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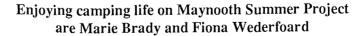
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Editorial

The world at our feet?

By the time this is published, the Leaving Certificate results will have come out, and students will have some idea of where they are going, whether into further education, or less likely into employment. With unemployment figures fast approaching 300,000, and this after some judicious massaging of the statistics earlier this year, the prospects ahead are bleak indeed. Some of our older readers may recall the world depressions of the thirties and the seemingly inevitable descent into world war. The situation today is not exactly the same of course, but many of the elements which brought about that situation are there now. The problem appears to be that we know something should be done, but we have as yet failed to identify that magical something. While the politicians sit transfixed like rabbits in the car headlights, people are suffering starvation in Somalia, and death and deprivation in the former Yugoslavia, Iraq and other countries. Hegel said that what governments never have learned anything from history, or acted on principles deduced from it. We all know there are no easy solutions to the present crisis, but we can't give up trying seriously to find answers. We must learn from our history and act on its lessons.

Post-Primary School comes of age!

The Newsletter congratulates the Post-Primary School on its coming of age. A article by Mary Cullen in this issue reveals the history of education in Maynooth, and particularly the role which parent power played in ensuring that Maynooth children had access to second level education in their own town. A good example of how to fight back against the odds, and what can be achieved by the ordinary people.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor.

Every year my sister and I look forward to the month of July and this is when Maynooth Summer Project takes place. Our many activities include swimming, bowling, a barbecue in Donadea, fishing, a table quiz, bingo, team games and also a crafts' day where we learn to make various items such as jewellery, soft toys, slippers and many other things which we take home as a reminder of the Summer Project, and last but not least there is a weekend of camping. My purpose in writing to you is to thank the Summer Project committee and all leaders who give their time generously in organising all events and I would like to thank them for the way they looked after us. I'm looking forward to next year and I hope the leaders now are having a well earned rest.

from Joanne and Michelle Cunningham



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Community Council Notes

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This is the major fundraising activity of the Community Council. Monies raised are utilized by the Community Council to pay the various expenses incurred throughout the year e.g. premises and staff. They are also used to help in the running of the Council's sub-committees, Planning & Development, Tidy Towns, Newsletter and Citizens Information Centre. Your generous support would be appreciated.

New community councillors are reminded that the next meeting of the Community Council will be held on 14th September at 8p.m. in the Post Primary School.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Planning and Development Committee are very disappointed that the Social Employment Scheme under the aegis of Tidy Towns Committee did not start as planned. Latest information is that this scheme will start in the near future. We are also in discussion with the Trustees of the Geraldine Hall to use this premises for the Planning and Development Social Employment Scheme as a base for their activities. Ongoing we are drawing up plans for Maynooth and also some fundraising activities such as a Race Night, collection etc. If you have any views on the development of Maynooth please contact the above Committee, c/o Maynooth Community Council.

Richard Farrell

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

Our thanks to all who helped with the recent clean up in Laraghbryan Cemetery for Cemetery Sunday.

At time of reading judging will have taken place in the Bord Failte Tidy Towns competition and our Best Area/Best Shop Front. We will be lucky if we hold the same mark as last year. The non-start of the Planning and Development Social Employment Scheme was a big disappointment to us as our workplan was very much curtailed.

Our thanks to those who worked long hard hours regretfully no more than 6 in number.

However, the dream remains to make Maynooth a Tidy Town, maybe in the next year or two it will become a reality.

P.R.O.



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Information - Enrolment Dates:

Saturday August 29th. Saturday September 5th. Saturday September 12th.

Time: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Alternatively, phone for appointment:

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If you need further information on your rights as a tenant contact Threshold, Capuchin Friary, Church Street, Dublin 7. Tel (01) 726311.

MAYNOOTH FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB

The committee of the Maynooth Flower and Garden Club enjoyed a delightful evening hosted by Toni Reid at her home on Saturday, 25th July. The event was by way of a 'thank you' to the three club members who competed on behalf of the club in the Amateur Garden Competition at the R.D.S. Spring Show in May, resulting in a "Highly Commended". Sarah Angel, Noleen O'Brien and Maureen Stephens, together with others present, enjoyed a delicious supper and greatly appreciated the invitation. Thank you Toni!

Maynooth Flower and Garden Club, after a busy year, will return with a demonstration on September 15th to be given by Beatrice Steward, whose theme will be "Back to Basics" to be held in S.V.D. Hall at 8.00 p.m.

CELBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB

Celbridge Camera Club will hold its 7th annual Photographic Exhibition on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September, 1992 in the Slip Hall, Castletown Gates, Celbridge. This Exhibition has proved to be of great interest in previous years and we have no doubt that this year we will attract a much increased number of visitors

The Exhibition will feature over 250 prints and slides produced by the members of the Club. We would like you to come along to view and enjoy some of the best amateur photography in the Country including national prize winning photographs.

The Slip Hall will be open from approximately 10.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. on Saturday and 10.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on Sunday and slide shows will run continuously on each day.

Re-opening

The club itself reopens for the new season on Monday 31st August with an extensive schedule of photographic events planned for the year, including the hosting of the National Novice Club Finals in March, 1993

Beginners Course

To cater for the demand in recent years for classes in photography the Club has run a very informative and balanced course in basic photography. The Course this year will commence on Monday 14th September, in the Slip Hall and will run for approximately 10 weeks. Areas being covered include basic camera handling, exposure, composition, film types, black and white printing, etc. Enrolment for the course takes place on Monday 31st August and Monday 7th September in the Slip Hall. All are welcome and very reasonable rates apply.

For further information as regards the Club's activities please don't hesitate to contact - Michael Davitt at 6288904.



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The Branch would like to thank all who supported them since January 1992. The Mountain Walk in February was organised and led by Jack Jackson. The local walk during "National Dog Walk Week" was led by our Mayor Owen Byrne, Angela Allen and her guide dog "Chloe" and the Maynooth Brass and Reed Band.

"Gnasher" a replica guide dog sits patiently in the Mall at Quinnsworth and there are boxes in many of the shops. Many thanks to all who contribute and help in any way.

Christmas cards will be available shortly, Irish made and good value.

All monies raised go directly to the Guide Dog Training Centre, Model Farm Road, Cork. Telephone: (021) 870929. A recent visit there by some of the Branch members showed us how the dogs are trained and the dedicated work put into it. Again a big thank you to all.

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In last months report we credited the 'Lions Club' with sending our elderly to Kerdiffstown. This should have read 'St. Vincent De Paul'. We apologise also to Kevin McGovern, who not only entertained us at our Cabaret in Caulfields, but at most of our functions during the year. Many thanks Kevin for all your help and support. There are many people out there who give of their time and talents to our elderly over the years, without whom it would be very difficult indeed to organise any kind of social event. To all of you, on behalf of our Senior Citizens and our committee we say a big THANK YOU.

ST. MARY'S BRASS AND REED BAND BULLETIN

At the moment the band are getting back into the 'swing of things'. Well, yes it's that time of the year! Some are back to school. Others anxiously deciding on colleges etc and others awaiting results of their exams. We would like to wish all, success in whatever they choose to do.

We will, of course, keep you informed of the forthcoming engagements and important pieces of information. Any bookings for engagements etc. should be made in writing to: Hon. Secretary, St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band, Band Hall, Pound Lane, Maynooth.

Fiona O'Malley, P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH SCOUTS FOR NATIONAL FINALS

The 8th Kildare C.B.S.I. (Maynooth) scout troop have recently qualified for the National Final of the Melvin Trophy. This competition for scouts is the equivalent of the All Ireland Final for G.A.A. footballers. The team consists of: Martina Filbert; Patrol Leader, Gerard McGlinchy; Assistant Patrol Leader, Emer Gaffney, David McCarthy, Gemma and Lynda Haren and Dervilla McDermott.

This is the first time in fifteen years that Maynooth scouts have got as far as the finals and hopes are high in the Patrol to do well. The scouts will be starting full training on September 3rd and a limited number of vacancies are available in the troop. For further details you can contact: Tony Muldowney at 6286033 or Cathal Gaffney at 6286836.



Paddy Flynn and Allison Conlon who were married in Ladychapel on Saturday July 11th.

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POST PRIMARY SCHOOL COMES OF AGE

September is traditionally education month throughout Ireland. Successful applicants in the CAO lottery are planning their futures. Little five year olds are climbing into their uniforms for the first time, and thousands of adults are poring over prospectuses and brochures, trying to decide whether they should make the big investment in their human capital. Readers may not be aware that there was a time, not so long ago that Maynooth was in the unique situation of being able to cater for the five year olds, and the university students, but not for second level students. Browsing through the December 1979 issue of Maynooth Newsletter the editorial staff came across an article by Mary Cullen outlining our educational heritage in Maynooth, which reveals how the power of the people brought second level education to Maynooth, in 1971, a mere 21 years ago. We reprint the article below.

Our Heritage

In 1836 there were five schools in Maynooth, one large convent national school, one large boys' school, an infant school, a private boys' pay school offering a secondary type curriculum. and a small parish school. The parish school had not been found viable as a national school, presumably because the number of pupils, 10 was too small and it was hoped to amalgamate it with the large 65 pupil boys' school. This attempt, if made, did not succeed and in 1844 the larger boys' school became attached to the National Board as a national school (11th Report of the Commissioners of National Education). The parish school continued on its own and somewhere between 1836 and 1870 the infant school and the private boys' school disappeared. By that time the convent was running an infant school for both girls and boys, and both private schools now doubt found it difficult to meet the competition of free, or virtually free, state subsidised schools, especially once the population of Maynooth probably did not provide a substantial demand for second level education. By 1870 also the original purpose of the National Board had been completely reversed so far as the provision of mixed denominational education was concerned, and it was accepted that most of the schools receiving grants were in practice denominational. The Census report of 1871 lists only three schools in Maynooth, the boys' national school with 88 pupils, all Catholic; the convent national school with 162 pupils all Catholic; and the parish school with 10 pupils, all Protestant Episcopalian. The relative diversity of school management and the mixing within schools of both sexes and children of different religious denomination had disappeared, with the exception of the co-educational parish school, and the co-educational infant school within the convent. Otherwise a pattern of single sex and single denomination state subsidised schools under the control of the local clergy or a religious order had been established. The pattern of primary education has survived into the 20th century and up to the present day with very little change. The recent introduction of boards of management to the national system has broadened the base of authority but the schools are still denominational and single sex. In fact the latter characteristic has remained in Maynooth since the parish school ended its existence and since the recent transfer of the infant boys' classes from the convent to the boys' national school.

From 1840 the boys' national school was housed in Pound Lane in what had been the Catholic Chapel and what is now the Band Hall. When the present Catholic Church was built and opened in 1840, the boys school moved into the vacated premises. It stayed there until it moved to a new building on the Moyglare Road in 1943.

In recent years there have been developments in Maynooth outside the primary education area, in the provision of nursery schools and post primary education and university education. In the 1960s a wave of change began to shake the Irish education system. An inquiry carried out by the Department of

Education and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development produced the report, Investment in Education in 1965. This revealed some startling statistics. Nearly one third of the children who attended primary school ended their formal education when they left and did not go on to any form of second level education. Of the two thirds who did go on, only one quarter stayed to take the Leaving Certificate examination, of these only one fifth went on to university. Even more disturbing were the figures which showed that the children from professional and white collar families (20% of the working population) gained about 65% of university places while manual workers (about 25% of the working population) gained only 2%. Apart from these differences, people in more prosperous and populated areas had a much better chance because they had access to more schools with better facilities. Vigorous attempts to remedy the inequities that had been revealed followed. These included state monies for free post primary education, free school transport, university grants, and the development of the vocational system, especially towards the establishing of Regional Technical Colleges.

In the meantime, Maynooth Boys' National School had begun to provide second level education. This had begun in the early 1960s when the energetic headmaster, Mr. Frank Walsh organised what was known as a 'secondary top' to a national school. This allowed boys in Maynooth to proceed to take the Intermediate and Leaving Certificate examination. Understandably the range of subjects was limited, and of course girls still had to travel elsewhere for second level education.

Under the Investment in Education report the Department of Education carried out a survey of available facilities for post primary education throughout the country. The representatives of the Department considered that Maynooth could support a viable secondary school, but only one, and that it would have to be co-educational. This was not acceptable at that time to the Catholic authorities of the Archdiocese of Dublin, and it seemed that Maynooth would be left without any provision for second level education, as the Department proposed to phase out secondary tops. At this stage, a group of interested parents came together, formed a committee, and campaigned for a secondary school in Maynooth. The campaign involved meetings and discussions with various interested parties, including the then Archbishop of Dublin, the then Minister for Education and the then CEO of the Kildare Vocational Education Committee. The VEC offered to establish a co-educational Post-Primary School in Maynooth providing second level education up to Leaving Certificate standard. The Department of Education sanctioned this, and the school opened in September 1971. For its first year it occupied the old Charter School premises by kind permission of the Sisters of the Presentation Convent who had recently built a new school building on their grounds. The new Post Primary school moved into its new building on the Moyglare Road in 1972.

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It is especially tailored to the returning emigrant of Irish, Scots/ Irish and Anglo-Irish ancestry. The programme includes clan rallies, genealogical events, military and maritime history workshops, special sporting occasions, exhibitions, and lectures among others on a countrywide basis.

Kildare County Library is making its own contribution to this festival. In Maynooth, on Sunday 13th September, a lecture entitled "The Making of the 18th Century town of Maynooth" will be given by Mr. Arnold Horner at 3 o'clock. This lecture will be hosted by Kildare Archaeological Society.

Mary Cullen, our local well known historian will also be giving a talk on the history of Maynooth on Tuesday 22nd September at 11 o'clock. Mary will include in her lecture a description of local history sources.

Both lectures are free and everyone is welcome. To coincide with the talks, a photographic exhibition featuring Kildare will be on display in the library - this will include some photographs from the Lawrence Collection. For details of other events taking place in the county, consult the library.

Some new cassettes have been received, for beginners wishing to learn to play musical instruments - including the Banjo, Bodhran, the Fiddle, the Flute, the Mandoline and the Tin Whistle.

For those of you interested in tracing your roots, and to underline the importance of the Irish Homecoming Festival, some new books on heraldry and ancestry have been added to the stock. Included are the following titles:

Sean Callery - Tracing Your Family Tree Eamonn Bourke - Burke: People and Places Ida Grehan - Irish Family Names Christine Kinealy - Tracing Your Irish Roots Tony McCarthy - The Irish Roots Guide Sheila Molloy - O' Malley People and Places Michael O' Comain - The Poolbeg Book of Irish Heraldry Stefan Oliver - An Introduction to Heraldry Sean Quinn - An Introduction to Irish Ancestry

The next big event to take place after the Irish Homecoming Festival will be Children's Book Week, running from Thursday 15th October until Saturday 24th October. Some wonderful and exciting events are planned - including a session by the well known author Tom McCaughren, but more about that next month!

Margaret Walshe - Gannon

STREET TALKING

Features

The Elite

The management and staff of the Elite Confectionery wish to thank it's customers and friends for their kindness in it's recent

A special word of thanks to the firemen and gardai for their prompt attention.

Back to School

There is an air of expectancy around Maynooth as the schools will reopen in September and the rush is now on to get all the eager scholars kitted out with uniforms and books. The bookshop and the various clothes shops are busy catering to the needs of the budding Einsteins. This annual rush for clothes and books will soon be over, no doubt to be replaced by the other great annual rush, Christmas.

Convent Development

A number of developments are now under way in the commercial world of Maynooth. It is believed that a number of parties are interested in developing the Presentation Convent building on the Dunboyne Road.

On the Main Street

The former curtain shop near the library is currently being developed. It opened as The Caddyshack Golf Centre at the end of August.

One other development of note is that "The Square" shop (formerly Aidans) has been closed for an indefinite period to carry out renovations.

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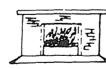
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Method: Heat the oil in a large pan, add the sausages and fry until browned, remove from the pan. Add the flour and curry powder to the pan and stir until browned. Stir in the chutney and stock. Add the sausages and salt and pepper to taste. Bring to the boil, cover, and simmer for 20 minutes. Add the vegetables, bring back to the boil, and cook for 10 minutes. Serve with rice and mango chutney.

Aubergine and Cheese Pie

Ingredients: 2 aubergines; 1 egg, beaten; 3 oz breadcrumbs; 6 tablespoons olive oil; 14 oz can of tomatoes; half teaspoon oregano; 1 garlic clove, peeled and crushed; 1 teaspoon sugar; salt; freshly ground black pepper; 6 oz cheese, grated (mozzarella preferably, but any hard cheese will do); 4 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese.

Method: Turn oven on at 200 centigrade. Cut the aubergines into quarter inch thick slices; brush the slices with the beaten egg, then coat in breadcrumbs. Heat half the olive oil in a large pan and fry half the aubergine slices for about 5 minutes, turning once, until golden brown. Heat the remaining oil and fry the remaining aubergine slices. Blend the tomatoes, oregano, garlic, sugar, salt and pepper in a liquidiser until smooth. Place aubergines in a large oven proof dish. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Cover with cheese and pour over the tomato sauce. Sprinkle top with parmesan cheese and cook in oven for 35 minutes.

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Elite Bypassers

Eye Hear that one of the consequences of the recent fire in the Elite was the redirection of traffic away from the Main Street for a few hours. One large limousine was spotted sneaking through the no entry signs at Convent Road by our ever vigilant Bridie O'Brien, who immediately accosted the driver of the offending motor. "I don't care if you're the Taoiseach or the gardai" she said to the burly gentleman in the driver's seat, "but you're breaking the law by passing here." Well it may be easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one motorist to evade Bridie's all seeing eye, but when you're the Taoiseach, Mr Albert Reynolds (for it was he driving the car) you can go where you like. Hope you liked the view from the back streets of Maynooth, Mr. Reynolds.

The Brady Bunch

Eye Hear that Ms Brady, the junior member of the Brady bunch of Maynooth Park was admitted to the christian fellowship last month, thus ending months of speculation as to what the young lady in question was to be called. So welcome to Maynooth, Ms Sharon (alias Matilda, Janis (Joplin), Tracey, Kevin, Whatsit) Brady.

Don's Party

Every good wish to Don Foley, who was surprised by his friends at a function in the Roost on the occasion of his fortieth birthday. The celebrations were attended by a motley crew of Maynooth luminaries, and Eye Hear has received special permission to say that a good time was had by all.

REVIEWS

My Own Private Idaho (Lighthouse, Abbey Street)

From Gus Van Sant, director of 'Drugstore Cowboy', comes the best of 1992's films to date. This is a subtle, sensitive and magical film roughly based around the Falstaff subplots in Shakespeare and set in the underworld of outcasts in America's great cities. It is quirky and dazzling by turns, with River Phoenix and KeanuReeves playing a pair of hustlers thrown together and each searching for a particular fulfilment. This film is rich with diverse and wonderful imagery and contains one of the most memorable scenes ever photographed around a campfire. Get to see it in the Lighthouse before it closes.

Video Guide

A spate of video watching was indulged in this month by our editorial staff in an attempt to extract the gems from the dross in the video shops. Listed below are some of the choice viewing which we came across - followed by a list of the pathetic:

Ratings are out of 10. (A10/10 is very rare!)

1. White Palace starring James Spader and Susan Sarandon. A tough and world-weary woman meets a slick but repressed younger, successful man: both are reluctant to drop their masks and pretence with one another so they continue fighting and loving to the end. It is superb, moving and not for the sugarcoated! 8/10

Features

- 2. Frankie and Johnny with Al Pacino and Michelle Pfeiffer is in much the same vein as 'White Palace' but more subtle, and indeed, funnier. To my mind it is better, with Pfeiffer playing a battle-scarred woman reluctant to de-frost in the face of a romantic onslaught from Al Pacino. Sensitive and very moving. 9/10
- 3. Truly, Madly, Deeply with Alan Rickman and Juliet Stevenson. They are truly, madly, deeply in love and then he dies. She's deranged with grief. He comes back. What happens then is weird but wonderful don't expect the sentimentality of 'Ghost' this is much more graceful. 7/10
- 4. Avalon Aidan Quinn heads the cast in this look at one American emigré family's rise from rags to riches told with a sensitivity rare in these now-familiar films. Barry Levinson(Rain Man) directs and allows the quiet and intimate humour to emerge in very funny set-pieces alongside the tragic and pathetic. Well worth taking out, 8/10
- **5. Edward II** Derek Jarman's most successful film since *The Tempest* in which he evokes contemporary imagery to sustain the Marlow play about King Edward and his fatal liaison with his lover, Gaveston. The set is cold and bare but peopled with colourful and dramatic characters, animals, encounters and setpieces. Tilda Swinton gives one of the most intriguing performances of recent times with her Queen Isabella perfected to brilliance. An unusual and rare film; quite, quite brilliant. 10/10
- 6. The Fisher King Jeff Bridges and Robin Williams star in Terry Gilliam's modern fairy tale set in New York, where the rich and famous brush with the down and out. While some of the themes/morals are hammered to death there are nevertheless some moments of pure magic in the film, notably one where hundreds of commuters in Grand Central Station pause for a brief instant to waltz with each other before resuming anonymity. The male leads are excellent but the best performances come from the two central women in the film. It should be seen and believed. 7/10
- 7. Cyrano de Bergerac The most successful French film to date in America, this melodramatic spectacle stars Gerard Depardieu in glorious form as the large-nosed soldier poet who enables another man to woo the fair Roxanne via his poetry. It is sumptuous and way over the top, restoring melodrama and passion to the cinema on a grand scale. 7/10
- 8. New Jack City Mario Van Peebles directs and plays a minor role in this hard-edged and stylish film about the crack wars in New York. It is one of the recent spate of movies which have emerged from the black community in America. Ice T plays a 'New Jack' cop in a city torn by gang violence and dominated by the megalomaniacal 'New Jack' crime lords. 6/10
- 9. City Slickers Dismal, dismal, dismal. Enough said. 0/10
- 10. Mystic Pizza Forgettable drama about three women who work in a cafe called Mystic Pizza and who fall in love and which stars Julia Roberts when she must have been desperate for work, 2/10

- 11. The Miracle Neil Jordan's heavy-handed treatment of a story set in Bray and involving the relationship between a young man, his father and a woman who turns out to be his mother. Beverly D'Angelo is utterly lost as the mother, an American actress who comes back to do a show at the Olympia and who daily visits Bray in the hope of encountering her son. Donal Mc Cann is the alcoholic father who wonders what he is supposed to be doing in the film. However, the young fella has a friend who is hilarious, who has all the best lines, who wanders the sea-front composing life-histories for everybody she meets and who brings magic to the film when she sabotages Fosset's Circus. Saved by her performance. 4/10
- 12. Barton Fink The fourth and best of the Cohen brother's films to date. It has been praised at length in all the other media but nothing can describe the richness and brilliance of this film. Simply put, it concerns a writer's attempts to release his creativity in an environment where nothing is as it seems. See it with a clear head and re-watch it at least twice. 10/10
- 13. The Naked Lunch David Cronenberg's attempt to make sense of William Burrough's novel and getting all mixed-up in the process. It is fascinating to watch this director continue his relentless exploration of corporality (*The Fly, Dead Ringers, Altered States*) and in this film the imagery derived from corrupt flesh, disease and physical decay is overwhelming too much of it to be effective. Still, it's a film which has aroused divided opinion. I think it's boring when it should, in fact, be disturbing. 4/10
- 14. Green Card Andie Mc Dowell and Gerard Depardieu star in this feather-light romance concerning an arranged marriage between an American citizen (Mc Dowell) and an illegal alien from France (Depardieu). They marry, separate immediately, are thrown back together when Immigration begins to investigate and after that I can't remember what happens. All I recall is that I didn't care. Bordering on the depressing miss it. 3/10



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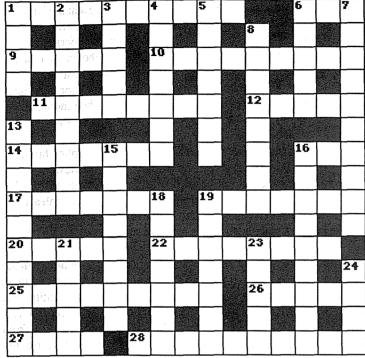
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Across:

- 1. Seems sick at first, but can show by example (10).
- 6. Just discovered (3).
- 9. E.T. is mixed up in the cot, and then there were eight (5).
- 10. Looks like the seventh glowing cinder, it's really the ninth (9).
- 11. It seems frantic to cite fern in this way (8).
- 12. They may come out at night if they've nothing to chew on (5).
- 14. Oo, anger adds flavour to the cooking (7).
- 16. Some pray to her for a man (3).
- 17. In short, Cyril, the SS can mow or reap (7).
- 19. The particulars show Des surrounds the extremity (7).
- 20. Can 'e sail away when he's upset like this? (5).
- 22. The vista includes a pot and a sheep! (8).
- 25. At first, Sid reversed, and stood in opposition (9).
- 26. It may sound less, but there's more than a pint in it (5).
- 27. Without her, we would all be heartless (4).
- 28. Ed pal, up on this, you may find a job (5,5).

D.,

- 1. In short, Ronald and I can smooth things out with this (4).
- 2. Allow liberally to those who want to rent (3,6).
- 3. A stain on this material would upset us (5).
- 4. In toto, sir, this is how the rice is cooked (7).
- 5. Initially, the clerical assistant with the pilot is up to date (7).
- 6. Almost seems like there's nothing to toll, but it is illustrious (5).

- 7. I throw ness into confusion, but that's how to tell it's value (10).
- 8. Mix the robot with the tee, and add to the salad (8).
- 13. Sounds like Parnell, but it's used to lure the customers in (4,6).
- 15. Expression on that suggest he's olden ough to know better (2,3,3).
- 16. As may be self-evident, I am a toxic person (9).
- 18. Diana was one of them she was the greatest (7).
- 19. Where Maynooth strollers go when confused on a dead day (7).
- 21. Confuse the stein with an extra page (5).
- 23. A surviving trace of old decency (5).
- 24. Yield possession of (4).

Solution to Crossword No. 57

Across:

1. Divine word, 6. Par, 9. Legal, 10. Afflicted, 11. Stand out, 12. Adler, 14. Imbibes, 16. Bic, 17. Leeward, 19. End game, 20. Notic, 22. Clear off, 25. Red menace, 26. Dread, 27. Ways, 28. Next Monday

Down:

1. Dole, 2. Vegetable, 3. Nylon, 4. Weapons, 5. Refuted, 6. Petal, 7. Redirected, 8. Disarmed, 13. Dillons Row, 15. Branches, 16. Beaufield, 18. Declare, 19. Element, 21. Today, 23. Rodeo, 24. Idly.

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Information

The Citizen's Information Centre has been operating in Maynooth for some years now and is becoming more and more frequently used by the public. It is located beside the Community Council offices, over Kehoe's Delicatessan on the Main Street and is open every week-day from 10am to 5pm. It is expertly staffed by trained information advisers and is administered by Frances Daly, a long-time worker in the field of entitlement-counselling.

But what exactly is the kind of information given out? And where does the information come from? Who is the parent organisation of the C.I.C. and how does it operate? These and other questions are the subject of the following outline of the centre in Maynooth.

What is a Citizen's Information Centre?

Previously known as Community Information Centres since their establishment in 1974, this is a public service just like a citizen's advice bureau. The national network of centres is there for the benefit of the community and backed by the National Social Service Board (NSSB).

The Citizen's Information Centres have access to up-todate information on all matters of public concern, i.e. health, social welfare, taxation, housing, consumer affairs and other matters including information on local organisations and services. The service is delivered by local people who receive training and back-up from the NSSB.

In addition to information, the centre also has available forms normally obtained from motor tax offices, gardai, health boards etc.

Why are they there?

Where else can you get all your information under one roof?

If you have a social welfare question, it is likely that there is a taxation, health or housing aspect to that same question. At the Citizen's Information Centre, the whole situation is considered and all the information made available to you without hassle. The C.I.C.'s philosophy is that you have the right to know. They will help you to find out, and to avoid the bureaucratic tangle.

How do they operate?

At a C.I.C. you are face-to-face with a person who will listen to you and give you the benefit of his/her knowledge and training. If you need to follow up on your case/enquiry the CIC will help by

- (a) getting all relevant facts together,
- (b) by directing you on where to write, phone or call or(c) by making a telephone call or writing a letter on your behalf if required.

Is there a cost?

There is no charge for the service and it is not necessary to make an appointment.

Is the service confidential?

To be registered with the NSSB certain conditions must be met of which the most important is the guarantee of confidentiality. All voluntary workers at the centres are highly conscious of the importance of confidentiality and each person is dealt with in private. No detailed records are kept and only where necessary are names, addresses and other such details taken down. These are not held after the case is completed. Your confidentiality is respected even when dealing with government departments. No letters are written or phone calls made without your prior permission.

Can I go to any centre?

The Maynooth centre is there purely for your convenience: there is a network of 80 centres around the country and you are free to avail of any of these.

What is the NSSB?

The National Social Service Board is a public service under the auspices of the Department of Health. One of the functions of the NSSB is to provide information on entitlements and services to the public. Citizen's Information Centres may register with the NSSB if they are approved by the board and meet certain requirements. The NSSB supports CICs in many ways:

- (a) By providing a comprehensive set of information files. This filing system is the information bank of the centre and is updated monthly.
- (b) By providing expert back-up service to each centre.
- (c) By providing training for CIC personnel and a continuing support service.
- (d) By providing grants towards the running costs of the centres.

The NSSB also provides training and support for other information givers and promotes information on social services through publications such as its 'Entitlements' series, the *Directory of National Voluntary Organisations* and *Relate*, a monthly information bulletin.

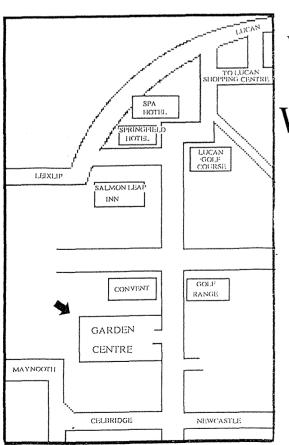
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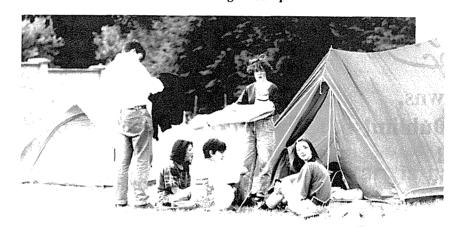
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If you get a place in a third level institution and you meet the other conditions about academic achievements, means and residence, you may get a grant to attend a third level institution in Ireland or Northern Ireland. Generally you must be attending a course leading to a degree or diploma which is from a university or is recognised by the National Council for Educational Awards. Your local authority will have a full list of the courses for which grants may be awarded.

Eligible Courses

All courses which are eligible for grants are full time and last for at least two years. Part-time and evening courses do not qualify. You must, of course, get a place on one of these courses. Qualifying for a grant has no effect whatsoever on the allocation of places.

To Qualify for a Grant

In order to qualify you must meet a number of requirements, the main ones relate to academic achievements and means.

Academic Achievements

The main academic requirements are that you must have, in the Leaving Cert examination, at least -

- Grade C or higher in higher or common level papers in two or more subjects and
- Grade D or higher passes in at least 5 subjects or in 4 subjects, one of which is Irish.

This is the basic minimum that everyone must have in order to go to a third level institution in Ireland; in practice, you are likely to need better results to get a place on a course.

The results of the Matric examination are not considered in the grants scheme at all even though it may be considered in the allocation of places - this examination is being abolished from this year.

The academic requirements mean that most people who get a place on a relevant course should be eligible for a grant. There may still be some who will not because they qualified for their place by combining Leaving Cert results from a number of years or because they had to use Matric results to qualify. However, the vast majority of students who get a place should qualify for a grant **if they pass the means test.** (Prior to the academic year 1990/91 there were tougher academic requirements and they still apply for people who sat their Leaving cert before 1990).

Other Requirements

Other requirements are that:

- you should be at least 17 years of age on the 1st January following your application
- you must apply in the local authority area in which your parents or guardians are normally resident
- you may not have a higher education grant if you also qualify for a scholarship from the Vocational Education Committee, the Department of Education or other public body.

You may hold a scholarship, bursary etc from a college provided the total amount you receive is within certain limits. The grant would normally last for the duration of your course provided you pass your exams. You may be able to continue to get a grant if you do a postgraduate course.

The Means Test

The means test is normally based on your parents' or guardians' income (except for Mature Students). If you have any income of your own that is also taken into account.

Normally, annual income is assessed for the year ending 5th April of the year in which you start your course. (The income limits used to be those that applied in the year in which you did the Leaving Cert even if you actually postponed your entry to third level - this rule has been changed). Gross income from all sources is taken into account with the exception of the following:

- superannuation contributions
- social welfare child benefit
- the student's holiday earnings
- Family Income Supplement payments (Families who qualify for FIS would probably always pass the means test for higher education grants)
- Lone Parents Allowance: This will not be assessed as income. It is likely that people who qualify for any means tested social welfare payment would qualify for a higher education grant. Employed people would usually use their P60 as evidence of income. The self-employed may be asked for evidence of income such as tax assessments and farmers may be asked to fill in a statutory declaration giving details of acreage, livestock, crops, expenses etc and the local authority will then assess their income.

It is expected that means testing of the self-employed will be more rigorous from this year onwards. Also people who owe money for water rates, taxes etc may find that the outstanding amounts may be deducted from the grant.

Amount of the Grant

The amount of the grant depends on the income assessed and on the number of dependent children in the family. A dependent child is one who is under 16 or, if over 16, is a full time student or is certified as being permanently unfit for work. The person applying for the grant is included in the number of dependent children.

Recent Changes in Income Limits for Grants

If the annual income, as assessed by the local authority, is less than £15,000 (up from £10,787), the maximum grant is payable. If the income is above £15,000. a partial grant may be payable if there are a number of dependent children. For example, a family with 3 dependent children would qualify for a maximum grant if their income is less than £15,000 and would get a partial grant (half the fees) if their income is less than £19,000 (up from £14,500).

Income limits are increased by £2,000 in respect of each child attending higher education, after the first child.

Maintenance Costs and Lecture Fees

The grant is composed of a maintenance grant and a grant for lecture fees. The maximum maintenance grant at present is £1,461 for students who could not reasonably be expected to travel daily between the normal family residence and the college and whose normal family residence is not within 15 miles of the college being attended. The maximum maintenance grant for students who live in or near the college town is £730. Anyone who qualifies for a maintenance grant also qualifies for the lecture fee grant. Some students qualify for the lecture fee grant only or for partial lecture fee grant. The grant is usually the fee for the course plus examination fees. It does not cover charges for admission, registration, late entry or any optional fees.

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Normally the amount of the grant awarded at the start of the course remains unchanged for the duration unless there is a change in family circumstances e.g. if the family move to or from the college town, if the income decreases or the number of dependent children increases. Local authorities may award a grant on a provisional basis if it considers that a family's income may increase during the year it is first awarded.

Applying for Grants

Applications for grants should be made before 31 August. However, if you are experiencing any problems or difficulties contact the County Council Offices for clarification.

Means Testing of European Social Fund Grants

European Social Fund Grants are paid to students on designated courses mostly in regional technical colleges and colleges of technology.

There are no minimum requirements for an ESF Grant: everyone who gets a place on a designated course qualifies. Virtually all students on Certificate and Diploma Courses in the VEC colleges had their fees paid in full and received maintenance awards (£561 for those living at home and £1,400 for those living away from home). However the Government intend to introduce a means test for ESF grants from Autumn 1992. These grants have been funded by the European Social Fund with matching funds from the Irish Government. It seems that the scheme has expanded to such an extent that the limit of assistance available under this programme has been reached.

Proposed Means Testing

It is intended to introduce the means test from the Autumn of this year. The means test will apply to the maintenance grant only. It will not affect fees. All students on ESF courses will get free tuition.

The decision to means test will not affect existing students - but will apply to all those enrolling from this Autumn.

It is intended that the means test will be the same as the one applying to Higher Education Grants. The income limits for these grants have recently been increased (the maximum grant will be payable if the annual income is less than £15,000).

There is no upper age limit for ESF Grants so mature students are in the same position as others.

Guidelines on the means testing arrangements for these grants are not yet available.

Third Level Grants for Mature Students

The Higher Education Grants Scheme has been extended to include mature students i.e. people aged 23 years or over. Mature students who get a place in a third level institution will be regarded as satisfying the academic requirements for the award of a Higher Education Grant from the academic year 1992/93 onwards.

When the proposal to extend the Scheme to mature students was first introduced, it was to be available only to mature students starting education in 1992 - mature students who were already on courses would not qualify. However, this was amended when the Bill legislating for these changes went hrough the Dáil. Students currently enrolled on third level courses will now be eligible to apply for a grant.

Means Test

The means test will be the same as the general scheme but will be based on the student's own income and that of a spouse's for the purpose of the legislation 'spouse' included cohabitee). The income of a mature student's parents will be taken into account where the student is living with their parents and is egarded as dependant on them.

The Scheme will be administered by local authorities, County Councils etc.

Grant applications must be submitted to the County Council by the 31st August each year.

Third Level Grants Revised Income Limits and Grant Entitlement 1992/93

Grant Entitlement Fees and Fees and Part Fees Part Fees Maintenance Maintenance (50%) (50%)

No. of dependants and income limits applying £

applying	£	£	£	£
1 - 3 dependants	15,000	16,000	18,000	19,000
4 - 7 dependants	16,500	17,500	19,500	20,500
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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT

Summer Project 1992 started with Registration Day on July 7th and concluded with a disco and party on July 30th. All the outings were fully booked and all the at home events were very well attended. Over 13's night time activities were also in great demand.

Great swimming and bowling outings were enjoyed by all, as also was our camp week-end in Ballinakill, but the highlight of our project seems to have been the trip to the "Gauntlet" an assault course set to army standards which included swamp swings and aerial slides. Some of our leaders spent the afternoon "hosing down" the children to remove some of the mud before they could be allowed back on the buses.

Our grateful thanks to anyone who gave so generously of their time or helped in any way to make this a successful summer project for the children of Maynooth. Hereunder are some competition results:

Disco Dancing Competition 9's and Under:

1st Maria Kinsella

2nd Conor Mc Glinchey

3rd Cheryl Naughton

4th Brian Mitchell

Over 9's:

1st Bernadette Keigher

2nd Anthony Geoghegan

3rd Daniel Byrne

4th Lorna Fagan

Table Quiz - All Age Groups:

1st Table: Fiona Wederfoort, Stephen O'Sullivan,

Darragh Carr, David Bagnall.

2nd Table: Louise Loane, Deirdre McMahon,

Sean Brady, James Mullarkey

3rd Table: Michael Walsh, Niamh Mulready,

Michelle Cunningham, Cillian Carr.

Table Quiz - 12 Years and Over:

1st Table: Declan Walsh, Colin Cosgrove,

John Flatley, Sandra Brady.

2nd Table: Fiona Wederfoort, Simon McGrath,

Adam Shannon, Robert Kennedy

3rd Table: David Moore, Paul McKevitt,

Colin Hyland, Donal Commane

Fishing Competition:

Girls 1st: Niamh Mulready 27¹/2 ozs. (only catch)

Boys 1st: Eamonn O'Donoghue 5 ozs.

2nd: James Mullarkey 41/2 ozs. Joint 3rd: Jason Murtagh 2 ozs.

David Moore 2 ozs.

Special Category:

Aengus O'Connor Jack/Pike 11/2 ozs.

Soccer Finals:

Over 10's Winners Team B
Runner-up Team A
Under 10's Winners Team A
Runner-up Team B
U/10 Girls Winners Team A
Runners-up Team B.

Man of the Match:

David Redmond

P.S. We have on hand some articles of clothing, delph and cutlery. Information regarding above lost property to Josie Moore: Phone 6285206 or Catherine Mulready: Phone 6286596.

The Project A.G.M. will take place on Wednesday 9th September in the I.C.A. Hall at 8pm. New members welcome.

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BACK TO SCHOOL CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR SCHEME

The Back to School Clothing and Footwear Scheme is designed to help towards the cost of children's school uniforms and footwear. The scheme is administered by the Health Boards as part of the Supplementary Welfare Allowanc Scheme. It runs from 1 July to 30 September.

Can I qualify?

Your local Health Board will decide your entitlement to an allowance. You will qualify if you:

- * get a Social Welfare payment (including Family Income Supplement) or a Health Board payment, or
- * are working on a Social Employment Scheme, or
- * are on a non-craft full-time FAS training course, and
- * your total income (i.e. social welfare/health board pay ments and any other income you may have including wages) is at or below the following amounts:

Couple with:	Income limit
One child	£128.60
Two children	£141.10
Three children	£153.60
Four children	£166.10*
*Limit is increased by £12.50 fe	or each additional child.

Lone parent with:	Income limit:
One child	£81.70
Two children	£97.90
Three children	£114.10
Four children	£130.30**
** Limit is increased by £16.20 for ea	nch additional child.

How much will I get?

The allowance payable is:

- -£35 for each child at a primary school
- -£50 for each child at a second level school

If you are getting a *short-term* social welfare payment (i.e. Unemployment Assistance for less than 15 months, Unemployment Benefit and Disability Benefit) you can apply for any child up to age 18 years.

However, if you are getting a *pension* or any other *long-term* social welfare payment you can apply for a child up to age 21 years if the child is in full-time education.

How is the allowance paid?

The allowance is normally paid by cheque.

How do I apply?

You should apply to your Community Welfare Officer (CWO) at your local health centre. The Maynooth health centre is located near the canal harbour on Leinster Street, and the CWO's number is 6286740. S/he is usually present on Mondays and Tuesdays from 11am and on Fridays (for emergency cases only) from 11am.

Can I appeal if I'm unhappy with the decision on my application?

Yes. If you are not satisfied with the decision on your application, you should write to the Appeals Officer at your health board setting out the reasons why you are not happy with the decision.

How do I apply for the School Book scheme?

This year a link is being established between the Back to School Clothing and Footwear scheme and the School Book scheme of the Department of Education.

The Community Welfare Officer will provide a certificate on payment of the Back to School Clothing and Footwear allowance. You *may* qualify for the School Book scheme by presenting this certificate to the principal(s) of the school(s) being attended by your children.

Where can I get more information?

For further details on the Clothing and Footwear scheme contact the Community Welfare Officer at the health centre.

For further details on the School Book scheme, contact the principal(s) of the school(s) being attended by your children.

Useful Telephone Numbers

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The Extra Mural Department of the Centre for Adult and Community Education in St Patrick's College, Maynooth has a long and well respected tradition of providing stimulating and varied certificate and diploma courses for adults all over the country. This year's brochure, describing 27 separate courses is available from the centre on request (tel: 6285222 Ext. 430). While some of the courses are held in the college, most take place around the country in centres of local adult education, particularly in V.E.C. schools. Kildare V.E.C. has its own network of courses (mainly evening classes), details of which are available again on request from the V.E.C. (tel: 045 97291). Outlined below are some of the college's extra mural courses conducted locally.

Anthropology

Looks at the origins of the human being, the development and growth of human cultures, the patterns of similarity and difference across cultures etc. The course is designed for those with little or no familiarity with the science of Anthropology and will be taught by a combination of lectures, film, group discussion and some field work. Duration: 20two hour sessions. Fee: £80 approx.

Location: Arts building, St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Assertiveness and Personal Development

Examining the knowledge and skills needed for people to manage their lives more creatively, this course provides a broad base from which to understand and use information relating to one's life and one's behaviour. Content includes stress management, prosperity and goal setting, assertive communication, handling confrontation and criticism etc. Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £80 - £100 dependant on centre. Location: Arts Building, St Patrick's college and in other centres around the country.

Computers in Education

centres around the country.

Primarily geared towards giving teachers the skills necessary to teach examinations and computer appreciation courses. Content includes computers in education, programming and problem analysis, information systems, Micro Prolog, Data base et.

Duration: Tuesday and Thursday, 6.30 to 8.30 pm from 13th October. Fee: £350. Location: St Patrick's College.

Psychology

Examining questions such as personality and how to measure it, intelligence and intelligence testing - what do we know? Where does nature come in? How do we learn to think? What happens to people in groups? How do phobias develop? Also, what did Freud, Binet and Piaget contribute to what we know about human behaviour? Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £60 - £90 dependant on centre. Location: Lucan, Naas, Navan and other

Return to Learning

This course has been designed as a stepping stone for those who wish to return to study, but who have not studied in any formal way for a number of years. Apart from the practical issues of returning to study (eg taking notes, reading skills, requirements for third level, writing essays etc) the course will also examine the role of education in Irish society and examine its relevance for adults.

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Mondays 10 - 12 am, commencing 12th October. Fee: £85. Location: St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Social and Human Studies

Aims to give participants an understanding of how society functions, focusing on modern Irish society. The course will include social theories, social analysis, the family, education, politics etc.

Duration: 20 two hour sessions. Fee: £70 - £100 dependant on centre. Location: Leixlip, Maynooth, Newbridge and other centres around the country.

Theatre Studies

This is a two year course of particular interest to those who hope to become involved in theatre in the local community, schools, prisons and institutions. Content in year one to include theatre history, theatre styles, design, performance skills, sound etc.

Duration: 2 year part-time. 3 weekends and 14 night sessions in the first year. Fee: £315 - year one; £305 - year two. Location: Arts Block, St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Women's Studies

The course will focus on a number of selected topics in Women's Studies which will be drawn from feminist history, feminist theology, women's studies and the social sciences, women and literature, women in Irish society, etc.

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- 1. If your cash risk is substantial consider using the services of a reliable security company.
- 2. Minimise cash risk by making frequent lodgements.
- 3. Avoid, as far as possible, set patterns when making lodgements.
- 4. Consider use of a taxi-hired on random basis.
- 5. If you use company or private transport, try to vary the vehicle used.
- 6. Lodgements of coin could be carried in a cash case and currency notes may be carried on the person.
- 7. Cash should be conveyed to and from the bank by an ablebodied person accompanied by an escort where risk warrants same. The escort should walk behind the person carrying the case. The escort could carry part of lodgement on his or her person so as to reduce possible loss.
- 8. Use a busy street and walk against the flow of traffic, making a surprise attack from behind more difficult.
- 9. If cash is required for payment of wages perhaps you could consider payment by cheque or direct credit to your employees' bank accounts.
- 10. The first and last stages of journey to the bank are the most likely points for attacks. Snatches have been made from customers in bank premises.
- 11. Persons conveying cash should exercise vigilance and anything suspicious should be noted and communicated to the Gardaí.
- 12. Do not advertise your business by unnecessary exposure of cash bags or lodgement documents.
- 13. When making up lodgements, initial and date some of the currency wrappers for future identification.

Use Of Bank Night Safes

A number of serious attacks have been made recently on persons about to use bank night safe facilities. To reduce the risk of attack the following procedures are recommended:

- 1. If possible use a vehicle to convey cash to night safe.
- 2. Two persons should travel to the night safe with the deposit.
- 3. While en route to the bank, check that you are not being followed.
- 4. Watch for persons loitering in vicinity of the night safe or sitting in parked cars in the vicinity-if in doubt postpone lodgement and pass particulars of suspect persons or vehicle to Gardaí.
- 5. On arrival at the bank, the driver should remain in the locked car with the bank wallet while the passenger opens night safe. When the night safe has been opened the driver should deposit the cash immediately.
- 6. Should you discover that the lock of the night safe has been blocked report same to Gardaí
- 7. Exercise caution if an "Out-of-Order" sign is affixed to the

night safe. Never post the wallet into the bank's letter box.

- 8. When possible vary time of making the deposit.
- 9. Withdrawal of bank wallets from bank should be made discreetly so as not to advertise that you use the bank night safe facility.
- 10. If you have a good quality safe with time lock facility and the protection of an effective alarm on your premises, you may consider holding cash overnight for deposit the following day. Vary your times of making deposits.

School Bus Safety

Now that all the children have returned to School and enjoying "the best days of their life", hereunder are a few reminders regarding better safety

Reminder to Pupils:

- 1. Arrive in good time at your pick up time.
- 2. Queue properly and avoid pushing and jostling.
- 3. Wait for the bus to stop, then enter and take your seat in an orderly manner.
- 4. Keep bus passageway clear.
- 5. Do not tamper with doors or windows.
- 6. Don't distract your driver your safety is in his or her hands.
- 7. Wait until the bus comes to a complete stop at your destination, then alight in an orderly manner.
- N.B. After alighting from the bus if you must cross the road, remember to stand well back from the bus after getting off. Allow the bus to pull away so that you have a clear view of the roadway in both directions. Then look right, look left and then look right again. Cross over when the road is clear.

Reminder to Parents/Guardians.

- 1. Encourage your children to be safety conscious.
- 2. Entrust younger children to the care of older brother or sister, where possible.
- 3. Remind them regularly of the necessity for constant care and vigilance.
- 4. Arrange for your children to wear reflective armbands on both arms. Be Safe Be Seen.
- 5. Ensure that your children are fully conversant with the Rules of the Road.

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Admission to the Horse Trials is £5 per car, or for pedestrians £1 adults, 50p children.

Castletown House will be open to the public that day from 11am-6pm and afternoon teas are available in the Coffee Shop. Admission is £2.50 adults, £2 students and OAPs, £1 children, and a family ticket is £6. An additional attraction in the House is an exhibition "Celebrating 25 Years Open to the Public".

THE WYRD SISTER REPORT

Did you miss me? I have been on extended leave from my occult activities for the duration of the Wicked Olympics in the Orkney Islands. Needless to say, I distinguished myself admirably before my sisters, cronies, warlocks and peerage by taking home the gold medal in the Broomarathon. My other gold medal was for fortune telling while astride a pommel horse, which was naturally a foregone conclusion. I have returned to restore mayhem and chaos to your horror-scopes but this month I fear I must be brief and to the point. So let the ball roll.

Taurus (21 April-21 May)

One more brain cell, petal, and you'd be an amoeba. Keep working on the ten-times tables for that accountancy interview on the 14th. You never know, they might think you're a mathematical genius. Then again, they mightn't.

Gemini (22 May-21 June)

Have yourself re-potted this month dear. The change of soil will do you good.

Cancer (22 June - 22 July)

I see examination results looming this month for you. A large sheet of white paper presents itself to my view. It's very white I'm afraid, very white indeed. Still, they'll give you marks the next time around.

Leo (23 July - 23 August)

An exotic looking foreigner whisks you away to a sumptuous mansion and proposes everlasting devotion to you on the 19th. There is evidence of extraordinary wealth everywhere and the stranger says it will all be yours. Just about then, they realise that they've mistaken you for someone else. Such is life.

Virgo (24 August - 23 September)

You resort to bribery on the 14th to ensure that your friends throw you a surprise birthday party. They don't.

Libra (24 September - 23 October)

Someone as conscious about their appearance as yourself ought to know better than walk along the path behind two friendly looking sheepdogs. There is no such thing as a friendly dog, despite appearances: they all want to reduce you to drenched incoherence. Sue, sue sue.

Scorpio (24 October - 23 November)

A long-loved one decides that they've had enough and they take decisive action to improve their situation. On the 15th therefore, expect your partner, or one of your parents, to escape from the freezer.

Sagittarius (23 November - 21 December)

Car trouble. Big car trouble. *Very* big car trouble. You are run over by a limousine. But cheer up! The good news is that you will have *almost* met Michael Jackson.

Capricorn (22 December - 20 January)

Invited to dinner. Discover lost pet. Needs salt.

Aquarius (21 January - 19 February)

Sharing the same sign as myself can't be easy. There's room for very few perfect people in this locality and wearing yellow lipstick definitely puts you way down the list. However, should you decide to add black mascara, please position yourself on the side of a main road. Drivers will think you're a Pedestrian Crossing and run over you. That should reduce the competition.

Pisces (20 February - 20 March)

Go back to work. You're driving us all crazy.

Yours in malice,

Minerva (Big Dipper) Murphy.

NAMES OF THE CLASS IN PHOTO IN THE JUNE ISSUE PAGE 46

Nursery and Junior Infants 1953.

Front Row L - R: 1. Ann Reilly (Flynn), 2. Marie Flood, 3. Patrick Burke, 4. Michael Sullivan, 5. Vincent O'Donoghue, 6. Jonny Tinkler, 7. Rachel Flood (Cassidy), 8. Ronnie Farrell (Cassidy), 9. Ann Dempsey (Fahy), 10. Maureen Fay, 11. Ann Lettuce (Feeney), 12. Ray Troy, 13. James Connolly.

Second Row L - R: 14. Gerry McTiernan, 15. Fintan Byrne, 16. P. J. O'Neill, 17. Mícheál Flood, 18. Mary Murray (Casey), 19. Sally Dunne, 20. Mary McCarthy (Burke), 21. Carmel Durack, 22. ? Curran, 23. Brigid Delaney, 24. Bobby Gee, 25. Noel Redmond, 26. ?

Back Row L - R: 27. Sr. Brigid, 28. Vincent Mulready, 29. Tommy Fay, 30. Barry Fitzgerald, 31. Michael Tolan, 32. Tommy Hendrick, 33. Barney Daly, 34. ?, 35. Declan Reilly, 36. Dick Sheehan.

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Athletics: U/10 Hurdles Padraig O' Sullivan

U/17 Marathon Emer O' Sullivan U/13 Long Puck Seamus Cummins

Good Luck to you all in Mosney Representing Maynooth and Kildare

Political Party Notes

DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES

Catherine Murphy to be Dail Candidate

Councillor Catherine Murphy is to be the Democratic Left candidate in the Kildare constituency in the next General Election.

Councillor Murphy was selected by a convention of party members in Johnstown recently.

Catherine Murphy was elected on the first count to Leixlip Town Commission in 1988. In last year's County Council election, she secured the second highest first preference vote in the Celbridge Electoral Area.

A book-keeper by profession, Catherine Murphy lives in Leixlip Park, Leixlip with her husband Derek and their two children, Alan and Yvonne. She has been very active in pursuing improvements in public transport and other public services in the North Kildare area. She also sees proper planning and environmental protection as key concerns. However, her top priorities in her campaign for a Dail seat will be unemployment and the defence of the social welfare and health systems.

With the jobless total on a seemingly unending upward spiral, it is clear that the main political parties have neither the will nor the ability to tackle the problem. Democratic Left believes that only a planned approach to industrial development offers long term hope for economic recovery. This approach must tackle the key weaknesses of Irish Industry, such as small size, inadequate research, poor industrial relations and lack of marketing skills. The preoccupation of the rightwing parties with labour costs, tax levels and interest rates has got us nowhere, according to Catherine Murphy.

Catherine Murphy also intends to target Charlie McCreevy's attempt to dismantle the social welfare system in her election campaign. The vigour being brought to bear in cutting back entitlements of the poor contrasts sharply with the government's slovenly approach to chasing tax dodgers who are costing the state vastly greater sums of money, in Catherine Murphy's view. As she sees it, Charlie McCreevy represents the vested interests in Irish society, and not the ordinary residents of County Kildare.

Rail Park Footpaths

At the August meeting of Kildare County Council, Councillor Catherine Murphy proposed that the footpath at the entrance to Rail Park Estate should be repaired as a matter of urgency. While the County Engineer suggested that the footpath in question needed to be completely replaced rather than repaired, it was agreed to place it on the list of works pending under the County Council's road repair fund. This follows Catherine Murphy's success, earlier this year, in getting a proportion of this fund set aside specifically for footpath repairs.

FINE GAEL NOTES

Towards the Jobs Economy

Despite the government's diluted response to our call for a Jobs Forum Fine Gael continues to make the creation of a jobs economy its top political priority. In May of this year a policy document was published setting out how this was to be achieved. The following is a summary of that document.

The policy is designed for a modern country facing enormous challenges on the economic, political and social fronts in an uncertain international environment. We must enable our people to establish clear areas of competitive advantage in the new Europe.

The approach is based on putting initiative back into people's own hands instead of handing down blueprints from the centre. People, their enterprises, their communities, towns and villages, their regions are at the heart of this much more devolved approach. The role of the state changes dramatically. To persist with policies, structures and attitudes suited to the earlier phase of economic development will be to condemn our country to underperform relative to its potential.

The State can prime the pump and help initiatives over their faltering start. But the objective is to develop strong enterprises, not strong state agencies.

We must recognise that the capacity, skills, confidence and experience of our people have improved dramatically over the past 35 years. We have successful enterprises experienced in international business, a highly educated people and huge as yet unlocked potential in many areas.

To achieve its objectives the document recommends amongst other things: (a) that the Government get its own house in order by

- · reducing overall tax take
- · introducing multi-year budgeting
- reducing the cost of services provided by State enterprises by regulating monopoly powers, opening up competition; and introducing private and employee shareholding.
- (b) that £80m be invested in improving roads (employing 2,500) and £10m in development of our ports.
- (c) that regional authorities be established with direct control over E.C. structural funds and with local development powers. (d) encourage business start-up by allocating half the budget of the I.D.A. and other agencies for five years to create a £500m venture capital fund.
- (e) allow employees setting up approved businesses to withdraw, tax free, the accumulated value of employee and employer contributions to pension funds.
- (f) remove restrictive practices that limit new entrants into certain businesses.
- (g) release the trapped potential of unemployed people by introducing a working dividend that would guarantee take home pay of £25 per week over and above social welfare entitlements.
- (h) change the S.E.S. schemes so that participants could be retained for three years by non-profit organisations and for two years by potentially commercial activities.

Funding the Olympic Games

The hyprocrisy of Government Ministers rushing to greet returning Olympic medallists is underlined by the fact that both Fianna Fail and the Progressive Democrats combined earlier this year to defeat a Private Members motion introduced by Jimmy Deenihan, Fine Gael spokesman on sports, which called on the Government "to grant additional funds to assist the athletes in their final preparation for Barcelona".

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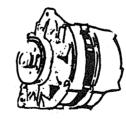
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LABOUR PARTY NOTES

Council Agree to Installation of Ramps along Pound Lane/ Back Lane

Following the tabling of a motion by Deputy Emmet Stagg the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council have agreed to the proposal to install ramps along Pound Lane/Back Lane in order to prevent motorists from speeding along this route. The present No Entry signs at Convent Lane and Mill Street will remain in place until the ramps are installed. The Council quoted a figure of £30,000 for the installation of 3 ramps along Pound Lane/Back Lane. Deputy Stagg will press for the provision of finance towards this under the discretionary road grants for 1993. In the meantime he is unhappy with the costs quoted by the Council which seem to be exorbitantly high and he has requested the County Engineer to provide him with detailed costings for the ramps. We will keep you advised of progress on this matter.

Weight Restriction on Convent Lane/Dunboyne Road

A motion tabled by Deputy Emmet Stagg at the last meeting of the Celbridge Area Committee of the Council calling for the imposition of a 5 ton weight restriction on Convent Lane/ Dunboyne Road was agreed to. However before the restriction can be imposed widening and resurfacing of Blacklion Road along Carton Wall will have to occur. Considerable finance would be required to enable this but the Council feel that in the medium to short term finance for same can be provided. Deputy Stagg is to continue to pursue this matter on behalf of the residents of the area.

Natural Gas for Maynooth

Further to previous news on the supply of Natural Gas to householders in Maynooth Deputy Emmet Stagg has welcomed the decision in principle which An Bord Gais have taken concerning the extension of the supply from Intel to Maynooth. The cost of bringing the supply from Intel to Maynooth will be £700,000 and because Maynooth College is a major potential user Maynooth is now nearly certain to benefit from Natural Gas. An Bord Gais will be carrying out surveys in the Autumn of householders in the Maynooth area to see what the demand is for Natural Gas.

Narrow Bridge Warning Sign for Kildare Bridge

Deputy Emmet Stagg has been advised that following his representations a sign warning motorists of the narrowness of Kildare Bridge has been ordered by the Council and will be put in place when delivered.

Footpath Mill Street

The condition of the footpath on the Westend Carpet side of Mill Street is in a treacherous condition. Deputy Emmet Stagg has been in contact with the Area Engineer requesting that some surfacing be carried out on the footpath to make it safer for pedestrians.

Green Area O' Neill Park

Residents of O' Neill Park are angry with the way rubbish is dumped on the green area along O' Neill Park facing the Dublin Road. The grass needs to be cut to a state where residents would themselves be able to maintain it. At present because of the overgrown appearance it attracts rubbish from people queuing at the bus stop. Deputy Stagg has asked the Council to cut the grass to a stage where it can be maintained by residents and to remove the rubbish which now lies discarded on the Green Area.

The area planted by the Council with shrubs on the opposite side of the entrance to O' Neill Park is now overgrown with weeds. Deputy Stagg has asked the Council to tidy up this area also.

Horse Industry 7-a-side Soccer Tournament

Our 7-a-side Soccer Tournament for Stud Farm and Racing Stable workers will be held from Monday 7th September to Friday 11th September in the Harbour Field. Entry forms have been sent out to Stud Farms and Racing Stables. The draw for the tournament will be held on Tuesday 1st September in Caulfields and the lineup for the tournament will be advertised locally for those interested in attending the games.

This is the fifth year of the tournament and the winners will be presented with the Emmet Stagg Perpetual Cup. Last years winners were Woodpark Stud from Dunboyne.

Butterfly Week - Arthritis Foundation

The Labour Party in Kildare are again this year assisting the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland in their fundraising through Butterfly Week. The fundraising will occur from the 21st to the 26th of September. Anybody interested in assisting in the fundraising should contact David Moynan at 6272149 or 789737.

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Sports News

COLLEGE GREEN F.C.

The late Robert Morley commented that "the invention of the ball increased the worry potential of man almost as much as the discovery of the wheel". As feverish preparations are made throughout the Meath and District League, our low key approach belies Morley's anxiety. Kildare's only representatives obviously intend to lull the rest of the League into a false sense of security. It must be last January since the exploits of the 'boys' in green graced this august journal. Although this column is principally a work of fiction, it would have been difficult to fictionalise the second half of last season (a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta perhaps). At the end of the day we were a bit unfortunate to bow out of the main cup competitions, but happy enough with our mid-table placing in Division 1a of the league.

Dutch Visitors

Our hosts from the 1991 tour from the European Space Centre (Estec) paid a reciprocal visit to Maynooth last May, led by Michael and Pauline Martin. The multi-national group 'flowed' through an extensive cultural and artistic itinerary, with a passing reference to indigenous darkish beverages. Tours of Glendalough, Dublin City, Maynooth College and Castle, and Castletown House took place despite the demon drink. Some survived Dublin nightlife, the Curryhills Dinner and drinkalong, the North Kildare barbecue and drinkalong and wait for it, the Harcourt Hotel country and western disco! The latter was obviously the cultural highspot of the tour. There were several other activities in the 41/2 day programme, such as clay pigeon shooting and stout tasting (not necessarily simultaneous), Irish Music, Greek pun contests and maybe a little drink involved. In the confusion of it all they nearly beat us on the football field. We scrambled a 2 - 2 draw, which we won on penalties, thanks to some judicious cheating and a handsome retainer (an unopened can of beer) for the referee Mr. Willie Walsh. That's how we retained our only piece of silverware for the season, the Estec Challenge Cup. T-Shirts, sweatshirts, pennants, match programmes, trophies, song-books, ties, kicks on the shin and other merchandising were exchanged to the extent that puts Barcelona '92 in the shade. Brendan Cantwell tested positive for alcohol on all counts and was sent home in disgrace, but that was just a normal Saturday night for him. What the Martins don't know is that we plan to pay them a return visit next year, for a Month!

1992/93 Season

With the departure of several seasoned campaigners such as Eanna O'Boyle, Kevin Fay and Thomas Martin and the semi-retirement of others such as Malachy McCann (thanks lads) we need to recruit again this season. Myles Na Gopaleen's reference to the ad in the shop window seeking "smart lad wanted - apply within" springs to mind. In our case we seek several smart lads, who can play a bit and who are totally committed (we were years ago but it did us no good). Tony O'Connor would like to hear from prospective players (prospective players? Naw what we need are strikers) - telephone 6285500. Calls are charged at 48p peak and 36p off-peak. We

have to make our money somehow, now that we can't continue to cheat Joe Buckley out of his book royalties at games of pitch and toss outside the dressing room on Sundays.

A.G.M.

The following Officers were elected/appointed to serve for 1992/93:

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Best wishes to Kevin Fay on his recent ordination. After both himself and Kevin Sullivan, it can now be revealed that College Green F.C. is a fully accredited finishing school for aspiring clerics. For a modest fee we are prepared to take on a chaplain this season, preferably a discalced goalscorer.

Declan Forde

MAYNOOTH G.A.A. NOTES

£300 Club Draw - July results. £100 M. McInerney, £50 C. Flood, £20 J. Lawlor, £5. C. Noonan, £5 J. Mee, £5 S. Molloy, £5 B. Leacy.

Senior Football League Maynooth 12pts v Eadestown 8 pts.

Maynooth scored a good win over the fancied Eadestown Team. Maynooth started well and after 10 minutes were 4 pts to 1 pt ahead but Eadestown fought back to leave the half time score Maynooth 7 pts Eadestown 4 pts. The second half saw Eadestown on top and with 10 minutes to go they were level but some great points by K. Fagan and P. Ennis and K. Killoran saw Maynooth win well. Maynooth scorers: K. Fagan 4 pts., P. Ennis 3 pts., D. Murray 1 pt., J. Gilligan 1 pt., M. McManus 1 pt., K. Killoran 1 pt., J. Nevin 1 pt. Also to play well M. Nevin, D. Maloney, P, Stynes, J. Conway.

Senior Football Championship Replay Geraldines 6 pts. v Kilcock 1.8pts.

Tom Flood Cup: This, our local tournament will be starting shortly and all games will be played in College field.

August is a quiet month for G.A.A. games with most lads on holidays.

Don't forget our Golf Classic which is on Friday 4th September in Castlewarden Golf Club.

Features

Red Black White Night at the Springfield

A fundraising disco for the Red Black White charity will be held in the Springfield Hotel on Sunday, 30th August. This society aims to enable children with birthmarks have them removed using specialised and expensive lasar treatment. The costs of removal are prohibitively expensive and most parents could not af ford such treatment. The Red Black White charity asks parents to or ganise a fundraising and promotional benefit night as their share in funding the treatment: hence, one such event is or ganised for Sunday 30th. Parents wishing to enquire further about the charity can contact Mrs Margaret Carlin, 47 Old Hinckley Road, Nuneaton, Warwicks, CV10 OAA. As treatment is only available in Britain, costs for Irish parents are further increased. The following is a brief resume of the type of treatment available and an outline of the charity.

The Bromsgrove Private Hospital

This small busy hospital opened seven years ago and specialises in Aesthetic and Cosmetic Plastic Surgery. Its director, John Terry, was responsible for the purchase of the Shanning Dye Pulse lasar and his prime objective is to treat as many children as humanly possible. Indeed he has provided a purpose built lasar suite to facilitate this and without causing disruption to the day-to-day running of the hospital.

Red Black White

Treatment by dye pulse lasar on red skin has an immediate and remarkable effect. Treated red skin immediately bruises and turns black. After some days, the bruising fades and hopefully white or pink skin appears. Hence the parents' self-help group is called Red Black White. The group has been raising money for over two years which enables the charity to offer treatment today.

The money raised so far is being used to purchase a dye essential to the operation of the lasar. The dye is extremely expensive: every time the lasar fires a pulse of light, 10p's worth of dye is used up. The average port-wine stain covering half the face will need between 500 and 1,000 pulses of light, each treatment costing in dye alone £50 to £100. Most stains need several treatments. The group will continue to provide free treat-

ment for children under 18 as long as the money lasts. People over 18 can obtain treatment at the hospital on a private basis.

Helping Hands

The society needs to continue to raise funds to treat all the children needing help. This can be done by simple donation at the time of treatment and/or by joining the group and starting fundraising activities locally. At the moment there is no branch of the self-help group in Ireland. People who are interested in becoming involved in the formation of one could contact the organisers of Sunday night's fundraiser at (01) 6286446.

Remember, every penny raised goes to treating more and more children. On a busy day 2 cases of dye could be used - each costing £480. The doctors, nurses and receptionists provide their services with no remuneration for the charity.

Cheques should be made payable to Red Black White Laser and can be sent to Mrs Margaret Carlin at the above address.

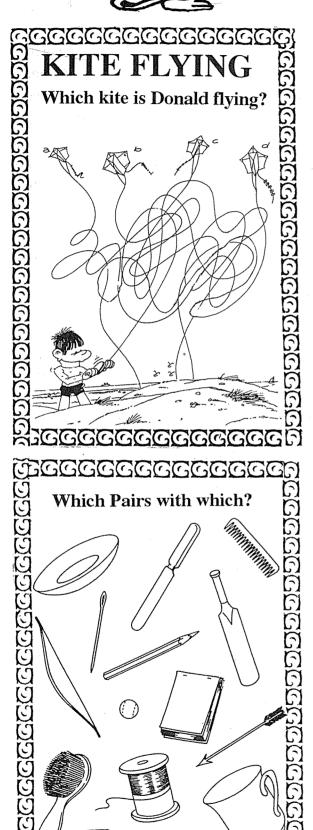
Finally, tickets to the 60's disco in the Springfield cost £5 if bought in advance: £10 at the door. There will lots of spot prizes and novelties etc and a band for part of the evening.

For tickets and information phone 6286446 or 6268854.

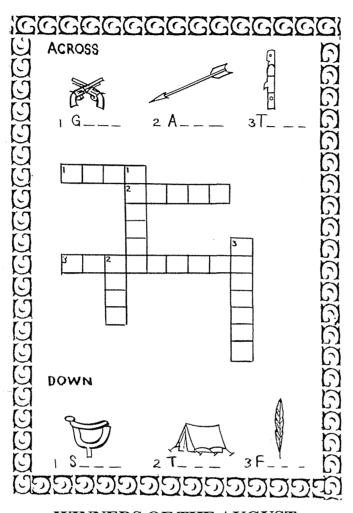


Children's Corner.





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Sports News

MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

With the opening of a new season almost upon us pre-season training has already commenced and attendances have been good despite the large number still on holidays. Pre-season friendlies against other clubs are being arranged and it is hoped that results will be favourable.

Our schoolgirls team have already commenced their league campaign and are unbeaten to date following five good wins, the most notable being a 5-3 win over last season's champions Drogheda. Schoolboys are also training and it is hoped to have three teams this season.

Our seven-a-side tournament for the Joe Murphy Memorial Cup and Harp Lager Trophies was once again a great success. On finals day Sunday August 2nd a large crowd witnessed two excellent Semi-Finals in which the Clock House defeated Galway Rovers and The Panthers overcame Scousers Army following a close fought game.

The eagerly awaited final proved to be a big disappointment with The Panthers proving too strong for a hopeless Clock House side who never showed any of their earlier round form. Our Annual Dance was held in Kildrought Inn at which the Partners provided great entertainment for a large attendance. Player of the year awards were presented and the recipients were Bobby Barry 1st team and 2nd team award went to John Geoghegan.

Once again we are indebted to John and Eithne Carey for their sponsorship of the awards.



Mrs. Annie Murphy presenting the Joe Murphy Memorial cup to Joe O'Riordan, Captain of the Panthers, winners of 7-a-side final.



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