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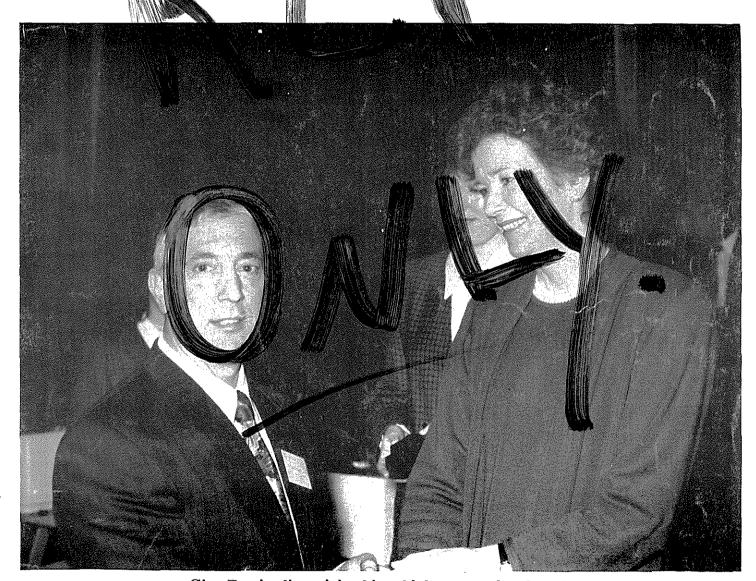
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the Newsletter exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with something to say or suggest. We hope you continue to enjoy your monthly read and keep us informed of your activities.

Yours sincerely Community Council & Newsletter Staff

Editorial

1995 and all that

It looks like 1995 is going to be an epic year for Maynooth. Firstly, we are promised that the Bypass will be open, and from the pace of development so far, this looks like an achievable target. Also, the College will be celebrating its bicentenary, and this should be a major event in the life of our small town. The College is already making plans to celebrate this anniversary; perhaps the Community might join in - how about pageants, exhibitions, plays, banquets in the Castle, town and gown faction fights, or whatever our creative citizens can come up with? Above all, let us hope the town will look well for all the extra visitors who will arrive - is it too much to hope that the promises of cobblelock paving, lamp standards, and underground cables, off street car parking, will all have been fulfilled? Above all, the bypass will allow us to make changes in the Main Street streetscape. The 'Thing" in the Square is to go, which is the occasion for universal sighs of relief. But, lest we lose the run of ourselves, we must ask what is to take its place? A parking lot, a fountain full of chip papers and burger boxes, a litter strewn "feature"; a fly posted bandstand? A lot of deep thought, consultation, planning is required to make sure that we don't end up with another eyesore. A suggestion has been made for the provision of a Peace Garden, to commemorate our men of 1916 in a way that is in tune with modern times. Have any readers any views or suggestions?

Community Festival

As all should be aware by now, the Community Festival is taking place in June. There will be events to entertain and involve all members of the family; the *Newsletter* recommends the Table Quiz and the Car Treasure Hunt as the highlights however others may find amusement in watching grown men who should know better flinging themselves around the Harbour field in pursuit of a spherical leather object in the event known as the seven-a-sides. As we say, there's something for everyone, so enjoy.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

I am writing to ask you for your help for the Children's Hospital Temple Street. The Children's Hospital has gained a world wide reputation for its outstanding medical care of sick children. Over 100,000 children depended on the Hospital for treatment last year, with almost 60,000 attending the Casualty Department. Unfortunately the Hospital facilities are in need of modernisation (the present building dates from 1876). A stay in Hospital can be a traumatic experience for both child and family. We plan to improve the ward accommodation and the Out-Patient Department to make the Hospital more comfortable for patients and their parents. We are seeking as many runners/walkers in the forthcoming Evening Press Mini Marathon Sunday, 13th June. I know many of your families will have been treated in the Hospital, so they will be aware of the need to modernise the facilities in the Hospital. The funds raised through this year's Mini Marathon on Sunday, 13th June will be used to undertake these improvements in the Hospital. Encourage your friends to run/walk for the Hospital also. If you are unable to participate in the Mini Marathon, perhaps you would consider organising a fund raising event in aid of our Hospital. I will be very happy to give you every support. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely, Geraldine Stokes, Fundraising Co-ordinator.

Dear Editor

I wish to refer to the coverage of the Maynooth Peace Group in last months *Newsletter*. Against the background of the deaths of the two children in the I.R.A. bombing at Warrington and the rising death toll of Northern nationalists at the hands of loyalist paramilitaries it is most laudable that such groups should emerge. However, I am concerned that the recent peace movement seems to be too narrowly focused on I.R.A. violence. I believe that if a movement is to suceed it should avoid selective condemnations and must not ignore the political conditions which sustain the I.R.A. A movement which does not deal with the violence of the British forces will be seen as showing no concern for those communities who give strongest support to the I.R.A. campaign, and will fail.

This selectivity was sadly evident at the Dublin rally on March 28th (where the Maynooth group's banner was prominently displayed) when, according to press reports, sections of the crowd booed members of the Caraher family whose son Fergal was murdered by the British army. Also it is alleged that mothers of children killed by the R.U.C. using plastic bullets were spat upon, with no reprimand from the organisers.

But looking to the future I believe in the need for a movement for political change to mobilise popular support both North and South. Such a movement could demand an end to all violence from wherever it emanates, negotiations between all parties concerned and possible U.N. intervention in the constitutional talks.

Yours sincerely, Michael Quinn

Dear Editor

As all Junior Cert students know "The Merchant of Venice" is on this year's English Course. The following is an "attempt" to capture the main plot of Shakespeare's play in a short verse:

"The Merchant of Venice"

A merchant calls upon a Jew,.
And borrows ducats (quite a few)
Agree's upon default (he'll rue),
A pound of round his heart in lieu,
When he can't pay
His love does say
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Community Council News

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES

The Community Council would appeal to all Residents' Associations to appoint their representatives to the Community Council. Each Association is entitled to one representative per fifty houses in their estate. If the representatives are appointed their names should be forwarded to their Community Council offices before the next meeting on Tuesday 8th, June for cooption.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT NOTES

Royal Canal amenity group submitted its proposals to the planning and development group in keeping with the proposals going forward for the town.

Their submission is listed underneath and any suggestions that the public would like to contribute we would be very grateful for. It should be noted that its recommendations are approved by the O.P.W.

The Planning & Development are meeting Monsignor Ledwith this month to discuss the future development of the town to try and co-ordinate the steps to be taken and also where the pressure should be applied to obtain rapid progress.

The Castle Committee is progressing in their plans and have estimated that 10 - 20,000 visitors will come to Maynooth when the Castle is listed as a tourist attraction.

The Draft Development Plan, which has to be submitted to the Community Council for final discussion and then forwarded to Kildare County Council for inclusion in County Plan is included in these notes.

Any other people in the town who wish to make submission should forward their submissions to Mr. Michael Kenny, Planning Officer for consideration.

PROPOSED PLANS FOR MAYNOOTH HARBOUR:

We hope to start a FAS scheme in June/July. Our plan of work is as follows. 1. Remove the clay bank on the east side of the harbour, from the entrance to the first seat. Level grass/pave the area and build steps down to the harbour field. 2. Build a stone wall from the first seat to the ball alley. 3. Build stone wall from entrance on west side to footbridge.

It is planned at a later date to surface the area from the entrance to the slipway.

When the walls are being built, water pipes and pipes for power cables will be laid down.

The footbridge needs to be renewed and sited approx. 20m. west of its present site, (this would allow for a single span over the canal). The bridge is owned by Iarnrod Eireann and we have been unable to make any headway with them on it.

The O.P.W. maintain the pathways twice a year.

The E.S.B. pole at the entrance to the harbour is to be moved. All work on the canal and in the harbour area must be approved by the O.P.W. The Committee wish to thank Larry Swan from Top of the Crop for his very kind donation of plants.

DRAFT DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR MAYNOOTH

Roads and Paths

- (1) Replace existing footpath surfaces with a brick paving type finish.
- (2) Enforce a policy in line with legal requirements of no parking on the paths.
- (3) Remove the existing problem of all day parking on the Main Street.
- (4) Extend footpaths to all outlying estates e.g. Newtown, Moyglare.
- (5) Resurface all back lanes and side streets including Harbour etc.
- (6) Co-ordinate any ducting, cabling etc. prior to resurfacing of paths or roads.
- (7) Have all approach roads to the town cleaned and hedging trimmed on an on-going basis.
- (8) Divert all heavy traffic from the town, especially Convent Road, Parsons Street.
- (9) Up-grade Blacklion Road to part facilitate (8) above.
- (10) Improve public lighting fittings and quantity throughout the town and access routes. e.g. Phoenix Park type.
- (11) Street/Road names to be erected.
- (12) Rebuilding of footpath over the canal at a new agreed site.

Amenities

- Retain and upkeep the Joan Slade River at Parsons Street.
- (2) Combine the development of the Harbour facilities with the proposed development of the Harbour field.
- (3) Maintain/open the Canal Walks.
- (4) Survey the lime trees in town and replant if necessary.
- (5) Protect 'as is' the Axis of town from College Gate, Main Street to Avenue.
- (6) Complete the development of "the Green".
- (7) Preserve the Watering Area along Mullen Bridge with the development of the new road to the interchange.
- (8) Develop the potential of the canal as a stopover for boats Replace existing footbridge.
- (9) Discourage/disallow shopfronts that conflict with character of the town.
- (10) Preserve the area at "the Pound" in Mill Street.
- (11) Discourage signage that is environmentally unsuitable.
- (12) Approach A.I.B. to complete infill on Main Street.
- (13) Replace existing street furniture with coordinated traditional style materials.
- (14) Continue to press for removal of O/H E.S.B., B.T. and T.V. cables.
- (15) Retain stepped path at L.A.
- (16) Prioritise green areas/amenity areas within the planning system to prevent all amenity facilities being built upon.
- (17) Remove remaining playground equipment and clean up this area.
- (18) Restore the Avenue to a safe, usable amenity.
- (19) Have the P.O. return to the Main Street.
- (20) Adapt a policy whereby a clean, tidy town will instill pride and in itself contribute to a better place to live in and look at.

Community Council Notes

Obsolete Areas/Renewal

- (1) Cause all derelict buildings and lands within the town boundary to be kept in a safe, maintained condition.
- (2) Have the heavy traffic i.e. large trucks, buses, diverted from the areas of Leinster Cottages/Parsons Street and have these areas noted as of special interest.
- With the agreement of the I.C.A. committee/organisation look into the possibility of having their meeting hall replaced or relocated.

Community Facilities

- (1) Proceed with plans to develop the facility of the Harbour field.
- (2) Develop the Geraldine Hall as a venue available to the community for function and meetings.
- Provision of a public toilet within the proposed new car park on the site of 'Coonan's field".
 Housing
- Provide proper permanent roads and paths to new developments as they are built, this should cover the services such as phones, T.V., lighting.
- (2) Provide greenspaces throughout the schemes and avoid large central spaces within the development.
- (3) Housing developers to be encouraged to give names to their developments relevant to the historical character of the town.
- (4) Encourage landlords to upkeep rented accommodation.

 Business
- Impress upon the large businesses the need to keep their premises in good order and to assist either directly or indirectly in maintaining the surrounding lands of their premises.
- (2) Make the business community aware of the fact that posters, signs etc. on the trees/poles are unsightly and not allowed.
- (3) Investigate where possible the development of architectural potential of our shopping areas.
- (4) Encourage the removal of all plastic/neon signs to be replaced with more environmentally sympathetic types e.g. handpainted, wooden.

College

(1) There should be a working liaison between the College authorities and the Community Council to use their combined resources/expertise to develop facilities beneficial to both groups.

Historical

- (1) Provide encouragement for the restoration of the Castle as a centre of historical interest and perhaps with tourism potential.
- (2) Ensure the historical character of the Main Street as it presently stands with the needs of the people placed ahead of the motorist.
- Provide at some location an outline of Maynooth's history on a map/plaque.

General

- Pursue the proposal to have the town's boundary extended to that proposed by the Town Commission.
- (2) Have an active policy of monitoring the situation with regard to the erosion of the green area within the town.

- 3) Pursue a definite outline of those areas surrounding the town which must be designated Green Belt and be above all later changes to developments which has happened previously. These Green Belts should separate us physically from the neighbouring satelites.
- (4) Within the Green Belt areas above extending east from the town provision must be made for the continuation/ expansion of the existing playing fields and the development of extra amenity facilities.
- (5) Attention should be given to the layout of the town to prevent its development in an unbalanced way i.e. all the building on the one side and green space on the other.

Planning & Development P.R.O.

Tony McMullon

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE

As advised last month our Tidy Towns entry (£100) has been sent to Bord Failte. We would ask that all residents of Maynooth play a part in reducing the amount of litter thrown around Maynooth.

We have asked Kildare County Council to provide us with more bins.

As you can see a great deal of effort is being made by the P & D, SES/Tidy Towns schemes, new equipment is required.

We ask you to be very generous this year to our Tidy Towns Annual collection, which takes place mid June.

Finally, we are putting together a team of people who would give us an hour of their time *early on Sunday mornings*. Please give your name to Maynooth Community Council.

R. Farrell Secretary

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ACTIVE AGE GROUP

Our monthly meeting is held on the 1st Monday of each month. Our weekly get together continues each Tuesday night in the Health Centre, Maynooth. Each Monday members meet at 10.30a.m. for a short walk. We have planned a theatre visit this month and will be going by Mini Bus to the Gaiety to see 'Dancing at Lughnassa'. Fifteen of our members are partaking. The group welcomes new members, it is open to all from 55 years of age.

W. Geoghegan P.R.O.

BAND BULLETIN

Sunday 16th May.

The June "Bulletin" is usually the Barometer by which we can register the type of weather we in the Band are experiencing at this stage of each year when a full programme of engagements predicts long sunny spells, while large gaps in our schedule is a sure sign of stormy weather on the Band front. Thankfully this year we can expect lots of "COSTALOTTA" sunshine as the following list of dates clearly shows:-

Peamount Hospital.

Barnhall Rugby Club, Leixlip.
Leixlin
LOINIIP.
Leixlip Salmon Festival.
People's Park,
Dunlaoghaire.
Maynooth Community
Festival
Maynooth Community
Festival.
GAA Hurling Festival,
Galway.
Free (Phew).
Griffith Park,
Drumcondra.
Fairview Park, Dublin
Start of Band Holidays
(2wks.)
AlbertCollege, Glasnevin.

It has been the practice for many years to leave the first two weeks in August free for holidays as the Band Hall remains open for the other 50 weeks of the year and even the most keen band members need time to recharge their batteries, relacquer their lips or have their tubes blown out in preparation for the long winter rehearsals. We are delighted to see some new locations in our itinerary for this year's programme which is something we all look forward to particularly the younger members who will be with us for the first time. You will no doubt have noticed that our home town does not figure prominently on the list, but we hope to arrange one event at least in June or July, namely our Musical Marathon which proved such a success on it's last outing. The Marathon is not totally a Band Event, as we have been joined on previous occasions by other musical groups and it has proved a most entertaining evening. The Marathon has a dual purpose in so

far as it gives enjoyment to so many while it raises the funds which are so important for the survival of the Band. Sponsorship Cards will be available in local shops for those who wish to help. It won't all be for nothing as we are arranging to have a draw on the sponsorship cards so we hope you can benefit in some way from your work for us. Details on the Marathon will be advertised in the local shop windows so keep your eyes

As yet the location for the Marathon has not been decided, but the "THING" in the Square has been our usual haunt for Street Recitals in recent years so perhaps the "Powers That Be" will need a Band to BLOW THE THING DOWN when the long awaited day arrives. All suggestions for the most appropriate tune for the event should be addressed to the BAND BULLE-TIN c/o the NEWSLETTER. There are no prizes but you will receive honourable mention in the BULLETIN. That's all for now folks, back next month with progress reports on all the above events.

KILCLONE LADIES FOOTBALL TO DATE.

I am pleased to announce that Jennifer Fahy has returned from England and has taken back up her position as Coach for Kilclone Ladies. So far Kilclone Ladies have beaten Rathmoyln by 8-6 to 0-0 - Summerhill by 2-5 to 1-3 - Dunbany by 2-11 to 0-0 and Dunboyne by 1-7 to 2-3. This is all due to the time and effort Jennifer and her team have put in and it has paid off well. Our biggest achievement will be to beat Dunderry on the 16th May. They are a new team and very fit but I'm sure that Kilclone Ladies will have a very good chance of defeating this team. Leading scorers for Kilclone are to date Michelle Duffy, Angela Fahy, Caroline O'Reilly, Lucy McLernan, Ann Marie Snee and Ciara Tolan. Team players also displayed their football skills diligently and were very impressive. Every player worked as a team and thats what will help us to win a championship for Kilclone. I would also like to thank the supporters who come to every home game, it means a lot to the girls and makes them feel important and makes them WIN!!!. Good luck girls and keep the home fires burning.

Team: Eimear Crehen, Geraldine Nolan, Aoife Smith, Michelle Duffy, Caroline O'Reilly, Lucy McLernan, Sandra G., Alma R., Una B., Ruth And Ciara T., Alice McNulty, Debbie Burke. Angela Fahy, Emma Fahy, Jennifer Fahy, Kathy Kerins, Jacinta Devany, Deidre Tobin, Barbara Tobin, Brenda Ward, Emma and Ann Marie Snee.

Karen Nolan Manager Kilclone Ladies G.F.C.

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB

The badminton season is nearly at an end. I would like to thank all the teams for taking part in all the different leagues and Cup matches. We had a very happy and successful season. But all is not over yet, we have our Summer Club which will be starting on 15th June. continued





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Phil McLoughlin Secretary

MAYNOOTH CASTLE NOTES

Our flag days were held on the 25, 26th, 27th March 1993 and we thank everyone most sincerely for making these days a success. It was lovely to talk to so many people about the Castle's past and future

As part of the Castle awareness week we had an art competition/quiz. The Bank of Ireland manager Mr. L. Ayres very kindly sponsored and presented the prizes. Thank you very much Larry, your support is much appreciated. We thank all our entrants very much, and urge everyone to go to the local library and see their art work. A big thank you to Margaret Walsh-Gannon and the Library Staff for all their co-operation.

The answers to the quiz are available in the Library. The answer to 10: "What was the nick-name given to the Earl who brought back knowledge of alchemy from his exile in Italy and other places?" which caused most problems for our entrants is The Wizard Earl!

The competition was judged by committee member Mr. Eamon McCann, Architect, and Ms. Breda Smyth, Kilcock Art Galleries.

The prizewinners were:

16 years and under
12 years and under
1st P. Halton, 3rd Barry Connolly.
1st Eamon Honan, 2nd Rebecca Flynn
Joint 3rd Mark Hallinan and Sara Lord

8 years and under 1st Ruth Hallinan

Eamon McCann is working hard on putting together the Maynooth Castle Golf Classic, to be held in Knockanally on the 8th July 1993. There will be the CASTLE TROPHY presented by Mr. J.J. Costin and the GERALDINE SHIELD presented by The Duke of Leinster (for the highest placed Clan team) to play for. There will be further written information available for this event shortly. In the meantime if you have any enquiries please ring the Maynooth Castle office 6289539, or Mr. Eamon McCann 6286326.

THE MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Tipperary here we come! Yes, it's the Annual Outing and this year we are going to Golden Co. Tipperary. Dorothy Draves has a very interesting large garden, in Golden. Bus will leave Maynooth at approx. 9.30 a.m. on Saturday June 12th. For more information and details contact Imelda Desmond - Main Street. Then to continue the gardening theme for June, on the 15th the well-known gardening expert Dr Mary Twomey will speak on 'The Delights of Gardening!'. This talk will be in the Divine Word Hostel on Moyglare Road at 8 p.m., on the 15th June. We

expect a full house for this very special event. Competitions that night will be all 'Foliage Exhibits', and the Plant competition is one rose any variety. All welcome.

Moira Baxter P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH I.C.A.

The A.G.M. of Maynooth I.C.A. Guild was held in the I.C.A. hall on Thursday 6th May. Our president, Imelda Delaney, in her annual report lamented the passing of two well loved I.C.A. members, Maisie McMyler and Rita O'Reilly, last year. On a happier note, Imelda said she was delighted with the success our ladies have enjoyed during the past twelve months in various competitions:- old-time waltzing, badminton, drama, furniture restoration, short story writing, make and model and cake decorating to name just some of the competitions. Imelda thanked the outgoing committee for their great work and help during the year and said she was looking forward to working closely with the new committee, which is made up as follows:-

President Imelda Delaney Vice-President and Arts Promoter Marion Souhan Secretary and Produce Officer Rosemary Hanley Treasurer Irene Matthews **Crafts Promoter** Nell McLoughlin **Timire and Assistant Secretary** Viva Kearns **International Officer** Mary O'Gorman **Contest Secretary and Hostess** Betty Moore **Sports Officer** May Haren An Grianan Helen Doyle P.R.O. and Assistant Treasurer Connie Harpur

Bernadette Duffy gave us details of our annual outing which this year will be on Saturday 26th June and will include a barge trip from New Ross, Co. Wexford. All members interested in travelling on the outing should contact Bernadette as soon as possible.

We received 'Thank You' letters from two national charities for our fund raising on their behalf. Last February we collected £141.00 at the church gate for the Arthritis Foundation of Ireland and on Daffodil Day we collected £862.00 for the Irish Cancer Society. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you the public who supported these two collections so generously.

The I.C.A. Annual Show committee is busy organising the 22nd Annual Show, which this year will be held in the Post Primary school on the 9th and 10th July. The drama group is putting on their one act play "Summer Belles" for Active Age Week on Sunday 16th May in the Post Primary School. Guild members are also baking cakes for the same event. Crafts continue on Monday nights in the I.C.A. hall and the badminton ladies meet every Tuesday and Thursday morning in the Parish hall.





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The overall winner for '92/93 monthly guild competitions was Rosemary Hanley with Mary Halton second and Mary O'Gorman third. A lovely supper was served by our hostesses. Next months meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd June at 8.00p.m. Members are asked to take note that there will be a 'bring and buy' sale at that meeting, to raise some money to pay for the decoration of the inside of our hall. New members are always welcome. For further information you can contact me at 6286787

Connie Harpur P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLES' COMMITTEE

Well folks with another successful 'Active' Age Week behind us, our years activity has almost drawn to a close. 1993 has been an exciting year for young and old alike, and if we got anything from it I would like to think it is a better understanding and tolerance of each other regardless of age.

Our week went as planned. On Sunday 9th we prayed in both churches with all our Senior Citizens. Members of our committee attended the Eucharist Service in All Saints, Moyglare, and we thank the Church of Ireland community for their gracious reception.

Monday night we headed off to Hotel Keadeen for the Launch of Active Age Week, during which we presented our recently published "Recollections" to Ken Farrell, chairman E.H.B. and thanked him for their Sponsorship. Tuesday and Thursday we included our usual cards and Bingo sessions. Wednesday saw the officiall aunch of "Recollections" in the town Library. Our Senior Citizens were out in full force taking their rightful place as our guests of honour. Also gracing the morning with their presence were Declan Kirrane acting Co. Secretary, Breda Gleeson, Co. Librarian, Dr. R. Corcoran, Director of Community Care E.H.B., John Leech, Area Administrator E.H.B., Councillor Catherine Murphy, Fr. Tom Clancy, Vice President of Maynooth College, Mr. Tom Ashe, Principal of Post Primary School, Mr. P. O'Connell, Principal of Boys National School and Sr. Aquinas, Principal of Girls National School, Senan Griffin C.C. to whom we are very grateful, given the pressures of school and demands in the workplace at this time of year. In order to emphasize the theme for this our European Year, which is solidarity between generations, we presented a special edition of "Recollection" to our Oldest Resident Mrs. Anne Daly [97 years] and to the town Library and the College/ Schools Libraries. Receiving the book on behalf of the Town and Co. Library was Breda Gleeson and for the College/ Schools were in order, Nigel Charles, Aongus Martin, Peter Sheehan and Yvonne McCarron, spanning 90 years as the youngest recipient was 7 years old. Many thanks to all who helped to make this event such a success. A special thank you to Margaret Walsh-Gannon, Eddie and all the staff in the Library, for their time and calm endurance while we invaded their premises. Well done to Joe Wall, Cardinal Press staff, who in our opinion produced a masterpiece. Anyone who has the Book can testify to the quality of publication. Our thanks to C.K.R. the Leinster Leader, Liffey Champion and of course our own *Newsletter* for their interest in and accurate reporting of all our events.

No gathering of course can pass off without the welcome cup of tea, and while we were soaking up the limelight our committee was working quietly in the background preparing the goodies. Our thanks to the Elite for their lovely bracks, nice one Angela! Friday a bus load of our Senior Citizens set off to Hotel Keadeen to trip the light fantastic. This night was organized by the E.H.B. and a great night was had by all. Bartons of course came up trumps once again with the bus. Thank you Pat. Sunday brought the week to a close. While the sponsored walk [organised by Labour Party] was going on we were entertained with singing and drama by the I.C.A. ladies who also provided the delicious delicacies for our tea. Our committee presented them with a copy of "Recollections" and thanked them for the use of their hall in which we hold our morning club. Our final word has to go to our wonderful young people. Those who read pieces from "Recollection" were Eamonn Heslin, Peter Sheehan and Niamh Fagan. The said pieces of course were penned by their great grand mother and grand mothers respectively. The Community Games variety show was a treat, some great talent there, all of which I am told can be seen on Saturday May 29th in the Parish hall, under the direction of Fiona O'Connor. Worth seeing folks! With such a week of involvement with young people I can only conclude that they have a lot of time for our older people in Maynooth proving that there is "Solidarity Between the Generations". Our final activities will be our outing on June 12th and our Cabaret in Caulfields on June 15th [Community Festival]. Our morning club will close on June 24th for Summer Holidays. We take this opportunity to wish all our Senior Citizens and benefactors a happy holiday and God willing we will see you all in the Autumn.



In attendance at the launch are Tommy Ashe and Aongus Martin, Post Primary School, Dr. R. Corcoran, Community Care Eastern Health Board

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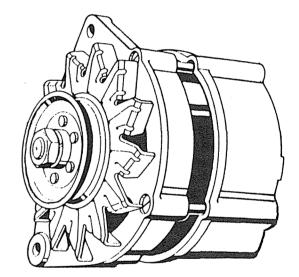
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Pearse O'Connell and Peter Sheehan from the Boys National School at the launch.



Sr. Aquinas and Yvonne McCarron - Girls National School and Dr. Corcoran, Eastern Health Board.



At the launch are Mrs. Daly, Maynooth's oldest resident, aged 97, Josie Moore, Chairperson, Old People's Committee.

MAYNOOTH PITCH AND PUTT

Another month has passed and with it some great fine weather. The longer evenings have seen a greater interest in the game and there is now an official course record of 48 held by Gary Power of Celbridge. What that means is that every hole should take 3 shots to put the ball in the hole. Over eighteen holes, that's 54 shots in total, so a score of 48 is a very good round. For the Summer Festival, there is to be an Open Pitch & Putt Competition for teams of two players. All players over 10 years of age may enter and it will be run on a knockout basis proceeding to the finals to be held in Community Week. Applications for the competition can be had from the Course Club House or the Community Council Office. Organisers of this competition are Michael Quinn and Mattie O'Callaghan. Entry per team is £5 for the whole competition. Maybe the course record can be broken in the process.

The month of June will be designated 'Pitchmark Awareness Month' and we hope to educate players in this important part of play which contributes to keeping greens level and with good grass cover.

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SCOUT NEWS BY "INDY"

Habemus Victorius!!! (We have the victory!!!!) Or words to that effect. Now before next months Newsletter is inundated with letters from every Latin intellectual in Maynooth (and believe me, there are quite a few of those around), telling me that my Grammar, syntax and idiom are attrocious, let me make it quite clear that I am fully aware that my grasp of the classical tongue is not one hundred percent perfect. I blame it on the fact that both my parents are Irish, not ancient Roman, and on the fact that I was born in 1971 A.D. and not 1971 B.C.

In case you are wondering just why I have started this months article in such a manner, it is because I could think of no better way to announce to the world (well Maynooth in any case) the news of the great victory won by its scouts in the Regional Shield Competition. It is a manner befitting Julius Caesar announcing to the people of Rome, the defeat of Gaul or some other such region. Therefore what's good enough for him is good enough for us! Yes folks, Maynooth has finally arrived onto the scouting map. We've finally broken our scouting duck. We had always been there or there abouts as far as regional events were concerned, but last month's activities in Killinthomas Wood, Rathangan proved to the world that Maynooth is now a force to be reckoned with in the dog eat dog world of scout camperaft.

Now for those of you out there who are unfamiliar with what exactly goes on at these events, then permit me to briefly fill you in. Quite simply, it involves a team of Scouts (usually eight), designing, putting up and maintaining a standard 40' x 40' patrol camp-site over a weekend. Not only this but they are also expected to cook for themselves over the same time period. Throw in ten or so separate competition "bases", each dealing in such diverse skills as first-air, semaphore, commandobridge building, code-breaking, compass work, mapmaking, "backwoods" cooking observation tests (and so on and so forth), and you have in a nutshell what makes up your average camperaft competition. As I already stated this is the first time that Maynooth have ever won this most prestigious of events in the region, and it could not have been achieved without the hard work of several individuals. The most important of these of course was the team itself, called the Dragon patrol and comprising: Marlene Filbert (Patrol Leader), Garret Galligan (Assistant patrol leader), David McCarthy, Aishling Kelly, Mark McCarron, Linda Haren, Donal Smith and Darragh Carr. Also due a word of thanks are: Tony Muldowney (Unit Leader), Cormac Bowell, Shane O'Neill, Linda O'Neill (no relation) and Cathal Gaffney (Scout leaders); all the parents who so generously provided transportation both to and from the site; to the good people of M.A.D.E. who put up with a room full of pioneering timber for the best part of the three weeks leading up to the event. Finally to our many friends in the parish for their moral support. And let us not forget too, the fact that we also had a team who finished in fourth position overall, out of a field of nine teams. This was the Black Widow patrol, who were: Gerard McGlinchey (Patrol leader), Dervilla McDermott (Assistant patrol leader), Linda Filbert, Emer Gaffney, Martin Filbert, Peter Finnan, Susan Adderley and Connor O'Shea. Well done to them all. The Dragon patrol are not finished yet either. As a result of their coming first in the region, they, along

with Mulhussey and Kilcock (who came second and third respectively) are off the to All-Ireland Scout camp-craft finals (better known as the Melvin cup), being held in Larch-Hill between the 19th and the 22nd of August. We wish them the very best of luck and we will keep you informed of their progress.

Finally, there is very little to report from the Beaver or Cub sections of the unit this month, except that the Cubs will be going on their annual camp with the rest of the region on the 11th of June in Celbridge.

Well that's it for this month, and that it's from me until the October edition as I'm off home for the summer as my family are starting to forget what I look like. Not Indy, who graced this article in my absence last month will doubtlessly entertain you with his rapier wit and sartorial elegance. This does not mean that I won't be having anything to do with the unit over the summer break. Au contraire mes amis, in fact the gallant boys and girls of the 8th Kildare are going to be sick of the sight of me this summer. Until October then,

Bí ullamh. "Indy".



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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Congratulations and well done to all our Junior members who took part in our recent gala. The winners were as follows:

Winners of Swimming Gala

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First Swim	Jr. G
Beginners	Begin
Front Crawl	Back
Higher Level	Hiohe

1. Elaine Donnelly 2. Conor Devaney 3. Michael Ouinn

Lower Level: 1. Niamh Healy 2. Rónan O'Connell 3. Brian O'Rourke

Junior Lower Level 1. Aileen Devanev 2. Barry Keenan 3. Shane Kelligher

Higher Level 1. Dermot Moore 2. Paul Haren 3. Eoin Hardiman

Second Swim Front Crawl **Beginners**

Higher Level 1. Muireann O'Sullivan

2. Robert Scarf 3. Margaret McKeever

Lower Level 1. David Geraghty

2. Claire Gannon 3. Pamela Flanagan

Final

1. Nicola Doyle 2. Jason Newton 3. Sorcha Crosby

ala nners Crawl

Higher Level: 1.. Elaine Donnelly 2. Stephen Hyland 3. Michael Quinn

Lower Level: 1. Elaine Galligan 2. Niamh Healy 3. Rónan O'Connell

Junior Higher Level 1. Paul Haren 2. Eoin Hardiman 3. Colin O'Neill

Lower Level 1. Aileen Devaney 2. Barry Keenan 3. Sarah Baxter

Junior Gala Back Crawl **Beginners**

Higher Level 1. Muireann O'Sullivan

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Lower Level

1. David Geraghty 2. Pamela Flanagan 3. Claire Gannon

Final

1. Nicola Doyle 2. Grainne O'Rourke

3. Edel Fay

We are now in our fourth and final term of our 92-93 season. We have our A.G.M. on June 8th, venue to be confirmed and the senior gala on Saturday June 12th. We then break up the

The fees for this term are as follows:

1. Child £16 4. Children £56 2. Children £30 5. Children £70 3. Children £44

There will be no swim on the following dates: Saturday 22nd May - Community Games. Saturday 5th June - Bank Holiday.

All outstanding fees to be paid as soon as possible. Parents wishing to have their childrens names put on the waiting list for the next term should contact the secretary Aine Herns Kennedy Railpark or any member of the committee.

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6th June 9.30 a.m. Eucharist Sunday Eucharist Sunday 13th June 10.30 a.m. Morning Prayer Sunday 20th June10.30 a.m. Eucharist Sunday 27th June 10.30 a.m.

Thank you to all who supported the Table Quiz on 30th April, a special word of thanks to Maynooth Athletic Club. Michael Gleeson and Francis Carney who did most of the work and also many thanks to the winning team who donated their winnings to our cause. We are looking forward to having a "Songs of Praise" again for the restoration of St Mary's on Sunday 27th June, at 8.00 p.m. Tickets £4.00. This is an ecumenical event, and look forward to seeing you there.

TAE KWON DO NEWS

Maynooth Tae Kwon Do School got off to a flying start to the year with the promotion to 1st Don Black Belt of Cian McGinley (Greenfield Drive) and Gillian Power (Greenfield Drive). Both have been training hard, and only last year Cian McGinley was awarded "Student of the year '92" in Maynooth.

Gillian is the second of the Power family to attain Black Belt, and hopefully will not be the last.

Maynooth members took part in an open tournament in Old Bawn Tae Kwon Do school (Tallaght) last week. The school's Ninth-Kup members of Eloise McAnarchimigh, Gemma Maguire and Irene Carney did well, as did the school's two Black Belt teams. In the Red Belt division, Cathal Power (Greenfield Drive) took three prizes: First in Patterns, Third in Sparring and First in destruction.

Brian Durkan took third place in patterns (Yellow Belt) while Antoinette Mooney won the destruction in the Ladies Black Belt and Andrew Clarke also winning the destruction in the male division. It is hoped that Maynooth will host it's Black Belt tournament in July.

There will be a junior Black Belt competition in Moscow soon, but due to lack of funding (definitely not quality) Maynooth will not be represented.

Beginners classes are going quite well. Although the school's primary base is in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays, beginners are in the Post-Primary School Hall on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. All are welcome. (12 yrs and upwards). The European Tae Kwon Do Championships (I.T.F.) take place in Groningen (Holland) at the end of May. The Irish team manager is Gerard McClelland III Don Instructor in Maynooth. The Irish International team is drawn from all over the country. It is anticipated that there will be a Maynooth member on this team in the not too distant future.

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Maynooth's Black Belts



Maynooth's 2 new Black Belts. Left - Gillian Power, right - Cian McGinley

TUG-OF-WAR REPORT

From Confey to Taghadoe and back to Maynooth, the cry is for Tug-O-War. Their quest will be answered on Sunday 13th of June, in the Harbour Field, at 3p.m. Three Teams are painstakingly being put together for battle in the trained section. In the untrained section Pubs, Clubs etc. will put together their teams to compete. No doubt the odd wager will be placed on the outcome. Then it will be the turn of the Ladies to do their bit for what should be a good evening's entertainment. We hope to run the competitions off quickly. So come along and join in the action or cheer on your favourite team. We might not get any amplification in case Mick Riordan might show up and start singing into it.

Willie Healy P.R.O.

GRANGEWILLIAM CEMETERY RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The A.G.M. of the above Committee was held on Monday, 19th April 1993. We were very disappointed at the poor response regarding attendance and the lack of interest generally in this restoration project. It was agreed at the meeting that the existing committee members will hold the same positions for the coming year., The following is the report of our Secretary Peter Nevin:-

Secretary's Report Year to April '93

During the year significant progress was made at restoring the graveyard. Much of the heavy growth was cleared leaving most of the area accessable. This was due to application of weed killer, and a strong physical effort on behalf of members in terms of strimming, mowing and using such devices as chain saw, hooks, clippers, etc.

Funds collected during the year exceeded £IR500, however this was not adequate to meet commitments under an approved Fás scheme, granted in January 1992. Since then, however, a heavy duty strimmer was purchased and used towards maintenance of the site.

Cemetery Sunday took place on a fine evening in June of last year and was a success in terms of the number of people who turned up and an important focus point to have the gravevard in peak condition for public

viewing. Since then the site has been kept in order, however, greater effort is needed at this time of year to keep growth under control. Accordingly volunteers are needed to perform regular work and to this end the strimmer is available from the secretary's house at any time. Weed killer was purchased recently and it is hoped to apply it shortly. We need to agree an understanding shortly on the future role of the committee not only in terms on the work to be done but rejuvenating interest in the project. Again Cemetery Sunday should be an opportunity to do this.

This report explains what has taken place in the last year. Credit for a lot of hard work is due to a minority who gave their time and labour to restore the cemetery to its present improved state, but there is still a lot to be done and then there is maintenance on an ongoing basis.

We trust that some people will come forward and offer their help to assist us in attaining the success of this project as initially planned when this committee was formed. Cemetery Sunday will be held on 27th June at 3 o'clock, Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Fr. Supple P.P. The next meeting will be held in the Parish Hall (Maynooth) on Monday, 14th June 1993 at 8.30 p.m. For further information please contact:

Peter Nevin, Secretary, Tel.- 6285179 or Kathleen Murphy. P.R.O. Tel.-6286399.

MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY GAMES **ATHLETICS**

Sunday 16th May '93 G.A.A. Ground.

Following the playing of the National Anthem the "pledge" was read at 12.30 by Lyn Brennan and Seamus Cummins. The weather started off sunny but soon got wet and windy however it didn't take from the enjoyment of the large crowd. We inaugurated our first President Pearse Breslin and Vice President Peig Lynch, Richard Farrell National Organiser was present and did the honours. We were delighted to welcome the Cathaoirlach of Kildare Community Games Margo Conlon and Senan Griffin Chairman of Maynooth Community Council. Our sincere thanks to everyone who helped make the day so successful & stressfree especially the G.A.A. It was wonderful to have 200 young people participate - in spite of the weather. The following are the results of the athletics.

GIRLS

1. Gillian O'Hurley

2. Noeleen Dunne

3. Ann Gannon

U.14 100 m.

1. Sara Commane

2. Anne Gannon

3. Mary O'Sullivan

1. Pierre Ennis

2. David Campbell

BOYS

U.5/6 Tiny Tots

1. Tara Nolan

2. Ciana Ennis

3. Niamh Kerin

2. Sandy Nolan

1. Jean Ashe

2. Roísín Farrelly

3. Gina Brennan

U.14 Long Puck

2. Susie Adderley

3. Róisín Farrelly

U.16 High Jump

1. Michelle Gillick

3. Elaine Fleming

2. Linda Haran

1. Brid-Anne O'Shea

80 m. Mothers Race

1. Cherry Prenderghast

3. Áine Kearns-Kennedy

U.13 Walk 600 m. U.13

U.8 60 m.	U.8 60 m.
1. Muireann O'Sullivan	1. Mark Cummins
2. Muire Ennis	2. Sean Kennedy
3. Aisling Bean	3. Stephen Broderick

U.8 80 m.	U.8 80 m.
1. Muíre Ennis	 Sean Kennedy
2. Muireann O'Sullivan	2. Mark Cummins
3. Aisling Bean	Stephen Broderich
U.10 100 m.	U.10 100 m.

2. Bronagh McDermott3. Claire Keogh	 Derek Connell Jamie O'Neill 	
U.10 200 m.	U.10 200 m.	
1. Soracha Crosby	 Pierre Ennis 	
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1. Soracha Crosby	 Pierre Ennis
Gillian O'Hurley	Derek Connellan
3. Emma Higgins	3. Brian McLoughlin
U. 12 100 m.	U.12 100 m.
 Aoife McTernan 	 Patrick King
	(Conor Diggins

3. Lynn Brennan	3. Peter Guinan	
U. 12 600 m. 1. Aoife McTernan	U.12 600 m. 1. Conor Diggins	
2. Claire Hogan	2. David Campbell	

3. Emma Fleming	3. Patrick King		
U.14 Hurdles	U.14 Hurdles		
Sara Commane	 Declan O'Rourke 		
2. Mary O'Sullivan	Karl Ennis		

U.14 100 m.
1. Declan O'Rourke
Niall Byrne
3. Karl Ennis

3. Pearse Ryan

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U.14 800 m. 1. Sara Commane 2. Susie Adderley 3. Mary O'Sullivan	U.14 800 m. 1. Declan O'Rourke 2. Karl Ennis 3. Niall Byrne	U.14 Shot Putt 1. Marie Nangle 2. Brid-Anne O'Shea 3. Susie Adderley
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U.5/6 Tiny Tots

2. Alex Wall

3. Mark Lord

1. David Prenderghast

100 m. Fathers Race

2. Eamonn O'Donoghue

3. Aidan McCarron

U.12 Long Puck

1. Brendan Keogh

3. Conor Diggins

U.16 High Jump

1. Mark Buckley

2. Padraigh O'Sullivan

2. Christopher Madden

3. Stephen Brennan.

1. Tom O'Sullivan

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3. William Healy

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Resident's Associations

GREENFIELD ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

First of all, thank you to those residents who attended our special meeting early in May.

There was a very useful exchange of views and some of these items will be further expanded in our next circular. Also arising from this meeting, plans were made to have a special meeting of Laurence Avenue Residents on the 24th of May in St. Patrick's College.

Our annual subscription of £10 is now being collected by members of the committee with the usual reductions for O.A.P.s, unwaged, widows etc.

To those who have paid, receipts will be issued shortly. Thank you for your support.

Richard Farrell PRO

KINGSBRY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the above-mentioned Residents' Association was held on the 15th March, 1993. We wish to thank you for all your support in the past and look forward to your help in the future. The following people were elected to serve on the committee for the coming year:

Chairperson: Secretary:

Vice Chairperson: Eugene Hughes, 127 Kingsbry. Brian Mc Garvey, 184 Kingsbry. Yvonne Comerford, 9 Kingsbry.

Kathleen Kehoe, 75 Kingsbry.

Treasurer: P.R.O.:

Marie Moore-O'Connor, 136 Kingsbry.

Committee

Rita Edwards, 73 Kingsbry. Members: Marian Alford, 229 Kingsbry.

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Features

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF MAYNOOTH.

Re: Red Black White (RBW)

Dear neighbour.

By now, I must be famous (or notorious) for having begged, borrowed and stolen to fund travel to the Bromsgrove Hospital in Birmingham for laser treatment for my son and for 20 other Birthmarked children.

My regular readers (or reader!) will, by now, also be aware that I have been instrumental in setting up a committee, comprising myself and two of the other parents, to promote the interests of Birthmarked children. If you are aware of any child under the age of 18 who has a birthmark please don't hesitate to contact me. Of course, we shouldn't have to be going around begging to fund travel for a treatment that is supposed to be available in Ireland - but you know what they say about "Irish Solutions" !!! Said committee ran a benefit night on Tuesday 20th April last, in the Green Isle Hotel and it was just brilliant. I won't go into the details here, but the hotel staff, the cabaret artists (Sonny Knowles and Martina Tobin) - even the band (!!) agreed that they couldn't remember a better night. Those of you who were there will, I'm sure, attest to the fact. After expenses and runnning costs (and other costs which had accumulated and were not, directly, connected with that particular night), we managed to lodge £1175.00 towards our fund. All things considered, the night was a huge success. We sincerely thank all those who attended and/or contributed and hope that you enjoyed the night. Remember all Birthmarked children will benefit - our 20 are just the first lot. To those who purchased tickets and couldn't go, may I extend my sincerest thanks (and commiserations). To those who simply gave a donation, again, my heartfelt thanks. Finally, to those of you who must be sick to death of opening your door to find me there, cap in hand (in other words, everybody), may I say that, at this stage, it is quiet impossible to tell how many further treatments (and hence trips) Richard will require, but we are now covered for the next one (mid June) and we'll know in about 8 weeks after that if further treatment is required - so. you're all (relatively) safe until about July or so.

Thanking you all, once again, I remain, Yours gratefully,

Al Brady.

P.S. News Flash - Michael Bell (T.D.) has written to me from Drogheda (of his own volition) to say that he will put down a Parliamentary Question to the Minister for Health to examine the situation. I wonder if any of our own local politicians will do anything?

ALINE - ABOUT IRELAND

She was sly. And clever, Skilfully, she spread her charms and attractions under my innocent eyes. She was not too obvious doing it so that, too young, I could not realize what was happening to me. But unknown to me my memory registered, printed, filed, buried at the bottom of a drawer these images and impressions that were being offered shamelessly.

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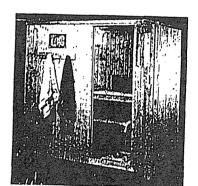
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And all of a sudden the drawer was open and everything broke out free down to my heart: faces, words, whispers, cries, sighs. The moments, too short. The winded life, so quiet however. Then only, when my heart adopted it all - because everything is too beautiful in her for anything to be thrown away - did I know that it was too late. The rest of my life I could not live without her.

I was hallucinated, hypnotized, addicted. Worse still, incurable.

She was made of details that looked insignificant to the inexperienced eyes I had at the time. Low clouds, changing shape and colour every minute, too diversified to be sad or heavy. An eternal and eternally grey rain, too melodious however to be monotonous. A sun ray suddenly breaking through the thickness and illuminating a piece of black land, a field too green to be real, one of these thousands of tiny parcels surrounded by one of these thousands of endless low walls, with stones darkened by the rain and laid there, one on top of the other, about which one wonders how they are still standing without cement, in the same symetrical position they were put in so many years ago. A celtic cross discovered in a curve of the road, engraved the ancient way like a book, worn witness of a glorious past. Rachitic trees torn by the winds, huge cliffs cut by the sea, protecting the country from the repeated assaults of the big blue.

Low country houses with a thatch roof and stone walls whitened with lime. With windows so narrow that it is always dark inside. Scattered in the middle of hills and lakes, at the end of a muddy road worn by the inclemency of the weather.

Village houses all gathered around one same street and motley with all the colours that nature would not offer to the land, except in the wild flowers that grow on the side of the road at springtime. Like a slight to the grey sky and the black land, to remind them that men are here and they are trying to be masters. Turf fire, with such a particular smell it cannot be forgotten. And the most popular place of the country, the most important of a community life: the pubs. With all their diversified frontages, though all copied from the same model. All their different names, most of the time however being only the names of the owners. Their low ceiling rooms, separated in small and intimate compartments where the echoes of laughters and songs always ring out.

These places that have seen the beginning of everything, joy, sorrow, meetings and woe, peace but most of all war. These places too important socially not to be part of the history and the patrimony.

And above all, these clear nonchalant eyes, proud, frank, courageous and touchy, but so hospitable and immodest, with a heart open to anybody who bothers to try to understand it and love it

All these images, all these faces she offered to me like she offers them to any stranger who steps for the first time on her wild and untamed ground. And my memory pictured them like it pictures any new smile presented to it.

It was only later - but not too late - that my heart fell in love with this land, her people, her culture, and her history.

This country, with her rocks jutting out in the West, her sheep and ponies only half tamed.

This soil too wild to be viable.

The few beaches of the South, but with sea water still too cold to the touch.

This beer so heavy and so black, like a mirror of the earth it comes from.

The lakes of the Centre, sprinkled in the middle of the hills, at the bottom of which a more important river springs out suddenly.

These eyes, so blue like a challenge for the sky.

The gentle slopes of the East where the sea is less violent, and the Black Pool the men from the North gazed at and where they founded the capital.

These songs, so sad, a wound that will never heal completely. And up the North the war, because the people are too proud and still hope to see their country reunified one day and free, at last......

Aline About Ireland 23 March 1993

COBWEB 8 LAUNCHED

The eight edition of Cobweb, the literary magazine, was launched by Michael D. Higgins, Minister for Arts, Culture, and the Gaeltacht, at a reception in the Buswells Hotel in Dublin on 30th March. Judging by the number of familiar Maynooth faces present, it might have been more convenient to have held the reception in the Leinster Arms. This slim volume, edited by Isabel Cartwright, John Cullen, Peter Hussey and John Phillips covers a broad spectrum of poems, short stories, work in progress, political polemics, oratory and other experimental work. As might be expected, the quality of contributions varies, with some contributors providing accomplished and assured pieces, while others might possibly benefit from more time in the womb of their creative writing class.

The themes considered in the various works include children, childhood memories, the weather, what is poetry, nostalgia, knickers, nature, despair, the humanistic vision, the past, food, death, family life - yes all the familiar themes recur, despite the somewhat self conscious attempt by the editors to distance themselves from the rituals of the Irish literary milieu. The styles include the obscure introspection, and textual trickery of Richard Hayes's essay on What is Poetry; the simple Kavanaghesque poems by Oliver Marshall; the highflown oratory and idealism of Michael D. Higgins in his essay on Asserting the Humanistic Vision.

The editors are to be congratulated for providing a vehicle for developing writers to expose their progeny to the reading public. Often it is only when such work appears in cold print in the public domain, that its true worth can be established. Let us hope that the editors emerge from their self imposed adolescence, and indeed allow themselves to come of age.

Features

DELICIOUSLY SIMPLE

Mozzarella and Tomato Salad

Serves 4
275g (10oz) mozzarella cheese
3 beefsteak tomatoes
8-10 small fresh basil leaves
30ml (2 tbsp) freshly chopped basil
60ml (4 tbsp) olive oil
22.5ml (11/2 tbsp) white wine vinegar
freshly ground black pepper
coarsly ground sea salt
breadsticks, to serve

Thinly slice the mozzarella cheese and beefsteak tomatoes. Then randomly arrange the mozzarella and tomato slices on a large serving plate and sprinkle with the fresh basil leaves. Put the chopped basil, oil, white wine vinegar and freshly ground black pepper into a screwtop jar and shake vigorously to mix. Pour the salad dressing over the sliced tomatoes and mozzarella and sprinkle with sea salt - allow to stand at room temperature for at least 15 mins before serving.

Red Wine and Mustard Dressing

30ml (2 tbsp) Red Wine Vinegar 60ml (4 tbsp) Walnut Oil 30ml (2 tbsp) mustard, preferably wholegrain 5ml (1 tsp) clear honey salt and freshly ground black pepper, to season

White Wine and Walnut Dressing

30ml (2 tbsp) White Wine Vinegar 60ml (4 tbsp) Walnut Oil 2.5ml (1/2 tsp) soft light brown sugar 5ml (1 tsp) mustard salt and freshly ground black pepper

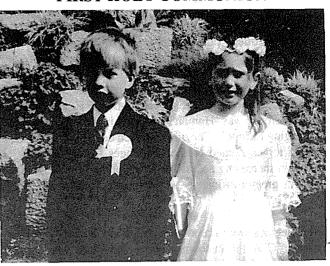
Tarragon and Lemon Dressing

30ml (2 tbsp) Tarragon Wine Vinegar 60ml (4 tbsp grapeseed oil 15ml (1 tbsp) lemon juice 1.25ml (1/4 tsp) castor sugar salt and freshly ground black pepper

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, the 1st May dawned bright and clear despite all the gloomy weather forecasts, and the children would have lifted the spirits and outshone any weather on their special day. Even with all the excitement of their new clothes, they were fully in tune with the deeper meaning of the ceremony, and their serious, innocent faces reflected all the hard work and preparation done by their teachers to bring them to this point in their lives. Fr Supple thanked everyone, teachers, parents and all of those concerned with the preparation of the children for the wonderful work which they had done. As can be seen from the photographs every child looked beautiful in their finery as they took another step along the road of their development.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Steven Clifford and Emma Higgins



Debbie Dorrity



First Communion Class Maynooth

FOCUS ON MAYNOOTH COLLEGE

European Universities come to Maynooth.

Maynooth College played host to 145 European University Presidents on the 5th to the 8th of May this year. Overall, Presidents and representatives from other international educational organisations, from over 33 countries attended the Conference of University heads in Europe (CRE); the theme of the Conference was 'Human Resources in the Universities of a Changing Europe'. The distinguished delegates discussed a host of topics related to the challenges facing universities including increasing access for new student populations, the need for greater efficiency and responsiveness to economic needs.

The delegates were accommodated in the Kidare Hotel and Country Club, Finnstown House, Moyglare Manor, and Barberstown Castle. The guests were entertained to a magnificent eight course banquet in the Pugin Dining hall in the College (a tour de force by catering manager, Dave Carbery and his assistants); this was followed by a recital from the Maynooth Chamber Choir. They also attended a formal dinner in Dublin Castle, which was hosted by An Taoiseach, Albert Reynolds. They also visited local heritage sites, including Carton House.

As there are over 500 universities in Europe who are members of this organisation, it is unlikely that the Conference will take place in the College again this side of the twenty first century. It was a magnificent opportunity to put Maynooth on the academic tourist, and perhaps non-academic tourist map. Let's hope the multinational visitors were unable to see the litter and decrepit pavements in the Main Street through the rose tinted glass of the buses which ferried them from venue to venue.

Maynooth College Bicentenary

The Menu card for the European Presidents' banquet in the College provides a fine souvenir of the occasion. There is an interesting print of the College in 1800 on the front which clearly shows a house nestling in the grounds of the Castle, looking very much at home. The notes prepared by the President of the College, Monsignor Miceál Ledwith to accompany the Menu serve to remind us that Maynooth is rapidly approaching a very important date. Msgr Ledwith points out that Maynooth is an ancient place, whose name comes from a clearing in the woods where a second century chieftain lived. He is principally remembered now for the silver arm with which he replaced the one he had lost in battle. However, Maynooth attained prominence as the centre of political power in Ireland when the Fitzgerald family, the Earls of Kildare, became Viceroys of the English King. The first College of Maynooth was established by Garret Og Fitzgerald, Ninth Earl of Kildare, in 1518; this College did not survivie the turbulent circumstances of mid-sixteenth century Ireland.

The present College was founded in 1795 (that is 198 years ago), by the irish parliament, five years before the Act of Union with Britain. Its real founder was often said to have been Edmund Burke, renowned parliamentarian, and staunch friend of the College's first President, Dr. Thomas Hussey. The College was founded without a site, but over the course of the Summer months following its establishment, William Robert Fitzgerald, Duke of Leinster, extended an invitation to the Trustees to locate the College at Maynooth. So, in September

1795, the second College of Maynooth opened its doors under the same patronage, and on the same site as it earlier counterpart. The College was one of the few really native institutions to have emerged in the history of modern Ireland, and few Irish institutions can rival the influence it has abroad, particularly throughout the English speaking world.

Monsignor Ledwith comments that estimates of the significance of Maynooth College varied widely at the very beginning; when signing the Act establishing the College, King George III is reputed to have said: 'This causes me more pain than the loss of the American Colonies' However, the first Trustees of the College preferred to see it as the heir of the medieval Irish Monastic schools. Maynooth College will celebrate its bicentenary in less than two years' time. Plans are already afoot to celebrate this event in style.

Oldest Practising Chemist in Ireland

No, the oldest practising chemist in Maynooth is not Mr. James McCormack (who recently experienced a most flattering facelift) but Rev. Michael Casey, O.P. who is also, at 90 years of age, the oldest practising chemist in Ireland. Dr. Casey has been in the Chemistry department in the College for many years, and still works in the laboratory, advising students, and staff. He is still carrying out research in collaboration with Professor A. Zschunke of the Humboldt University of Berlin, on the synthesis of manganese complexes for use as contrasting agents in the magnetic resonance imaging of animal cells. He was honoured recently by the Institution of Engineers in Ireland who conferred on him the Honorary Fellowship of the Institution.

A native of Waterford, Dr. Casey came second in chemistry in Ireland, while a student at Waterpark CBS. His first academic paper was published in 1926, and his most recent paper on the synthesis and structural characterisation of a novel Ferrocene, was published in 1991 - a publishing career lasting 65 years. Since 1974, Dr. Casey has been the Curator of the College Museum, which houses many items associated with Nicholas Callan, who invented the electromagnetic induction coil in Maynooth in 1836. There are also religious and historical artifacts of specific relevance to the College. A video tape of Dr. Casey's reminiscences of his long and fruitful life is available from Dr. Malachy McCann, from the Chemistry Department who lives in Kingsbry.

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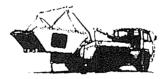
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GARDA TALK

Beware Of Burglars During The Holiday Season

Hereunder are some snippets of advice which should assist *IN PREVENTING BURGLARY*

Firstly, you should know that burglary can be prevented. Too often people feel that if the burglar wants to break in, he can do so without difficulty. To some extent this is true, and that is to the extent to which some people take no security precautions whatsover. Even more to the point is the fact that in thousands of burglaries the thief gains access by unlocked windows or doors.

Never present thieves with this 'open invitation' to steal. Burglars are opportunists, don't ever give them an opportunity. Locking Doors

- * Use only solid external doors. 'Hollow' doors offer no protection.
- * Make sure door frames are in good condition and won't easily give way under pressure.
- * Use only good quality locks. Mortice ones are recommended. Mortice bolts can also be fitted at the top and bottom of the door to give additional security.

Locking Windows

- * Fit window locks to all accessible windows. Remember the burglar will be able to enter windows which may look too high, or small for him.
- * Don't leave windows open for ventilation when you are not at home.
- * Prevent easy observation of your house interior by fitting 'venetian' style blinds, or nylon curtains which are normally always across. This way you do not advertise your absence.

When you have locks fitted - USE THEM *

Something Worth Stealing

Everyone has something worth stealing. Most burglaries involve theft of property under £200! They will take anything from a transistor radio to the entire house contents.

In addition to financial loss is the mental upset of knowing that someone has invaded your home, and may have ransacked your personal belongings.

Protecting Property

Make your property unattractive to the thief by marking it. Use your initials and date of birth. This makes it harder for him to get rid off property, and easier for us to connect it with its proper owners when it is recovered, or found in suspicious circumstances.

Information on property marking is available from your local Garda Station.

The Best Means of Crime Prevention

This is a good neighbour - someone who will look after your house when you are away, and will report suspicious callers before waiting to discover later that they were in fact burglars. Neighbour Watch is aimed at bringing good neighbours together in this way. They realise that, where possible, the Gardai should be alerted before a crime occurs. No one is better able to spot something unusual, or out of place in a neighbourhood, than one of its own alert residents.

If you do see suspicious activity - ring the Gardai NOW!

What The Burglar Looks For - Points To Remember

- Windows open lock all windows whenever you leave home.
- "Hidden" keys if you have a spare key leave it with a friend.
- Papers in the letter box cancel newspapers, have a neighbour collect any post or "flyers".
- · A build up of milk on the door step cancel milk.
- Ladders or tools that will help him to get in lock them up!
- Unguarded property leave it in the garage or otherwise indoors.
- Easy access to the rear of the premises fit a side gate with lock.
- Lights on in the daytime or none on at night use of a simple timing device can solve this problem.

Burglar Alarms.

As more houses and business premises in the Maynooth Area are being fitted with Burglar alarms we advise people to ensure that those appliances are not a source of annoyance to your neighbourhood especially during the holiday period.

There is no doubt the value of a good Alarm System but we must point out the disturbance and annoyance caused by defective appliances that are not properly installed. Note that after installation your alarm system needs regular service.

Burglar Alarms are instantaneous warnings of some interruption or intrusion and should be tended to as soon as possible after activation. Gardai often arrive at the scene of a ringing alarm only to find that there is no keyholder available or contactable and the deafening noise continues for a long period, often all night.

We therefore request people with Alarms fitted to urgently notify:

- (1) The Alarm Company.
- (2) The Gardai.

of the Name, Address and the Telephone Number of the Keyholder, who may be contacted in cases where the Alarm is activated or other emergency.

Identification Cards:

This scheme was launched on the 6th May. Necessary equipment is now in place at Maynooth Garda Station for the issue of the Identification Cards.

Applicants for cards must be:

- 1. 18 years or over.
- 2. Bring with them passport size photograph.
- 3. Birth Certificate.
- 4. Some form of identification i.e. (Driving Licence etc.)

This scheme is a voluntary initiative - merely a means of identifying individuals ages to Barmen/Publicans where such doubt may arise.

The co-operation of parents and everyone would be appreciated to ensure the success of the venture.

Recent Talks On Drugs And Associate Problems

The Gardai wish to thank the principals of the various schools in Maynooth for their wholehearted support and assistance in making the relevant talks such a success. We sincerely hope that they were of much benefit to all.

Thank you, Your Local Gardai.

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GARDA TALK



Martin Cain at the launch of the I.D. cards

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GARDENING HINTS

After all your hard work during the Spring, June is the month where you can almost but not quite sit down and enjoy the fruits of your labour. There are still a few odd jobs to be done but nothing too strenuous as I hope the weather will have warmed up for a long hot summer!

Here are a few hints that might be of use to you:

- •Water shrubs during any dry spells. Look out for green fly on young plants. Continue to prune flowering shrubs as they finish flowering.
- •Continue to spray against diseases and pests on roses. Remove suckers from the rootstock.
- •Finish planting flower beds. Plant up containers. Sow perennial flower seed indoors or outdoors. Sweet William and Wall Flowers can be sown in the open.
- •Plant out tender vegetables. Sow swede turnips. Stake peas and beans. Plant tomatoes, onions, cucumbers and brussels sprouts. Watch for pests. Water in drought and keep weeds under control.
- •In your greenhouse continue regular watering and feeding. Watch carefully for pests especially greenfly and red spider mites.
- •Leaf cuttings can be taken from Begonia Rex and African Violet.

Lily Lupin

MATURE GRADUATES REUNION

On Saturday 24th April the third annual reunion dinner was held in the College for former mature graduates. The society of mature graduates was set up at the suggestion of Monsg. M Ledwith who considered that some sort of an acknowledgement should be made of the contribution these students make to the College. The co-ordinator of the reunion, Betty Costin, was delighted to welcome the graduates and members of staff who attended the reception and the excellent meal which followed. She stated that mature students were held in high esteem by the College for not only their performance and results but for their overall contribution to the life of the College, Prof. J. Colohan, head of the Education Dept., gave a short speech outlining the place of mature students in education and was followed in turn by Dr. Peter Carr (register), Dominic McNamara (the Presidents Office), and Prof. Mary Cullen and all of those graduates present had nothing but praise for the way in which Maynooth College has welcomed and encouraged mature applicants over the years and still continues to do so. A very enjoyable night was had by all with the only sombre note being struck when Betty extended, on behalf of all the graduates, her deepest sympathy to the family and relatives of Mr Noel Keating from Kepak Ltd, Clonnee, who had died recently Mr Keating had been a sponsor of the Annual Reunion since its inception.

MAYNOOTH ANNUAL SHOW July 9th - July 10th

Classes Includes: Flowers, Flower Arrangements, Vegetables, Fruit, Home Produce, Arts and Crafts and Photography. There are also many classes for children and teenagers.

The Garden Competitions will take place as usual in conjunction with the show.

Schedules will be available soon in local shops.

MAYNOOTH MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE GROUP

The next Birmingham Six??? The case of the Beechmount Five.

While the Birmingham Six, Guildford Four, Winchester Three and Judith Ward are finally free, five young people from Belfast are currently in danger of becoming the next victims of a miscarriage of British Justice - this time in the North of Ireland. On 1st May 1991 the I.R.A. launched a rocket attack on a R.U.C. landrover which resulted in the killing of a Sergeant Gillespie. Between 2nd May and 2nd June 1991, six teenagers from the Beechmount area of Belfast were arrested under The Prevention of Terrorism Act (P.T.A.), held for periods of three to seven days in Castlereagh Interrogation Centre and claim to have been subjected to physical beatings and threats. As a result of this ill-treatment five of the six signed confessions to acting as lookouts for the attackers. The sixth youth, Damien Austin did not sign and is not being charged. He was rearrested in August 1991 and subjected to further ill-treatment resulting in Amnesty International issuing their first ever Urgent Action Order for the North of Ireland.

Charged

The five who where charged were Liam Coogan (19), Mark Prior (19), Jim McCabe (19), Kevin Mulholland (18) and Laurence Hillick (17). They claim that their ill-treatment included verbal abuse, physical beating, with-holding of medication for asthma and diabetes, denial of sleep, headbutting and worse! They say the threats included possible execution by Loyalist Paramilitaries of their parents and other family members.

The five are still held on remand awaiting trial in Crumlin Road Prison purely on the basis of the signed statements. No other evidence has been brought forward against them.

Campaign

In reaction to their continuing imprisonment a campaign for their release led principally by their families is attracting significant support. Amnesty International highlighted their case in its 1992 international report and their local M.P. Dr. Joe Hendron has stated they were ill-treated and that the charges are ridiculous. We in the Maynooth Miscarriage of Justice Group are concerned (1) about the allegations of ill-treatment leading to signed confessions being the sole basis of charges against these young people, (2) the long period of detention (nearly two years) without being brought to trial, (3) the lack of proper protection for those detained under the P.T.A. i.e. no access to a lawyer. This case needs to be properly investigated and resolved quickly to insure that a Birmingham Six type injustice is not repeated.

For messages of support and further information please write to Mrs Margaret Hillick, 3 Shaws Road, Belfast.

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MAYNOOTH SUMMER PROJECT 1993

Well, Boys and Girls, it's that time of year again to look forward to your Summer Project. As usual it's action packed from start to finish, thanks to the hard working Committee who have been working very hard behind the scenes since Christmas.

Registration date is Tuesday 6th July 1993 at the I.C.A. hall 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and the fee is £1.50. Our Annual Camp will take place from Friday 23rd July to Sunday 25th July 1993 in Ballinakill, so take your sleeping bag and rucksack out of the attic and make sure they are in good order. All our outings will be fun-packed and very enjoyable. We will be going swimming to Raheny, to Bar-B-Que in Donadea, Bowling in Tallaght - a trip to Glendalough, a trip to Templemore, and a trip to Ashtown Castle. At home, we will be playing Tennis, Soccer and Pitch & Putt, Fishing, Arts and Crafts and the weekly film will also be on the Programme. So as you can see, the Project gets bigger and better every year and there is something in it for everyone to enjoy. Boys and Girls from 7 years upwards can register for the Project, and make sure that you bring Mum and Dad, or a guardian along with you to sign the necessary forms. Also, do ask Mum and Dad to give as much help as possible to the Committee during the running of the Project, as it would be impossible to run the Project without lots of adult supervision.

MAYNOOTH SUMMER CAMP

July 1992...... Glorious sunshine....... Remember? School bags tossed into a corner. Uniforms discarded. Freedom! Then after a week of lazy risings, countless computer games, endless videos and late nights, the freedom becomes a whining boredom. Seven long weeks stretch ahead. How to gainfully employ the children is the thorny question. How to escape from that nerve - shattering wail "I'm bored!" ? Inspiration visited me in the shape of Maynooth Summer Camp '92. Fun filled, action packed days, each one different, each one fulfilling, each one a memory in the making. Young people from 4 to 14, reached for a dream in Summer Camp '92, to be creative through pottery; to be expressive through art; to relish the exhilaration of canoeing, the pure pleasure of swimming, the team spirit of sport, the challenge of athletics, the excitement of drama- all culminating in warm comraderie, around a campfire in Donadea Forest. They reached for their dreams, found them and forged strong bonds of friendship while pursuing them. Summer camp '92 was indeed a beacon of light. It blanked out the worries and anxieties of everyday life. It neutralised the gloom and doom of the real world. It was so far removed from it, that Summer Camp '92 gave new meaning to the phrase "Out of this World". And so it was ... a little piece of Heaven in Maynooth, where everyone was a star.

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This will be the third successive occasion that the event has been staged at the Mart and indeed if it were not for the kind permission of Doyle Bros. it would not be possible to stage this type of Motorsport in Maynooth. There are many Festivals taking place around the country during the Summer which would be only to happy to have an event of this type in their Festival programs, Maynooth actually took over the event from the Dun Laoghaire Festival.

We have been very fortunate in the past couple of years to have attracted the very best drivers in this discipline to our Festival Test Trial with National and International Champions such as Dermot Carnegie, Eamon Byrne, Carl Cleary, Frank Lenehan and Steve Griffin amongst others taking part in various Mini Specials, Beach Buggies and Saloons.

It must be stressed that only holders of Competition Licences may actually take part in the Test Trial but anyone who would like to take up this particular branch of Motorsport should come along and ask any of those involved for advice on how to get started. Even if you are not interested in actually taking up the sport the spectacle is well worth a visit.

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"The Bacchae", by Euripides.

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SPONSORED RUN FOR SOMALIA

Ireland's commitment to helping those less fortunate than ourselves was clearly demonstrated by four young pupils from the Presentation Convent Girls National School who raised £60 for the victims of famine in Somalia. The girls, Mary O'Sullivan, Aoife McTernan (both from Moyglare Estate), Noeleen Dunne (Greenfield) and Laura Gavin (Railpark), all in Mrs. Gibbon's class, completed sixteen laps of the G.A.A. pitch for their sponsors, Well done, girls, we are all proud of you.

THE STEAM MUSEUM STRAFFAN, COUNTY KILDARE, NEAR DUBLIN, IRELAND

The Steam age marked the progress of the sidecar to the steam engine. The first generation of man had arrived when a machine ran faster than a horse; where the waterwheel was supplanted by steam-powered rotary motion. Apart from being the great communicator through railways and shipping, the steam engine became the prime mover for manufacturing industry, and in Ireland many great commercial enterprises expanded including Arthur Guinness, Harland & Woolf, Smithwick and Jameson, together with considerable numbers of smaller concerns involved in corn and saw-milling, dairies, and the weaving and flax industries.

Thomas Newcomen (1663 - 1729) invented the steam pump and saved much misfortune and terrible toil in mine workings; James Watt (1736 - 1819) who developed rotary motion in the steam engine enabled many to improve their living standards by his new technology. Richard Trevithick (1771 - 1833), a world traveller whose genius realised the advantage of high pressure steam, made the first self-propelled road vehicle which began the evolution to all modern transport.

Charles Parsons of Birr (1854 - 1931) invented the steam turbine which today is still used for electricity generation and ship propulsion.

It was a great age, and early engineers were the spacemen of their day. For the first time in Ireland this museum shows some of these historic engines, with which this remarkable breakthrough for mankind was achieved. The Power Hall displays live steam stationary engines made or working in Ireland during the nineteenth century.

The Richard Guinness Hall houses his magnificent collection of many prototypes of early railway engines. This included Richard Trevithick's famous Third Model of the first four-wheeled self-propelled vehicle in existence. The museum building has been removed from Inchicore, the home of Irish rail-ways, and was restructured from the old church of St. Jude, where many steam engineers worshipped. It provides an incomparable gothic setting for these fantastic artifacts. A tea

house is provided and souvenir items, catalogue and post cards may be purchased in the reception area.

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STREET TALK

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Barry's Newsagents

We would like to wish Jim and Ann Barry a very happy retirement following a lifetime's service to the people of Maynooth, especially those who like an early read of the newspapers. May you have many lie-ins in the future.

To The New Barry's Newsagents

Many good wishes for the future prosperity of their new venture are sent to Seán and Mary Groarke, who have moved their shop "Billies" around the corner to Mill Street and have opened their newsagency in the former premises, with the best wishes of the Barry Family. It is nice to see that the name "Barry's" will not disappear from the Main Street.

A.I.B.

A.I.B. have bought the premises formerly known as "Barry's" on the Main Street. Whilst it is good to see that the financial state of the country is improving, it is also important to pay some attention to the environment. Please, A.I.B., when the plans are drawn up for the bank's extension could something be done to improve the facade of the present building, in order to align it with the present streetscape. It would be money well-spent in improving the premises, both inside and out, for the benefit of customers and staff.

Maynooth Shopping Centre

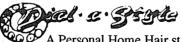
There are plans afoot to refurbish the Centre and provide toilets and baby changing facilities. Nabola Developments Ltd., the owners, have recently received planning permission for these refurbishments and their managing agents - Mason Owen and Lyons hope to set the work in train during the summer. The Mall will be given a new roof and floor and new entrance lobbies and the centre will be re-decorated. The plans include the upgrading of the car-park and the existing lights. The Mall canopies will be replaced and overall a smarter, more modern appearance is aimed at. In keeping with its modern outlook is the fact that the baby changing facilities will be sited in such a way that both male and female customers can avail of them.

KIDS KOTTAGE DAY NURSERIES

Kids Kottage, which has just been awarded 2nd place in Leinster by Liga's Creche of the Year, when special emphasis was made of its homely cottage atmosphere, is owned and run by Ger Scanlon who has been working in the childcare area for the last twelve years. She trained in Cathal Brogha St. the only recognised course in Ireland in childcare and is also qualified as a Montesssori teacher. Before setting up her own nursery she worked with children requiring special needs, travelling children and also set up a work-place creche in what is now D.C.U. She worked with parents groups for a year and did three years as a youth worker.

Ger. set up her nursey in 1989 in Old Greenfield after purchasing one of the cottages - No. 287 with its large garden she saw the need for a quality day care centre where children could be cared for safely and happily whilst their parents were at work, and converted the premises with this in mind. At the start there were three children enrolled in the nursery but this number rapidly increased until the number now stands at forty eight, with six staff now employed to care for them. A special baby room was opened in April 1990 followed in 1991 by a toddler room and a garage conversion, even the garden shed has been converted into a sand, water and paint area which allows the children to express themselves through play without worring about the mess! Currently there are three playrooms and a nursery to cater for all the needs of the children and a separate bedroom for afternoon naps. The children are supervised at all times by the fully qualified staff, a Doctor is always on call and fresh food is served daily by the full time cook. The homely atmosphere of the nursery is carefully fostered by all the staff as they believe that children can only develop fully in a caring friendly and stimulating atmosphere. Whilst Ger stresses that no nursery can take the place of parents, what they can do is provide the environment where children can be given the necessary interaction to stimulate growth through play language and music by staff who can give their whole time and attention to the children. Constant reviews take place to ensure that each child is happy and there are monthly staff meetings to assess their care and development. The staff receive on going training and are encouraged to attend courses to constantly update their skills.

Ger sees Kids Kottage as having achieved its maximum number of children and would not see any further numerical expansion but would like to develop services for children with difficulties and perhaps set up parent and toddler groups. The day care of the children is still the nursery's primary concern but it has expanded into other areas - Montessori and after school care which combined with its baby toddler and playgroup care keeps all the staff fully occupied and promotes the ethos of which Ger is so proud - a happy safe place for children to play and mess around and just be children who are looked after by people who have the time to really listen to them.



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THE SWAN

The Mute Swan (Cygnus olor) is one of eight species of swan that inhabits every continent except Africa and Antarctica. Legend has it that Richard the Lionheart brought the first mute swans from Cyprus after the third Crusade. The mute swan is extremely domesticated and will frequently take handouts of bread as can be seen in Maynooth harbour, it's the swan's version of junk food and they should be offered grass or other greens rather than bread.

Mating

These are large birds - almost four feet tall with their long necks extended. They begin mating at three and can live to be forty. They are as strong and white at thirty as at five. Swans are romantic lovers and mate for life. An elaborate courtship which includes the cob (male) chasing the pen (female) about the water, the pen sinks with her neck stretched straight out. As they mate she exhales a sighing call. They rise and face each other, touch breasts and cheeks, then emit a final snort.

Building Their Nests
Soon after the two are at work building their nest which rises two or three feet, a collection of sticks, weeds and other water plants, then pen deposits about half a dozen eggs and both parents settle down for about five weeks of incubation. The cob has many predators to contend with, including foxes, large gulls and rats. Although swans are usually mild-mannered, a

gulls and rats. Although swans are usually mild-mannered, a cob guarding his nest is a formidable foe. The force of his powerful wing can kill a small animal. If the cob is on the nest when the eggs begin to hatch, he beats a retreat and lets the pen take over the duties of helping the cygnets emerge, softly pushing them with her bill, picking off bits of shell and tossing them out of the nest. The new-born swans are tiny blobs of gray fluff and are quickly able to totter about. Within a few days they are waddling to the water's edge, where they begin paddling. Before long the entire family are in the water sailing in single file, the cob bringing up the rear, still on the look out for predators. Anybody who has fed the swans in Maynooth will notice that the

mute swan is far from mute, they chuckle, mutter and snort. They

also hiss and growl and give aloud cries when alarmed.

Learning To Fly

The most spectacular sight is when the cygnets are learning to fly, after a few months when they are nearly fully grown and their wings have developed. Watching their parents booming take-offs, their eight-foot wing-spans beating heavily, the cygnets imitate them nose diving and cart wheeling back into the water, gradually they learn to climb and fly further. The ancients linked these beautiful creatures with Aphrodite, goddess of love and Apollo, God of Poetry. According to myth, when Zeus had designs on Leda, he chose the guise of a swan as the most likely to win her favour. The swan has been celebrated by many artists and composers, one of the world's best loved ballets is of course "Swan Lake". Perhaps the most enduring myth is the "Swan Song", the melodious, haunting cry of a dying swan.

As Socrates prepared to drink his fatal hemlock, he told his followers, "I do not believe these birds sing in sorrow. I think because they are prophets, they know the good things in the other world, I depart life no more dispirited than they do". Next time you feed the swans in Maynooth you might remem-

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ber Socrates.

RECOLLECTIONS OF MAYNOOTH SENIOR CITIZENS

1993 is the European Year of older people and solidarity between generations. To celebrate this event, a collection of writings by Maynooth's senior citizens has been published. Entitled 'Recollections: Memories by Maynooth Senior Citizens" and available in local shops at the reasonable price of £1.50 this is a fascinating glimpse of the treasure lying within our older residents, in the form of memories, history, and reminiscences. The writings in this volume include essays, poems and Limericks. They cover major events such as the Mission (the effect of which is surely a mystery to the younger generation), the Emergency (also known as the Second World War), as well as accounts of growing up in a world without machines, thoughts on the pursuit of happiness, and reflections on growing old - it's better to wear away than to waste away. The Parish Mission obviously left its mark on many - two weeks of intensive Mass going, listening to terrifying sermons on the dangers of company keeping and sin and hell; buying medals, scapulars and holy pictures from stalls outside the church. As Kitty Shanley says, the week over, all felt very lonesome.

Pace of Development

the pace of development, which means that we now take so much for granted - like having running water, electricity in the house, washing machines. Peg Geraghty tells us that electricity came to Maynooth in 1929; and in 1959, they got running water, and in 1960 they got sewage pipes in their gardens. But there is some nostalgia for those quiet days - read Mary Waldron's account of washday, and the time for children to learn from Mother as she scrubs the family wash (Dad of course sits in the corner telling the news of the town). Brigid Saults talks about the days when the young people would gather on Bond Bridge to listen to the music of Mary Fay's melodeon, when sets and reels were danced on the old bridge. (Try that now, young people, and you'll be arrested, or mown down by traffic!). Eileen Fingleton in her beautifully written account of a machine free world in the Golden Vale concludes that if we had fewer machines, more would be employed and there would be less boredom - but wryly notes that progress is something we cannot and must not impede.

Flood of Memories

The Emergency unleashes a flood of memories, mostly relating to the privations of rationing - although there is some disagreement among our writers as to whether it was two ounces, one ounce or half an ounce of tea per person per week (sorry, the editor is unable to supply the equivalent in tea bags). Some writers note the scarcity of young men, which left fewer men in the cinemas and dance halls, so no doubt men were rationed too. Ms Kathleen Canavan gives an entertaining account of the difficulties of being a catering manageress in a world where inspectors swooped threatening dire retribution on those who served a slice of bread with a bowl of soup. Nellie Rossiter spent her time as a nurse in the Curragh, where she nursed the victims of the Glen of Imaal explosion as well as the German and British prisoners of war. However, the food was more plentiful, as the army had to be fed. continued



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There are fascinating glimpses of Maynooth life - read Gerry Coyne's account of a working life which started at the age of twelve, carrying water from the pump in the Square to his neighbours.

Carton is mentioned by some - Gerry Coyne mentions how he used to cut thistles there in his school holiday, and got 12/6 a week. Brigid Saults tells us about the last Duke of Leinster, an interesting old reprobate who gambled away his heritage; and whose sister, Lady Nesta presented the Brass and Reed Band with the crest of the Leinster coat of arms in 1932. Alas the Duke's triumphal visit to Maynooth with his third wife was never repeated - who knows, if he had been a prudent investor, we might still have their Graces at both ends of the town, and these fears of acres of concrete covering Carton might have no basis.

Macho Men

The College gets few mentions. Gerry Coyne tells of going to the College Gate at 6 in the morning, and carrying bags for students, for which he got 1/6 or 2/-, Margaret (Peg) Geraghty provides an intriguing picture of the Kilcock road, with washing spread far and wide on the bushes; these were the washings of the 600 college students, which provided a small income for the women of Maynooth, and for the school boys, who earned six pence a day to mind the clothes after school. This is an interesting account of how the macho men of Maynooth in the early 1900s did not "allow" their wives to work out, but who were happy to accept them earning a few bob in their spare time, washing clothes, repairing sacks from the mill and soutanes from the College.

This is a wonderful collection; every house should have at least one. It will form a valuable resource for the future. What a pity there is no biographical detail about the writers, not all of whom are originally from Maynooth as it would have been helpful in some cases to know where exactly the particular accounts are based. The photographs used to illustrate the volume would also have benefitted from more illuminating captions; neverthe less they add considerably to the charm of this book.

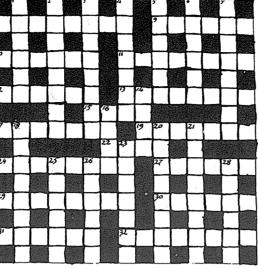
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- 12. Japanese religion, sounds like Scottish hurling (6)
- 13. So, Basset, it's fire proof (8).
- 15. Where the beasts are sold on the Dublin Road (4).
- 17. Bette Davis award winning film (7).
- 19. Make a word from initials on my car (7).
- 22. Just a female horse (4).
- 24. Mix H with my taste for a blue violet gem (8).
- 27. Red eel gave a dirty look (6).
- 29. Mix up nine green for one who constructs (8).
- 30. Nat sobs at the truncheons (6).
- 31. Raw cod is without courage (6).
- 32. A waterfall disease of the eye (8).

Down

- 1. Awful smell (6).
- 2. Accuse Denis, in short, with one sixteenth of a pound (8).
- 3. Sounds like wheel covers could be exhausting (8).
- 4. Narrow minded islander (7).
- 5. Lob map, badly but with assurance (6).
- 6. Ashes at the end of the ninth, eleventh and twelfth months (6).
- 7. Sounds like the bloody puss is in a classification of its own (8).
- 14. Heavenly rats (4).
- 16. Slam the giving of charity (4).
- 18. No, not me, D, it's a Canadian town (8).
- 20. Celbridge first, and Donabate last, produce an unwed person (8).
- 21. Rue overt proposal (8).
- 23. Entice rat with tact (7).
- 25. Formosa once, a twain now (6).
- 26. Yes, lid provides dividends (6).
- 28. Cue Hun for a gelded harem resident (6).

Features

Local Services

Solution to Crossword No. 66

Across

1. Operettas; 9. Impede; 10. Flamenco; 11. Heifer;

- 12. Robust; 14. Ajar; 15. Sisal; 16. Petrol;
- 18. Brittle; 21. Cygnets; 24. Repeat; 26. Infer;
- 30. Fret; 31. Reeled; 32. Strife; 33. Innocent;
- 34. Voters 35. Allegedly.

Down

2. Pallor; 3. Rumpus; 4. Tenets; 5. Anomaly; 6 Ampere

- 7. Perforce; 8. Heartless; 11. Happy; 13. Silt;
- 17. Obtrusive; 19. Impurity; 20. Litre;
- 22. Glee; 23. Vitriol; 25. Afford; 27. Fringe;
- 28. Rescue: 29. Fennel.

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Who can participate in the scheme?

Full-time third level Students who formerly would have been eligible for means-tested Unemployment Assistance of £15 a week or more may apply to participate in the Scheme.

NOTE: Mature Students and those engaged in VTOS or Third Level Allowance Schemes are NOT eligible to participate but may be entitled to claim Unemployment Assistance instead.

How will the scheme operate?

- 1. Both Students and Sponsors must receive prior written approval to participate in the Scheme from the Department.
- 2. Students will be required to satisfy a means test and must disclose full details of income. Failure to do so will result in automatic disqualification from participation in the Scheme.
- 3. Eligible students will be issued with a Students "Job Certificate" along with a list of the participating Sponsors in their region who can provide part-time work under the Scheme. Responsibility for contacting Sponsors and seeking work rests with the Student.
- 4. Working arrangements are a matter to be agreed between the Student and the Sponsor. Students will be authorised to work for up to 160 hours over a period of 10 weeks. Students will be paid by the Sponsor and payment will be at the rate of £2.50 per hour subject to a maximum of £400 over the period.
- 5. On commencing, Students must give the Job Certificate to their Sponsor, who will retain it for the purposes of recovering payment from the Department.
- 6. On completion of participation in the Scheme, Students will be required to countersign the Job Certificate.
- 7. A Student who is unable to obtain the maximum number of hours (160) with any one Sponsor may apply for a further Job Certificate for the remaining hours. A statement from the first Sponsor, showing the number of hours worked and the amount paid, must be submitted with the new application.

Students Whose Parents Are In Receipt Of Social Welfare Payments

Students living at home who cannot get work under the **Summer Jobs Scheme** and whose family is solely dependent on a Social Welfare payment(s) can avail of special arrangements which allow payment for up to 8 weeks from Monday 19th July 1993.

How Can Students Apply To Participate In The Scheme? Application Forms (ST 1) and further information on the Scheme are available from your local Social Welfare Office or by writing to:

Social Welfare Services, P.O. Box 3840, Dublin 1.

Closing Date for receipt of Application Forms is Friday 4 June 1993

Local Services

CREDIT UNION NOTES

Dear Members,

Once again, we would like to bring to your attention that Maynooth Credit Union is a democratic, membership owned, financial co-operative. Each member has an equal vote, and members are encouraged to take an active interest in the affairs of their Credit Union.

It is managed and serviced by a Board of Directors, a committee of supervisors, who were elected at our annual general meeting, all of whom have volunteered their time and efforts freely for the benefit of all the members and also their community. There is also a panel of tellers, who are unpaid volunteers. Like all voluntary organisations, it is only a small number of people who get involved in worthwhile causes. The services provided to members must rely upon the availability of its volunteers. Our membership has grown considerably within the last twelve months and now we need more volunteers to help maintain and improve services, opening hours, etc.

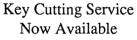
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Currently on display is a selection of crafts made by the senior citizens of Maynooth, which highlights the very real contribution older people can make to society, included are crochet, lace and knitted pieces. We have put together a list of suggested reading, and a small display of books which may be of interest to older people.

Also on exhibition are the entries for the Castle Committees painting competition, and any work done by the resident bookloving, literary and creative kids - The Black Tulips.

Some new books added to stock include the following fiction titles:

Tom Clancy - The Sum of All Fears.

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Political Party Notes

MAYNOOTH LABOUR NOTES

Extension To Maynooth Post Primary School

Following further meetings between Minister Emmet Stagg and the Minister for Education Niamh Bhreathnach, we are pleased to announce that approval has now been obtained for the much needed extension. It will be a permanent structure and the additional 550 square metres of space will mean that the school will now be big enough to accommodate 700 pupils.

The Branch congratulates Tom Ashe and all the Parents involved in the campaign to have a permanent extension.

Greenfield Lane/Meadowbrook

Cllr. John McGinley tabled the following motion at the Celbridge Area Committee meeting of Kildare County Council on 22nd April and it was passed unanimously.

'That this Council reaffirms its decision of last year to bollard off Greenfield Lane, Maynooth and thereby cutting off access to the Byrne and Riordan Houses from the road, but giving these houses a new link road to the Meadowbrook Road, and that these bollards be removed when the Meadowbrook Road is linked with the Straffan Road via Dunnes field and furthermore that no other link road be granted between Meadowbrook and Greenfields'.

John McGinley and Emmet Stagg fully support the residents in their efforts to have Greenfield Lane closed to through traffic immediately as the end houses on the Lane (Byrnes and Riordans) will have access via the existing road to Newtown. Disconnection Of Water Supply

The recent scandalous behaviour by Kildare County Council of disconnecting householders water supplies for non payment of charges has caused great concern recently. Labour Councillors McGinley, Purcell and Keane have tabled a motion for the next meeting of Kildare County Council calling for the ceasing of disconnections forthwith.

Water Pressure - Greenfield Lane

Arising from complaints from Residents of Greenfield Lane concerning Low Water Pressure in the area Deputy Emmet Stagg made representations to the County Engineer. He has been advised that a burst watermain was repaired in February and that this probably caused the low water pressure. However the Council will continue to monitor the situation.

Maynooth Employment Exchange

Minister Emmet Stagg has been in contact with the Minister for Social Welfare arising from complaints that people signing on had to queue outside the Employment Exchange in bad weather. With the facilities at the Exchange people should not have to queue outside while awaiting payment.

The Avenue

At the request of Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley the Councils Architects Section have been requested to prepare a scheme for the upgrading of Carton Avenue as an amenity walk for the benefit of the people of Maynooth.

Policing Arrangements for Maynooth

In response to representations by Minister Stagg and Cllr. McGinley requesting a fully manned 24 hour Garda Station for Maynooth the Minister of Justice has advised as follows.

The Garda authorities, who are responsible for the detailed policing arrangements for individual areas, inform me that Maynooth station is currently open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. from Monday to Saturday and from 12 noon to 2 p.m. on Sundays.

The Garda authorities report that to increase the opening hours of the station would mean withdrawing Gardai from operational duties in order to man the station. As they feel that this would be counter-productive, they do not propose to extend the opening hours of Maynooth station. It is important to note, of course, that the fact that the station is closed does not mean that there are no Gardai on duty in the town. The area is patrolled on a regular basis by foot and mobile patrols throughout the day and night.

The current manpower at Maynooth station is I Sergeant and 6 Gardai. In addition, the Divisional Officer has recently set up a Uniform Crime Unit to operate throughout the North Eastern part of the Division, which includes Maynooth, in order to counteract criminal activity in that area.

The local Gardai report that they have regular discussions with the Executive of the Students Club at Maynooth with a view to ensuring the orderly behaviour of its patrons. They also provide additional patrols when late-night functions are being held in the town and as people are leaving licensed premises at closing time. In addition, the residents in the Parson's Street area, in conjunction with the local Gardai, have established a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

The Garda authorities also report that the provisional crime figures for 1992 for the Maynooth Sub-District show a decrease of over 12% on the previous year. The Garda authorities are satisfied that the present policing arrangements make for a better utilisation of manpower as more members perform outdoor foot and mobile patrols but they are keeping the situation there under continuing review.

Road Block Grants 1993

Road and footpath improvements in the Maynooth area to be carried out from the Road Block Grants for 1993 are as follows.

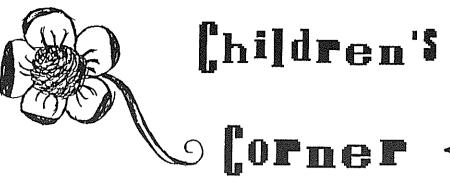
1. Moyglare Road - A sum of £28,500 has been provided to carry out additional Drainage, Road Widening, additional gulleys, and to provide a Tarmacadam Carpet and further extension of footpaths. Public lighting will be provided from Development Levies. This will complete the road up to the entrance to Moyglare Village.

- 2. Parson Street and Cluain Aoibhinn Parson Street will be resurfaced. Additional resurfacing from Newtown to the entrance to Cluain Aoibhinn will be carried out. Amount Provided £17,300.
- 3. Pound Lane/Back Lane A sum of £10,000 has been set aside for the provision of ramps along Pound Lane/Back Lane.
- 4. Back Lane Serving Phase 2 & 3 Greenfields A sum of £1,000 has been allocated to provide Public Lighting.
- 5. Footpaths A sum of £7,000 has been provided for repairs to footpaths at Mill Street, Parson Street and Dublin Road.
- 6. Boreen £2,000 has been provided to surface dress The Boreen.

Cllr. John McGinley and Minister Emmet Stagg will press to have the required works carried out at the earliest opportunity. *National Conference*

At our recent National Conference in Waterford Cllr. John McGinley was elected to serve on the National Executive of the Labour Party. Margaret Clince was also successful in seeking election to the National General Council of the Party. The Branch congratulates them on their election to these National Bodies.

Also at Conference Clir. Colm Purcell was elected Secretary of the National Labour Councillors Association. We wish Colm well.







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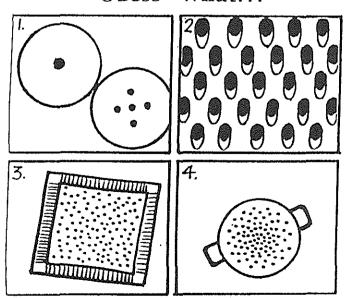
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Political Party Notes

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The purpose of policy documents is to inform the government of alternative solutions to problems which affect not only the young people of Ireland but the Irish people as a whole. Policy documents presented over the last few years and which the government have followed recommendations of are, "Law and Women in the Workplace", "Private Rented Accommodation", "Child Abuse", "AIDS", and "The Misuse of Drugs".

However, producing policy documents is not Ogra's only activity. We have organised many political debates throughout the country also. On the 10th of last month a mock Dáil was organised in Cork by Ogra. It was attended by numerous T.D.s both from Fianna Fáil and Opposition parties, but the event was organised and run entirely by Ogra members. There is at present a plan to hold an Ogra Summer "School" in Clare this coming summer. It will consist of a mix of politics and socialising and will last for a few days. It is hoped to keep the cost to a minimum.

New members are always welcome. If you wish to join Ogra in Kildare write to: Ruairí Newman, 11 Moyglare Meadows, Maynooth, or phone me at 6289189 after 6 p.m. Monday to Friday.

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Pearse O'Connell - Principal of the Boys' National School, Maynooth.

Mr. Pearse O'Connell, a familiar sight to all the parents of young boys in Maynoth was born in Monaghan Town and received his early education at the Christian Brothers School in the town. On completion of his national teach-

ers training he came to join the staff in Maynooth in 1961. Ten years later he was appointed principal of the B.N.S. which post he has held for the last twenty-two years. No wonder his hair has turned white! The Village of Maynooth as it was in 1961, was quiet and friendly and the parents were very welcoming and co-operative. Time has moved on but Mr. O'Connell still views the role of parents as of vital importance. He visualises more parent involvement in education and states that if the pupil-teacher ratio improves then everything else will follow suit, and also views the green paper, if implemented, in a very positive light.

School Expansion

He has seen the school expand over the years with a corresponding expansion of facilities, e.g. four computers, two televisions and videos- all provided by the generosity of the parents. He would like to acknowledge the school's indebtedness to the Parents' Association - without whom he could not see the school surviving. Other facilities he would like to see in the future would include a football pitch as the school yard is not really suitable for a strenuous game of football. The strong Catholic ethos of the school is demonstrated by the committment of the staff in preparing their pupils for the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation and as the town knows Mr. O'Connell is an enthusiastic participant in the musical preparations for the sacraments. He is very proud of the lovely new statue of Our Lady, donated by Fr. Supple and painted out of the goodness of his heart by Matt Gargan, which stands in the corner of the main corridor of the school. Mr. O'Connell is also very proud of the achievement of the pupils over the years, both inside and outside of the school. When he manages to find some free time, he can be found on the golf course or watching a game of football (G.A.A. by preference) or just relaxing and reading a light novel. Long may he continue to do so.

As a conclusion to this series written on our school principals we might reflect on the willing service they have given to the children and parents of Maynooth and count ourselves very lucky indeed to have them all - Sr. Aquinas, Mr. Ashe and Mr. O' Connell - in our community.

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Sports News

MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

u/16 Football League - Maynooth 2-7 v Monasterevan 1-10 Maynooth got off to a great start in this game with a fine goal by C. Ryan and a further point by J. Lawlor left Maynooth ahead after 10 mins. At this stage Monasterevan took control and scored six points without reply. On the stroke of half time Billy Glennon got Maynooth's second goal to leave the half-time score Maynooth 2-1 to Monasterevan 6 pts. Maynooth started the second half well and points by Rossiter, Buckley, Moore left them 3 points ahead, then Monasterevan got a penalty which they scored and a further 3 points by Monasterevan left them ahead going into the last 10 minutes but Maynooth fought back with points from Ryan, Rossiter, Moore to earn a good draw.

Best for Maynooth: C. Ryan 1-1, B. Glennon 1 goal, J. Rossiter 2 pts, D. Moore 2 pts, and J. Buckley 1 pt. J. Lawlor also played well.

u/16 Hurling League: Maynooth 3-5 v Eire Og/Corrachoill 1-3

Maynooth had a good win in this under 16 Hurling League Match. Some good defence work by Justin Moran, David Moore, and Senan Griffin. The forwards took their scores and went on for a good win.

Best for Maynooth: M. Nugent, S. Brennan, C. Ryan, G. Gaffney, D. Moore, S. Griffin and J. Moran.

u/14 Football League - Maynooth 1-2 v Carbury 1-7

Maynooth lost this game through the bad shooting by their forwards.

Best for Maynooth: W. Gannon, 1 goal, J. O'Shea, 1 pt, G. Hanley 1 pt, D. Naughton, P. Ryan, A. Gallagher, M. Naughton.

u/14 Hurling (Féile) Maynooth 6-4 v Rathangan 1-0

Maynooth had a very easy win over Rathangan.

Best for Maynooth: W. Gannon, 2 goals 1 pt., B. Keogh, 2 goals, P. Ryan, 1 goal, N. Ryan1 goal S. Cummins 2 pts., J. O'Shea, 1 pt.

u/16 Football Leagues: Maynooth 3-9 v Leixlip 4-15

A very determined Leixlip side put up a very impressive display in defeating Maynooth. Maynooth tried hard but could not break down the Leixlip defence.

Best for Maynooth: J. Rossiter, 1 goal 3 pts., C. Ryan 1-3, J. Lawlor 1 goal, A. Gaffney 1 pt., M. Nugent 1 pt., J. O'Shea 1 pt.

u/16 Hurling League: Maynooth 1-4 v Celbridge 1-3

Maynooth got off to a great start to this game with a point from 50 yds. by R. Casey and then 3 points by S. Brennan left the half-time score Maynooth 4 pts., Celbridge 1 pt. A goal by Celbridge on the re-start put Maynooth under pressure but then a great goal by A. Gaffney left Maynooth in control which they held.

Best for Maynooth: S. Brennan 3 pts., A. Gaffney, 1 goal, R. Casey 1 pt.

Minor Hurling League: Maynooth 2 pts. v Kilcock 5 pts. In a low scoring game Maynooth could have won this game, but their forwards were in bad scoring form.

Best for Maynooth: P. Lacey, 2 pts., C. Ryan, M. Nugent, S. Brennan.

Minor Football League: Maynooth 3-12 v Na Fianna 3-12 Maynooth lead right through this game and it was only in the last five minutes Maynooth defence let Na Fianna in for 2 late goals which gave them a draw.

Best for Maynooth: G. Fleming 2-3, H. Nevin, 1-3, T. Farrell, 2 pts, P. Garvey, 2 pts., M. Nugent 1 pt., K. Killoran, 1 pt.

u/16 Hurling League: Maynooth 1-5 v Kilcock 0-5pts.

Maynooth scored a good win over Kilcock in the u/16 Hurling League. Maynooth were first to score a fine point by R. Casey. S. Brennan playing well scored another point but Kilcock fought back and were level at half-time. In second half Kilcock were on top but good defence by J. Moran, D. Moore, C. Burke and M. Bennett held them out. P. Ryan scored Maynooth a goal mid way through second half.

BestforMaynooth: J. Moran, D. Moore, C. Burke, M. Bennett, P. Ryan, R. Casey, A. Gaffney, S. Brennan and C. Ryan.

Lotto Results for 18/4/93: Numbers -4-22-23-Jackpot £200. No winner. 3 x £10 - Kathleen Bennett, Bridget Flanagan, Peggy Edwards.

Lotto Results for 25/4/93: Numbers -8-14-23-Jackpot £250. No winner. 3 x' £10 - K. McDermott, P. Tracey, S. Murphy. Lotto Results for 2/5/93: Numbers-15-23-24-Jackpot £300. No winner. 3 x £10 - B. Daly, M. Fanning, A. Sinnott.

Lotto Results for 9/5/93: Numbers -3-9-17-Jackpot £350. Won by Michael Kelly (Jnr.) Moyglare Road, Maynooth.

IST TEAM FOOTBALL

(1) Maynooth 8 pts - Monasterevan 7 pts (League Away) Scorers: Garvey 3; Nolan .2; Murray, Riordan + Reilly .1 each Best: M. Nevin, M. Kelly, A. Burke, K. Fagan, F. Devereaux, J. Edwards, J. Nolan.

Starting without Joey Nevin, Johnny Nevin, Ken Killoran, Paul Stynes and Pascal Ennis and playing away to Senior side Monasterevan in atrocious conditions Maynooth were given little chance of getting anything from this game. When having had use of a gale force wind in the first half the side was 3 pts in arrears at H.T. it seemed as if the writing was on the wall. The team responded magnificently however, and defied every effort by Monasterevan to secure the points. They held the home side to one point in the 2nd Half while taking on 5 pts themselves. Particularly good performances by Nevin, Burke, Kelly and Edwards.

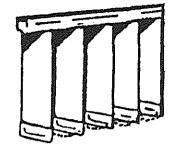
(2) Maynooth 14 pts - St. Kevin's 1.10 (League Away)

Scorers: Paul Garvey 6 pts: Joey Riordan 2 pts; Liam O'Toole, Derek Murray, Aidan Burke, Joey Edwards, Mick Kelly and David Mahony 1 pt each.

6 points down at half time after an error-strewn first half Maynooth responded with a thundering second half display to snatch victory from a shattered Kevin's side. In the opening period St. Kevin's tactic of playing corner forward Pat Flynn as a third midfielder had caused havoc but Maynooth's switch of David Mahony to that area after the break nullified the threat from Flynn and Mahony later went on to kick over the winning point. Great performances by Nevin at No. 3, Kelly at No. 5, who capped a fine display with a marvellous point on the run,

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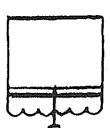
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Killoran at No. 6 who was masterful all through, Devereaux when switched to midfield. Garvey whose freetaking was exemplary but who also made a very significant contribution in general play, Riordan who completely unsettled a previously rampant No. 3 when moved on to him in the second half and Mahony who excelled in two different positions.

(3) Two Mile House 1-9 - Maynooth 9 pts.

Championship - 9th May - Clane.

Maynooth made an early and possibly undeserved exit from the Championship at the hands of a big strong T M H side who started and finished better than Maynooth. In the periods in between Maynooth more than matched them however and despite losing out in the midfield exchanges to Donal Burke and Maurice Colbert they led at half time 5 points to 4. In addition despite playing against a strong breeze in the 2nd half they appeared, with 10 minutes remaining, to have broken T MH's resistance as they strode into a 3 point lead. It was at this stage that "Lady Luck" deserted them, however and when an attempted short kick out went astray they paid the inevitable price with TMH's wily full forward Joe Tompkins capitalising on it to find the net. TMH's tails were now up and hard though Maynooth tried they could not retrieve the situation. They were not helped in their efforts either by the disallowing, without consultation with the umpires, of a Johnny Nevin punched goal. It was a debatable decision (not the only one) to say the least and the subject of much discussion in the Maynooth camp afterwards.

So it's back to the drawing board for the team, mentors etc. and while all connected with the side were bitterly disappointed with the outcome the hope is that valuable lessons are being learned by what is essentially a very young and inexperienced side - lessons which can be put to good use in the campaigns still to come.

Best for Maynooth were: Paul Stynes, Joe Conway, Ken Killoran (who played former Kerry star Timmy O'Dowd completely out of the game), David Mahony, Johnny Nevin and Joey Nevin.

For Two Mile House who now play Caragh in the Quarter-final Best Were: Tommy Barrett at No. 3, Martin Andrews at No. 4, Maurice Colbert (he kicked 6 pts from frees) and Donal Burke at midfield and Joe Tompkins at No.14

(4) Maynooth 1-7 - Kill 8 pts (League Away)

Maynooth bounced straight back from their Championship defeat to take the scalp of last year's Junior A Champions Kill in a hard fought game under difficult conditions. A strong breeze blowing straight down "the slope" made good football virtually impossible. Kill had first use of it and raced to a half time lead - 7 pts to 3 pts. Maynooth kept in touch with Garvey's "sure-footed" placekicking and with the defence performing heroics. The second half was a different story with Maynooth taking on 1.4 to Kill's single reply by centre back Mick Behan. Maynooth dominated the exchanges for most of the half and would have won by more with more accurate shooting.

Scorers: Paul Garvey 1-6 - James Gilligan 1 pt.

Best for Maynooth: Ennis, Stynes, Mahony, Garvey, Johnny Nevin, Fagan and Burke.

UNDERAGE Under 10

(1) Maynooth 4-4 - Kilcock 2-4 (Home)

Scorers: P. Ennis 2-1; B. Downey and P. Sheehan 1 goal each, A. Baxter 2 pts and S. O'Malley 1 pt.

Best: D. Conway in goal, the entire full back line of F. O'Donoghue, D. Connellan and Aidan Molloy, G. Quinn at centre half back, Ennis and Baxter at midfield and Fleming. O'Rourke and Houlihan up front.

(2) Maynooth 8-5 - Leixlip 2 goals (Away)

Scorers: Alan Baxter 2-2: Peter Sheehan 2 goals: Pierre Ennis 2 goals, Joe Fleming 1-1, Donal Houlihan 1 goal, Patrick O'Rourke and Stephen O'Malley 1 pt each.

The wins against Kilcock and Leixlip leave the side top of the League after 4 games. While Maynooth's experienced "halfdozen" Derek Connellan, Morgan Sweeney, Graham Quinn, Pierre Ennis, Alan Baxter and Patrick O'Rourke have been really turning on the style in the games to date it is very pleasing to see so many of the "newer brigade" making their mark i.e. Dean Conway, Aidan Molloy, Donal Houlihan, Joe Fleming, Peter Sheehan, Stephen O'Malley, Killian Carr, Stephen Healy, Daniel Adderley, Brian Downey and Fintan O'Donoghue. Victory over Confey in their final match would leave them winners of the competition for the second year running.

(1) Maynooth 0-4 - Kilcock 2-1 (Home)

This was a very close hard fought battle with both teams going for long periods without scoring. In the end however Kilcock got a somewhat fortunate goal which turned out to be the difference between the teams.

Best: D. Campbell, N. Healy, P. King, S. Pidgeon, and K. Grennell.

Scorers: D. Campbell 4 pts.

(2) Leixlip 3-4 - Maynooth 1-2 (Away)

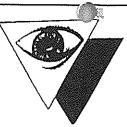
A game that started well for Maynooth with a goal after ten minutes play. They seemed to lose their way after this score however and didn't start playing again until midway through the second half. At this stage they were boosted by the arrival of Ennis and Baxter from the Under 10 game and laid siege to the Leixlip goal. All efforts to breach the home side's defence were unsuccessful however and in the end they had to settle for second best.

Best for Maynooth: D. Campbell, P. O'Sullivan, D. O'Brien, P. King, S. Devereaux, S. Fleming.

Scorers: S. Fleming 1-0, D. Lawlor 0-1, D. Campbell 0-1

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Our recent trip was to Old Trafford to see at first hand the unforgetable scenes as Manchester Utd. celebrated the winning of the first Premier League Championships. Another first for United who always set the standards for others to try and emulate. **Boat Trip**

Our party left Maynooth on Monday morning May 3rd, at 7 a.m. for Dunlaoghaire and the boat trip to Hollyhead. At Dunlaoghaire we were confronted by a barrage of photographers from the National newspapers who wished to witness the colourful scenes for themselves and record the events for the archives. Our boat trip was a most enjoyable journey with our party of twenty six savouring the cuisine and refreshments on board a most comfortable vessel. Sing songs, card games, bingo sessions and a cabaret show helped to speed the time and before long we reached Hollyhead to be greeted by brilliant summer sunshine. Our coach journey to Manchester went without a hitch and our excellent driver made his way through the beautiful Welsh countryside with the expertise of an Austin McHale in prime form. Our genial courier Shay Weafer ensured that everyone received the best of attention and his expert handling of the trip made for a wonderful occasion. The match tickets were issued on board the coach and those were to be guarded with great care. On arrival at our hotel The Grafton we were issued with our room keys and we thereby set out to view our accommodation which turned out to be first rate. A quick wash and the match colours were donned in readiness for the great event. The usual quota of food was washed down by large quantities of the local brews.

The Great Stadium

We were taken to Old Trafford by coach where we were met by the most amazing scenes one could imagine. The perimeter of the great stadium was awash with the usual blend of the various Utd. team strips. Party celebrations were already in full swing from early evening and the younger members of our party were totally gobsmacked by the scenes which confronted them. Even the non Utd. supporters were in awe at the sight of this wonderful scene. We settled into our seats to enjoy the game and we were not to be disappointed at the performance by our heroes. After a slight hiccup when Blackburn took an early lead Utd. dominated the remainder of the game to the delight of the home fans. The band of the Royal Marines performed before the game and during the interval but not a note was to be heard, such was the volume of noise inside our "Theatre of Dreams". The appreciative applause by the sporting Old Trafford fans for a former son Kevin Moran was a true indication of the esteem in which he was held and was something to remember for a long time. The celebrations after the game went into the early hours and it was with bleary eyes and various other ailments that we faced the early rise for the trip home.

The Trip Home

The trip home was once again a memorable journey and the "craic" was mighty without going near the Isle of Man. Everything went so well that we arrived in Dublin an hour early. This was a trip which had everything from departure to arrival home. Perfect weather, smooth travel, ideal match result, the witnessing of the trophy presentation will leave abiding memories for all even if Johnny Thomson couldn't get milk for his tea on one occasion. The frisking of David Cusker at security in Hollyhead did not dampen the spirit of our party.

Maybe they had heard something about "baby face" or had seen the Evening Press. The older warriors of our party set a good example for our younger set and they maintained the good behaviour throughout. For lads of such an age they proved to be great ambassadors for the club and were a great credit to their parents and their mentors. It was a wonderful experience to be in their company and we look forward to our next outing with great anticipation.

LEINSTER JUNIOR LEAGUE DIV I

Rathcoffy 0 Maynooth Town 3

Maynooth ran out easy winners of this local Derby and avenged a narrow defeat earlier in the season with this emphatic win. Eamon Dunne was outstanding at centre half for Maynooth and with Philip Doyle, Paul Mc Court and Gerry Thompson placed the shackles on the Rathcoffey forward line from which they could never escape. A power leader from Fergal Barton, a thirty five yard rocket from Gerry Thompson and a deft touch by Jason Keigher sealed this good win.

Maynooth Town 1 Villa Utd Ltd 1

This game was played at a frantic pace with the tempo only slackening near the end. Jason Keigher volleyed Maynooth into the lead in the 18th minute but had to withstand strong pressure from Villa after this early boost. Villa equalised in the 68th minute when Maynooth failed to clear a corner and presented an early change. Best for Maynooth were Jason Keigher and Paul Byrne.

Aungier Celtic 1 Maynooth Town 2.

We kept our outside chance of League honours alive with this battling performance against a stubborn home side. Philip Doyle put us in front in the 37th minute when scoring from a free kick from twenty five yards out. Aungier equalised nine minutes into the second half but Maynooth regained the lead in the 75th minute following a good passing movement between Sean Moore and Joey Dempsey which set up Jason Keigher for the winner. Best for Maynooth were Jason Keigher, Paul Byrne Paul McCourt and Fergal Barton.

Sarto Celtic 2 Maynooth Town 5

Sarto went two goals up in the first six minutes and it looked as if the recent glut of hard games was taking its toll. Jason Keigher put on a virtuoso performance, capping it with a magnificent hat trick. Philip Doyle was close behind with two goals in a amazing comeback which typified the spirit of the team.

Cashel Celtic 1 Maynooth Town 1

Maynooth can justifiably feel hard done by in being deprived of the two points in this hard fought encounter. The loss of Jason Keigher with a hamstring injury after ten minutes did not augur well for Maynooths chances. The reshuffled Maynooth team battled every inch of the wasy but a Cashel goal before half time set us an uphill task. Maynooth drew level midway through the second helf when Fergal Barton headed home a corner but for some unexplained reason the referee disallowed the goal even to the surprise of the home team. Ten minutes later a Philip Doyle penalty was saved by the Cashel keeper but Martin McTernan was on hand to smash home the rebound. Another good performance with good shows by John Geoghegan, Joey Dempsey and Barry Desmond.

DIV. 3 PRIVATE GRDS.

Maynooth Town 1 Quarryvale 0

Our second team completed their league campaign wth this good home win over Quarryvale who were pushing for

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runners-up spot. Michael Kelly led the forward line with great gusto and got good support from Michael Murphy and Joey Dempsey. The winner did not arrive until the 76th minute when Joey Dempsey headed home a Michael Murphy corner. A rock solid Maynooth defence with stood relentless Quarryvale pressure but sterling work by Dave Faherty, Ray McTernan and Barry Farrell ensured the points.

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Maynooth Town 6 Greenhills Boys 0

An easy home win by Maynooth over Greenhills boys who never got into the game. Maynooth opened the scoring as early as the fourth minute and scored at will after that. Goals by Martin Byrne (2), one direct from a corner, Eamon Gallagher, (2) Donncha McCarrick (1) and Aidan O'Brien.

Maynooth Town 3 Rathcoole Boys 2

Maynooth Town had to pull out all the stops to record this hard earned win. Maynooth trailed by two early Rathcoole goals and it looked as if we would drop two valuable points in our quest for the title. A stern pep talk by manager Michael Murphy at half-time spurred on Maynooth and backed by a vociferous home following ruled the game in the second half. Martin Byrne scored a first class hat trick to emerge as the home hero where he got good support from Donnacha McCarrick and Aidan O'Brien.

Griffin Park Rgs. 2 Maynooth Town 3

This win put Maynooth at the top of the League after an easier win that the scoreline suggests. Maynooth came from behind following an early Griffith Park goal when Alan Nugent set up Aidan O'Brien for the equaliser. Two added goals by Eamon Gallagher set Maynooth on the road to victory and only a late late goal by the home side put a flattering look on the scoreline. Eoin Guha and Aidan O'Brien were outstanding for Maynooth.

U/14 Harmon Cup Quarter-Final Maynooth Town 2 Lourdes Celtic 0

Maynooth booked their semi-final place with this polished performance against an excellent Lourdes team. Maynooth defence was in great form with David Coughlan and Darren Naughton particularly outstanding. Eoin Guha scored a wonder solo goal in the 3rd minute to give Maynooth the spring board for success. With ten minutes remaining Alan Nugent sealed victory for Maynooth by scoring the second. Niall Naughton and Patrick Carroll were others to perform well for Maynooth.

U/14 Harmon Cup Semi-Final Mount Merrion 2 Maynooth Town 1 (A.E.T.)

This must go down as the disappointment of the season so far. Playing at a venue which was virtually a home venue for the opposition Maynooth put up a gallant show. Martin Byrne put Maynooth in front when he headed home on Eamon Gallagher corner and was unlucky not to increase the lead when heading another Eamon Gallagher over the Bar. With twelve minutes remaining Mount Merrion equalised via an own goal by a Maynooth defender. Mount Merrion tok the lead six minutes into extra time when Maynooth failed to clear a free kick and an alert forward took his chance. Maynooth must now pick

themselves up after this set back and bring the lead title to Maynooth.

U/14 League

Maynooth Town 6 Rosemount 0

Maynooth turned over at half- time only one goal in front but a much improved second half performance saw Maynooth dominate the remainder of the game and run out easy winners. Best for Maynooth were Niall Byrne, Patrick Carroll and Danny Byrne.

U/11 League

St. Mark's 2 Maynooth Town 2

Maynooth put up a tremendous performance against the league leaders and must rue some easy points missed in the early part of the season. Maynooth had to come from behind twice to earn a share of the points in an exciting game. Charles Gallagher proved to be Maynooth man of the match with both goals. Maynooth defence of Colm Cahill, Darren Cusack, Trevor Naughton and keeper Davitt O' Neill held firm for a deserved share of the points.

Corduff Utd. 0 Maynooth Town 5

Maynooths keeper Davitt O'Neill had to make a number of good early saves before we settled down to play some inspired football. Hat-trick here, Andy Madden led the scoring and spectacular efforts by Shane Folan and Trevor Mc Mahon were the main features of this spectacular performance.

Best for Maynooth were Andy Madden, Darren Cusack and Trevor Mc Mahon.

Our girls have now commenced the New Season and are now competing in the Leinster Ladies League under 18 section. Having won the N.E. Counties last season we awaited the New Season with great hope. We were not to be disappointed and results to date have been encouraging.

Maynooth Town 8 Ballyowen 0

Maynooth opened the scoring in the 7th minute and went on to record an easy win in their first game of the New Season. Maynooth were much strongerall round with Captain Antoinette Mooney leading the way with 4 goals. Leeanne Huges (2) Maeve Flood (1) and Paula O Shea completed the Maynooth scoring.

Tymon Bawn 0 Maynooth Town 1

Maynooth had to be at their best to overcome a very strong Tymon Bawn side who will be a force to be reckoned with during the season. Tymon did not concede victory easily and it needed a stroke of pure genius to break the deadlock. Antionette Mooney provided the inspiration in the 20th minute when she scored a delightful goal from a free-kick twenty five yards out.

Personal Notices

Best wishes to Michael Murphy Greenfield who was 21 on 11th May and celebrated the occasion with a party for family and friends at the Hitchin Post from all the family.

Best wishes to Clair Greene, Highfield, Kilcock, who celebrated another birthday on the 14th May from Lenny and Family.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jackie and Mark on their recent engagement from all the *Newsletter* staff.

Congratulations and Well Done to the Maher School of Irish Dancing on their success in the All Ireland Championships held in the Mansion House recently. A special congratulations to Tara Stewart who won first in the All Ireland Championships and to Dawn Byrne who came 7th in her age group. Keep up the good work Catherine from Tina & Vera.

Best wishes to Thomas Whelan, Newtown and Anna Marie Leavy, Main Street, who were married in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth., Thursday May 6th and to Thomas's parents Martin and Eva Whelan who celebrate their Silver Wedding Anniversary June 10th.

Happy Birthday to Seán Fay, 14 Leinster Cottages, Maynooth, who celebrates his Birthday on June 24th. From his wife Catherine and daughters Edel and Susan.

Happy Birthday to Margaret Bean, "Lemar", Dunboyne Road, Maynooth, who celebrates her Birthday on June 18th. From her husband Liam, sons Thomas, Tony, Mary and family.

Happy Birthday to Breda Bean, River Hill, The Green, Maynooth, who celebrates her Birthday on June 5th. From her husband Seán, Geraldine, Christopher and Patricia.

Happy Birthday to Paddy Walsh, Mulhussey, Maynooth. Love Luke Tom and Mickey.

Happy Birthday to Granny Dolan (Mary), Pagestown, Maynooth.

Happy Birthday to Stephen Conneely, Pagestown, Maynooth, from Mickey.

Birthday Greetings:

"The Twins" Mrs. Essie Brady, Highfield, Kilcock and Peter O'Connor, Greenfield, Maynooth, May 4th.

Sean McTernan, Moyglare Village, Age 5, June 24th. Best Wishes from Daddy, Mammie, sisters Aoife, Aileen, Grannie and Grandad.

Mrs. M. McTernan, Lawrence Ave., June 24th. Love from Martin and Rikki.

Joan O'Brien, Newtown age13 on June 1st, her sister Mrs. Antoinette Kiernan, Celbridge, June 2nd and her cousin Stephen Cummins, Kilcock age 2 June 4th.

Martin Traynor, Greenfield, June 17th. Best Wishes Daddy, Mammie, Caroline, Seamus, Declan Burke, Newtown, May 22nd. Sister Marie, age 10 May 15th. Best Wishes Daddy and Mammie.

Dorcen Fortune, Parson St., 21 on May 6th. Best Wishes from Mammie, sisters Mary, Stephenie and all your friends.

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Husband, Sons, Daughters-in-Law, Grandchildren, Relatives and Friends of the late Kathleen Reilly (nee Barry), Mulhussey, Kilcock, late Dungarvan, Ardagh,

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The wife, sisters, and family of the late Gerard (Gerry) Coyne wish to express their most sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. A particular word of thanks to Fr. Supple P.P. and Fr. Cogan C.C, Dr. Cowhey, Dr. McDonell, Nurse Campbell and all the nurses who looked after him during his illness. To St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band and to the Sisters of Presentation Convent, Maynooth, Also to the very good neighbours and friends who were very kind. Those who attended the Removal Mass and Funeral, Those who sent Mass Cards, Letters of Sympathy, Flowers and Perpetual Enrolment. The kindness of so many will never be forgotten. Please accept this acknowledgement as a personal expression of our deepest gratitude.

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The wife and family of the late Con Cahalane 5, Manor Court. wish to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement. All those who sent Mass Cards, Letters of Sympathy and Floral Tributes, also Fr. Supple, Fr. Cogan and Dr. Cowhey for all their help and support, all our kind neighbours and friends who helped in so many ways. Your kindness will never be forgotten. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

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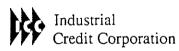
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