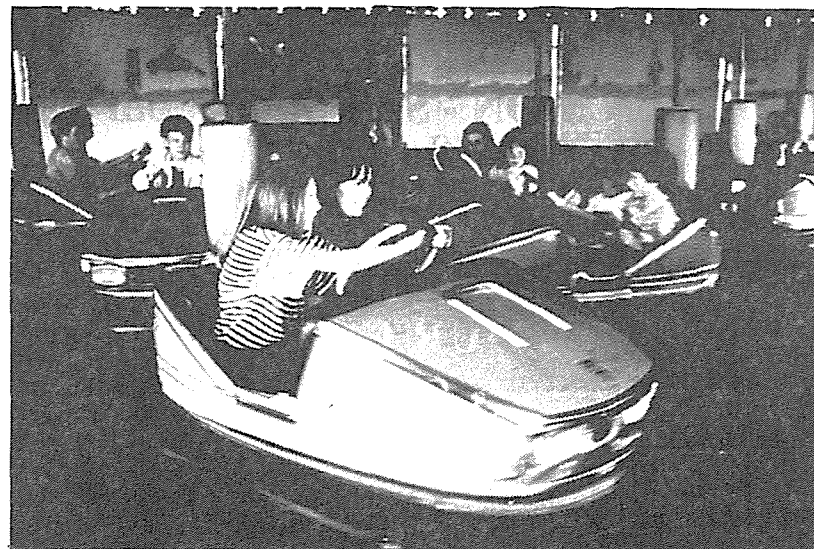
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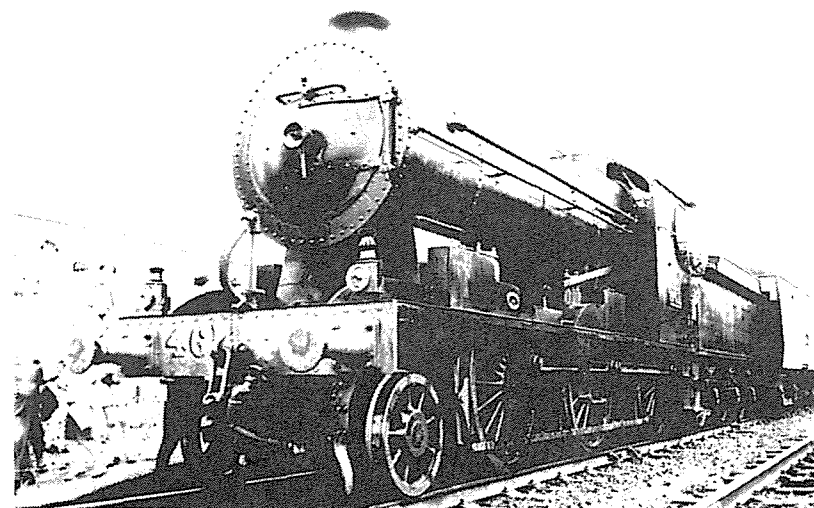
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Bachelors' Delight: Bachelor of the Year Competitors with Miss Ireland and Maisie Corrigan.

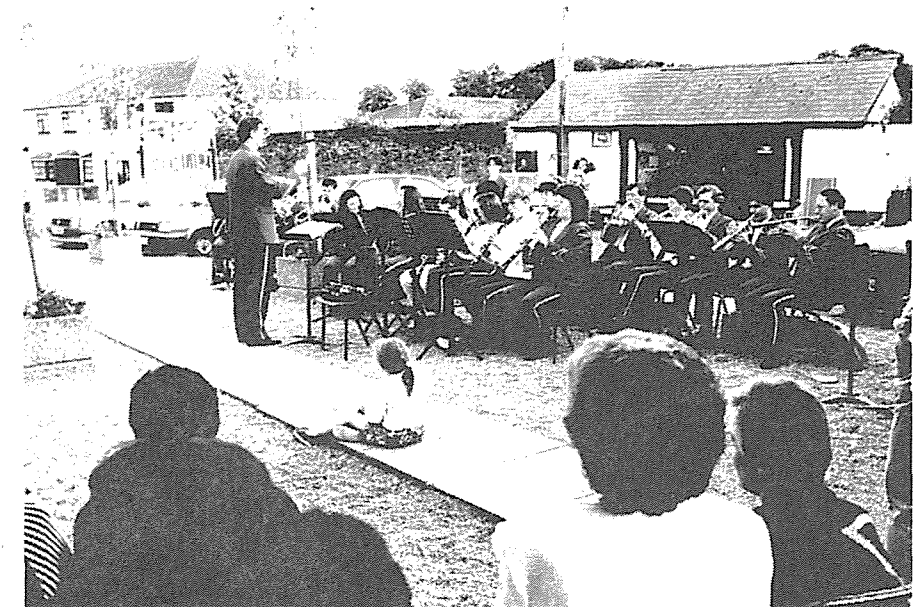


Enjoying the bumper - cars at Hudson's Carnival.



Steam train in Maynooth

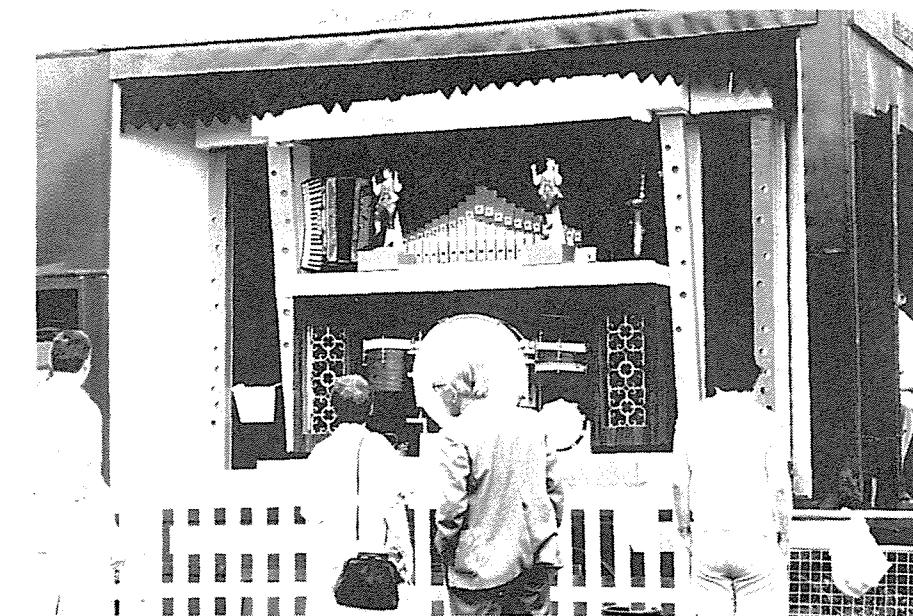
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St. Mary's Band playing in the Square.



Boat trips along the Canal.



Viewing The Steam-organ at the Harbour.



The Inter Estate winning Ladies' Team.



The Inter Estate winning Mens' Team.



Rock Garden in the Harbour Field.



At the Old Peoples' Cabaret.



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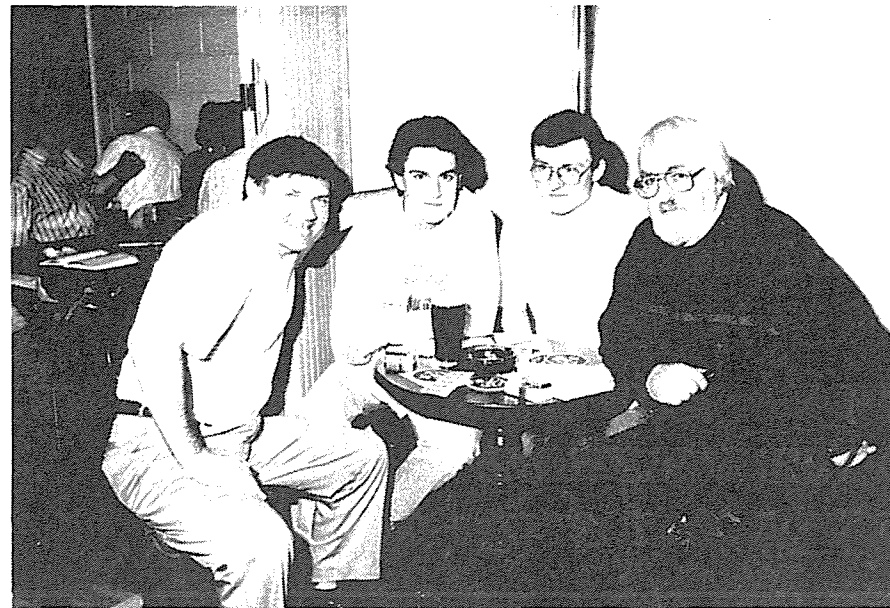
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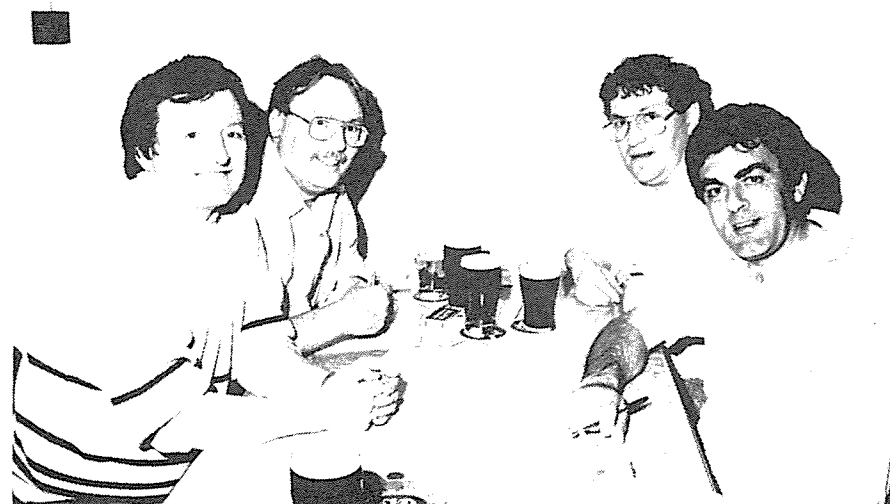
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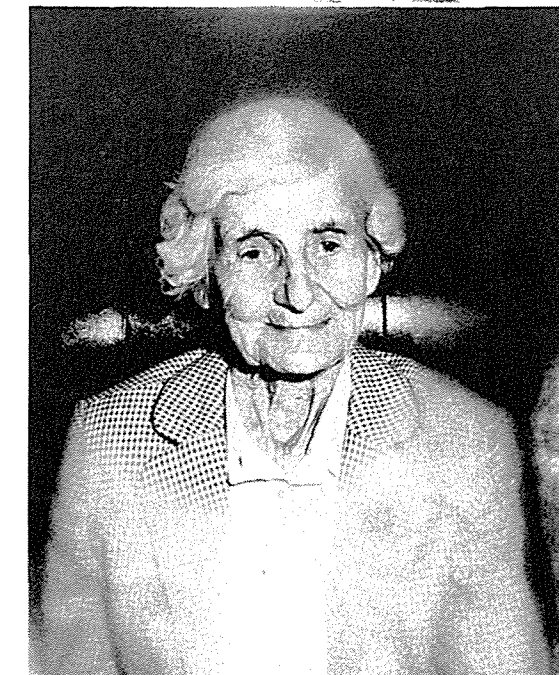


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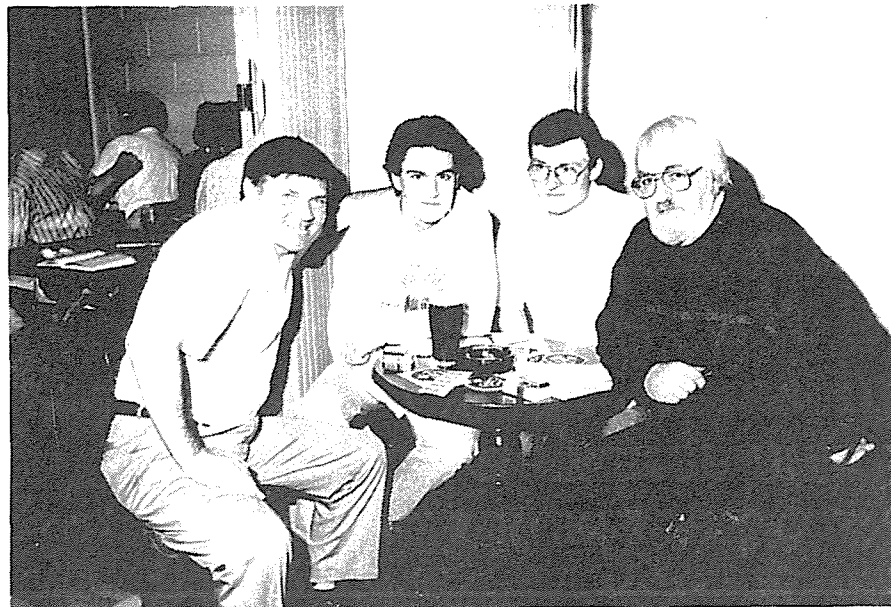
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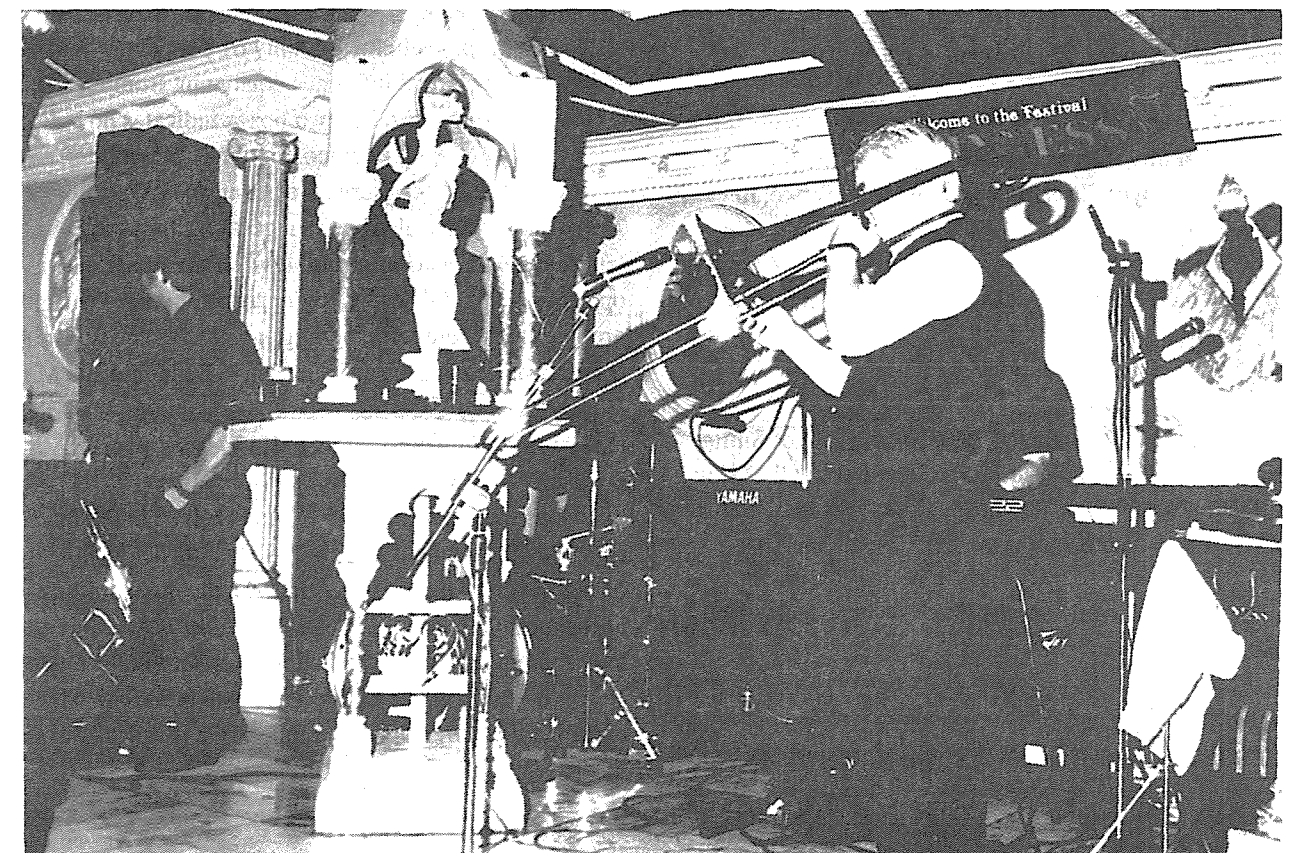


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James Connolly from The Roost, winner for the second year in a row of the Guinness Most Popular Barperson.



The Guinness Jazz Band in The Roost.

Features

PROM PRAISE - IRISH TOUR

August sees the return of the talented All Souls Orchestra who so successfully played to packed houses in Belfast and Dublin in 1991. The 65 piece orchestra from London, made up of both professional and amateur musicians, will this year perform in four venues, viz Belfast, Derry, Cork and Dublin.

The Prom Praise programme blends popular concert music with well known Christian hymns and songs which the audience can join in. The purpose of the evening, according to it's conductor Noel Tredinnick, is 'for everyone to enjoy a variety of styles of good music in a relaxed atmosphere'.

Prom Praise returns to the National Concert Hall on Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th of August.

Tickets are now on sale from the N.C.H. Phone 711533.

Anyone who would like further information should contact: Vivienne Murtagh phone 580998 or Eithne Bean, Maynooth Folk Group phone 6285634.

The event is backed by a wide spectrum of church support and is a concert not to be missed.

ANSWERS TO THE PHOTO ON PAGE 29 JUNE ISSUE.

Front Row L - R

Dos Caulfield, Mick Kelly snr., Ned Smith, Mattie Weafer, Phil Brady, Sergeant Donnelly, Larry Keely.

Second Row L - R

Tom Rossiter, Mick Carey, Stephen Keane, Paddy Frayne, Sup from Naas, Davie Lawlor, Dr. Osborne, Jack Keyes.

Third Row L - R

Mick Murphy, Joe Coyne, Sean Byrne, Jim Fay, John McLoughlin, Tommy Kearns, Jack Bennett, Joe Weafer, Mick Dempsey, Micky Boyd, Christie Coyne, Mr. Matt Burke, James Tracey, Mr. Kilduff.

Front Row Standing L - R

Jim Carney, Garda Johnny McDonagh, Johnny Byrne, Ger Caulfield, Peter Farrelly, John Carey (J.C.), Ted Smyth, Paddy Carr, Dick Leavy, Típeen Waldron.

Back Row L - R

Tommy Murray, Paddy Kennedy, Jack Murray, Peter Smith, Jimmy Horan, Scar Doolan, John Saults, John Barnwall, Paddy Plunkett, Paddy Nolan, Jack Thompson, Tom Waldron, Garda Eugene O'Sullivan, Ned Kenny.

The event was L.S.F. (Local Security Force). Venue I.C.A. Hall. (52 People).

Mrs. Margaret Bean.

COLLEGE NOTES

Best wishes to Professor Neary on his recent appointment as auxiliary Bishop of Tuam.

Work on the new science block, situated behind the present new Arts block is progressing well. When finished it will house the Biology and computer science department.

HOW MAYNOOTH VOTED

Maynooth was a little less inclined to support the Maastricht Treaty than the rest of Kildare in the recent referendum. In all, 69 per cent of Maynooth voters supported the Treaty, compared with 73 per cent overall in the county, 72 per cent in Celbridge, and 74 per cent in Leixlip. The turnout in Maynooth, at 49 per cent, was substantially lower than in the neighbouring towns, but this can largely be attributed to the absence of most of the student voters.

There were significant local variations in support for the Treaty. The most enthusiastic area by far was Box One (Carton Court and Beaufield) with an 80 per cent "Yes" vote. This was followed by Box 6 (mainly Moyglare Village, Newtown and O'Neill Park) at 75 per cent. The least enthusiastic area was Box 7 (Rail Park, Laurence Avenue and Straffan Way) at a mere 59 per cent. This is the area identified in previous election report in this *Newsletter* as containing a nest of Workers' Party (and presumably now Democratic Left) supporters. Box 2 (Cluain Aoibhinn, College Green and Maynooth College) also had a high level of opposition, with only 61 per cent in favour. This may reflect a clerical influence emanating from the college.

The results from these last two boxes indicates how difficult it has been to interpret the outcome of this referendum, as people of both radical and conservative persuasions were opposing the Treaty. There have also been suggestions that many of a liberal/left persuasion who might otherwise have been neutral or in opposition voted "Yes" in order to counteract the right wing groups which were campaigning against the Treaty. Could this, for example, have been an influence in Beaufield and Moyglare Village, whose residents would be younger (and therefore possibly more hostile to traditional influences) than the Maynooth average?

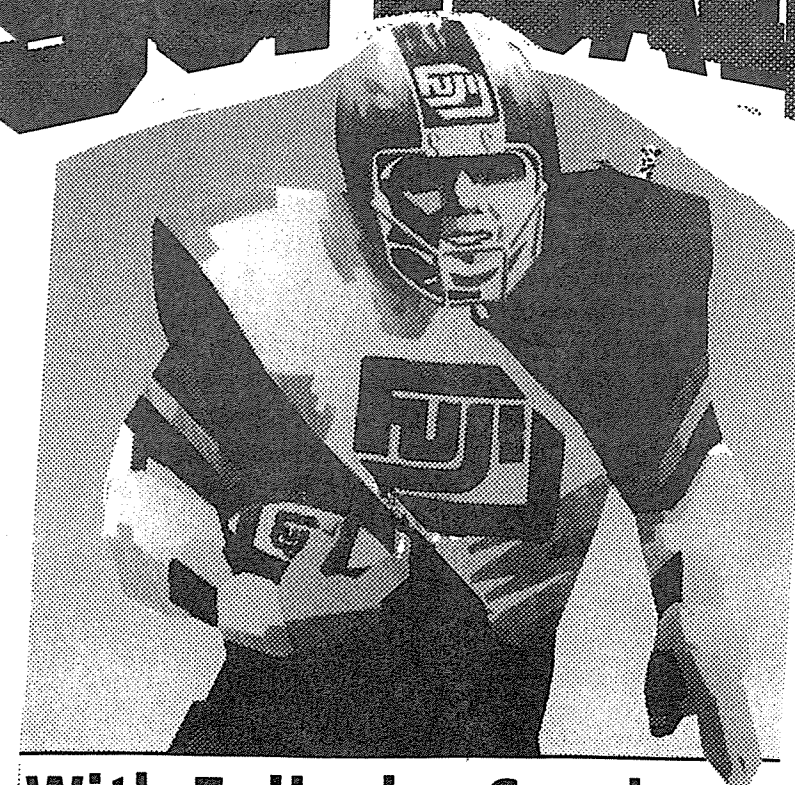
Such was the complexity of issues involved in the referendum campaign that the results are of little help in looking for any signs of change in Irish society. And, with the main political parties in Maynooth mounting, at best, only token campaigns, neither have there been any significant implications in the outcome for any of them. Clearly, a lot of people voted contrary to the wishes of the parties they normally support, but it is doubtful whether this has any long term significance.

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Political Party Notes

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Maastricht Aftermath

Democratic Left opposed the Maastricht Treaty, not because we are opposed to European Union in principle, but because the Treaty will not create the form of union which we desire. We want a Europe committed to equality of public services for all, with specific policies for employment creation in the poorer regions, in which Irish women will be equal citizens, with a foreign policy based on peaceful, non-nuclear co-existence, and with open, democratic decision-making institutions. In its current form, the Treaty provides none of these. Democratic Left will continue to campaign for the creation of a United Europe based on these principles. In the meantime, we will be pursuing the government's commitment to enact legislation to tackle the issues of freedom to travel and access to information for Irish women.

Democratic Left Officers

At the inaugural general meeting of the Maynooth Town Branch of Democratic Left, the following officers were elected:

Chair: Patricia Condon
Secretary: Mel Duffy
Treasurer: Eamon MacKeogh
PRO: Proinsias Breathnach

At the inaugural general meeting of the Maynooth College Branch of Democratic Left, the following officers were elected:

Chair: Regina O'Connor Hannon
Secretary: Marie Therese O'Connor Hannon
Treasurer: Jackie Dorrity
PRO: Fiachra O'Ceilleachair

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Tony Smith Memorial Walk

The proceeds of our Annual walk on behalf of Maynooth Old Folks Committee amounted to £1,402. The proceeds were handed over to Maynooth Old Folks Committee by Deputy Emmet Stagg at a function in Caulfields on Tuesday June 16th. This is the highest amount ever raised and we would like to thank all those who sponsored our walkers. (See photograph of presentation elsewhere in this issue)

Maynooth Post Primary School

Department of Education officials got their figures wrong over the growth of the student population in Maynooth Post Primary School. In 1986 the Department turned down requests for additional accommodation in the school on the basis that population trends indicated no significant growth. The school at present is capable of accommodating 500 to 550 pupils. However since 1986 the numbers attending the school has risen from 567 to a projected 680 in 1992. In an effort to accommodate the pupils, the staff at the school have converted existing resources to uses not intended e.g. use of Library as Art Room, Career Room for General Subjects, Project Room as Computer Room and two cloakrooms for General Subjects. A proposal is now with the Department of Education for a £250,000 prefabricated extension of which £40,000 would be provided locally. Deputy Emmet Stagg is to press the Minister for the provision of same to alleviate the hardship endured by pupils and staff alike.

Extension of Natural Gas to Maynooth

The arrival of Natural Gas to the Leixlip area to serve Intel was discussed at a recent Branch Meeting. Members expressed interest in having a domestic supply of Natural Gas provided for the residents of Maynooth. In response to this Deputy Stagg has contacted the Chairman of An Bord Gais with a view to providing a domestic supply of gas to householders in Maynooth.

Public Lighting - Straffan Road

Lack of public lighting on the Straffan Road was discussed at the last Branch Meeting. Deputy Stagg has made representations to Kildare County Council enquiring as to the position with regard to the availability of Development Levies from developments on Straffan/Celbridge Road which could be used to finance the erection of more public lights. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Ponding of Water Parson Street

Following representations by Deputy Stagg the Council have agreed to carry out repairs at Parson Street to alleviate ponding of water which arose due to a depression in the road surface.

Public Seats

Two of the public seats at the Green at Pound Lane are in need of repair. The seats had previously been put in place by the Council. Deputy Stagg has taken up this matter with the County Engineer.

Yellow Box

The Yellow Box at the junction of Main Street and the Square at Brady's is quickly vanishing. Arising from requests from motorists Deputy Stagg has requested the Council to repaint the Yellow Box.

Main Street - Interlocking Pavements

To date a request from Deputy Stagg for the Council to prepare costings for the provision of Interlocking pavements (similar to Convent Road but without the flooding) on the full length of the footpaths on Main Street have not been forthcoming. Arising from this the Local Labour Branch has requested Deputy Stagg to pursue the Council further on this matter.

Pole Outside 274A Greenfields

An E.S.B. Pole was put in place outside 274A Greenfields. For what we have yet to establish. However the Pole is causing a nuisance to pedestrians with prams or buggys because of its width. Pedestrians with prams are forced to leave the footpath and walk out on the road. Deputy Stagg has taken this matter up with the E.S.B.

Skip Scheme

In last months Newsletter we advised you that lists of Residents Association Secretaries in Maynooth had been supplied to Kildare County Council by Deputy Stagg with a request for the Council to issue application forms for Skips. However the Council have now advised that they will only issue application forms to those who request them. If your Residents Association has not received an application form please contact Deputy Emmet Stagg at 789737.

Labour Advice Service

We are pleased to announce that Deputy Emmet Staggs Advice Service has moved back to the Private Meeting Room in Caulfields. The service continues to be held every Saturday at 4.00 p.m. We are most grateful to John and Ethna Carey for the provision of same.

Additional Public Lighting on Newtown Road

Deputy Stagg has been advised by the County Engineer that the Lights on Newtown Road from Parson Street to Cluain Aoibhinn

Political Party Notes

Estate are to be replaced with new and better quality public lights. Twenty-seven new public lights have been ordered of which twenty-two will replace existing lights and five new Public Light Standards will be erected. The new public lights will be primarily located at Bond Bridge and this should improve safety features for pedestrians using the bridge at night time. Finance for the above is being provided from Development Levies collected in the area.

Public Lights out of order

The E.S.B. in Ballymun has confirmed to Deputy Stagg that the seven public lights out of order in Phase 4 Greenfields, and the light outside 818 Greenfields, were repaired on Monday 25th May. The lights in Phase 4 were repaired but the light outside 818 Greenfields was not. Deputy Stagg has contacted the E.S.B. in Ballymun about this light again.

Convent Road Voltage Supply

The E.S.B. has now confirmed that they have carried out their investigation into the low voltage supply to houses in Convent Road. They have discovered a sag in the system and have agreed to install a booster to correct the problem.

Rubbish on Green

We are pleased to note that the Council have now removed the rubbish from the Green in front of house No's 818 to 820 Greenfields.

Laraghbryan Cemetery

Further to our notes in last months issue we are pleased to advise that the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council agreed to raise a loan of £85,000 to fund the required extension works to Laraghbryan Cemetery.



Presentation of Tony Smith Memorial Walk cheque to Maynooths Old Folks Committee.

Apology

The Newsletter would like to apologise to the prize winners in the Poetry Competition for the mix-up over the presentation of prizes. Prize winners will be contacted shortly to arrange an alternative date for the presentation.

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Muintir Má Nuad

Mr. Josie Murphy was born in No. 8 Dillons Row, Maynooth 82 years ago. He remembers as a school boy going to work in Carton Estate during the school holidays. The pay was 1/3 a day and the work was mainly the clearing of the paths around the estate and the burning of dead bushes. Other work which would be available to school childrens was the minding of cattle during the fairs which used to be held in Maynooth on the first Tuesday of every month. Mr. Murphy can remember minding cattle while their owners went drinking in Pitts pub (now Bradys). During the hunting season from October to February some money might be available for minding horses belonging to the Kildare hunt which met every Saturday in the square before going to hunt foxes. Another source of income was to act as a beater for pheasant shooters on the Carton Estate. This usually took place on Saturdays during the winter.

During the War of Independence Mr. Murphy can remember the Black and Tans being stationed in Lyreen House on The Square which then belonged to the Dawson family. At the time only Gaelic football and hurling was played on the harbour field which had been donated by the Duke of Leinster. Mr. Murphy remembers the Black and Tans going to play soccer there, the first time he had ever seen it being played. One incident which he can particularly remember was when the Black and Tans ordered the foreman at O'Buachallas Shop, Mr. Willie Regan, a 1916 veteran, to remove an Irish language name sign from the door of the premises. When Mr. Regan refused to comply with this order the Black and Tans prepared to shoot Mr. Regan. However, a daughter of Mr. Donal O'Buachalla, T.D. called Brid, had gone over to the Royal Irish Constabulary barracks and Sergeant Cleary, a northern man intervened and ordered the Black and Tans to return to their barracks, thus saving the life of Mr. Regan.

Mr. Murphy went to work in London in 1928 and stayed there until late in 1932. On his return to Maynooth he went to work for Reillys for a few years before going to work for Bolands Mills in Dublin. He remembers cycling in to work each morning, the journey usually taking about an hour and a half. During the war years there was a great shortage of rubber and he remembers putting two tyres on the bike, in order to protect the tube, the inner tyre having all the wire removed from it. The disadvantage of having two tyres was that if a puncture did occur then it was very difficult to remove the tyres. If a tube was damaged beyond repair then people had to resort to stuffing the tyres with long grass. During the second world war Mr. Murphy was a member of the Local Defence Forces (L.D.F.) which were mainly involved in observation duties in the Summerhill area where he was then living. It was not until 1953 that he moved to his present house in Leinster Cottages where his mother lived prior to her death. In 1942 he married Kathleen Kennedy from Kilbride, Co. Meath. They have six children, 3 boys and 3 girls. Mr. Murphy was always very interested in sport and he can remember the Kildare team which won the Sam Maguire in 1927 and 28. They played a similar short passing game to that played by the present team. However, at that time there was a lot more emphasis on man to man marking and the game itself was tough, but not dirty. Players were expected to stand 'shoulder to shoulder' with their own man, players then were not as fit as they are now but they were a lot tougher. Mr. Murphy himself was a keen player playing junior football for London Irish while in London. On his return to Ireland he played junior hurling for Kildare from 1933 until 1940. In 1934 they won the Leinster

Championship but were beaten in the All Ireland series by Waterford. Mr. Murphy played at centre half back on that team in which he had three Maynooth team mates. In 1937 and 1938 he played at centrefield for the Kildare senior footballers. In 1938 they got to the Leinster final but were beaten by Laois. He feels that modern players are a lot better off in so much as they are provided with meals and gear by the County Board, a situation which did not exist in his day. He feels that the advent of Mick O'Dwyer to the Kildare squad was very welcome as it brought some discipline to the team. Mr. Murphy remains a staunch follower of the Kildare team and was in Croke Park for the recent match against Wicklow. He can remember the celebrations when Kildare won the All Ireland in 1927 and 28, he hopes that there might be some more celebrating in September.

The town has changed a lot during his lifetime, as Mrs. Murphy says there are now a lot more buildings in the town such as a Secondary School and new housing estates. People are now a lot better off and have more money to spend. We in the *Newsletter* would like to wish Mr. and Mrs. Murphy many more years of happiness together, especially as this year they celebrate their golden wedding anniversary.



Mr. & Mrs. Murphy

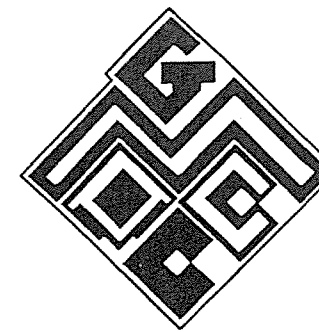
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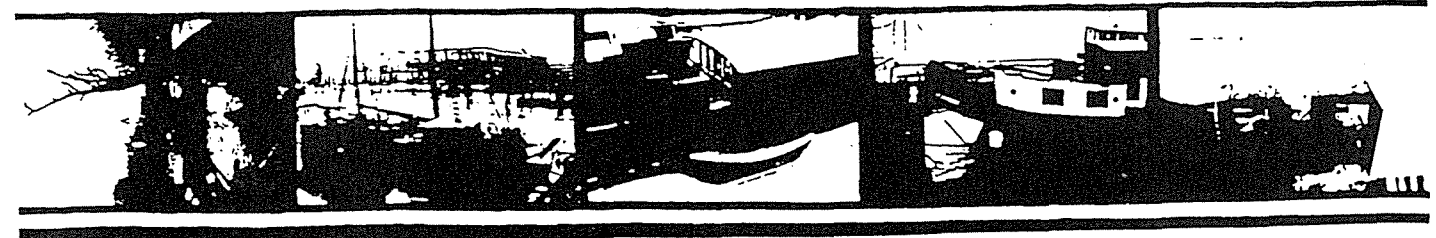
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G.A.A. NOTES

Result of £300 Club Draw for May

£100 - Peggy Edwards, £50 - Nancy Nevin, £20 - Val & Sue. 5 prizes of £5 : Vincent Nevin, B. Mulhall, S. O'Reilly, P. Homes.

1st Team

The biggest disappointment of the year to date was the loss of the Championship Replay to Rheban. Hopes were high that the team who had totally dominated the first game, only to lose a 6 point lead in the final 3 minutes, would make no mistake the second day. It was not to be however and while the side again outplayed Rheban for long periods their outfield superiority was not reflected on the scoreboard - in all 21 wides (some from very scorable positions) were kicked in the hour's play. Hopefully a salutary lesson has been learned. Given the level of disappointment following the Rheban defeat it was very heartening to see the side bounce back with some excellent performances in the League against teams with higher status namely Rathangan, Robertstown, Monasterevin and Castlemitchell. The win over Senior side Monasterevin was particularly gratifying.

Results

1. Maynooth 4.8 Eadestown 3.8 (Sallins Tournament)

Scorers : Garvey and Nevin (M) 1.1 each; Fagan and Edwards 1 goal each; Riordan 3 pts; Devereaux; Gilligan and McManus 1 pt each.

Best : Burke, Milner, Reilly, Nevin(M), Mahony, Fagan, Devereaux, Riordan and Garvey.

2. Rheban 1.7 Maynooth 4 pts (Championship Replay)

Scorers : Garvey 3 pts; Riordan 1 pt

Best : Kearney, Conway, Nevin (M) and Fagan.

3. Rathangan 1.11 Maynooth 2.8 (League away)

Scorers : Murray and McManus 1 goal each; Fagan 4 pts; Devereaux, Gilligan, Edwards, O' Toole 1 pt each.

Best : Molloy, Nevin(M), Kearney, Conway, Mahony, Fagan, Devereaux, McManus and Murray.

4. Maynooth 2.8 Robertstown 2.6 (League home)

Scorers : M Nevin and O' Neill 1 goal each; Fagan and Riordan 3 pts each; Edwards and O' Toole 1 pt each.

Best : Molloy, Dunne, Nevin (M), Mahony, Conway, Fagan, Riordan and Murray.

5. Maynooth 8 pts Monasterevin 1.2 (League home)

Scorers : Riordan and Gilligan 2 pts each; Fagan, Nolan, Edwards and Murray 1 pt each.

Best : Molloy, Kearney, Fagan, Riordan, Edwards, Murray and Nolan.

6. Maynooth 9 pts Two Mile House 8 pts (Sallins Tournament)

Scorers : Nolan 5 pts; Gilligan 2 pts; Edwards 2 pts; Murray and O' Toole (L) 1 pt each.

Best : Molloy, O' Neill, Dunne, Noone, Mahony, Nevin, Riordan, Nolan and Donnelly.

7. Castlemitchell 13 pts Maynooth 11 pts (League away)

Scorers : Fagan 4 pts; Gilligan 3 pts; Edwards 2 pts; Murray and O' Toole (L) 1 pt each.

Best : Molloy, Noone, Nevin, Mahony, Stynes, Fagan, Edwards, Riordan, Gilligan and Reilly.

Underage :

The under 12 League continued with games against Ballyna and St Mary's, Leixlip. An understrength side went under narrowly to Ballyna (away), while a full strength side accounted for Leixlip by 6.7 to 1.2. Scorers in the latter game were Naughton 2.2; Fleming 2 goals; Connolly 1.2; Carr 1 goal; Boylan 2 pts and

O' Rourke 1 pt. The side have now won four of their five games and await the result of the Confey/Ballyna match with great interest. The under 10 players have had plenty to deal with this month what with the North Kildare League, Community Games and School Final. In the North Kildare League against Leixlip - a game which they had to win to remain in contention - they gave their opponents a head start. Although they produced a great 2nd half rally it was not enough to secure victory. Score: Leixlip 4.4; Maynooth 2.4. "We wuz robbed" was the general cry of Maynooth players, mentors and supporters after the loss to Athy in the Community Games. One point separated the teams at the finish of a game where the standard of refereeing left a lot to be desired (and that's an understatement). The same opponents were engaged in the Bord na nOg Under 10 Final in Newbridge on June 17th and duly served up a thriller which Maynooth again lost by a point 2.4 to 2.3. In this game the players gave it everything they had in a bid for victory with outstanding personal performances from King, Healy, Grennell, Campbell, O' Sullivan, Devereaux, O' Rourke, Baxter and Ennis. Hopefully the tide will turn for this side during the Under 11 campaign. The work being done with these young players by the National School teachers, particularly Mr Pierce O' Connell and Joe McBride is much appreciated.

Congratulations.

Finally congratulations are extended to Maynooth players Niall Downey and Barry Connolly who appeared in Croke Park with a Kildare Under 12 side against Wicklow during the interval in the Leinster Championship Quarter Final between Kildare and Wicklow.

Under 14 Hurlers Win the League.

The Under 14 team has had an outstanding season culminating in a marvellous League Final victory over Rathangan at Newbridge on 13th June. A measure of the improvement shown by this team can be gauged from the fact that when the same teams met earlier in the series Maynooth struggled to a draw while in the Final they had fourteen points to spare keeping their opponents scoreless. Stephen Brennan played a captain's role at midfield ably assisted by Willie Gannon while Enda Kerr led the forwards in style scoring 2.3 of Maynooth's total. Michael Bennet, Vincent Nevin and Robert Casey with goalie Justin Moran were outstanding at the back but this was no five or six man performance but an outstanding team effort all round. All the more remarkable because of being achieved without two players of the calibre of Declan Buckley - who we hope to see back in action shortly - and Eoin Nevin. The other scorers were S. Brennan 0.4 and W. Gannon 0.1. Well done also to team mentors K. Diggins, R. Molloy, B. Guinan, L. Leacy, T. Mularky, M. Keogh, S. Cummins, M. Gleeson. Team : J. Moran, D. McCarrick, R. Casey, M. McCarron, M. Bennett, V. Nevin, M. Callaghan, S. Brennan, W. Gannon, D. Coughlan, E. Kerr, E. Heslin, M. Ryan, B. Guinan, S. Cummins. Subs : C. Diggins, K. Ennis, B. Keogh, J. O' Shea, A. McCarron, P. Ryan, T. Mullarkey, N. Devereaux, A.M. Farrell.

Other Teams

The Under 16 Hurlers are also through to the final of their League which we understand will not be played until August. Our Under 12's found Rathangan too hot to handle but put up a great performance before going out in the Semi-Final. Our under 14 Community Games team reached the Kildare Final putting up a great performance before going out under to Leixlip. The under 10's had a victory over Kill and in an outstanding game they lost by a point to Confey.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT 1992

Week No 1

Day/Date	Time	Meeting Place	Venue
Tue. 7th July	10.30-12.30pm	I.C.A. Hall	Registration £1.50
Wed. 8th July	2-5pm	Harbour	Picnic in Maynooth Bring packed Lunch
	7.30pm	Boys School	Film. 50p
Thurs. 9th July	10.am-5pm	Greenfield Shops.	Swimming: Monkstown £2.50 Bring packed Lunch
Friday 10th July	11am-4pm	Harbour Field, Children wishing to take part in soccer tournament must register on registration day.	Boys & Girls Soccer Tournament. Bring packed lunch. Runners or runner boots only.

Week No. 2.

Mon. 13th July	2 - 5pm	Harbour Field	Boys & Girls soccer Tournament continues
Tues. 14th July	10am-5pm	Greenfield shops	Bowling - Crumlin £3.50 Bring packed lunch
	7.30pm-9pm	Harbour	Fishing.
Wed. 15th July	2.30pm-5pm	Boys school	Disco Dancing comp. 50p
	7.30pm	Boys School	Film 50p
Thurs. 16th July	2.30pm-4.30pm	Boys school	Crafts 20p
Fri. 17th July	10am-5pm	Greenfield shops	Barbeque, Donadea £2. Bring Lunch.

Week No.3

Mon. 20th July	8.45am-4.45pm	Railway station	Pauls Dublin £1.00 Bring packed lunch
Tues. 21st July	10am-5pm	Greenfield shop	Swimming Monkstown £2.50 Bring packed Lunch
	7.30pm-9pm	Harbour	Fishing
Wed. 22nd July	2.30pm-4.30pm	Boys school	Table Quiz
	7.30pm	Boys school	Film. 50p
Thurs. 23rd July	2.30pm-4.30pm	Boys school	Bingo
Fri. 24th July - Sun 26th July		Greenfield shops	Camping Ballinakill

Week No. 4

Mon. 27th July	2.30pm-4.30pm	Boys school	Crafts. 20p
Tues. 28th July	10am - 5pm	Greenfield shops	Bowling-Crumlin £3.50. Bring packed lunch
	7.30 - 9pm	Harbour	Fishing
Wed. 29th July	9am-7pm	Greenfield shops	Adventure day at "Gauntlet" Glenview Hotel. £5. Bring packed lunch. Wear old clothes & bring change of clothes
Thurs. 30th July	2.30pm-4.30pm	Boys school	End of Project Disco

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Our Annual General Meeting was held on the 8th of June 1992 in the G.A.A. clubhouse and 15 people attended it. Our grateful appreciation to the G.A.A. committee for allowing us use their lovely clubhouse for the A.G.M. A new committee was formed and they are as follows: Chairman - Owen Byrne Sr., Secretary - Aine Hearn-Kennedy, Treasurer - Fionnula McManus, Assistant Treasurer - Brid Keenan, P.R.O. - Margaret O'Neill and Clare O'Rourke. The outgoing committee would like to thank our three instructors for all their hard work during the year. Thanks also to Bartons Transport, Centra Foodstores and Mr. Sean Donovan for their contribution towards our Gala day. The Junior Gala Swim was held on the 6th of June and the Senior Gala Swim on the 13th of June. Both Galas were a great success and enjoyed by all the children. The last swim of the final term was held on the 20th of June and this was a family swim. There will be a break now due to the summer holidays and swimming will resume again in September. Finally on a personal note I would like to thank the staff of the *Newsletter* for publishing our notes during the past year and my sincere thanks to Mary, Gretta, Ann and Judy, the hard-working members of the outgoing committee for their dedication over the past few years.

*Sheila Fleming
Outgoing P.R.O.*

WICKLOW MATCH REPORT

A Promise of Things to Come ?

Kildare 1-20 Wicklow 1-6

This weekend Kildare supporters travel to Tullamore confident that their team can dispose of a lowly regarded Westmeath side and thus book a place in the Leinster Final for the first time in over a decade. Their confidence is well founded because many ghosts were laid to rest on June 14th in Croke Park - the ghosts of Aughrim in 1990, of Drogheda in 1991 and the ghosts of numerous spineless Championship exits through the 1980s.

Your reporter travelled with a small band of supporters from Maynooth on the day and the best one can say is that they travelled more in hope than in confidence. Wicklow's battling performances against Meath in last years Championship were recalled and set against Kildare's tragic capitulation to Louth in Drogheda when hopes had been so high. This year Mick O'Dwyer's low key approach to the Championship was matched by the fans lower expectations. Too many times in the last ten years had they travelled buoyed with confidence only to see their team flatter to deceive and eventually fall to what was often inferior opposition.

Breaking with tradition, we made our way directly to Croke Park, forsaking the pleasures of the pubs on the Drumcondra Road. This was to be make or break day for Kildare and the occasion demanded a serious approach to the game - a feed of pints, it was decided, would not be the best preparation. A non-descript hurling match between Carlow and Wicklow was followed by an eventful Laois versus Louth clash in which a spirited and skilful Louth team overcame a more physical Laois outfit in an exciting finish. Whoops of joy from the Louth supporters echoed through the Cusack Stand. Appetites had now

been whetted for the main event although Kildare supporters seemed to remain a little muted as Martin Lynch led his team around in the parade.

The match started in whirlwind fashion as Kildare kicked a series of points from play before Wicklow even got out of the starting blocks. On the seldom occasions when Wicklow won possession they seemed totally nonplussed as to what to do with the ball. Wicklow dangerman Kevin O'Brien was closely policed by John Crofton and made no impact as a series of high, directionless clearances from the Wicklow half backs went sailing over his head. Half way through the first half Kildare led by five points which was not a huge lead given their total dominance. We awaited the Wicklow backlash. Instead they had Paul Allen sent off and shortly afterwards Declan Kerrigan broke from the 50 yard line, bore down on goal and finished with aplomb by crashing the ball to the net.

And that, as the fella says, was that. Kildare led by 1-11 to 0-2 by half time and the second half was a procession. Inspired by Niall Buckley, Sean McGovern, Tom Harris and Martin Lynch Kildare picked off their scores with embarrassing ease. Croke Park was partly deserted by the time the final whistle blew. Wicklow must have been relieved to reach the sanctuary of the dressing room after a shamefully inept performance. Rumour has it that they had attended over 100 training sessions since last autumn and yet they looked like a bunch of players who had never even met each other before.

For Kildare, the future beckons. Debate after the match revolved around the question as to whether Wicklow were just plain useless or whether Kildare made them look bad. That question, I suspect, will not be answered until the last Sunday in July when all roads will lead to Croke Park for the Leinster Final. Against Wicklow the team displayed a single mindedness and purpose which was certainly lacking before. The forwards moved the ball with speed in contrast to the intricate and often fruitless passing movements they indulged in last year. Despite kicking 16 wides they displayed an ability to kick scores from well out the field and both midfielders showed an eagerness to go looking for scores. Whether Keith Barr, Gerry Hargan and Eamonn Heery allow the Kildare forwards the same latitude remains to be seen.

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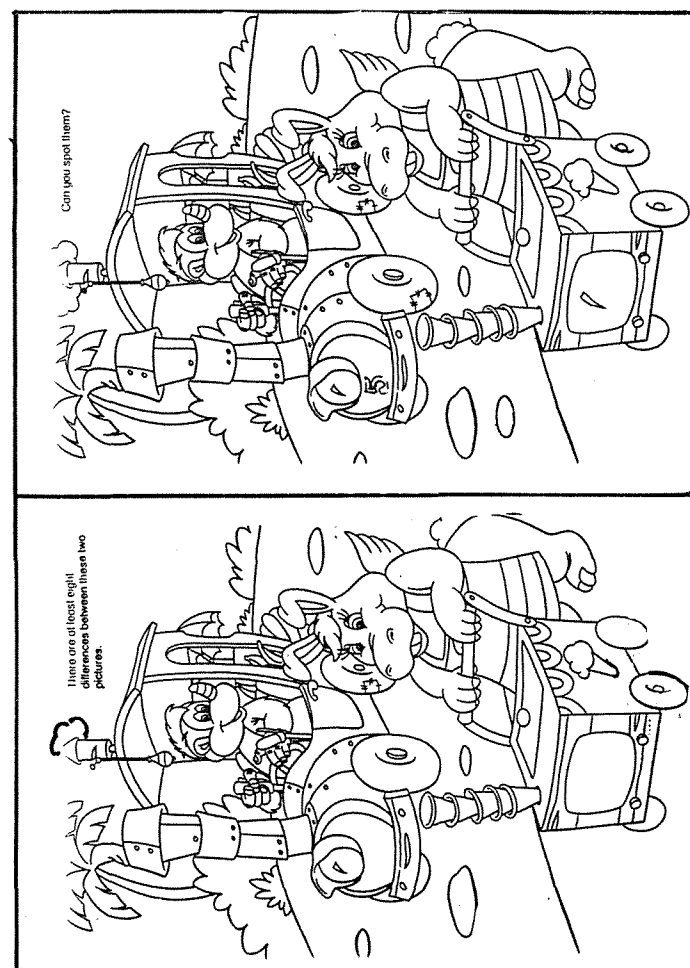
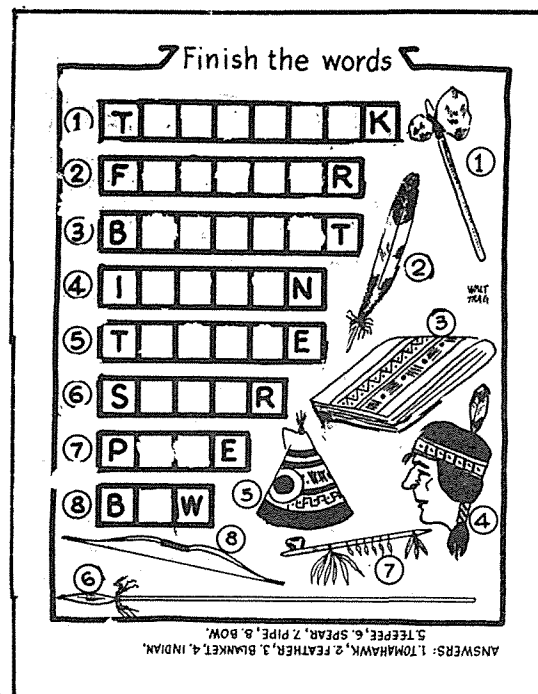
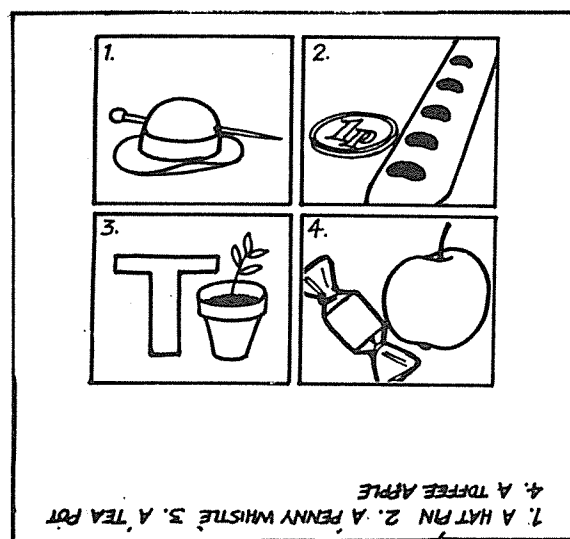
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Maynooth Under 14 Team - Runners Up in the County Finals of the Community Games



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Birthday Greetings

Love and best wishes to Regina McGovern, 820 Greenfield who will be 5 years old on July 12th. With lots of love and kisses from Nannie Una and Uncle Kevin, also from Nannie Flynn in Kilcloone. xxxxx

Happy 5th Birthday on July 12th to Regina McGovern. With love and best wishes from Noel, Masie, Richard and Thomas. xxxxx

Happy 5th Birthday to our dear sister Regina McGovern on July 12th. From your four sisters Karina, Stacey, Michelle and Debbie. Hope you have a great day. xxxxx

Happy Birthday to Regina McGovern who celebrates her 5th Birthday on July 12th. Lots of love from Mammy and Daddy. xxxxx

Happy 18th Birthday to Cinti on the 7th of July, Lots of love from Mammy, Daddy, Jackie, Melissa, James and Philip. xxx

Happy Birthday to David Murphy on the 7th July from all the office staff. (xx from Jackie).

Birthday Greetings to Rita Thompson on the 10th of July. Love from all your family and friends.

Birthday Greetings to Monica Harte celebrating her birthday on 14th July from all the office staff.

Birthday Greetings to John and Annie Walshe, Mulhussey, Kilcock, and to Michael Coneely Jnr., Pagestown, Maynooth. Lots of love from Maura and Mickey.

Sean McTernan, Moyglare Village age 4 June 24th. Best wishes from Daddy, mammy, sister Aoife and Aileen, Grannie and Grandad.

Mrs. M. McTernan, Lawrence Ave. June 24th. Love from Martin and Rikki.

Joan O'Brien, Newtown age 12 June 1st, her sister Mrs. Antonitte Kiernan, Celbridge June 2nd and her cousin Stephen Cummins, Kilcock age 1 June 4th.

Martin Traynor, Greenfield June 17th. Best wishes Daddy, mammy, Caroline and Seamus.

Declan Burke, Newtown, May 22nd and his sister Marie age 9 May 15. Best wishes Daddy and mammy.

Mrs. Peggy Mc Namara June 16th.

Happy birthday to Tony Bean, "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrates his Birthday on the 7th July. From his wife Mary and family also his parents Liam and Margaret Bean and his brother Thomas.

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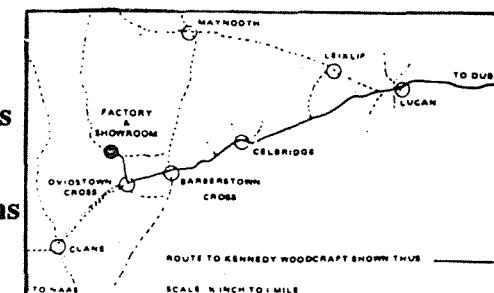
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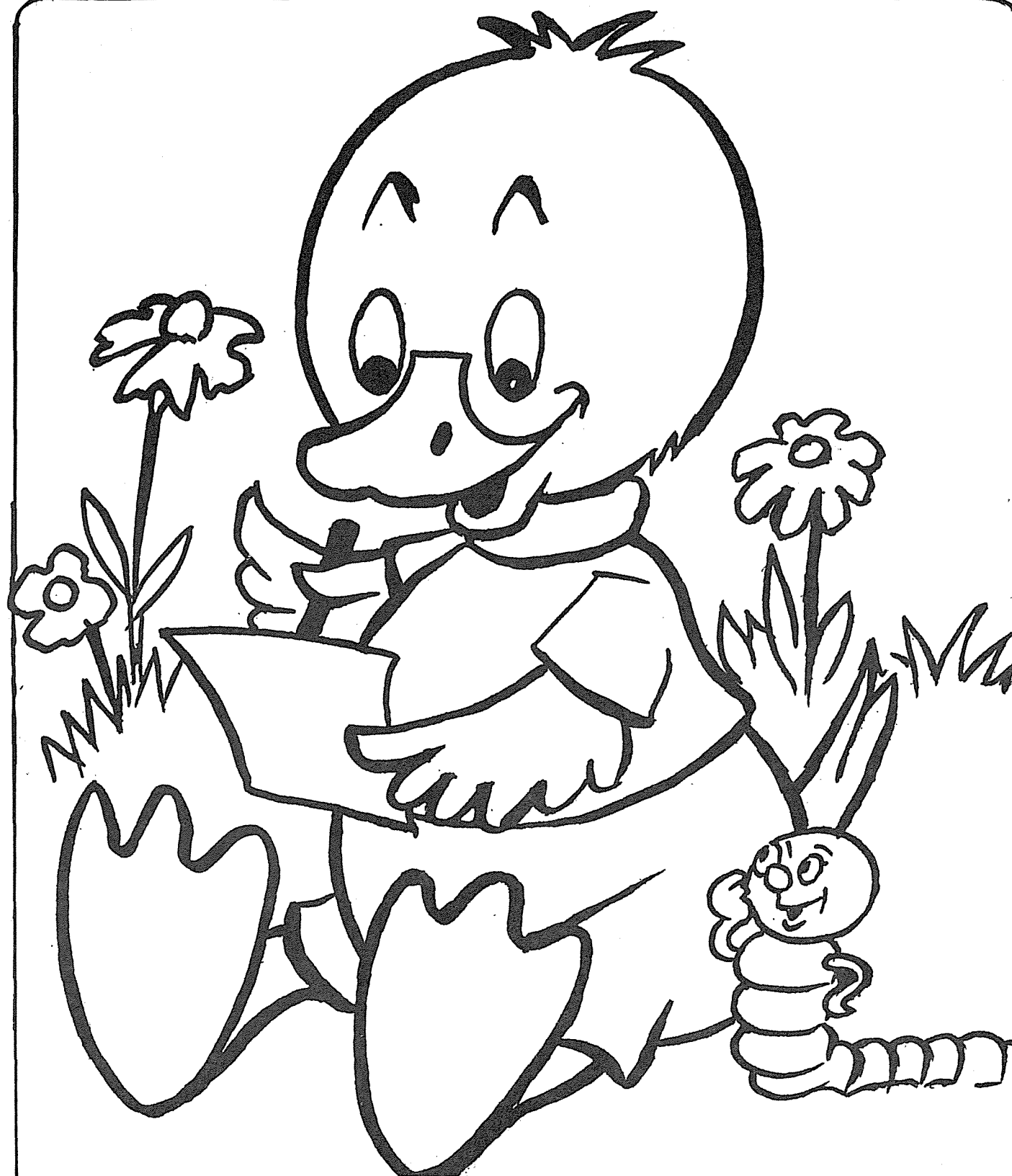
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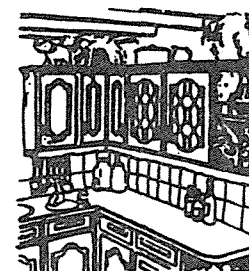
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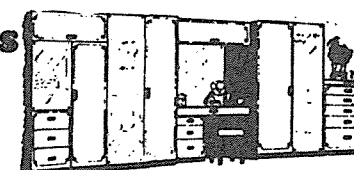


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To our Dear Mam and Dad, Happy Wedding Anniversary on July 5th. From your ever loving sons Richard and Thomas. Hope you both have a lovely day. xxxxx

Congratulations to John O'Neill, Greenfield and Linda Dickson, Kilcock, who were engaged June 7th. Best wishes from your families and friends.

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Congratulations to Deirdre and Maeve McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip. Good Luck in your exams. Grandad and Grannie.

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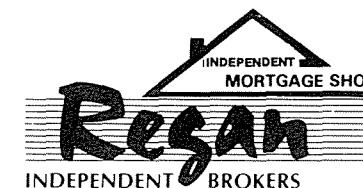
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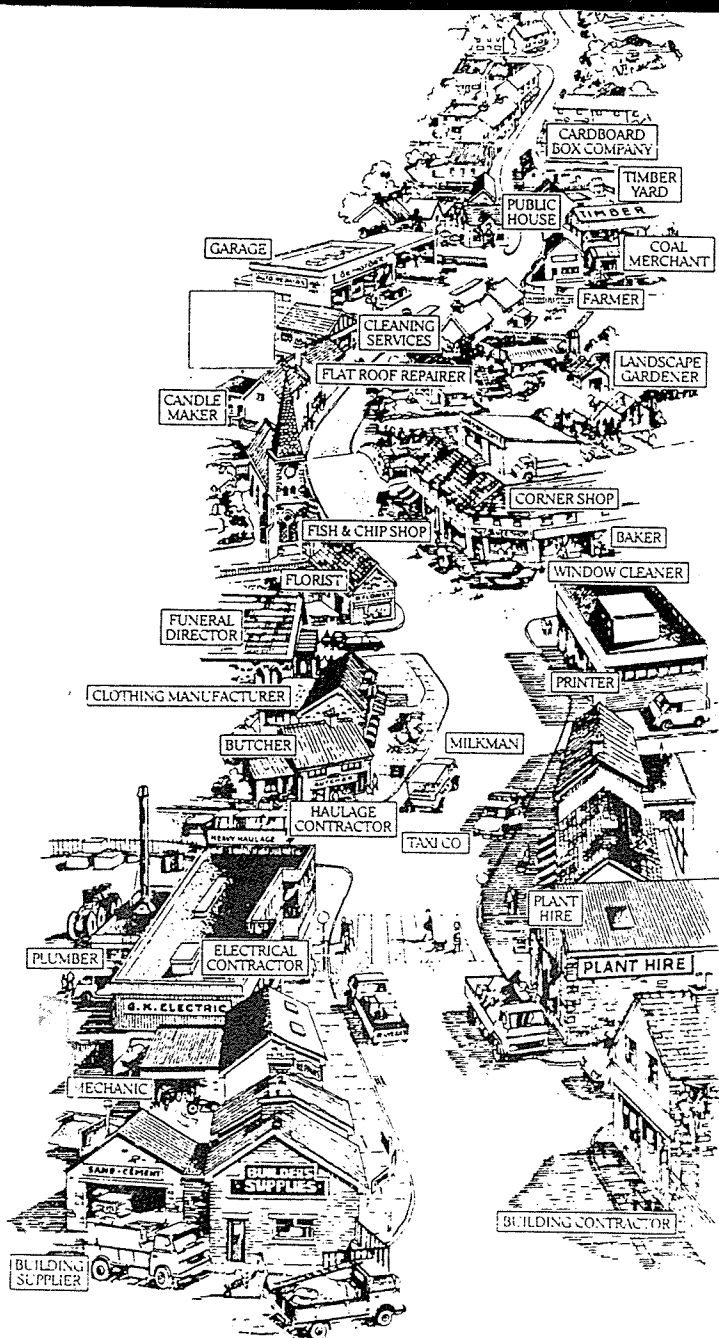
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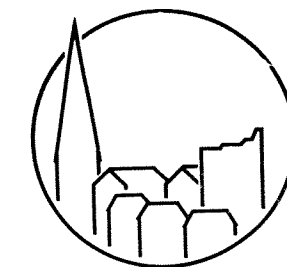
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Editorial

Examination Results

August usually marks the start of the harvest. For Leaving Certificate Students it is certainly the time to reap what they have sown over the last twelve months of study. The **Newsletter** hopes that all students will achieve the results they need if not what they deserve, to enable them to either find work appropriate to their talents, or to enter third level education. We applaud the belated decision of the Minister for Education to increase the income limits for Higher Education Grants, thereby extending access to a greater number of students to education. It is all the more a pity that no further information is available on this initiative, and parents must await the publication of the new regulations when the Minister gets around to it.

Thanks and Goodbye

As reported in earlier editions, the **Newsletter** is to lose its Teamworkers who have made such a contribution to the operation of the **Newsletter** over the years, due to Government cutbacks. The insanity of arbitrarily cutting back on schemes which have offered many unemployed workers an opportunity to get back into the workforce has been pointed out by other commentators.

However, we would like to thank all those who have participated in the production of the **Newsletter** over the years, and especially, Christina Saults, the Community Council Administrator. She will be greatly missed, for the trojan work she did so willingly, and her dedication to the success of the Community Council. We wish her the best of luck in the future.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

On my own behalf and of the other Senior Citizens from Maynooth and other areas I wish to say a big thank you to Maynooth-Kilcock Lions Club who had us as their guests for a wonderful week's holiday from June 20th to 27th in Mosney. Special word of thanks to Mike Doyle President M.K.L.C. who stayed the week and looked after our every need making our stay so pleasant. Also to club members Joe Coyne, Aidan Flood who paid us a visit and to all the Lions Club members. Thank you, may God bless you all.

Gearoid Mac Teighrnain
hAon Sraid Parson
Ma Nuadh

Dear Editor,

We wish to respond to the letter from Fiachra O'Ceilleachair in the July issue of the *Newsletter*. In it he expressed disappointment that we had not publicised the UDR Four case and from this deduced that we lack credibility when commenting on other cases. The letter also reiterates the by now ritual demand that anyone speaking about miscarriage of justice cases first establish their credentials by stating their political position and/or 'condemning' the perpetrators of the original crime. We think it is time to abandon this ritual demand style of debate. What it does is hint that those talking about miscarriages of justice are somehow suspect, are not 'politically correct' and should not be listened to. It suggests that the miscarriage of justice in the legal system is not all that important when compared to the original offence. It obscures the fundamental point that as citizens we are all responsible for the legal systems which act in our name. It frightens into silence and inaction people who would otherwise wish to take part in various types of civil liberties-related work. Surely we need more rather than fewer people concerned about human rights and prepared to take responsibility by speaking out when they see them infringed.

In this regard we welcome Mr. O'Ceilleachair's drawing attention to the UDR Four case. His point that concern for miscarriages of justice should cross all political, religious and other boundaries is valid. Our position is that we fully support the right of every accused and/or convicted person or persons to make the case for their wrongful conviction. Far from the Maynooth Group being selective in the cases it supports, in April 1990 a member of the Group readily agreed to speak about the Winchester Three case at a public meeting where Chris Mullin M.P. and Ian Paisley Junior of the UDR Four campaign were also to take part. We were very disappointed when the meeting was cancelled because one of the other speakers withdrew. We were also part of the very small audience which attended a public meeting in the Shelbourne Hotel in the autumn of 1990 to support the UDR Four case. We do not give this information to establish our credentials but to illustrate that it can be misleading too readily to assign labels to people.

Indeed, Fiachra O'Ceilleachair seems to have missed our contribution to the April 1991 *Newsletter* where we extended our sympathy to the families of those killed and injured in the Birmingham bombs and welcomed the Home Secretary's

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statement that the police would now seek to bring the real bombers to justice.

This group makes no claims to infallibility. What we aim to do is in a small way to keep the question of miscarriages of justice before our own minds and those of the readers of the *Newsletter*. As citizens we all share a responsibility to be concerned and watchful, and to speak up when we see what we believe to be injustice. We need to work together, to pool our information and perspectives. It is in this spirit of co-operation and learning that we welcome Fiachra O'Ceilleachair's letter, fully accept his point about the UDR Four case and thank him for making it, and offer our reasons for disagreeing with some aspects of his letter.

Is mise le meas
Hilda Dunne Hon. Sec.
Maynooth Miscarriage of Justice Group

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

This month sees a sad departure from the Community Council of Christina Sauls, the Administrator, due to the termination of the Teamwork Scheme by FAS. Christina has been with us for 3 1/2 years in this position and has been the lynchpin behind most of the Council's activities. Without her help and assistance the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Summer Festival among others, would not have taken place. She also kept all the finances in order. We hope to be able to re-employ her in the near future subject to availability of other schemes. Without a doubt Christina will be sorely missed by all and we hope it won't be for too long.

We are also losing our Teamworkers Nuala Noonan, Christine Reilly, Annemarie Thompson and Jackie Tallon whom we will all miss very much.

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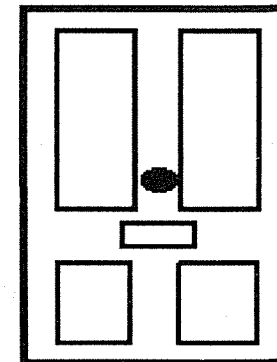
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ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

Hi all!

Well, at the moment we are taking a well deserved break. We were fortunate in having good weather for most of our engagements.

Further information in next month's edition of the newsletter. Until then take care and enjoy your summer holidays.

Fiona O'Malley
P.R.O.

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Question: Can you tell me if all the changes announced before the Budget have come into effect with regard to Disability Benefit?

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However, the regulations provide that if you don't meet this requirement in the governing tax year, then the two previous tax years can be used, or a subsequent tax year.

So, for a person claiming Disability Benefit anytime in 1992, the 13 paid contributions can be in any one of the tax years from 1988 to 1991/92.

It has recently been announced that the regulations for third level grants will be changed. The details should be available in the next few weeks. There will be an article giving information on all aspects of third level grants in the September issue.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The I.C.A. meeting for July was held on Thursday 2nd in the I.C.A. Hall. We had a fairly good attendance considering that it is the holiday season.

The monthly competition was won by 1st Mary Halton, 2nd Rosemary Hanley, 3rd Joan Grant and the raffle winners were 1st Joan Grant, 2nd Mary O'Gorman, 3rd Connie Harper.

We must congratulate Joan Shannon and her team of painters who painted the outside of the hall. It's looking really smart, well done ladies.

This year is the 40th anniversary of the Maynooth guild and past members are cordially invited to our celebrations which are being organised at the moment. We will have more information in the October *Newsletter* as we are having our Summer break in August.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd September and we hope to have a speaker on painting and decorating. The competition for September will be a bi-lingual quiz. We wish all our members a relaxing and well deserved break and hope to see them all refreshed and raring to go in September.

The committee of Maynooth I.C.A. Annual Show would like to thank all who helped in any way to make the show a success. We are greatly indebted to our sponsors and all who gave donations so generously. To Mr. Ashe for allowing us the use of the school. To our own members who helped to provide and prepare lunches and the members who helped out on both days. A sincere thank you to everyone.

Betty Farrell

Hon. Sec. Show Committee

Perpetual Cups and Trophies

Flower Cup - Molly Darlington, Straffan. Vegetable Cup - Henry Gee, Maynooth. Fruit Cup - Shared, Noeleen O'Brien and Sarah Angel. Craft Cup - Bridie McGing, Clane. Home Produce Cup - Teresa Maloney, Leixlip. Childrens Cup - Emma Fleming, Maynooth. Teenage Cup - Sonya Flynn, Maynooth. Floral Arrangement Cup - Betty Farrell, Maynooth. Best adult craft - Mary Giltan, Maynooth. Best rose - Margaret Kirwan, Maynooth. Best vegetable - Henry Gee, Maynooth. Best Adult Baking - Rosemary Hanley, Maynooth. Best fruit - Noeleen O'Brien, Maynooth. Best sponge cake - Mabel Long, Leixlip. Best teenage baking - Joanne Dunne, Enfield. Best childrens craft - Martin Dolan, Maynooth. Best childrens baking - Finbar O'Gorman, Maynooth. Open flower garden - Mrs. Ryan, Windgates. Mixed flower/veg garden - Jim Lenehan, Maynooth. Confined flower garden - Margaret Duffy, Maynooth. Overall cup - Margaret Gee, Maynooth. Best fruit cake - Mary Halton, Maynooth. Confined flower arrangement - Mary Cleary. Childrens art - Emma Howard Williams. Teenage craft - Brendan Hanley.

Class Winners

Class 1. Margaret Kirwan, Maynooth. 2. Molly Darlington, Straffan. 3. Sarah Angel, Kilcock. 5. Mrs. McCormack. 6. Imelda Desmond, Maynooth. 7. Margaret Kirwan. 8. Molly Darlington. 9. Sarah Angel. 10. June Walsh, Leixlip. 12. Mrs. Curran, Maynooth. 13. Breda Barker, Kilcloon. 14. Imelda Desmond. 15. Joan Downey, Leixlip. 16. Joan Downey. 17. Betty Farrell, Maynooth. 18. Catherine Hodge, Kilcloon. 20. Mary Cleary, Clane. 21. Betty Farrell. 22. Betty Farrell. 23. Henry Gee, Maynooth. 24. Henry Gee, Maynooth. 25. Jim Gilton, Maynooth. 26. Maurice Walsh. 27. Margaret Clarke, Kilcloon. 28. Henry Gee, Maynooth. 30. Imelda Desmond. 32. Teresa Maloney, Leixlip. 33. Mrs. Marsh, Celbridge. 34. Rachel Long, Leixlip. 35. Noeleen O'Brien, Maynooth. 36. Sarah Angel. 37. Noeleen O'Brien. 38. Mrs. Curran. 39. Margaret Gee. 40. Teresa Maloney. 41. Teresa Maloney. 42. Margaret Gee. 43. Teresa Maloney. 44. Tina Brick, Leixlip. 45. Mairead Scanlon, Maynooth. 46. Rosemary Hanley, Maynooth. 47. Teresa Maloney. 48. Tina Brick. 49. Mabel Long, Leixlip. 50. Mabel Long. 51. Teresa Maloney. 52. Rosemary Hanley. 53. Mary Halton, Maynooth. 54. Myra Baxter. 55. Margaret Gee. 56. Mrs. Brady, Maynooth. 57. Margaret Gee. 58. Bridie McGing, Clane. 59. Bernadette Duffy, Maynooth. 60. Bridie McGing. 61. Veronica Reilly,

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Kilcloon. 62. Josie McWeeney, Maynooth. 63. Bridie McGing. 64. Sadie Owens, Dunboyne. 65. Margaret Gee. 66. Stephanie Moore, Leixlip. 67. Mary Butler, Dunboyne. 68. Bridie McGing. 70. Breda Cunningham, Maynooth. 71. Rosemary Hanley. 72. Mary O'Gorman, Maynooth. 73. Rosemary Hanley. 74. Breda Cunningham. 75. Mary Gilton, Maynooth. 76. Breda Cunningham. 76a. Breda Cunningham. 77. Emma Howard Williams, Maynooth. 78. Emma Fleming, Maynooth. 79. Emma Howard Williams. 80. Rachel Long, Leixlip. 81. Geraldine O'Gorman. 82. Geraldine O'Gorman. 83. Claire Hogan, Maynooth. 84. Maria C. Nangle, Maynooth. 85. Martin Dolan, Maynooth. 87. Marie Claire Nangle. 88. Finbar O'Gorman. 89. Geraldine O'Gorman. 90. Caroline Dolan. 91. Emma Fleming. 92. Emma Howard Williams. 93. Emma Howard Williams. 94. Denise Dolan. 95. Michelle Cunningham. 96. Thomas Halton, Maynooth. 97. David Hudson, Leixlip. 98. Barry Hogan, Maynooth. 99. Claire Hogan, Maynooth. 100. Marie Claire Nangle. 101. Sonya Flynn, Maynooth. 102. Sonya Flynn, Maynooth. 103. Sonya Flynn, Maynooth. 104. Brendan Hanley, Maynooth. 106. Elaine Fleming, Maynooth. 107. Joanne Dunne, Enfield. 108. Garreth Makim, Kilcloon. 110. Patrick Halton. 111. Sarah Carroll. 112. Anne Hodge.

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THE CARTON COMMITTEE

An Bord Pleanála's Oral Hearing on Carton was held over three days, starting on June 30th and ending on July 2nd at 8.30 p.m. The venue was the County Council offices in Naas. At an Oral Hearing a planning inspector listens to all the arguments for and against the particular proposal and then presents a report and recommendation to An Bord Pleanála. However, the Bord is not bound to act on the inspector's recommendation, nor is it required to make public its reasons for reaching its decision. There were three parties to the proceedings. Boldnote, the company which proposed the hotel/golf courses/equestrian centre/housing scheme for Carton, was the first party. Kildare and Meath County Councils were the second party, and the third party was comprised of An Taisce, the Irish Georgian Society, and the Maynooth Carton Committee, who presented a joint objection to the planning permission granted to the development. At the same time Boldnote objected to a number of the conditions imposed by Kildare County Council when giving permission.

Our combined case was admirably presented by Jeanne Meldon, strategic planning officer with An Taisce and a member of the Carton Committee. At the end of the three days she was complimented by the presiding inspector and both other parties on the professionalism of her marshalling of the facts and her grasp of all aspects of the proposal. We were also thanked by the inspector and the other parties for the courtesy with which our arguments were put forward. Our case was that the proposed development would irreversibly alter the unique historical heritage of Carton which should be preserved for the people of Maynooth and of Ireland. As she developed the case Ms Meldon called on a number of expert witnesses to speak on various aspects of the history and importance of Carton, the architecture of the house, the structure of the landscaped parkland, the importance of preserving open green space in the region, and other relevant aspects.

The developers and the County Councils then put their case. It soon became clear that some of the County Kildare officials had serious reservations about the whole Boldnote's proposal. It was also significant that not one of the spokespersons, for either of the County Councils or for the developers, argued that the golf courses/hotel/housing development was what they themselves thought best for Carton, but rather that they accepted it as the only viable option they could see. All agreed that, if it went ahead, it would cause some irreversible damage, and this was justified on the grounds of striking a balance between the needs of commercial development and conservation.

While we strongly disputed the need to accept such damage, the three days proceedings were marked by good humour on all sides. Mr. Lee Mallaghan, the present owner of Carton, was there throughout and was able to meet and chat with members of An Taisce, the Irish Georgian Society and the Committee. We hope to persuade him that a heritage park of some kind would be a better future for Carton, and would fit naturally the type of overall development everyone sees as appropriate for the historic Maynooth area.

Two of the elected members of Kildare County Council made submissions to the hearing. Sean English of the Green Party expressed his party's disagreement with the proposed development, while Catherine Murphy of the Democratic Left said

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she had only voted for the permission reluctantly and would not have done so had she been aware that Gleneagles would pull out. Indeed, in the light of the Gleneagles' withdrawal, we found it very difficult to understand how Kildare County Council could continue to support its granting of permission for this development.

We now have to await An Bord Pleanála's decision. We hope that the board will refuse permission for the present proposal and that everyone can think again about the future of Carton. We are convinced that if the owner, the two County Councils, Maynooth Community Council, the Castle Committee, the Carton Committee and others interested in the future development of the Maynooth area got together, between us we could produce a viable proposal that would preserve the integrity of the house and demesne and ensure the right sort of future for Carton.

The Carton Committee

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Joining a credit union is easy. You may apply to join a credit union if you are over 16 years of age and within the common bond.

To be a full member you must: complete an application form and, on being approved for membership, pay a small entrance fee (£1 or less) and purchase a share (generally £1).

The Common Bond

An essential element of any credit union is that all members and potential members should have something in common with each other. This is called their "common bond". The group which forms the credit union initially shares a common bond of interest and common purpose. The common bond describes the ties that bind the members together.

Sharing a Common Bond

The law provides for a number of different common bonds. Two types generally exist:

- community bond: This bond exists where members are resident or employed in a particular locality or neighbourhood.
- occupational or associational bonds:

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Ownership of the Credit Union

Once you have the minimum savings required to make you a member, you have one vote and will only have one vote irrespective of how much you may subsequently save.

Responsibilities of Members

In a credit union, members are encouraged to take an active and genuine interest in the management and control of the organisation they own. They can do this by:

- attending the Annual General Meeting
- asking questions about the running of the credit union
- questioning the accounts and dividing the surplus
- proposing policies for decision by the members
- electing from among themselves persons of trust to run the credit union

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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Summer holidays are upon us and a number of our elderly have already enjoyed a holiday in Kerdiffstown House sponsored by the Lions Club. Another group had a trip to Shannon on a Jumbo flight and returned by train courtesy of the Lions Club also. On August 23rd our own group will holiday in Kerdiffstown House for one week.

On June 16th in conjunction with the community week celebrations the Committee hosted a Cabaret for the elderly in Caulfield's Lounge. Josie and Vinny were as usual in top voice and many others contributed to a very successful night's entertainment. Emmet Stagg took this opportunity to present Imelda Delaney with a cheque, proceeds of the Tony Smith Memorial Walk. We wish to thank very sincerely those who walked in very inclement conditions; our own Committee, who worked so hard; the Labour Party and the many sponsors who so generously contributed. The total raised was £1,400.00. Our annual outing took place on June 20th with a trip to the Blessington Lakes, Liffey Valley, a stop over for some shopping in the Square in Tallaght and concluded with a very enjoyable meal in Celbridge. Josie and Vinny provided the entertainment. It was a very successful day out. The morning sessions have finished since June and will resume on the 8th of September when we look forward to seeing everyone much refreshed after the summer break.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Hi all, good to be back after a short vacation.

Harbour Day

Our Royal Canal Harbour Day which we ran in conjunction with Community Week was a great success. Once again the Steam Train proved to be a major attraction while many people stood 'transfixed' looking at the magnificent fairground Organ. The numbers of people who availed of boat rides on the canal bus far exceeded expectations, so much so that we are arranging to bring the 'Water Bus' back in the near future. The side shows too attracted attention as did the rock bands and Maynooth Accordion Band. I won't start thanking all those who helped on an individual basis, suffice to say, on behalf of Chairman and Committee, a sincere thanks to all who helped in this major presentation, not forgetting our colleagues from the Parent Group and Dublin branch.

Annual Flagday Collection

Once again its that time of the year when we make our annual appeal. The collection will take place on weekend of 23rd - 26th and will be completed by the time the *Newsletter* goes on sale, therefore I take this opportunity on behalf of the Committee to thank you in anticipation of your usual generous response.

Pikes Bridge

The Committee are delighted to see so many people using and enjoying the restored Pikes Bridge Harbour and amenity area. As usual we cannot over emphasise the need for safety precautions not only adjacent to the canal but near any waterway. We would also appreciate it if people did not litter the area.

Please note however that light boats and canoes must not be dropped into the Harbour at Pikes Bridge: the slipway at Maynooth Harbour should be used and the usual permit is required. Annual permits can be obtained for a nominal fee from the Office of Public Works.

Congratulations to Eileen and Gerry Fitzpatrick on the birth of their son Conor. Eileen and Gerry are long standing members of the R.C.A.G. We would also like to wish Philip Mc Dermott, a founder member of the Canal Committee, who has now left us all the best for the future.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Congratulations to Fiona Cooke of Straffan who recently succeeded in getting an honours degree in her final Radiographer examinations.

Well done too, to John O'Reilly who won the Intermediate All Ireland School 800 meters final in Tullamore for the second successive year.

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We are pleased to report that we have had three successful exhibitions, here in the library recently.

The first was an art exhibition of 10 paintings which was mounted by M.A.D.E. members. This was followed by an exhibit by 4 of our young members in the library on Father Peter Higgins, one of the 17 martyrs to be canonised shortly - Eloise Mc An Airchinning, Laura Evers, Geraldine O'Gorman and Lisa Bradley.

The third exhibition, which is still on show, was mounted by Mr. Michael O'Reilly of Grange, Dunboyne. This is a commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Ratoath Spitfire Crash. Mr. O'Reilly has, over the years, amassed an interesting selection of memorabilia, such as bullet cases and small pieces of the Luftwaffe Plane which was engaged in aerial battle over Ratoath during 23rd August 1942 plus lots of interesting facts surrounding the event.

Do come and see for yourself.

More good news, is that we have received lots of new books - fiction and non-fiction. Some new fiction titles include:

Booth, Pat - "Miami"

Campbell, Joanna - "Caitlin: Loving"

Christie, Agatha - "A Collection of Novels"

Colwin, Laurie - "Goodbye Without Leaving"

Cooney, John - "Acts of Contrition"

Cooper, Jilly - "Polo"

Forbes, Colin - "Cross of Fire"

Haining, Peter - "Irish Tales of Terror"

Herbst, Harriet - "The Irish Widow"

Lorrimer, Claire - "Last Years Nightingale"

Mortimer, John - "Dunster"

Trump, Ivana - "For Love Alone"

This is just a small selection of the new titles. For a comprehensive list of all new titles received, please come in and see our "1992 Additions List".

Lest the children feel left out, a reminder that our Daisy Meetings (Daytime Infant Storytelling Sessions) for the under 6 age group is now in full swing, and will run throughout the Summer each Friday morning at 11.30 a.m.

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The A.G.M. took place on the 10th of June 1992 at the new G.A.A. club. The meeting was well represented for most areas with the exception of the top end of the estate. It was pointed out that we won the Tidy Estate for 1991 and thanks were duly expressed to all those who have helped in any way to keep the estate looking well. The Treasurer's report shows that we are in a reasonably healthy position. However, several areas need attention so we need to keep the momentum going. Sgt. Canny spoke regarding the Neighbourhood Watch scheme and a meeting will be held in September to re-activate the scheme. The election of officers took place and are as follows:

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Dave Begley, P.R.O.

LYREEN RESIDENTS' NOTES

July has been a quiet month with the committee taking a bit of a holiday from their posts. However we did manage to organise a clean up of the area on the 18th July and hopefully this will give a boost to raising in peoples' minds the need to make an on-going effort in this regard. Apart from any prize winning (and we did OK in last year's competition) it is the place where we all live and play.

We wish good luck to Denis and Blaitnid Healy and Rachel who have moved to Limerick.

Our sympathy goes to the relatives of Denis Horan, recently deceased, and to Paddy Boyd and his family on the recent death of Paddy's mother.

Tony Bean, Secretary.

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STREET TALKING

At the moment there is a new wall being built along the south side of the railway line between the station and Bond Bridge. The purpose of this wall is to separate the station area from eleven acres of former C.I.E. land which was sold to a property developer last year. It is expected that this land will be developed as housing.

A new shop has recently opened at the Stephen Hero's building (under M.C.L. Cabs) on the Main Street. The 'Green Door Clothing Company' will cater mainly for teenagers and students, both male and female. It will deal mainly in alternative clothing made from recycled materials. It is being run by Ethel Kelly and will be open from 10.30am to 6pm from Monday to Saturday.

Footbridge over canal

It is good to see that some badly needed improvements were carried out recently on the footbridge over the canal leading to the railway station. As can be seen from the photo the condition of the planks on the bridge were very bad. The metal plates which have replaced the wooden planks are a lot safer. However, it would be good if the steps and the pathway leading up to the bridge were developed properly and some lighting was provided on what can be a very treacherous route during the winter with the risk of people falling or being attacked.



The bridge over the canal prior to rebuilding

A new arrival to the Maynooth commercial scene is the Bargain Trail Shop on Mill Street (opposite the Country shop). It sells kitchen-ware, fancy goods, toiletries, tools, toys, cigarettes, sweets and ice cream.

It is being run by Mr. Tommy Flynn and its opening hours are from Monday to Saturday from 9.30am to 7pm with late opening on Friday till 8pm. On Sunday the opening hours are from 10.30am to 2pm.

GARDA TALK

Holiday time is with us again, and we are anxious that your property be secured before you take off to the Costa Del. Remember the Criminal does not take his holidays at the same time. Hereunder are a few pointers which you should note, - all it takes is a few minutes to read and Bon Voyage.

What the burglar looks for - points to remember

- * Windows open - lock all windows whenever you leave home.
- * "Hidden" keys - if you have a spare key leave it with a friend.
- * Papers in the letter box - cancel newspapers, have a neighbour collect any post or 'flyers'.
- * A build-up of milk on the door step - cancel milk.
- * Ladders or tools that will help him to get in - lock them up!
- * Unguarded property - leave it in the garage or otherwise indoors.
- * Easy access to the rear of the premises - fit a side gate with lock.
- * Lights on in the day-time or none on at night - use of a simple timing device can solve this problem.

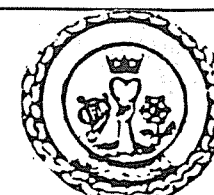
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- (c) the stealing of components or accessories from the vehicle.

To help reduce these problems, the following steps are recommended:

1. When you leave your car always lock all doors and roll windows up tight. Make sure that the steering lock (if fitted) is engaged.
2. Always remove the ignition key before you leave the car, even when it is parked in your garage. Don't hide spare keys in the vehicle - they can be found.
3. Never leave your vehicle with the engine running. This is an open invitation to a car-thief.
4. Never leave Driving Documents, Cheque Books, Credit Cards, etc., in your vehicle.
5. Never leave any valuables on view inside the car. If you cannot take them with you, discreetly lock them in the boot.
6. When away from home, avoid parking your vehicle in isolated places; and at night-time, park with care in a well-lit area.
7. Consider having your vehicle Registration Number etched onto all the windows of your car.
8. Engrave an Identifying Number in a hidden place in car and on valuable components.
9. Consider fitting a good quality car alarm and/or immobiliser. A hardened steel chain and security quality, close-shackle padlock fitted to steering or other operational unit, could prove very effective.



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EYE HEAR

What's in a name?.

Residents may have heard some dull thuds from the Rockfield direction recently. Rockfield is a new estate currently sprouting up beside Rail Park, on the Celbridge Road. However the pace of progress has been severely hampered by the discovery that Rockfield was not named Rockfield because someone thought it was a nice name. Yes, not five feet under the soil in places, there is solid limestone, which refused to shift, without the aid of explosives. Highdegree Construction have asked neighbours to bear with them for the next few weeks while they blast their way out of the subrock problem. What if they find oil?

Leviathans move in

Eye Hear is glad to report that the bypass has at last reached Maynooth. While it looks like we won't be driving along the motorway for some time, great strides have been made along the Straffan Road where the first parts of the flyover are already in place. Watch out for more explosives as the builders try to get through the Ballygoran Ridge! The County Council will have an unending supply of rock for the screening walls along the Straffan Road. There will be no excuse for putting in ugly concrete walls, when the place is coming down with rocks.

Pests Move Out

Maynooth Biology Department hit the headlines recently with their discovery of new ways to control pests without using pesticides, which could save Irish growers £1.5 million per year. This startling news was revealed by an Taoiseach Albert Reynolds as he laid the foundation stone of the new £7.3 million science building. While not revealing the identity of these pests, Mr Reynolds said that during its 200 years, Maynooth had played a formative role in national life. Maybe its the snakes which St. Patrick banished, which gave them the inspiration. Possibly they're going to try and bottle St. Patrick? Who knows what goes on behind the dreaming spires.

LOOKING BACK TO SUMMER 1980

Once again, we take a backward glance through the pages of the Newsletter, this time to the July/August issue of 1980. The first shock news related to the one hundred per cent increase in the price, from 10p to 20p. This was the first increase in five years. The I.C.A. had hosted a visit from Dr. Hazel Boland, member of the Council for the status of women. We don't know what she talked about, but all age groups found it interesting, and she answered all questions put to her. The Old People's Committee was winding down for the Summer. Laundry facilities were to resume in October. Bernard Durkan had won a doll in the

raffle, and the four old people who went to Butlins for a week had come home laden with bingo prizes.

Unfortunately, pressure of space prevented the publication of the second part of an article on 'Handing on the Faith in the Home'. Readers were asked to restrain themselves until the next issue.

The Lord Mayor Competition received much coverage, with Paddy Lynch and Rita O'Reilly thanking most profusely those who had voted for them. Trevor Reilly was the winner, but never as far as we recall, took up the cloak so ably worn on our behalf by Owen Byrne. Fr. Walsh P.P. reported that the event had raised the sum of £13,784.63. But this magnificent sum was less than adequate to the task of raising £25,000 for the Boy's School extension. Interestingly, Fr. Walsh mentioned the need to find money to buy a site for a new mixed school in the Greenfield area - whatever happened to it? Generally, the parish accounts were dipping towards the red, but the bottom line awaited the Auditor's Report.

Confirmation had been held on June 12th, with 84 boys and 83 girls going under the hands of Bishop Forrester, celebrating his 25th Confirmation. How many of those confirmed that day have kept their pledge not to drink intoxicating drink? Now don't all rush at once. A quiet note to the editor will suffice. Katherine Quinn, Assumpta McDonnell, Hilary Kehoe, Ian Cosgrave and Daniel Ryan were winners of the childrens competition, with no less than 27 runners up.

The writer of the Boy Scouts notes apologised for the scatological approach of his notes, as he was writing from memory. The tone was more sexist than scatological, as he looked forward to the forthcoming ladies' basket ball match as the ladies would be wearing (god forbid!) shorts - but weather permitting. Grapevine welcomed the long awaited arrival of the footbridge on the Straffan Road. Kildare County Council was to purchase the Long Avenue for the people of Maynooth. The developer of Greenfield Estate had been prosecuted and fined under the Planning Act, and it was hoped that work on the estate would be completed within three months. The Editorial lamented the state of traffic through the Main Street and called for a by-pass, but in the meantime, suggested that heavy traffic be banned from the town between 9p.m. and 8a.m. Cllr. Gerry Brady informed readers that the zebra crossing on Main Street was to be put into a proper state of repair and the necessary sign for a pedestrian crossing was to be erected. Our one traffic light was still to come.

Greenfield Residents' Association reminded its members of the many services available through the association - ladders, mowers etc. The problem of exuberant students was referred to, with the hope that with the help of Student Union president, Martin Kennedy, harmonious relations in the coming year would be promoted.

The Swimming Club and the trustees of the Development Association had met, but there was disappointment to find that while the famous swimming pool funds still existed, inflation had more or less wiped out the chances of building a pool in Maynooth. The winners of the baby show organised by the Club were one year old Andrea Ennis and 2 years old Adam Cahill. It was the second year of the Community Games. The weather wasn't great, but of course a good time was had by all. The trophy for best athlete was awarded to Oonagh Breslin, and indeed the Breslin family took the trophy for the most athletic family. The fastest pair in Maynooth were Mrs. Anna Kelly

and Mr. Noel Farrelly (they won the Mums and Dads race respectively!). Peig Lynch provided a two page blow by blow account of proceedings, particularly lamenting the absence of parents at the events, but thanking all involved. Peter Keegan won the NACAI Marathon for the second year, in 2 hours 25 minutes. Maynooth Golfing Society visited Bodinstown in May and hoped to arrange the Captain's Prize for Edenderry. B. Gannon won at Bodinstown.

Youngline Boutique in the Square was advertising its cream, lilac, mauve etc tops. Ryan & Tyrell were advertising cycles and lawn mowers in their Greenfield Shopping arcade premises. Diamond and Gem Jewellers were advertising their wares, also in the Greenfield Shopping Centre. Another former Greenfield business, Ultra Vision, were advertising CB radios starting at 49 pounds. T.M. Connolly, Main Street were selling garden ornaments and other accoutrements. Ms. Geraghty was advertising a black and white Bush TV, in need of slight repairs, selling cheap.

Twins John Paul and Ross James Tobin were welcomed to Newtown - it won't be too difficult to estimate John Paul's age (and all the other John Paul's born in the year after JP II's visit) in years to come. Sympathy was extended to the families of Catherine Devine, Enda O'Neill, Bartle Redmond and Tommy Morgan who had died recently.

REVIEW

The Player

Anyone who likes Robert Altman films will enjoy *The Player*. However, I am reliably informed that at least one couple left this film after thirty minutes, on the grounds that nothing was happening. This is not a conventional thriller, although someone is killed. The plot such as it is, revolves around a Hollywood studio executive, played by Tim Robbins, who is receiving anonymous and increasingly threatening post cards, apparently from a writer whose work he has ignored. Along with this he fears that his job is about to be undermined by the appointment of hot shot Larry Leavy, played by Peter Gallagher of (*Sex Lies and Videotapes*). He tracks down the writer whom he thinks has been threatening him, and in a fight kills him, seemingly in self defence. The writer's girlfriend, played by Gretta Scacci as a loopy Icelandic artist, quickly gets over her loss, and turns her affections to Robbins, who promptly dumps his anorexic girlfriend. Alas, the wrong writer has been edited out of the script, and the threats continue. Worse still, the case is being investigated by the cops, led by Whoopi Goldberg and Lyle Lovatt (yes, the country singer) giving a hilariously over the top performance. However, this is Hollywood, and you can write your own script here. In an ending which smacks of a collaboration between Samuel Goldwyn and Myles na gCopaleen, the hero and his now melted ice queen, and the spurned writer live happily ever after.

In the midst of all this, all of Hollywood gets to play themselves, so we have the fun of picking out Anjelica Houston, Cher, Andie McDowell, Martin Scorsese, Burt Reynolds, etc., at power breakfasts, doing lunch, partying. It's all great fun, carried off splendidly by Robbins, who manages to combine ruthlessness, with that boyish charm.

The Playboys

The Playboys is set in Redhills, Co. Cavan in the 1950s, during the period when television was coming in to replace the old entertainments, which included the Playboys, a band of travelling players in the old Fitups tradition. There has been a bit of playacting before the Playboys arrive, as the current scandal in the village is how the village dressmaker (Tara, played by American actress Robin Wright), could have produced a baby with no husband around. The film starts with Tara going into labour at mass, and is followed by the suicide of one of her admirers whom she has refused to marry. The local Garda Sergeant played by Albert Finney broods around the place, also lusting after Tara. And then into town come the Playboys, led by Milo O'Shea at his most theatrical. The film revolves around how Tara and one of the Playboys, played by Aidan Quinn get together in the end. The identity of the baby's father is revealed, Albert Finney takes to the drink, there is a bit of fighting, cross border smuggling, the Playboys give hilarious one act performances of *Othello*, and *Gone with the Wind*. Generally, this is a romp which does not take itself too seriously. The main actors produce credible Irish accents, although not necessarily of Cavan origin. Tara looks too all American and glamorous even in her floral pinny and ankle boots, but provides a nice performance.

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PUB SPY

'A little learning is a dangerous thing; Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring; There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain, and drinking largely sobers us again' or so Pope (Alexander, not JPII) says. Ah how true, for our wandering scholars abroad in Maynooth, particularly with the price of drink these days. Yes, that time of the year again when the *Newsletter* calls on those who can wait nay, afford, to stand a round in the four apocalyptic houses in Maynooth to serve up an account of their work.

There were Four Masters at the outset, but one casualty was carted off the field after the second orange, by the 66 bus, and then there were three little maids and maidmen from school to complete the annals for this year. Here is their report (translated from medieval Connemara Irish).

Starting out the West, we entered the Roost Bar. The order was taken and delivered with commendable speed, but left Erasmus 5.67 poorer. He had not intended to stand this or any other round, but we found it difficult to produce a breakdown of the bill, in the absence of a printed price list. Copernicus judged his pint of Guinness to be as always, good; Heloise's pint of Harp was cold, and fine; Erasmus's vodka and tonic was served with ice and slice in a small glass. The atmosphere was subdued; the decor dustier and tackier than last year, showing signs of wear and tear. The toilets were litter strewn, and required some repairs. It would appear that massive renovations are followed by lean years when no maintenance is carried out. There was a remarkable increase in the activity rate of the bar staff at precisely 10p.m., with much emptying of ashtrays, wiping down of tables, and settling of chairs. The Honourable Ira Von Furstenberg who had found happiness in the Roost during the 1990 raid, was still there, and could not be persuaded to join us in our search this year.

The new bar in the Leinster Arms was a revelation. Situated where Slims used to be, all the mirror glass and velour is gone. Instead a vision of wood and saloon doors and little alcoves awaited us. Some person with taste has been allowed in here. There was some disagreement about the music (definitely too loud), but some of us like Queen, and then again there are those of us who like Daniel O'Donnell... (the treatment is severe, but with a high chance of success). The round came to 5.80, the Guinness ok; Harp was fine, and the vodka and tonic likewise. Again no price list, and no receipts given, so no breakdown available. The toilets were a disgrace, no lid on the cistern, no hot water, filthy sink, and no signs on the door. Heloise would like to apologise to the gentleman carrying out his ablutions for disturbing his activities. She just picked the wrong door. The *Newsletter* would like to give the benefit of the doubt, perhaps the renovations are not finished yet? But really, something could be done about the dirt - the bar wasn't exactly thronged so what's the excuse?

Ah Brady's, a man's pub. The music was loud, with a muscular rendition of the greatest hits of Westmeath bachelor, Joe Dolan spewed out with force and conviction. Unfortunately, although wired, it would be difficult to reduce the volume on this human hifi. Ye's are all animals, whispered an outraged Heloise, only to be overheard by a French visitor, Monsieur Pierre Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais, who murmured en passant these words in her ear: "drinking when we are not thirsty and making love all year round, madam; that is all there is to distinguish us from other animals." Ah, how true. The decor was unchanged from last year, perhaps a little fresher,

with simplicity and functionality being the keynotes. Heloise could only manage a glass of Harp, and is unclear how much it cost, as the price list only refers to beer and ale, the vodka and tonic cost 2 pounds, and the pint of Guinness 1.71. The women's toilet had gained a shiny new plastic mahogany seat since last year, and praise be the power of light, the men's toilet was illuminated, and everything was in working order.

At 11.05, the three Musketeers fell into Caulfields, back lounge and discovered Maynooth's only living female barperson (as far as it was possible to tell), and very nice Joan is too. The ambience was as dismal as the flock wallpaper. How about a facelift? But the toilets as usual were excellent, clean with plentiful toilet paper and soap. The round came to 5.75, again alas, no price list on display, but discreet enquiries revealed that the pint of Guinness was 1.73, the Harp was 1.90, and the vodka and tonic was 2.05. Poor Erasmus, who will be wandering to the labour exchange some day, reminisced about the good old days, twelve months ago, when we were aghast to find that a gin and tonic cost 1.86, and a pint of Harp was 1.70.

Remember the days when we said we would follow the pint until ten bob? Sure what's twenty pence nowadays - wouldn't even buy a packet of crisps. Where is the spirit of rebellion so carefully nurtured down all the darkest days of our history? The price of the pint has risen by 20p in the last year, and not one brave soul stood up to shout stop. Actually, most of them went off to the GAA centre, but that's another story.

The verdict (4 equals best; 1 equals worst)

	Roost	Leinster Arms	Bradys	Caulfields
Price	3	1	4	2
Decor	2	4	3	1
Ambience	1	4	3	2
Cleanliness	2	3	1	4
Service	1	4	3	3
Quality of drink	4	3	2	1
Toilets	3	1	1	4
Total	16	20	17	17

Congratulations to the Leinster Arms on its improved decor and ambience, but oh those loos! And would it be too much to ask all concerned to put up price lists where they can be seen by the client of average size, sight and posture?



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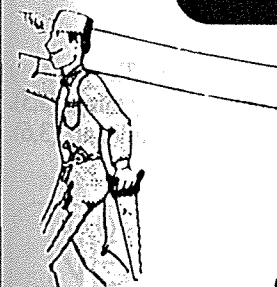


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MAYNOOTH CAMPERS RE-UNION TO KILMUCKRIDGE, CO. WEXFORD

It was reminiscent of the late sixties, so many Maynooth people gathered for holidays in the lovely seaside village of Kilmuckridge in Co. Wexford. The gathering this time was for the re-union of Maynooth Campers and friends (1969 - 73). Almost 40 people travelled for the weekend, staying in caravans, bed & breakfast and even in cars! Undoubtedly the highlight of the weekend was the presentation Dinner in Boggan's on the Saturday night. At a lovely function presentations were made to Fr. Walter Forde (former camp-director) and to Mrs. Katie Sinnott of Kilmuckridge on whose land the camps were held.



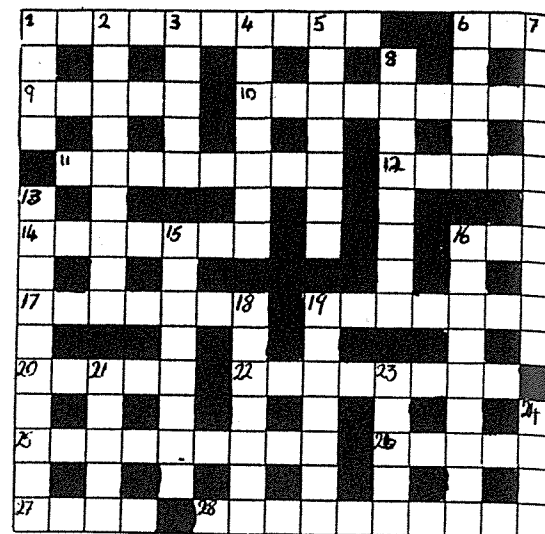
Fr. Walter Forde enjoying the Campers Re-Union



Presentation to Fr. Walter Forde by Colm Nelson and Willie Saults

In expressing his gratitude Fr. Forde also thanked the many people who took time out to make the weekend such a success. The organisers Willie Saults and Colm Nelson wish to warmly thank all those who travelled. Thanks also to Fr. Forde, Mrs. Sinnott, Pearse and Mary Boggan, Kilmuckridge. We thank also Willie Cusker for providing so much laughter over the week-end but then as Willie would say "I BUILT THE PLACE!"

CROSSWORD NO. 57



Entries before 5.00 p.m. Friday 14th August

Name: _____

Address: _____

Across:

1. Heavenly expression on the way to Moyglare (6,4).
6. Give a rap about the norm (3).
9. Albert's limb is permissible (5).
10. Ted is troubled - he fell off a cliff (9).
11. Be singular, be extraordinary (5,3).
12. The boy is confused at first, but still plays the ocarina (5).
14. My bib is semi wet as I hit the bottle (7).
16. As a pen, it's not big (3).
17. Trevino drives away from the wind (7).
19. Strategy to finish the diversion (7).
20. A tonic and the facial neuralgia is cured (2,3).
22. It's not real coffee but it may help wipe away things (5,3).
25. The male experts are scarlet, but are they militant? (3,6).
26. I've no fear concerning father (5).
27. Sway in an upset manner (4).
28. Put ten into ten at the beginning of this week (4,6).

Down:

1. The vein of ore is unemployed (4).
2. Vera is semi-inanimate but she can acquire Cain's upset brother (9).
3. New York or London, it's not immaterial (5).
4. Attack with the apse now (7).
5. Is e' turfed out and found to be false? (7).
6. Albert, my cherished flower (5).
7. Put rice into radical Edward, and changed course (10).
8. Sid is upset at being rendered defenceless (8).
13. The herb ends in commotion near the long avenue (7,3).
15. Political limbs, sometimes made of paper? (8).
16. The French escort resides beside the campus (9).
18. Ed will announce the girl from the banner county (6).
19. Meet Len in his native state (7).
21. Not tonight, Josie (5).
23. Roll on in the divine round up (5).
24. Speaking semi-candidly, no one should stand like this (4).

Solution to Crossword No. 56

Across:

1. Newsletter, 6. Rye, 9. Mason, 10. Relegated, 11. Smartens, 12. Rossa, 14. Playact, 16. Jam, 17. Inherit, 19. The Pawn, 20. Guess, 22. Opencast, 25. Immovable, 26. Meath, 27. Ezra, 28. Messengers.

Down:

1. Name, 2. West Meath, 3. Loner, 4. Torment, 5. Enlists, 6. Rates, 7. Endearment, 8. Aggrieve, 13. Springtime, 15. Abrasive, 16. Jean Slade, 18. Trouble, 19. Teeters, 21. Elmer, 23. Caman, 24. Thus.

Winner of Crossword No. 56

John Woods, 31 Moyglare Village.

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Carton Appeal

Councillor Catherine Murphy was one of only two political representatives to contribute to the recent appeal against the planning permission granted by Kildare County Council for a hotel and leisure development at Carton Estate. In her submission, Councillor Murphy stated that she only very reluctantly supported the material contravention required for the project, because of the private housing component of the development. The reasons why Councillor Murphy decided to support the project included the need to refurbish Carton House and renew the woodlands, part of which are in an appalling condition; the proven track record and financial resources of the Gleneagles company and its parent (Guinness); the potential to create 450 much-needed jobs in the area; and the possibility that if this project was rejected, the Council might come under pressure to accept an inferior proposal at some point in the future.

In her submission, Councillor Murphy rejected the idea that the planning conditions applied by the County Council were one of the reasons for the subsequent pull-out by Gleneagles. She said that she would not have supported the project if Gleneagles had not been part of the consortium at the time, because of the unknown record and limited resources of the remaining groups in the consortium. The fact that the planning conditions specified that the refurbishment of the house and woodlands should be the first part of the development was also an important factor in gaining her support. It is important that this condition should be retained, she said.

Maynooth Employment Office

Following complaints about delays in having claims processed at Maynooth Employment Office, Councillor Catherine Murphy sought information on future plans for the office in the Dail from the Minister for Social Welfare through a question put by Eric Byrne T.D. There are currently 2,500 people registered at the office, of whom 1,200 attend weekly for payment, the remaining 1,300 being paid through their local post offices. In his Dail question, Deputy Byrne sought to have the status of the Maynooth Office raised to that of a full Employment Exchange, in that at the moment the Maynooth records are held in Gardiner Street in Dublin, thus leading to delays in processing claims. If Maynooth had Exchange status, it could process its own claims. In his reply, the Minister stated that the network of Employment Offices is currently being computerised, and expected that this should lead to an improvement in the general level of services being provided.

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Weight Restriction on Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road

Deputy Emmet Stagg has tabled the following motion for consideration by the next meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That a weight restriction be imposed on the Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, to prevent motorised traffic over 5 tons in weight from using the road, that the weight limit would exist from the entrance on to Convent Lane from Main Street, Maynooth, and on the Dunboyne Road at Kildare Bridge

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Corner, and that traffic over 5 tons in weight would use Blacklion Road along Carton Wall and Dublin Road as an alternative route."

Acceptance of the Motion would end the present unacceptable position whereby large volumes of heavy motorised traffic pass through this residential area.

Call for Ramps to be Installed along Pound Lane/Back Lane

No Entry signs were put in place at Convent Lane, Mill Street and Cross Lane, Maynooth in an effort to prevent this area being used as a rat run by motorists bypassing Main Street Maynooth. However this has not resolved the problem with motorists continuing to use this route by ignoring the No Entry Signs.

In response to this Deputy Emmet Stagg has tabled the following motion for consideration by the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council:

"That the Area Committee would agree that the system of using No Entry Signs at Convent Lane, Mill Street and Cross Lane, Maynooth to prevent motorists from using the Leinster Cottages/Pound Lane area as a short cut to avoid using the Main Street, has not proved a success, and is more of a nuisance to residents in the area because it is not observed by others, and in order to rectify the matter that ramps be installed along Pound Lane/Back Lane in order to slow down motorists and make the area safer for pedestrians and that the No Entry Signs be removed from Convent Lane and Mill Street but left in place at Cross Lane."

Extension of speed limit on Dunboyne Road

Following representations from residents in the area Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested that the 30 mile per hour speed limit on Dunboyne Road be extended to Pebble Hill House. At present the sign for the speed limit is within the built up area of Dunboyne Road.

Unightly deposit of clay at Laraghbryan Cemetery

The unsightly deposit of clay on the Kilcock side of Laraghbryan Cemetery was raised by residents of the area recently. Deputy Stagg has advised that this clay will be removed in the course of the extension to Laraghbryan Cemetery later on this year.

Wall at entrance to Phase Two Greenfields

On each side of the entrance to Phase Two Greenfields the small wall bordering the Greens on each side requires repairs. Deputy Stagg has taken this matter up with Kildare County Council.

Extension of natural gas to Maynooth

Further to previous news on this item, Deputy Emmet Stagg has received a response from the Chairman of An Bord Gais to his request to have domestic gas supplied to homes in Maynooth now that there was a feeder main to the Intel factory.

In his reply the Chairman, Mr. Michael Conlon, stated that a survey would be commencing in Leixlip in late July early August the results of which would determine whether or not a sales campaign would be commenced in Leixlip. If everything goes well with the sales campaign domestic gas would be supplied to houses in Leixlip in late 1992 early 1993.

Concerning continuing the supply to Maynooth, Mr. Conlon stated that no firm plans were in place at the moment. However the laying of the pipeline to Intel is a factor which will be considered when reviewing the possible extensions to Maynooth.

Deputy Stagg will continue to pressurise An Bord Gais to have

domestic gas supplied to homes in Maynooth for those who wish to avail of this form of energy.

Garda strength in Maynooth

In response to the Parliamentary question tabled by Deputy Emmet Stagg to the Minister for Justice, which sought an increase in manpower and other resources available to the Gardai in Maynooth, the Minister Padraig Flynn T.D. has responded stating that an extra Garda was assigned to Maynooth in April 1992, which brought the current strength in Maynooth to one Sergeant and six Gardai. The Garda Authorities are satisfied that existing resources in Maynooth are adequate to deal with the policing needs of the town and that at present they have no plans to further increase the manpower in Maynooth. The Garda Authorities will however keep the matter under review. Be assured that the local Labour branch will do likewise.

Constituency Draw

We would like to thank all those who supported the Constituency Draw which was held on 28th June. The first prize of £500 went to Naas. We had one local winner in Maynooth, and that was Patsy Byrne of The Green, Maynooth, who won £50.

National Collection

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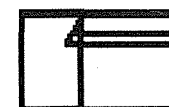
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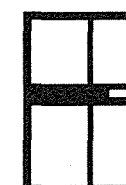


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Muintir Ma Nuad

Mr Fred Leavy R.I.P.

Maynooth lost one of its most active community workers with the recent sudden death of Mr Fred Leavy. Mr Leavy who was in his fifties, was the sixth generation of his family in Maynooth. He grew up around the Parson Street and Pucks Bridge area of Maynooth before going on to ply his trade as a panel beater at the junction of Greenfields and Straffan Road. In his earlier years he was a keen sportsman representing Kildare in hurling, football and handball. While playing for Kildare he played against the likes of Mick O' Connell, Mick O' Dwyer and Paddy O' Brien. He won eight County medals in football, three in hurling and a doubles championship in handball, partnering John Fleming. He was also concerned with the artistic life of Maynooth. He was keenly interested in drama and held two scholarships to the Brendan Smith Theatre Academy. He felt strongly about the lack of drama in Maynooth.

In these days when there is a lot of talk about restoring the castle and attracting tourists to Maynooth it is important to remember that he was very involved with these issues, especially with running the highly successful castle banquets of more than twenty years ago. These banquets used to attract people from far and near. He also had strong views on development of the Carton Estate feeling that it would be little more than a playground for the rich. He did not like some of the developments in the Maynooth area since he felt that some of the most productive land in the world should not be turned to tar and cement. Mr Leavy was very active in local politics, standing as a candidate in a number of elections both local and national. He felt strongly about the way in which Irish society was developing economically. He was of the opinion that the banks and other financial institutions were fostering a credit society in which people are led into debt in order to service unrealistic dreams of a living standard which they could not afford. The 'credit society' was not feasible as the level of job security in Ireland was not strong enough to support high standards of living in the long term. He also felt that in the current economic difficulties the type of housing provided by the public sector should change, with a larger number of smaller and simpler houses being built.

The reason why Mr Leavy was so interested in such political and economic issues was because he was passionately concerned with Maynooth and its people in all the various controversies with which he was involved he put the issues of Maynooth first, and foremost. He was also a member of a number of local groups such as the G.A.A., A.C.R.A. and the Maynooth Development Association. However, Mr Leavy's involvement with many issues and organisations does not give a full picture of his character. Fred was a very friendly and obliging man who mixed very easily with all of the different people who make up the Maynooth community. We in Maynooth Newsletter would like to take this opportunity to express our sympathy and condolences to his wife Maura, his sons Raymond, Eric and Frederick and to all his relations and friends. May he rest in peace.



The Late Fred Leavy with fellow candidate Buggy Horan at the local elections in 1991.

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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

All Ireland Championships, Antrim, N. Ireland

The All Ireland Juvenile Championships held in Antrim, N. Ireland over the weekend of June 27th/28th will be remembered for a long time to come by Maynooth Athletic Club. Twenty-two of our young athletes travelled to Antrim with family and committee members and took home 4 gold, 3 silver and 5 bronze medals. All the children gave the performance of their lives. The encouragement they gave each other and the joy and excitement when a medal was won was wonderful to see. Special thanks must go to Marie and Michael Gleeson for their dedication to the club and the support they give the children and also to Francis Kearney, Margaret Gillick and the rest of the committee for their training and organisation. The success of the club this year in the All Ireland is also due to the families of the children. Their support at every race meeting over the year was evident and much appreciated. The children themselves must be congratulated for sticking with the training all year round. They reached the All Ireland championships by qualifying first at County level and then later at the Leinster Championships in Santry Stadium. Results of the All Ireland meeting in Antrim Forum are as follows: Sarah Commene G u/12 300m - Gold Medal, Declan O'Rourke B u/12 100m - Gold Medal, David Campbell B u/10 Long jump - Gold Medal, and the boys u/10 relay team - Patrick O'Rourke, David Campbell, Patrick King and Richard Leavy - Gold Medal. Sarah Commene G u/12 100m - Silver Medal, Declan O'Rourke B u/12 300m - Silver Medal, and boys u/11 relay team - Conor Diggins, Karl Ennis, David Campbell and Patrick King - Silver Medal. Bronze Medals went to the following: Michelle Gillick G u/13 Walk, Patrick O'Rourke B u/9 60m, Patrick King B u/10 60 and 80m and Pierre Ennis B u/8 Long jump. The boys u/8 relay team (Pierre Ennis, Jamie O'Neill, Daniel Adderley and Stephen Healy just missed the bronze by taking fourth place. The boys u/9 relay team had the same result, just pipped at the post into fourth place. They were Patrick O'Rourke, Pierre Ennis, Morgan Sweeny and Cillian Carr. Other placings: Pierre Ennis B u/8 60m - 6th place, Pierre Ennis B u/8 80m - 4th place, Philip Campbell - Long Jump - 9th place, Richard Leavy B u/10 60m - 5th place, Conor Diggins B u/11 600m - 4th place, Michael Gleeson B u/10 Ball Throw - 6th place, Noel Healy B u/10 Ball Throw - 7th place. Girls u/12 relay team - 8th place (Sarah Commene, Susie Adderley, Mary O'Sullivan and Joy O'Neill. Thanks to Elizabeth King - super sub for the relay team). Everybody enjoyed the weekend in Antrim and I must thank David Jolley who organised transport for six children and myself and the rest of the convoy - the Kings, O'Rourkes, Campbells, Gleesons, Gillicks, K. Diggins and D. Commene.

Leinster

1st. S. Commene (Girls U/12 300) David Campbell (Boys U/10 Long Jump) U/11 Relay (C. Diggins, D. Campbell, P. King, K. Ennis). 2nd D. O'Rourke (Boys U/12 100m and 300m) Boys U/10 Relay (P. O'Rourke, D. Campbell, P. King, R. Leavy); Patricia Purcell (Girls U/15 Shot, 100m hurdles) Niall Gillick (Boys U/15 Walk) 3rd. M. Gillick (Girls U/13 Walk) S. Commene (Girls U/12 300m) C. Diggins (Boys U/11 600m) Paula O'Shea (Girls U/17 Discus). Also competed. (having qualified for Kildare) Boys U/8: P. Ennis, J. O'Neill, P.

Campbell, S. Healy, D. Adderley. Boys U/9: P. O'Rourke, M. Sweeney, C. Carr. Boys U/10: P. King, R. Leavy, N. Healy. Girls U/11: C. Duff, M. O'Sullivan, S. Adderley. Boys U/11: K. Ennis and D. Carr.

Kildare Championships

Boys U/8 60m 1. P. Ennis; 80m 1. P. Ennis. 2. J. O'Neill. Ball throw - 1. S. Healy. 2. P. Ennis. 3. P. Campbell. Boys U/9 60m. 1. P. O'Rourke. 3. M. Sweeney; 80m - 1. P. O'Rourke; Ball throw - 2. P. O'Rourke; Relay 1. Maynooth A. (P. O'Rourke, N. Sweeney, P. Ennis, C. Carr) 3. Maynooth B. (J. O'Neill, D. Adderley, S. Healy, P. Campbell). Girls U/10 80m 3. A. McTernan. Boys U/10 60m 2. P. King; 80m 2. P. King. 3. D. Campbell; 600m 2. P. King; Ball throw 2. P. O'Sullivan. 3. N. Healy; Long Jump 1. D. Campbell. Girls U/11 Ball throw 1. C. Duff. Long Jump 3. C. Duff. Boys U/11 60m 3. C. Diggins. 80m 3. C. Diggins. 600m 1. C. Diggins; Long Jump 3. C. Diggins. Relay 2nd (C. Diggins, K. Ennis, D. Campbell, P. King). Girls U/12 100m 1. S. Commene; 300m 1. S. Commene. 600m 2. S. Commene. Boys U/12 100m 2nd D. O'Rourke. 300m 1st. D. O'Rourke. Girls U/13 Shot 3rd M. Gillick. Walk 2nd M. Gillick. Girls U/14 600m 3rd D. McDermott. 800m 3rd D. McDermott. Girls U/15 100m 1. P. Purcell; 800m 2. P. Purcell. 3. E. O'Sullivan; 1500m 1. P. Purcell; Long Jump 1. P. Purcell. 3. L. Haren; Shot 1. P. Purcell. 3. M. Brennan; Javelin 1. G. Haren. 3. D. McDermott; Relay 2nd (P. Purcell, L. Haren, G. Haren, D. McDermott). Senior Ladies: Javelin: 1. P. Purcell. 2. M. Brennan; Long Jump: 1. P. O'Shea; Discus 3. P. O'Shea. Relay: 1. (P. Purcell, G. Haren, P. O'Shea, L. Newman). Senior Mens: 56lb WOF 2. W. Healy. Discus: 3. W. Healy. Veteran Ladies: 100m 2. N. McTernan. 3. F. Kearney. 800m 3. N. McTernan; 100m 1. M. Gleeson. 2. E. O'Rourke. Relay: 2. (N. McTernan, M. Gillick, F. Kearney, N. Gleeson). Veteran Men: O/35 100m 1. D. O'Hurley. O/40 1500m 2. D. Jolley. O/45 800m 3. D. Jolley. Relay: 2. (D. Jolley, P. King, J. O'Rourke, L. McTernan). Also competed R. Leavy, I. Kearney, J. O'Neill, E. King, M. O'Sullivan, D. Carr, S. Adderley, L. Kearney, M. Gleeson, A. Sinnott, M. Gleeson many of whom qualified for Leinster Championships.

Leinster Vets Ladies 1 mile: O/30 3. N. McTernan. O/45 1. M. Gillick. 2. M. Gleeson. Maynooth 1st Team. Kildare 5 mile: O/45 2. D. Jolley.

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So Near and Yet So Far

Dublin 1-13

Kildare 0-10

It is with mixed emotions that Kildare fans will think back over last Sunday's Leinster Final. The high expectations of the previous week were matched only by the deep disappointment of defeat on Sunday evening. But this was not the despair of Drogheda in 1991 or Aughrim in 1990 when Kildare threw away matches they should have won. Neither was it the despair experienced after the Leinster Final of 1978 when Dublin steamrolled an eventually ramshackle Kildare team off the pitch. For a few terrible minutes at the start of the second half last Sunday the ghost of '78 haunted Croke Park as Dublin opened up a ten point lead and threatened to condemn Kildare to yet another embarrassing Croke Park outing. What followed was a twenty minute spell when Kildare did themselves justice before a crowd of over 60,000 and with 15 minutes to go were on the brink of the most dramatic comeback in this years championship. It was not to be. Dublin's resilience and grim determination to exorcise the ghost of last year's traumatic defeat by Meath stifled Kildare's momentum. Two points by Charlie Redmond, one a magnificent 45 against the wind, widened the gap to six points and placed the game beyond Kildare's reach.

We Could Have Won?

Some Kildare fans making their way out of Croke Park on Sunday evening argued that this was a match Kildare could have won. They cited the wides kicked early in the second half which delayed the erosion of Dublin's lead and also the three missed goal chances in the final minutes.

But this is to misread the pattern of the match. Ultimately Dublin dictated the shape of the game and it was only when their midfield faded for a period in the second half that Kildare dragged themselves back into contention. Dublin played exceptionally well right throughout the first half. On the other hand Kildare only managed to maintain that standard for the first ten or twelve minutes - a period when both teams were serving up high quality football played at a furious pace. This phase of the game ended with the Keith Barr inspired melee in the centre of the field which saw the Dublin number 6 landed a number of quality punches on Tom Harris. On this evidence Ireland's Olympic selectors have obviously overlooked a major boxing talent in omitting Barr from their team in Barcelona.

Intimidation

Dublin's confidence had obviously been boosted by their success in physically intimidating Kildare and from this point on they went from strength to strength. Apart from Barr's spectacular goal they kicked a series of long range points which the Kildare defence could do little to prevent. When Kildare did manage to break through into attack their efforts were aimless and a low point in the team's fortunes was reached when Niall Buckley missed a short range free just before half time.

Dublin Machine

Immediately after the resumption the score read Dublin 1-11 Kildare 0-4, the Dublin machine was on a roll and Kildare seemed destined to being blasted back into the pre-O'Dwyer era. At this point the game took another turn. Dave Foran, short of match practice, faded at midfield; Tom Harris switched with Niall Buckley and the Kildare half backs started to break forward much as the Dublin half backs had in the first half. Excellent scores by substitute Paul McLoughlin and Martin Lynch left Kildare just four

points behind with a full 15 minutes remaining and Dublin had been scoreless for almost twenty minutes.

Ultimate Question

Now was the time for the ultimate question to be asked of this Dublin team and unfortunately, from Kildare's point of view, they managed to answer it, if not with flying colours then at least with commendable guts. A crucial turning point saw Anthony Rainbow foul the ball as he broke up the wing under the Hogan Stand. From the resulting free kick Dublin won a close range free which Charlie Redmond converted. A spell had been broken. A phase in the game which had seen Kildare kick six points without reply was over and all that remained were Kildare's heroic, desperate and ultimately fruitless efforts to score a goal in the last few minutes. Three reasonable goal chances fell to Kildare as the final whistle approached and the manner in which the Dublin attack backed off from a rampant Kildare forward line must surely have given Paddy Cullen severe palpitations, not to mention recalling painful memories of Kevin Foley's goal for Meath last year.

What of the Future?

There is no need for Kildare supporters to cry into their beer for the rest of the summer. Last Sunday Kildare were well beaten by a potentially very good Dublin team. Dublin's defence, particularly the half back line, is the best in the country. Most of Kildare's problems lie in attack where, although there is an abundance of speed and teamwork, it lacks the physical power to consistently breach a well marshalled defence. Farther back Glenn Ryan proved a pivotal figure and future Kildare teams will be built around him. Dalton and Dowling are dependable cornermen and young Rainbow is a creative and intelligent wing back. Some work remains to be done to find a role for Martin Lynch which will exploit his talents more fully. Most teams need to lose a big game in Croke Park before going on to win a Championship. Kildare and their supporters have now gone through that painful experience. By building on it and by grafting on some of the talent undoubtedly present in the under-21 side Mick O'Dwyer can bring Kildare back to Croke Park next year with every prospect of success.

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1st Team

The League campaign continued with a less than auspicious performance against Kill - where the concession of a soft goal to Kill substitute, Sheridan cost the side dearly - and a very impressive victory over intermediate side St. Kevin's highlighted by yet another fine display by Fagan. There are only 3 League games left at this stage, 2 at home to Rathcoffey and Eadestown and one away to Castledermot.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1.6 v Kill 1.9

In a very competitive and always entertaining S.F.L. game played at Maynooth. Kill ran out winners by 3pts. It was close right throughout this game at half time Kill led by 5pts to 3pts. On turnover Kill went 3pts ahead then a point by L. O'Toole and great goal by D. Murray put Maynooth 1 point ahead. Then Kill upped their game and a goal by sub R. Sheridan put Kill back in front and from this point Maynooth could not get back into the game. Maynooth scorers: D. Murray 1 goal, L. O'Toole 2 pts., N. Reilly, J. Gilligan, J. Nolan and P. Stynes 1 pt. each. Also to play well were K. Fagan, M. Noonan, D. Mahoney and M. Nevin.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 1.10 v St. Kevins 1.6

Maynooth continued their good run in division 2 with a good home win over St. Kevins. A powerful midfield display by K. Fagan was a feature of the Maynooth win. Maynooth led at half time by 6pts to 4pts. The second half started with St. Kevins getting a goal after 5 minutes. This put it up to Maynooth and they came back with John Nolan being brought down in the square and from the penalty Mick Nevin scored. From this point Maynooth never looked like losing. Maynooth scorers: M. Nevin 1 goal, J. Edwards 2pts, J. Nolan 2pts, Joey Nevin 2pts, J. Riordan 1pt., D. Murray 1pt., John Nevin 1pt. and K. Fagan 1pt. Also to play well J. Conway, D. Mahoney, E. Dunne, P. Kearney and P. Stynes.

Minor Football League

Maynooth 1.10 v O'Plunketts 1.6

Maynooth were on top in first half of this game through the good work by E. Dunne and H. Purcell at centre field and led at half time by 1.7 to 1pt. The second half was O'Plunketts as they got within 2pts. of Maynooth but Maynooth forwards got those all important scores. Maynooth scorers: H. Purcell 1.1, E. Leacy 4pts., P. Garvey 2pts., D. Fleming 1pt., R. Quinn 1pt., E. Mitchell 1pt. Also to play well were P. Hogan, E. Lyons, D. Mahoney.

Minor Football Championships

Maynooth 2.8 v Monasterevin 14pts.

Easily the best game our minors have played to date. Monasterevin took an early lead but Maynooth with K. Killoran outstanding at mid field sent a lone ball into H. Purcell and Hugh scored a great goal. The half time score was Monasterevin 9pts. Maynooth 1.3. The second half started with K. Killoran

outstanding and Maynooth got on level terms through another great goal by Hugh Purcell. With the last kick of this game E. Lyons got a Maynooth point to level the match. Maynooth scorers: H. Purcell 2.1, J. Nevin 2pts., E. Leacy 1pt., M. Donnolly 1pt., P. Garvey 1pt., K. Killoran 1pt., E. Lyons 1pt. Also to play well goal keeper T. Fay, M. Noonan, D. Mahoney, E. Dunne, G. Horan.

U/16 Football Championship

Maynooth 2.12 v Round Towers 1.5

Maynooth U/16 team made no mistake in reaching the second round of the championship. They started well and were 4pts up before Round Towers got their first score, this being a point just before half time. Round Towers got a goal to leave the half time score Round Towers 1.4 to 6pts. Maynooth took full control in the second half through good work by T. Farrell and J. Lawlor at mid field and two goals one by J. Lawlor and another by C. Ryan sealed it for Maynooth. Maynooth scorers: T. Farrell 9pts., C. Ryan 1.0, J. Lawlor 1.0, N. Nugent 1pt., H. Nevin 1pt., O. Nevin 1pt. Also to play well T. Fay, T. Byrne, E. Hassett, F. Murtagh, J. Higgins, D. Mooney and N. Gillick.

Maynooth 1.3 v Suncroft 5pts

In a low scoring game Maynooth came out on top. This win puts Maynooth in the semi-final where they play Leixlip. Suncroft led at half time by 2pts. to 1pt. But a goal 10mins. from full time by O. Nevin gave Maynooth their place in the semi-final. Best for Maynooth were O. Nevin, H. Nevin, T. Farrell, C. Ryan, T. Byrne, J. Higgins, F. Murtagh and M. Nugent. Maynooth scorers: O. Nevin 1 goal, H. Nevin 1pt., T. Farrell 1pt. and C. Ryan 1pt.

Minor Football Championship Replay

Maynooth 1.6 v Monasterevin 1.15

Maynooth lost this replay to a very good Monasterevin team. Maynooth were in with a chance at half time and turned over only 2pts. down. The second half was all Monasterevin as their forwards shot some lovely points. Best for Maynooth K. Killoran, J. Nevin, E. Leacy, P. Hogan, D. Mahoney, T. Fay and E. Mitchell. Maynooth scorers: J. Nevin 1 goal, P. Garvey 3pts., E. Leacy 1pt., P. Hogan 1pt. and D. Mahoney 1pt.

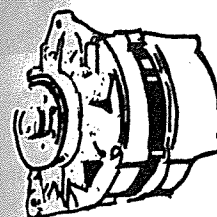
U/14 Football

Our U/14 football team have put in some fine performances in the League and with only one match remaining they have an excellent chance of qualifying for the semi-final play offs. Caragh will provide the opposition in the remaining game. In the first round Ballyna appeared to be on the road to victory when Maynooth hit back with two goals from T. Greene and went on to record a good victory.

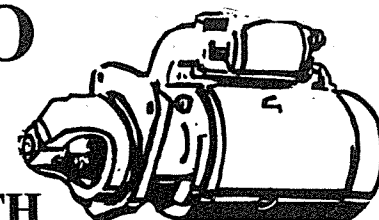
In the second round a similar second half rally gave them victory against Round Towers in Kildare. This was followed by an easy win over Celbridge.

Two losses followed against Monasterevin and Na Fianna. Being short a number of players away on holidays did not help our cause.

The team recovered to record a good win in Athy in the last match. The following panel have contributed to the satisfactory position in the league table:- D. McCarrick, V. Nevin, R. Darcy, G. Meally, C. Lyons, D. Coughlan, N. Bennett, R. Casey, G. Lyons, J. O'Shea, S. Brennan, M. Byrne, A. Nugent, J. Greene, O. Nevin, D. Buckley, J. Mee, M. Tumelty, J. Lee.



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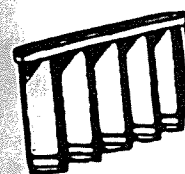


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 Congratulations to Stephen Brennan who was a member of the Kildare panel in the recent Leinster U/14 Football blitz held in Kilkenny. Stephen helped Kildare to victory over Wicklow. Kildare were champions at the end of the day. Signs of better days ahead for Maynooth and Kildare football.

U/10 Hurling

The U/10 completed their North Kildare League programme with a 4.2 to 2.0 win over Corrachoill. M. Gleeson (2.2) M. Cummins (1.0) and P. Ennis (1.0) were the scorers. Also playing well were A. Molloy, P. Guinan, S. O'Flaherty and T. Masterson. They finished runners up in the League, the match lost to Confey by a point being crucial.

U/13 Hurling

After struggling early on the forwards eventually found their shooting touch in an 8.5 to 2.2 win. V. Nevin, W. Gannon, T. Mullarky, B. Keogh, S. Cummins, O. Nevin and C. Diggins played superbly. This team is unbeaten and looks likely to bring a third hurling title to the Club this season. The final game against Confey will not be played until after the holidays. Training for all ages continues on Saturday mornings at 10.30 at the Salesian College.

Coaching Course

About twenty of our young hurlers have been attending a coaching course at Ardclough conducted by former Kilkenny All Ireland star Lester Ryan. No doubt this will be of great benefit to the lads who are enjoying it no end.

Golf Classic

The Club is running a Golf Classic to raise funds for pitch development. We are asking all business people in Maynooth if they wish to help they can do so by sponsoring a tee box or hole. Your name will be put up at any tee box or hole at a cost of £100. The Golf Classic takes place on Friday 4th September in Castlewarden Golf and Country Club. Tee times 9a.m. to 4p.m. Team of four stableford competition. Max handicaps - men 20 - ladies 28. Meals served all day. Total prizes to the value of £2000. Subscription including meal £120 for team of four - tee time booking - contact Tommy Sheehan at 6286416. Prizes will be presented in Maynooth G.A.A. Social Centre at 10.30p.m.: bar extension and music.



U/14 League Champions

Back: B. Keogh, M. Bennett, D. Coughlan, E. Heslin, R. Casey, V. Nevin, D. McCarrick, S. Brennan, S. Guinan, M. Callaghan, J. O'Shea, N. Deveraux.
 Front: T. Mullarky, K. Ennis, M. McCarron, E. Kerr, J. Moran, W. Gannon, P. Ryan, M. Ryan, A. McCarron, C. Diggins, S. Cummins.



Maynooth U/10 Hurling Team 1992

L. to R. Back Row: P. Nevin, P. Guinan, P. Ennis, P. Sheehan, J. Mularkey, D. Travers, T. Masterson, S. Deveraux, M. Kavanagh, E. Diggins, F. Deveraux.
 Front Row: M. Cummins, E. Molloy, M. Gleeson, S. Flaherty, J. Hoare, P. Flaherty, K. Gannon, F. Molloy, S. Farrelly.

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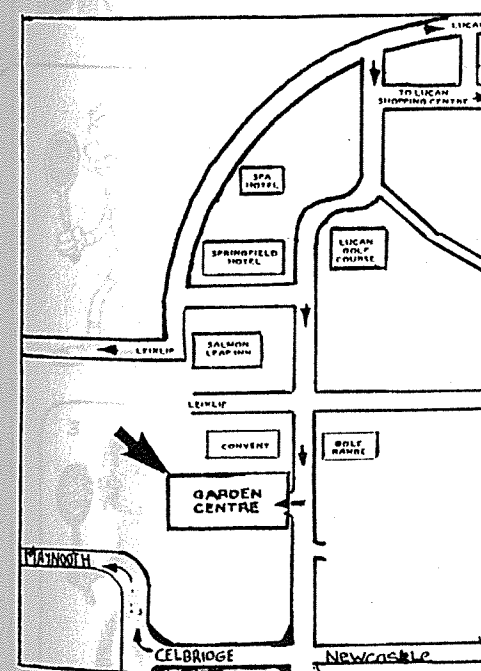
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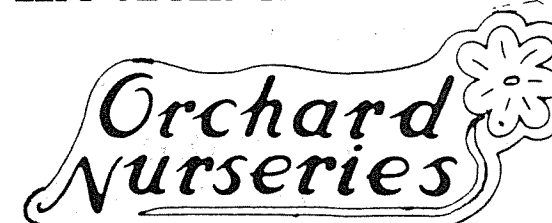


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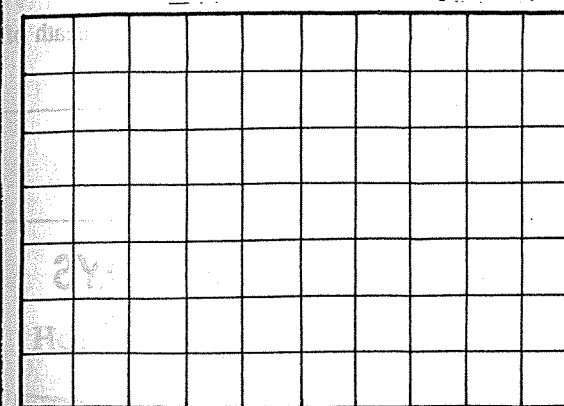
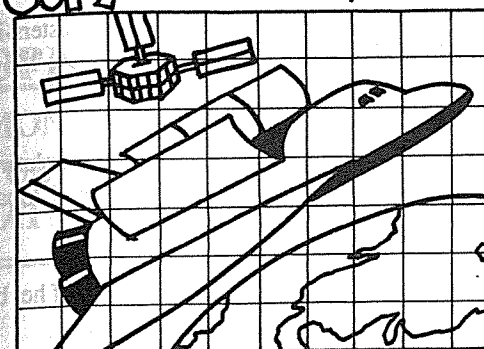
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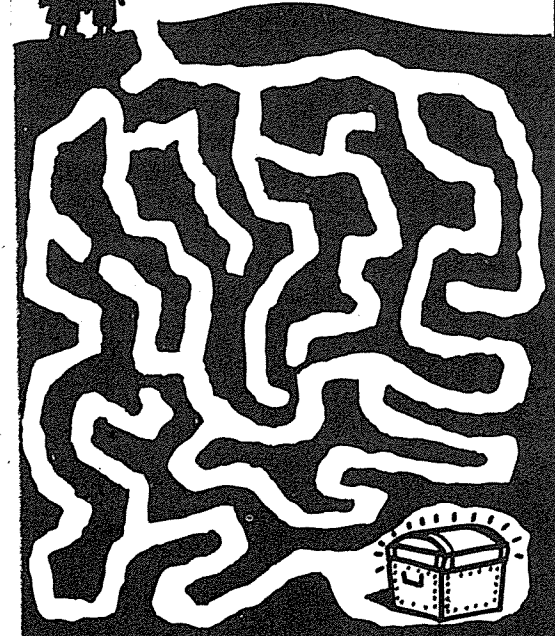


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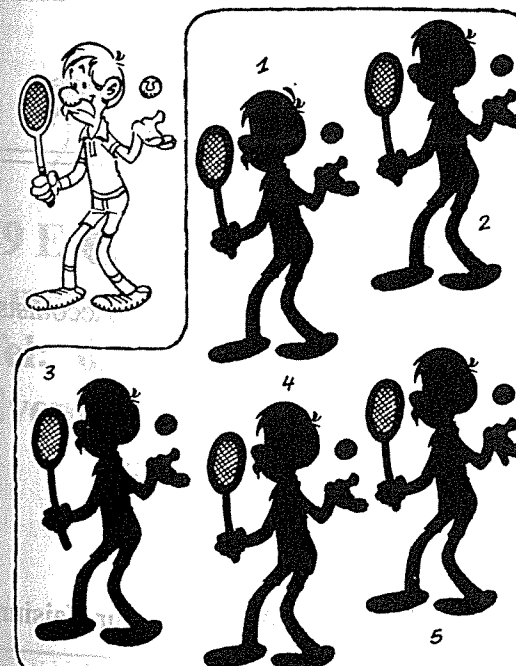
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MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

Happy holidays to all our members and we hope you enjoyed the season past. Although we were not very successful in either the Dublin League or the Tallaght League, we had players reaching finals in Open Tournaments, namely Mick Lynch, Donal Hurley, Frank O'Shea and Liam Duff. Congratulations to you all. Our end of year tournament was held during the month of June and proved very successful. Trophies went to thirteen different individuals, which once again proved how popular this tournament has been down through the years. Our Annual Night Out was again held in Ned Slevins of Dunboyne on Saturday 20th June and it proved a very enjoyable night. We would like to thank our sponsors who gave donations of spot prizes: Top of the Crop, Maynooth Autos, Donovans Newsagents, Quinnsworth, Conroy's Chemist, Edwards Dry Cleaning, House Pride, Ned Slevins, Jims Shoe Repairs, Nuzstop, Greenfield Supermarket and the Sports Locker. Thanks also to the Slevin family for a very enjoyable meal which reached their usual high standard. Summer Club is underway at the moment on Tuesday nights at 8.30p.m. in the Parish Hall and further enquiries can be made by phone to Phil Mc Loughlin on 6286630 or contacting Sandy Nolan. Everyone is most welcome to come along. A special general meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th August at 8.30p.m. in the Parish Hall to elect a committee for the forthcoming season. A full attendance would be appreciated at this meeting.

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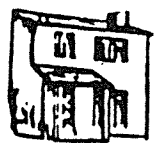
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Happy Birthday to a wonderful Mum and wife - Marian Brennan on the 1st of August from Dad, Steve and Lyn.

Happy Birthday to Stephen Brennan who will be 14 on the 4th of August. Love from Mum, Dad and Lyn.

Birthday Greetings to Kevin Mc Govern, Greenfield on August 22nd. Also to Michael Mc Govern, Greenfield on August 29th. With love and best wishes from Mam, Noel, Marie, Richard and Thomas.xxxxxx

Happy Birthday to our dear Daddy, Michael Mc Govern, Greenfield on August 29th. Love and kisses, from Karina, Stacey, Michelle, Debbie and Regina. Hope you have a lovely day, also love and best wishes from Mammy. xxxx

Happy Birthday to Maureen Collins, Mariaville on August 29th.

Happy Birthday to Uncle Kevin. All good wishes from your nieces and nephews. xxx

Happy Birthday to Mary Bean, Nuada, Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrates her birthday on August 14th from her husband Tony and family. Also Liam, Margaret and Thomas Bean.

Happy Birthday to Harry Brady, Highfield, Kilcock who celebrated his birthday on July 12th. Best wishes from Paddy and Mary, Maynooth.

Happy Birthday to Tony Brennan, Moyglare who celebrated his birthday on July 12th.

Happy Birthday to Garry Burke, Newtown, who celebrated his 21st birthday on July 4th. Party for the happy occasion was held in his home attended by his family and a host of friends, lasted until the early hours.

Happy Birthday to Mary Hearn, Greenfield who celebrated her birthday on July 25th. Best wishes from Daddy and Mammy.

Happy Birthday to Kevin Comerford, Greenfield, who celebrated his birthday on July 6th and son John who celebrated his birthday on July 8th. Best wishes from Rose, William and Julia.

Happy Birthday to Aoife McTernan, Moyglare Village who celebrated her 10th birthday on 1st July. Also her cousins Deirdre McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip who celebrated her 17th birthday on July 3rd and Ciara McTernan, Courthill Drive,

Dunboyne who celebrated her 9th birthday on July 13th. Best wishes from Grandad and Grannie.

Happy Birthday to Mary Quinn, Greenfield and London who celebrates her birthday on August 8th.

Happy Birthday to John Sullivan, Kilcock who celebrated his birthday on July 12th.

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Also to their brother Peter and wife Jackie, Courthill Drive, Dunboyne who celebrated their 15th Wedding Anniversary on 23rd July and to their parents Gearoid and Ita McTernan, Parson Street, Maynooth who celebrate their 45th Wedding Anniversary on 3rd September.

Congratulations to Paddy and Mary Nolan, Greenfield Drive, Maynooth who celebrate their 34th Wedding Anniversary on 4th August.

Congratulations to Kevin and Kathleen Murphy, O'Neill Park, Maynooth who also celebrate their 34th Wedding Anniversary on 27th August.

Congratulations to Tom and Marie Nolan, Newtown, Maynooth who celebrate their 27th Wedding Anniversary on August 2nd.

Congratulations to Elizabeth Satchwell, Mariville, Maynooth and Ivor Edgehill, Dunlavin, Wicklow, who were married in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth on Saturday July 18th.

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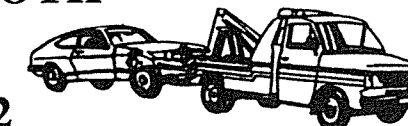
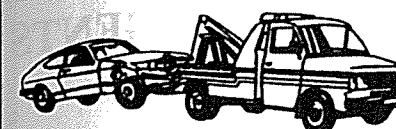
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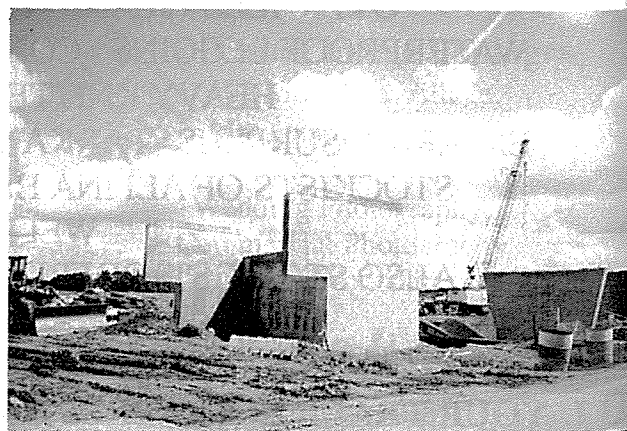
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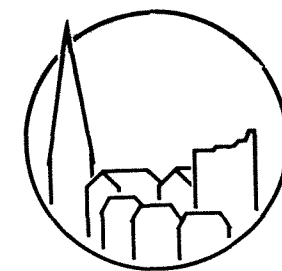
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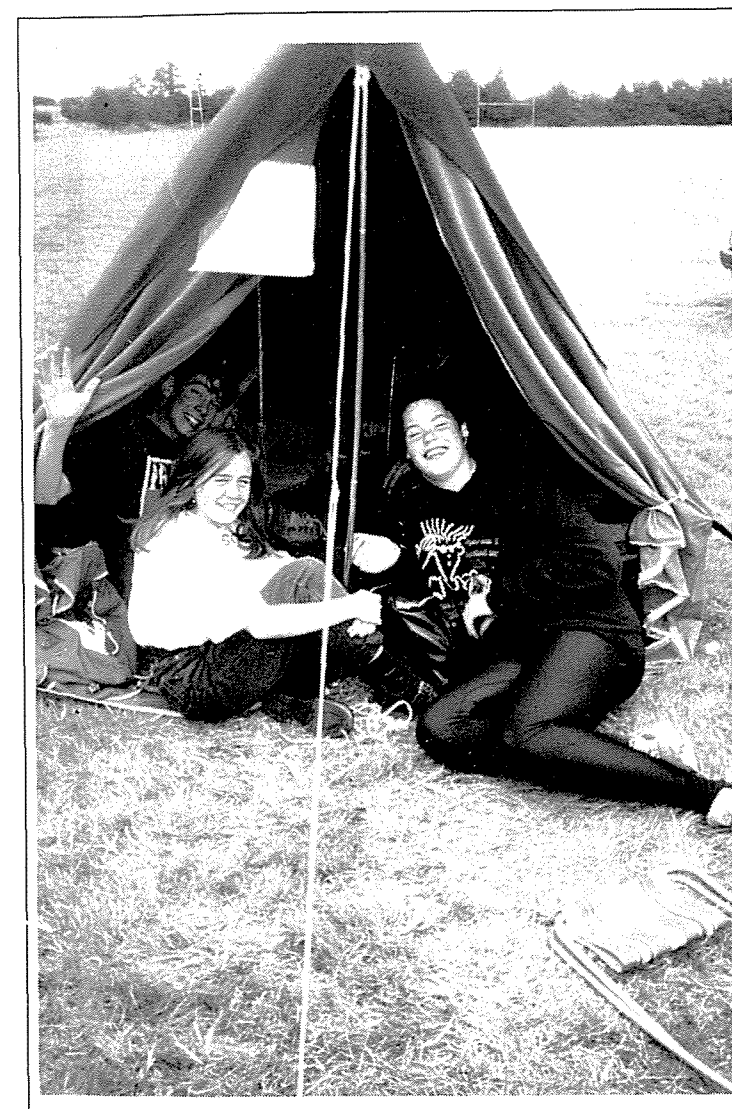
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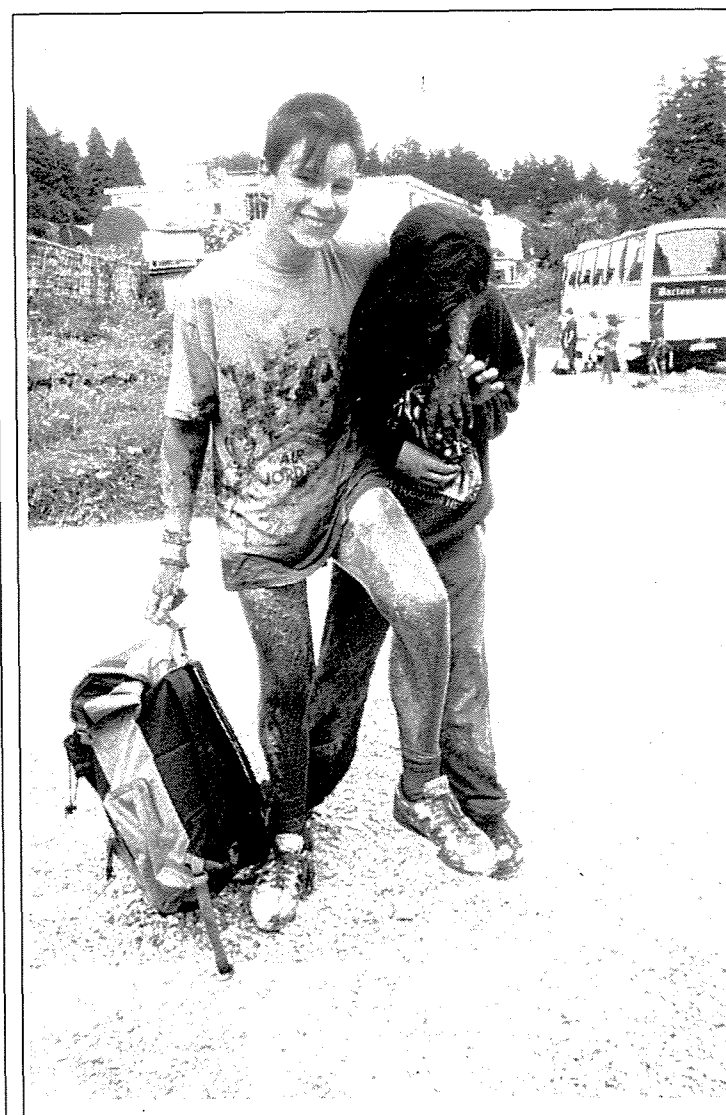
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Editorial

The world at our feet?

By the time this is published, the Leaving Certificate results will have come out, and students will have some idea of where they are going, whether into further education, or less likely into employment. With unemployment figures fast approaching 300,000, and this after some judicious massaging of the statistics earlier this year, the prospects ahead are bleak indeed. Some of our older readers may recall the world depressions of the thirties and the seemingly inevitable descent into world war. The situation today is not exactly the same of course, but many of the elements which brought about that situation are there now. The problem appears to be that we know something should be done, but we have as yet failed to identify that magical something. While the politicians sit transfixed like rabbits in the car headlights, people are suffering starvation in Somalia, and death and deprivation in the former Yugoslavia, Iraq and other countries. Hegel said that what governments never have learned anything from history, or acted on principles deduced from it. We all know there are no easy solutions to the present crisis, but we can't give up trying seriously to find answers. We must learn from our history and act on its lessons.

Post-Primary School comes of age!

The Newsletter congratulates the Post-Primary School on its coming of age. A article by Mary Cullen in this issue reveals the history of education in Maynooth, and particularly the role which parent power played in ensuring that Maynooth children had access to second level education in their own town. A good example of how to fight back against the odds, and what can be achieved by the ordinary people.

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Dear Editor,
Every year my sister and I look forward to the month of July and this is when Maynooth Summer Project takes place. Our many activities include swimming, bowling, a barbecue in Donadea, fishing, a table quiz, bingo, team games and also a crafts' day where we learn to make various items such as jewellery, soft toys, slippers and many other things which we take home as a reminder of the Summer Project, and last but not least there is a weekend of camping. My purpose in writing to you is to thank the Summer Project committee and all leaders who give their time generously in organising all events and I would like to thank them for the way they looked after us. I'm looking forward to next year and I hope the leaders now are having a well earned rest.

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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Planning and Development Committee are very disappointed that the Social Employment Scheme under the aegis of Tidy Towns Committee did not start as planned. Latest information is that this scheme will start in the near future. We are also in discussion with the Trustees of the Geraldine Hall to use this premises for the Planning and Development Social Employment Scheme as a base for their activities. Ongoing we are drawing up plans for Maynooth and also some fundraising activities such as a Race Night, collection etc. If you have any views on the development of Maynooth please contact the above Committee, c/o Maynooth Community Council.

Richard Farrell

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Our thanks to all who helped with the recent clean up in Laraghbryan Cemetery for Cemetery Sunday. At time of reading judging will have taken place in the Bord Failte Tidy Towns competition and our Best Area/Best Shop Front. We will be lucky if we hold the same mark as last year. The non-start of the Planning and Development Social Employment Scheme was a big disappointment to us as our workplan was very much curtailed. Our thanks to those who worked long hard hours regrettably no more than 6 in number. However, the dream remains to make Maynooth a Tidy Town, maybe in the next year or two it will become a reality.

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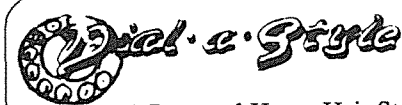
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The committee of the Maynooth Flower and Garden Club enjoyed a delightful evening hosted by Toni Reid at her home on Saturday, 25th July. The event was by way of a 'thank you' to the three club members who competed on behalf of the club in the Amateur Garden Competition at the R.D.S. Spring Show in May, resulting in a "Highly Commended". Sarah Angel, Noleen O'Brien and Maureen Stephens, together with others present, enjoyed a delicious supper and greatly appreciated the invitation. Thank you Toni!

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club, after a busy year, will return with a demonstration on September 15th to be given by Beatrice Steward, whose theme will be "Back to Basics" to be held in S.V.D. Hall at 8.00 p.m.



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The Exhibition will feature over 250 prints and slides produced by the members of the Club. We would like you to come along to view and enjoy some of the best amateur photography in the Country including national prize winning photographs.

The Slip Hall will be open from approximately 10.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on Saturday and 10.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on Sunday and slide shows will run continuously on each day.

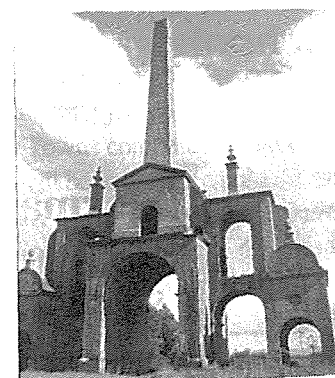
Re-opening

The club itself reopens for the new season on Monday 31st August with an extensive schedule of photographic events planned for the year, including the hosting of the National Novice Club Finals in March, 1993.

Beginners Course

To cater for the demand in recent years for classes in photography the Club has run a very informative and balanced course in basic photography. The Course this year will commence on Monday 14th September, in the Slip Hall and will run for approximately 10 weeks. Areas being covered include basic camera handling, exposure, composition, film types, black and white printing, etc. Enrolment for the course takes place on Monday 31st August and Monday 7th September in the Slip Hall. All are welcome and very reasonable rates apply.

For further information as regards the Club's activities please don't hesitate to contact - **Michael Davitt at 6288904.**



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The Branch would like to thank all who supported them since January 1992. The Mountain Walk in February was organised and led by Jack Jackson. The local walk during "National Dog Walk Week" was led by our Mayor Owen Byrne, Angela Allen and her guide dog "Chloe" and the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band.

"Gnasher" a replica guide dog sits patiently in the Mall at Quinnsworth and there are boxes in many of the shops. Many thanks to all who contribute and help in any way. Christmas cards will be available shortly, Irish made and good value.

All monies raised go directly to the Guide Dog Training Centre, Model Farm Road, Cork. Telephone : (021) 870929. A recent visit there by some of the Branch members showed us how the dogs are trained and the dedicated work put into it. Again a big thank you to all.

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MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

In last months report we credited the 'Lions Club' with sending our elderly to Kerdiffstown. This should have read 'St. Vincent De Paul'. We apologise also to Kevin McGovern, who not only entertained us at our Cabaret in Caulfields, but at most of our functions during the year. Many thanks Kevin for all your help and support. There are many people out there who give of their time and talents to our elderly over the years, without whom it would be very difficult indeed to organise any kind of social event. To all of you, on behalf of our Senior Citizens and our committee we say a big THANK YOU.

ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

At the moment the band are getting back into the 'swing of things'. Well, yes it's that time of the year! Some are back to school. Others anxiously deciding on colleges etc and others awaiting results of their exams. We would like to wish all, success in whatever they choose to do.

We will, of course, keep you informed of the forthcoming engagements and important pieces of information. Any bookings for engagements etc. should be made in writing to: Hon. Secretary, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH SCOUTS FOR NATIONAL FINALS

The 8th Kildare C.B.S.I. (Maynooth) scout troop have recently qualified for the National Final of the Melvin Trophy. This competition for scouts is the equivalent of the All Ireland Final for G.A.A. footballers. The team consists of: Martina Filbert; Patrol Leader, Gerard McGlinchy; Assistant Patrol Leader, Emer Gaffney, David McCarthy, Gemma and Lynda Haren and Dervilla McDermott.

This is the first time in fifteen years that Maynooth scouts have got as far as the finals and hopes are high in the Patrol to do well. The scouts will be starting full training on September 3rd and a limited number of vacancies are available in the troop. For further details you can contact: Tony Muldowney at 6286033 or Cathal Gaffney at 6286836.



Paddy Flynn and Allison Conlon who were married in Ladychapel on Saturday July 11th.

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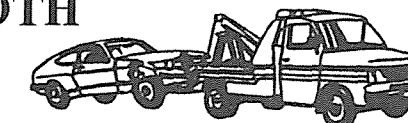
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POST PRIMARY SCHOOL COMES OF AGE

September is traditionally education month throughout Ireland. Successful applicants in the CAO lottery are planning their futures. Little five year olds are climbing into their uniforms for the first time, and thousands of adults are poring over prospectuses and brochures, trying to decide whether they should make the big investment in their human capital. Readers may not be aware that there was a time, not so long ago that Maynooth was in the unique situation of being able to cater for the five year olds, and the university students, but not for second level students. Browsing through the December 1979 issue of *Maynooth Newsletter* the editorial staff came across an article by Mary Cullen outlining our educational heritage in Maynooth, which reveals how the power of the people brought second level education to Maynooth, in 1971, a mere 21 years ago. We reprint the article below.

Our Heritage

In 1836 there were five schools in Maynooth, one large convent national school, one large boys' school, an infant school, a private boys' pay school offering a secondary type curriculum, and a small parish school. The parish school had not been found viable as a national school, presumably because the number of pupils, 10 was too small and it was hoped to amalgamate it with the large 65 pupil boys' school. This attempt, if made, did not succeed and in 1844 the larger boys' school became attached to the National Board as a national school (11th Report of the Commissioners of National Education). The parish school continued on its own and somewhere between 1836 and 1870 the infant school and the private boys' school disappeared. By that time the convent was running an infant school for both girls and boys, and both private schools now doubt found it difficult to meet the competition of free, or virtually free, state subsidised schools, especially once the population of Maynooth probably did not provide a substantial demand for second level education. By 1870 also the original purpose of the National Board had been completely reversed so far as the provision of mixed denominational education was concerned, and it was accepted that most of the schools receiving grants were in practice denominational. The Census report of 1871 lists only three schools in Maynooth, the boys' national school with 88 pupils, all Catholic; the convent national school with 162 pupils all Catholic; and the parish school with 10 pupils, all Protestant Episcopalian. The relative diversity of school management and the mixing within schools of both sexes and children of different religious denomination had disappeared, with the exception of the co-educational parish school, and the co-educational infant school within the convent. Otherwise a pattern of single sex and single denomination state subsidised schools under the control of the local clergy or a religious order had been established. The pattern of primary education has survived into the 20th century and up to the present day with very little change. The recent introduction of boards of management to the national system has broadened the base of authority but the schools are still denominational and single sex. In fact the latter characteristic has remained in Maynooth since the parish school ended its existence and since the recent transfer of the infant boys' classes from the convent to the boys' national school.

From 1840 the boys' national school was housed in Pound Lane in what had been the Catholic Chapel and what is now the Band Hall. When the present Catholic Church was built and opened in 1840, the boys school moved into the vacated premises. It stayed there until it moved to a new building on the Moyglare Road in 1943.

In recent years there have been developments in Maynooth outside the primary education area, in the provision of nursery schools and post primary education and university education. In the 1960s a wave of change began to shake the Irish education system. An inquiry carried out by the Department of

Education and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development produced the report, Investment in Education in 1965. This revealed some startling statistics. Nearly one third of the children who attended primary school ended their formal education when they left and did not go on to any form of second level education. Of the two thirds who did go on, only one quarter stayed to take the Leaving Certificate examination, of these only one fifth went on to university. Even more disturbing were the figures which showed that the children from professional and white collar families (20% of the working population) gained about 65% of university places while manual workers (about 25% of the working population) gained only 2%. Apart from these differences, people in more prosperous and populated areas had a much better chance because they had access to more schools with better facilities. Vigorous attempts to remedy the inequities that had been revealed followed. These included state monies for free post primary education, free school transport, university grants, and the development of the vocational system, especially towards the establishing of Regional Technical Colleges.

In the meantime, Maynooth Boys' National School had begun to provide second level education. This had begun in the early 1960s when the energetic headmaster, Mr. Frank Walsh organised what was known as a 'secondary top' to a national school. This allowed boys in Maynooth to proceed to take the Intermediate and Leaving Certificate examination. Understandably the range of subjects was limited, and of course girls still had to travel elsewhere for second level education.

Under the Investment in Education report the Department of Education carried out a survey of available facilities for post primary education throughout the country. The representatives of the Department considered that Maynooth could support a viable secondary school, but only one, and that it would have to be co-educational. This was not acceptable at that time to the Catholic authorities of the Archdiocese of Dublin, and it seemed that Maynooth would be left without any provision for second level education, as the Department proposed to phase out secondary tops. At this stage, a group of interested parents came together, formed a committee, and campaigned for a secondary school in Maynooth. The campaign involved meetings and discussions with various interested parties, including the then Archbishop of Dublin, the then Minister for Education and the then CEO of the Kildare Vocational Education Committee. The VEC offered to establish a co-educational Post-Primary School in Maynooth providing second level education up to Leaving Certificate standard. The Department of Education sanctioned this, and the school opened in September 1971. For its first year it occupied the old Charter School premises by kind permission of the Sisters of the Presentation Convent who had recently built a new school building on their grounds. The new Post Primary school moved into its new building on the Moyglare Road in 1972.

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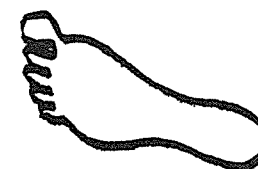
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MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

The Irish Homecoming Festival will take place in September of this year. It is a joint festival between Bord Failte and the Northern Ireland Tourist Board, and is supported by the International Fund for Ireland.

It is especially tailored to the returning emigrant of Irish, Scots/Irish and Anglo-Irish ancestry. The programme includes clan rallies, genealogical events, military and maritime history workshops, special sporting occasions, exhibitions, and lectures among others on a countrywide basis.

Kildare County Library is making its own contribution to this festival. In Maynooth, on Sunday 13th September, a lecture entitled "The Making of the 18th Century town of Maynooth" will be given by Mr. Arnold Horner at 3 o'clock. This lecture will be hosted by Kildare Archaeological Society.

Mary Cullen, our local well known historian will also be giving a talk on the history of Maynooth on Tuesday 22nd September at 11 o'clock. Mary will include in her lecture a description of local history sources.

Both lectures are free and everyone is welcome. To coincide with the talks, a photographic exhibition featuring Kildare will be on display in the library - this will include some photographs from the Lawrence Collection. For details of other events taking place in the county, consult the library.

Some new cassettes have been received, for beginners wishing to learn to play musical instruments - including the Banjo, Bodhran, the Fiddle, the Flute, the Mandoline and the Tin Whistle.

For those of you interested in tracing your roots, and to underline the importance of the Irish Homecoming Festival, some new books on heraldry and ancestry have been added to the stock. Included are the following titles:

Sean Callery - Tracing Your Family Tree
Eamonn Bourke - Burke: People and Places
Ida Grehan - Irish Family Names
Christine Kinealy - Tracing Your Irish Roots
Tony McCarthy - The Irish Roots Guide
Sheila Molloy - O' Malley People and Places
Michael O' Comain - The Poolbeg Book of Irish Heraldry
Stefan Oliver - An Introduction to Heraldry
Sean Quinn - An Introduction to Irish Ancestry

The next big event to take place after the Irish Homecoming Festival will be Children's Book Week, running from Thursday 15th October until Saturday 24th October. Some wonderful and exciting events are planned - including a session by the well known author Tom McCaughren, but more about that next month!

Margaret Walshe - Gannon

STREET TALKING

The Elite

The management and staff of the Elite Confectionery wish to thank it's customers and friends for their kindness in it's recent troubles.

A special word of thanks to the firemen and gardai for their prompt attention.

Back to School

There is an air of expectancy around Maynooth as the schools will reopen in September and the rush is now on to get all the eager scholars kitted out with uniforms and books. The bookshop and the various clothes shops are busy catering to the needs of the budding Einsteins. This annual rush for clothes and books will soon be over, no doubt to be replaced by the other great annual rush, Christmas.

Convent Development

A number of developments are now under way in the commercial world of Maynooth. It is believed that a number of parties are interested in developing the Presentation Convent building on the Dunboyne Road.

On the Main Street

The former curtain shop near the library is currently being developed. It opened as The Caddyshack Golf Centre at the end of August.

One other development of note is that "The Square" shop (formerly Aidans) has been closed for an indefinite period to carry out renovations.

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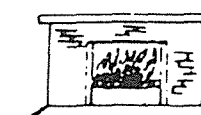
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Method : Heat the oil in a large pan, add the sausages and fry until browned, remove from the pan. Add the flour and curry powder to the pan and stir until browned. Stir in the chutney and stock. Add the sausages and salt and pepper to taste. Bring to the boil, cover, and simmer for 20 minutes. Add the vegetables, bring back to the boil, and cook for 10 minutes. Serve with rice and mango chutney.

Serves 4.

Aubergine and Cheese Pie

Ingredients : 2 aubergines; 1 egg, beaten; 3 oz breadcrumbs; 6 tablespoons olive oil; 14 oz can of tomatoes; half teaspoon oregano; 1 garlic clove, peeled and crushed; 1 teaspoon sugar; salt; freshly ground black pepper; 6 oz cheese, grated (mozzarella preferably, but any hard cheese will do); 4 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese.

Method : Turn oven on at 200 centigrade. Cut the aubergines into quarter inch thick slices; brush the slices with the beaten egg, then coat in breadcrumbs. Heat half the olive oil in a large pan and fry half the aubergine slices for about 5 minutes, turning once, until golden brown. Heat the remaining oil and fry the remaining aubergine slices. Blend the tomatoes, oregano, garlic, sugar, salt and pepper in a liquidiser until smooth. Place aubergines in a large oven proof dish. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cover with cheese and pour over the tomato sauce. Sprinkle top with parmesan cheese and cook in oven for 35 minutes.

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EYE HEAR

Elite Bypassers

Eye Hear that one of the consequences of the recent fire in the Elite was the redirection of traffic away from the Main Street for a few hours. One large limousine was spotted sneaking through the no entry signs at Convent Road by our ever vigilant Bridie O'Brien, who immediately accosted the driver of the offending motor. "I don't care if you're the Taoiseach or the garda" she said to the burly gentleman in the driver's seat, "but you're breaking the law by passing here." Well it may be easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one motorist to evade Bridie's all seeing eye, but when you're the Taoiseach, Mr Albert Reynolds (for it was he driving the car) you can go where you like. Hope you liked the view from the back streets of Maynooth, Mr. Reynolds.

The Brady Bunch

Eye Hear that Ms Brady, the junior member of the Brady bunch of Maynooth Park was admitted to the christian fellowship last month, thus ending months of speculation as to what the young lady in question was to be called. So welcome to Maynooth, Ms Sharon (alias Matilda, Janis (Joplin), Tracey, Kevin, Whatsit) Brady.

Don's Party

Every good wish to Don Foley, who was surprised by his friends at a function in the Roost on the occasion of his fortieth birthday. The celebrations were attended by a motley crew of Maynooth luminaries, and Eye Hear has received special permission to say that a good time was had by all.

REVIEWS

My Own Private Idaho (Lighthouse, Abbey Street)

From Gus Van Sant, director of 'Drugstore Cowboy', comes the best of 1992's films to date. This is a subtle, sensitive and magical film roughly based around the Falstaff subplots in Shakespeare and set in the underworld of outcasts in America's great cities. It is quirky and dazzling by turns, with River Phoenix and Keanu Reeves playing a pair of hustlers thrown together and each searching for a particular fulfilment. This film is rich with diverse and wonderful imagery and contains one of the most memorable scenes ever photographed around a campfire. Get to see it in the Lighthouse before it closes.

Video Guide

A spate of video watching was indulged in this month by our editorial staff in an attempt to extract the gems from the dross in the video shops. Listed below are some of the choice viewing which we came across - followed by a list of the pathetic :

Ratings are out of 10. (A10/10 is very rare!)

1. White Palace starring James Spader and Susan Sarandon. A tough and world-weary woman meets a slick but repressed younger, successful man: both are reluctant to drop their masks and pretence with one another so they continue fighting and loving to the end. It is superb, moving and not for the sugar-coated!

8/10

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2. Frankie and Johnny with Al Pacino and Michelle Pfeiffer is in much the same vein as 'White Palace' but more subtle, and indeed, funnier. To my mind it is better, with Pfeiffer playing a battle-scarred woman reluctant to de-frost in the face of a romantic onslaught from Al Pacino. Sensitive and very moving. 9/10

3. Truly, Madly, Deeply with Alan Rickman and Juliet Stevenson. They are truly, madly, deeply in love and then he dies. She's deranged with grief. He comes back. What happens then is weird but wonderful - don't expect the sentimentality of 'Ghost' - this is much more graceful. 7/10

4. Avalon Aidan Quinn heads the cast in this look at one American emigré family's rise from rags to riches told with a sensitivity rare in these now-familiar films. Barry Levinson (*Rain Man*) directs and allows the quiet and intimate humour to emerge in very funny set-pieces alongside the tragic and pathetic. Well worth taking out. 8/10

5. Edward II Derek Jarman's most successful film since *The Tempest* in which he evokes contemporary imagery to sustain the Marlow play about King Edward and his fatal liaison with his lover, Gaveston. The set is cold and bare but peopled with colourful and dramatic characters, animals, encounters and set-pieces. Tilda Swinton gives one of the most intriguing performances of recent times with her Queen Isabella perfected to brilliance. An unusual and rare film; quite, quite brilliant. 10/10

6. The Fisher King Jeff Bridges and Robin Williams star in Terry Gilliam's modern fairy tale set in New York, where the rich and famous brush with the down and out. While some of the themes/morals are hammered to death there are nevertheless some moments of pure magic in the film, notably one where hundreds of commuters in Grand Central Station pause for a brief instant to waltz with each other before resuming anonymity. The male leads are excellent but the best performances come from the two central women in the film. It should be seen and believed. 7/10

7. Cyrano de Bergerac The most successful French film to date in America, this melodramatic spectacle stars Gerard Depardieu in glorious form as the large-nosed soldier poet who enables another man to woo the fair Roxanne via his poetry. It is sumptuous and way over the top, restoring melodrama and passion to the cinema on a grand scale. 7/10

8. New Jack City Mario Van Peebles directs and plays a minor role in this hard-edged and stylish film about the crack wars in New York. It is one of the recent spate of movies which have emerged from the black community in America. Ice T plays a 'New Jack' cop in a city torn by gang violence and dominated by the megalomaniacal 'New Jack' crime lords. 6/10

9. City Slickers Dismal, dismal, dismal. Enough said. 0/10

10. Mystic Pizza Forgettable drama about three women who work in a cafe called Mystic Pizza and who fall in love and which stars Julia Roberts when she must have been desperate for work. 2/10

11. The Miracle Neil Jordan's heavy-handed treatment of a story set in Bray and involving the relationship between a young man, his father and a woman who turns out to be his mother. Beverly D'Angelo is utterly lost as the mother, an American actress who comes back to do a show at the Olympia and who daily visits Bray in the hope of encountering her son. Donal Mc Cann is the alcoholic father who wonders what he is supposed to be doing in the film. However, the young fella has a friend who is hilarious, who has all the best lines, who wanders the sea-front composing life-histories for everybody she meets and who brings magic to the film when she sabotages Fosset's Circus. Saved by her performance. 4/10

12. Barton Fink The fourth and best of the Cohen brother's films to date. It has been praised at length in all the other media but nothing can describe the richness and brilliance of this film. Simply put, it concerns a writer's attempts to release his creativity in an environment where nothing is as it seems. See it with a clear head and re-watch it at least twice. 10/10

13. The Naked Lunch David Cronenberg's attempt to make sense of William Burrough's novel and getting all mixed-up in the process. It is fascinating to watch this director continue his relentless exploration of corporality (*The Fly*, *Dead Ringers*, *Altered States*) and in this film the imagery derived from corrupt flesh, disease and physical decay is overwhelming - too much of it to be effective. Still, it's a film which has aroused divided opinion. I think it's boring - when it should, in fact, be disturbing. 4/10

14. Green Card Andie Mc Dowell and Gerard Depardieu star in this feather-light romance concerning an arranged marriage between an American citizen (Mc Dowell) and an illegal alien from France (Depardieu). They marry, separate immediately, are thrown back together when Immigration begins to investigate and after that I can't remember what happens. All I recall is that I didn't care. Bordering on the depressing - miss it. 3/10



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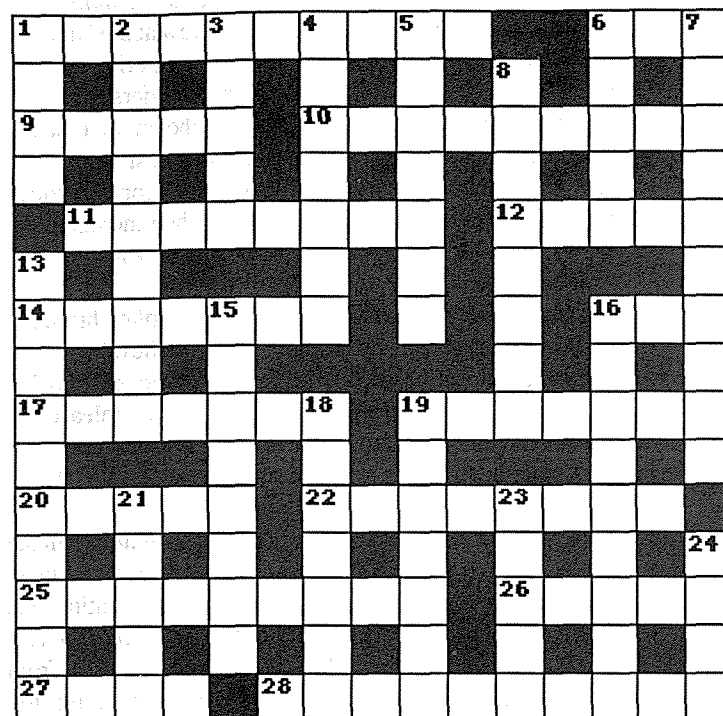
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12. They may come out at night if they've nothing to chew on (5).
14. Oo, anger adds flavour to the cooking (7).
16. Some pray to her for a man (3).
17. In short, Cyril, the SS can mow or reap (7).
19. The particulars show Des surrounds the extremity (7).
20. Can 'e sail away when he's upset like this? (5).
22. The vista includes a pot and a sheep! (8).
25. At first, Sid reversed, and stood in opposition (9).
26. It may sound less, but there's more than a pint in it (5).
27. Without her, we would all be heartless (4).
28. Ed pal, up on this, you may find a job (5,5).

Down:

1. In short, Ronald and I can smooth things out with this (4).
2. Allow liberally to those who want to rent (3,6).
3. A stain on this material would upset us (5).
4. In toto, sir, this is how the rice is cooked (7).
5. Initially, the clerical assistant with the pilot is up to date (7).
6. Almost seems like there's nothing to toll, but it is illustrious (5).

7. I throw ness into confusion, but that's how to tell it's value (10).
8. Mix the robot with the tee, and add to the salad (8).
13. Sounds like Parnell, but it's used to lure the customers in (4,6).
15. Expression on that suggest he's sold enough to know better (2,3,3).
16. As may be self-evident, I am a toxic person (9).
18. Diana was one of them - she was the greatest (7).
19. Where Maynooth strollers go when confused on a dead day (7).
21. Confuse the stein with an extra page (5).
23. A surviving trace of old decency (5).
24. Yield possession of (4).

Solution to Crossword No. 57

Across:

1. Divine word, 6. Par, 9. Legal, 10. Afflicted, 11. Stand out, 12. Adler, 14. Imbibes, 16. Bic, 17. Leeward, 19. End game, 20. Notic, 22. Clear off, 25. Red menace, 26. Dread, 27. Ways, 28. Next Monday

Down:

1. Dole, 2. Vegetable, 3. Nylon, 4. Weapons, 5. Refuted, 6. Petal, 7. Redirected, 8. Disarmed, 13. Dillons Row, 15. Branches, 16. Beaufield, 18. Declare, 19. Element, 21. Today, 23. Rodeo, 24. Idly.

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Information

The Citizen's Information Centre has been operating in Maynooth for some years now and is becoming more and more frequently used by the public. It is located beside the Community Council offices, over Kehoe's Delicatessan on the Main Street and is open every week-day from 10am to 5pm. It is expertly staffed by trained information advisers and is administered by Frances Daly, a long-time worker in the field of entitlement-counselling.

But what exactly is the kind of information given out? And where does the information come from? Who is the parent organisation of the C.I.C. and how does it operate? These and other questions are the subject of the following outline of the centre in Maynooth.

What is a Citizen's Information Centre?

Previously known as Community Information Centres since their establishment in 1974, this is a public service just like a citizen's advice bureau. The national network of centres is there for the benefit of the community and backed by the National Social Service Board (NSSB).

The Citizen's Information Centres have access to up-to-date information on all matters of public concern, i.e. health, social welfare, taxation, housing, consumer affairs and other matters including information on local organisations and services. The service is delivered by local people who receive training and back-up from the NSSB.

In addition to information, the centre also has available forms normally obtained from motor tax offices, gardai, health boards etc.

Why are they there?

Where else can you get all your information under one roof?

If you have a social welfare question, it is likely that there is a taxation, health or housing aspect to that same question. At the Citizen's Information Centre, the whole situation is considered and all the information made available to you without hassle. The C.I.C.'s philosophy is that you have the right to know. They will help you to find out, and to avoid the bureaucratic tangle.

How do they operate?

At a C.I.C. you are face-to-face with a person who will listen to you and give you the benefit of his/her knowledge and training. If you need to follow up on your case/enquiry the CIC will help by

- (a) getting all relevant facts together,
- (b) by directing you on where to write, phone or call or
- (c) by making a telephone call or writing a letter on your behalf if required.

Is there a cost?

There is no charge for the service and it is not necessary to make an appointment.

Is the service confidential?

To be registered with the NSSB certain conditions must be met of which the most important is the guarantee of confidentiality. All voluntary workers at the centres are highly conscious of the importance of confidentiality and each person is dealt with in private. No detailed records are kept and only where necessary are names, addresses and other such details taken down. These are not held after the case is completed. Your confidentiality is respected even when dealing with government departments. No letters are written or phone calls made without your prior permission.

Can I go to any centre?

The Maynooth centre is there purely for your convenience: there is a network of 80 centres around the country and you are free to avail of any of these.

What is the NSSB?

The National Social Service Board is a public service under the auspices of the Department of Health. One of the functions of the NSSB is to provide information on entitlements and services to the public. Citizen's Information Centres may register with the NSSB if they are approved by the board and meet certain requirements. The NSSB supports CICs in many ways:

- (a) By providing a comprehensive set of information files. This filing system is the information bank of the centre and is updated monthly.
- (b) By providing expert back-up service to each centre.
- (c) By providing training for CIC personnel and a continuing support service.
- (d) By providing grants towards the running costs of the centres.

The NSSB also provides training and support for other information givers and promotes information on social services through publications such as its 'Entitlements' series, the *Directory of National Voluntary Organisations* and *Relate*, a monthly information bulletin.

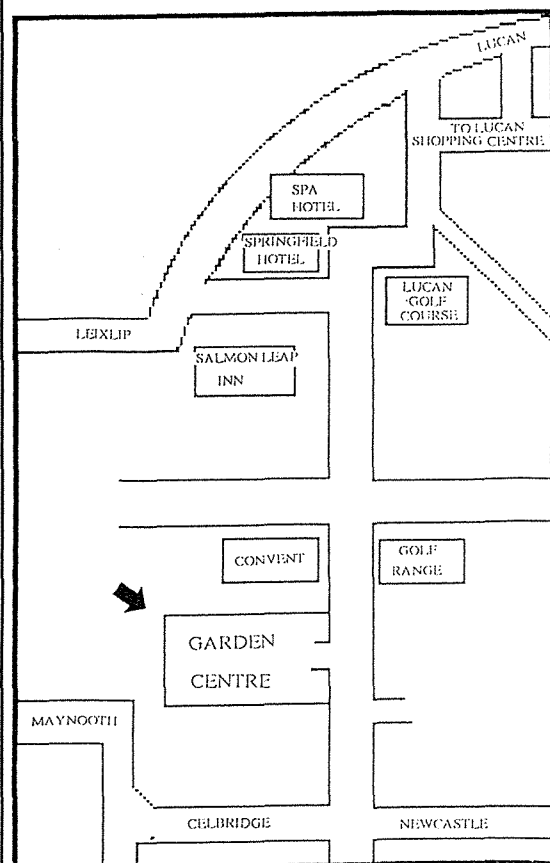
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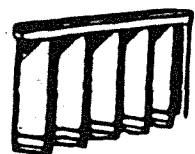


Can you recognise your child here following a
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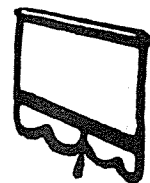


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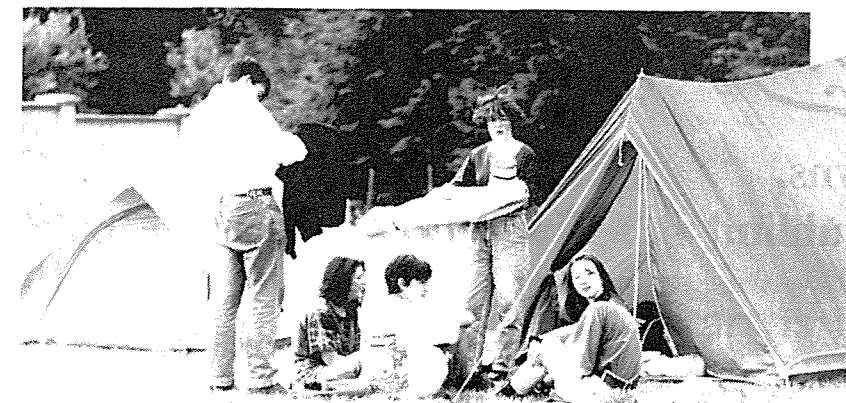
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HIGHER EDUCATION GRANTS

The rules for this scheme are laid down by law and it is administered by Kildare County Council or other relevant local authorities. The phone no. for Kildare County Council is (045) 97071.

If you get a place in a third level institution and you meet the other conditions about academic achievements, means and residence, you may get a grant to attend a third level institution in Ireland or Northern Ireland. Generally you must be attending a course leading to a degree or diploma which is from a university or is recognised by the National Council for Educational Awards. Your local authority will have a full list of the courses for which grants may be awarded.

Eligible Courses

All courses which are eligible for grants are full time and last for at least two years. Part-time and evening courses do not qualify. You must, of course, get a place on one of these courses. Qualifying for a grant has no effect whatsoever on the allocation of places.

To Qualify for a Grant

In order to qualify you must meet a number of requirements, the main ones relate to academic achievements and means.

Academic Achievements

The main academic requirements are that you must have, in the Leaving Cert examination, at least -

- Grade C or higher in higher or common level papers in two or more subjects and
- Grade D or higher passes in at least 5 subjects or in 4 subjects, one of which is Irish.

This is the basic minimum that everyone must have in order to go to a third level institution in Ireland; in practice, you are likely to need better results to get a place on a course.

The results of the Matric examination are not considered in the grants scheme at all even though it may be considered in the allocation of places - this examination is being abolished from this year.

The academic requirements mean that most people who get a place on a relevant course should be eligible for a grant. There may still be some who will not because they qualified for their place by combining Leaving Cert results from a number of years or because they had to use Matric results to qualify. However, the vast majority of students who get a place should qualify for a grant **if they pass the means test**. (Prior to the academic year 1990/91 there were tougher academic requirements and they still apply for people who sat their Leaving cert before 1990).

Other Requirements

Other requirements are that:

- you should be at least 17 years of age on the 1st January following your application
- you must apply in the local authority area in which your parents or guardians are normally resident
- you may not have a higher education grant if you also qualify for a scholarship from the Vocational Education Committee, the Department of Education or other public body.

You may hold a scholarship, bursary etc from a college provided the total amount you receive is within certain limits. The grant would normally last for the duration of your course provided you pass your exams. You may be able to continue to get a grant if you do a postgraduate course.

The Means Test

The means test is normally based on your parents' or guardians' income (except for Mature Students). If you have any income of your own that is also taken into account.

Normally, annual income is assessed for the year ending 5th April of the year in which you start your course. (The income limits used to be those that applied in the year in which you did the Leaving Cert even if you actually postponed your entry to third level - this rule has been changed). Gross income from all sources is taken into account with the exception of the following:

- superannuation contributions
- social welfare child benefit
- the student's holiday earnings
- Family Income Supplement payments (Families who qualify for FIS would probably always pass the means test for higher education grants)

• Lone Parents Allowance: This will not be assessed as income. It is likely that people who qualify for any means tested social welfare payment would qualify for a higher education grant. Employed people would usually use their P60 as evidence of income. The self-employed may be asked for evidence of income such as tax assessments and farmers may be asked to fill in a statutory declaration giving details of acreage, livestock, crops, expenses etc and the local authority will then assess their income.

It is expected that means testing of the self-employed will be more rigorous from this year onwards. Also people who owe money for water rates, taxes etc may find that the outstanding amounts may be deducted from the grant.

Amount of the Grant

The amount of the grant depends on the income assessed and on the number of dependent children in the family. A dependent child is one who is under 16 or, if over 16, is a full time student or is certified as being permanently unfit for work. The person applying for the grant is included in the number of dependent children.

Recent Changes in Income Limits for Grants

If the annual income, as assessed by the local authority, is less than £15,000 (up from £10,787), the maximum grant is payable. If the income is above £15,000, a partial grant may be payable if there are a number of dependent children. For example, a family with 3 dependent children would qualify for a maximum grant if their income is less than £15,000 and would get a partial grant (half the fees) if their income is less than £19,000 (up from £14,500).

Income limits are increased by £2,000 in respect of each child attending higher education, after the first child.

Maintenance Costs and Lecture Fees

The grant is composed of a maintenance grant and a grant for lecture fees. The maximum maintenance grant at present is £1,461 for students who could not reasonably be expected to travel daily between the normal family residence and the college and whose normal family residence is not within 15 miles of the college being attended. The maximum maintenance grant for students who live in or near the college town is £730. Anyone who qualifies for a maintenance grant also qualifies for the lecture fee grant. Some students qualify for the lecture fee grant only or for partial lecture fee grant. The grant is usually the fee for the course plus examination fees. It does not cover charges for admission, registration, late entry or any optional fees.

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Normally the amount of the grant awarded at the start of the course remains unchanged for the duration unless there is a change in family circumstances e.g. if the family move to or from the college town, if the income decreases or the number of dependent children increases. Local authorities may award a grant on a provisional basis if it considers that a family's income may increase during the year it is first awarded.

Applying for Grants

Applications for grants should be made before 31 August. However, if you are experiencing any problems or difficulties contact the County Council Offices for clarification.

Means Testing of European Social Fund Grants

European Social Fund Grants are paid to students on designated courses mostly in regional technical colleges and colleges of technology.

There are no minimum requirements for an ESF Grant: everyone who gets a place on a designated course qualifies. Virtually all students on Certificate and Diploma Courses in the VEC colleges had their fees paid in full and received maintenance awards (£561 for those living at home and £1,400 for those living away from home). However the Government intend to introduce a means test for ESF grants from Autumn 1992. These grants have been funded by the European Social Fund with matching funds from the Irish Government. It seems that the scheme has expanded to such an extent that the limit of assistance available under this programme has been reached.

Proposed Means Testing

It is intended to introduce the means test from the Autumn of this year. **The means test will apply to the maintenance grant only.** It will not affect fees. All students on ESF courses will get free tuition.

The decision to means test will not affect existing students - but will apply to all those enrolling from this Autumn.

It is intended that the means test will be the same as the one applying to Higher Education Grants. The income limits for these grants have recently been increased (the maximum grant will be payable if the annual income is less than £15,000).

There is no upper age limit for ESF Grants so mature students are in the same position as others.

Guidelines on the means testing arrangements for these grants are not yet available.

Third Level Grants for Mature Students

The Higher Education Grants Scheme has been extended to **include mature students i.e. people aged 23 years or over.** Mature students who get a place in a third level institution will be regarded as satisfying the academic requirements for the award of a Higher Education Grant from the academic year 1992/93 onwards.

When the proposal to extend the Scheme to mature students was first introduced, it was to be available only to mature students starting education in 1992 - mature students who were already on courses would not qualify. However, this was amended when the Bill legislating for these changes went through the Dáil. **Students currently enrolled on third level courses will now be eligible to apply for a grant.**

Means Test

The means test will be the same as the general scheme but will be based on the student's own income and that of a spouse's for the purpose of the legislation 'spouse' included cohabitee). The income of a mature student's parents will be taken into account where the student is living with their parents and is regarded as dependant on them.

The Scheme will be administered by local authorities, County Councils etc.

Grant applications must be submitted to the County Council by the 31st August each year.

Third Level Grants Revised Income Limits and Grant Entitlement 1992/93

Grant Entitlement Fees and Fees and Part Fees Part Fees
Maintenance Maintenance (50%) (50%)

No. of dependants
and income limits
applying

	£	£	£	£
1 - 3 dependants	15,000	16,000	18,000	19,000
4 - 7 dependants	16,500	17,500	19,500	20,500
8 + dependants	18,000	19,000	21,000	22,000

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Summer Project 1992 started with Registration Day on July 7th and concluded with a disco and party on July 30th. All the outings were fully booked and all the at home events were very well attended. Over 13's night time activities were also in great demand.

Great swimming and bowling outings were enjoyed by all, as also was our camp week-end in Ballinakill, but the highlight of our project seems to have been the trip to the "Gauntlet" an assault course set to army standards which included swamp swings and aerial slides. Some of our leaders spent the afternoon "hosing down" the children to remove some of the mud before they could be allowed back on the buses.

Our grateful thanks to anyone who gave so generously of their time or helped in any way to make this a successful summer project for the children of Maynooth. Hereunder are some competition results:

Disco Dancing Competition 9's and Under:

- 1st Maria Kinsella
- 2nd Conor Mc Glinchey
- 3rd Cheryl Naughton
- 4th Brian Mitchell

Over 9's:

- 1st Bernadette Keigher
- 2nd Anthony Geoghegan
- 3rd Daniel Byrne
- 4th Lorna Fagan

Table Quiz - All Age Groups:

- 1st Table : Fiona Wederfoort, Stephen O'Sullivan, Darragh Carr, David Bagnall.
- 2nd Table: Louise Loane, Deirdre McMahon, Sean Brady, James Mullarkey
- 3rd Table : Michael Walsh, Niamh Mulready, Michelle Cunningham, Cillian Carr.

Table Quiz - 12 Years and Over:

- 1st Table : Declan Walsh, Colin Cosgrove, John Flatley, Sandra Brady.
- 2nd Table : Fiona Wederfoort, Simon McGrath, Adam Shannon, Robert Kennedy
- 3rd Table : David Moore, Paul McKeivitt, Colin Hyland, Donal Commene

Fishing Competition:

- Girls 1st : Niamh Mulready 27 1/2 ozs. (only catch)
- Boys 1st : Eamonn O'Donoghue 5 ozs.
- 2nd : James Mullarkey 41/2 ozs.
- Joint 3rd: Jason Murtagh 2 ozs.
- David Moore 2 ozs.

Special Category:

- Aengus O'Connor Jack/Pike 11/2 ozs.

Soccer Finals:

- Over 10's Winners Team B
- Runner-up Team A
- Under 10's Winners Team A
- Runner-up Team B
- U/10 Girls Winners Team A
- Runners-up Team B.

Man of the Match:

David Redmond

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BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR SCHEME

The Back to School Clothing and Footwear Scheme is designed to help towards the cost of children's school uniforms and footwear. The scheme is administered by the Health Boards as part of the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme. It runs from 1 July to 30 September.

Can I qualify?

Your local Health Board will decide your entitlement to an allowance. You will qualify if you:

- * get a Social Welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement) or a Health Board payment, or
- * are working on a Social Employment Scheme, or
- * are on a non-craft full-time FAS training course, and
- * your total income (i.e. social welfare/health board payments and any other income you may have including wages) is at or below the following amounts:

Couple with:	Income limit:
One child	£128.60
Two children	£141.10
Three children	£153.60
Four children	£166.10*
*Limit is increased by £12.50 for each additional child.	

Lone parent with:	Income limit:
One child	£81.70
Two children	£97.90
Three children	£114.10
Four children	£130.30**
** Limit is increased by £16.20 for each additional child.	

How much will I get?

The allowance payable is:

- £35 for each child at a primary school
- £50 for each child at a second level school

If you are getting a *short-term* social welfare payment (i.e. Unemployment Assistance for less than 15 months, Unemployment Benefit and Disability Benefit) you can apply for any child up to age 18 years.

However, if you are getting a *pension* or any other *long-term* social welfare payment you can apply for a child up to age 21 years if the child is in full-time education.

How is the allowance paid?

The allowance is normally paid by cheque.

How do I apply?

You should apply to your Community Welfare Officer (CWO) at your local health centre. The Maynooth health centre is located near the canal harbour on Leinster Street, and the CWO's number is 6286740. S/he is usually present on Mondays and Tuesdays from 11am and on Fridays (for emergency cases only) from 11am.

Can I appeal if I'm unhappy with the decision on my application?

Yes. If you are not satisfied with the decision on your application, you should write to the Appeals Officer at your health board setting out the reasons why you are not happy with the decision.

How do I apply for the School Book scheme?

This year a link is being established between the Back to School Clothing and Footwear scheme and the School Book scheme of the Department of Education.

The Community Welfare Officer will provide a certificate on payment of the Back to School Clothing and Footwear allowance. You *may* qualify for the School Book scheme by presenting this certificate to the principal(s) of the school(s) being attended by your children.

Where can I get more information?

For further details on the Clothing and Footwear scheme contact the Community Welfare Officer at the health centre.

For further details on the School Book scheme, contact the principal(s) of the school(s) being attended by your children.

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Continuing Education Courses are university courses for adults which are provided with local adult education agencies. All courses are open to anyone over 18 years of age. There are no entry qualifications or requirements. Some courses, because of their content, are more suited to those with previous knowledge or experience of the subject.

The Extra Mural Department of the Centre for Adult and Community Education in St Patrick's College, Maynooth has a long and well respected tradition of providing stimulating and varied certificate and diploma courses for adults all over the country. This year's brochure, describing 27 separate courses is available from the centre on request (tel: 6285222 Ext. 430). While some of the courses are held in the college, most take place around the country in centres of local adult education, particularly in V.E.C. schools. Kildare V.E.C. has its own network of courses (mainly evening classes), details of which are available again on request from the V.E.C. (tel: 045 97291). Outlined below are some of the college's extra mural courses conducted locally.

Anthropology

Looks at the origins of the human being, the development and growth of human cultures, the patterns of similarity and difference across cultures etc. The course is designed for those with little or no familiarity with the science of Anthropology and will be taught by a combination of lectures, film, group discussion and some field work.

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £80 approx.

Location: Arts building, St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Assertiveness and Personal Development

Examining the knowledge and skills needed for people to manage their lives more creatively, this course provides a broad base from which to understand and use information relating to one's life and one's behaviour. Content includes stress management, prosperity and goal setting, assertive communication, handling confrontation and criticism etc.

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £80 - £100 dependant on centre. Location: Arts Building, St Patrick's college and in other centres around the country.

Computers in Education

Primarily geared towards giving teachers the skills necessary to teach examinations and computer appreciation courses. Content includes computers in education, programming and problem analysis, information systems, Micro Prolog, Data base et.

Duration: Tuesday and Thursday, 6.30 to 8.30 pm from 13th October. Fee: £350. Location: St Patrick's College.

Psychology

Examining questions such as personality and how to measure it, intelligence and intelligence testing - what do we know? Where does nature come in? How do we learn to think? What happens to people in groups? How do phobias develop? Also, what did Freud, Binet and Piaget contribute to what we know about human behaviour?

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £60 - £90 dependant on centre. Location: Lucan, Naas, Navan and other centres around the country.

Return to Learning

This course has been designed as a stepping stone for those who wish to return to study, but who have not studied in any formal way for a number of years. Apart from the practical issues of returning to study (eg taking notes, reading skills, requirements for third level, writing essays etc) the course will also examine the role of education in Irish society and examine its relevance for adults.

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Mondays 10 - 12 am, commencing 12th October. Fee: £85. Location: St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Social and Human Studies

Aims to give participants an understanding of how society functions, focusing on modern Irish society. The course will include social theories, social analysis, the family, education, politics etc.

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £70 - £100 dependant on centre. Location: Leixlip, Maynooth, Newbridge and other centres around the country.

Theatre Studies

This is a two year course of particular interest to those who hope to become involved in theatre in the local community, schools, prisons and institutions. Content in year one to include theatre history, theatre styles, design, performance skills, sound etc.

Duration: 2 year part-time. 3 weekends and 14 night sessions in the first year. Fee: £315 - year one; £305 - year two. Location: Arts Block, St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Women's Studies

The course will focus on a number of selected topics in Women's Studies which will be drawn from feminist history, feminist theology, women's studies and the social sciences, women and literature, women in Irish society, etc.

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1. If your cash risk is substantial consider using the services of a reliable security company.
2. Minimise cash risk by making frequent lodgements.
3. Avoid, as far as possible, set patterns when making lodgements.
4. Consider use of a taxi-hired on random basis.
5. If you use company or private transport, try to vary the vehicle used.
6. Lodgements of coin could be carried in a cash case and currency notes may be carried on the person.
7. Cash should be conveyed to and from the bank by an able-bodied person accompanied by an escort where risk warrants same. The escort should walk behind the person carrying the case. The escort could carry part of lodgement on his or her person so as to reduce possible loss.
8. Use a busy street and walk against the flow of traffic, making a surprise attack from behind more difficult.
9. If cash is required for payment of wages perhaps you could consider payment by cheque or direct credit to your employees' bank accounts.
10. The first and last stages of journey to the bank are the most likely points for attacks. Snatches have been made from customers in bank premises.
11. Persons conveying cash should exercise vigilance and anything suspicious should be noted and communicated to the Gardai.
12. Do not advertise your business by unnecessary exposure of cash bags or lodgement documents.
13. When making up lodgements, initial and date some of the currency wrappers for future identification.

Use Of Bank Night Safes

A number of serious attacks have been made recently on persons about to use bank night safe facilities. To reduce the risk of attack the following procedures are recommended:

1. If possible use a vehicle to convey cash to night safe.
2. Two persons should travel to the night safe with the deposit.
3. While en route to the bank, check that you are not being followed.
4. Watch for persons loitering in vicinity of the night safe or sitting in parked cars in the vicinity-if in doubt postpone lodgement and pass particulars of suspect persons or vehicle to Gardai.
5. On arrival at the bank, the driver should remain in the locked car with the bank wallet while the passenger opens night safe. When the night safe has been opened the driver should deposit the cash immediately.
6. Should you discover that the lock of the night safe has been blocked report same to Gardai.
7. Exercise caution if an "Out-of-Order" sign is affixed to the

- night safe. Never post the wallet into the bank's letter box.
8. When possible vary time of making the deposit.
9. Withdrawal of bank wallets from bank should be made discreetly so as not to advertise that you use the bank night safe facility.

10. If you have a good quality safe with time lock facility and the protection of an effective alarm on your premises, you may consider holding cash overnight for deposit the following day. Vary your times of making deposits.

School Bus Safety

Now that all the children have returned to School and enjoying "the best days of their life", hereunder are a few reminders regarding better safety

Reminder to Pupils:

1. Arrive in good time at your pick up time.
 2. Queue properly and avoid pushing and jostling.
 3. Wait for the bus to stop, then enter and take your seat in an orderly manner.
 4. Keep bus passageway clear.
 5. Do not tamper with doors or windows.
 6. Don't distract your driver - your safety is in his or her hands.
 7. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop at your destination, then alight in an orderly manner.
- N.B. After alighting from the bus if you must cross the road, remember to stand well back from the bus after getting off. Allow the bus to pull away so that you have a clear view of the roadway in both directions. Then look right, look left and then look right again. Cross over when the road is clear.

Reminder to Parents/Guardians.

1. Encourage your children to be safety conscious.
2. Entrust younger children to the care of older brother or sister, where possible.
3. Remind them regularly of the necessity for constant care and vigilance.
4. Arrange for your children to wear reflective armbands on both arms. **Be Safe Be Seen.**
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Admission to the Horse Trials is £5 per car, or for pedestrians £1 adults, 50p children.

Castletown House will be open to the public that day from 11am-6pm and afternoon teas are available in the Coffee Shop. Admission is £2.50 adults, £2 students and OAPs, £1 children, and a family ticket is £6. An additional attraction in the House is an exhibition "Celebrating 25 Years Open to the Public".

THE WYRD SISTER REPORT

Did you miss me? I have been on extended leave from my occult activities for the duration of the Wicked Olympics in the Orkney Islands. Needless to say, I distinguished myself admirably before my sisters, cronies, warlocks and peerage by taking home the gold medal in the Broomarathon. My other gold medal was for fortune telling while astride a pommel horse, which was naturally a foregone conclusion. I have returned to restore mayhem and chaos to your horror-scopes but this month I fear I must be brief and to the point. So let the ball roll.

Taurus (21 April-21 May)

One more brain cell, petal, and you'd be an amoeba. Keep working on the ten-times tables for that accountancy interview on the 14th. You never know, they might think you're a mathematical genius. Then again, they mightn't.

Gemini (22 May-21 June)

Have yourself re-potted this month dear. The change of soil will do you good.

Cancer (22 June - 22 July)

I see examination results looming this month for you. A large sheet of white paper presents itself to my view. It's very white I'm afraid, very white indeed. Still, they'll give you marks the next time around.

Leo (23 July - 23 August)

An exotic looking foreigner whisks you away to a sumptuous mansion and proposes everlasting devotion to you on the 19th. There is evidence of extraordinary wealth everywhere and the stranger says it will all be yours. Just about then, they realise that they've mistaken you for someone else. Such is life.

Virgo (24 August - 23 September)

You resort to bribery on the 14th to ensure that your friends throw you a surprise birthday party. They don't.

Libra (24 September - 23 October)

Someone as conscious about their appearance as yourself ought to know better than walk along the path behind two friendly looking sheepdogs. There is no such thing as a friendly dog, despite appearances: they all want to reduce you to drenched incoherence. Sue, sue sue.

Scorpio (24 October - 23 November)

A long-loved one decides that they've had enough and they take decisive action to improve their situation. On the 15th therefore, expect your partner, or one of your parents, to escape from the freezer.

Sagittarius (23 November - 21 December)

Car trouble. Big car trouble. Very big car trouble. You are run over by a limousine. But cheer up! The good news is that you will have *almost* met Michael Jackson.

Capricorn (22 December - 20 January)

Invited to dinner. Discover lost pet. Needs salt.

Aquarius (21 January - 19 February)

Sharing the same sign as myself can't be easy. There's room for very few perfect people in this locality and wearing yellow lipstick definitely puts you way down the list. However, should you decide to add black mascara, please position yourself on the side of a main road. Drivers will think you're a Pedestrian Crossing and run over you. That should reduce the competition.

Pisces (20 February - 20 March)

Go back to work. You're driving us all crazy.

Yours in malice,

Minerva (Big Dipper) Murphy.

NAMES OF THE CLASS IN PHOTO IN THE JUNE ISSUE PAGE 46

Nursery and Junior Infants 1953.

Front Row L - R: 1. Ann Reilly (Flynn), 2. Marie Flood, 3. Patrick Burke, 4. Michael Sullivan, 5. Vincent O'Donoghue, 6. Jonny Tinkler, 7. Rachel Flood (Cassidy), 8. Ronnie Farrell (Cassidy), 9. Ann Dempsey (Fahy), 10. Maureen Fay, 11. Ann Lettuce (Feeney), 12. Ray Troy, 13. James Connolly.

Second Row L - R: 14. Gerry McTiernan, 15. Fintan Byrne, 16. P. J. O'Neill, 17. Mícheál Flood, 18. Mary Murray (Casey), 19. Sally Dunne, 20. Mary McCarthy (Burke), 21. Carmel Durack, 22. ? Curran, 23. Brigid Delaney, 24. Bobby Gee, 25. Noel Redmond, 26. ?

Back Row L - R: 27. Sr. Brigid, 28. Vincent Mulready, 29. Tommy Fay, 30. Barry Fitzgerald, 31. Michael Tolan, 32. Tommy Hendrick, 33. Barney Daly, 34. ?, 35. Declan Reilly, 36. Dick Sheehan.

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U/13 Long Puck Seamus Cummins

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Political Party Notes

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Catherine Murphy to be Dail Candidate

Councillor Catherine Murphy is to be the Democratic Left candidate in the Kildare constituency in the next General Election.

Councillor Murphy was selected by a convention of party members in Johnstown recently.

Catherine Murphy was elected on the first count to Leixlip Town Commission in 1988. In last year's County Council election, she secured the second highest first preference vote in the Celbridge Electoral Area.

A book-keeper by profession, Catherine Murphy lives in Leixlip Park, Leixlip with her husband Derek and their two children, Alan and Yvonne. She has been very active in pursuing improvements in public transport and other public services in the North Kildare area. She also sees proper planning and environmental protection as key concerns. However, her top priorities in her campaign for a Dail seat will be unemployment and the defence of the social welfare and health systems.

With the jobless total on a seemingly unending upward spiral, it is clear that the main political parties have neither the will nor the ability to tackle the problem. Democratic Left believes that only a planned approach to industrial development offers long term hope for economic recovery. This approach must tackle the key weaknesses of Irish Industry, such as small size, inadequate research, poor industrial relations and lack of marketing skills. The preoccupation of the rightwing parties with labour costs, tax levels and interest rates has got us nowhere, according to Catherine Murphy.

Catherine Murphy also intends to target Charlie McCreevy's attempt to dismantle the social welfare system in her election campaign. The vigour being brought to bear in cutting back entitlements of the poor contrasts sharply with the government's slovenly approach to chasing tax dodgers who are costing the state vastly greater sums of money, in Catherine Murphy's view. As she sees it, Charlie McCreevy represents the vested interests in Irish society, and not the ordinary residents of County Kildare.

Rail Park Footpaths

At the August meeting of Kildare County Council, Councillor Catherine Murphy proposed that the footpath at the entrance to Rail Park Estate should be repaired as a matter of urgency. While the County Engineer suggested that the footpath in question needed to be completely replaced rather than repaired, it was agreed to place it on the list of works pending under the County Council's road repair fund. This follows Catherine Murphy's success, earlier this year, in getting a proportion of this fund set aside specifically for footpath repairs.

FINE GAEL NOTES

Towards the Jobs Economy

Despite the government's diluted response to our call for a Jobs Forum Fine Gael continues to make the creation of a jobs economy its top political priority. In May of this year a policy document was published setting out how this was to be achieved. The following is a summary of that document.

The policy is designed for a modern country facing enormous challenges on the economic, political and social fronts in an uncertain international environment. We must enable our people to establish clear areas of competitive advantage in the new Europe.

The approach is based on putting initiative back into people's own hands instead of handing down blueprints from the centre. People, their enterprises, their communities, towns and villages, their regions are at the heart of this much more devolved approach. The role of the state changes dramatically. To persist with policies, structures and attitudes suited to the earlier phase of economic development will be to condemn our country to underperform relative to its potential.

The State can prime the pump and help initiatives over their faltering start. But the objective is to develop strong enterprises, not strong state agencies.

We must recognise that the capacity, skills, confidence and experience of our people have improved dramatically over the past 35 years. We have successful enterprises experienced in international business, a highly educated people and huge as yet unlocked potential in many areas.

To achieve its objectives the document recommends amongst other things: (a) that the Government get its own house in order by

- reducing overall tax take
- introducing multi-year budgeting
- reducing the cost of services provided by State enterprises by regulating monopoly powers, opening up competition; and introducing private and employee shareholding.

(b) that £80m be invested in improving roads (employing 2,500) and £10m in development of our ports.

(c) that regional authorities be established with direct control over E.C. structural funds and with local development powers.

(d) encourage business start-up by allocating half the budget of the I.D.A. and other agencies for five years to create a £500m venture capital fund.

(e) allow employees setting up approved businesses to withdraw, tax free, the accumulated value of employee and employer contributions to pension funds.

(f) remove restrictive practices that limit new entrants into certain businesses.

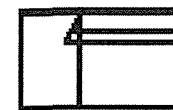
(g) release the trapped potential of unemployed people by introducing a working dividend that would guarantee take home pay of £25 per week over and above social welfare entitlements.

(h) change the S.E.S. schemes so that participants could be retained for three years by non-profit organisations and for two years by potentially commercial activities.

Funding the Olympic Games

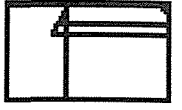
The hypocrisy of Government Ministers rushing to greet returning Olympic medallists is underlined by the fact that both Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats combined earlier this year to defeat a Private Members motion introduced by Jimmy Deenihan, Fine Gael spokesman on sports, which called on the Government "to grant additional funds to assist the athletes in their final preparation for Barcelona".

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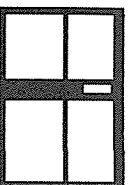
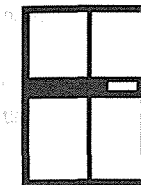
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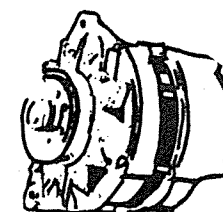
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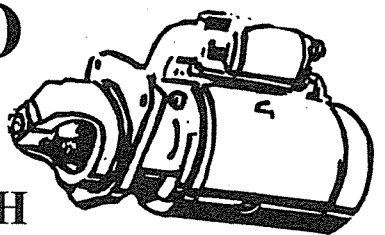


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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Council Agree to Installation of Ramps along Pound Lane/Back Lane

Following the tabling of a motion by Deputy Emmet Stagg the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council have agreed to the proposal to install ramps along Pound Lane/Back Lane in order to prevent motorists from speeding along this route. The present No Entry signs at Convent Lane and Mill Street will remain in place until the ramps are installed. The Council quoted a figure of £30,000 for the installation of 3 ramps along Pound Lane/Back Lane. Deputy Stagg will press for the provision of finance towards this under the discretionary road grants for 1993. In the meantime he is unhappy with the costs quoted by the Council which seem to be exorbitantly high and he has requested the County Engineer to provide him with detailed costings for the ramps. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Weight Restriction on Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road

A motion tabled by Deputy Emmet Stagg at the last meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council calling for the imposition of a 5 ton weight restriction on Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road was agreed to. However before the restriction can be imposed widening and resurfacing of Blacklion Road along Carton Wall will have to occur. Considerable finance would be required to enable this but the Council feel that in the medium to short term finance for same can be provided. Deputy Stagg is to continue to pursue this matter on behalf of the residents of the area.

Natural Gas for Maynooth

Further to previous news on the supply of Natural Gas to householders in Maynooth Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the decision in principle which An Bord Gais have taken concerning the extension of the supply from Intel to Maynooth. The cost of bringing the supply from Intel to Maynooth will be £700,000 and because Maynooth College is a major potential user Maynooth is now nearly certain to benefit from Natural Gas. An Bord Gais will be carrying out surveys in the Autumn of householders in the Maynooth area to see what the demand is for Natural Gas.

Narrow Bridge Warning Sign for Kildare Bridge

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised that following his representations a sign warning motorists of the narrowness of Kildare Bridge has been ordered by the Council and will be put in place when delivered.

Footpath Mill Street

The condition of the footpath on the Westend Carpet side of Mill Street is in a treacherous condition. Deputy Emmet Stagg has been in contact with the Area Engineer requesting that some surfacing be carried out on the footpath to make it safer for pedestrians.

Green Area O' Neill Park

Residents of O' Neill Park are angry with the way rubbish is dumped on the green area along O' Neill Park facing the Dublin Road. The grass needs to be cut to a state where residents would themselves be able to maintain it. At present because of the overgrown appearance it attracts rubbish from people queuing at the bus stop. Deputy Stagg has asked the Council to cut the grass to a stage where it can be maintained by residents and to remove the rubbish which now lies discarded on the Green Area.

The area planted by the Council with shrubs on the opposite side of the entrance to O' Neill Park is now overgrown with weeds. Deputy Stagg has asked the Council to tidy up this area also.

Horse Industry 7-a-side Soccer Tournament

Our 7-a-side Soccer Tournament for Stud Farm and Racing Stable workers will be held from Monday 7th September to Friday 11th September in the Harbour Field. Entry forms have been sent out to Stud Farms and Racing Stables. The draw for the tournament will be held on Tuesday 1st September in Caulfields and the lineup for the tournament will be advertised locally for those interested in attending the games.

This is the fifth year of the tournament and the winners will be presented with the Emmet Stagg Perpetual Cup. Last years winners were Woodpark Stud from Dunboyne.

Butterfly Week - Arthritis Foundation

The Labour Party in Kildare are again this year assisting the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland in their fundraising through Butterfly Week. The fundraising will occur from the 21st to the 26th of September. Anybody interested in assisting in the fundraising should contact David Moynan at 6272149 or 789737.

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COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

The late Robert Morley commented that "the invention of the ball increased the worry potential of man almost as much as the discovery of the wheel". As feverish preparations are made throughout the Meath and District League, our low key approach belies Morley's anxiety. Kildare's only representatives obviously intend to lull the rest of the League into a false sense of security. It must be last January since the exploits of the 'boys' in green graced this august journal. Although this column is principally a work of fiction, it would have been difficult to fictionalise the second half of last season (a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta perhaps). At the end of the day we were a bit unfortunate to bow out of the main cup competitions, but happy enough with our mid-table placing in Division 1a of the league.

Dutch Visitors

Our hosts from the 1991 tour from the European Space Centre (Estec) paid a reciprocal visit to Maynooth last May, led by Michael and Pauline Martin. The multi-national group 'flowed' through an extensive cultural and artistic itinerary, with a passing reference to indigenous darkish beverages. Tours of Glendalough, Dublin City, Maynooth College and Castle, and Castletown House took place despite the demon drink. Some survived Dublin nightlife, the Curryhills Dinner and drinkalong, the North Kildare barbecue and drinkalong and wait for it, the Harcourt Hotel country and western disco! The latter was obviously the cultural highspot of the tour. There were several other activities in the 4 1/2 day programme, such as clay pigeon shooting and stout tasting (not necessarily simultaneous), Irish Music, Greek pun contests and maybe a little drink involved. In the confusion of it all they nearly beat us on the football field. We scrambled a 2 - 2 draw, which we won on penalties, thanks to some judicious cheating and a handsome retainer (an unopened can of beer) for the referee Mr. Willie Walsh. That's how we retained our only piece of silverware for the season, the Estec Challenge Cup. T-Shirts, sweatshirts, pennants, match programmes, trophies, song-books, ties, kicks on the shin and other merchandising were exchanged to the extent that puts Barcelona '92 in the shade. Brendan Cantwell tested positive for alcohol on all counts and was sent home in disgrace, but that was just a normal Saturday night for him. What the Martins don't know is that we plan to pay them a return visit next year, for a Month!

1992/93 Season

With the departure of several seasoned campaigners such as Eanna O'Boyle, Kevin Fay and Thomas Martin and the semi-retirement of others such as Malachy McCann (thanks lads) we need to recruit again this season. Myles Na Gopaleen's reference to the ad in the shop window seeking "smart lad wanted - apply within" springs to mind. In our case we seek several smart lads, who can play a bit and who are totally committed (we were years ago but it did us no good). Tony O'Connor would like to hear from prospective players (prospective players? Naw what we need are strikers) - telephone 6285500. Calls are charged at 48p peak and 36p off-peak. We

have to make our money somehow, now that we can't continue to cheat Joe Buckley out of his book royalties at games of pitch and toss outside the dressing room on Sundays.

A.G.M.

The following Officers were elected/appointed to serve for 1992/93:

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ETC.

Best wishes to Kevin Fay on his recent ordination. After both himself and Kevin Sullivan, it can now be revealed that College Green F.C. is a fully accredited finishing school for aspiring clerics. For a modest fee we are prepared to take on a chaplain this season, preferably a discoloured goalscorer.

Declan Forde

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

£300 Club Draw - July results.

£100 M. McInerney, £50 C. Flood, £20 J. Lawlor, £5. C. Noonan, £5 J. Mee, £5 S. Molloy, £5 B. Leacy.

Senior Football League

Maynooth 12pts v Eadestown 8 pts.

Maynooth scored a good win over the fancied Eadestown Team. Maynooth started well and after 10 minutes were 4 pts to 1 pt ahead but Eadestown fought back to leave the half time score Maynooth 7 pts Eadestown 4 pts. The second half saw Eadestown on top and with 10 minutes to go they were level but some great points by K. Fagan and P. Ennis and K. Killoran saw Maynooth win well. Maynooth scorers: K. Fagan 4 pts., P. Ennis 3 pts., D. Murray 1 pt., J. Gilligan 1 pt., M. McManus 1 pt., K. Killoran 1 pt., J. Nevin 1 pt. Also to play well M. Nevin, D. Maloney, P. Stynes, J. Conway.

Senior Football Championship Replay

Geraldines 6 pts. v Kilcock 1.8pts.

Tom Flood Cup: This, our local tournament will be starting shortly and all games will be played in College field. August is a quiet month for G.A.A. games with most lads on holidays.

Don't forget our Golf Classic which is on Friday 4th September in Castlewarden Golf Club.

Red Black White Night at the Springfield

A fundraising disco for the Red Black White charity will be held in the Springfield Hotel on Sunday, 30th August. This society aims to enable children with birthmarks have them removed using specialised and expensive laser treatment. The costs of removal are prohibitively expensive and most parents could not afford such treatment. The Red Black White charity asks parents to organise a fundraising and promotional benefit night as their share in funding the treatment: hence, one such event is organised for Sunday 30th. Parents wishing to enquire further about the charity can contact Mrs Margaret Carlin, 47 Old Hinckley Road, Nuneaton, Warwicks, CV10 0AA. As treatment is only available in Britain, costs for Irish parents are further increased. The following is a brief resume of the type of treatment available and an outline of the charity.

The Bromsgrove Private Hospital

This small busy hospital opened seven years ago and specialises in Aesthetic and Cosmetic Plastic Surgery. Its director, John Terry, was responsible for the purchase of the Shanning Dye Pulse laser and his prime objective is to treat as many children as humanly possible. Indeed he has provided a purpose built laser suite to facilitate this and without causing disruption to the day-to-day running of the hospital.

Red Black White

Treatment by dye pulse laser on red skin has an immediate and remarkable effect. Treated red skin immediately bruises and turns black. After some days, the bruising fades and hopefully white or pink skin appears. Hence the parents' self-help group is called Red Black White. The group has been raising money for over two years which enables the charity to offer treatment today.

The money raised so far is being used to purchase a dye essential to the operation of the laser. The dye is extremely expensive: every time the laser fires a pulse of light, 10p's worth of dye is used up. The average port-wine stain covering half the face will need between 500 and 1,000 pulses of light, each treatment costing in dye alone £50 to £100. Most stains need several treatments. The group will continue to provide free treat-

ment for children under 18 as long as the money lasts. People over 18 can obtain treatment at the hospital on a private basis.

Helping Hands

The society needs to continue to raise funds to treat all the children needing help. This can be done by simple donation at the time of treatment and/or by joining the group and starting fundraising activities locally. At the moment there is no branch of the self-help group in Ireland. People who are interested in becoming involved in the formation of one could contact the organisers of Sunday night's fundraiser at (01) 6286446.

Remember, every penny raised goes to treating more and more children. On a busy day 2 cases of dye could be used - each costing £480. The doctors, nurses and receptionists provide their services with no remuneration for the charity.

Cheques should be made payable to Red Black White Laser and can be sent to Mrs Margaret Carlin at the above address.

Finally, tickets to the 60's disco in the Springfield cost £5 if bought in advance: £10 at the door. There will be lots of spot prizes and novelties etc and a band for part of the evening.

For tickets and information phone 6286446 or 6268854.



Children's Corner.



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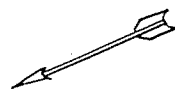
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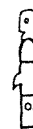
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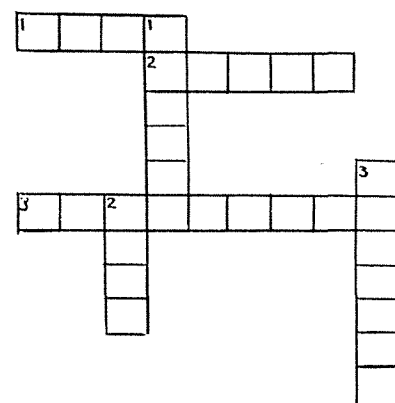
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Triona Cahill
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With the opening of a new season almost upon us pre-season training has already commenced and attendances have been good despite the large number still on holidays. Pre-season friendlies against other clubs are being arranged and it is hoped that results will be favourable.

Our schoolgirls team have already commenced their league campaign and are unbeaten to date following five good wins, the most notable being a 5-3 win over last season's champions Drogheda. Schoolboys are also training and it is hoped to have three teams this season.

Our seven-a-side tournament for the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup and Harp Lager Trophies was once again a great success. On finals day Sunday August 2nd a large crowd witnessed two excellent Semi-Finals in which the Clock House defeated Galway Rovers and The Panthers overcame Scousers Army following a close fought game.

The eagerly awaited final proved to be a big disappointment with The Panthers proving too strong for a hopeless Clock House side who never showed any of their earlier round form. Our Annual Dance was held in Kildrought Inn at which the Partners provided great entertainment for a large attendance. Player of the year awards were presented and the recipients were Bobby Barry 1st team and 2nd team award went to John Geoghegan.

Once again we are indebted to John and Eithne Carey for their sponsorship of the awards.



Mrs. Annie Murphy presenting the Joe Murphy Memorial cup to Joe O'Riordan, Captain of the Panthers, winners of 7-a-side final.



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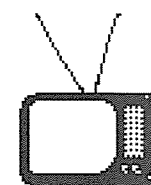
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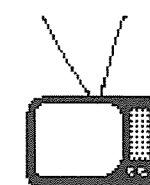


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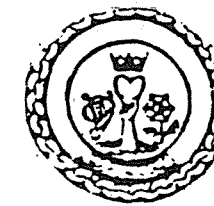
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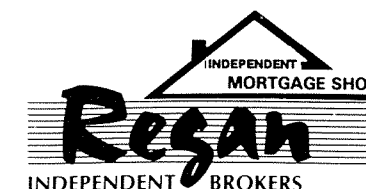
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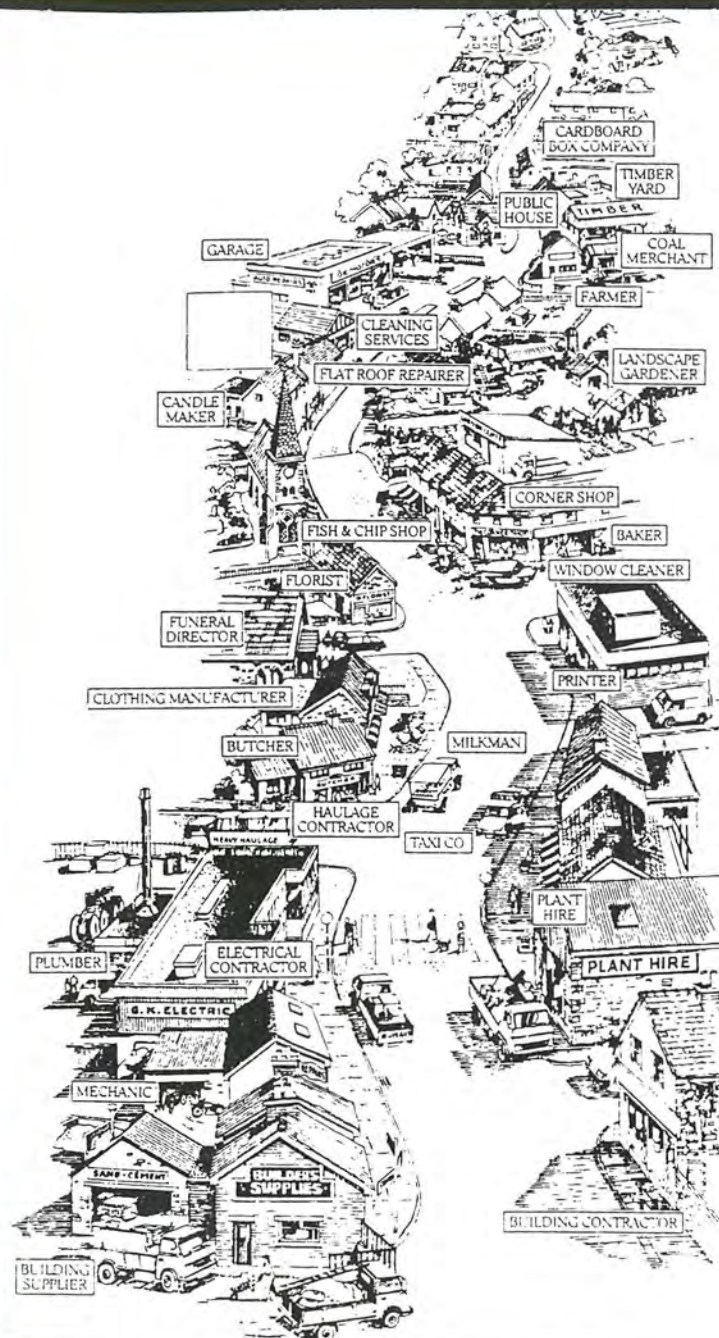
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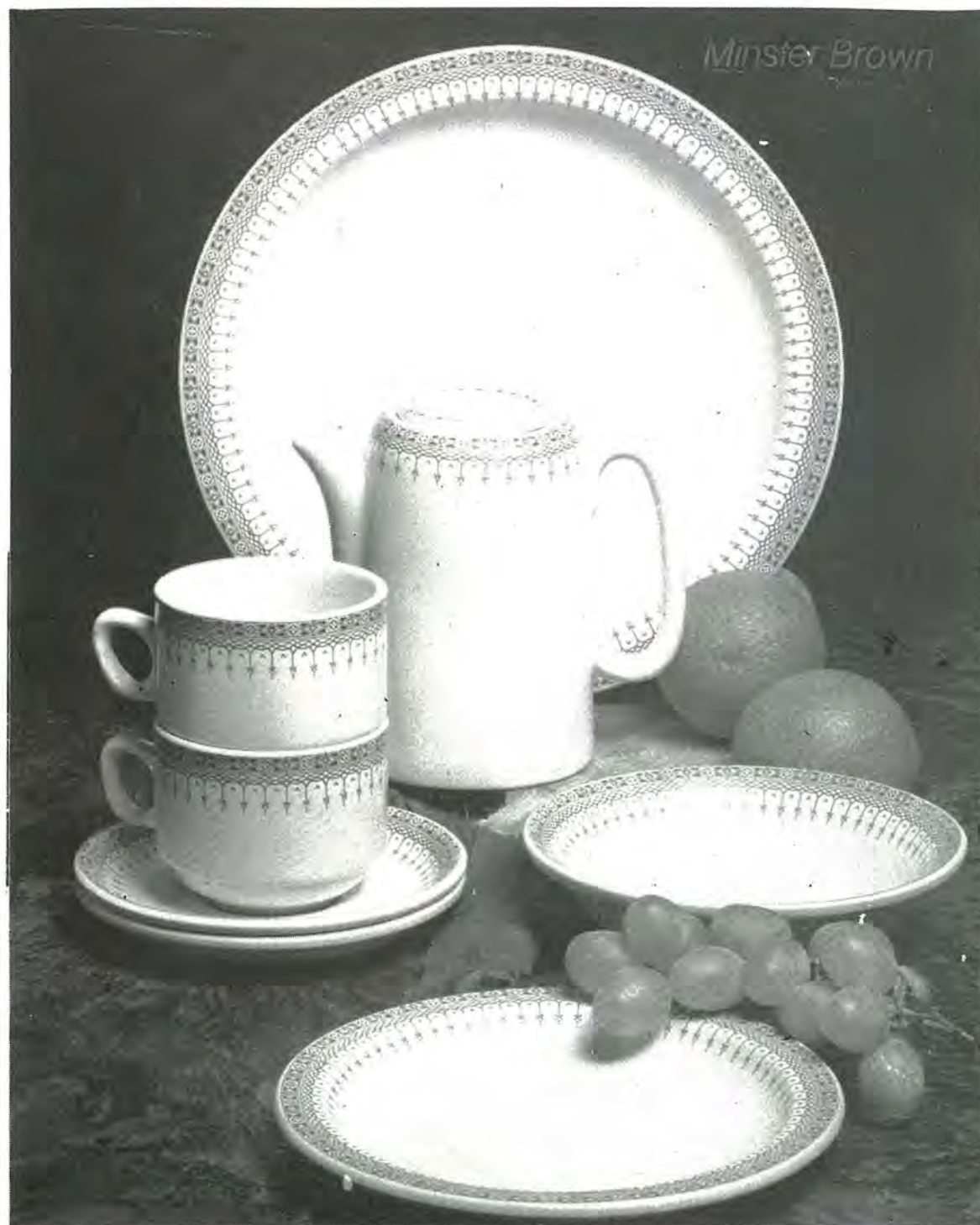


Try this for size - Gillian Power



Enjoying the crack after the Golf Classic in Maynooth GAA Centre.
L to R - K. Connolly, D. McDermott, M. Gillick, F. Devereux.

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Editorial

Tidy Towns

Congratulations to the Tidy Towns Committee in Maynooth. The marks obtained in the Tidy Towns Competition have increased 4 points over last year. However, let us not get too enthusiastic. Maynooth is still near the bottom of the pile. The judges' comments are detailed elsewhere in this issue, and make for interesting reading. Certainly, the amount of traffic through Maynooth doesn't help. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to residents of Convent Lane and Main Street who must spend a fortune in paint every year, trying to cover up the deposits left by passing traffic. The bypass will help to a certain extent. But we still need an upgrade of local roads and the construction of new relief roads to take the traffic out of Main Street. Meanwhile, is there any point in reminding all readers that individually we can contribute to a cleaner environment - put litter in bins, and if these are full, take the litter home with you. Junk should be taken to the rubbish tip, and please stop parking on the kerbs on the green area in front of the church, and killing the trees in Main Street by nailing ugly signs on them.

Grant Madness

Welcome to all the new students, starting life in Maynooth, and to those returning. Let us hope that those of you who are relying on grants to pay your way through college will manage to obtain these sometime before Christmas. The current crisis and confusion besotting those applying for a grant is appalling. Surely it should be possible to devise a system for paying grants immediately to those eligible for them, especially in these days of instant communications and the wide availability of information technology. As it is, not only can students wait up to Christmas before receiving their grants, in many cases, they have not even been informed if they are eligible to receive a grant on taking up their offer of a place on the course. In this game of blind man's bluff, the only ones who appear to be winners are the banks, who can collect lots of interest while the authorities fiddle around.

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Letter to the Editor

7th Sept. 1992.

Dear Editor,

In the last issue of the *Newsletter* our club notes contained a brief report on our Seven-a-side tournament, part of which was misquoted.

The offending portion read "The eagerly awaited final proved to be a big disappointment with the Panthers proving too strong for a hopeless Clock House side who never showed any of their earlier round form."

The word hopeless should have read **hapless** meaning unlucky or unfortunate. In the club report submitted it will be found that the word hapless was included and not hopeless.

As this report has been a source of disappointment to members of the Clock House team I would appreciate if the error is corrected in the next issue of the *Newsletter*.

Yours faithfully,
Lenny Murphy, P.R.O.
Maynooth Town A.F.C.

Editors Note Apologies to all concerned for this unfortunate error which occurred in transcription.

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Community Council Notes

GERALDINE HALL

It had been proposed to let the Geraldine Hall to Caroline's Montessori School for one year from September 1992. Unfortunately because of problems with the lease of the Geraldine Hall this is no longer possible. The Community Council regrets any misunderstanding on this matter.

TIDY TOWNS

Maynooth is not a Tidy Town! This is no slight on the excellent work done by the Tidy Town's Committee but rather a reflection on the appalling state of the approach roads to the town and to the litter in the town centre. There is a full report on the markings for Maynooth in the Tidy Town Committee's Notes. The Community Council wishes to remind all traders and businesses in the town that it is against County Council regulations to place signs on trees. Some signs have been placed on the trees in the town damaging not only the appearance of the town but also the trees.

Finally - Many thanks to all those who contributed to the Community Council Collection on the 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th and to all the collectors. (See competition results overleaf)

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - REPORT

First of all just to update you in relation to the FAS scheme for the Planning & Development Committee - which as you are aware is to be administered by Tidy Towns Committee. We expect this scheme to be up and running by November, but as you know we have been disappointed before by the FAS authorities. The officers of both the Planning & Development and Community Council are working in conjunction with the trustees of the Geraldine Hall to develop the premises as a base for the FAS scheme and further activities of the Maynooth Community.

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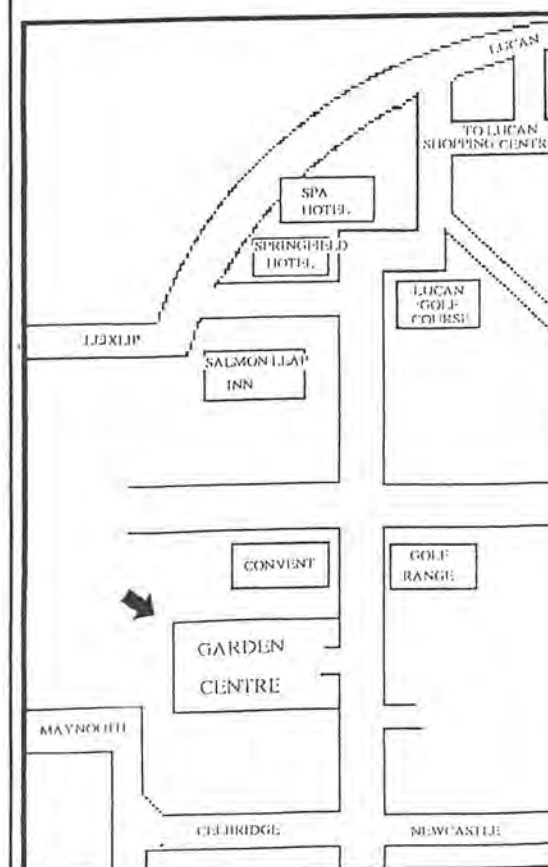
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Tidy Towns Competition Results

TIDY TOWNS REPORT NEWSLETTER REPORT

Below you will find the complete Bord Failte Tidy Towns Progress Report for 1992. We are pleased to advise that we have improved our previous totals by 4 marks. However, we must point out of the 31 entries in Kildare there were only 2 entries worse than ours. We will be taking the Judge's comments into account as we plan our campaign for next year. We are determined to make Maynooth one of the Tidy Towns in Kildare, greatly heartened by the adjudicators comments. Again if anyone wants to comment or help please contact us through the Community Council.

1992 TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION PROGRESS REPORT

Centre: Maynooth Category: E
County: Kildare 1992 Mark: 116

	MAX	1991	1992
Effort	45	26	27
Tidiness	40	10	10
Presentation of Buildings	40	30	31
Presentation of Natural Amenities	50	17	17
Appearance of Approach Roads	45	11	12
Presentation of Areas	30	18	19

Effort:

Thank you for your completed questionnaire, map and additional information. It is obvious that efforts are being made to overcome problem areas such as litter. Attempts must be made with areas like the toilets in the Square. Maynooth although very busy is a very appealing and unique town and could do very well in this competition - keep up the positive effort.

Tidiness:

More of an effort is needed in this area and it can be done as the Main Street was relatively tidy this year. Unfortunately, litter was very bad at entrance to Carton Amenity Walk, and opposite the Grain Store (by tree stump). Outside the Livestock Sales was again untidy as was the grass area opposite Quinnsnorth. Other areas where litter was noted include outside the castle and outside Brady's Bar in the Square.

Presentation of Buildings:

All University grounds and buildings well presented as was the Garda Station. Business premises that looked well included Maynooth Jewellers, Library, Frank Regan, Kids & Co (nice window boxes), Elite Confectionery, Fuscicardis, Leinster Arms, J. O'Neill, Denis Enright, Dawsons and the Country Shop. Others were also noted. Maynooth Livestock Sales should be tidied up as could the front facade of Quinnsnorth (Coyne and Bergin Butchers were noted - well done). The lodge cottage near playground is a very nice building and should be cleaned up. Finally, the retail development and paving is very nice.

Presentation of Natural Amenities:

The greens in front of the college were well maintained but the area near the castle should be kept free of weeds and litter. The triangle green at road to Kilcock could be presented better with some effort. The problems with toilets and playground were noted. The entrance to Carton Amenity Walk was very dirty. Flowers on Square were noted:

Appearance Of Approach Roads:

Approach from Kilcock is quite good up to the green (triangle) - try to tackle this. From Dunboyne - the appearance was good and restored wall noted. Appearance of approach from Leixlip was reduced due to Livestock Sales, Quinnsnorth, and litter opposite Quinnsnorth. Try to be more creative.

Presentation Of Residential Areas:

Overall, quite a good performance in this section. Comments: Moyglare Village, relatively clean, weeds should be cleared from kerb. Parsons Lodge - clean and tidy. Cluain Aoibhinn - entrance very good and tidy throughout. Newtown Court - tidy. Crescent, Greenfield and Straffan Way were all well kept, while Laurence Avenue needed grass cut on adjudication day. Kingsbry was nice. Beaufield - nice entrance and Greenfield Park was well presented.

County Kildare

	Centre	1992	Mark (%)
Category A	Calverstown	112	(44.8%)
	Caragh	131	(52.4%)
	Johnstown	188	(75.2%)
	Johnstown Bridge	132	(52.8%)
	Kilmead	142	(56.8%)
	Kilmeague	140	(56.0%)
	Moone	164	(65.6%)
	Robertstown	125	(50.0%)
	Timolin	167	(66.8%)
	Ballytore	168	(67.2%)
Category B	Kilkea	169	(67.6%)
	Kilteel	127	(50.8%)
	Milltown-Kildare	158	(63.2%)
	Narraghmore	179	(71.6%)
	Prosperous	143	(57.2%)
	Straffan	166	(66.4%)
	Suncroft	104	(41.6%)
	Ballymore Eustace	159	(63.6%)
	Coill Dubh	155	(62.0%)
	Kilcock	151	(60.4%)
Category C	Kill	192	(76.8%)
	Sallins	139	(55.6%)
	Clane	185	(74.0%)
	Kilcullen	142	(56.8%)
	Rathangan	156	(62.4%)
	Kildare	133	(53.2%)
	Maynooth	116	(46.4%)
	Athy	157	(62.8%)
	Droichead Nua	140	(56.0%)
	Leixlip	139	(55.6%)
Category F	Naas	172	(68.8%)

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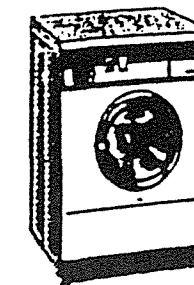
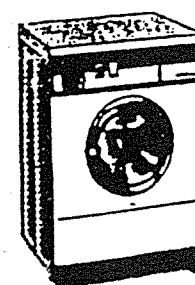
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ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

Church Services

There will be no service in Maynooth on Sunday 4th October as the united Harvest Festival takes place this year in St. Seachnall's Church, Dunshaughlin, the preacher at this service will be Rev. Jimmy Hammond our former Rector.

11th October Eucharist, 10.30. 18th October morning prayer, 10.30. 25th October Eucharist, 10.30.

A travelling supper is to be held in aid of Parish funds on Friday 9th October, commencing in the Angel's home at 8 p.m. and travelling to Satchwell's home and then to the new G.A.A. Social Club where music will be provided.

Tickets are available from Sheila Jolley 6286187 and Cherry Prendergast 6285635.

TAE KWON-DO NEWS

More good news for Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do school as two more members are promoted to the rank of 1st Dan Black Belt. Ciara Power (14) Greenfield Drive and Andrew Clarke (17) Parson Street were granted those grades following promotional examinations under the Republic of Ireland Tae Kwon-Do Association. This brings to 5 the number of student Black Belts in Maynooth, with several more due to take similar examinations next Spring.

In November of this year, the entire school will take part in the R.I.T.A. National Championships in Dublin. It was this prestigious overall winner award that the members took home to Maynooth in 1990. Hopes are high for this year.

But this is not the only event on the calendar. It is hoped to send two of the schools members to a Junior International Competition to be held in Italy early in December. There is most definitely the quality and calibre in Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do, but not so the funds for such a venture. To send 2 competitors and one official/coach will cost about £1200 and the members are about to set about on a fundraising campaign and it is here that the instructors are calling on, for the first time, financial support from the community. If two sponsors could be found for the 2 students, it would go a long way. Offers of support would be positively considered. Meanwhile, the school will continue to expand and will again be starting beginners classes in October/November. Classes cover all age groups for twelve years and upwards and incorporate quite a lot of general fitness-building coupled with a pleasant balance of self-defence and traditional martial arts training.

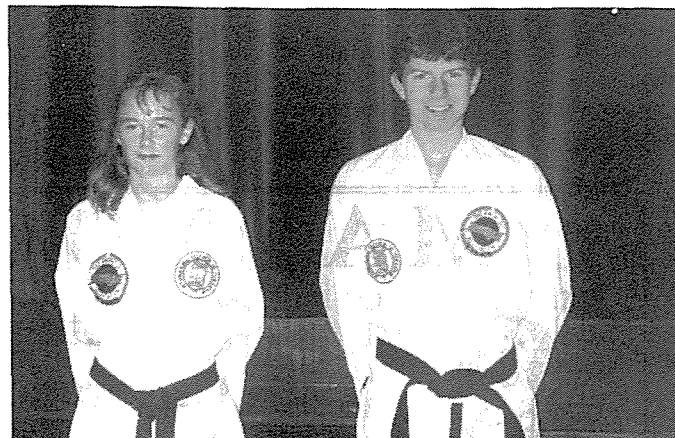
(Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School is a member of the Irish Martial Arts Commission - Government recognised).

We would like to thank the community for its support to date. Enquiries: 6280868 or Parish Hall, Mondays 7p.m.

Gerard McClelland
3rd Dan Instructor



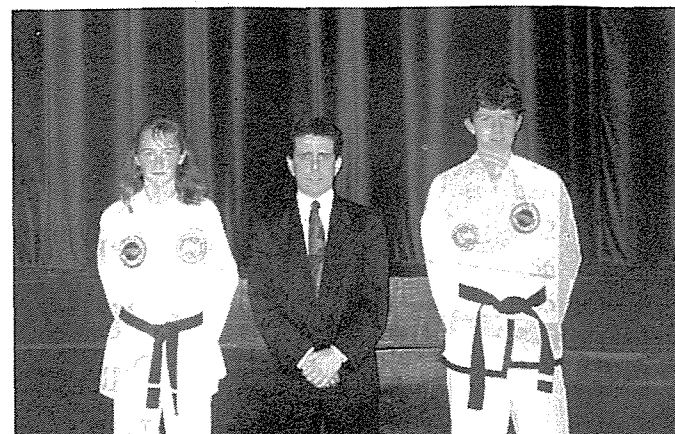
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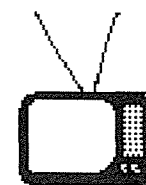
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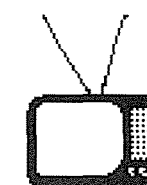
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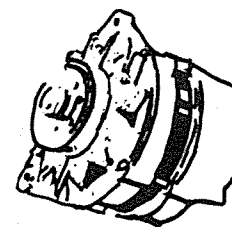
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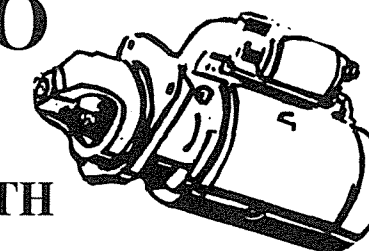
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ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

As you know we had our Flag Weekend from 4th to 6th of September. All contributions were very welcome, however, we are still in need of your support. Our Race Night will be held soon. Full details will be given in next months issue of the Newsletter.

Our "junior" members have progressed enormously with the help of their dedicated teachers. Congratulations to you all. Another congratulations to all the students who received their examination results. Well done everyone!!

Bookings for engagements should be made in writing to: Hon. Sec. Elaine Bean, The Band Hall, Pound Lane, Mill Street, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

As this is the first term of the new year we would like to welcome everyone back and a special welcome to new members. Our first term runs from 5th September to the 14th November inc. There will be no swim on 24th October (Bank Holiday).

Fees are as follows:

One child	£23.00
2 children	£41.00
3 children	£59.00
4 children	£72.00
5 children	£90.00

Fees to be paid by 26th September please.

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Each member will receive a list of swimming club rules and bus rotas, parents are asked to take note of same.

New members welcome, any parent wishing to put their child's name on the waiting list please contact Ms. Aine Hearn Kennedy, any member of the committee or the Newsletter.

On behalf of the club we would like to thank all the outgoing committee members for their hard work over the years.

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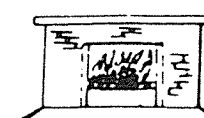
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Another very successful Summer Project has come and gone. The highlight of the project this year for the children anyway, was without doubt the trip to "Gauntlet". For me it was a certain night in Donadea when three of our teenagers brought some of us leaders for a walk through the forest.

After an absence of two years camp returned to the project and the project returned to Ballinakill. In spite of the unpredictable weather, the sub-zero temperatures of the local swimming pool and our failed attempts to find the lost dog at three o'clock in the morning, we hope everybody had a great time.

Now a special word of thanks to our young leaders and our parents who helped out. With 100-150 children every day we really need all the help we can get. For sure our day trips could not take place without the help of all these people. To our bus-drivers, thanks for your patience, to Lenny Murphy who organised our soccer tournament, to Sean Donovan for his donation to our end of project party and to Gerry Mulcahy for his donation to our camp.

As 1992 Summer Project ends so too does the term of office of the 1991-1992 committee. Our new committee is; Josie Moore - Chairperson, Catherine Mulready - Treasurer, Mary Horn - Secretary, Mary McMahon - Minutes Secretary, Delma Walsh - P.R.O.

Our next event to watch for is our Christmas fair. More about that in the next issue of *The Newsletter*.

Delma Walsh.

MAYNOOTH SCOUTS

"We Will Be Back" Say Scouts

The Maynooth Scouts have vowed to return to the Melvin Trophy Finals next year with a vengeance. They plan to put forward two teams for the Regional Competition and the hope is to get 1st and 2nd and send them forward to the national final. Competition within the troop for places on the teams is intense and training will begin in September.

This year's team returned from Cork on Sunday 24th August a very tired bunch after 4 days of very hard competition. As it was their first time at this level they found it very tough both mentally and physically. They were placed 50th out of a total of 60 patrols from all 32 counties. The team made a lot of friends over the 4 days and look forward to seeing them again next year. The people of Maynooth can be proud of the way the town was represented at this event as the scouts left a very good impression on other unit leaders and scouts alike.

We would also like to thank the following local businesses for their kind and generous support in the lead up to this event:-

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The scout leaders would also like to apologise for not naming one of the team in our last article. He was the one and only Garret "Elvis" Galligan. We humbly beg his forgiveness.

MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

I hope those of you who came enjoyed the talks on Maynooth's history, and our thanks to both eloquent speakers, Mr. Arnold Horner and Mary Cullen.

Currently on display are a selection of photographs from the Lawrence, Eason and Valentine collections.

The 15th of October heralds the beginning of Childrens' Book Festival, running from the 15th to 24th October inclusive. There follows a timetable of proposed events.

Thursday 15th October - Fancy Dress Parade, the theme of which is "My Favourite Book Character" starting point is the library at 3.30p.m.

Friday 16th October - Nursery Rhyme Time at 11.30 a.m. Launch of the "Reading Tree" - watch the tree grow as a leaf is added for each book read - at 3.30p.m.

Monday 19th October - Tom McCaughren, well-known author of wildlife adventures, pays a visit to Maynooth, at 3.30p.m.

Tuesday 20th October - Literary Quiztime at 3.30p.m.

Wednesday 21st October - Dewey Treasure Chase at 3.30p.m.

Thursday 22nd October - Closing date for all competitions.

Friday 23rd October - Face painting by Postman Pats Pillarbox at 2.15p.m. Prize giving at 3.45.

In addition to the above activities, other competitions will take place. Write-a-story competition, design a logo competition and two colouring competitions. So if you're not in, you can't win some of the wonderful prizes that will be available to the winners.

For more details, contact the library. Some new fiction titles added to stock include the following:

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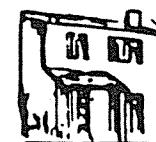
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

September 15th was an eventful day for the Maynooth Flower Club. Two of our members, Noeleen O'Brien and Sarah Angel competed in the first round of the Inter Club Championships in Drogheda. We are delighted to tell you that they qualified for the next round which will be held in Cork next year.

That same day, Felicity Satchwell was successful in qualifying for "Flower Arranger of the Year" - a title which Felicity has won already in the past.

We heartily congratulate Felicity, Noeleen and Sarah and wish them the very best of luck in future rounds.

Then in the evening of the 15th we were privileged to have a demonstration by Beatrice Stewart from Dundrum Club, (also a winner of "Flower Arranger of the Year") Beatrice's demonstration entitled "Back to Basics" showed us old and new techniques for the basics of flower arranging. A fitting end to a very happy, entertaining and satisfying day.

Our next meeting on October 20th will be the A.G.M. We urge all members to attend. We would like to see some new faces on the committee, bringing new ideas to the club. There will be a slide show of Flower Festivals given by Gordon Paff after the business meeting.

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- maintain their credit worthiness and capacity to borrow.

So it may be wiser for you not to withdraw your savings, but instead to take a loan with repayments suited to your financial circumstances. Your credit union will be best able to advise you of any special conditions relating to the withdrawal of savings.

Security of Shares (Savings)

There are many layers of protection covering savings in the credit union.

Borrowing

Only members may apply for a loan. Loans may be granted for any good reason if:

- you show that you have a need
- can prove your ability and intent to repay.

Applications for loans are made on a Loan Application Form. Each application is treated in confidence on its merits. It is credit union policy to meet the borrowing requirements of as many members as possible. Thus for example, within its central principle of equity, a number of small loans may be given priority over one or two big ones.

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Our congratulations to Kilcloon Credit Union who recently won the Chapters Table Quiz. Our thanks also goes to our young team of Louise and Graham Loane, Anita and Miriam Gormally who represented Maynooth very well in this quiz.

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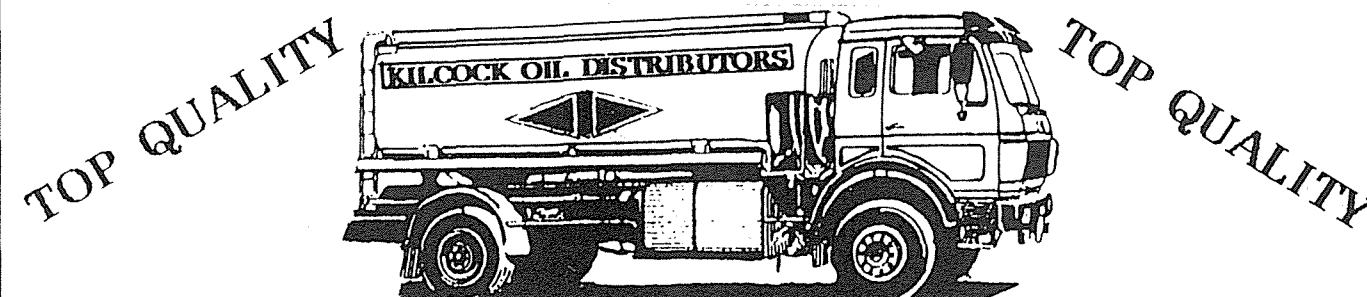
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Minister for Health (Mrs. O'Rourke): Under the 1970 Health Act, national school-going children are entitled to free dental treatment in respect of defects noted at health board dental examinations. Most health boards have now adopted a school based system for the delivery of dental services to school children. This approach aims to examine all children in specific classes and to provide treatment if necessary. The classes chosen are usually first or second class and sixth class. These classes are chosen with preventive measures in mind and to ensure that children are dentally fit before they leave national school. All eligible children can avail of an emergency service which is available on demand.

Second level school pupils, as a group, do not qualify for free dental services under the Act. However, at present eligibility is extended to children in this group in the following circumstances: if they require treatment in respect of dental defects detected at child health examinations while still at national school: if they are dependants of persons with full eligibility: and if they are dependants of persons who are judged by the chief executive of the health board to be unable to provide a specific service for themselves or their dependants without undue hardship.

Priority is given to the school based service by all of the health boards. In a small number of areas, particularly in Roscommon and Mayo, the service had been restricted up to the recent past because of a shortage of manpower. The position in these areas is now improving and new dentists have been appointed to serve both counties.

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MAYNOOTH ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

A meeting was held last Monday 13th of September and the meeting was adjourned as a mark of respect to the family of the late Rita O'Reilly who will be sadly missed by all the community.

The next meeting is on Monday the 5th October.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A. NOTES

The I.C.A. meeting for September was held on Thursday 3rd, and due to the recent deaths of two of our prominent guild members Maisie McMyler and Rita O'Reilly and as a mark of respect the business of the meeting was adjourned. Votes of sympathy were passed to both families.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 1st October at 8 o'clock.

A Tribute to Maisie

The untimely death of Maisie McMyler left Maynooth Guild of the I.C.A. numbed and shocked. She passed away on Tuesday morning 25th August, after a short illness.

During her twenty seven years of membership of the guild she held every position on the committee at local level. At federation level she served 3 years as President and only completed her term of office in May of this year, she was also produce promoter and represented the Federation on the Kildare E.R.A.D. committee. Besides her work at local and county level she was also Chairperson of the National Executive and also a member of the National Arts Committee and had just returned from the Hague as the voting delegate at the A.C.W.W. triennial conference.

Maisie's death will leave a void in the Guild that will be difficult to fill, with her inexhaustable knowledge and experience of I.C.A. matters. She always made herself available if any member had a problem.

We will always remember Maisie for her happy smiling face, and her cheerful disposition, her limitless generosity and her unassuming nature.

We offer our sincere and deepest sympathy to Tom, Gerard, Francis, Sarah and Maria and her relatives.

A Tribute to Rita O'Reilly

A second sad occasion for our Guild was the death of Mrs. O'Reilly on the 30th August after a short illness.

She was one of the founder members of our Guild and during that forty years she held various positions on the committee and was President on several occasions.

At the time of the formation of the Guild, Rita was a tireless worker and as a result of her hard work the opportunity arose for Maynooth I.C.A. to acquire its own premises. Both Rita's late husband Eugene and her late father did trojan work putting the hall into order. She was an excellent cook and crafts person and was also very much involved in the drama, but she excelled herself at the quiz competitions and helped to bring many a trophy back to the Guild.

Down through the years Rita had the thankless job of key holder for our hall for which we are greatly indebted. Rita was a very dedicated and knowledgeable I.C.A. member, her kindness and generosity especially to new members will always be remembered. We extend our sincere sympathy to all her family.

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Our annual get together was held in the G.A.A. Club and was greatly enjoyed by all who were there. Food was provided for all who said they were coming. It was unfortunate that several did not turn up, but the regulars in the club were able to share with us and nothing was left after. Music was provided by Noel Brady and our Jerry and Phil McDermott filled in during the break. The only complaint was that the night was not long enough. Our grateful thanks to all who made it such an enjoyable night. And to our sponsors who gave generously. Westside Carpets, Cassidys The Roost, Danny Casey (Casey Courts), Phil McLoughlin, G.A.A. Club, Newtown Stores, Castle Restaurant, Freddie of Dawsons and Mrs. O'Keefe for her lovely Gateaux. And our thanks to the G.A.A. who went out of their way to ensure that we were able to enjoy the night with no problems. A general meeting to reactivate Neighbourhood Watch will be held soon.

My grateful thanks to the students in No. 31 Cluain Aoibhinn for looking after my pot and shrub which they kept in the house last term. And also to the students who carried my garden seat all the way to 136 Meadowbrook and kept it dry in the shed. It was a pity they did not bring it back and save their Landlord the embarrassment of having to give it back for them.

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A GUIDE TO PLANNING A FITNESS PROGRAMME

Being in shape and keeping fit should be fun and enjoyable. The particular means to achieving this, and staying in good condition, however, must suit an individual's taste. Nowadays we look at our entire body in all its components, much like a car, Body, Engine, Fuel, except in a human, physical, mental, emotional. We should examine our complete lifestyle, our environment, our state of fulfilment. To be completely fit, we need to train both mind and body, and harmonise both. From a physical point of view, safety in training is paramount. Firstly before beginning any physical training programme, it would be wise to consult your local G.P., especially if you have led a sedentary life style for years, with elbow raising as your only physical pursuit. Secondly learn to read your pulse rate. This is your safety guideline, your training guideline. Your pulse rate is divided into three different sections for this purpose. (A) Your resting pulse rate (best taken first thing in the morning when awakening). (B) Training pulse rate. (C) Max pulse rate. On average your resting pulse for the untrained tends to be between 70-80 beats per minute, slightly higher in females. For training your pulse will guide you for safety and effectiveness of your programme. For a beginner anything from 110 to 120 should be reached, however, stop immediately if dizzy, or short of breath. This level should be continued for 15 to 20 minutes to become effective, three to four times a week, reaching on average 120 to 140 beats per minute after several weeks. When we can sustain this level for twenty to thirty minutes, we now become aerobically fit, i.e. Aerobic with oxygen, training with O₂. Heart and lungs become fitter. Because this is a short and untechnical article, I will only outline the basic principles of a safe programme. Our max pulse rate is a level we can train to, before it becomes dangerous. A general guide line 200 minus age, e.g. An 18 year old can train to around 180 beats per minute. 208 minus age for females. Train within your safety scale. The higher rates apply to serious trained athletes. "Train don't strain". Listen to your body, take your pulse. Finally to be fit, the entire body needs to be fit, not just one part. It is no good being able to run 26 miles if we cannot complete 30 push-ups correctly. We look for an overall programme, and these are its components the four "S's": Speed, Stamina, Suppleness, Strength. Employ each of these in a programme and you have the key to a very fit body. Remember safety, at all times, slow but sure is the key. Have fun and keep fit.

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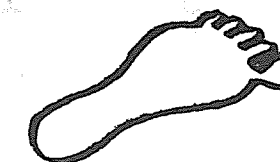
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ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

There was a hive of activities for the young of Cluain Aoibhinn before they headed back to school. Firstly the Residents' Association organised a trip to Mosney. Twenty six youngsters took off with six leaders for a fun day out. From going in the bumpers to even driving rally cars a great day was had by all. The group also had a chance to use the swimming pool facilities with the thrilling dragon slide. The chant on the way home was 'when are we going again?' Thanks must go to the leaders who organised the trip.

The second event was a fun day and barbeque on Cluain Aoibhinn's green. With prizes galore for fun events the day was enjoyable for all concerned. I think the mother's of Cluain Aoibhinn would have been quite happy with the fact that their children were so full after the fabulous food from the barbeque that they didn't require tea. The highlight of the day must have been when one of the leaders (and he shall remain nameless) organised a water fight which ended up with only him getting saturated much to the delight of the kids. Thanks must go to the Residents' Association and all the helpers who turned out on the day both to cook and organise the fun games. All we say in Cluain Aoibhinn is "roll on next Summer"!!

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So the poor parent quickly rushes off to the nearest refuge, usually, a cold cramped loo where, as any parent who has ever changed a nappy knows, this is where a battle can begin. In these confines with back breaking, sweat having a marathon, and baby wriggling, screaming and intrusions, plus the nasty soiled nappy, becomes a major problem to dispose. The loving parent battles on in the hope that one day their prayers will be answered, and like the miracle of creation the powers to be, will provide the needed and necessary facilities to the hard pressed parents and every grateful baby.

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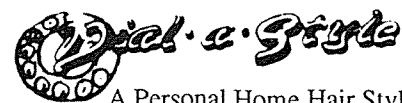
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BOLTING TO SUCCESS

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A Bodhrán player sits on a large bolt making music on an old metal disc, a warrior plunges into battle, spear in readiness, or a gladiator wields his weapon as he dashes into the arena. The seemingly impossible task of giving new 'life' to nuts and bolts and creating a wonderfilled sculpture is achieved with seeming ease by Eric. Although only recently exhibiting his work publicly, he has been greatly pleased by the excited reception his work has received.

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Currently living in Maynooth, he has taken advantage of it's closeness to Dublin and large provincial towns, to exhibit his work and gain inspiration from other artists.

Currently he is busy preparing for his public exhibition in November in the Kilcock Gallery - his work is also available from the Country Shop in Maynooth, Enniskerry Gallery, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow.

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FILM REVIEW

Alien 3 (Sigourney Weaver, Charles Dance, Brian Glover)
Alien 3 takes up where its brilliant predecessor Aliens left off, with Ripley (Sigourney Weaver) and the two other survivors of the previous massacre crash landing on a bleak, distant planet, a maximum security prison colony inhabited by an all-male community of rapists and murderers. Once again the apparently indestructible alien makes its appearance and, inevitably, runs amok through the claustrophobic maze of corridors at the prison, chewing and chopping its way through the stranded, weaponless prisoners. Director David Fincher does a marvelous job, measuring up well to the successes of James Cameron and Ridley Scott who directed the previous Alien incarnations. This is a dark, frightening film, written incidentally by Vincent Ward of The Navigator fame, which, though quite heavy-handed and self-consciously symbolic at times, is well worth seeing. The special effects are, of course, quite disgusting. Do not make the mistake of going to the film alone.

Unforgiven

I can forgive Clint Eastwood an awful lot for making this wonderful film. The plot revolves around Eastwood, a former gunman and killer for hire, now turned arthritic pig farmer on the Kansas prairies.

Possibly because CAP prices in the 1880's were giving a lousy return for arthritic pigs, Eastwood is persuaded to make one last killing to raise a few hundred dollars to do up the old homestead. His wife had died of smallpox some years earlier, leaving him with two young children, whom he leaves alone while he goes

off to the town of the Big Whiskey to bump off two cowboys. This was the hard old west so you didn't need babysitters in them days. He is joined by his old pal, played by Morgan Freeman (he's a little sprightlier than Eastwood) and the half blind Sholfield Kid, who is doing the job to pay for his glasses. Their prey are two cowboys, one of whom has slashed the face of a prostitute in the local 'billiard hall', thereby ruining her future earning potential. The prostitutes have put up 1000 dollars to anyone who can kill the two boys, after the local sheriff, played by Gene Hackman refused to exact retribution on their behalf. The trio succeed in their mission and Eastwood rides off into the drizzle, to prosper in San Francisco where he flourishes in dry goods.

This plot synopsis in no way pays justice to this film, or to the performances, which must be of Oscar standard. The film portrays a brutish frontier land where life is of little consequence. The people seem to have spent their lives struggling against nature, against each other, trying to subdue a harsh environment, and make a living there. The niceties of civilised life have yet to come, and people seem to be able to communicate only through violence or inarticulate grunts. Yet, things are changing. The train brings people in and out of the town. The voyeurs are arriving to savour and romanticise the heroic old west, which it is made clear several times never existed. Killing is not as easy as it looks in the films, and people have to live with the consequences of what they do. This is an absorbing film, and well worth seeing.

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IR£20 All genuine currency have built in safety devices, metal strip, watermarks etc. Always put the note up to the light and look for the metal strip. Look at the reverse side of the IR£20 and compare it to a genuine note. In particular check for errors in print, colouring, quality of paper. If in doubt, do not accept. Always be cautious, check with your local bank who will offer more advice, and above all if you have taken a note which you suspect is dud, contact the Garda.

Alarms The level of alarms notified to the Garda Síochana annually is in the region of 250,000. Of those approx. 15,000 are genuine and 235,000 are false. This is a substantial waste of Garda time and resources investigating false alarms. From 1st September 1992, the Garda authorities have introduced a new policy document aimed to reduce the level of false alarms. This policy does not however apply to residential alarm systems which does not automatically transmit an activation signal to a monitoring station or Garda station.

The following procedure applies where alarm installation shows an unacceptable pattern of false alarms.

1. After four false calls in any six month period the Garda will send a warning letter to owner of premises and a copy for the Insurance Company.
2. After six false calls in a rolling period of six months, the Garda will inform the owner that they will no longer respond to alarm activations for that premises.
3. If Garda service is withdrawn, you can apply to have it restored after a three month period free of all false activations.
4. Garda response may also be withdrawn if keyholders fail to respond promptly.

Over the last few years the Garda have endeavoured, unsuccessfully to ensure a voluntary improvement in this situation, hence the need for a new policy with an effective sanction to deal with persistent offenders.

Post Primary School

We ask that all parents who collect students attending Maynooth Post Primary not to park outside the school. The obvious dangers are there for all to see. There is adequate car parking in the grounds of the parish hall, so please use same.

Retirement

Garda Michael Dillane has decided to retire from the Garda Síochana after 31 years service. Mick has served the people of Maynooth for 22 years. A very popular Garda, Mick made many friends in the community and will be missed by his colleagues. To coincide with the date of his retirement a Presentation Dinner Dance has been arranged for Friday 16th October 1992 at Westmanston Garda Leisure Centre, Lucan. Tickets @ £12.50 are available at the station. We look forward to a huge turnout on the night.

IRISH DANCING

As the long winter nights set in many people once again begin night classes. Frank and Bobby Keenan have re-opened their set dancing class in St. Joseph's Hall, Kilcock on Wednesday nights at 8.30.

They are extremely well known in the field as they teach in Meath and Kildare and are highly respected for their excellent teaching skills. The classes are relaxed and after a few weeks one is able to partake in a ceilí.

There is a very good social life attached to set dancing with a ceilí being held on the last Friday of each month in the North Kildare Club. Ceilís are also held frequently in the Bridge Bar Enfield where there is a well established tradition in Irish music and dancing. Frank and Bobby also organise a number of low cost all inclusive week-ends away to various parts of the West during the year.

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From Row

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Second Row

L-R Pat Weafer, Joe Buckley (Snr.), Ted Clarke, Séan Weafer, Sean Smyth, Dudley Benneth, Breda Reilly and Sheila Murray.

Third Row

L-R Mrs. Cusack, Maureen Loftus, Mick Loftus, Kitty Moylan, Dymphna Fearnely, Breda Moore, Matt Weafer, Nellie Weafer, Kathleen Clarke, Bubbles Reilly, Babs Mulread, Sheila Mulread, Harry Flood, Sheila Coyne, Monica Connolly, Olive Reilly, Johnny Browne and Paddy Dunne.

Fourth Row

L-R Babs Moen, Marie Cusker, Maisie Keane, Paddy Timmons and Frank Browne.

Fifth Row

L-R Maureen Reilly, Pauline Browne, Mary Cusker, Patsy Malone, Tom Flood, Essie Flood, Violet Cusker, Nano Coogan, Jack Connolly and Kevin Connolly.

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REVIEW COBWEB 7

The Maynooth-based literary magazine *Cobweb* has, since its inception in April 1990, provided a platform for 'quality' writing for the College and lately for other universities and the country as a whole. I use the word 'quality' with hesitation. The judgement that a particular work has 'quality', that it is 'good', is a notoriously subjective judgement - what one person considers 'good' another may consider extremely 'bad', and vice versa. For the editor(s) of a literary magazine this elusiveness, this absence of definition, causes a great tension. An uncertainty surrounds each work in print in the final magazine. The grounds on which its 'quality' (and its place in the magazine) rests are never sure. The editors tread on eggshells, unwilling perhaps, to leave something out which may be 'good', or to include something that may be 'bad'. No 'standard' exists against which to judge.

What does *Cobweb* consider 'good'? What is *Cobweb's* 'standard'? How does it define 'quality' when such a definition is so elusive? The tension inherent in the attempt to define (make objective) the undefinable manifests itself visibly in *Cobweb 7*, the latest issue of the magazine.

The tension in *Cobweb 7* centres on the declared concern of this issue of the magazine with 'story'. Specifically the tension centres on a dichotomy (made in the editorial) between 'private audiences of one' and 'a communal response'. This tension is played out in the fascinating fantasy piece 'Maxen's Dream', a long story which dominates the magazine. 'Maxen's Dream' places itself on the thin border that divides 'private audience' from 'communal response'. It celebrates, exuberantly, the written word which, by definition, communicates only with the solitary reader. The story is lavish in its (written) language. At the same time this story calls forth 'the great mythological archetypes' of a communal tradition of story-telling, princes, plagues, magic, beautiful maidens, a tradition where the 'story' is a living entity in the community, an essential element in people's lives. Fairytales, perhaps, take such a place in late twentieth-century culture, tales that are read and spoken everywhere and that play a fundamental part in the growing-up experience of almost everyone. 'Maxen's Dream' hopes to engage with a community on this level, its simple story attempting to participate in life like the fairy-tale does. Between these two ambitions, to celebrate (solitary) language and to engage with the community, a great tension develops. 'Maxen's Dream' is torn between its two commitments, one side loses, and the ensuing story is characterised not by 'power' (as the editorial seems to hint) but by 'pretence'. Its language is overbearing, and the choking linguistic commitment wins out. The story is artificial, cold, solitary. Its communal ambition is frustrated - it is seduced by 'personality' (personal -ity). This tension and consequence is echoed throughout the magazine. The magazine is full of 'personalities', especially in the poetry. I refer not only to the presence of work by writers who have published full-sized collections, 'known' writers - Mary O'Donnell, Hugh O'Donnell, Ted McNulty, Sean Lysaght - but to the 'form' of these poems: they are all lyrical, centred on the individual consciousness, asserting, implicitly, the authenticity and overriding importance of the (solitary) individual. The stories are concerned with similar things. Most contemporary Irish writing speaks from this position - it is obsessed with the 'personal' and thus turns in on itself. From the solitary consciousness its path proceeds directly to the solitary reader. The community is by-passed, the craving for living 'stories' ignored. Like most, if not all, literary magazines in Ireland *Cobweb*, to this extent, seems to move towards a position of artifice, pretence, solitude, isolation. In this one may argue that it shirks

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responsibility, judging as 'good' what has already been judged as 'good' by editors and publishers ('personalities') elsewhere. *Cobweb* becomes slowly part of the 'scene', a self-sufficient structure that feeds on itself and speaks to no-one but itself. Only 'Maxen's Dream', and perhaps the poem 'The Bog-Trotter', promise (but ultimately do not deliver) revision, response, awareness.

This, of course, is not the fault of *Cobweb*. Literature in Ireland at present is dominated by 'personality', thus cutting itself off, presenting itself as elitist, difficult, inaccessible. To survive as a 'literary' magazine, to grow, *Cobweb* must allow itself be similarly seduced. To sell more copies it must, it seems, include work by 'personalities'.

What can be done? *Cobweb* should survive, because of its disruptive and vibrant potential. Perhaps a policy of anonymity could be introduced, a first radical step towards eliminating 'personality' from the magazine? Perhaps more risks need to be taken which, like 'Maxen's Dream', may not deliver but are alive with promise? Most of all a redefinition of what 'literary' means is needed.

Cobweb is a superbly produced magazine, in presentation perhaps one of the better magazines in the country. It is also excellent value at only £2. My criticisms, thankfully are my own subjective judgement. I heartily encourage everyone to buy this magazine, to enjoy and judge for themselves.

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STREET TALKING

Property values in Maynooth.

The Street Talking column of August 1991 reviewed the property market in the Maynooth area. It pointed out that the development of housing in Maynooth had been a feature of the last twenty or so years. Last year the property market was busiest and prices were roughly comparable to those in Dublin. New estates were coming on stream in Moyglare and Meadowbrook. These developments are now nearing completion and the main new estate being developed at the moment is Rockfield on the Maynooth to Celbridge Road. There is also a new apartment complex being built near the rectory to be known as Parsons Court. Planning permission also exists for the development of new housing complexes, consisting of eighty town houses on the former C.I.E. land near the railway station.

The price range for second hand housing in Maynooth is approximately £40,000 for a three bedroom/terraced house, £42,500 to £45,000 for a three bedroom semi detached house with new houses at Rockfield starting at £49,950 with a limited number of houses costing in the region of £80,000. The new apartments being built at Parsons Court will cost £45,000. The type of houses being built in Maynooth tend to be the middle class/commuter type with a very muted market for the very expensive luxury housing sector.

According to Gerard Brady & Co. Auctioneers, the market for houses in Maynooth is fairly buoyant at the moment. The development of the motorway which should be completed by October 1994 should harden the market but should not unduly push prices up. With improving communications, both road and rail, to Dublin, and the presence of both the Intel factory and St Patrick's College, the market should remain steady for the foreseeable future. The purchasing of houses as an investment will probably decline with the recent abolition of the Section 23 Scheme, whereby the cost of the house could be written off against tax over a ten year period but this should not have a significant long-term effect.

Maynooth will probably grow in a steady but unspectacular fashion. *The Newsletter* would like to thank Gerard Brady & Co. Auctioneers for their help in compiling this column and we would also like to point out that all the prices given in the column are approximations only.

Legal Services

A new Solicitor's Practice has commenced in Maynooth. Mary Cowhey B.C.L., who formerly worked in Naas and Newbridge will specialise in family law, litigation and administration of estates, house purchasing as well as general legal services. Her office is situated on the Main Street above Coonan's Auctioneers and she can also be contacted at Tel. No. (01) 6285711 or Fax No. 6285613.

In our review of legal services in the Maynooth area in the May edition we inadvertently omitted the practice of Declan O'Connor LL.M. His practice is at 35 Greenfield Drive, Tel. No. 6286043. He deals with property transactions, accident claims, court work, the drafting of wills, and the administration of estates.

Thrift Shop for Maynooth

The Maynooth Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has recently opened a thrift shop. Located in the Greenfields

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LOOKING BACK WITH THE NEWSLETTER

As part of our looking back service, the *Newsletter* has dredged up some memories from the October 1978 issue. Just think, just fourteen years ago, you could have bought a new car, and a house, and still have change out of 15000 pounds. And the *Newsletter* was a mere ten pence, although there were only sixteen pages, so the current *Newsletter* is not such bad value after all.

The front page featured a young Gerard Brady who had set up in business in Maynooth, six months previously. Already he was able to report successful auction results. Three houses in Greenfield Drive had fetched between 14500 and 15250 pounds. For 14000 pounds, a house in Cluain Aoibhinn or Railpark could be yours, or if that was a little expensive, a semi detached in Maynooth Park had gone for a mere 12000 pounds. As another reminder of how inflation creeps up on you, Ryan and Tyrrell were advertising new vauxhall vivas for 2757.

An extension to Laraghbryan Cemetery also made front page news, while a letter from a 'Parishioner' suggested that more attention be paid to the other two cemeteries in Maynooth - Grangewilliam and Moyglare, as these were still open for clients, but were in a dreadful state of repair.

Greenfield Residents Association, ever vigilant, informed its members that some of them would probably already have been visited by the communal 'ariel' and the rest should have theirs within a short time (must have been those travelling washing powder men, always trying to get you to change from Daz to Radion). The Railpark Residents Association moaned about the poor attendance at the September meeting, and made a plea to residents to make sure the stays of their trees were loosened, to avoid strangulation.

Maynooth had received 102 marks in the Tidy Towns Competition. The editor was apoplectic. Mary Cullen produced a further instalment on Our Heritage - this time focusing on the background of the National Board of Education, set up in 1831, which profoundly affected the pattern of primary schools in Maynooth.

Dresses were clearing in the Moulin Rouge for 4.99. McElhinneys of Athboy had opened a man's shop in the Greenfield Shopping centre, which sold everything for the fashion conscious male, including two styles of sheepskins. Mr. Patrick Neligan (still with us) became the first solicitor to set up business in Maynooth. Bernard Durkan reported on the County Council's approaches to the IDA, seeking more industry for the Leixlip/Maynooth area. Once again, the Leinster Arms announced that it was now under new management, that hot lunches would be served every day, and that the cocktail bar would be open from 8.30p.m.

The problem competition for the September issue was won by a B Mulleague in Railpark. The correct answer was of course, The son, of Pharaoh's daughter, is the daughter of Pharaoh's, son. Now what was the question? The ambulance service had been withdrawn from Maynooth, although the fire brigade was still in operation. A book, cake and oddments sale in aid of the Community Council funds had been arranged for October 21st in the Geraldine Hall.

The 8th Kildare, St. Mary's Unit scout camp was held in Roscrea in July and was enjoyed by all, especially the twenty four hour endurance hike. This was endured by Sean Donovan, Peter Kennedy, Albert Boyd, Noel Kerins and Liam Scanlon,

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who not alone survived, but enjoyed their trip back to nature. A grave shortage of leaders was noted and males and females were invited to consider offering their services. A new youth club was announced. As it was all of one week in existence, details of activities were sketchy.

The swimming club reported on a successful AGM, with a new executive sweeping to power. The secretary was Eilis O'Malley, the treasurer Margaret Molloy. The club announced a most interesting policy that it was not possible to start two children from the one family at the same time as it was felt that the older child would be put at a disadvantage. There may have been some logic at work here, but what kind?

Dr. Maurice Cowhey was congratulated on his conferral with his various degrees, and was to take up an appointment at the Mater Hospital. John and Bridget Saults had celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on 14th September. The stork had visited Shay and Marian Brennan, Vincent and Catherine Mulready, Mark and Dolores Keely, Maura and James Dowling and Clair and George Green. Peter Dowling (oh wondrous servant of alcoholic libations), had left Caulfields after seven years hard labour as a 'curate' to enter All Hallows Drumcondra for training to become a real curate. Students were welcomed back to Maynooth with ne'er a reservation or polite request to act civilised.

John O'Neill, Sister Annette and David Lawlor had passed on and sympathy to their families was extended. And that was it for October 1978.

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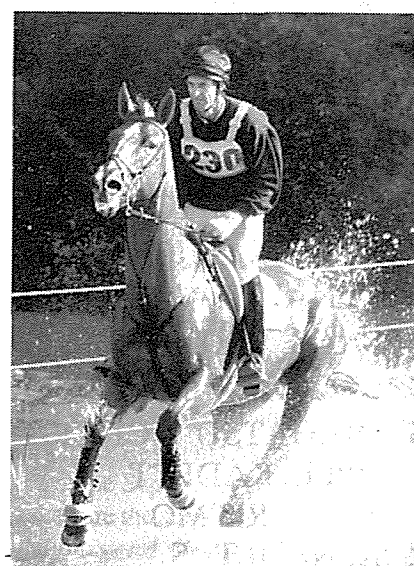
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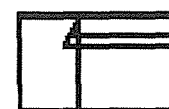
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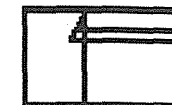
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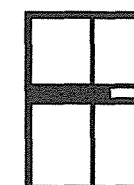
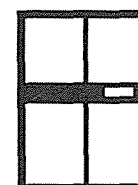
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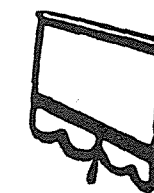
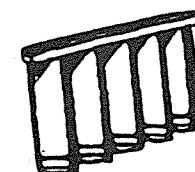
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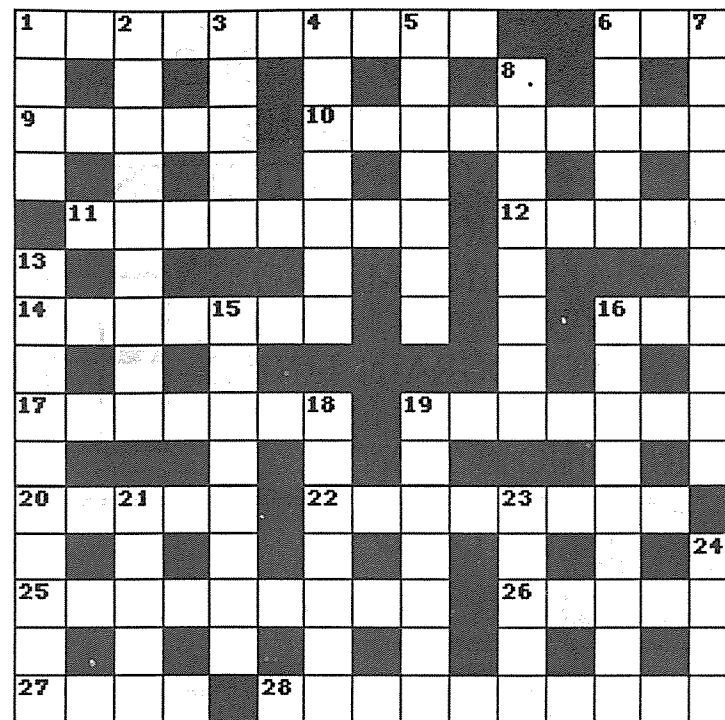
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CROSSWORD NO. 59



Entries before 5.00 p.m. Friday 16th October

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Across:

1. An upset lift grazed local historic family (10)
6. Diamonds are this gal's best pal (3)
9. 'E confuses her in a lane (5)
10. Become corrupted, like the kind of love in the song (2,7)
11. Tiles around the tub help make the foreign film clear (8)
12. At last, I see not, but it concerns invigorating sounds (5)
14. Nag ciro, about bodily matters (7)
16. The princess couldn't sleep on this (3)
17. Her tags confuse the assembly of things, such as rosebuds (7)
19. Sounds like I showed my age, but my lover made the appointment (5,2)
20. Jump over the strongroom (5)
22. Looks like time speeds up, but you go hungry at the same time (4,4)
25. Just north of the US border, I see me before ten, and I'm up to date (3,6)
26. This person may rue by making purchases (5)
27. He was a big hit with the girls; he can still swirl the waters (4)
28. Navel nites give a hint of love usually from guess who (10)

Down:

1. In short, Father Edward might recall the Flintstones (4)
2. Get a sprout at last in the annual programme of expenditure (3,6)
3. The US soldier is jolly green (5)

4. Roll on first, body odour, and a facial twitch - it's all quite mechanical (7)
5. Did the Rye almost toll? Well it did for someone in Maynooth to the tune of quarter of a million (7)
6. Language of lovers? (5)
7. Where romances end and lifelong partnerships begin, between many a chap and a girl in Maynooth (10)
8. Put Sid off, by putting the cart before the tee (8)
13. Desire a meeting place for romantic walks in Maynooth (4,6)
15. To me, a lack of appreciation is seen (2,6)
16. He keeps us going on the Straffan Road (5,4)
18. In short, the clerical assistant has to be fair to do well in this faraway place (1,6)
19. Sid, turn around and model, that's the way to part with what you have (7)
21. Sounds like you went, but haven't reached the altar yet (5)
23. In short, Deborah comes out initially at a backwards trade union (5)
24. It's a sore thing, when he strikes, but lovers don't mind (4)

Solution to Crossword No. 58

Across:

1. Illustrate, 6. New, 9. Octet, 10. September, 11. Frenetic, 12. Teeth, 14. Oregano, 16. Ann, 17. Scythes, 18. Details, 20. Elias, 22. Panorama, 25. Disagreed, 26. Litre, 27. Ruth, 28. Pedal Cycle.

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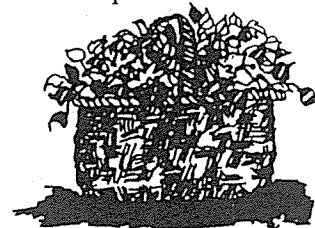
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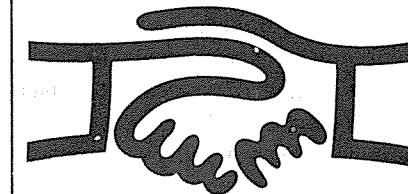
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Political Party Notes

LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Extension to Maynooth Post Primary School approved

Following representations by Deputy Emmet Stagg, the Department of Education has approved the provision of a permanent type extension rather than the previously approved prefabricated classrooms at Maynooth Post Primary School.

The Department has advised Deputy Stagg that Kildare V.E.C. has been notified of the Department's willingness to give financial assistance towards the provision of the project. This decision means that the original allocation of finance can now be used to provide masonry type accommodation. Any balance required in funding will have to be met by the Parents' Committee.

Speeding along Greenfield Lane

The County Engineer has advised Deputy Stagg that it has always been the intention to close off Greenfield Lane to through traffic from Newtown subject to agreement of the residents of the Lane. This will prevent the lane from being used as a rat run for large volumes of traffic from the Newtown Area. The timing of the closing off of the lane has been set in conjunction with the provision of the Interchange and the improvements to Straffan Road. However any delay in providing a link road from the Newtown Area to the Straffan Road Area may mean that Greenfield Lane will be closed sooner than expected. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Provision of footpath - Leinster Street

Concern has been expressed about the safety of pedestrians using Leinster Street because of the absence of a footpath. Deputy Stagg has now taken up this matter with the Council.

Upgrading Straffan Road

Plans have as yet to be finalised for the upgrading of Straffan Road. The Straffan Road Committee will be invited to the next Area Committee Meeting of the Council.

Boreen

The barrier at the entrance to the Boreen has been broken again and a caravan is parked near the entrance to Maynooth Town Soccer Clubs pitch. Deputy Stagg has taken this matter up with the County Manager.

Entrance to Leinster Park

Further to previous news on this item Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised by the County Engineer that he has been unsuccessful in obtaining funds from the National Primary Routes Grants to carry out the required repairs to the road surface at the entrance to Leinster Park. Deputy Stagg has now sought the inclusion of the required works in the 1993 Road Grants.

Greenfield Lane

To date work to the value of £20,000 allocated to repair footpaths, improve drainage and resurface the road along Greenfield Lane has not been carried out by Kildare County Council. Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the County Engineer to have this work carried out as a matter of priority.

Bond Bridge to Cluain Aoibhinn

Similarly a sum of £22,000 was allocated to repair kerbs, improve drainage and surface dress the road from Bond Bridge to Cluain Aoibhinn. Deputy Stagg has again requested the County Engineer to carry out this work.

Footpath - Convent Road

The small footpath or rather kerbed in area on the Convent side of Convent Road remains unfinished and overgrown with

weeds. It needs to be filled in and surfaced. Deputy Stagg has contacted the Council on this matter.

Labour Advice Service

Deputy Emmet Stagg continues to be available to the people of Maynooth every Saturday at 4.00 p.m. in Caulfields (Private Meeting Room).

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

County Kildare Seriously Underfunded

Local authorities in Ireland get most of their funding from central government in the form of an annual grant from the Department of the Environment. In other European countries, these grants are fixed via a formula which takes into account such things as the population and income levels of each local authority area.

In Ireland, of course, we have no such sensible system. Instead, grants are decided on an ad hoc basis, usually related to what local authorities got in the past, with the odd bit of political favouritism by individual ministers thrown in. This means that, over time, grants tend to get out of line relative to the real needs of particular areas. Thus, Kildare is still being treated as a rural county, despite the massive overspill from Dublin in the last twenty years, with its pressure on roads, schools, sewerage systems, etc.

Recently the Institute of Public Administration asked a group of consultants to examine how the system of grants might be altered if payments were made on the basis of the real needs of each local authority, and allowing for the local funds available from commercial rates. These consultants worked out a formula for assessing needs which found that 15 county councils and county boroughs should get an increased grant and 17 should get a reduced grant. They found huge discrepancies between what authorities are actually getting and what they should be getting. For example, Sligo should be getting 70 per cent more than it actually gets, while Longford should get 38 per cent less.

Democratic Left members have been arguing for years that Kildare is severely underfunded under the present system. The consultants have clearly borne this out. They found that if Kildare was to be treated equally, it should have got a grant of £5.5 millions in 1991 instead of £4.3 million i.e. it should have got 28 per cent more than was actually received. Only two counties - Cavan and Sligo - were more underfunded than Kildare. Think of the tremendous improvement in services - and the additional employment - which we could have in the county if we got the extra £1.2 millions which is our due.

Democratic Left, through local county councillor Catherine Murphy and through our Dail representatives, is working for the introduction of a new system of local government funding based on actual need rather than tradition and political whim. Your support will help us in our demand for justice and equity in the funding of local services.

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FINE GAEL NOTES

Overcrowding at School

Maynooth Post Primary School was designed to cater for approximately 550 pupils. The number enrolled for the coming year is almost 700. This 30% overload has meant that cloakrooms and resource areas have had to be converted to classrooms. The overcrowding of corridors as pupils move from class to class is reminiscent of the London Underground at rush hour.

On the 4th June Bernard Durkan asked the Minister for Education Mr Seamus Brennan if he would be willing to provide the extra classroom space needed by the school, pointing out that the Parents Association were willing to provide £40,000 towards the cost. The Minister implied that the matter was being considered in the context of the short and long term enrolments of the school and that a decision would be conveyed to the school authorities as soon as possible. Three months later and several weeks into the school year the Minister has informed the school that he is willing to provide the paltry sum of £40,000 towards additional classrooms. This effectively means that the Minister is providing for the provision of two prefab classrooms when what is needed is four permanent rooms. This response is totally inadequate and is unacceptable to staff, pupils and parents. We call on the Minister to review his decision and make a more realistic offer immediately.

Unemployment:

Addressing an Open Forum on Job Creation, organised by Fine Gael, at the Keadeen Hotel, on the 14th September, Bernard Durkan stated that the compulsory work schemes, being proposed by the Government for those on the dole, were not the way to motivate people and get them back to work. Instead he suggested the Government adopt the Fine Gael policy of providing a working dividend or premium which would ensure that those taking part in such schemes would take home £25.00 per week more than when they were on the dole.

Dublin Road Drainage:

It is gratifying to see that the many representations made by Bernard Durkan to the County Council concerning the flooding of the Dublin Road have borne fruit. We congratulate our local engineer and his staff on the work done so far and trust they will complete the work in respect of the flooding along O'Neill Park, opposite the Cattle Mart, in the near future.

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One of Maynooth's best known and most active residents, Mrs. Maisie McMyler died on the 25th of August in Blanchardstown Hospital after a short illness. A native of Roscommon, Mrs. McMyler was a nurse in Dublin before settling in Maynooth with her husband Tom, a native of Mayo. They had four children, two sons and two daughters.

She was probably best known in Maynooth as an active member of the Irish Country Womens Association. She was a member of the Maynooth guild for twenty seven years and held every position on the local committee over the years and she was president of the Co. Kildare Federation for the last 3 years until her term of office expired last May. She was also a Chairperson of the National Executive, a member of the National Arts Committee. She was also a delegate for the I.C.A. to a number of international organisations. Indeed, just prior to her untimely death she had just come from a conference of the A.C.W.W. in the Netherlands.

Other organisations with which she was associated with over the years included the Kildare R.R.A.D. committee, A.C.O.T. the Irish Accordion Association and the Board of Extra Mural Studies at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. While her children were at school she was also involved in school related organisations such as parent/teacher associations.

Overall, it can be seen that she was a very active member of the community. Everyone will have their own special memories of Maisie and her ever helpful and cheerful way of getting things done. The *Maynooth Newsletter* would like to take this opportunity to extend our condolences and sympathy to her husband Tom and her children Gerard, Francis, Sarah and Maria. May she rest in peace.



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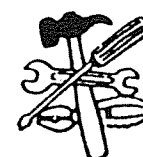
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G.A.A. NOTES

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 2nd : C. Egan, E. Prendergast, P. J. McCann, R. Dennison - 93 points.
 3rd : F. Diggins, S. Flaherty, M. McNamara, P. Sheehan - 93 points.
 4th : T. Brown, J. Maunsell, J. Murray, T. Nolan - 93 points.
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1st Team Results

(1) Senior League

Maynooth 1.13 Rathcoffey 1.11

Maynooth wrapped up their League campaign with a very satisfying victory over near - neighbours Rathcoffey in an absorbing tussle at the College pitch. It was an incident packed game brimful of good football with Maynooth starting both halves in impressive fashion, then fading somewhat before coming strongly at the finish to shade the honours. Maynooth's forward division took the lion's share of the credit on this occasion with very impressive displays from Riordan, Ennis, Edwards, Nolan and Joey Nevin. The midfield duo of Fagan and Dunne - together with Devereaux when introduced - more than held their own against Rathcoffey's strongest sector manned by Tom and Paraic Travers. After a shaky start the defence improved dramatically and really produced the goods in the closing stages when repelling some dangerous Rathcoffey attacks. Particularly prominent in this area were Nevin (M), Noone, Conway and Mahony.

Scorers: Riordan 5pts; Fagan 4pts; Nolan 1.1; Ennis 2pts and Edwards 1pt.

Man of the Match: Joey Riordan

(2) Sallins Tournament Final

Maynooth 7pts Rathcoffey 4pts

A very disappointing, bad-tempered, encounter which was spoiled by a galeforce wind which swept across the pitch and rendered good football very difficult. While neither side really mastered the conditions Maynooth fully deserved their victory holding Rathcoffey scoreless in the 1st half, then dealing confidently with Rathcoffey's best spell midway through the 2nd half and finishing in style with well taken scores from Fagan and Murray.

Man of the Match: Paul Stynes

After the game, team captain, Pascal Ennis accepted the Joe Ryan Cup on behalf of his colleagues who later filled it to the

brim during celebrations in the Clubhouse. Just to show that there were no hard feelings between Maynooth and Rathcoffey the players mingled freely in the Clubhouse that night and rumour has it that one from each side actually performed a duet.

Underage

Salmon Leap Shield, Under 10 Final

Maynooth 1.10 Confey 1pt

Maynooth retained the Salmon Leap Shield with an impressive victory over a gallant Confey side who battled all the way to the final whistle. The performance of the side in this game augurs well for the forthcoming North Kildare Winter League which starts on September 26th with a game against Leixlip A.

This was a game which the Maynooth lads took by the scruff of the neck from the start and with O'Rourke confident in goal fronted by a rock solid full back line of Connellan, King and Pidgeon the Confey forwards got little opportunity to display their undoubted talents. Gleeson had his best game of the season at wing back with Grennell and O'Sullivan alongside him not alone performing their defensive duties with distinction but also lending their weight to the attack. Campbell and Brady at midfield were inspirational to their colleagues one minute helping out in defence and the next popping up in support of the attack. In a forward line which surpassed itself by grabbing an impressive tally of 1 goal and 10 points, from play, Ennis, Baxter and Fleming were outstanding with Healy, O'Malley and Flynn not far behind. Substitutes Sweeney, Pidgeon (A), Loughnane and Quinn more than held their own when introduced to the fray in the 2nd half.

Scorers: P. O'Sullivan 1 goal; S. Fleming, D. Campbell and P. Ennis 2pts each; S. Brady, C. Flynn, N. Healy and C. O'Malley 1pt each.

After the game the Salmon Leap Shield was presented to David Campbell, Captain of the team, by the Confey Club Chairman and a Victory party was held immediately afterwards in the Maynooth Clubhouse.

Training for the forthcoming Under 10 and Under 12 Winter Leagues continues each Saturday morning at 11.30 a.m. at the Salesians Pitches. Lifts are available from Greenfield Shopping Centre at 11.15 a.m. New players are more than welcome as indeed are new helpers.

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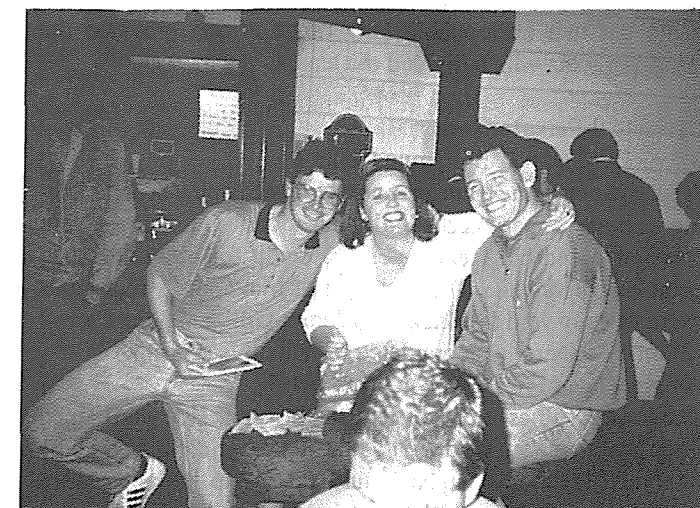
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Casey Courts Team who took part in Maynooth GAA Gold Classic. L to R - D. Casey, J. Whelan, T. Fay, E. Dunne.



Mick Dempsey Team - who took part in Maynooth GAA Golf Classic. L to R - L. Farrelly, J. McKeown, M. Dempsey, B. Carthy.



Enjoying the crack after the Golf Classic in Maynooth GAA Centre. L to R - P. Ennis, S. Moore, J. Nolan.



Enjoying the crack after the Golf Classic in Maynooth GAA Centre. Mrs. Sheehan, Con Hayes, Jim Ryan and heading for door Seamus Feeny.

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I would like to thank all who attended the fundraising event in the Canal Turn in Kilcock to raise money for a new football team just started up in Kilclone.

I would also like to thank the residents of Maynooth and Kilclone for their support and who very kindly donated spot prizes for the night.

I would also dearly like to thank Mr. Tom Nolan who is the overall sponsor for the team, for without him it would not have been established and finally to thank the team for without them, we would not have sold the tickets.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

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Some results to date make encouraging reading with the odd disappointment thrown in to spoil the excitement.

Division 1

Maynooth Town 1 Cathal Brugha Rgs 0

The opening game of the season was hard fought throughout with Maynooth deserving to take both points by virtue of their overall midfield supremacy. Kevin Breslin scored the all important goal when he was on hand to tap the ball home following a Joe O'Riordan shot. Kevin Breslin was in top form for Maynooth and got good support from Eamon Dunne and Joe O'Riordan.

Maynooth Town 2 Newbridge Town 2

Newbridge Town scored twice in a minute just on the half-time whistle and it looked like an uphill battle for the second half for a shell-shocked home team. Maynooth came out for the second half in very determined mood and totally dominated proceedings. Gerry Thompson and Paul Byrne took control for Maynooth and immediately set about reducing the deficit. Gerry Quinn worked like a trojan up front and was rewarded with two terrific goals. But for some sterling work by the Newbridge defence and the intervention the woodwork Maynooth could have taken the two points.

Maynooth Town 3 Rathcoffey 5

The eagerly awaited local derby proved an exciting affair with Maynooth taking too long to get into the game. Rathcoffey raced into a 4 - 0 lead and looked to be heading for a one sided win but Maynooth fought back and scored three times in a short spell in the second half to set-up an exciting final. With Maynooth going all out to grab the equaliser Rathcoffey broke once more to score just before the final whistle to put the outcome beyond doubt. Kevin Breslin 2 and Fergal Barton scored for Maynooth.

Bromley 2 Maynooth Town 0

A goal in each half by a very impressive Bromley side sealed Maynooth's fate in this good game. It will take a very good team to beat Bromley who look the strongest and best balanced team in this division. Maynooth matched them in most aspects of the game but two unstoppable long range efforts provided the Bromley goals which divided the teams.

Division 3 Private Gnds.

Maynooth Town 4 Ballymun Celtic 1

A very young home team gave an excellent display in demolishing a more experienced Ballymun side. Conditions were deplorable and both teams deserve credit for providing such good entertainment. The highlight of Maynooth's four goals was a seventy yard free kicked by James Gilligan. John Carroll (2), Mick Faherty (1) completed Maynooth's scoring.

Amalgamated F.C. 4 Maynooth Town 1

The scoreline does not do justice to a Maynooth side who battled throughout without getting any luck at all. Trailing 2 - 0 at the interval Maynooth got back into the game with a Martin McTernan goal. Maynooth fought hard for the equaliser but two late goals by Amalgamated put a flattering appearance on the scoreline. Maynooth had several good performers including Eamon Dunne, Paul Byrne and Robert Thompson.

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Sports News

D.D.S.L. U/11

Sherrard Utd. 0 Maynooth 1

A Trevor McMahon goal was enough to secure both points for Maynooth. In this close encounter Maynooth had to battle hard throughout to achieve this victory and it was only following sterling defensive work that victory was achieved. Colm Cahill, Davitt O'Neill and Andy Madden were part of this good win.

U/12

Maynooth Town 5 Swords Celtic 2

Maynooth took the game to Swords right from the start and raced into an early 2-0 lead. The home side kept up the pressure and increased the lead further before Swords got to grips with the game. Another Maynooth goal set us up for an easy victory but Swords battled back and scored twice to provide a grandstand finish. Maynooth weathered this storm and came back again near the finish to score a 5th goal. Maynooth had several stars but none more than Trevor Cassidy, Ruairi Wederfoort and Peter Kinsella.

U/14

Maynooth Town 6 Ballybrack Boys 1

Ballybrack came to Maynooth with high hopes of a win to maintain their good early season form following three wins. Maynooth set about their task in very workmanlike fashion and gave a five star performance. Donnacha McCarrick was the hero with an excellently taken hat-trick. Aidan O'Brien, David Leavy and Eamon Gallagher also scored in a win where Darren Naughton, Eoin Guha and Martin Byrne were also stars.

U/16 Schoolgirls

Due to the cancellation of games by Agher and Drogheda our girls have been inactive for a number of weeks now. Being in the running for league honours this season it is hoped that this inactivity will not have an adverse effect on their good early season form.

Last seasons U/11 and U/13 Player of the Year awards were announced recently. These awards were sponsored by Leinster Arms and Sean Power to whom we extend our gratitude for their generosity.

The U/13 winner was Darren Naughton who also won the award the previous season as an U/12.

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A special word of thanks to all the family members who rallied round to help in everyway at such a sad time, also to the following:

May, Roseann, Vera, Brendan, Agnes, Josie, Oliver and Mrs. Donovan and all her kind friends and neighbours who kept a constant vigil during her final illness. Our gratitude to each and everyone for all their kindness. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

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Wife, family of the late Stanly Oliver, Maynooth formerly The Elms, Crayford, Kent.

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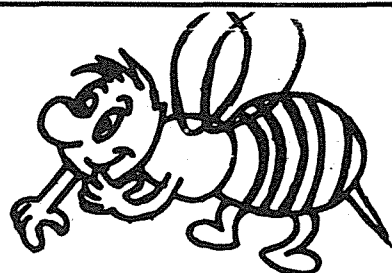
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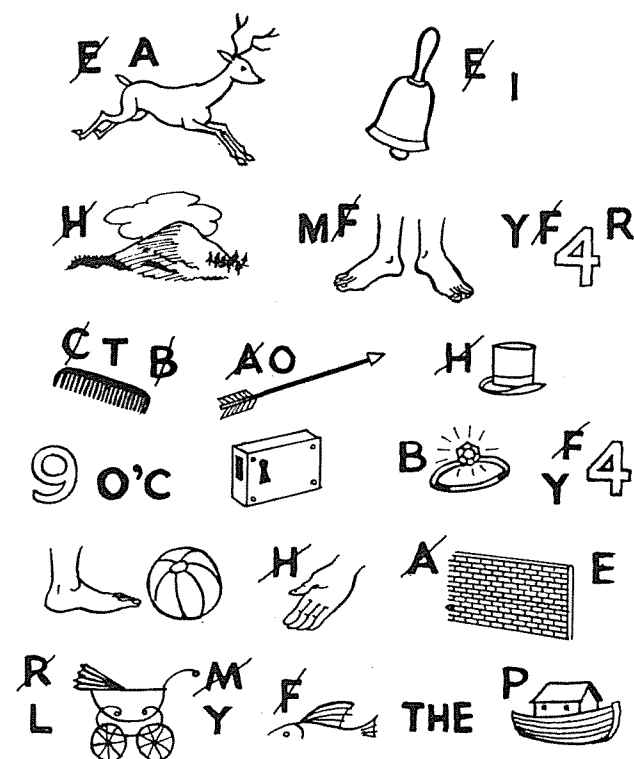
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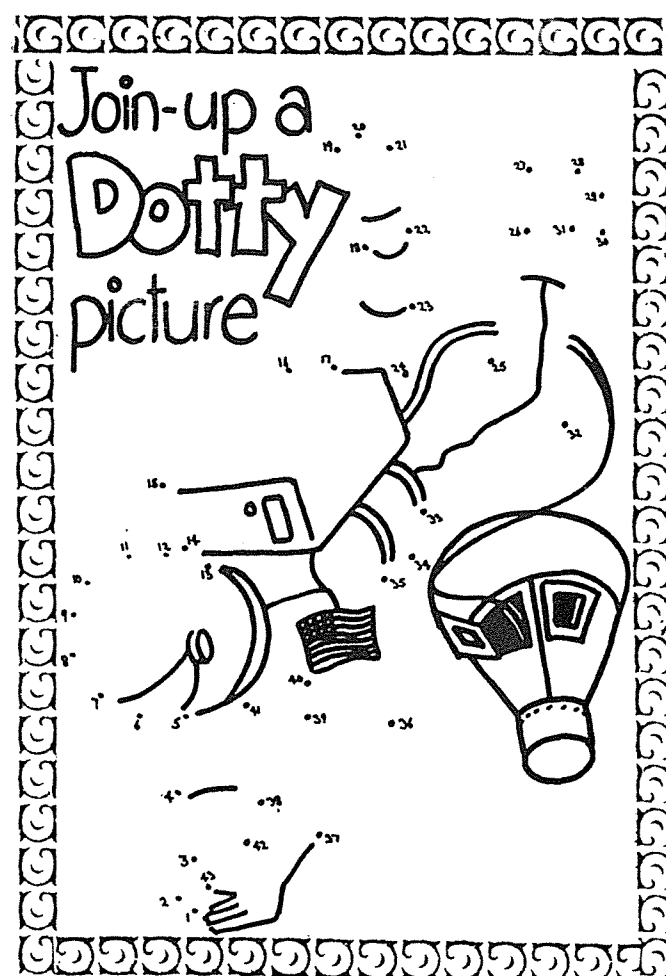
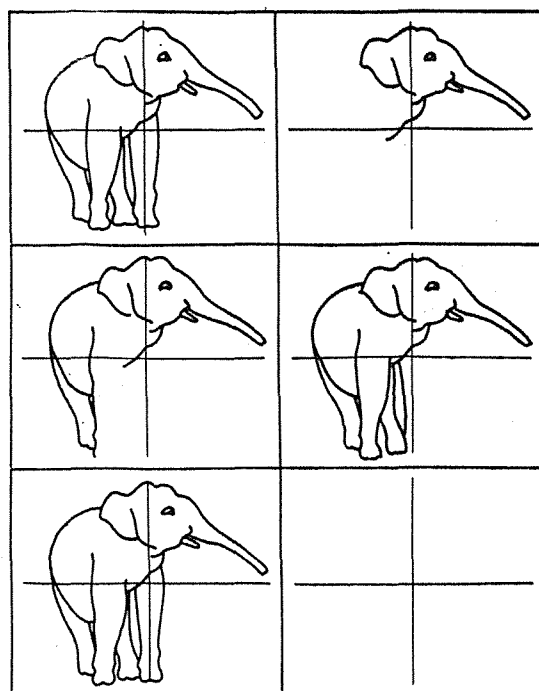
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Congratulations to Cinti on the birth of her baby boy Daniel William, lots of love from all the family.

Congratulations to John Carroll who celebrated his 21st birthday on September 17th. Love and best wishes from his parents, brothers, relatives and many friends. John celebrated his birthday at a party in the Hitchin Post with his family and friends. Also happy birthday to his cousin Margaret Dempsey, Greenfield who celebrates her 21st birthday on October 29th.

Congratulations to Tony and Mary Bean, 'Nuada', Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrated their 9th Wedding Anniversary on September 3rd, from their family, parents, relatives and friends.

A big congratulations to mam and dad (Brian and Eilis O'Malley) who celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on 25th October. Keep up the good work! Love from Niall, Fiona and Darina.

Melanie McDonald, Windermere, Maynooth and Dave Allen, Stillorgan, Dublin who were married in Lady Chapel on Saturday, August 29th.

Thomas Whelan, Newtown Road, Maynooth and Anna Marie Leavey, Main Street, Maynooth, who became engaged on August 21st.

Congratulations to Angela and Peter Brazil, Kealstown, Ladychapel, on the birth of their baby girl, a sister for Hayleigh. Also happy birthday to Angela on the 2nd of October. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

Bon voyage to Bridie Flanagan who is off to Australia to visit her son and daughter Bernard and Ellen Flanagan for a month's holiday. Best wishes and safe journey from her family and all her friends, a well deserved holiday Mammy - Good Luck.

Birthday Greetings

Happy belated birthday to Kathryn Howard-Williams who was 19 on 27th September, much beloved by her Mum, Dad and sister Emma.

Birthday wishes to Gearoid Howard-Williams who celebrates his birthday on 19th October from Mam, Dad and Emma.

To the best "Dad in the World" Paddy Muldoon who celebrates his birthday "21 Again" Ha! Ha! on the 16th of October. Lots and Lots of love from Helena, James, Michael, Thomas, Nicola, Pattie-Ann and his loving wife Ann.

To Geraldine Dunne wishing her a happy 21st birthday on 24th October, from all the family.

Happy ...? Dad, love Niall, Fiona and Darina.

Love and best wishes for a very happy birthday to Michelle McGovern, 820 Greenfield who celebrates her 8th birthday on October 1st. Also to Thomas McGovern, 833 Greenfield who celebrates his 9th birthday on October 6th. With love and kisses from Nannie, Una, Uncle Kevin.

Happy 8th birthday on October 1st to Michelle McGovern, 820 Greenfield. From Mammy, Daddy, Karina, Stacy, Debbie and Regina. Also love from your Nannie Flynn and Uncle Noel in Kilcloone.

Happy 9th birthday on October 6th to Thomas McGovern, 833 Greenfield. From Mammy, Daddy and brother Richard, also love from your Nannie Donovan and all at 739.

Happy birthday to Nicola Harte who celebrates her birthday on the 22nd of October lots of love from Mammy, Daddy, Michelle and Emily.

Birthday greetings to Lynda on her 14th birthday on October 23rd, love and best wishes from Daddy, Mam, Gemma and Paul.

Happy birthday to Edel Fay, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth who celebrates her 8th birthday on October 15th from her Daddy, Mammy and little sister Susan.

Happy birthday to Brian Bean "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who will celebrate his 5th birthday on October 23rd from his Daddy, Mammy, sister Aisling, brother Conor and his Grandparents.

Birthday greetings to Rikki McTernan, 22 Laurence Ave. Age 1 September 8th, his cousin Keith McTernan, Dunboyne, age 14 September 9th and cousin Aileen McTernan, Moyglare Village age 7 September 22nd. Best wishes from Grannie and Grandad.

Cheryl Naughton, Greenfield age 8 September 19th and her Daddy Michael September 21st.

Tommie Henrick, O'Neill Park September 8th. Best wishes from the Brady Bunch.

Edward Power, Parson Lodge age 5 September 9th, Danielle Power age 9 September 3rd.

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David Leavy, Greenfield 12 September 13th also his daddy, Jim September 28th. Love from all the family.

Happy birthday to André Ennis who celebrates her 13th birthday on the 15th October, lots of love from all the family. Also happy birthday to Mother Ennis on the 23rd of October, lots of love from all the family.

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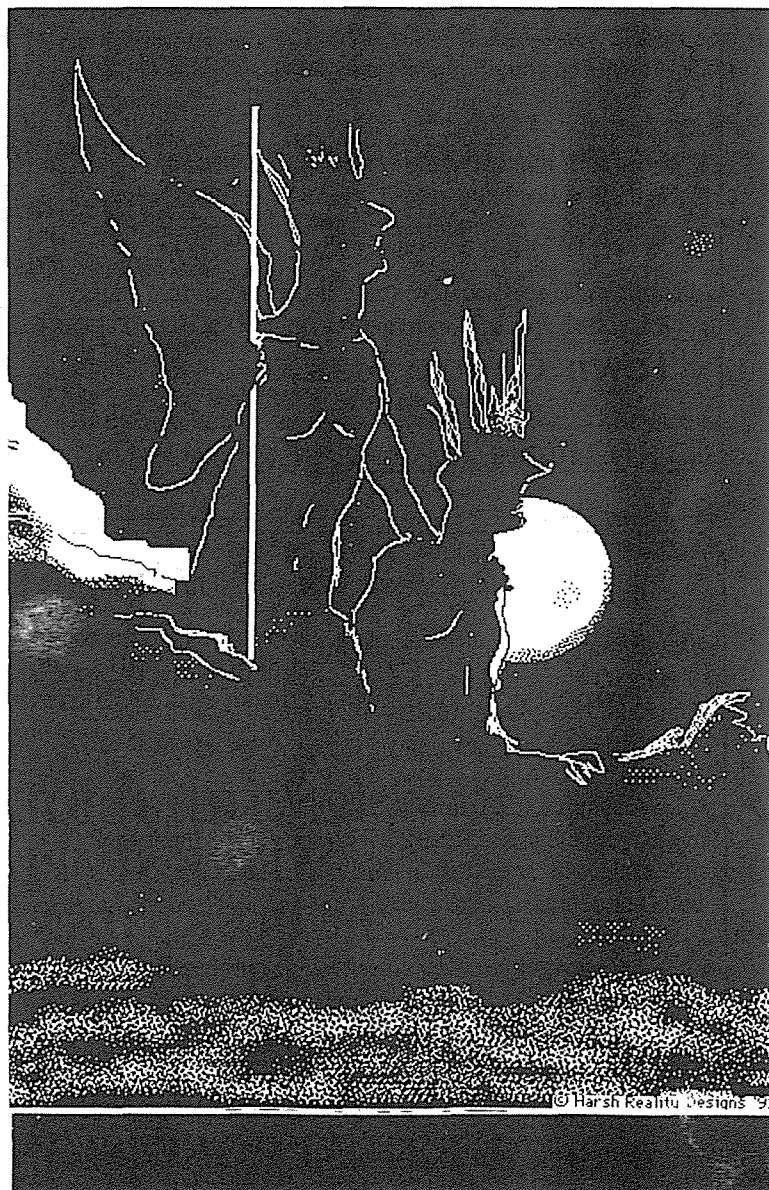
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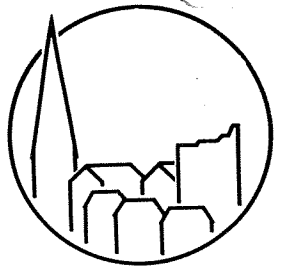


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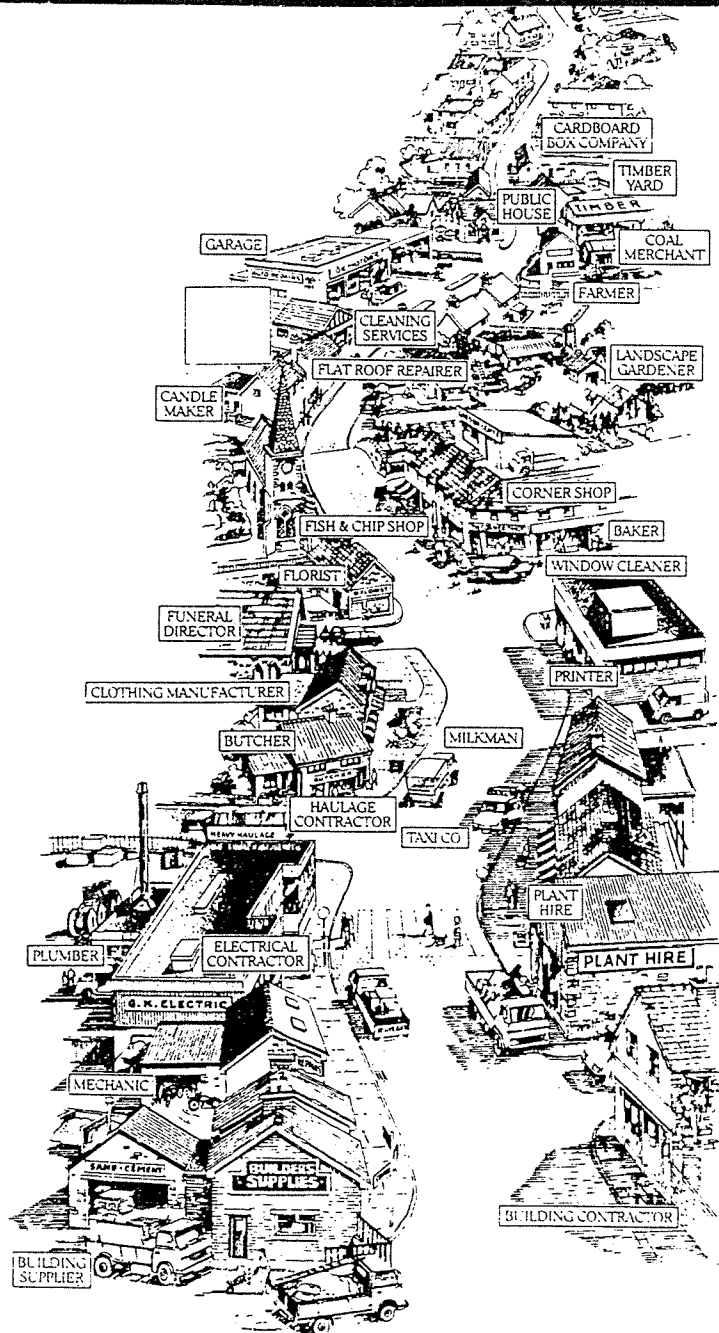
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Editorial

Praise for County Council!

The *Newsletter* believes in highlighting problems, and pointing fingers at those responsible. But it also believes in giving praise where it is due. So take a bow, Kildare County Council. The new road works related to the motorway, and the upgrading of the Straffan Road have been of some concern to residents over the last few years. With the co-operation of the County Council, the Community Council and Residents Associations directly affected by the works have met informally with Mr. Adrian King, Engineer, to discuss plans, express concerns, and make suggestions, before any final decisions are made. Details of the current proposals for upgrading the Straffan Road are outlined in this issue, and on balance, it looks like there will be a vast improvement, particularly with regard to the safety of pedestrians and cyclists. There are still some concerns about the continuation of through traffic from the north coming through the Main Street, and it is essential that these are addressed sooner rather than later. However, we are glad to see that a start has been made in introducing real local democracy at last.

Hallow'een

As this issue coincides with Hallow'een, we would like to remind our readers, especially those with children to take care when lighting bonfires, and fireworks. It will be a busy night for the fire brigade, so don't make their work harder.

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Dear Editor,

AN OPEN LETTER TO WHOM IT CONCERNS

We are the parents of a 14 year old boy who has a "Port Wine Stain" birthmark. Following consultations with leading specialists, wherein we were told that no satisfactory treatment was, or is, available in this country, we contacted a self-help group, RED BLACK WHITE - an association of parents of birthmarked children in the U.K. who arranged for him to have the first (of possibly three) treatments, free of charge, on Sunday 6/9/92 in the Bromsgrove Hospital, Worcestershire, England.

As a fund-raising venture, we organised a '60s dance in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip on Sunday 30/8/92 and it was a great night. The hotel generously supplied their ballroom free of charge and, while the largest concentration of ticket sales was in the Palmerstown area, (thanks to our good friend, Frances Walsh), our families and our Maynooth and Leixlip friends and neighbours were also extremely kind, generous and supportive. In Palmerstown, Luke Moriarity of Super-Valu, supplied 5 valuable prizes (including a magnificent 7 piece golf set). Shear Success, Hair stylists, donated a complimentary voucher while Kiely's Pharmacy supplied the sweet smell of success with scented soaps. (Guinness made sure we stayed cool with a very welcome crate of Smithwicks). Closer to home, the Leinster Arms and the Roost entered into the spirit of things with several bottles of spirits while Phil Brady contributed financially. Quinnsworth gave a bottle of wine, Donovans, a box of sweets and Greenfields Supermarket, two boxes of biscuits.

Between the ticket sales, the raffle and a generous donation of £100.00 from Crown/Berger Paints Ltd., we raised £1085.00 from which we were able to meet the cost of the initial return plane fares to Birmingham for Richard and myself. As my relations in Coventry accommodated us during our visit (thus reducing expenses to a bare minimum) we were also able to give a donation of £500.00 Sterling (at the time equal to £541.00 Irish) directly to the charity. Aer Lingus Commuter Ltd. have, in the meantime, generously undertaken to supply our son's remaining flights, in relation to this course of treatment, free of charge. Now, while all of this was going on, the Star Newspaper's medical correspondent, Rory Hafford, was working on a similar project for another young victim of this disfiguring condition, and we, more or less, joined forces. As a result, an arrangement now exists between the Bromsgrove Clinic, The Star Newspaper and the Red Black White charity, which will enable any young (under 18) victim of this disfiguring condition to avail of the latest "pulse dye laser" treatment in the sumptuous Bromsgrove Clinic, free of charge and to have their flights provided - also free of charge.

I will be happy to pass on any information to any interested party about the charity (or, indeed, the treatment) if they care to contact me at the above address. In the meantime, to all concerned, on behalf of my son, my family and myself, may I offer my heartfelt thanks for all of your support and for helping to bring about this unbelievable result.

*Your grateful neighbour,
Al Brady.
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Proposals for improvements on Straffan Road.

The following is a letter from Maynooth Community Council to Kildare County Council.

Re: Straffan Road Re-alignment

Dear Manager

Maynooth Community Council would like to make the following recommendations in relation to the design of this project. First of all we would like to thank most sincerely Kildare County Council official Adrian King for his informal presentation of the plans in our office on Tuesday night 6th October.

Our Recommendations:-

1. The road should be walled on both sides over it's complete length. The wall should be similar to the existing wall at the Harbour Field and Coonans Field. This would provide a continuity between the town and the new estates. It should be 4 1/2 ft high with masonry on the outside facing the road and block work on the inside. Shrubs and trees should be planted on the inside where appropriate. The only breaks in the wall should be at road junctions.
2. As it is probably not possible to continue the cycle path into the Square on the left hand side because of the bus turntable, cyclists to the town should be directed down by the canal at the Ball Alley where they would come onto the Main Street again at the Garda Station.

There should be no reason for the outward cycle lane not being continuous from the Courthouse Square.

3. There should be a pedestrian 'refuge' between the Crescent and Greenfield Shopping Centre to facilitate the residents of the Crescent.

4. Likewise there should be a pedestrian 'refuge' at Rail Park Estate entrance.

5. It is presently proposed to replace the Ball Alley block wall with a reinforced retaining wall and to reinstate the floor. In order to play handball it is essential that there is a consistency in the wall surfaces. We are therefore requesting that all four walls be surfaced similarly. This Alley produced two All Ireland champions.

6. The traffic congestion on the Main Street is very serious at present. It is our view that the splitting of the Straffan Road is a contributory factor. We are therefore proposing that the Straffan Road should join Main Street at ONE traffic light controlled point (with pedestrian phase). In order to retain the character of the Square this road should not be central. The public toilet building will have to be removed to cater for this improved traffic flow. Please note that we don't want any replacement public toilets in Maynooth.

It is our view that Floods side would be the most appropriate side for the road. While it will be necessary to leave adequate space for off-loading at Brady's Pub, it should still be possible to have enough space for an appropriate small structure for the Square.

7. There are not enough car parking spaces in the Town. Now is the opportunity to buy enough of Coonans Field to provide car parking for the population growth and to cater for the expected significant increase in tourists.

Finally, we would like to congratulate Kildare County Council on producing such a fine plan and in particular for giving us an opportunity to view them prior to their approval.



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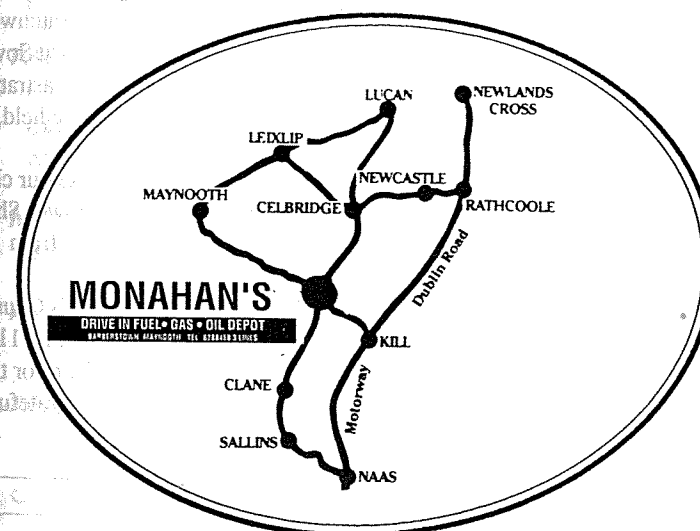
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At our October meeting details were heard over meetings held and correspondence received about the Geraldine Hall. Ongoing discussions between the owner Mr. Nall Kane, Trustees of Geraldine Hall, Maynooth Development Association, Maynooth Community Council and Planning & Development Committee will result in a new lease being drawn up for the Geraldine Hall. Also at this meeting Eileen Dunne was elected as Secretary to the group and Lynn Whitaker as minutes secretary.

We received an invitation from Adrian King, Project Manager, Straffan Road Development to view plans in the Community Council office.

We are also working on plans for usage of the Geraldine Hall and also our input into the Development Plan for County Kildare. If anyone would like to comment or become involved with The Planning & Development Committee please contact Eileen Dunne at Maynooth Community Council office.

R. Farrell
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

We are greatly encouraged by the Editorial in the October *Newsletter* and other comments. We expect the long awaited FAS - Social Employment Scheme which is being administered by Tidy Towns on behalf of The Planning & Development Committee to be up and running by the 1st November 1992.

We ourselves will be launching an appeal for financial support to Maynooths businesses in the next few weeks.

We will also be contacting Kildare County Council for their help in making Maynooth a Tidy Town for 1993.

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More good news for Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School. Following very successful fund raising in Quinnsnorth and the Cake Sale, the target to send a student to Italy has almost been reached. Things are looking good for Andrew Clarke to represent Maynooth at a tournament in December but the school is not quite out of the woods yet. What it really needs is a sponsor and is very receptive to offers.

A grading examination of Maynooth Students will take place on November 4th.

On November 11th, the school will then be commencing beginners classes for both young and not-so-young. There is a lower age limit of 12 years, but no upper age limit.

Classes will incorporate a good deal of physical training, coupled with a balance of traditional Martial Arts Training and basic self-defence, unfortunately so necessary in today's society.

The Instructors and students of Maynooth Tae Kwon-Do School would like to extend a big thanks to the Maynooth Community Council for its tremendous help and support for its ongoing activities.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our A.G.M. will take place on October 20th, after this item goes to print. A report of the meeting and a list of the new committee members will be published next month.

On November 17th Imelda Desmond and Felicity Satchwell, both members of our club and both very highly acclaimed flower arrangers nationally and internationally, will give a demonstration entitled "Christmas Gifts". The demonstration will be held, as usual, in the S.V.D. Hall at 8.00p.m.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our club member, Joan Weld Moore on the opening of her Flower Shop in Clane 'Country Blossoms'. We send best wishes from the Club.

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CREDIT UNION NOTES

In last months issue a slight error was made on my behalf concerning an article on Interest on a Credit Union Loan. The article should have read, "By law a credit union may charge not more than 1% per month on the unpaid balance of the loan. This represents a cost of about £6.50 on a loan of £100 repaid in 12 equal monthly instalments". Sorry if this piece caused any confusion.

Interest is charged only on the loan balance outstanding. If you repay a loan in a shorter time the cost is even less.

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Maynooth Credit Union held an Open Day on the 15th of October. This proved to be very successful with a steady stream of callers all day. Refreshments were served during the day. Plants and flowers were supplied by Katies Florists.

May Haren.

MAYNOOTH CITIZENS INFORMATION CENTRE NOTES

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However, if your wife earns £55 or over per week she will not be regarded as your dependant and in this event you would only be paid your own personal rate plus half rate for your child dependants.

Generally, this would not arise as Home Helps usually don't earn that much but it could arise if they were dealing with a difficult case and their hours were extended. So, ideally, they should keep their earnings below £55 per week.

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MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The monthly meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday 1st October at 8 o'clock. Our president Imelda Delaney was in the chair and welcomed all the members.

Our guest speaker this month (October) was Christopher Daly and his two assistants from Wigodors. They gave us a very informative talk on the art of wallpapering and home decorating. Norah McDermott gave us a very detailed report on the Federation Meeting which was held in Rathangan on the 29th September. The recent I.C.A. trip to Belgium and Holland was a great success and was enjoyed by all who went. Bernadette Duffy filled us in on all the interesting features of both countries, their museum visits and style of shopping.

This months raffle winners were 1st Viva Kearns, 2nd Bernadette Duffy and 3rd Joan Grant.

Next months meeting will be held on Thursday 5th November and the competition is for the heaviest cooking apple.

As usual crafts are on Mondays at 8 o'clock. Badminton on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Parish Hall and Drama on Wednesday mornings at 11 o'clock in I.C.A. Hall.

Please note all past and present members - our 40th Anniversary on Friday 6th November in Divine Word Hall, an excellent meal is guaranteed by Peter O'Brien Catering Co. followed by dancing to the music of the 'Partners'. Tickets available from members.

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MAYNOOTH CASTLE COMMITTEE

The Castle Restoration Committee is currently co-ordinating a number of activities as part of the overall Restoration Project. Firstly, now that much of the survey work has been carried out by students of the Department of Surveying and Architecture in the College of Technology, Bolton Street, their findings are to be displayed, featuring a model of the Castle. This display will be in conjunction with a Seminar on the Restoration of Maynooth Castle. The Seminar will be open to all and will set out to illustrate the options, problems and possible solutions which apply to Maynooth Castle, based on experience with other projects. Open discussion on the design brief for the castle restoration will be encouraged. The Seminar will take place in November and details will be published by the Committee in due course.

Secondly, a new S.E.S. programme has been approved by FAS for the purposes of researching and developing the uses of the restored Castle. This team is now based in premises kindly provided by Maynooth Post Primary School and is already undertaking a study of the local life and customs of the Castle in its earliest days (the 12th Century). Any relevant newspaper cuttings or artifacts would be greatly appreciated.

Finally, the Committee are setting up a group to be known as the Friends of Maynooth Castle. It is intended that the 'Friends' will provide the facility for keeping the many supporters of the Castle Restoration Project fully informed of developments while also giving practical assistance whenever possible. Initially the Committee will be approaching the many Maynooth organisations and clubs in this regard; anyone wishing to know more immediately can ring the Secretary at 6289239.

Eamonn McCann
P.R.O.

OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

Our September meeting held on the 2nd of September was adjourned as a mark of respect to the late Rita O'Reilly R.I.P. Rita was one of our founder members and gave a long and faithful service to the organisation through the years. She was a committed dedicated member, reliable and consistent in every task undertaken. Her gentleness and quiet wisdom will be very much missed. We extend our sincere sympathy to all her family. The morning sessions - Tuesdays and Thursdays have resumed since September 8th in the I.C.A. Hall. We would welcome new members on those mornings. No previous contact is required. Our Halloween party takes place in the S.V.D. Hostel beginning with Mass at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday November 1st.

Later on in the month the Committee will hold its Annual Sale of Work on Sunday November 22nd at 3 p.m. in the Parochial Hall. Members of our committee will be calling around to each area, collecting for the Sale of Work in due course. Each member has been issued with an I.D. card and will produce it on request. Tickets for our monster raffle will be on sale from the members and at the Supermarket in November.

P.R.O.

THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION CONVENT

The A.G.M. was held in the Girls National School on September 29th. Sgt. John O'Malley was invited to give a talk on drugs, with special emphasis on their availability to schoolgoing children. The talk was very informative. The attendance was up on previous years, and we hope to have even a greater attendance next year. Fundraising is ongoing and in the next few weeks, children will be bringing home envelopes for the annual subscriptions. Your support is badly needed and appreciated. A new committee was also elected; Lila Flynn (Chairperson), Moira Baxter (Sec), Anna Stainsby (Ass. Sec.), Helen O'Brien (Treasurer), Denise Riordan (Ass. Treasurer), Sheila Hawthorne (P.R.O.). Other members: Jim Kelly, Philip Dix, Margaret McLoughlin, Olive Flood, Ann Howley, Mary Corbally, Geraldine Tobin and Ann Gallagher.

Sheila Hawthorne
P.R.O.



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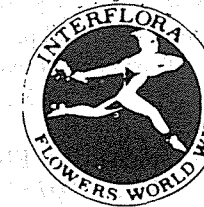


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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Fashion Show/Selection Miss Royal Canal

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Once again we are privileged to have the services of the fabulous Christy Walsh of C.K.R. Radio as master of ceremonies with fashion commentary by the genial Joan-Howard-Williams. As usual there will be prizes for the best dressed Lady and Gent on the evening as well as a raffle for top class prizes. The proceedings will be followed by a Disco with the ever popular Gene Kelly (I wonder can he dance) Disco Road Show.

Many of the local business houses are putting in contestants for Miss Royal Canal so it looks like being a very close contest indeed. Tickets for the show will be shortly available from any committee member and people are advised to book early. Last year it became necessary to turn people away so please get your tickets in good time.

Works Update

Phase I at both Maynooth and Carton Harbours is now complete. It is hoped to commence phase 2 at Maynooth Harbour shortly. This will consist of work on both banks, the building of a wall, and remedial work on existing walls.

Winter Safety

With the advent of the colder weather your committee again ask for caution to be exercised in the vicinity of the Canal. It can be quite easy to slip on a frosty bank resulting in injury or at least a very cool "bath" so please take the usual safety precautions.

Wild Life

Swan lovers probably wondered why our swan family had only one cygnet this year. The committee thought that it might have been because they were adjusting to living on the refurbished island. We were however horrified to discover that the nest had been plundered. Yes plundered! A person or persons unknown went to the trouble of getting out to the island to steal the eggs from the nest. The eggs were then smashed, the remains of which were found close to the Harbour. One can only condemn such actions in the strongest possible terms and hope that common sense will prevail and that there will be no recurrence.

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STUDENTS' UNION NOTES

Monday the 5th October saw the return of the masses to the college, and once again as classes began the campus became alive with many broad stories about summer events, and the trials and tribulations of the working world.

As First Years busily began to decide what to study, the Students' Union was humming with a function each night. The highlights of the week ranged from the Freshers Ball on Tuesday, to the "Exotericks" who were supported by the "Mary Janes".

This years first year numbers have increased beyond the 900 mark and as the new Science Block begins to take its place in the campus skyline the colleges expansion continues apace with the increasing demands of modern education.

Geraldine Delaney
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YOUTH AFFAIRS SUB-COMMITTEE

As you may have gathered from the last *Newsletter* there is an aim at the present to revive this sub-committee. There is a strong need in my opinion to look at the needs of young people in Maynooth as to whether they are being met or not. The initial stage of this process is to bring together representatives from each organization in Maynooth which is involved with young people in some way so as to see which needs are being met and which are not. It would be hoped from this process that we would be able to re-establish a youth club in Maynooth. Within this process, also, I feel that the young people of Maynooth should have a say in what their needs are. A way to facilitate this is that of having young people air their opinions in writing to the Community Council Office as their opinions are probably the most important of all.

A letter will be sent to each organization involved with young people within the next two weeks. It is most possible that we will miss out on some such organizations so please inform the Community Council Office if this be so. As far as the interests of young people go get your pens to paper now and let your voice be heard. Please address any queries you may have to the Youth Affairs Sub-Committee at the Community Council Office.

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We thank those who helped on our Bank Holiday clean up. We thank our members who paid their annual subscription. This subscription goes for care, fuel, upkeep and insurance for associated equipment. If we missed you, you can send annual subscription to 11, Greenfield Drive.

Straffan Road Improvement Scheme

Over the past few months, a committee representing the following areas was formed, The Crescent, Kingsbry, Carton Court, Railpark and ourselves following a number of meetings and representations to Kildare County Council. Proposals from Kildare County Council were outlined to above committee for Straffan Road by Mr. Adrian King, Project Manager for the development. These proposals were circulated to each household in our estate. Also a special meeting was held with the residents of Straffan Way to outline the proposals by Greenfield Estate Residents committee.

Items for discussion by the Residents Association committee should be forwarded to the Secretary by the 1st Monday of the month.

Richard Farrell
P.R.O.

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Our Sport's Day which was held in August was a great success. We wish to thank everyone who helped, especially the committee members who put a lot of time and effort into making the day a success. We would also like to thank: Sean Donovan, Gerry Mulcahy, Tom Geraghty and The Sports Locker.

At the moment we are organising our next big event of the year, the Children's Christmas Party.

We would like to say Goodbye and Thank You to our chairperson Brid Anglin who has recently moved from Maynooth.

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LYREEN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Our open meeting for all residents on Thursday 8th of October was a busy but productive one. It was disappointing to note that we are not getting as full an attendance as we would like in order that we can represent the feeling of all our neighbours. Perhaps future meetings will improve this situation. We expect to have organised for Christmas a night out for all our members and to also include some sort of outing for the younger residents. By the time of going to press we should complete the last big clean-up of the area to leave things in good shape for next years efforts. Our Neighbourhood Watch scheme is still in action and we will have boosted this with a meeting with our Garda liaison officer during October. There would appear to be no news for us in relation to plans for diverting the heavy traffic off our roads and the situation in relation to traffic ignoring the 'no-entry' signs on the lanes would appear unchanged. Further investigation of both these matters is in hand. Finally, belated congratulations to Joe and Kathleen Murphy, Leinster Cottages who recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Tony Bean
Secretary

RAILPARK RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION NOTES

Straffan Road Improvement Report on meeting with Project Engineer

In conjunction with representatives of other residents groups, the undersigned, on behalf of Railpark Residents Association, met with Adrian King, Project Engineer for the Straffan Road Improvement Scheme, on Friday, October 2nd. We thank Ciaran Hassett, of Carton Court, for arranging this meeting, the purpose of which was to present the County Council's draft proposals for the improvement scheme and to hear local views on the scheme. The main points of the draft proposals are as follows:

(1) The improved road will incorporate a widened carriageway, separated cycle ways on both sides and footpaths (3 metres in width) on both sides. The total width, including roadway, cycle ways and footpaths, will be 17.5 metres, compared with the current width of the existing roadway (without footpaths) of 6 metres. This means that, where an existing footpath does not already exist, approximately 6 metres will be acquired on both sides of the existing road.

(2) Traffic signals will be installed at the junction with the Main Street at the Town Square. Detailed proposals for traffic management in the Square have yet to be finalised.

(3) A new carriageway will be built immediately to the east (i.e. Dublin side) of the existing road leading from the Square to the bridge at the railway station (Mullen Bridge). A new bridge will be built adjacent to the existing bridge to carry this new carriageway. The new bridge will be merged with the existing bridge to make it appear as a single structure. When the new carriageway is completed, the existing roadway leading from the Square will be submerged under a graded embankment. The Harbour Field wall will be retained. A bus turning point for the 67A bus will be installed on the bridge side of Manor Court. This means that this bus will no longer have to turn and park in the Square.

(4) The existing Mullen Bridge will form part of the access road to the Station. This means that traffic entering the new carriage-way will not have to do so from a sharp incline. There will be right and left turning lanes at the junction between the access road and the new bridge. A separate footpath will be constructed beside the access road. The existing plans do not provide for traffic lights at the junction of the access road and the new bridge. However, we pointed out that large numbers of pedestrians coming from Railpark, Rockfield and other future developments in the Old Railpark area would be seeking to cross the road at this point and urged that pedestrian lights, with a yellow box junction, be installed there. The engineer undertook to give this serious consideration.

(5) The access pathway to the Canal Harbour and Harbour Field from Mullen Bridge is to be restructured in order to provide a less steep incline. This will involve relocating the entrance to the ball alley and rebuilding part of the canal wall.

(6) Road widening means that the existing hedgerow between Rail Park and the main road will be lost.

(7) Traffic lights are to be installed at the Celbridge Road junction. These will incorporate a pedestrian phase. The junction will be reconstructed so that the two roads will meet at right angles. If there is a problem with drivers going through Railpark to avoid the lights, one of the entrances to Railpark may have to be closed (which one would have to be agreed by Railpark residents).

(8) The proposals provide for pedestrian lights at the entrance to Kingsbry to facilitate access to the bus stop near there and to restrain traffic speed. However, the residents groups were of the opinion that the pedestrian lights would be better located at the entrance to Greenfield Shopping Centre and that the bus stop should be moved to this location. The engineer undertook to give this serious consideration.

(9) The entrance to the Crescent opposite the entrance to Greenfield Shopping Centre is to be closed off.

(10) All the residents groups have been seeking high walls along the new road to prevent easy access onto the road by young children. The engineer was opposed to high walls on aesthetic grounds and suggested that walls of about 1.5 metres in height, with hedging and trees on the inside, would suffice. The residents groups expressed concern about the situation before the hedges and trees would mature. Stone facing at least on the side of the wall facing the new road was also sought. Detailed plans for these walls have not yet been drawn up.

(11) A turning point for the 66 bus is to be installed just beyond Carton Court.

(12) The overpass currently being built over the by-pass road will be completed by the end of 1992 and traffic will then be diverted onto it.

(13) It transpires that the proposed road linking the Newtown area with the new road at the rear of Kingsbry is not an integral part of the road improvement scheme. The residents groups emphasised the necessity of completing this link road before the by-pass is finished.

(14) The by-pass is scheduled for completion in early 1995.

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CLUAIN AOIBHINN/COLLEGE GREEN WALKWAY

For many years the problem of access from Cluain Aoibhinn and College Green to the Greenfields estates has remained unresolved. The layout of these estates is such that College Green is built behind Cluain Aoibhinn and is only accessible through this estate. As there is no through road, a public walkway was provided for in the plans of College Green to allow access for the two estates to the nearby Greenfield estates. Originally this walkway was seldom used as it only led into a field. Most pedestrians used a gap in the hedge at the end of College Green as a more convenient alternative. However, years later the estate of Beaufield was built where the field once was and the official walkway became vitally important for access between the estates. Rather than climbing through a hedge pedestrians were provided with a relatively clean and safe alternative in the official walkway. Therefore many more people began using the access.

Barrier Constructed

The problems began when someone erected a large metal barrier across the official walkway. At the time this occurred it was widely known that the residents of College Green strongly disapproved of the traffic through the walkway but no individual has claimed responsibility for this action. Although many pedestrians were annoyed at this barrier they silently reverted to using the gap in the hedge. This muddy, slippery gap was in no way the ideal solution but it was sufficient to pacify pedestrians. In the past year certain residents of College Green have taken it upon themselves to barricade this remaining access also. The reason given is that their children could stray through this gap. Therefore, many pedestrians are pressing to have the official access reopened.

Shopkeepers Complain

It may seem that this is a petty gripe of a handful of cantankerous residents with nothing better to do than complain but it is not so. The establishment of a small shopping centre in Beaufield has made the need for access vital for many residents. People who do not own cars rely on Connaughtons mini-market and Alan Harte butchers for their daily requirements. The more difficult it is to reach the shops, the more tempting it is for customers to simply travel into the town instead. The shopkeepers have noticed the effect that the lack of access has had on the amount of business they do. Brian Connaughton, owner of the mini-market, commented that "it has a detrimental effect on business and probably resulting in the reason that three units (of the shopping centre) are still left idle". Alan Harte butchers and Video Nites also reported an effect on Mr. Connaughton and his fellow shopkeepers have a strong case for complaint as it was a condition of planning of their shops that an access from the estates of Cluain Aoibhinn/College Green would be available. They have complained to Mr. Chris Marshall of Kildare County Council but he claims that the County Council has no jurisdiction in Beaufield as they have not taken on the estate yet. The County Council has also said that they will not do so until the problem of access is resolved. Therefore the estate of Beaufield is still in the charge of Lark Developments, the company that built both the houses and the shopping centre. When Lark Developments were tackled on this issue they repeatedly said that they were looking into the situation but to date they have done nothing to resolve the problem.

Problems with reopening

Supposedly, the barricade cannot be simply taken down due to pressure from the adjoining neighbours in College Green and Beaufield. These people have all agreed that they would be opposed to the opening of the official access without improvements being made. Deirdre Raleigh lives next to this access on the College Green side. She claims that she "wouldn't be opposed to the opening of the gate provided there were proper paths and walls". According to Mrs. Raleigh, she had no privacy with the access open in its present condition and her garden shed was also looted. Her neighbour on the other side of the access, Rose Breheny, was of similar opinion and also suggested that the access be concreted and properly lit. The residents on the Beaufield side of the access have more daunting problems with the current condition. Frank Thornton lives beside the access on the Beaufield side. His principal problem is that if the access is reopened he will have to have a wall built as the side of his house is totally exposed however, the County Council have informed him that if he wants a wall, it will have to be on his property. Unfortunately, the space at the side of his house has been cut short, and an extension of the wall would literally leave him with approximately eighteen inches at the side of his house as access to his back garden. Obviously, this is not a viable option and again the onus falls to Lark Developments to correct this flaw as they built the house and are still legally responsible for it.

'Pass The Buck'

This raises the question of who is ultimately responsible for the condition of the access. Kildare County Council would be within their power to remove the gate from the College Green side as they have taken on this estate. In fact, they have a duty to do so as it is in the estate's plans. However, the consensus in College Green is that they would rather see all accesses closed, and remain an isolated cul-de-sac. The reopening of a new and improved access would cost the Council both time, money and conflict with the residents. Therefore they seem quite happy to 'pass the buck' to Lark Developments.

Lark Developments also have responsibility insofar as they guaranteed the shopkeepers an open access in the plans. The access cannot rightly be opened until they resolve Mr. Thornton's problem and yet they seem unwilling to do so. Clearly, it is the duty of Lark Developments to ensure that they comply with their terms of agreement with the shopkeepers. The only solution would seem to be that Kildare County Council and Lark Developments enter a joint project to rectify the mistakes in their respective estates. It would seem to be the only way to satisfy all parties. Many people have praised the access from Meadowbrook into Kingsbry and have suggested a similar construction for the College Green/Beaufield access.

Trouble Continues

Meanwhile, determined pedestrians continue to trek through the gap in the hedge at the end of College Green. The residents continue their attempts to deter pedestrians by filling the small gap with mown grass, branches and on one occasion, a dead cat! Some residents have turned almost militant about the traffic through the gap and have been known to abuse people who are trying to get through. One such victim of their hostility was Sandy Nolan, a resident of Cluain Aoibhinn. As she had no car at the time, she had to rely on Connaughtons mini-market for her shopping. As the 'long way' is twice the distance, Mrs. Nolan had to take the shortcut as she was laden with shopping. As she was struggling through the gap several residents of College

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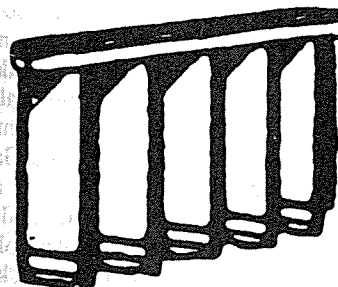
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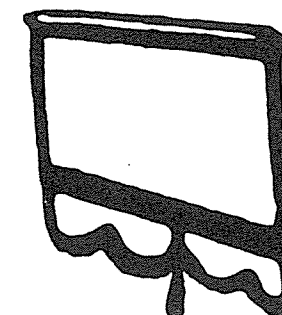
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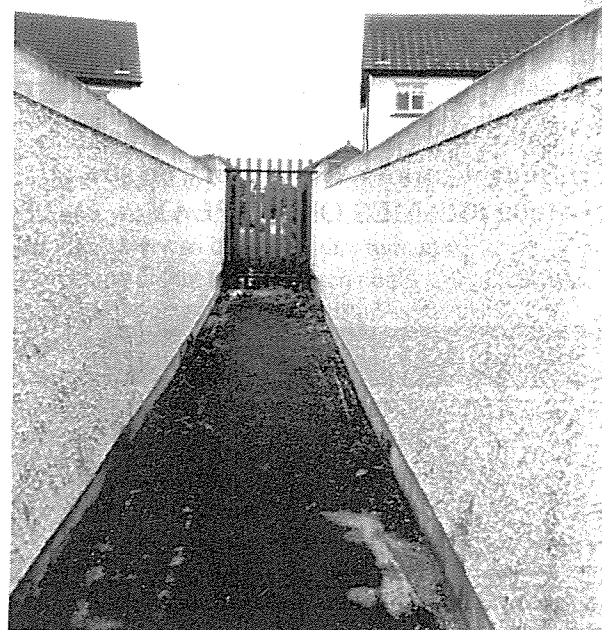


Residents' Associations

Green gathered at the other side and began to threaten the police on her and hurled other abuse at her. All she wanted to do was get home.

A Possible Solution

The residents claim that they are concerned for their children's safety. There seems to be much concern about the proposed link road to the motorway as it is scheduled to pass near the gap in the hedge. In the future, children straying through the gap, and then onto the link road, would be in serious danger. These residents should realise that no amount of blockage will deter the people determined to get through. If they rallied for the suggested improvements on the official access, and helped reopen it, they would soon find that nobody would be breaking through the hedge and causing a potential danger to their children as it would no longer be necessary. The residents and pedestrians should not be in conflict with each other because this will not solve the problem. The only solution is to force Lark Developments and Kildare County Council to live up to their responsibilities. If, and when, this happens the problem will vanish of its own accord.



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Blood!

It was blood. Every few seconds a drop plopped on the pillow beside my head and immediately above me on the ceiling was a dark red stain the size of a hand. At first I thought it might be a leak in the roof and the water had picked up some dye from insulation material in the attic. But this was blood. Sitting up, I caught a drop in my hand. It had the thick consistency and dark red colour of spilt blood. I just stopped myself from tasting it. I didn't need to - I knew. Here, on a Tuesday morning in an ordinary Maynooth housing estate, blood was dripping through my bedroom ceiling. Turning round I saw with horror that the pillow was a soggy red mess. I had been sleeping in a pool of blood. Running my hands through my hair I shuddered as I felt it caked and matted with congealing blood. Now my hands and lower arms were smeared with blood, someone or something's blood. I scrambled from the bed feeling nauseous with revulsion. Staggering to the bathroom I scrubbed myself clean under a steaming shower. As I dried off I became convinced that this was an ordinary morning and I had just experienced an incredibly realistic nightmare.

Pulling on a dressing gown I tip-toed back to the bedroom but even before I reached the door I could hear the dull, rhythmic plop. Without entering the room I peered round the door. All appeared normal - some books scattered on the floor, clothes thrown carelessly across the back of a chair. But there was the dark red stain on the ceiling, the single red drop falling, always falling, and the red mess on the bed where five minutes earlier I had been asleep.

What could be above my ceiling? Perhaps an injured bird had somehow blundered into the attic. But the volume of blood that had dripped onto the bed suggested something much larger. Driven by a combination of panic and curiosity I decided to get a ladder from the garage and climb into the attic. The exertion involved in dragging the ladder upstairs and searching about for a torch partly dispelled the fear and revulsion I had felt earlier. There must be a rational explanation for such a strange event. Pushing back the cover of the attic entrance all seemed quiet. I clambered into the dark, cold air of the attic and switched on the torch. At first, as I scanned one end of the attic, I saw nothing untoward - an old guitar and some long forgotten boxes of books and old clothes. As I turned around the light of the torch caught a flash of metal. Still standing just above the attic entrance I strained forward. I focused the torch. The beam of light picked out a man in a white shirt lying on his back on the attic floor, his pale face with staring eyes looked towards me, a kitchen knife with a black handle plunged into his chest. I stepped backwards in shock, almost falling down through the attic entrance and cracking my head off one of the roof supports. This was not a nightmare. The stinging pain and the trickle of blood running down behind my ear convinced me that all of this was horribly real.

A sword of fear ran through me. With shaking legs I climbed down from the attic. My first instinct was to call the Garda station. But what would I say? There's a dead man in my attic with a kitchen knife through his chest. I don't know him. I don't know how he got there. I heard nothing. The dripping of his blood on my pillow woke me in the morning. First I needed to check out if someone or some thing had broken into the house. I went downstairs and moving from room to room soon confirmed that all the windows and doors were secure. So how could I explain away this body, this man who materialised in my attic and poured his life blood through my ceiling? I sat in the kitchen and attempted to control the waves of panic and incomprehension that swept through my head. And then a strange thought struck me - I'm going to be late for work. I'd already missed the train.

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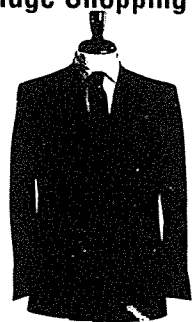
I decided to call in sick. I phoned and mumbled something about a touch of food-poisoning to the secretary. As I put down the phone I realised that I had embarked on the course of action of a guilty man. I'd failed to call the police and I'd lied about my absence from work. For quite some time I sat in the kitchen. I felt that if I sat there long enough and then went back upstairs that everything would be normal. The sun was shining in the back garden and the neighbour's cat was prowling around in the flowerbed, waiting to pounce on an unsuspecting thrush as it hopped about the lawn listening for worms.

Eventually I climbed back into the attic. His eyes stared at me. His face bore a puzzled expression as if he were just as perplexed as I was as to how he found himself bleeding to death in my attic. I moved closer and with a shock realised that I recognised him. I'd seen him shopping with his wife in the supermarket on Friday evenings; he travelled occasionally on the 8.05 train from Maynooth to Connolly. I'd never spoken to him but, having overheard him talking with other passengers on the train, I knew his name was Paul. He was about 45 with a narrow face and longish greying hair which, even now, seemed carefully combed to disguise a large bald patch on the crown of his head. Normally he wore horn-rimmed glasses but these were missing. Next I noticed that the kitchen knife planted in his chest was identical to one of a set I had in my own kitchen. I dared not touch it. Later I confirmed that the largest in my set of kitchen knives was missing - or at least it wasn't in the drawer with the others.

In the hours that followed an icy calm seemed to possess me. There were practical problems to solve. This nightmare must be flushed away so that tomorrow all this horror could be forgotten. First, without removing the knife from the body, I cleaned the handle to remove any of my fingerprints that might be on it. During the day I lit a fire, cut the bloodied bedclothes and pillow into strips and burned them. All the time I considered how best to dispose of the body. In the evening I cut up some black, plastic refuse sacks and used them to parcel up the body. Manoeuvring it out of the attic proved difficult as by this time rigor mortis had set in. By midnight I had dragged the body downstairs and later, in the dead of night, I dumped it along the site of the bypass out on the Rathcoffey Road.

During the following week the newspapers gave extensive coverage to the murder hunt. Paul Shanley, a civil servant, was a quiet family man with no known enemies. The Gardai were not following any definite lines of enquiry. I repainted my bedroom ceiling. And then this morning it happened again. I awoke to the plop, plop of blood on my pillow and above me on the ceiling was a dark red stain the size of a hand.....

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To a fine colleague and friend.....Thank You

Halloween

We ask all parents to ensure that they know the whereabouts of their children (small and not so small) on Halloween night. Unfortunately many people suffer at the hands of pranksters and sometimes the jokes are not so funny. Fireworks and bangers are illegal and dangerous. We encourage parents to organise events and ensure that they are properly supervised. Play your part in minimising annoyance. The Garda expect that all nocturnal activities (including bonfires) to terminate at a reasonable hour, but certainly not later than 10p.m.

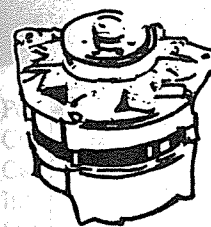
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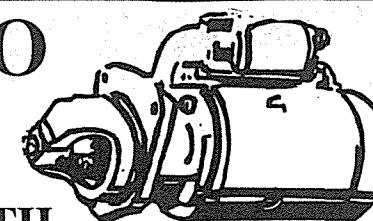
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unemployed persons from participating in the Fire Service. This is being done by means testing the call out allowance paid to part-time firemen against receipt of Unemployment Assistance. This will effectively mean that part-time Firemen, who risk their lives on our behalf, will be effectively working for nothing. We could end up with no fire service in Maynooth if this decision is not reversed.

Deputy Emmet Stagg has sought to have this decision reversed in the Dail and the Minister has agreed under pressure to review his decision. Deputy Stagg has also tabled a motion for consideration at the next meeting of Kildare County Council condemning Minister McCreavy's decision to assess as means for receipt of Unemployment Assistance the allowance paid by the Council to part-time firemen in the County. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Straffan Road Re-Alignment

Plans for the re-alignment of Straffan Road are currently with Kildare County Council for approval. The road is being improved from the Square to the Motorway junction in order to make it suitable for use as the Motorway Link Road.

The Road will be 10 Meters wide with a 1.75 Meter footpath, 1.5 Meter Cycle Path and .5 Meter grass verge on both sides giving an overall width of 17.5 Meters. It will be centred on the existing Straffan Way/Carton Court/Kingsbry Section i.e. extending 8.75 Meters on either side from the centre of the existing road. There will be a new bridge built to replace the existing Mullen Bridge. The road from the new bridge to the Square will be mostly in Coonan's field. The Harbour Field will not be touched. Access to the Tow Path will be greatly improved. There will be two bus turning points; one at Noone's and the other half way between the new bridge and the Square for the 67A Bus. There will be traffic lights at a straightened Celbridge Road Junction and at the Main Street Junction. The Kingsbry junction will have Pedestrian Lights and a yellow box. The Crescent will be Cul De Sacked at the southerly entrance. Plans for the Square have not yet been finalised. The Local Labour Branch through Deputy Emmet Stagg have requested the following adjustments to the Plan:

- (1) A decorative stone wall barrier similar to those at Harbour Field/Coonans Field should extend for the length of the road on both sides with shrubs and mature trees providing a screen on the inside. The height of the wall should not be overbearing.
- (2) A separate Cycle Path should veer left at Mullen Bridge and into the Harbour Area to provide an even safer route for cyclists heading toward the College/Schools/Harbour Area.
- (3) There should be a pedestrian refuge at the Crescent and in the area between Railpark and Greenfield Lane.
- (4) The Ball Alley should be restored.
- (5) In order to facilitate improved traffic flow in the Square "The Thing" should be demolished.
- (6) A Car Park should be provided in Coonan's Field adjacent to Larine House on the Straffan Road.
- (7) Pull in Bays for Dublin Bus should be included at the entrance to Greenfield Lane.

Deputy Stagg will be raising these matters at the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council.

Closing Off Of Exit/Entrance To St. Laurence's Avenue On Celbridge Road.

The Maynooth Intersection on the By-Pass will be the main entry/exit point for commuters from Celbridge. The intention is that Celbridge commuters will be routed via the Maynooth/Celbridge Road and onto Straffan Road. Traffic Lights will be

put in place at the Celbridge/Straffan Road Junction. Because of this it is likely that motorists will use the exit/entrance to St. Laurences Avenue on Celbridge Road as a rat run to the Straffan Road thus avoiding the traffic lights at Straffan/Celbridge road Junction. To eliminate this danger the exit/entrance should be closed off. Local Branch members will be calling to homes in St. Laurences Avenue to facilitate residents in petitioning the Council to eliminate this potential dangerous hazard.

Convent Road/Dunboyne Road

No consideration has been given to the increased traffic and already existing problem with heavy trucks using Convent Road/Dunboyne Road in the Councils plans for improvements arising from the By-Pass. Deputy Stagg will continue to press to have funds provided to have the Blacklion Road upgraded so that it can take the traffic off Convent Road/Dunboyne Road.

Public Light out of Order Railpark

Following representations by Deputy Emmet Stagg the E.S.B. have been requested to repair the faulty Public Light outside 21 Railpark.

Butterfly Week

The Branch would like to thank all those who supported our recent collection on behalf of the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland. £1,050 was raised for the Foundation in Maynooth.

Directional Signpost Convent Road/Main Street

Arising from requests from Residents of the area Deputy Stagg has requested that the Council erect a Directional Signpost at the Junction of Convent Road and Main Street indicating the route to The West and Dunboyne. This follows a report that a number of motorists had inadvertently gone towards Dunboyne on their way to the West.

Surface at Bus Stop O'Neill Park

The surface of the pull in to the Bus Stop in front of O'Neill Park remains in a deplorable condition. Deputy Emmet Stagg has requested the Council to have work carried out at this location.

Extension to Laraghbryan Cemetery

At a recent meeting of Kildare County Council it was agreed on the proposal of Deputy Emmet Stagg to raise a loan of £230,000 to finance the cost of the extension to Laraghbryan Cemetery. The Loan will be used to Develop the Graveyard to accommodate 1,000 grave spaces with associated car parking, walls etc.

Route 66

To date Bus Atha Cliath have not fulfilled their promise that all Route 66 buses would terminate at Straffan Road (near Noones). Deputy Stagg has recently been assured by the Managing Director of B.A.C. that all Route 66 buses will terminate on the Straffan Road in the near future. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Rehousing

There are 33 applicants whose first preference for re-housing is in Maynooth. If you include 2nd & 3rd, preferences the number rises to 128. Council houses have not been built in Maynooth for some time now and Deputy Emmet Stagg has now requested the Council to convene a meeting of applicants for re-housing in the Maynooth area in order to examine the possibility of setting up a Housing Co-Op as allowed for under the Plan for Social Housing.

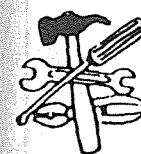
Youth & Sport Grants

Deputy Emmet Stagg has advised us that a recommendation has been made to make the following grants to clubs in Maynooth from Kildare V.E.C. Maynooth Summer Project £305, St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band £105, Maynooth Athletic Club £75, College Green A.F.C. £80.

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• Where the woman has become pregnant as a result of rape or incest and the pregnancy has not advanced more than 16 weeks. The decision to terminate a pregnancy should be a private matter for the woman and her doctor, following counselling on all her options. A termination service should be available in all health board areas.

The government is clearly confused about what its referendum wording actually means. If it is passed, the new wording will inevitably end up in the Supreme Court, just as the 1983 wording did. No matter what the electorate believes the words to mean, the effective legal meaning will ultimately be placed on them by the Supreme Court judges. The Constitution is no place for such a complicated issue. What we need is detailed legislation on the matter. Unfortunately, we do not have a government with the moral courage to do this.

Straffan Road Improvement

Democratic Left welcomes the County Council's proposal to include cycle paths in its scheme to improve the Straffan Road. Many of the other proposals are also welcome. These include the widening and levelling of the bridge at the railway station, the new footpath leading down to the station, the less steep incline leading down to the canal harbour, traffic lights (with a pedestrian phase) at the Celbridge Road junction the straightening out of this junction and location of pedestrian lights between the entrances to Kingsbry and Greenfield Estate.

Councillor Catherine Murphy will be pressing to have all these proposals implemented but she is also seeking additional items. In particular, pedestrian lights on the bridge at the entrance to the station are absolutely necessary. Adequate walls or other barriers must be located along the improved road in the vicinity of housing estates. Measures may be needed to prevent Railpark and Laurence's Avenue being used as shortcuts. It is also vital that the link road at the rear of Kingsbry leading from the Newtown area be in place before the by-pass is opened.

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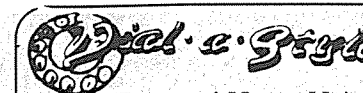
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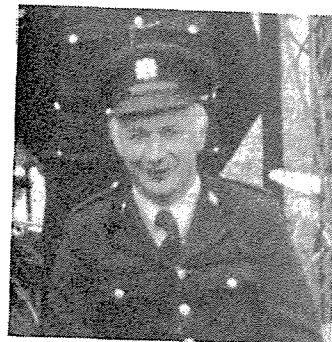
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Garda Michael Dillane who retired recently is a native of Glin, Co. Limerick and has been based in Maynooth for the last 22 years. He joined the Gardai in 1961 and was based in Rathmore, Co. Kerry, Cahirciveen, Co. Kerry and Portlaoise, Co. Laois before coming to the station in Maynooth. Prior to joining the Gardai he worked in a shop in Glin.

When Michael joined the Gardai in 1961 he undertook a 5 month training course in the Phoenix Park Depot which basically consisted of foot drill, physical training, and some basic law. Nowadays the training is much more intense and academic. It is now a two year course and attracts many college graduates. During his early years on the job life as a Garda was much easier since the pace of life was much slower. Prior to Michael joining the Gardai there was a very strict code of discipline. This was gradually relaxed so that by the time he joined it was no longer mandatory for Gardai to live in the station and keep curfew hours whereby they had to be in by 11.30 at night.

His arrival in Maynooth 22 years ago coincided with the expansion of the town, the first of the new housing estates Railpark, was being built at the time. One of the biggest changes since then has been the rapid growth in both population and traffic. As a consequence of this the station has got a lot busier and a lot more duties now have to be carried out.

One of Garda Dillane's main hobbies are greyhounds. He usually keeps two at a time for track racing. They are good for exercise since he brings them out for a long walk every day. Where he grew up in West Limerick the keeping of greyhounds was a very popular hobby with practically every second house keeping them. Greyhounds are his main sporting interest as he does not really follow football or hurling.

During his years, in Maynooth, Michael, his wife Rose, and their two children have been very happy and he plans to stay and work on a part-time basis in Maynooth. One of the main attractions for him to stay in Maynooth is that he will be close to his many friends and colleagues that he has got to know over the years. The Maynooth Newsletter would like to thank Garda Dillane for his many years service to the towns people and to wish him well on his retirement.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Leinster Junior Cup 1st Rd.

Ross '87 0 Maynooth Town 5

This was a very good win over Leinster Senior League opponents who were surprised by the ferocity of Maynooth's opening. We never allowed the opposition to settle and proceeded to dominate the game throughout. Two goals just before half-time by Joe O'Riordan and Philip Doyle paved the way for this success. Two further goals by Fergal Barton and one by Kevin Breslin completed the scoring in a very workmanlike performance. Gerry Thompson, Eamon Dunne, Joey Dempsey and Fergal Barton were best for Maynooth.

Leinster Junior Cup 2nd Rd.

Maynooth Town 1 St. Mark's 1 (A.E.T)

This was a game which had everything except the right scoreline for Maynooth. Excellent midfield play supported by sound defensive work was not enough to forge a win which we deserved. Having fallen behind in the first half Philip Doyle brought us level when he converted a penalty having been taken down himself. The remainder of the game and extra time remained scoreless and so it was left to the dreaded penalty shoot-out to separate the teams. With both teams having scored eight penalties each after missing one each, Maynooth failed to score a ninth whereas St. Marks were successful and so were successful on a 9-8 scoreline. Paul McCourt and Martin McTiernan were best for Maynooth with Paul Byrne outstanding in goal.

Leinster Junior Shield

Clontarf Villa 1 Maynooth Town 0

Having dominated the game for long periods we failed to take our chances and paid the ultimate penalty, no pun intended. With the game looking destined for extra time our defence was caught out of position in injury time and Villa scored. Undaunted by this, Maynooth stormed into attack and with the referee looking at his watch a Villa defender handled in his own penalty area when a Maynooth goal seemed certain. Justice was not done when the Villa keeper saved the penalty. The referee blew for full time immediately and so a vital chance was lost. Robert Thompson, James Gilligan and Michael Kelly were best for Maynooth.

Division 3 Private Grds.

Maynooth Town 3 Ranelagh Celtic 0

Probably the best display of the season by our second team. Ranelagh were unable to cope with the fire and enthusiasm displayed by Maynooth in this very good win. Leading 1-0 at half-time following a solo goal by Michael Murphy we stepped up the tempo in the second half and increased the lead when Stephen Horan chipped the keeper from long range and promptly displayed his acrobatic prowess with a Hugo Sanchez type somersault. In the 85th minute Robert Thompson floated over a corner kick which was only partially cleared and Michael Murphy blasted the ball into the roof of the net for his second goal. Best for Maynooth were Michael Murphy, John O'Neill and Dave Faherty.

U/14 Schoolboys League

Ballymore 2 Maynooth Town 5

We kept up our good league form with this win which was not as easily achieved as the scoreline might suggest. Eamon Gallagher scored twice in the 1st half to give us a comfortable halftime lead. Further goals in the second half by Aidan O'Brien and Eoin Guha in reply to Ballymore sealed the destination of the points.

U/14 Schoolboys Cup

St. Anthony's 2 Maynooth Town 2 (A.E.T.)

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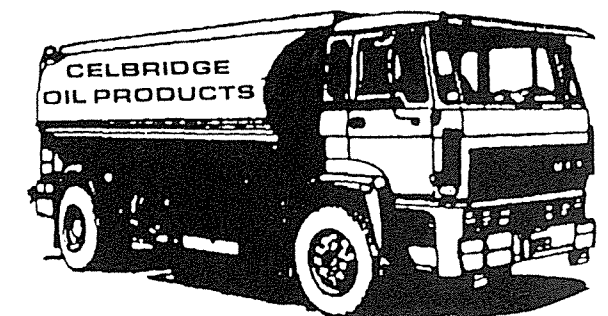
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matched sides. We had to come from behind twice to force a draw in normal time. Extra time remained scoreless despite some good scoring chances for both teams. The penalty shoot out proved a nail biting affair with the scoring even until Mr. Cool in the shape of Niall Naughton, the home keeper, took a hand and a foot in the issue. With the scores at 3-3 he promptly stepped from his goal to put Maynooth one up and then expertly saved the next St. Anthony's kick to gain the win for Maynooth. Niall Naughton, Martin Byrne and Aidan Ryan were best for Maynooth.

U/14 League

Maynooth Town 8 Bawnogue Boys 0

This was a one sided affair which was dominated by Maynooth from the start. It maintained our unbeaten record in League and Cup this season and was another two points in our quest for League honours. Eamon Gallagher topped the scoring honours with four goals with other goals coming from Aidan O'Brien, Piers Ryan and the Byrne brothers, Martin and Danny.

U/12 League

Swords Celtic 2 Maynooth Town 5

Maynooth deserved this very good win following a very workmanlike team effort. Peter Kinsella and Trevor Cassidy provided plenty of chances for our goal hungry forward line who hardly wasted a chance.

U/12 League

Hardwicke Utd. 1 Maynooth Town 0

The home side just shaded the issue in this close encounter. A lack of scoring power up front proved costly when a number of good chances were missed. Martin McLoughlin in goal was in top form for Maynooth.

U/11 League

Manortown 1 Maynooth Town 0

This was another case of not taking our scoring chances and so a good opportunity to take two points was lost. With the commanding Colm Cahill in defence and the ever improving Davitt O'Neill in goal, Maynooth restricted Manortown to shooting from long range. Apart from Colm Cahill and Davitt O'Neill we also had good shows from Trevor Naughton and Shane Folan.



Colm Cahill U/11 Player of the Year 1991/92 with the Leinster Arms Trophy following a recent presentation. Also included in photo Gerry Folan, Team Manager, Tom Dempsey, Chairman, Michael Dempsey, Vice Chairman.

U/11 Cup

The eagerly awaited Cup game against Ballyfermot Utd failed to take place due to the non-appearance of Ballyfermot. This was a great disappointment for the home team as good form in Recent games suggested that we would have done well against our more exalted opponents. We have since learned that Ballyfermot have resigned from the U/11 League and Cup competition due to lack

of manager, Trainer etc. for the team. We are fortunate to have excellent assistance with all our schoolboy and girl teams but extra help would always be welcome.

U/16 Schoolgirls League

Trim Celtic 0 Maynooth Town 4

We left it late in this game to secure the two points against a fighting fit Trim Celtic side. It looked as if we might drop a very valuable point until superior fitness told in the end. With Trim beginning to flag Maynooth scored four goals in the last ten minutes to achieve a deserved but flattering win.

Goals by Leeanne Hughes, Maeve Flood, Antoinette Mooney and Ann Lyons won the day.



Maynooth Girls U/16 Soccer Team Back Row: (L to R) Leanne Hughes, Antoinette Mooney, Ann Lyons, Patricia Purcell, Michelle Gillick, Leah Newman. Front Row: (L to R) Laura Kearney, Virginia Breslin, Emma Kilduff, Maeve Flood, Joanne Smith, Tracy Kearney. Also on the team are: Paula O'Shea, Brid-Ann O'Shea, Orla Cahill, Naomi Devereaux, Irene Kearney.

U/16 Schoolgirls League

Maynooth Town 8 Ashbourne 0

Having watched our U/14 Boys hit eight goals earlier in the day the girls got in on the act with a resounding win against a shell shocked Ashbourne side who were over-run from the start. Goals came at a steady rate from Antoinette Mooney 2, Maeve Flood 2, Laura Kearney 1, Emma Kilduff, Leeanne Hughes and Ann Lyons.

One point from our final league game against Agler will ensure the League title for us. Watch for the fixture and lend your support.



Darren Naughton receiving the Sean Power U/13 Player of the Year Award for 1991/92. Making the presentation was joint manager Michael Murphy. The other joint manager Patsy Byrne was unavoidably absent.

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MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

1st Team Results

(1) Confey Tournament

Kilcock 1.10 v Maynooth 1.8

This game was a carbon copy of the replayed Championship game against Rheban with wides galore being kicked. Maynooth had the bulk of the possession but failed to turn it to account. Kilcock on the other hand made far better use of their limited possession to snap up chances against the run of play including three vital scores near the end. While the result was disappointing the team's ability to win plenty of possession and dictate the exchanges territorially is very heartening. All they have to learn now is how to punish the opposition, when they are on top. Easier said than done.

Scorers: J. Nolan 1.2; J. Riordan 3 pts; Johnny Nevin, Joey Nevin and K. Fagan 1pt each.

Best for Maynooth: M. Nevin, Kearney, Conway, Riordan, Johnny Nevin and Nolan.

(2) Tom Flood Cup

Maynooth 1.8 v Sallins 3 pts

This was a game which was again characterised by poor shooting particularly in the 1st half. It was disappointing to see an abundance of good possession and good approach work being ruined by sloppy finishing. It is great to see the team totally dominating opponents possession - wise and creating so many clear-cut chances, but it is obvious that a far greater proportion of these chances will have to be converted if the team hopes to get past St. Kevin's in the semi-final of the competition.

It was not all bad news however, and there were some very pleasing aspects to the game notably, the holding of Sallins scoreless in the second half and the displays of Mick Nevin, Kelly, Styne, Mahony, Johnny Nevin and Noel Reilly.

Scorers: Reilly 1 goal; Johnny Nevin 3 pts; Edwards 2 pts; Murray, Ennis and Styne 1 pt each.

Man of Match: David Mahony at left half back.

Killian Fagan was an absentee for the Sallins match as he was on duty for Kildare against Meath in Newbridge. Here's hoping he makes the big breakthrough.

Underage

Under 10

(1) Maynooth 5 pts v Confey 1.4

Scorers: Pierre Ennis, Killian Grennell, Alan Baxter, Chris Flynn and Morgan Sweeney 1 point each.

Best: N Healy, P King, K Grennell, A Baxter, P Ennis and S Fleming

(2) Maynooth 2.6 v Celbridge 1.2.

Scorers: Stephen Fleming 1.1; Tommy Masterson 1.0; Pierre Ennis 2 pts; Killian Grennell 2 pts and Patrick King 1 pt.

Best: S Devereaux, S Pidgeon, P O'Sullivan, P King, K Grennell, P Ennis and S Fleming.

Under 12

(a) Maynooth 1.8 v Confey 3.8

Scorers: M McCarron 1.1; B Connolly 1 pt; D Carr 1 pt; A Boylan 1 pt; G Hanley 1 pt; K Fleming 1 pt; J Connolly 1 pt; D Lennon 1 pt;

Best: N Downey, B Normoyle, D O'Rourke, G Hanley, M McCarron and K Ennis.

b) Maynooth 4.15 v Celbridge 1.2.

Scorers: K Ennis 8 pts; B Connolly 1.2; T Halton 1.1; A Boylan 1.0; S Cummins 1.0; M McCarron, E O'Donoghue and C Diggins 1 pt each.

Best: C Arthurs, A McCarron, C Diggins, R Kelly, G Hanley, K Ennis, B Connolly, T Halton and K Fleming

A mixed start to the League for both teams who showed all the signs of a long Summer lay-off in their opening games against Confey. The Under 10's were particularly unlucky to go under in their game being hit by a late Confey goal. In addition, the team had to field without three of their most consistent performers David Campbell, Seanie Brady and Mikey Gleeson all of whom are injured. The Under 12's looked very rusty and badly needed the game. A big improvement was needed and delivered by this side in the next game against Celbridge where they were never in danger of defeat. The Under 10's rowed in with a battling display to come from behind at half time and secure the points with a storming finish.

Under 9

A first was achieved recently with the fielding of an Under 9 side in a Challenge against Celbridge who ran out narrow winners. Great credit is due to the players for displaying such skill and determination in what was for many of them their first organised match. Particularly prominent were S Healy, J Murray, K Carr, A Pidgeon, D Adderley, M Dolan, D Lawlor, P Campbell and F Devereaux.

Hurling

Congratulations to Peter Leacy and Thomas Farrell who were members of the Kildare Team that won the U/16 All Ireland coming from 10 points behind to defeat Antrim in the final at Dundalk. They had earlier scored wins over Wicklow, Kerry and Westmeath.

Peter and Thomas were the midfield stars on our own U/16 team which, by winning their league, brought the third juvenile hurling title to the club this year. They scored a fine 3-6 to 0-6 win over Kilcock in the final at Ardclough. The Maynooth team were always that bit ahead on the day but found the early scores hard to come by. Some great long range frees by Peter Leacy and a goal by Eanna Hassett gave them a half-time lead of 1-3 to 0-3. An early disallowed goal in the 2nd half did not upset them. Hassett scored his 2nd and Thomas Farrell got the 3rd and we finally ran out nine point winners. In a fine all round team performance as well as the aforementioned Hugh Nevin, Stephen Noonan, Cathal Ryan, Stephen Brennan and goalie Declan Buckley were outstanding. Maynooth Scorers - E. Hassett 2 goals, P. Leacy 6 pts. V. Nevin 1 goal, T. Farrell 1 pt. C. Ryan 1 pt., P. Farrell 1 pt.

U/10

The U/10 having won promotion as runners-up in the Spring League got off to a great start in the higher division with wins over Leixlip and Ardclough before losing to Confey in a close game.

Maynooth 1-1 v Leixlip 1-0.

Leixlip got an early goal but the Maynooth defence was solid as a rock after that, particularly Morgan Sweeney, Shane Devereaux and Pierre Ennis. Maynooth got a point (Mikey Gleeson) before half-time and Damian Travers got the winning goal in the 2nd half. Sean Flaherty, Peter Guinan and Peter Sheahan also played very well.

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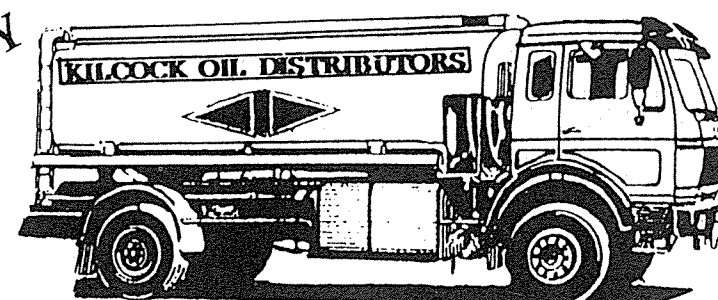
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Maynooth 5-2 Ardclough 1-0.

Maynooth were well on top with good displays by Aidan Molloy, Sean Flaherty, Mikey Gleeson, Mark Cummins, Fergal Molloy and Donal McCarthy and Tom Masterson.

Maynooth 0-0 Confey 2-0.

Again the Maynooth defence was superb, only conceding two goals but we were not able to take the first-half chances in spite of great work by Peter Guinan in the forwards. James Mullarky, Pierre Ennis, Kevin Gannon and Sean og Farrelly were also outstanding.

U/13

This team were promoted as joint winners of their division. They lost to Leixlip in their first game and then bounced back to beat Confey by 3-1 to 1-1. This is a very young team many of whom are U/11. Tom Mullarky, Eoin Nevin, Conor Diggins, Willie Gannon, Matthew Callaghan, Seamus Cummins, Karl Ennis, Peter Guinan, John O'Shea, Vincent Nevin, Brendan Keogh, Mark and Aidan McCarron, and Michael and Philip Ryan, and the rest of the panel are all playing excellent hurling.

U/15

This team has lost it's first league match to Broadford by 4-1 to 1-1 in a game that was closer than the score line would suggest. They were short 5 or 6 regulars and we can expect better results when these are available.

Minor

Congratulations to Ed Leacy on winning Kildare the Minor Championship with Leixlip. Ed has also been on the Kildare minor team in '91 and '92.

Lotto Draw

Sunday 4th October - Jackpot £150 - not won. 3 x £10 - T. Brennan, P. Errity, Ann O'Keeffe. Lotto Draw - Sunday 11th October - Jackpot £200 - not won. 3 x £10 - Jim Tracey, D. Fitzpatrick, E. Mooney.

U/16 Football League

Our U/16 football team are through to the final of their league. On the run up to final they have played a number of challenge matches. They beat Mullingar Shamrock's and drew with Leixlip. On going to press no date has been fixed for final.



Maynooth U/16 Hurling Team League Winners 1992. Back Row L to R: M. Gleeson (Selector), L. Leacy (Selector), S. Brennan, D. Mooney, P. Leacy, B. Collins, E. Hassett, S. Noonan, A. Gaffney, H. Nevin, R. Murphy, T. Farrell, S. Griffin, M. Gillick (Selector). Front Row L to R: P. Nevin, D. Buckley, J. Higgins, P. Farrell (Capt.), V. Nevin, N. Gillick, M. Nugent, M. Bennett, R. Cotter, C. Ryan.



Liam Hogan, Kildare Hurling Board presenting the U/16 Hurling Shield to Maynooth Captain Peter Farrell on winning U/16 Hurling League.

Tom Flood Cup

Our local football tournament has started. All games this year are being played in Maynooth College due to our own field being developed. We would like to thank Maynooth College for use of the field.

1st Round - Rathcoffey 2.6 v Cappagh 2.5 - St Kevins 1.13 v Confey 0.7 - Maynooth 1.8 v Sallins 0.3. The next match is Ardclough v Caragh. The semi-final line up is - Maynooth v St. Kevins - Rathcoffey v Ardclough or Caragh. We hope to play both semi-finals on Sunday 25th October and final is fixed for the 8th or 15th Nov.

Minor Football League - Maynooth 3.6 v Balyna 2.9.

Maynooth started this game very poorly and were down 8pts at one stage but fought back to earn a good draw. Maynooth scores - H. Purcell 1-1, D. Mahoney 1 goal, P Garvey 4 pts, M. Donnelly 1 goal, J. Nevin 1 pt. also to play well M. Noonan, E. Dunne.

Peter Delaney Cup U/14 Football Tournament.

Results to date in Peter Delaney Cup, Maynooth beat Leixlip, Kilcock beat Kilcloone. This tournament is being played on a League Basis, the other team in the tournament is Celbridge. It is hoped to have the final on the same day as the Tom Flood Cup final.

U/14 League Semi-Final.

Maynooth 0.6 pts v Monasterevan 2.6pts.

Maynooth started well in this game and were in with a chance up to 10 mins. to go. Two goals by Monasterevan gave them a commanding lead which they held to the end. Best for Maynooth who tried hard, V. Nevin, E. Gallagher, D. Coughlin, M. Brennan, R. Casey, D. McCarrack.

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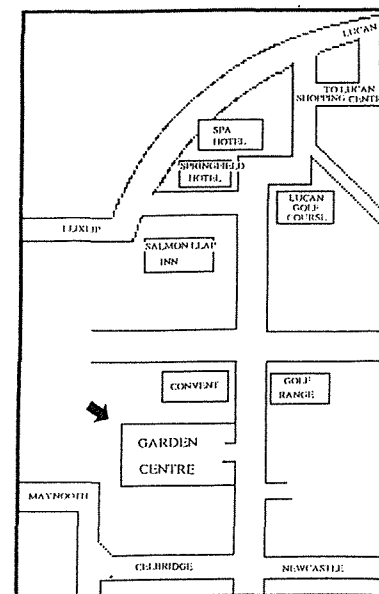
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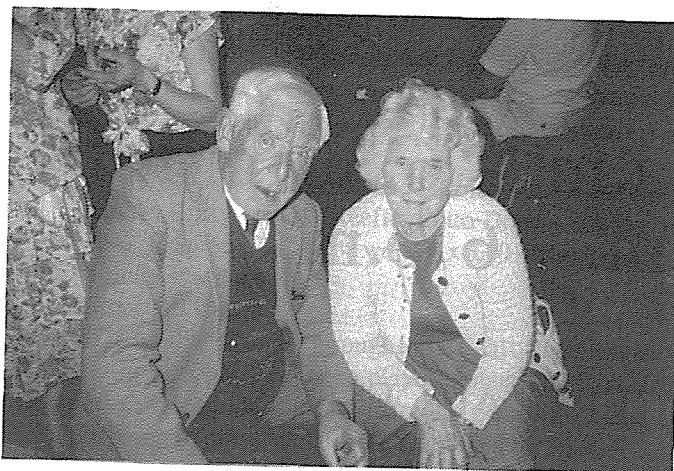


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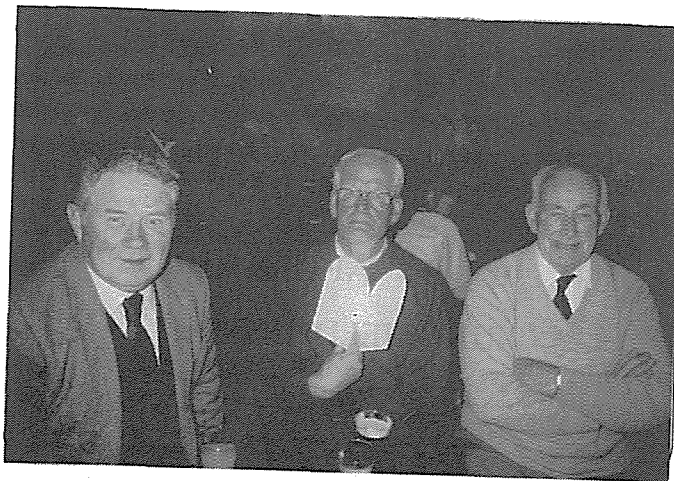
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Our Dinner Dance this year is on Friday 11th December, in our Club House. This year we have to confine it to 200 people, first come first served.

Congratulations to our President Jimmy Tracey who celebrated his birthday in Maynooth G.A.A. Centre. Best wishes from all members of Maynooth G.A.A. and all your friends.



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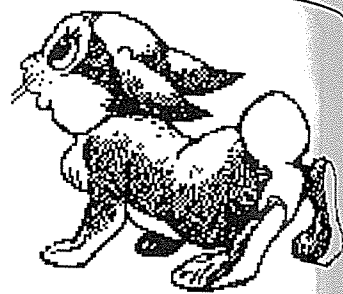
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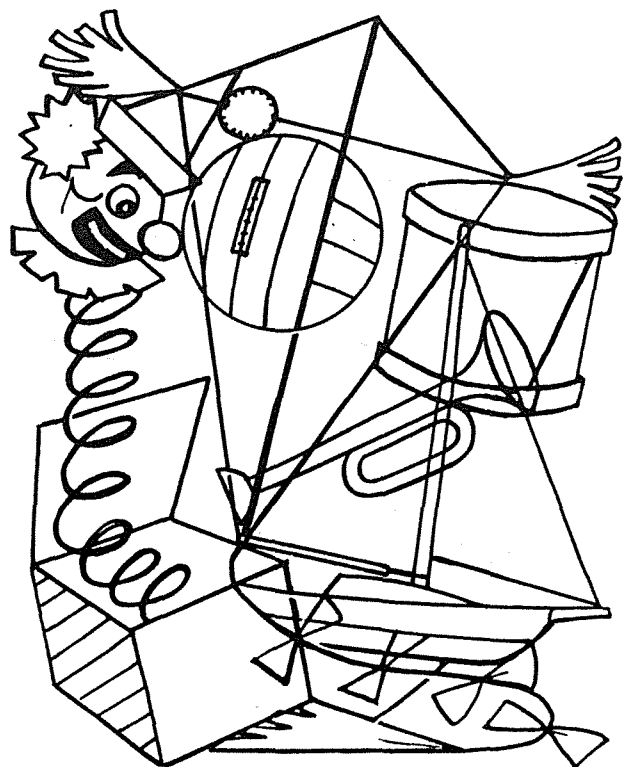
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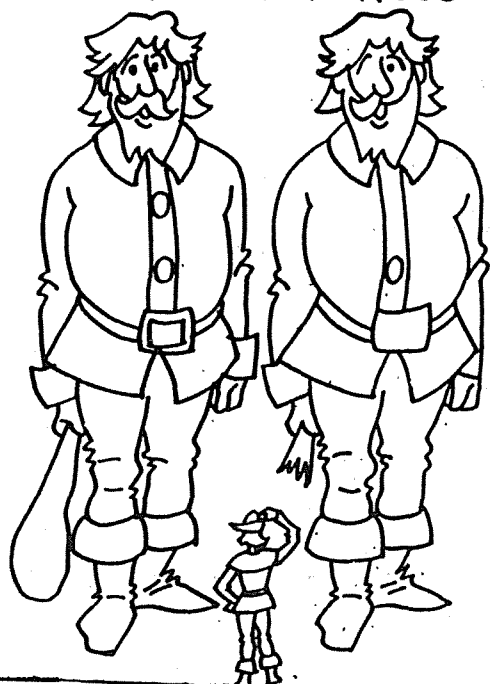
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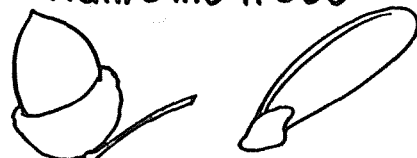
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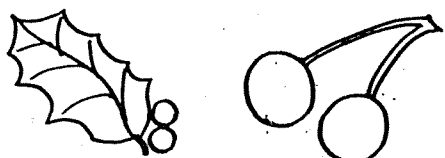
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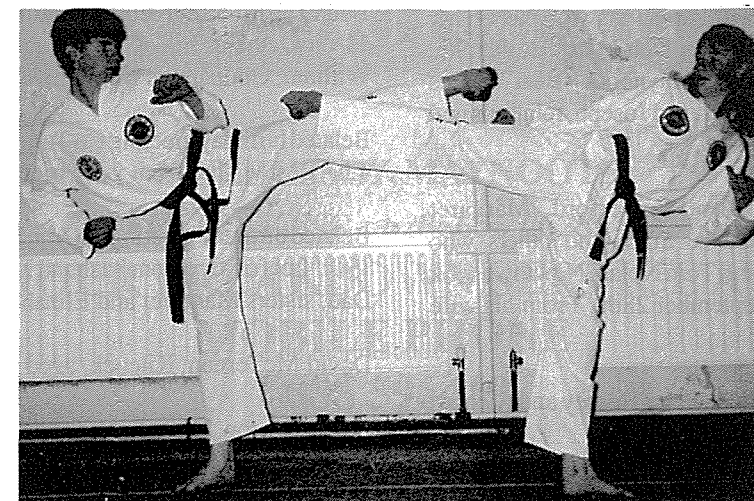
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Sympathy to Michael O'Driscoll, Kilgrague, Maynooth on the death of his father, Mr. Michael O'Driscoll, Sligo.

The wife and family of the late Stanley Oliver wish to express their thanks to all who sympathised with them in their recent bereavement, those who attended the Removal, Mass and Funeral and who personally called to the house, also those who sent Mass Cards and Floral Tributes.

A special mention of appreciation to the Doctors and Nurses in the Renal Unit of Beaumont Hospital, Dr. Michael Hanlon, Leixlip, the Maynooth Ambulance Service, Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan, the catering staff in Intel, Mr. Pat Dalton, the staff of St. Patrick's College, especially his colleagues in the College Library also to the many friends and neighbours who gave tremendous support and assistance especially the Bean family, the Mahers and McDonoughs. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Sympathy to Harry Richardson, Parson Street and Tom Richardson, Maryville on the death of their Brother John (Jack), Baltyboys, Blessington.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Maeve McTernan, Avondale, Leixlip who passed her Junior Certificate with Honours. Best Wishes from Grandad and Grannie.

Congratulations to Jimmy McMahon, Mulhussey, Maynooth now resident in New York, who has won over 50 fights since he emigrated 6 years ago. A pupil at Christian Brothers Kilcock, he was a member of the Kilcock and Enfield B.C's and won 3 Leinster Junior Championships there. Jimmy is the son of Paddy and Nora McMahon and was a popular bar tender in Clock House before leaving for U.S.A. Good Luck Jimmy from all your friends in Maynooth and elsewhere.

Congratulations to Mary McKeever, Parson St., who passed her Dental Nurse Exams in Trinity College, Dublin on October 9th. Past pupil of Post Primary School in Maynooth. Best Wishes from Daddy, Mammy, brothers Robert and Joseph, relations and all friends.

Special Thanks to Ben Mee, Rose Comerford, Margaret McCarron, G.A.A. Staff, Ambulance Staff, and others who helped in any way when my husband Tom Nolan, Newtown took ill in G.A.A. Club on Monday September 28th. From his wife Marie, and family,

Congratulations to editorial members, Peter Hussey and Richard Hayes who were both successful in their M.A.

Congratulations to Fergus Devereux, Moyglare Meadows, who was conferred with BSC in Information Technology in DCU.

Birthday Greetings

Belated Birthday greetings to Frances Daly from the T.G.I.F.C.

Congratulations to Martina Mooney who passed her Exams in Lucan College, also to Jacqueline in passing her Leaving Cert, and Antoinette in passing her Junior Cert. Well done.

Happy 18th Birthday to Jacqueline Mooney on the 17th October from all in 826 Greenfield.

Love and best wishes for a very happy birthday to Richard McGovern, 833 Greenfield, who celebrates his 11th birthday on November 14th also to Debbie McGovern, 820 Greenfield, who celebrates her 7th birthday on November 27th. With love and kisses from Nannie Una and Uncle Kevin.

Happy 11th birthday on November 14th to Richard McGovern, 833 Greenfield. From Mammy, Daddy and brother Thomas, also love and best wishes from your Nannie Donovan and all at 739.

Happy 7th birthday on November 27th to Debbie McGovern, 820 Greenfield. From Mammy, Daddy, Karina, Stacey, Michelle and Regina, also love from your Nannie Flynn and Uncle Noel in Kilcloone.

Belated Birthday greetings to Kevin Breslin, Leinster Park, from everyone in the Information Centre.

Happy Birthday to 'Moses' class 11 from all class 11.

Happy Birthday to Helena, who will be 15, James who will be 14, Michael who will be 11 and Thomas who will be 9. They all celebrate their birthdays in November. Lots and lots of love from Mammy and Daddy.

Happy Birthday to Catherine Fay, Leinster Cottages, Maynooth who celebrates her Birthday on November 1st, from her Husband Séan and family.

Happy Birthday to Roisin Gorey, Suva House, Maynooth who celebrates her 1st Birthday on November 15th. Love from her Daddy and Mammy.

Belated Birthday greetings to Julia Comerford, Greenfield, aged 11 on October 3rd. Greetings from Mammy, Daddy, brother William, Godparents Mrs. P Brady and Jim Mooney.

Belated birthday greetings to Tom Nolan 284 Greenfield, October 4th. Best wishes from your friend Julia.

Belated birthday greetings to Ann Birchall, Greenfield on October 19th. Lots of love from husband Norman, son Andrew, Mam and Dad, sisters Margaret and Elizabeth.

David McTernan, Kilcock, aged 14 on October 19th.

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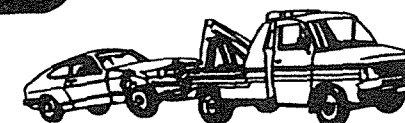
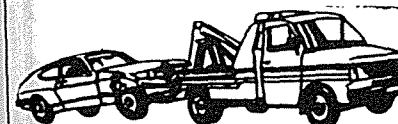
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Happy 21st Birthday to Donal Fitzpatrick from all your family and friends.

Happy Birthday to Norah McDermott from all in the C.C.

Happy Birthday to Carolann Reaper from all the "Thank God its Friday Club".

Birthday greetings to Margaret Clince and Kay McKeogh on November 3rd.

Birthday greetings to Mrs. B. Sauls, 9 Parson Street, who celebrates her birthday on the 1st November from her family and friends.

Belated birthday greetings to Edel King, Moyglare Village, age 8 on September 28th. Best wishes from Daddy, Mammy, sisters Clodagh and Lisa.

Birthday greetings to Mark Jennings, Moyglare Village, age 7 October 28th. Best wishes from Daddy and Mammy.

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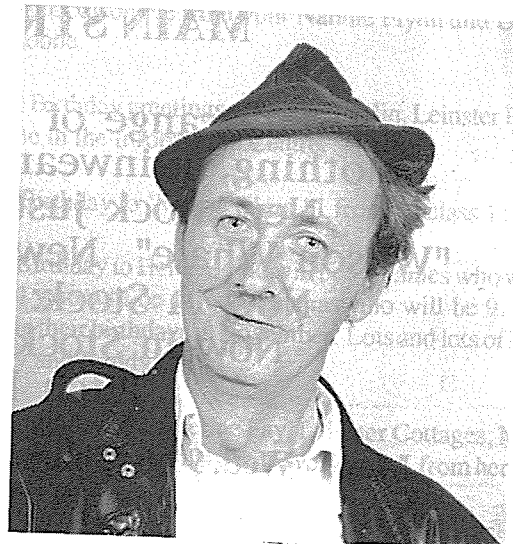
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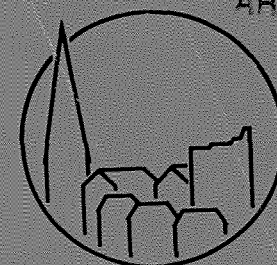
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Editorial

SPRING TIDES

The last month has seen extraordinary changes on the political landscape. When the November issue of the Newsletter was published, there was no hint of a general election, yet as this goes to print, it is all over, although the final count is now yet available. What is clear is that the people have voted overwhelmingly for a change. The Spring tide, with the winds of change blowing it forward will meet with high expectations. The people have voted against continuing financial ripoffs of taxpayers, low standards in high places, for a better world where there is work for everyone. The unfortunate fact of life is that tides also go out, and not all rising tides lift all boats equally. The world economy is in trouble, and Ireland as a small open economy is particularly vulnerable to external events. Events in the next few months will tell if we have reached a watershed in Irish politics, or if we have just hit the neap tide; with the inevitable ebbing back of achievements which follows. To steer a steady course for Ireland around all the hazards ahead will require a good skipper, and a crew which is willing to co-operate and work together; these are difficult qualities to find, as we know from previous coalitions.

The **Newsletter** awaits the forthcoming months with interest. In the meantime, congratulations to Emmet Stagg and Charlie McGreevy, both elected on the first count, and to Alan Dukes, Bernard Durkan and Sean Power on their election. And could we request that all parties ensure that their posters are removed.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

The **Newsletter** wishes its readers a Happy Christmas and a prosperous and peaceful New Year. Special best wishes go to our advertisers for their continuing support. And let us not forget the employees on the Social Employment Scheme, who under the direction of Norah McDermott work so hard to produce this **Newsletter** every month.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I write concerning the forthcoming referendum on abortion. It seems that this country is still bedevilled by the twin evils which have caused us so much misery in the past. I am referring, not to unemployment and emigration, but to the more deeply-rooted cancers of fear and ignorance.

Fear of contamination by other creeds, ignorance of ecumenical progress, and intolerance of minority religions form the basis of religious extremism in this country. It is too easy to dismiss the fundamentalists as crackpots who, lacking the thought processes to make value judgements for themselves on diverse (and sometimes apparently conflicting) Church teachings, cling desperately to dogma. To understand the extremists, we need to look at the history of religion in this country. Ireland has suffered much from the effects of the Jansenist philosophy, which held sway here for many years. This code was similar to Puritanism, having as a basic tenet the belief that all pleasure was intrinsically evil. In an impoverished country like ours, with little to reproach the people for, it is no wonder that sexuality came under the intense scrutiny of the killjoy zealots. Although Jansenism was eventually discredited and declared a heresy by the Catholic Church, its echoes linger still in this country. Europeans are constantly bemused by our hang-ups about sexual matters, and our reluctance to introduce progressive legislation in regard to contraception, divorce, family law, and sex education.

With the Jansenist 'sex = sin' creed echoing down the generations, there has been an attendant high level of sexual repression. Parents have often been too embarrassed to give information, let alone guidance, to their children in sexual matters; it is hardly surprising that many pregnancies resulted from ignorance of sexuality, and that many abortions resulted from fear of the consequences. The consequences could indeed be fearful; an unmarried pregnant girl traditionally faced denouncement from the pulpit and banishment from the parish, often with her own shamed family assisting in her summary removal from the area. That does not happen now in our more enlightened society, but who can forget the 15 year old who died giving birth alone, lying under a statue of the Virgin? The symbolism of her actions in seeking solace from a statue, rather than her family, in her hour of despair is a tragedy that should haunt us all. We need more life education in our schools and more tolerance in our society. Perhaps, then, we will have fewer unwanted pregnancies, and fewer abortions. It is encouraging to see that a video on basic sex education has been prepared for primary schools, despite predictable objections from the hard-liners. It is strange indeed that those who stridently profess Christian ethics and family values are often totally lacking in compassion and charity, the cornerstones of the Christian faith.

The abortion debate spans a wide range of views. At one extreme are those who would want abortion available freely, as a kind of belated contraception. At the other end of the spectrum are those who would not terminate a pregnancy at any stage, even where necessary to save the mother's life. The vast majority of the Irish people do not hold either view, but are agonising over the best solution to a very difficult situation, where we wish to protect equally the rights of the foetus and the mother. We should not be in this dilemma; up to 1983, abortion was illegal in this country. The well-

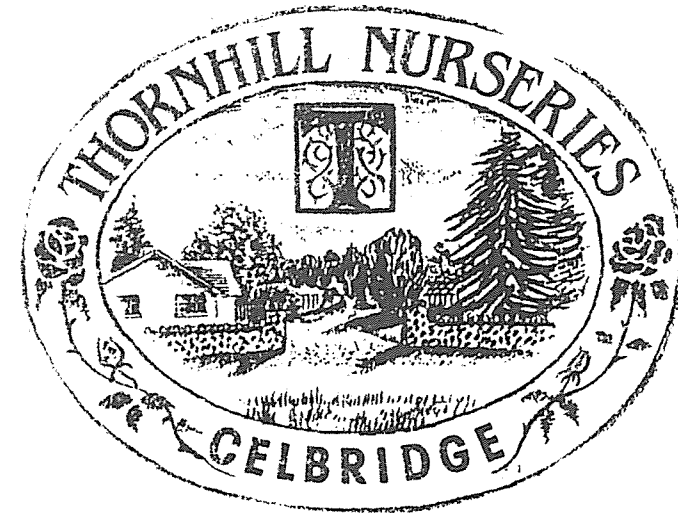
intentioned meddlers who tried to copper-fasten its illegality in our constitution have brought about a farcical situation where the original ideal has been stood on its head by judicial interpretation of the flawed wording. They were warned, time and again, that the amendment was defective, and would be like a time-bomb in our Constitution. The government of the day, concerned for its image, allowed it to be railroaded through with unseemly haste. Has the Pro-life group apologised publicly for the fiasco they have created? No! With the awful arrogance of self-appointed guardians of public morals, they blame the Supreme Court judges for not interpreting the amendment 'properly'. What arrogance! Whatever the outcome of the referendum, it is highly likely that any new amendment will be challenged for interpretation in the Courts, and we will once again be on the abortion merry-go-round.

Travel between member states of the EC to avail of services legally obtainable in other countries is a basic right, as is the entitlement to information about such services. Perhaps our new government will take the initiative and set up regional counselling services for pregnant women and hopefully stem the tide of abortions through compassion and education. Referring directly to last month's contributors, Ms Mhic Fhibin would wish to see our constitution based on Roman Catholic dogma. This would be all very well if Irish citizens were exclusively Catholic, but they are not. It would be quite unjust to make second-class citizens of thousands of our citizens on a religious basis. We have removed the 'special position' of the Catholic Church from our constitution, and thereby recognised the rights of all Irish people to worship as they please, without a constitutional bias towards any one religion. Obviously, the majority of Irish Catholics feel that their Faith can stand on its own merits, without the assistance of Constitutional 'special positions'.

At first sight, the letter from W.J. Gartland looks like an April Fool prank by the *Newsletter*, which somehow went to print six months early. In an apparent effort to cram every big word in his/her vocabulary into one letter, the writer has put together a piece of pseudo-intellectual gobbledygook. The thoughts which eventually struggle to the top of this verbal porridge are truly idiotic. We are told that this is the Irish nation's most important decision ever, and that by the use of the expression 'so called' in relation to the substantive issue, "the majority of the journalistic profession...have opted to embark on a unilateral pro-abortion propaganda crusade". We are also asked to believe that the writer is competent to analyse the subject of pregnancy-related trauma; that he or she is capable of simultaneously monitoring the entire media; that Barry Desmond is an intemperate outrageous, scaremongering, propagandist, egomaniac, bilious, infamous parliamentarian and that the majority of the Irish people share the writer's views. What a load of bovine excreta!

At the risk of the writer finding even bigger words to punish us with, he or she should consult a dictionary before composing another letter. Therein will be found the meaning of 'promulgate', 'construe', and 'futuristic', just some of the words abused in this piece of sensationalist nonsense.

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Community Council Notes

Maynooth Community Council will soon become the lessee of the Geraldine Hall and Harbour Field. The new trustees will be four nominees from Maynooth Community Council and three nominees from previous trustees. Those selected from Community Council are Tony Bean, Dominic Nyland, Eileen Dunne and Fionan Hardiman. Maynooth Development Association will select the other three. It is hoped this selection will be made in the near future and that the new lease will be drawn up with the Hon. David Nall-Cain before Christmas.

People of Maynooth should by now have noticed that our Planning and Development Scheme is up and running, already a great lot of work has been done at the Geraldine Hall, O'Neill Park, Square and opposite the Church. This work group will work for the next 12 months in the town and we should certainly be looking forward to great results in next years Tidy Town Competition.

Rumour has it that the "Thing" in the Square will at last be going. The Community Council proposals on the Road realignment at the Square are likely to be approved by the Department of the Environment, which will make way for the removal of "The Thing". Official news on this issue will follow in the next issue.

We would like to welcome back Christina Sauls to the office. The Community Council has secured another Social Employment Scheme of which Chris will be supervisor. It is hoped that this scheme will produce a local History Book on Maynooth a yearly annual and updating of Maynooth Directory in 1993.

MAYNOOTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

We are delighted to see that the Planning and Development S.E.S. Scheme being administered by the Tidy Town Committee has started.

Already this group are making an impact on the Environment of Maynooth. Using the Geraldine Hall as a base a great amount of tidying up and clearing out of the Hall has happened.

Working in conjunction with the Trustees of the Geraldine Hall we are confident that the Hall will soon be a focal point of activities in Maynooth.

Finally, in the New Year we plan to publish our discussion plans for Maynooth.

Compliments of the season to everyone.

THE DON BOSCO CONNECTION WITH THE GERALDINE HALL

He wore a battered biretta, patched cassock, and peasant workshoes. He was medium height, had an open frank face, crowned by a rich crop of curly hair. He was to be seen on a Sunday leading a band of singing, shouting, grubby slum boys of four hundred through Turin's stylish Streets usually on a trip to the country, open places to play. Who was he? Don (Father) Bosco founder of the Salesian order, now the second largest in the world. The clergy thought he was crazy and tried to have him put away, the anti-clerics were afraid of him. Where did these boys come from? They were the

working class of Turin, crowded into filthy, airless tenements. Vice, disease and crime flourished, gangs roamed the street at night, leaving a trail of robberies, mugging, and sometimes murder. (Bit like Dublin today).

Law and order shouted the City Fathers! More police were called up, four new jails opened with little results. 'Love them' shouted this offbeat priest, "you can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar" and he did. The Salesian came to Maynooth, and started a group of Co-operators, in other words Lay Salesians. They noticed all the lads on our corners and fearing for them, followed Don Bosco's example and looked for a shed where they could meet. Eventually we got permission from the Trustees of the Geraldine Hall to renovate it for their use. The Salesians helped and the lads from the town were super, but it soon became apparent the job was too big. So the first "ANCO team-work" project came to Maynooth. The people were very generous and we collected £18,000 approximately and ran several more functions. Bartley O'Flaherty R.I.P. was our foreman. The Hall required a new roof, new heating, complete new plumbing, complete wiring, etc. but eventually the Club opened. The Lions Club were great too, without all the material we got from them we could not have gotten by. As it was we had to borrow £2000 from the Development Association to fireproof the Function Room which is still due.

Why do I write this article? Because who ever eventually gets control of the Geraldine, must always remember, space must be left for Don Bosco's young people. They re-built it and they need it. Everywhere I go in Ireland, the smallest village has a Community Hall for their Youth to keep them from getting into mischief, while we in Maynooth have a lovely Hall in the Geraldine, but nobody to run it. We had a few 25th Wedding Anniversaries there, and 21st Birthdays. It was ideal, and I believe the Hall was left for the enjoyment of the people of Maynooth, and not for business purposes. Unfortunately we never had a lease which would entitle us to Insurance, so we had to curtail our activities, but the Newsletter last month gave new hope.

When we opened the Hall the Sergeant here remarked it was the best thing that happened to the town. Young Lads who were in trouble with the law through idleness were now to be seen getting City of Guild awards in the Newsletter. Proof that love and care works.

*Peig Lynch (ex P.R.O. Bru Bosco)
P.R.O. Salesian (co-operators)*

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS REPORT DECEMBER

As can be seen in Maynooth already our S.E.S. Scheme is up and running. Grass areas have been mown and tidied up and the first our flower/shrubs planting has started.

This is only the start; we have a major programme of work planned for the coming year.

A special appeal is currently being made to Maynooth businesses for funds. The initial response is very positive. Finally, on behalf of Maynooth Tidy Towns, please use the collection point in the Shopping Centre for bottles etc. Thank you, Happy Christmas to all.

R. Farrell, P.R.O.

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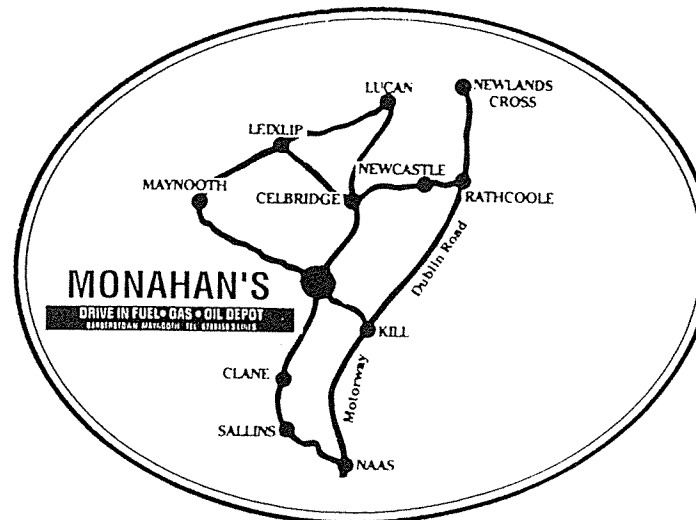
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ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

Ho! Ho! Ho! Greetings all!

During this festive season we aim to please with our Christmas Carols. We will be doing our 'rounds' in Maynooth - the Greenfield estates, the supermarkets, the town and other venues, and of course at 11 o'clock Mass on Christmas Day. We will be venturing out on the second week in December. At the moment we are £6,000 'in the red' so all donations are very welcome!

I hope all those Santa letters are written and sent off. In the meanwhile have a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

Just to remind you that all bookings for engagements etc., should be made in writing to: Elaine Bean, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, The Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley
P.R.O.

SCOUT NEWS

Firstly, I must extend a million and one apologies to our thousands(?) of loyal readers who must have noticed that last month's article was nowhere to be seen in the *Newsletter*. This was due to circumstances beyond our control, and in an effort to make it up to you we have an extra long article this month.

Last month (October) saw the departure of Cathal Gaffney, one of our scout leaders from the unit. Cathal is currently doing a six-month stint in The Lebanon, with the Irish contingent of the U.N. peacekeeping forces. At least that's what he told us, but some of us have been informed by a reliable source that even as we read this article, our Cathal is stretched out on a sunbed somewhere in Tibnin. Ah well, we hope that at least his bald patch will get some much needed sun.

Staying in October, the annual "mile of money" fundraiser was yet again a big success, due in whole to the generosity of the people of Maynooth. Another fundraiser was held later on that same month when Quinnsworth was invaded by the scouts, who spent the best part of Thursday night, Friday night and all day Saturday packing the groceries of a largely unsuspecting public. While the whole idea of grocery packing is not new to scouting, by way of a fundraiser, it is new however to the unit here in Maynooth. However, the scouts rose to the occasion as usual, and packed as if they had been doing it all their lives. The general feedback from the public was that it was an excellent idea and hoped that we would be back again. You never know in any case, we extend a special word of thanks to the staff and management of Quinnsworth without whose assistance the whole venture would never have been.

This is the time of year when we see many new faces in the unit. This year is no exception. Therefore it gives me great pleasure to welcome the following people to the 8th Kildare: **Beavers:** Padraig Brady, Kevin Farrell, Cian Byrne, Eoin Bennet, Robert Armstrong, David Prendergast, Lorcan Beehany, Brian O'Malley, Patrick Broughan, Andrew Lorenzo, Mark Sydney & James Hennelly. **Cubs:** Thomas Fox, Paul Broughan, Barry Coughlan, Mark Watson, David

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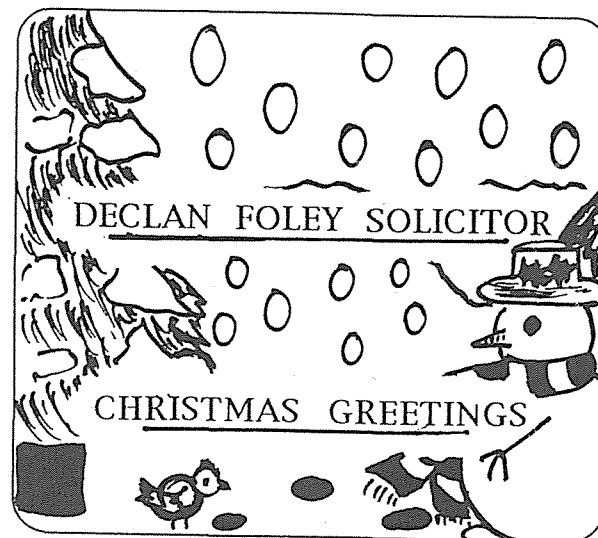
Lorenzo, Richard Flanagan, Adrian Mee, Tadhg O'Corcora, Alan Sweeney, James Keegan, David Murphy, John Twomey, Patrick Behan & Gerard McCarthy. **Scouts:** Dara Carr, Susan Adderly, Connor O'Shea, William Gannon, Martin Filbert, Noel White, Dónal Smith, Therese Flood, Aishling Kelly & Mark McCarron. **Leaders:** Anthony Fagan (Cubs), Ronan Barry, Séan O'Neill, Laszlo Karpati, Vincent Keane (Scouts).

All new Beavers and Cubs have already been invested into the unit. The Scouts hope to follow suit with their new members sometime before Christmas. We wish them all a long and happy life in scouting.

As this is probably the last time that you will hear from us before Christmas, may we extend to you the people of Maynooth, a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year (especially if your "12 Days of Christmas" ticket comes up in the draw. If you still haven't got one yet then don't worry, as they will be available from any cub, scout or leader until December 8th).

Well that's it for this month. Watch this space again next month for more scouting news and views. Until then, "Bí Ullamh".

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ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Fashion Show

By the time you read this the fashion show will have taken place and a new Miss Royal Canal elected for 1992 - 1993. At the time of going to print, however, the competition is still days away. So I'll take this opportunity to wish "the best of luck" to all the contestants and thank all those who made the function possible.

Christmas Raffle

Our Christmas Raffle takes place as usual this year with many excellent prizes. The draw will take place in the Roost Lounge-Bar on December 18th (Friday). Gerry McGlinchic, the raffle co-ordinator, tells me that the prizes will include: Christmas Hamper, Fruit Hamper, Turkey and a number of "Bottles". There will be entertainment on the evening of the draw.

Works up date

It is hoped to have the new scheme up and running in January of the New Year with work commencing on phase II at the harbour in Maynooth. Work will include: further surface dressing in the harbour area, the building of walls in the same area and the streamlining and landscaping of the bank between the harbour and the sports field.

Finally, the entire Committee wish to congratulate Norah McDermott on her recent birthday. Norah, who was a founder member of this committee, was taken out on her birthday for a "quiet drink" by her husband Philip only to arrive at the "Roost" to find that a surprise bash had been arranged by daughters Anna-Marie and Tanya. Norah's comments when she discovered all her friends waiting are unprintable but suffice it to say that they enjoyed themselves even "Father Murphy". Norah is 25 plus V.A.T. and we wish her many happy returns on the occasion.

As this will be the final issue before Christmas I would like, on behalf of the chairman and committee, to wish each and everyone peace and contentment this Christmas and good health to enjoy what the New Year has in store for you. Special thanks to the staff, supervisor and editorial board of the "Newsletter" for their help, assistance, kindness and understanding throughout the year.

Gerry Fitzpatrick, P.R.O.

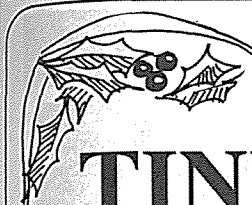
MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Congratulations to all those who won prizes during Book Festival this year. The response to all competitions was excellent, and the standard of entries, as usual, very high. A hearty thank-you to all our benevolent sponsors, including Maynooth Bank of Ireland, Ulster Bank Maynooth, A.I.B., Maynooth, Maynooth Post Office, Joe Buckley's shop, and Maynooth Bookshop.

Our gratitude also to Joe Buckley and Tom McCaughren, who both gave readings from their work and answered questions from young aspiring authors.

And last but not least, thank you to all the children who took part in the various competitions and activities, and to their parents and teachers for encouraging and facilitating them.

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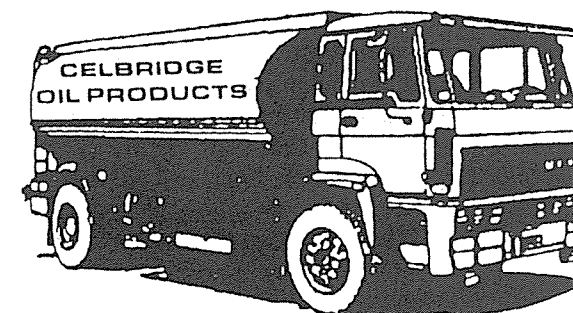
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There follows a list of the lucky prizewinners:

For the Write A Story competition, first prize was won by Ruairi Kelly for his story 'Yo Vamp Dude'. Second prize was won by Brendan Cody-Kenny for 'The Ninja Jelly Babies', and third prize was awarded to Sinéad Keenan for a 'Halloween Adventure'.

In the Colouring Competition, Aine Flatley won first prize, Brian Downes second prize, Triona Cahill, third prize and Ashley Ledwith won fourth prize.

Paula O'Donoghue designed the winning logo for the children's library, and in the Odd One Out Colouring Competition, the answer - for those of you who don't already know - was the ostrich, as the Penguin and Pelican are book publishers. Peter Guinan won first prize in this competition, with Mark Hallinan taking second prize and Thérèse Nic an Airchinnigh winning third prize.

In the Literary Quiz, John O'Donoghue proved he knew his books by taking first prize, Alice Guinan came second, Alice Dunworth third, and Chris Arthurs took fourth prize.

Two separate prizes were awarded for the exciting Dewey Treasure Trail - for the best team effort, the prize was won by Noel Browne, Brendan Cody-Kenny, Peter Sheehan, and Eoin Hardiman. Cathy Redmond won the best individual effort prize.

The Fancy Dress Competition, based on book characters was won by Eloise Nic An Airchinnigh and Laura Eyres (joint effort). Second prize was won by Stephen and Rebecca Flynn, (another joint effort). Third prize was awarded to Emma Howard-Williams, and Fergal Loughlin-O'Neill received fourth prize.

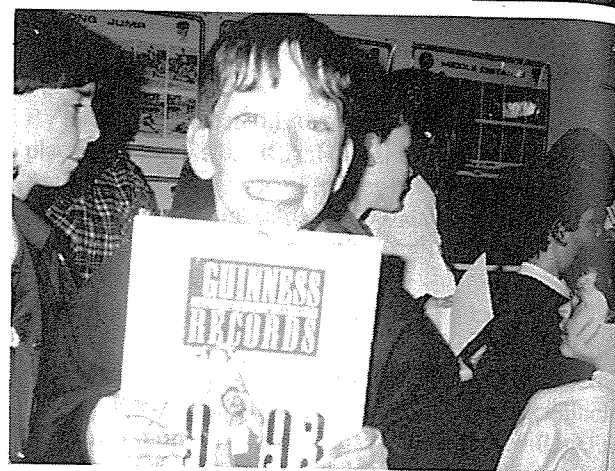
There were literally hundreds of entries for all competitions, and much fun was had by all. Winning entries and photographs of activities are on display in the children's library. Currently on exhibition in the library is a display of photographs by Kevin Carr, featuring scenes from Maynooth, and highlights from Maynooth Summer Festival. The next exhibition to take place will open on Monday, 7th December, featuring dried flowers, by Anne Heffernan. She will give a demonstration on how to make dried flower arrangements on Wednesday morning, 9th December, at approximately 11.30 a.m., and all are welcome.

Some new acquisitions to stock include the following titles: Virginia Andrews - *Gates of Paradise*, and *Dark Angel*. Maeve Binchy - *The Copper Beech*. Claire Boylan - *Home Rule*. Catherine Cookson - *The House of Women*.

Don't forget it's still only £2 per year to join, and 10p per book borrowed. A nice Christmas present for someone! On that note, we would like to wish all of our borrowers and browsers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Regarding opening arrangements at Christmas, the library will be closed from Thursday December 24th, and will re-open on Monday January 4th, 1993.

Have a wonderful Christmas!

Margaret Walshe-Gannon



Ruairi Kelly, 1st Prize Winner of the Write-A-Story Competition, with his prize



Author Tom McCaughren with Sinead Keenan, 3rd prize Winner in the Write-A-Story Competition.



Author Joe Buckley (top, right) with a group of budding writers.

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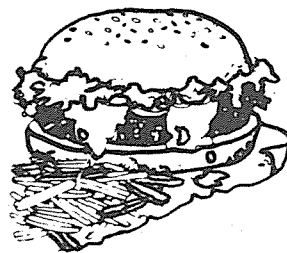
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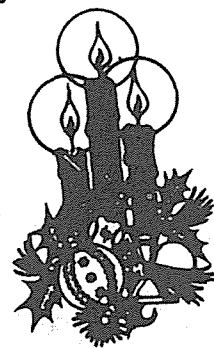
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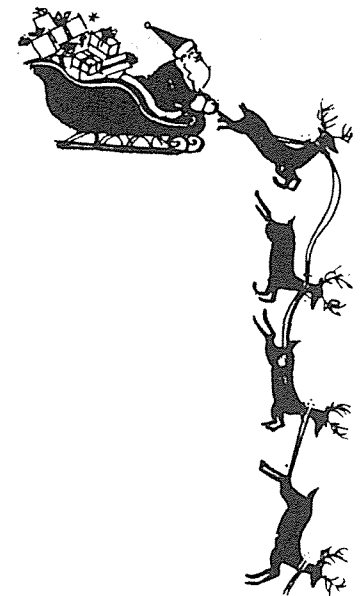
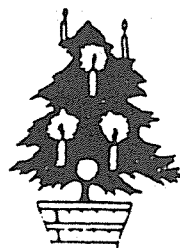
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OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

As this is the Christmas issue of the *Newsletter* we would like to wish all our elderly, our supporters and benefactors a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

On November 1st we held our Hallowe'en party in S.V.D. House. Together with a group from Dunboyne a very good afternoons entertainment was enjoyed by all.

The first heat of the Entertainer of the Year was held in O'Keeffe's Pub Kilcock on Tuesday Nov. 10th and about 12 of our elderly attended. The night was a great success. The following Tuesday night the second round was held in Monasterevin and about the same number travelled again. This event is sponsored by The Lion's Club.

Our Christmas Party will take place on Saturday Dec. 19th in the G.A.A. Club, Maynooth. We look forward to a full attendance and the prospect of a great night out.

Results of draw held at Sale of Work on the 22nd November

Monster Hamper: 1st. Maria Farrington, C/O Boyd's, Laraghbryan, Maynooth. £50: 2nd. John Waddington, 5 Moyglare Village, Maynooth. £25: 3rd. Andrea Watkins, Ryebank, Dublin Road.

MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

The second term begins on Saturday 21st November and continues until Saturday 13th February 1993 twelve swims inclusive. There will be no swim on Saturday 26th December. There will be a family swim on Saturday 2nd January and buses will not be provided on this day.

The fees for this term are:

1 child -£25
2 children £ 45
3 children £65
4 children £79
5 children £ 99

It would be appreciated if fees could be paid by Saturday 5th December 1992. Any members not returning please inform the secretary or any member of the committee. We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members and their families a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Claire O Rourke
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MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The monthly meeting of Maynooth I.C.A. was held on Thursday 5th November at 8 o'clock. Our President Imelda Delaney was in the chair and welcomed all the members who attended.

We held our annual memorial service for deceased members and we offer our sincere thanks to Fr. Supple and Sheila Jolly who jointly conducted the service.

Our 40th Anniversary dinner dance which we celebrated on

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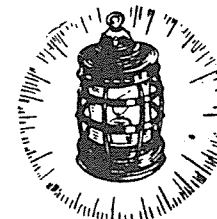
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Friday 6th November, was a great success and was well attended by founder members, past members, present members and friends. Our thanks to Imelda Delaney our President who spent a lot of time organising this night, Peter O'Brien Catering for the really lovely dinner, the "Partners" whose music had us all dancing, the S.V.D. Order for the use of their Hall, Betty Farrell for the very nice flower arrangements and Mary Doyle who made and decorated our Birthday Cake.

The winners of the competition for November were 1st Rosemary Hanley, 2nd Betty Moore and Mary Halton and 3rd Bernadette Duffy. The Raffle winners were 1st Mary Flynn, 2nd Kay Burns and 3rd Pauline McCarthy. Next months competition will be a Christmas tree decoration. Next month's meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd December and our committee meeting on Thursday 26th November.

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MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

Our A.G.M. was held on Oct. 20th. in the Divine Word Hostel. There was a good attendance and a new committee and officers were elected. Chairperson - Mary Doyle. Vice-chairperson - Maureen Stephens, Secretary - Imelda Desmond. Assistant - Secretary - Joan Reynolds, Treasurer - Margaret Howe. Competition Secretary - Felicity Satchwell P.R.O. - Moira Baxter. We also have an active committee of eight members, looking forward to a busy year ahead. Mary Doyle thanked outgoing committee for all their hard work during past two years, especially Betty Farrell, Felicity Satchwell and Noleen O'Brien, the outgoing chairperson, secretary and treasurer. Then followed a slide show by Gordan Poff. The slides were from some flower festivals, especially Christ Church. We admired and pondered at the skill, imagination and magnificent flower arrangements. The meeting ended with a cup of tea and cake.

On November 17th there was a large attendance to see Imelda Desmond show us what beautiful decorations and gift ideas can be made using flowers, foliage, cones and natural materials. Everyone went home full of enthusiasm and ideas.

This year for our Christmas demonstration, we are very fortunate to have the very highly acclaimed flower arranger Eve Kennedy coming to Maynooth. Her theme for the night will be "Merry Christmas". This will be held as usual in Divine Word Hostel - Moyglare Road, on December 8th at 8p.m. Admission £3, - to see demonstration, and have cup of tea and mince pies afterwards.

As usual for our December meeting we hold a charity bring and buy table. This year proceeds will go to Cancer Research. All help and donations will be gratefully received on the night. The Christmas Sales table is full of new Christmas materials awaiting your arrival on 8th. The Club will be holding a 'Flower Festival' in St. Mary's Church of Ireland on December 12th and 13th. The theme of the festival is 'Christmas Carols'. Pre-view will be on Friday evening 11th - admission £5. On Saturday, the Church will be open from 10a.m. - 8p.m. On Sunday from 11.30a.m. ending with a Carol Service on Sunday evening. Admission on 11th and 12th will be £2 for O.A.P. and students £1, and children U12 free. Refreshments will be available and Dunboyne Flower Club will have a sales table in the grounds. The purpose is to raise money for the restoration fund for this very historic church. So, we look forward to having a large attendance, to enjoy this historic setting and beautiful flower arrangements during festival.

May we take this opportunity to wish all our members and the people of Maynooth a very Happy Christmas and hope that 1993 will be a good year for all of us.

MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Our recent A.G.M. resulted in the following officers being elected for the coming year 92/93 - President Paddy Lynch, Chairman Mick Gleeson, V.Chairman Derry O'Hurley, Secretary David Jolley, Competition Secretary Marie

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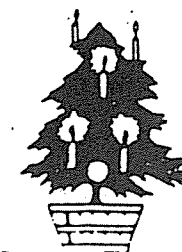
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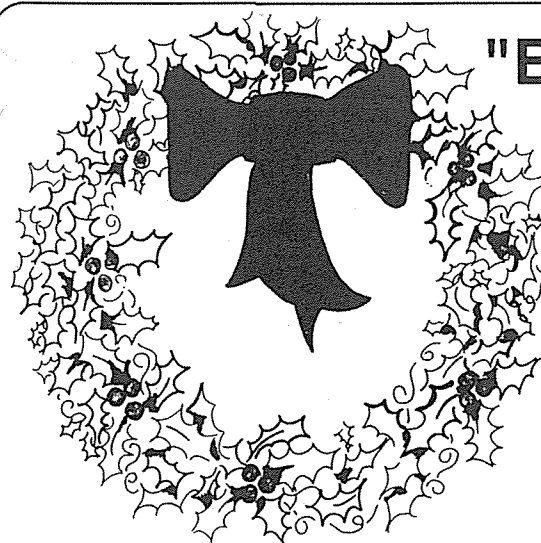
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Committee members:- Margaret Gillick, Frances Kearney, Maree Carr, Noelle McTernan, Mary Jennings, Kieran Diggins, John Campbell, Pat King, Willie Healy, Mick Gillick and Aidan Sinnott.

The Cross Country Championships got off to a start with the first session in Leixlip on Sunday November 1st. The results are as follows:-

Girls U/10: G. O'Hurley (9th), A. McTernan (11th). Boys U/10: D. Campbell (1st), P. King (2nd), P. O'Rourke (4th), A. Baxter (6th), M. Sweeney (7th), M. Gleeson (8th), C. Carr (10th), D. Lawlor (12th), E. Diggins (14th), C. Rooney (15th), F. Molloy (16th), A. Molloy (17th). 1st Team - Gold Medal Winners - D. Campbell, P. King, P. O'Rourke, M. Sweeney. Girls U/12: S. Commane (3rd), M. O'Sullivan (7th). Boys U/12: D. O'Rourke (2nd), C. Diggins (5th), K. Ennis (6th), D. Carr (13th) - Second Team - Silver Medal Winners. Girls U/14: M. Gillick (2nd). Girls U/16: E. O'Sullivan (3rd). Novice Ladies: N. McTernan (2nd), M. Gleeson (3rd). Novice Men: David Jolley (1st). **Gold Medal Winner.** The committee would like to extend their congratulations to David on this achievement. His dedication to the sport and club has paid off. It was no mean achievement considering he ran the Dublin City Marathon (for Charity) the previous Monday in 3 hours 6 mins. Well done David. **Cross Country 2nd Session in Kilcock, Sunday November 8th.**

Results: Girls U/9: G. O'Hurley (13th), L. Bruton (18th), O. Doyle (20th), M. O'Sullivan (22nd) - 5th Team. Boys U/9: P. O'Rourke (1st), P. Ennis (2nd), A. Baxter (4th), M. Sweeney (7th), C. Carr (9th), D. Adderley (11th), P. Campbell (13th), E. Diggins (14th), S. Healy (15th), C. Rooney (16th), F. Molloy (17th), R. Bruton (18th), J. Hoare (20th), M. Jennings (21st), A. Sweeney (22nd), A. Molloy (23rd). 1st Team - Gold Medal Winners - P. O'Rourke, P. Ennis, A. Baxter, M. Sweeney. 3rd Team - Bronze Medal Winners - C. Carr, D. Adderley, P. Campbell and E. Diggins. Girls U/11: E. King (18th), A. McTernan (21st). Boys U/11: K. Ennis (1st), C. Diggins (2nd), D. Campbell (3rd), P. O'Sullivan (10th), R. Leavy (13th), M. Gleeson (15th), N. Healy (17th). 1st Team - Gold Medal Winners - K. Ennis, C. Diggins, D. Campbell, P. O'Sullivan. Girls U/13: M. Gillick (7th), S. Commane (9th), S. Adderley (13th). Boys U/13: D. O'Rourke (5th), J. O'Shea (14th), O. Nevin (17th), T. O'Flaherty (18th). 3rd Team - Bronze Medal Winners. Girls U/15: E. O'Sullivan (4th), D. McDermott (7th). Ladies O/30: N. McTernan (1st), O/40 M. Gleeson (3rd). Men O/40: L. McNamee (1st). O/35: 3rd Team - L. McNamee, D. Jolley and H. Campbell.

The committee would like to welcome all the new members to the club and congratulate them on their fine performances in their first cross-country races for Maynooth Athletic Club. Congratulations to all the individual and team medal winners and all who took part in the first two races of the cross-country season. The Club had a fantastic year in 91/92 culminating with the winning of Gold, Silver and Bronze All Ireland Juvenile Medals in Antrim last June. Judging from the performances of the runners so far this year we are in for another good year and look forward to the club growing from strength to strength.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP

An active retirement group has been going strong in Maynooth since earlier in the year. As well as being involved in various activities there is also a lot of social contact encouraged. At the moment they are trying to recruit new members into their group. They cater for retired people over the age of 55. Many retired people, especially those who retire in their fifties are still very active and may find it very difficult to adjust to having a lot of time on their hands. The active retirement group will offer them an outlet for their energies.

Among the activities being considered by the active retirement group at the moment are pitch and putt, bridge and other card games, snooker, crochet and needle work, table tennis and walking. There will also be a number of socials and outings. They are very open to suggestions on other suitable activities. Anyone who is interested in joining should contact Maura Geoghegan at (01) 6285167 or Gearoid McTiernan at (01) 6286022. They have meetings on the first Monday of every month. The next meeting will be in the Health Centre at 8 p.m. on the 7th of December. New members are very welcome.

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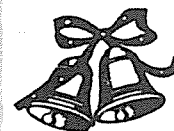


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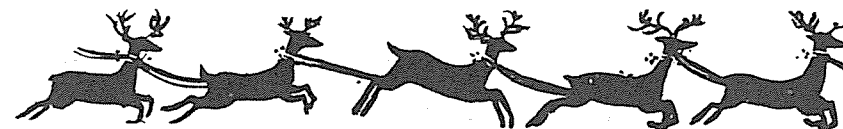
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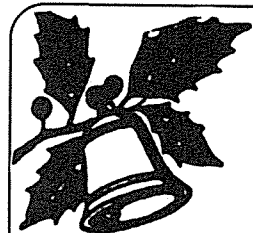
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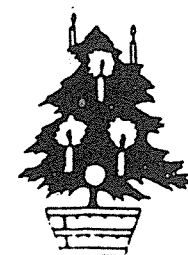


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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

A.G.M.

The Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association had their A.G.M. on Wednesday 21st. October 1992. There were over 100 parents in attendance. Professor John Coolahan, Maynooth College, addressed the gathering on the subject of the Government's Green Paper on Education. His thoughts on the subject were much appreciated and were well received and for this the Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association express its sincere thanks.

School Bond Draw

The annual £1,000 School Bond Draw takes place each year at the A.G.M. All parents who have children attending the school are encouraged to purchase a Bond for £100 for each child attending (circumstances permitting). While the £100 can be re-claimed it is hoped that most parents will consider it an investment in their child's education and therefore leave it with the school's management. Each Bond has a life of five years after which time it is removed from the Draw. Our congratulations are extended, on this occasion, to the lucky winners Anne and Danny Halligan with Bond No. 133-90.

The Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association meets in the school on the second Tuesday of each month during the school year at 8 p.m. The first meeting following the A.G.M. took place on Tuesday 10/11/92. The officers for the new committee were elected from a membership of over 20 persons present.

Pat Haley Chairperson, Noel Lysaght Secretary, Mary Farrell Treasurer, Joe Kelly Vice-Chairperson, Dermot Nangle P.R.O.. The Committee members are Pat Devaney, Teresa Bennett, Joe Fahy, Catherine Hodge, Lynne Whittaker, Jane Carey, Sally Cotter, Jacqueline Smith, Mary Byrne, Joe Buckley, Ursula Walsh, Marie O'Sullivan, Mary Dunworth, Clairr O'Connor, Lise O'Farrell, Monica Moynan, Kathleen Dempsey, Tom Ashe, Erene Mathews and Anne Egan.

Annual Debs' Dance

The sixth year students had their Debs Dance on Friday 16th. October. It was very well attended and was a great success. Much credit for its success must be accorded to the students

for their behaviour and to the teachers and organising committee who managed the event so well. This year's event took place approximately one month earlier than on previous years. However, it appears that the October date, on balance, is preferred because it allows the students to re-focus their effort in time for the Christmas examinations etc.

Dance in G.A.A.

A dance will be held in the G.A.A. in aid of Maynooth Post Primary on Thursday 10th December at 8 p.m. Music by Fred Hennessey. Tickets £4 each. This should be a very enjoyable night, everyone welcome.

American Tea Party

Our American Tea Party, which has been hugely successful in past years, will be held on Friday 12th. February 1993. There will be more about this event in the next issue of the Maynooth Newsletter-please watch-out.

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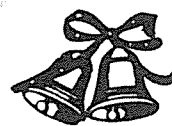
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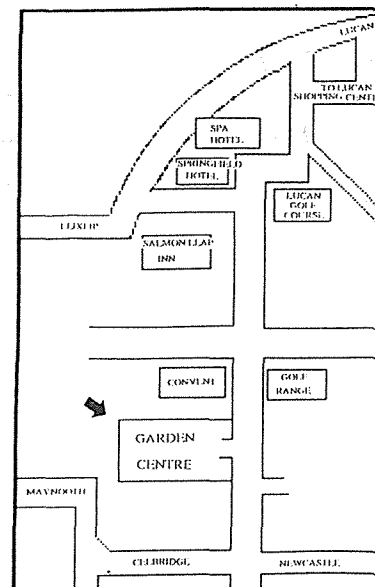
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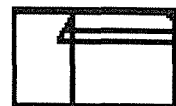


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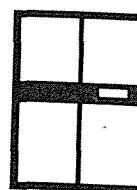


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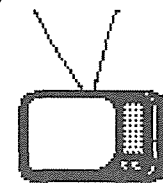
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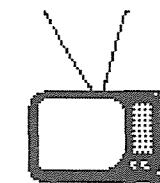
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

As promised a few words about our Christmas Fair. Every year we have two fund raising events, the first is our Flag Day's held early in the year, and our Christmas Fair. The proceeds from these two events are used to cover our insurance and to subsidise the running of the Summer Project. This year the venue for our Christmas Fair has changed, it will take place in the Boy's National School on Tuesday 8th December 10.30 - 12.30. If anyone has anything i.e. books, bric-a-brac, clothes (in good condition) home produce, etc. that is taking up valuable space on shelves and in cupboards, please feel free to leave them with myself - Delma Walsh, 37 Laurence Ave., or with Norah in the Community Council office. We would be very grateful indeed.

Hope to see you all there.

Delma

BOYS' NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION.

The Parents' Association wish to announce their Give-A-Book Week from Nov. 30th to Dec 4th. Parents are asked to donate any books (in good condition) to the school library. Books may be sent in with the children. Should you not have such books to spare then you might consider a book token. Please do not send school-books. Following the A.G.M. in October the following officers were elected for the coming year. Chairperson - Teresa Piggot; Secretary - Colm Nelson; Assistant secretary; Mary Dunworth; Treasurer- May Haren. A special word of thanks to the outgoing committee for their dedicated work over the last year. May we wish all the teachers, parents and children a very Happy Christmas.

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Voluntary work is very worthwhile, you make new friends, it is very useful on a C.V. and can even help you to get full-time work.

This column has been compiled by Maynooth Citizens Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the public. Tel: 6285477, Address: Main St., Maynooth.

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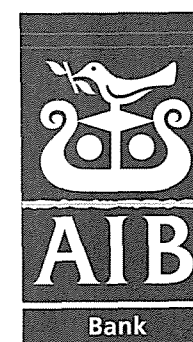
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ST. MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND NOTES

Service Times for December

Sun. 6th 9.30 Eucharist, Sun. 13th 10.30 Eucharist, Sun. 20th 10.30 Morning Prayers, Fri. 25th All Saints, Moyglare 9.15 Festival Eucharist for Nativity of our Lord. 10.30 St. Mary's Maynooth Festival Eucharist for Nativity of our Lord.

Maynooth Flower and Garden club will be holding a flower festival "Christmas Carols" on the weekend of 11th - 13th December in aid of St. Mary's Restoration. Preview on Friday 11th December at 8p.m. admission £5 including mulled wine and pies.

Sat. 12th December 10.00 - 8.00p.m. Sunday 13th December 11.30 - 7.30p.m. admission £2 O.A.P. £1 Children under 12 free. Ecumenical Carol Service on Sunday 13th at 7.30p.m. with the Dunboyne Consort and the Maynooth Band.

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The Committee would like to take this opportunity to wish their members a very Happy Christmas and also to wish good luck to the teams taking part in the League and Cup competitions. Now that the winter has come and you are wondering what to do in the long evenings why not come down to the Parish Hall on Tuesdays from 8.30 - 11.00 pm. Before we go, where are all the men from Maynooth, are they afraid of the ladies ??? In the New Year why not come down and show us. Bring the girlfriends and the wives and make it a night out. Hope to see you all in the New Year.

Phil Mc Loughlin. Secretary.

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Residents' Associations

TEDDY BEAR APPEAL FOR SOMALIA

Some weeks ago at a meeting of the College Green Residents' Association, the committee discussed ways of raising some funds for Somalia. One member suggested a teddy bear sale. The children of College Green got involved in the idea - the idea being that they would collect teddies donated from children in their own estate and from the surrounding estates. The response was terrific and almost three hundred teddies were collected. They were sold after each Mass on Sunday October the 25th. £465 was raised. It was decided that the unsold teddies should be sent to the orphanage in Romania.

Special thanks to the following for their great work in this fund raising event - Anna Stainsby, who thought of the idea and spent hours out collecting with the children.

The following children volunteered their assistance - Anoeschka, Francis and Miriam Stainsby, David, Aileen and Laura O'Brien, Niamh O'Gorman, Katie Delaney, Dermot Canning, Brendan Coffey, Lorcan Breheny, Sarah and Karen Corrigan, Paul Broughan, Niamh Kerin, Lorraine, Joan and Stephen Whelan, Ashling O'Siothchain, Tadhg O'Corcora and Gemma Hawthorne.

Thanks to Father Supple for his assistance in announcing the event and allowing us to sell in the church grounds. To Newtown Stores and Greenfield Supermarket for their assistance. To the children who donated teddies especially those from College Green, Cluain Aoibhinn, Beaufield and Woodlands, also to those who brought along teddies on the day and to those who made cash donations. Finally, thanks to those who stood outside the church in the cold and sold the teddies - Anna Stainsby, Bernie Harkness, Noirin Corrigan, Eileen O'Brien, Maureen Keegan and Elizabeth Nolan. Thanks to all concerned.

Sheila Hawthorne
College Green.

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

As the year draws to a close, it is time once again to thank all those who helped or supported the association's activities during the past year. We held a very successful supper dance in February. We had two very good clean up weekends, one in early summer, the other in October. Our Estate has received favourable comment in the Bord Failte Tidy Towns Report. The green areas have never looked better. With other associations in the area we are working to ensure that the residents wishes are taken into consideration with the Straffan Road developments.

The committee/officials have met at least 12 times, dealing with the above and many other issues.

Thank you all for your support and to our committee, members and residents. A very happy and peaceful Christmas.

Richard Farrell, P.R.O.

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BOOK REVIEW

Patriot Games and the *Hunt for Red October* by Tom Clancy.

If you have seen both films this book might be spoiled for you. But if there are those of you out there who feel films don't do justice to books then go out and buy these two explosive thrillers for the loved one in your life this Christmas or indeed treat yourself this year.

The Hunt for Red October is basically about a submarine which is ultra-secret and its captain (Marko Ramins) wants to defect. The Americans want her, the Soviets want her back. Both superpowers race across the chill Atlantic waters in a heart stopping mission.

Patriot Games is just as heart stopping but its about Jack Ryan who foils an Ulster Liberation Army terrorist attack on the Royal family in England. He then becomes a ULA target himself and he plunges into a murky world of counter intelligence. He must fight a deadly battle against international terrorism and try to keep himself and his family alive.

Well worth getting this because in fairness, the films did not do justice to these two powerful stories.

You can get the hardback edition downstairs in Easons in the bargain basement for just £6.

Veronica Brennan

VIDEO REVIEW

The Hand That Rocks The Cradle.

Rated 15.

Annabella Sciorra stars as Claire Bartel, a married woman who's big into greenhouses and flowers. While expecting her second child she has a very unpleasant experience with her gynaecologist. She reports this terrible incident, without realising the scandal that results precipitates in the doctor's suicide and his wife (Rebecca Mornay) Peyton losing the baby she's expecting. The shock from both the suicide and loss of her baby causes Peyton to have a mental breakdown and she becomes obsessed with the belief that Claire Bartel is the cause of all her problems.

In her quest for revenge she convinces Claire to hire her as a live-in child minder, an indispensable friend, clever, kind and thoughtful. The only person who realises that Peyton is not at all who she seems is Solomon (Ernie Hudson), the retarded handyman but he's too frightened to do anything about it. This is a little surprise, in so far as it is packed with suspense. If you enjoyed "Cape Fear" this is a must.

Don't Tell Mom The Babysitter's Dead.

Rated 15

If you saw and liked "Adventures in Babysitting" then don't miss this one. The Crandell Household is noisy, lively with the five wild kids running about. So you wouldn't blame Ms. Crandell taking an extended vacation in Australia. But for the kids the anticipated "Hell Raiser" summer was not to be because Ms. Crandell took the precaution of leaving them in the care of an elderly baby-sitter named Lil. Definitely not "sugar and spice" and only after one night, much to the relief of the kids, she kicks the bucket and dies. Responsibility falls on the eldest of the brood sweet Sue Ellen Crandell - she gets a job and supports the family until mom gets back. So chaos

reigns but what about the dead baby sitter? Rent it out and find out.

In The Nick of Time.

Rated P.G.

Trust Disney to bring out a Santa Claus movie with a difference. Don't get me wrong, it still possesses that "I believe in Santa Claus" routine but it's modernised a bit.

Santa Claus is just finished his 300 year run at the North Pole. Santa Claus (Lloyd Bridges) is given one week to find a worthy replacement. This quest leads him to New York city. Here he meets Ben Talbot, a burnt out journalist who doesn't believe in Christmas or even Santa.

Time is ticking away fast and Santa must earn Ben's faith and enlist his help to find the next St. Nick or Christmas will be cancelled forever.

Over all it's your average ho-hum-run-of-the-mill Christmas movie but the kids will love it.

Grand Canyon

Rated 15.

This is a star studded cast containing Hollywood's major movie men, Danny Glover, Kevin Kline and Steve Martin. The city of Los Angeles is falling into a bad state of affairs. Its streets are torn apart by gang warfare, men are being murdered, babies abandoned and everyone is getting used to it. But right in the midst of the mayhem six surprising soul mates, (Kevin Kline, Steve Martin and Danny Glover) make friends, make love and clean up the bad neighbourhood by spreading a little "caring and sharing" around.

Very "make love not war" type of stuff but a very good performance from Kevin Kline who can act (even after "A fish called Wanda") seriously.

The Last Boy Scout.

Rated 18.

This is very like Lethal Weapon in the sense that white ex-secret service man (Bruce Willis) Joe Hallenbeck is at rock bottom in life, his wife is having an affair, his daughter hates him, how bad can things get for him? James Dix (Damon Wayan's) is a famous quarter back who is thrown out of American football. Two men with nothing in common but a stripper/singer - Cory. Her death throws them together into a plot involving blackmail, extortion and a threat to American football.

One black, one white, not up to the standard of Lethal Weapon, almost predictable but watchable.

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The guides at Castletown worked voluntarily for the afternoon, delighted to aid such a worthwhile cause.

Castletown House will be open on Sundays and Bank Holidays (excluding the Christmas period) from 2p.m.-5p.m. until the end of March and for pre-booked groups and functions during the week. From 1st April the house is open every day for the summer season.

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CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN IN MAYNOOTH

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The enterprise depends upon parent feedback and enquiry and upon enrolling sufficient children to finance the activities. It is hoped that each Saturday morning session (from 11a.m. to 1p.m.) would cost no more than £2 per child. This bulletin is part of putting out 'feelers' to establish whether or not there is sufficient interest in the project.

If you are interested, please drop a note with your name and address to any of the following: Peter Hussey, Karen Patten, Nicola Gleeson, David Gill and Liam Patten at 31 Moyglare Village, Maynooth.

FREDERICK LEAVY - AN APPRECIATION

The tragic and untimely death of Frederick Leavy has stunned us all. His ability and charisma will be sadly missed by all who knew him. His interest in people and in the community in general were combined with a rare talent where local politics were concerned. Many a meeting would have been dull and uninspiring were it not for his presence. It seems unreal that we will never again enjoy his company or have the privilege of working with him.

His experience in committee work originated in his football days when he served a long and distinguished career as secretary of Maynooth G.A.A. At that time he was instrumental in compiling a very comprehensive booklet on the history of the Maynooth Crom Abu Football Club and was the prime mover in starting the development of the existing G.A.A. grounds. He served the club faithfully both as player and official for more than twenty-five years. As a player he gained the ultimate distinction of serving his county on many occasions.

He was a founder member of Maynooth Development Association and to this body he gave much time and enthusiasm. He was the prime mover in acquiring the Harbour Field and the old C.Y.M.S. Hall (now the Geraldine Hall) for the people of Maynooth. His ability to research all angles and his intimate knowledge of local politics were a revelation. He regularly gained the upper hand at meetings, demolishing the opposition by a combination of guile and determination and leading them in the direction he wished to go while lending a colourful humour to the proceedings.

Combining a unique simplicity with a rare and incisive logic, he had the ability to analyse a problem in a completely different light to that in which the majority might be discussing it.

As a friend his generosity knew no bounds and nothing was ever done by half measures. In his chosen profession in the motor business it was well known that he never charged people enough, and it is a measure of his kindness to the poor and

underprivileged that many needy people were never charged at all. He always made time to get involved to improve the life of all those around him. Modest and unaffected by status or people in high office he never sought acknowledgement or admiration for his own achievements.

His passing is a cruel blow to his family and the community. To his family we extend our deepest sympathy and sincere thanks for sharing Freddie with us. May the sod rest lightly on a very wonderful person and dear friend. May he rest in peace.

By a friend and colleague of many years' standing

GARDA TALK

As the year draws to a close, we look back and are happy to say that the majority of serious crimes committed in Maynooth were detected. Unfortunately Burglaries are still the dominant feature, and again we urge householders to take that little bit of extra precaution. Above all contact the Gardai if you see anything suspicious. Let us decide how important your suspicions are.

Drink Driving & Speeding.

It is generally accepted now that drink driving is anti-social. All drivers are aware of the consequences of conviction on a drink driving charge, i.e. disqualification for 12 months, heavy fine and/or imprisonment. In the run up to Christmas, the Gardai will increase the number of checkpoints on the roads. Speeding and bad road manners are to a large extent the cause of traffic accidents. The rules of the road are there to reduce accidents and make the roads safer for all users.

Dinner Dance:

Our 3rd dance is scheduled for Friday 5th March 1993. Pencil a note in your diary.

A warm welcome to Garda Martin Caine who transferred to Maynooth on 6th November. We wish Martin well in his new station. Finally to one and all may we wish a peaceful Christmas and the Seasons Blessings.

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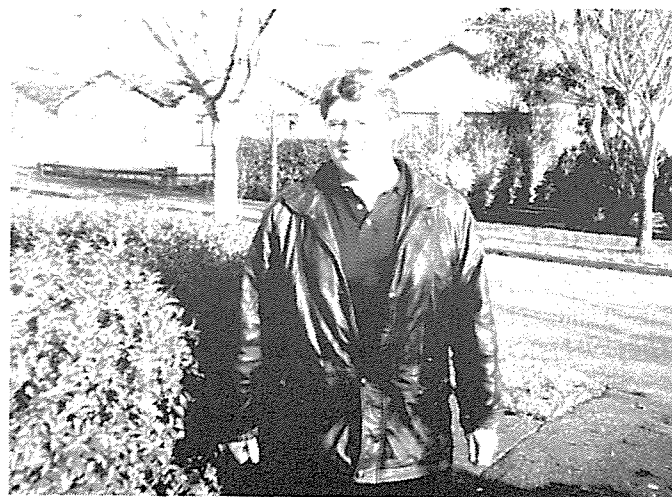
Sean Hyland's Team. Organisers of Festival Tug-O-War Tournament. L - R Donal Finnan, Seamie Ryan, Willie Healy, Sean Hyland, Paddy Reid and Michael O'Rourke.



Brady's Team (Winners) Back: Sean Darcy, Sean Naughton, Pat Pidgeon, Martin Tarpey, Tony Mooney. Front: George Gallagher, John Gallagher and Dave Heslin.



G.A.A. Team (Runners up) Back: Mark Farrell, Colin Feeney, Patsy Byrne, Noel Kerin, Paddy Nolan, Sean Molloy. Front: Denis McDermott, Mick Faherty, Pat Nevin, Tony Kelly, Brendan Kelly.



Mark McEvoy most promising Tug-O-War Man of the Year



The Leinster Arms. Back: Eamon Lennon, Matt Black, Martin Brady, Larry McEvoy, Mick Walsh, Jim Carthy. Front: Sean Lennon, P. Conway, Paddy Keating, Paddy Joyce, Nicholas Donovan.

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TUG -O- WAR REPORT '92

Tug-o-War has been revitalised in the Maynooth area, following the successful Festival Tournament. Since the success of the Brady's Team in the late 70's early 80's, there has been a lull in this area. However a stalwart from that era Sean Hyland has kept the spirit of Tug-O-War alive. He has been training a team, in the Leixlip area, called The Middle Shop and was the inspiration behind the recent Festival Tournament.

This contest was action packed and involved over eighty contestants. It has already given rise to a new Brady's Team under the stewardship of George Gallagher.

The competition comprised of three sections: In the Newcomers Section, the winners were Brady's, followed by the G.A.A. team with the Leinster Arms in Third place. This involved close and highly charged struggles.

The Senior Section winners were Sean Hylands Team, alias The Roost, who had a tough struggle with a rampant Brady's Team.

The Women's Section comprised of three teams. The winners were The Maynooth Pullers captained by Ann Finnan. Runners-up were the G.A.A. Women's Team, with Kathleen McDermott and Eileen Healy as mentors. The Maynooth Hauliers were third.

The sponsors who made this event possible were:- The Maynooth G.A.A., Brady's, The Leinster Arms, Caulfields, The Roost, New Wave Hair Studio, Willie Kiernan - Audio Aid, Joseph Buckley - Fencing Rope.

We are grateful to the community council for help with the arena, also David Jolley and the old rectory fete for their co-operation with amplification.

We would also like to thank Noel Hanlon for his excellent refereeing.

Finally special thanks to all the contestants and spectators who supported the event in great numbers. We invite you back next year to view the new and increasing rivalry between the participants.

Willie Healy.

WRITER'S CRAMP

I dreamt about Christmas last night

I dreamt about Christmas last night
It all went so well I was filled with delight
When the turkey was cooking and candles aglow
I said to Eileen "down the road I might go".
I imagined I entered the grand LA
And the lads made way for quick delivery
With Dessie and the gang, shure I was in luck,
But by the scene around us "The Bomber" had struck.
Christy and Eddie a turkey were plucking
And animal rights in the background were lurking.
Christy is usually as wise as an owl
But Eddie seemed to be into the stripping of fowl.
It was a very homely sight
Shure we all had feathers in our hats that night.

II

Later on I was down in The Roost
Where I got myself another auld boost.
Manager John was at the helm
And he pulled me a pint before I could tell'im.
Mel and John were having a rave
With Sean who always refuses to shave.
Fran and Kay were having a jar with the students
And "Buggy" was teaching a blond the social rudiments.
"Judie" sang "Take Me Back To Castlebar"
And everyone ran to get him a car.
I imagined Ken Treacy was up on a horse
The horse he was drunk and Ken he was worse
Afterwards he sang "The Old Bog Road"
"Twas better than our foothpaths", did laughter explode.

III

In Brady's The Westerners were there in a throng,
A-pulling together as it goes in the song.
Eamon Gallagher was swinging a crab all about,
It bit Mick Scanlon and he let a big shout
I met up with Mick Walsh and Larry McEvoy
And we talked of the days of the scythe and the Loy.
To mow Pat Murphys Meadow it was my command
Including the backswart and up the headland.
Nicholas the lion, his tongue it was flying
And Gallagher not all his arguments was buying.
Behind us, George Gallagher and his men so tall
Were pulling Tug-O-War from wall to wall
My way into Caulfields I felt by the wall
And hardly did anyone recognise me at all
At the bould Mick Hegarty, the girls were gawking
And Hanniffy and Lyons of Football were talking.

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I dreamt I saw a pub in a field.
Its beckoning lights to me they appealed.
So I entered the camp of our own G.A.A.
And all its fine warriors were there in array
Never did the pints come in faster flight
Than over the bar that very night.
Mick Gillick kicked a pint from the top
And Faherty caught it without spilling a drop.
Colin Feeney was toggled out with the Lilly Whites
And he was giving Jacks some terrible frights.
Mick Gleeson and Marie had started a race
And a sure Tommy Fay was setting the pace.
Connolly and McDermott encouragement did shout
"They'd make great Fianna Failers Says Caden, "No doubt".
Everyone was singing with Davie and Frank
Of good entertainers there was a great bank.
Mick Riordan sang "The Banks Of The Lee"
And after him I cranked up "The Yellow JCB"
Pat Carr and McCarron were showing "The Sam"
And a woman was borrowing it to cook the auld ham.

V

Going home I stood on the Bridge over the Canal
And I leaned on its old and ancient wall
I remembered our loyal and faithful clergy
And the Medical Crews who await the emergency.
Of the Gardai and Firemen I also must tell
And all the fine people who serve us so well.
Then the Church bells started ringing
I could hear the faint sound of the choir singing.
I thought of the first Christmas so long long ago
As I looked down, where the water did flow
I started to stagger and then I fell in
And then I awoke all wet to the skin

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Eamon Daly.

PUBLIC LIGHTING - E.S.B. TAKES ACTION

On 24th of September 1990 I initiated a process whereby I reported each failure of the Public Street Light outside 83, Maynooth Park to the E.S.B. office in Fleet St. My letters, on each occasion, were addressed as below and were transmitted by FAX.

To: Mr. Michael Maloney, E.S.B., (FAX 766787 or 765831)

From: Dermot Nangle,
Subject: Frequently Faulty Street Light -83, Maynooth Park, Maynooth.

I submitted a complaint on 9 occasions between 24/9/90 and 4/11/92; the Street Light failed 9 times in that period. The table below shows the number of days for which the light worked on each occasion and the number of days taken to repair. A copy of the table was forwarded with each complaint. Finally on Friday 6/11/92 the E.S.B. replaced the entire lamp unit with a new amber lamp fitting which I hope will perform much better. Certainly the light output is much stronger than before and this is welcome from a security perspective.

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Street Light Performance Table

Date Repaired	Out of Service	Days Working	Days Out of Order
24/09/90	5/10/90	12	19
24/10/90	2/11/90	10	4
6/11/90	18/11/90	12	4
23/11/90	25/11/90	2	4
29/11/90	3/01/91	35	18
21/01/91	18/12/91	331	34
21/01/92	16/03/92	55	37
22/04/92	1/06/92	4	8
9/06/92	31/10/92	144	5
4/11/92			
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6/11/92	Dermot Nangle, 82, Maynooth Park.		

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MAYNOOTH STUDENTS

For the quiet town of Maynooth the season of Autumn is well and truly here when the College students return. Now it's Christmas, approximately one month into the new college year and according to some of the local residents. "It's always the same every year they come with no manners to take over". The town of Maynooth is situated fifteen miles from Dublin, Ireland's capital city. Maynooth is like every other country business town except it possesses one of Ireland's most prestigious universities, St. Patrick's College. But for some of the residents of Maynooth town, playing host to the "large, rowdy" student population is something they could well do without. One lady resident from Kilcock pointed out that "Students in general are noisy" and have "no manners" and would sooner "knock you off the path than stand back to let you pass". Another male resident from Maynooth town echoed what he felt most people thought. "They leave home just when they have finished the Leaving Certificate, and they think they have to make up for lost time and have fun". He concluded "they come here to take over". Thankfully for those of us who are students and who are deeply hurt by these revelations there are some "faithful friends" out there who welcome us back with open arms every year. One of those is Mr. Gerry Scally, Manager of Centra. He felt that students are "a massive asset to everybody", and he hates to see "them go on holidays". Mr. Martin Brady son of the proprietor of the "Leinster Arms" agreed with Mr. Scally in that "students are good for business". When asked to comment on the crime rate in the area, he felt "that really there is no crime rate in Maynooth and if there was it wasn't the students causing it". He added, "you get your percentage of trouble makers, messers, but so does everywhere. In general the students of Maynooth are alright". The newly established "Green Door" boutique could vouch for the big boost when students return. Ms. Ethel Kelly a native of Athlone, and owner of the "Green Door" opened up for business at the end of July and she said "the students have made a big difference". But before people start to think our "faithful friends" lie solely in the retail community of Maynooth town, they may be surprised to learn that there are still a few left among the residential community who know they shouldn't "look a gift horse in the mouth". One of those is a lady pensioner from Maynooth. She is a landlady and she keeps an average of 3 to

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4 students every year. Over the last 20 years she felt there are about 4 students she would not like to have back. She felt that "the students have done a lot for Maynooth, business is booming". She added that without the student population "the town could survive but wouldn't be half as good".

For the rest of the local residents interviewed it was a mixed reaction, some refused to comment, others didn't really know. Most people felt about students and crime rate that "just one student gives the others a bad name".

In general students add character and a lively atmosphere to Maynooth. They bring new life into a small community which without them would be just another country business town. In short if the student population was asked to comment on this current situation they would probably reply: "Don't get your knickers in a twist".

So as part of our new year's resolution "let's bury the hatchet", "smoke the peace pipe" and give students a break.

Veronica Brennan

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SOME NEWS FROM MAYNOOTH, ONTARIO, CANADA

At Christmas time it is good to think of departed friends. Mr. Flaherty sent us in some information about Maynooth, which is situated in the municipality of Bangor Wicklow McClure in Ontario, Canada. The town may well have been given its name by some emigrants from Maynooth, having originally been called Doyles Corner after a local resident, but this was changed to Maynooth in 1863.

In the accompanying poem by Carswell the number of familiar old Maynooth names such as Buckley, Fitzgerald and Dillon are noticeable. However, a Catholic Church was set up in the town in 1861 and the names of the early priests Fr. Lawlor, Fr. Byrne and Fr. Cody, who were almost certainly Irish, indicates that they might have influenced the local people to name the town after the seminary. The following poem which was written by William Carswell discusses the Canadian Maynooth of earlier years.

Maynooth by William Carswell

I've heard it said there's no Maynooth in Ireland any more,
For the Irish brought it with them when they landed on our shore.

When they reached gold old Ontario, with their hilly chunk of land,

They laid it down in Hastings North, upon a bed of sand.
Then they got their shovels, and they spread the land around,
And each man was allotted a fair sized hunk of ground.

They settled down upon this land to make themselves a home,
And so those ramblin Irishmen were never more to roam.

They were a rugged bunch of men, and seldom every sick,
And every dogan man of them, was a real Old Irish Mick.

As long as you behaved yourself, they sure would use you right,
But if trouble you were seeking, they'd oblige you with a fight.

Now to refresh your memory, with some familiar names,
Old timers will remember them, and from the place they came.

Some well known Irish Characters, are included in my list,
And my sincere apologies, if any I have missed.

There were the Hickey's and the Coe's, the Rody's and the Flynn's,

The Rouse's and the Netterville's, the Cassidy's and the Green's
The McAlpine's and the Dillon's, the McNally's and the Cannon's,

The Fitzgerald's and the Deady's, the Kelly's and the Gannons.

Another group of men, that I would also like to mention,
Names that you'll remember, when drawn to your attention.

There were the Weaver's and the Wotten's, the Haryett's and the Smith's,

The Maddock's and the Carswell's, were there among the cliffs.

There were the Neiman's and the Golden's, the Sheridan's ad the Breen's

And scores of other faces, that will never more be seen.

The Goodwin's and the Perry's, the Leveques and the Scott's,
The Burlanyettes and Buckley's all had their favourite spots.

They worked and lived there side by side, they had their ups and downs,

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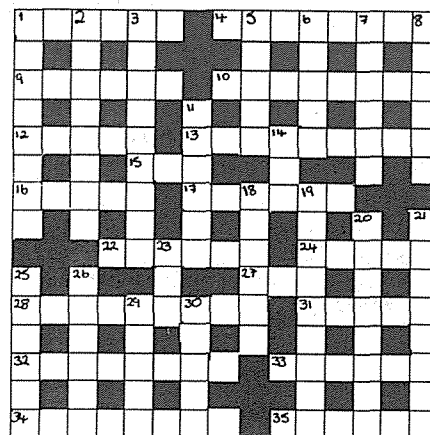
A lot of years have past and gone, since those old days of yore,
And many smiling faces aren't with us any more.
But the younger generation, still carry on their names,
But some how or another, things just don't seem the same.
Every thing has gone modern, not like it used to be.

Our thanks to Mr. Flaherty of Kinsbry, Maynooth for bringing these items to our attention.

VIEWS OF MAYNOOTH - ONTARIO



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Across

1. Canter to the Roost for the drink of the Gods (6)
4. Coo, steer away from the wood preservative (8)
9. Cooks in the oven (6)
10. Hang tics together for blistering reviews (8)
12. O Maxi, it's true (5)
13. Sounds like I'm fond of being fair and objective (9)
15. Type of leprechaun (3)
16. When I reach this, I'm lit (5)
17. Seems like my coif's a mess (4)
22. Or trade for a painful experience (6)
24. Will the vehicle proceed for the transported goods (5)
27. Large animal, formerly resident in Ireland (3)
28. On the circumference (9)
31. The M.A.S.H. character is the same, backwards or forwards (5)
32. Learned persons that Maynooth is famous for (8)
33. Let Tat gossip about others (6)
34. Sore tans for the upper house members (8)
35. Fortified wine who works for the Council (6)

Down

1. In short, Norman is usually a friend at the end (8)
2. Sounds like Ma is the cleaning lady with that irresistible quality (8)
3. Measure distance from the ground in real time with a T (8)
5. What a caper to go back over what we've said (5)
6. Upset the totter for the river animal (5)
7. The beginning ends with something for the tonic (6)
8. Swallow up the chasm after N (6)
11. Mix Fianna Fail initially in a pile of stuff and nonsense (6)
14. The Special Armed Services make a fool of themselves (3)
18. Where Sally and the Cats live? (6)
19. Did the Rooster and the Donadea Pub together form a nocturnal insect? (9)
20. Or red Pat eats animals (8)
21. Upset Troy's cue to show good manners (8)
23. A note to reverse the hod (3)
25. Mix up maps with the SS and suffer involuntary contractions (6)
26. Guttersnipe (6)
29. I plot with the helmsman (5)
30. A blunder (5)

Solution to Crossword No: 60

Across: 1. Placid, 5. Maggie, 10. Heckler, 11. Darkest, 12. Foul, 13. Biped, 15. Bean, 17. Shy, 19. Duress, 21. Bagged, 22. Spaniel, 23. Barley, 25. Teaser, 30. Sack, 31. Dames, 32. Gull, 35. Lasagna, 36. Laundry, 37. Aspens, 38. Wafers.

Down: 2. Lacquer, 4. Dermis, 5. Medley, 6. Gore, 7. Iceberg, 8. Chafed, 9. Atoned, 14. Phantom, 16. Asset, 18. Gales, 20. Spy, 21. Bet, 23. Basalt, 24. Racists, 26. Shudder, 27. Relays, 28. Harass, 29. Bellow, 33. Ogle, 34. Surf.

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While Mr. Claus is associated with Christmas throughout the world there are many aspects of Christmas with which he does not wish to be associated. The fact that the feast is seen as an excuse for drunken debauchery and rampant consumerism upsets him greatly. It is not an appropriate way to celebrate a Christian feast. If people are not believers in Christianity then they should not celebrate a feast in which they do not believe, it would be easy enough to find another excuse for a celebration. As he finished up his little speech on this matter he harked back to his early days when Christmas was more of a Christian feast and less of a party. They might have been poorer times but in many ways they were a lot more gentle and people's values were not corrupted by wealth and ambition.

On a lighter note Mr. Claus began to discuss his hobbies which are breeding reindeers and supporting the Kildare football team. The breeding of reindeers is very close to his heart since it insures that there are plenty of lieutenants for Rudolph, Donner and Blitzen and all the others on his Christmas Eve sleigh team. He feels that his supporting the Kildare football team is appropriate since the landscape in Lapland is all white, mirroring the Kildare jerseys. Here's hoping that Christmas might come 3 months early next year and that the Sam Maguire will make a long overdue return to Kildare. He finished off by saying that he will be seeing everyone on Christmas Eve and that just in case he does not get around to talking to them that he would like to wish them all the best for the year to come.

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- (3) In which country can the town of Maastricht be found?
- (4) By what name was Giovanni Baptista Montini better known?
- (5) Of which American State was Bill Clinton Governor?
- (6) Who had a hit single in 1992 with Achy Breaky Heart?
- (7) With which county do former Kildare players Larry Tomkins and Shea Fahy now play?
- (8) Brian Lenihan and Mary Robinson were two of the candidates in the last Presidential Election, who was the third?
- (9) In Ireland's World Cup victory over Albania John Aldridge scored one goal. Who scored the other one?
- (10) What are the opening hours of Monahan's Fuels?
- (11) Who was Minister of Finance prior to Bertie Aherne?
- (12) In which county is Weston Aerodrome situated.?
- (13) In which country was Christopher Columbus born?
- (14) How many bags of Polish coal can you purchase at Monahan's Fuels for £37.50?
- (15) Name the only President of Ireland to die in office?
- (16) From which country does the carol Silent Night originate?
- (17) In which County Kildare town was Arthur Guinness born in 1725?
- (18) In which city was Eamon de Valera born?
- (19) What monument in Dublin was blown up on March 8th 1966?
- (20) Which brand of gas are Monahan's Fuels agents for?

Closing date for entries: 5 p.m. Friday 11/12/92

Street Talking

Monahan's Fuel Depot

The Monahan family have recently taken over the former Logan's fuel depot in Barberstown, just outside Maynooth. They were formerly based in Sandyford, Co. Dublin. They stock a wide range of solid fuels as well as home Heating Oil and Blugas. They also stock a wide range of coals, Polish, Texan and English as well as Anthracite and smokeless coal. It can either be collected from the depot or you can have it delivered.

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Free Draw

Until next April Monahan's Fuels are running a monthly draw whereby every purchaser of fuel will get a free ticket for the draw. The prize will be a 14" portable television.

Presents 'N' Mind

A new shop has recently opened on the Main Street. **Presents 'N' Mind** stocks a large selection of cards suitable for all occasions. Among other items which they stock are many different types of gift items, sweets and cigarettes. They are now licensed to sell stamps.

The shop is being run by Sean Horgan from Killarney Co. Kerry who was formerly a hotel manager in Listowel, Co. Kerry and Breda Landy is daughter of Kay Landy of Listowel and formerly known as Kathleen Keely, Main St., Maynooth. We wish them all the best in their new venture.

Ballroom of Romance

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Attic Swap Shop Plus

Maynooth has just been adorned with a new Swap Shop, situated just above the Country Shop. The new shop is being run by Marion Brophy and Breda Barker and among the large selection of goods being bought and sold are: curtains, ladies and teenage fashions, including designer label garments. They should have a large stock of books and also some gent's fashions. The opening hours are Tuesday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. except for Thursday and Friday when there will be late opening until 8 p.m.

Fred's Fashions

On Saturday 31st October, Monsignor Mic  el L  dwith, President of St. Patrick's College Maynooth, cut the ribbon to officially open Fred's Fashions family thrift shop in Greenfield

Shopping Centre. Rev. Fr. Brendan Supple P.P. blessed the premises and the large group who came to witness the event. The St. Vincent de Paul conference, who run the shop, would most sincerely like to thank all of those who have worked so hard to make the shop possible and in particular the voluntary workers who help us to staff it.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to take this opportunity to thank once again the people of Maynooth for their most generous help and support over many years which has enabled them to come to the aid of the many within our community who may have fallen on hard times or who may need support through some crisis or difficulty.

The quality of a community's response to the plight of the marginalised within it, is a reflection of that community's own health. The S.V.P., along with other community organisations exists to act as the channel for our community's generosity to our neighbours.

The primary function of Fred's Fashions will be to act as one of those channels, transferring resources with dignity as well as providing the opportunity to get a good bargain.

The secondary function is to raise much needed funds to enable the S.V.P. to continue to meet ever increasing demands on our services. All proceeds after the set-up and running costs are met, will go back into the community through our conference activities.

As always the S.V.P. depends on your generosity in supporting its activities. The following items are urgently required: Toys - unbroken and complete or new; Clothes - clean and pressed; Furniture - in good condition and free from woodworm; Unwanted presents, etc.

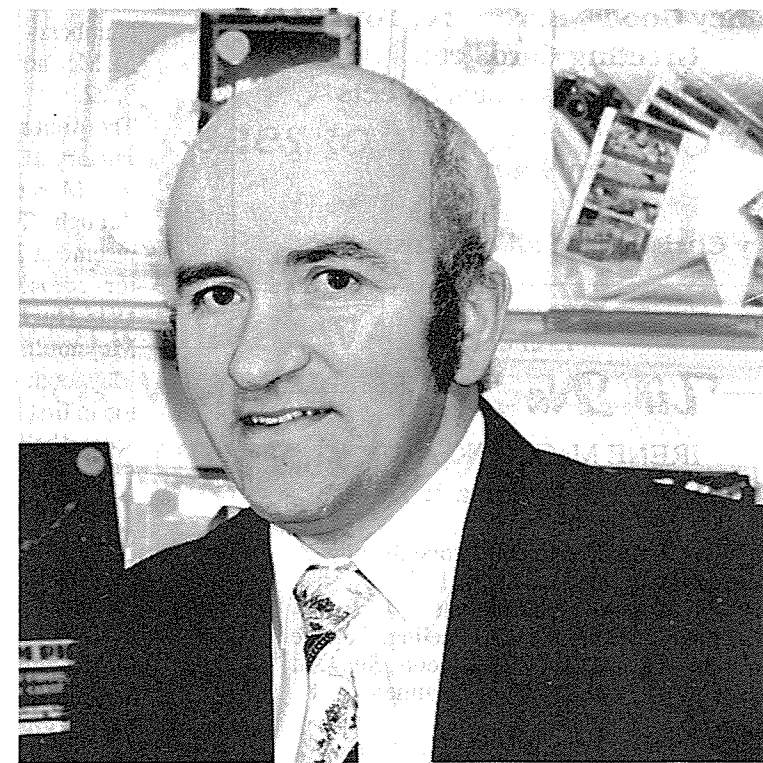
All items may be delivered to Fred's Fashions during normal opening hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 11a.m. to 1.30p.m. Friday 7.30p.m. to 9p.m.



Some guests at the opening of Freds Fashions

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Lotto Draw Results

18th October - No Winner - £10 each, O. Bright, G. Long, L. Pendergast. Jackpot £250 - Numbers - 3,14,19. 25th October - No Winner - £10 each, M. Gillick, G Long, M. O'Driscoll. Jackpot £350 - Numbers - 6, 10, 23. 1st November - No Winner - £10 each, Josie Murphy, Ursula Ennis, Alice and Pat Travers. Jackpot £400 - Numbers - 6, 7, 8. 8th November - No Winner - £10 each. S. Cummins, D. Nolan, S. Curtis. Jackpot £450 - Numbers - 16, 17, 24. 15th November - No Winner - £10 each, M. McCarron, The 3, J. Edwards. Jackpot £500 - Numbers - 5, 8, 22.

The Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 17th January in the Club House at 11.00a.m. We are starting our A.G.M. early this year because there is a lot of business to get through. The meeting will break for dinner at 12.30 and will resume at 2.00p.m. All members are invited to attend. Mass for deceased members on Sunday 17th January '93 at 9.45a.m.

U/15 Hurling League Final

Maynooth 6.2pts. V Broadford 5.0

Maynooth scored a good win over Broadford. Maynooth on top in first half and lead at half time by 5.2pts to no score. The second half started badly for Maynooth with Broadford scoring 5 goals but then one of the finest goals scored in the game by Vincent Nevin sealed it for Maynooth. Best for Maynooth:- R. Casey, S. Griffin, M. Bennett, V. Nevin, C. Ryan, D. Buckley, J. O'Shea. Maynooth Team:- M. Callaghan, R. Casey, J. Moran, D. Coughlan, M. Bennett, S. Griffin, E. Heslin, M. Nugent, S. Brennan, J. O'Shea, V. Nevin, C. Ryan, W. Gannan, D. McCarreck, D. Buckley, E. Nevin, S. Cummins, C. Lyons, S. Guinnan.

Minor Football League Div. 2

Maynooth 2.15 V Monasterevan 1.9

Maynooth played against a strong wind in first half and led 1.8 to 1.6 powered by Joey Nevin at centre half back, Kenneth Killoran at centre field and Hugh Purcell up front were never in danger. Others to play well were P. Garvey, M. Donnelly, E. Mitchell, E. Hassett, A. O'Shea and T. Fay. Maynooth Scores - M. Donnelly 1.8, P. Garvey 1.4, H. Purcell 1pt., T. Farrell 1pt., E. Mitchell 1pt.

U/16 League Final

Maynooth 1.2pts V Suncroft 0.8pts.

Maynooth having gone through their league unbeaten could not match Suncroft in final. The match started slowly for both team's with both sets of backs on top. Suncroft enjoyed the Lion's share of possession in first quarter thanks to the midfield dominance but failed to make it show on scoreboard. This was due in part to a tenacious Maynooth defence in which E. Hassett, P. Grant, O. Nevin, P. Byrne, J. Higgins and T. Fay stood out. Half time score Suncroft 3pts, Maynooth 2pts. Maynooth launched an all out effort in second half bringing a good goal by Paul Flood to lead by two points but Maynooth failed to score after this and Suncroft ran out worthy winners. Best for Maynooth, T. Fay, E. Hassett, P. Grant, P. Byrne, C. Ryan and man of the match Ollie Nevin. Maynooth Score's - P. Flood 1 goal, T. Farrell 2pts.

Tom Flood Cup Final

Maynooth 9pts V Ardclough 1.3pts.

Maynooth retained the Tom Flood Cup, this is the first since

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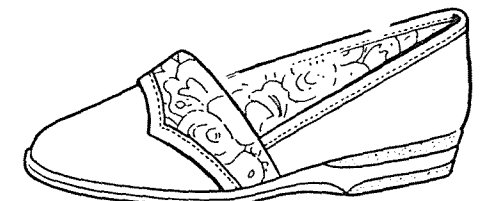
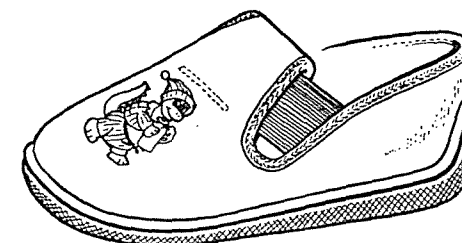
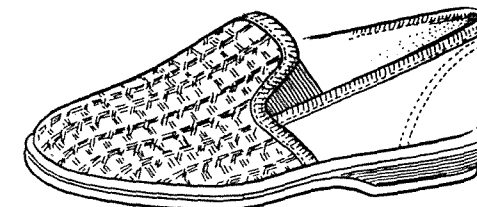


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1987. Ardclough having beaten Maynooth last year could not overcome this year. Maynooth down at half time by 1.2 to 4pts took control in second half and some lovely points by Joey and John Nevin brought the Cup back to Maynooth. Maynooth Scores - John Nevin 2pts., Joey Nevin 2pts, K. Fagan 1pt., N. Reilly 1pt, D. Mahoney also to play well were M. Noonan, M. Kelly, K. Killorgan, M. Nevin. We would like to thank our sponsors Gerry Flood of Maynooth Photo Centre. We would like to wish all our member's, supporters and sponsors A very Happy Christmas and New Year.

1st Team Results

Maynooth - 1.7 St. Kevin's - 7pts.

The team qualified for the Final of the Tom Flood Cup, where they will meet Ardclough, following a hard-earned but fully merited victory over Intermediate side St. Kevin's. It was a typical end of season contest with both sides showing a distinct lack of fitness and tiredness much in evidence long before the finish. Wayward shooting continues to represent the team's biggest problem with a string of gilt-edged chances going a begging in this game. Hopefully the target will be hit more often in the Final! Scorers: Noel Reilly 1 goal, Joey Edwards 3pts; Mick Kelly, Joey Riordan, Joey Nevin and Killian Fagan 1pt each. Best for Maynooth Joe Conway, Mick Nevin, Mick Kelly, Killian Fagan, Johnny Nevin and Noel Reilly.

Underage:

Under 10 + 12 activity since the last issue was confined to challenge games against Tallaght Club St. Mark's and North Kildare League fixtures against Kilcock. Both sides won comfortably against St. Mark's but found Kilcock a different kettle of fish altogether. Maynooth's Under 10's repeated their Summer victory over their near-neighbours, in a battle royal, to deprive them of outright League honours. A victory for Maynooth in their last game in the series will guarantee them a share of the spoils. The Under 12's who had also defeated their counterparts during the Summer League, found them a much tougher proposition on this occasion and eventually succumbed to a well-drilled combination. While the side battled all the way they must bitterly regret their loss to Ballyna in the Summer League which deprived them of League victory and this after out gunning Celbridge, Confey, Kilcock and St. Mary's, Leixlip in earlier games.

Under 10

(1) Maynooth - 10.13 St. Marks - 1.3

Scorers: David Cambell 1.6; Tommy Masterson 3.1; Killian Grennell 3.0 Alan Baxter 1.3; Pierre Ennis 1.2; Keith Halligan 1.0 Noel Kealy 1 pt. Best: Connellan, Healy, King, Cambell, Grennall, Baxter, Ennis, Sweeney and Masterson.

(2) Maynooth - 4.10 Kilcock - 2.3

Scorers: P. O'Sullivan 1.1; D. Cambell 1.0; P. Ennis, A. Baxter and S. Fleming 1 pt. each. Best: Connellan, Sweeney, O'Sullivan, Healy, Cambell, King, Ennis and Fleming.

Under 12

(1) Maynooth - 4.10 St. Marks - 2.2

Scorers: Karl Ennis 1.4; Barry Connolly 1.3; Cummins 1.0; Adrian Boylan 1.0; Thomas Halton, Keith Fleming, Mark McCarron 1pt. each. Best: Woodhouse, Downey, A. McCarron, Diggins, Hanley, Boylan, Connolly, Ennis and Cummins.

(2) Kilcock - 4.8 Maynooth - 3.3

Scorers: Thomas Halton 1.1; Declan O'Rourke 1.0; Adrian Boylan 1.0; Karl Ennis 2pts. Best: Diggins, Kelly, Boylan, Ennis, Connolly, and Halton.

Hurling.

U/10

The under 10s played a 2 - 0 each draw with Naas in a good game that could have gone either way. Damien Travers and Mikey Gleeson got the Maynooth scores and goalie Tommy Masterson and the half back line of Aidan Molloy, Pierre Ennis and Shane Devereux were outstanding for Maynooth. The Final game in this league was lost to Celbridge who proved to be a better team on the day. Patrick King, Peter Guinan, Sean Flaherty and Pdraig O'Sullivan were best for Maynooth.

U/13

This team gave a fine performance against an older and stronger Naas side. Rory Kelly was outstanding in goal and other fine performances came from Seamus Cummins, Connor Diggins, Tom Mullarky, Vincent Nevin, Matt Callaghan and Brendan Keogh.

Both the U/10 and U/13 sides have excelled themselves in the higher division and there is no doubt that playing against the stronger sides has improved their own performances.

10 April 1948 - MAYNOOTH FOOTBALLERS VICTORIES.

The Maynooth Footballers received their due reward for recent splendid victories in the Junior Football League '46 and Junior Football Championship '47 at a Ceilidhe in Leinster Hall Maynooth. Amongst those present were Mr. Liam Geraghty, chairman of the Kildare G.A.A. Board and Mr. T O'Clerich, Secretary of the Board.

Fr. Kevin Daly C.C. presented the medals. The following were presented with medals: P. Mulreid (captain), T. Nolan, P. Tracey, M. Kelly, A. Nolan, M. Lestrangle, P. Delaney, M. Nolan, L. Farrelly, S. De Burca, S. Nolan, W. Lacey, M. Reilly, J. Bennett, L. Holbrook, O. Reilly, B. Edwards, S. Byrne, O. Travers, E. Tracey, D. O'Connor, P. O'Brien, T. Colan, J. McLaughlin.

Music by the Athlone Ceilidhe Band.

4th October 1948.

There is great jubilation in Maynooth at the victory of the Local Team over Suncroft at Naas in the final of the intermediate football Championship. They only got home by the smallest of margins but it suffices to give the "Crom Aboos" the coveted honour. Playing brilliantly with new executed combined moves and making the opposition appear very mediocre, indeed it looks as if the North County men were set for a facile victory. What change came over the game in the second half. What a relief it was to the Maynooth supporters when the final whistle went leaving their champions narrow but deserving victors by a single point. The whole of the victorious team played very well indeed and particular mention can be made of Mulreid, Lestrangle, Farrelly, Delaney, M. Reilly, Nolan and Seamus Burke.

19th April 1947

Successful Maynooth Ceilidhe

The Ceilidhe and Old Time Waltz held in the Leinster hall Maynooth on Sunday night last, was the biggest success yet. The silver star Ceilidhe Band (Mr. J.J. Carr) provided the music in captain style. The function was under the auspices of the St. Mary's Choral Society Maynooth.

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Pride of place this month goes to our U/16 schoolgirls team who clinched the League and almost brought off the double when reaching their cup final only to go out by the odd goal in three. Were it not for bureaucratic bungling by the N.E. Counties legislators the chances of bringing off the double would have been greatly enhanced. The decision to play a semi-final replay and final on successive days amounted to nothing but sheer foolishness. Having drawn the semi-final at home we were then forced to travel to Trim to play the replay on the eve of the Cup-Final. Having duly overcome Trim in a thrilling replay on a quagmire of a pitch but we were unable to assert our authority in the final due to leg weariness and eventually succumbed on 2-1 scoreline to Eureka (Kells). Well done girls!, you have now set a high standard for our other teams which hopefully will even be partly emulated.

U/16 Schoolgirls League.

Maynooth 3 Agher 0.

Maynooth needed at least a draw to clinch the title and with Agher needing to win to force a play-off we had the ingredients for an exciting game. Both teams started nervously with the importance of the game having a distinct effect on the early play. Maynooth finally settled down and began to stamp their authority on the midfield exchanges with Antoinette Mooney being particularly outstanding. Antoinette Mooney scored twice in the first half to give us a distinct half-time advantage. Patricia Purcell scored a late goal to give us a resounding win. Joanne Smith and Tracy Kearney were excellent in defence for Maynooth with Michelle Gillick and Maeve Flood also prominent.

U/16 Schoolgirls Cup Semi- Final.

Maynooth Town 1 Trim 1

Maynooth found it hard to come to grips with a Trim side who never stopped battling throughout the game. The loss of the outstanding Paula O'Shea through injury in the 1st half had an unsettling effect on Maynooth and allowed Trim to dominate

for lengthy periods during the game. Trim rocked Maynooth when they took the lead in the 2nd half and one questioned the character of this Maynooth team to come back from this setback. The answer was never in doubt when storming into all-out attack and grabbing a deserved equaliser from a header by Maeve Flood following an Antoinette Mooney corner. With the referee refusing to play the expected extra-time and penalties it was now back to Trim for the replay.

Semi-Final Replay.

Trim 1 Maynooth Town 3.

Maynooth left no doubts as to their superiority when overcoming Trim in this replay. On a pitch which was waterlogged from incessant rain it was to the credit of both teams that the standard of football was so high, Maynooth took control early and never allowed Trim to benefit from their home advantage. Goals by Patricia Purcell, Antoinette Mooney and Leanne Hughes ensured our passage to the Final.

U/16 Girls Cup Final.

Eureka (Kells) 2 Maynooth Town 1.

Maynooth were totally shattered by their exertions of the previous days semi-final and never reached their usual high standard. Tired limbs were unable to respond to the urgings of willing hearts and it is not to the credit of the legislators that we were forced to play so soon after the semi-final on a pitch which was hardly suitable for a Cup Final. The Navan pitch showed the signs of over-use and played a big part in a poor final. Our girls battled right to the end in an effort to bring off the double but were unable to turn the game around. To single out anyone for special mention would be an injustice to the other members of the panel who all played their parts throughout the season in bringing honour to the club. Frances Kearney and Shelley Breslin deserve great credit for the amount of time and effort spent in bringing this team to such a high standard and maintaining that level throughout a long hard season.

F.A.I. Junior Cup.

Maynooth Town 4 St. Mary's Athlone 2.

Philip Doyle stole the honours in this cup tie when scoring a hat-trick. His general play throughout the game was of the highest standard and this contributed greatly to bringing out the best in his team mates. St. Mary's took the lead but Philip Doyle got his first from a free kick to equalise. We went two up just before half-time when Philip was again on the mark to put us 2-1 in front. St. Mary's came back at us in the 2nd half to get an equaliser but Philip Doyle restored our advantage when scoring from a Fergal Barton pass. Gerry Quinn headed our fourth following further strong pressure. Apart from Philip Doyle, Fergal Barton and Paul Byrne were excellent for Maynooth.

F.A.I. Junior Cup

Mountmellick 3 Maynooth Town 2.

Maynooth went-down fighting in the cup game at Mountmellick and must feel unlucky not to have forced extra time. A storming finish had the home side pinned in their own half but we were unable to grab the elusive equaliser. We contributed to our own downfall when conceding two very soft goals in the 1st half. Mountmellick scored a third in the 2nd half but goals by Philip Doyle and John Geoghegan threw us a lifeline which we were unable to grasp.

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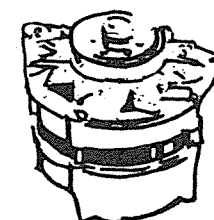
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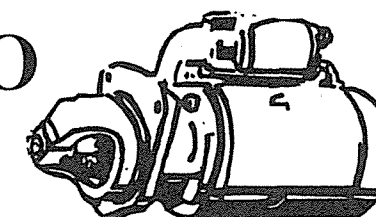
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Division 1.

Maynooth Town 6 Stores Celtic 2.

Third placed Stores opened in whirlwind fashion and scored in the first minute. Maynooth came straight back after this to take control of the game and go on a scoring spree. Anthony Smith got our equaliser and Philip Doyle put us in front shortly after. Stores then got their 2nd goal but that was to be the end of their scoring. We totally dominated the remainder of the game and further goals by John Geoghegan, Jason Keigher, Fergal Barton and Anthony Smith completed the rout.

Conway Cup.

Maynooth Town 4 Milltown Utd. 0

Our second team were in complete charge throughout this Cup game and ran out easy winners. With Robert Thompson controlling midfield it always looked as if Maynooth would dominate the exchanges. John O'Neill opened the scoring for us when hitting home a Johnny Thompson cross. Michael Kelly got a second from the penalty spot to leave us leading 2-0 at half time. Second half goals by Johnny Thompson and Michael Murphy were enough to leave us convincing winners and pave our way to the next round.

Division 3.

Maynooth Town 4 Killeen Corrugated 2.

Maynooth proved too strong for Killeen and ran out easy winners. We took an early grip at midfield and never conceded this advantage. With Mick Faherty and Johnny Thompson in top form Maynooth made some good chances for an eager forward line who reaped the benefits. Michael Murphy opened the scoring and Johnny Thompson increased this lead when the Killeen keeper failed to hold a hard shot. Killeen came more into the game when Maynooth lost their way for a while and were pulled back to equality by two quick goals by Anthony Smith and Michael Kelly put a true reflection on the scoreline.

Tower Athletic 3 Maynooth 3.

Maynooth went two goals behind early in the 1st half and looked to be in for a hammering. We then showed our battling qualities and fought back in determined fashion. Goal by Francis Conlon, Stephen Horan and Eddie Quinn put us in front but a late equaliser by Tower deprived us of both points.

U/14 Schoolboys. Harmon Cup 2nd Rd.

Maynooth Town 4 St. Kevins 0

The much vaunted St. Kevins were no match for Maynooth who showed scant regard for the high reputation of their opponents. Playing some of their best football of the season Maynooth took control early and maintained that dominance throughout. We had several outstanding players in this game, particularly David Coughlin, Darren Naughton, Patrick Carroll and keeper Niall Naughton who capped a fine display with another penalty save. Goals by Eoin Gula 1 Eamon Gallagher 2 and Niall Byrne gave us our passage to the next round.

U/14 League.

Rosemount Boys 1 Maynooth Town 2

We preserved our unbeaten record with this hard fought win against Rosemount. Our defence had to be in top form to withstand some late pressure from the home forwards. Declan Buckley was back to his best in this game and was ably assisted by David Coughlan. Donnacha McCarrick scored our first and Martin Byrne scored a spectacular second goal from an acute angle to increase our lead. With time running out Rosemount scored a late consolation goal.

U/12 League

Maynooth Town 1 Bannow Utd. 2

A missed penalty by Maynooth proved very costly in this game where missed chances were the order of the day. Michael Shiels was our scorer in a disappointing result.

U/11 League

Maynooth Town 2 Fettercairn 2

Maynooth led twice in this game but were never able to take overall control and always allowed the opposition to come back into the game. We got out first when Trevor McMahon scored but Fettercairn equalised soon after. Thomas McGovern regained the lead for us but back came Fettercairn once more to equalise. Niall Bright and Paul Dunne were best for Maynooth.

Maynooth Town 1 Palmerstown Rgs. 1

Maynooth put up a gallant fight to hold Palmerstown to a draw. Darren Cusack gave us the lead in the 1st half but we then had to withstand tremendous pressure from the visitors to preserve our lead. Palmerstown breached our defence once to equalise but an outstanding defensive display by keeper Davitt O'Neill, Colm Cahill, Trevor Naughton and Andy Madden ensured a share of the points.

We wish to take this opportunity to extend Christmas greetings to all our supporters, sponsors, friends etc.

NORTH KILDARE YOUTHS PLAY AT LANDSDOWNE ROAD

The dream of all aspiring rugby players - to play on the hallowed turf at Landsdowne Road - came true for The North Kildare Rugby club U/12 Team recently. The U/12 Team, having won the U/12 cup last season, were invited to play a match V. Tullamore at Landsdowne Road prior to the recent Ireland V. Australia match the result was 4 - 0 for North Kildare, with scores from Lorcan O'Brien (3) and Ricky Geraghty (1).

Excitement as New Zealanders arrive

The arrival of two players from New Zealand in Maynooth has caused great excitement in North Kildare Rugby Club. Both Paul Earls and John Campbell are staying with Jim and Noreen Doogan in Beaufield, Maynooth. Paul Earls - cousin of his namesake on the New Zealand international Team - takes up the prop. position on the 1st team alongside local Quinnsworth butcher Vincent Larkin. John Campbell, meanwhile, has been appointed team coach and will play at lock forward on the same team. The addition of players of this calibre must improve the teams chances in the provincial towns cup campaign this season.

Local Involvement in Club

Maynooth boasts great involvement in North Kildare Rugby Club at all levels. These include club president, local businessman Frank Regan, secretary, Jack Simon, from Rail Park. Seamus Kennedy, Straffan Way, is highly involved in the Youths Section. this section fields teams in the U/10, U/12, U/14, U/16, U/18, U/19 section.

Anyone wishing to join should contact Jack Simon, secretary, at 6285115, who will deal with enquiries. Club captain this year is Eugene Sheehan. There are home matches most Sundays starting at 2.30p.m. so come along and support your local Rugby Club.

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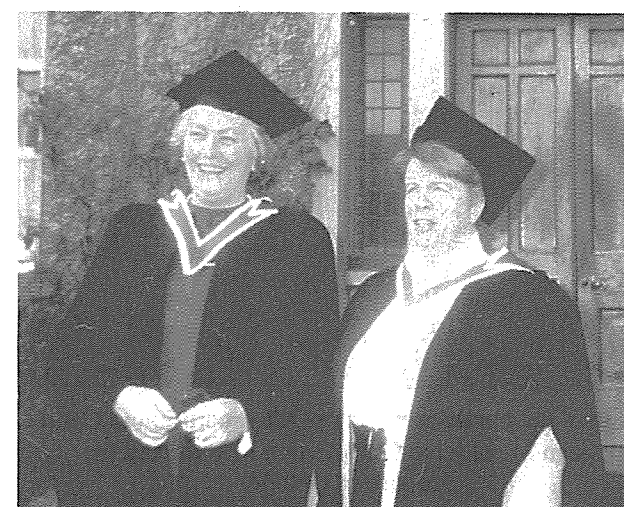
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Castleknock, Adrienne Hoey, Artane,
Owen Smyth, Celbridge - Congratulations to
all our B.A. Graduates and best wishes for the future

Birthday Greetings

Happy Belated 18th Birthday to Marilyn Boyd. From Jackie.

Happy Bleated 18th Birthday to Amanda Bourke. From Jackie.

Happy 16th Birthday to Antoinette Mooney. From all in 826 Greenfield.

Congratulations to the Maynooth under 16's Girl's Soccer Team who won the N.E.C. League. From The Supporter's Club.

Congratulations to Denise O'Keeffe, Highfield, Kilcock on her recent Graduation with her Honours B.A. from St. Patricks College Maynooth also Best Wishes on her 21st. Birthday on Dec. 23rd. From all her aunts, uncles in Maynooth, Kilcock and the U.S.A. Well Done ! Denise.

Happy Birthday on Christmas Day to James Dowling, 1190 Greenfield.

Happy Birthday to Ciss Waldron, O'Neill Park. 83 on Christmas Day.

Happy birthday to Deidre Coyne Avondale 18 yrs on Dec. 12th also
Noeleen Coyne who celebrates her birthday on Dec. 19th.

Love and best wishes for a very happy birthday to Noel McGovern, 833 Greenfield who celebrates his birthday Dec 31st. With love from your mam, brother Kevin. Hope you have a lovely day.

Birthday wishes to Noel McGovern, 833 Greenfield Dec 31st. From your loving wife Marie, sons Richard and Thomas. Enjoy your day.

Happy birthday to Noel McGovern 833 Greenfield on Dec 31st. From Michael, Eileen and girls.

Birthday Greetings to Noel McGovern, 833 Greenfield on Dec 31st. from Joan, Tom in Moyglare. Hope you have a lovely day.

Happy Birthday to Aisling Bean, "Nuada", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrates her 7th Birthday on December 14th. Love from her Daddy, Mammy and her Brothers, Brian & Conor and her Grand-Parents.

Happy Birthday to Liam Bean, "Lemar", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth who celebrates his birthday on December 16th From his Wife, Margaret, Tony, Thomas, Mary Bean & Grand-children.

Happy Birthday to Jim Smyth (Butcher) Main St., Maynooth, who celebrates his birthday on December 16th. From all his customers & friends.

A very Happy Birthday to Sarah Folan on 20th December (48 Greenfield Drive). Love from Mam, Dad, Aisling, Shane & Dara.

Congratulations: Clodagh Farrelly, Kilcock Road who celebrated her 21st Birthday October 25th. Her Party in "Judge Roy Beans" was attended by "Steven" and a host of friends a great time was had by all. Clare McTernan, Greenfield who celebrates her Birthday December 12th. Best Wishes from Daddy, Mammy, Brother Gerard, Grannies and Grandad.

Birthday Greetings to Annmarie O'Donoghue on 3rd December! From Fi.

Happy Birthday Mam on 31st December! Love Fiona and Darina.

Belated birthday greetings to Norah McDermott who is still in shock after the surprise birthday party. From the Editorial Board.

Birthday to Nicola Gleeson, Moyglare Village on Dec. 6th from all the ice cubes in no. 31.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

A very happy Christmas to dear Stephen, Mark and Ruth. With love from Mammy and Daddy.

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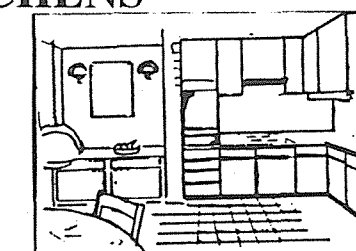
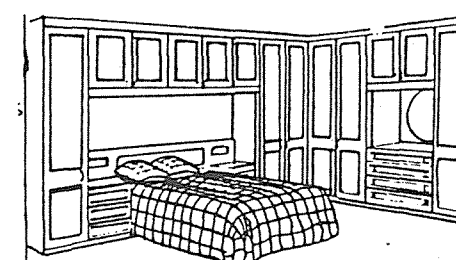
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Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations to Dan and Baby Newton, Greenfield, Maynooth, who celebrated their 42nd Wedding Anniversary October 29th. Party for family and friends was held in the Clock House, Maynooth.

Larry and Kathleen McEvoy, Greenfield, Maynooth, who celebrated their 23rd Wedding Anniversary October 30th. Party for family and friends was also held in Clock House, Maynooth.

SYMPATHIES

SYMPATHY: To Lorraine Lindsay, Greenfield on the death of her mother Ellen (Nellie) O'Neill, Annamore Road, Cabra, Dublin.

(Correct Death Insertion from O'Driscoll to O'Donnell)
Sympathy to Michael O'Donnell, Kulragne, Maynooth, on the recent death of his father. Michael O'Donnell, Sligo.

Sympathy to the wife & family of Paddy Ryan.

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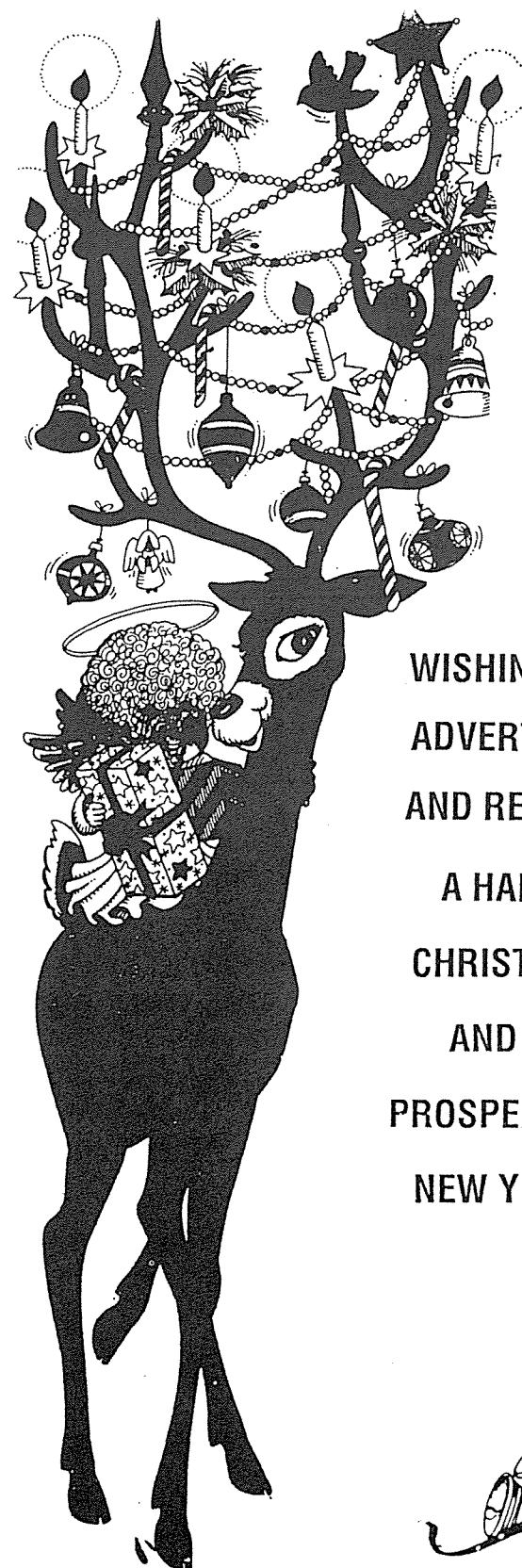
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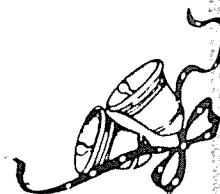
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