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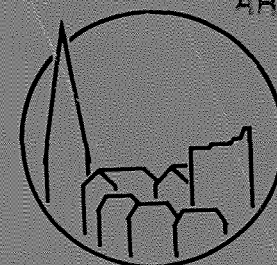
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Editorial

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-

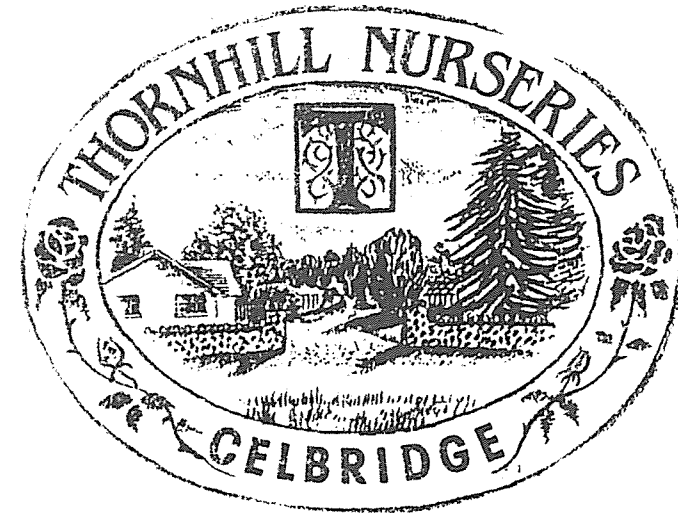
intentioned meddlers who tried to copper-fasten its illegality in our constitution have brought about a farcical situation where the original ideal has been stood on its head by judicial interpretation of the flawed wording. They were warned, time and again, that the amendment was defective, and would 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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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.

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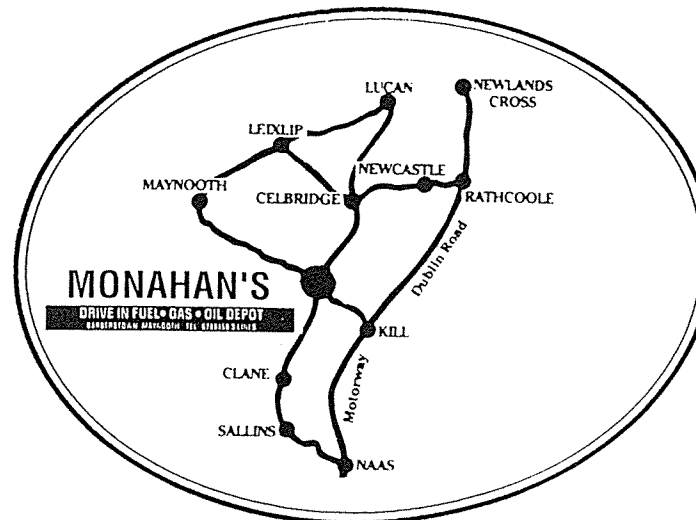
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I hope all those Santa letters are written and sent off. In the meanwhile have a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

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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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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Fashion Show

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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.

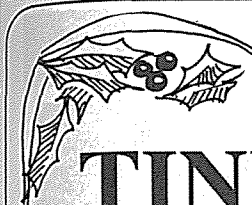
MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

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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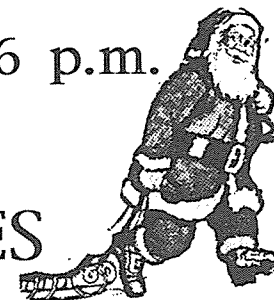
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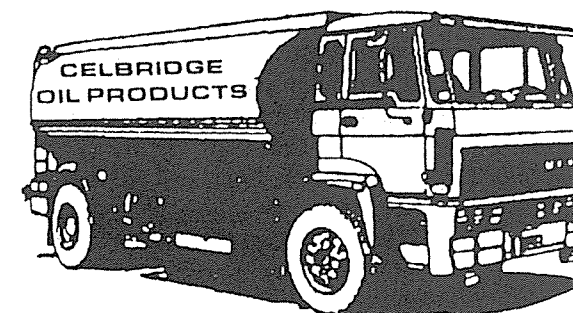
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There follows a list of the lucky prizewinners:

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.

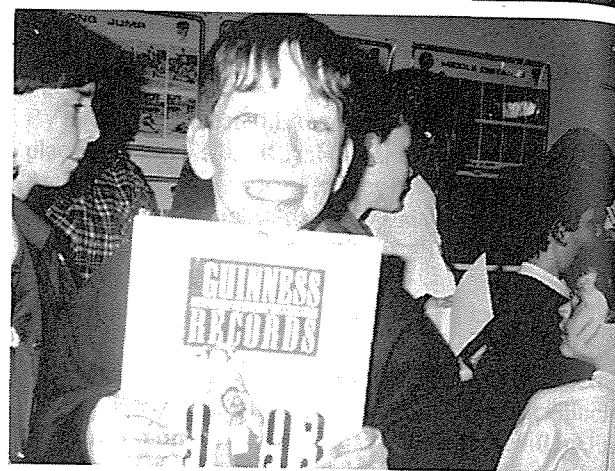
There were literally hundreds of entries for all competitions, and much fun was had by all. Winning entries and photographs of activities are on display in the children's library. Currently on exhibition in the library is a display of photographs by Kevin Carr, featuring scenes from Maynooth, and highlights 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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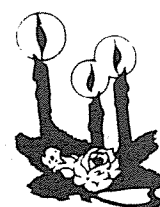


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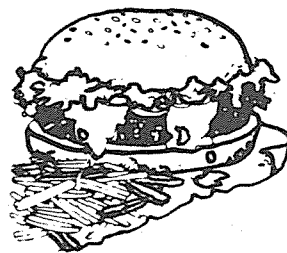
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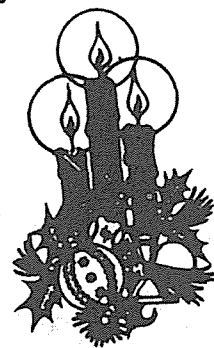
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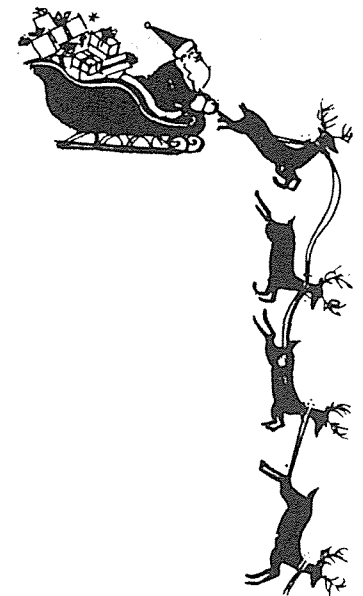
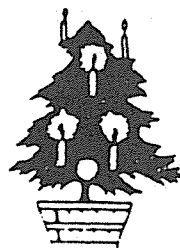
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OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE

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
Margaret O Neill.
P.R.O.

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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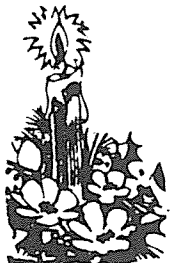
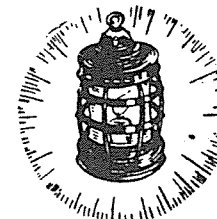


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Friday 6th November, was a great success and was well attended by founder members, past members, present members and friends. Our thanks to Imelda Delaney our President who spent a lot of time organising this night, Peter O'Brien Catering for the really 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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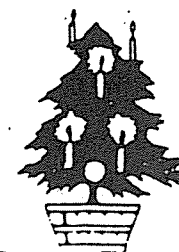
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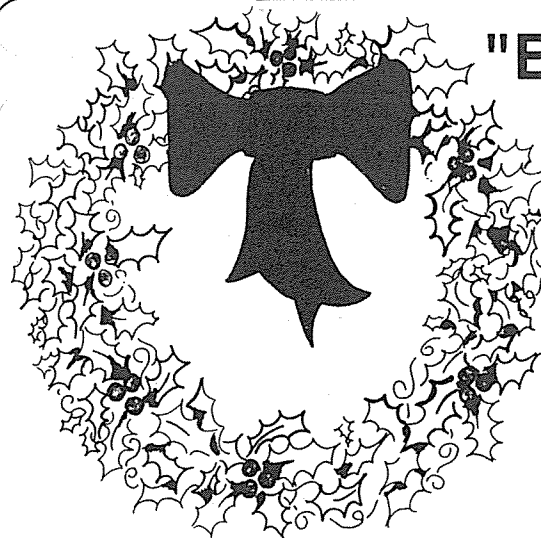
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Committee members:- Margaret Gillick, Frances Kearney, Maree Carr, Noelle McTernan, Mary Jennings, Kieran Diggins, John Campbell, Pat King, Willie Healy, Mick Gillick and Aidan Sinnott.

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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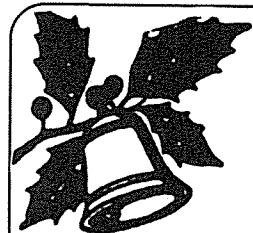
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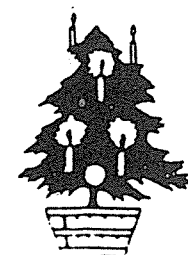


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MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

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, Clair 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.

Happy Christmas To One And All

Dermot Nangle, PRO Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association

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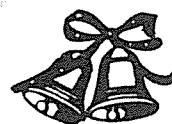
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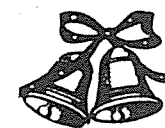
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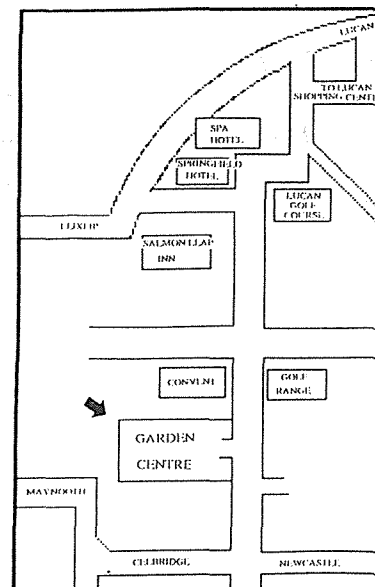
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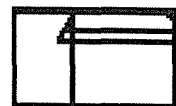


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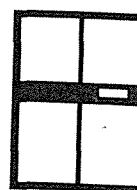


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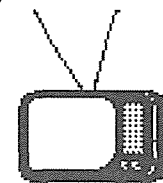
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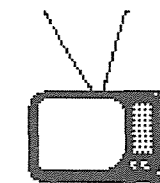
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

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.

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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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Residents' Associations

TEDDY BEAR APPEAL FOR SOMALIA

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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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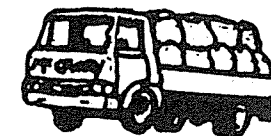
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BOOK REVIEW

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.

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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 Castletown Foundation is delighted with the response to this fund raising effort and visitor numbers exceeded the normal figures for this time of year. Receipts on admission, (100 adults, 22 families, 20 children), totalled £200 and this has been lodged with Concern's Somalia Account at the Bank of Ireland.

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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A small group of highly skilled young people are interested in establishing a Saturday morning creative and Educational Activities Workshop for children aged between 5yrs and 12yrs in Maynooth. The activities on offer would be drama, music and singing, art and puppet making, dancing and expression exercises. Activities would be conducted in English but with a high content of German, French and Irish phrases built in. It would be hoped that public performances would be staged soon after Christmas and thereafter at regular intervals.

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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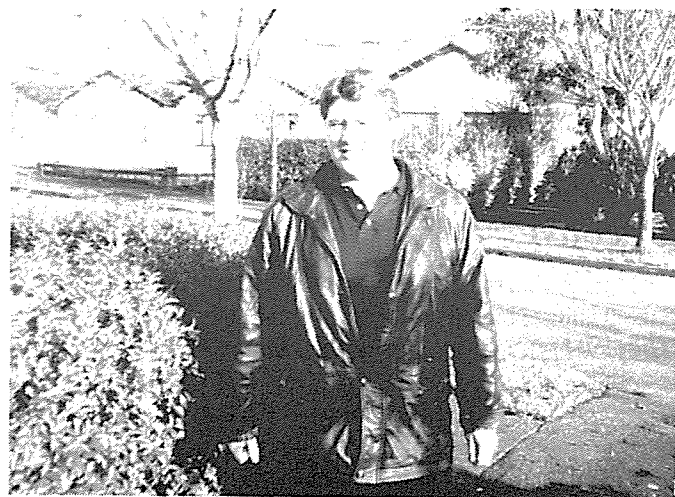
Sean Hyland's Team. Organisers of Festival Tug-O-War Tournament. L - R Donal Finnan, Seanie Ryan, Willie Healy, Sean Hyland, Paddy Reid and Michael O'Rourke.



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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IV

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

Willie Healy

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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,

And although they weren't all Irishmen, they helped build this little town

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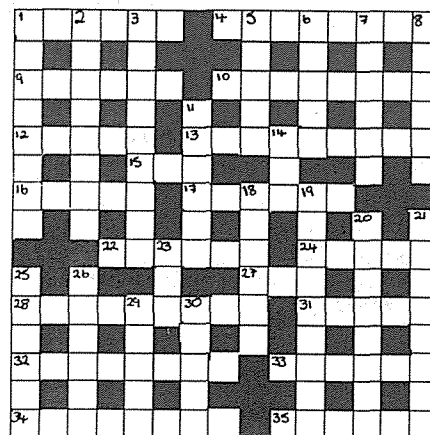
A lot of years have past and gone, since those old days of yore,
And many smiling faces aren't with us any more.
But the younger generation, still carry on their names,
But some how or another, things just don't seem the same.
Every thing has gone modern, not like it used to be.

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 (6)
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.

Winner of Crossword No. 60 - Mary Callaghan, 145, Kingsbry, Maynooth.

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This month Muintir Má Nuad deals with a person who, while not a native of Maynooth is none the less well known to generations of Maynoothonians due to his annual visits. Mr. Santa Claus was originally known as Saint Nicholas of Hungary, but has moved residence to Lapland, near the North Pole. He is well known for his generosity and his altruistic work which he says is due to his Christian upbringing. While nowadays he is best known for his generosity towards children. Mr. Claus first became known as a person who would provide dowries for young ladies who could not afford to get married. While the dowry system no longer operates in Ireland it is still, unfortunately prevalent in many parts of the world. It was only later that Mr. Claus became well known for his generosity towards children, with his annual visit being a highlight in the lives of many young children. He has strong views about the treatment of children in Ireland due to the high incidence of child deprivation and neglect in Ireland and he feels that it is about time that the Irish nation started to do something about cherishing all of its children instead of just talking about it.

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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- (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

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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.

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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.

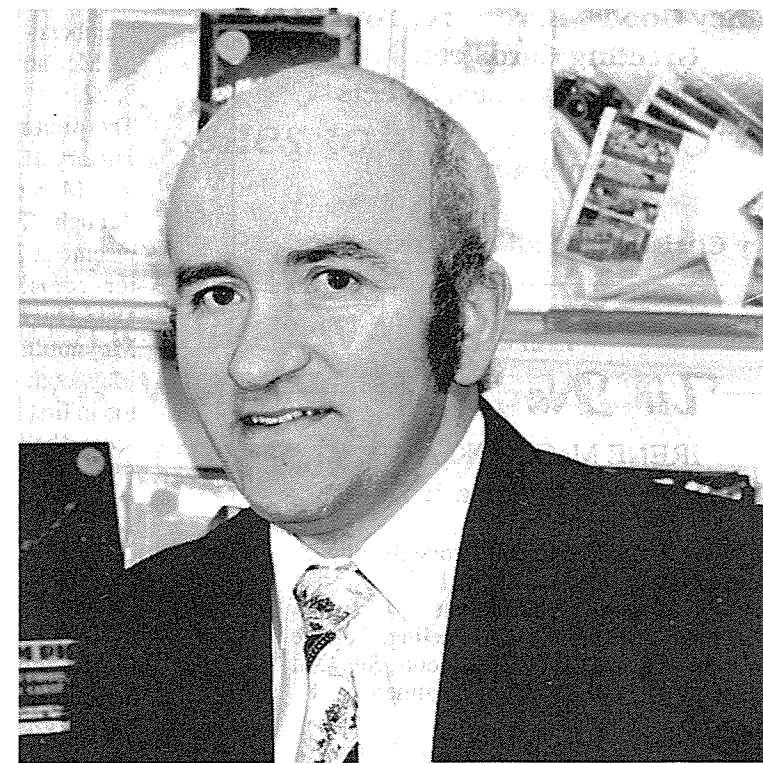
All items may be delivered to Fred's Fashions during normal opening hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 11a.m. to 1.30p.m. Friday 7.30p.m. to 9p.m.



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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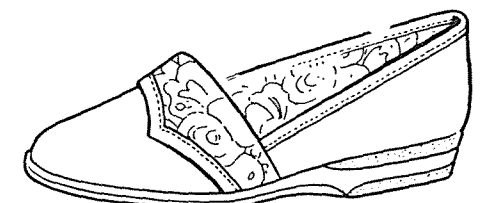
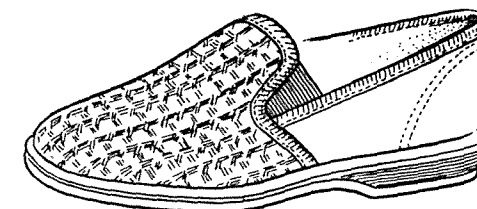


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1987. Ardclough having beaten Maynooth last year could not overcome this year. Maynooth down at half time by 1.2 to 4pts took control in second half and some lovely points by Joey and John Nevin brought the Cup back to Maynooth. Maynooth Scores - John 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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Those in attendance included: Mr. & Mrs. J. McMahon, Mr. & Mrs. P. Malone, Mr. M. Bone, Miss M. Connelly, Mr. W. Carey, Miss N. Wright, Miss N. Kiernan, Messrs. Kevin Coyne, R. Curham, Liam Farrelly, Mr. E. Kelly, Mr. J. Langan and party, Miss Merriman, Miss McLaughton, Mr. Seamus Lackey and party, Mr. Sean Nolan, Miss L. Farrelly, Laraghbryan, Miss T. Nolan, Mr. M. Nolan, Messrs. J. Bennett, Thomas McGovern, Mr. P. Farrell, Miss B. Connelly, Mr. P. Burke & partner, Mr. C. Bean and Miss C. Dulton, Misses Maureen Moriarty, Susan Carr, May Deane, Peg Cummins, Lilly Moore, Ita Burke, Messrs. Seamus Byrne, Thomas Byrne, Sean Byrne, E. Carr, G. Carr, Patrick Cummins, Pat Cummins, E. Farrelly, Mr. R. Burke, Miss B. Mulreid, Miss Maureen Curham, Misses F. Donnellan, E. Reilly, Miss C. Hollbrooke, Miss M. Sullivan, Miss S. Sullivan, Mr. L. Burke, Mr. Mangan, Miss Una Coughlin, Misses Breda Behan, Una Behan, Marie Behan, Mr. Liam Holbrooke, Mrs. Daly, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. P. Plunkett, Miss Ryan, Mr. P. Mulreid M.C.

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 Leeanne 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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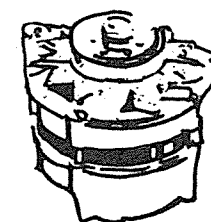
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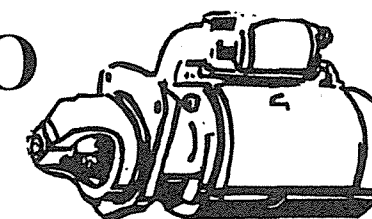
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Maynooth Town 6 Stores Celtic 2.

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.

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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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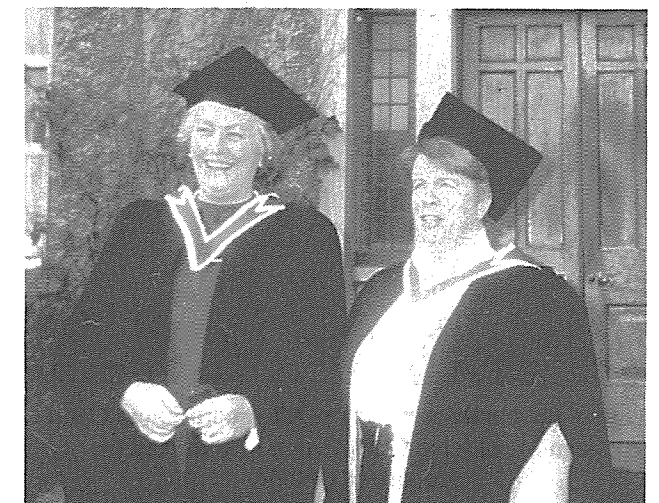
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Owen Smyth, Celbridge - Congratulations to
all our B.A. Graduates and best wishes for the future

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

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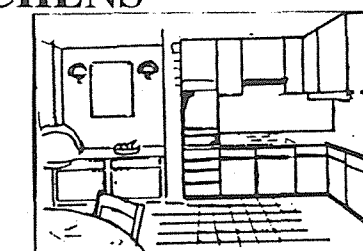
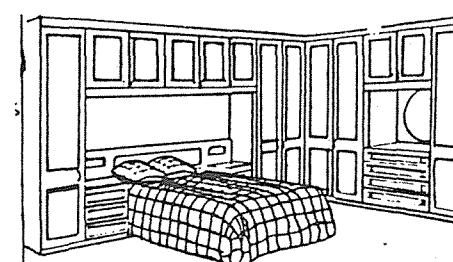
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Wedding Anniversaries

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.

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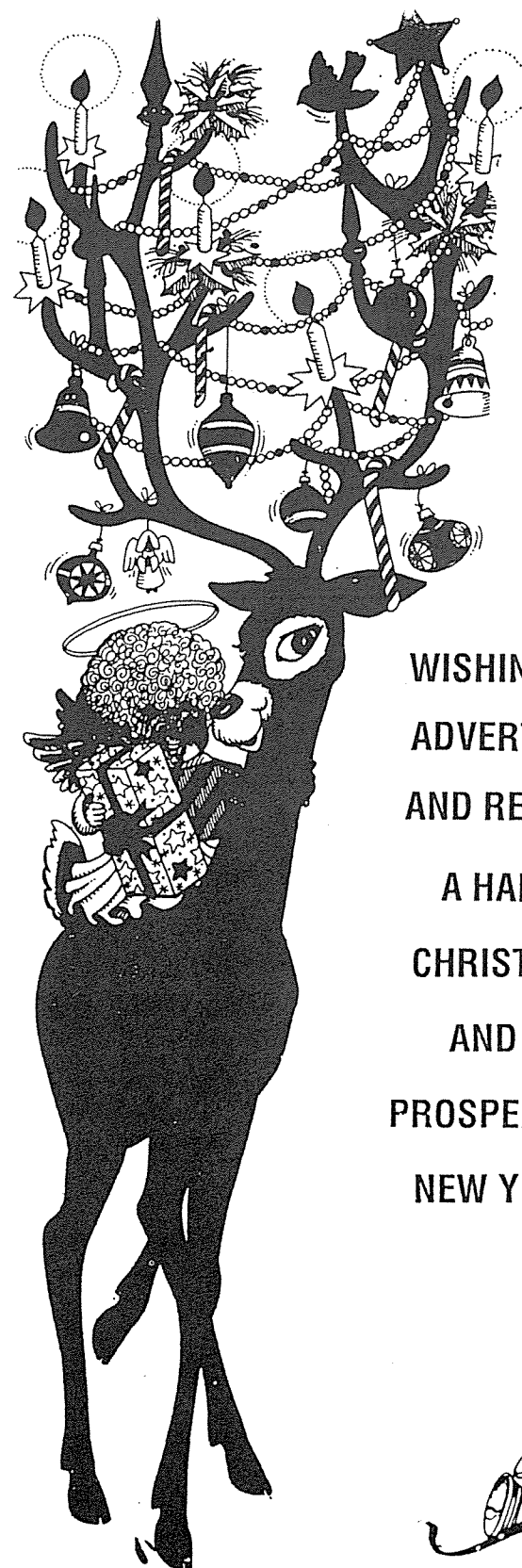
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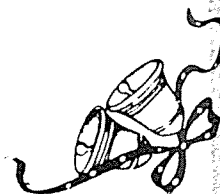
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