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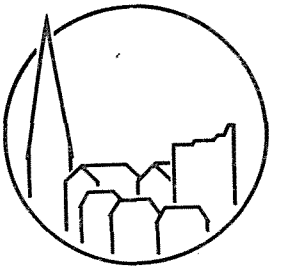
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Letter to our Readers: This is just a note to remind you all that the **Newsletter** exists for your enjoyment and that we welcome all contributions from our readers. We would like to hear from any new organisations or indeed from individuals with 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

Mayday

Happy May Day to all our readers, and congratulations to our new Government on giving us a May Day Bank Holiday starting next year. Now, if we could have a bank holiday every month, but we'll have to wait for the next Government to look after that!

European Visitors.

Maynooth will be welcoming some very distinguished visitors this month as the conference of Presidents of European Universities takes place in the College in early May. What a pity the town is still choked with traffic and the foot paths in the Main Street are littered and potholed.

Calling Journalists.

The Newsletter Editorial Committee is looking for energetic, fresh, interested enquiring writers, young or old to join us in our work. Contact The Newsletter office (6285922) if you are interested.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Maynooth Castle Restoration.

I would like to respond, on behalf of the Castle Restoration Committee, to your recent editorials which have suggested a lack of openness (sic) in the development of the Project. The present situation regarding the Castle is that ownership has been vested in the Office of Public Works and the OPW intends to undertake a Restoration Project when resources are available. It is possible that a 'start' could be made in 1994.

The nature of the Project will have a large bearing on the extent of the resources sought; therefore the preparation of the brief is critical to the programme. The OPW have asked the Restoration Committee to give as much input as possible to the brief.

In the Maynooth area, every organisation and committee which has an interest in the Project, is represented on the Restoration Committee. Through these representatives the Committee is endeavouring to get a broad range of proposals assembled. This is not a speedy process and neither is it an easy matter for local committees to prepare detailed suggestions on matters of historical context, structural changes and tourism impact.

It is important that strong local pressures are maintained at all stages of the Project, initially to maximise the funding of resources, eventually to influence every aspect of design and operation of the finished scheme.

The Maynooth Castle Restoration Committee has mounted exhibitions, held public meetings, arranged a seminar and presented a public profile at local events for three years; we would prefer to maintain our consensus role for the present and hopefully all our publicity will be good publicity for the foreseeable future.

Eamonn McCann

P.R.O.

Maynooth Castle Restoration Committee-

To Jenny,

Thank you very much for your prayers, we appreciate them very much.

Love from The Newsletter Staff.

Community Council Notes

The A.G.M. of the Community Council took place on Monday 19th April.

Community Councillors from the residents associations and other organisations in the community attended. The newly elected Executive for the year 1993 - 1994 is as follows:-

Chairperson	- Senan Griffin
Vice - Chairperson	- Tom McMullon
Secretary	- Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin
Treasurer	- Dominick Nyland
P.R.O.	- Patricia Condron

Following the A.G.M. a party and presentation was held in Caulfields to honour the former chairperson John Mc Ginley. John was presented with a clock and his wife Mary was presented with flowers to thank her for all her hard work during John's years as Chairperson. The Community Council would like to thank Mrs Eithne Carey and the staff of Caulfields for the wonderful food and attention provided throughout the night. (See photos page 26).

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT NOTES

Re: A.G.M. of the Planning & Development Committee was held on Thurs 15th April. The following officers were elected.

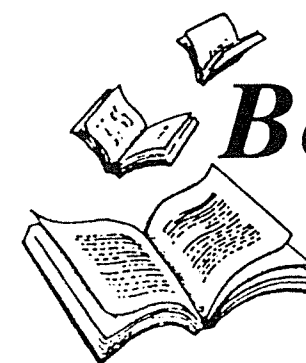
Tony Bean	- Chairperson
Eileen Dunne	- Secretary
Fionan Hardiman	- Treasurer
Michael Barry	- Ass. Treasurer
Lynn Whittaker	- Minutes Secretary
Tom McMullon	- P.R.O.

Welcoming the members to the meeting the Chairperson, Margaret Cline gave the following report.

The Planning and Development Committee emerged from a number of factors. These included various commercial, recreational and county development plans and the rapid increase in new buildings both domestic and commercial. It had become a source of concern to many involved in community activities that there appeared to be no co-ordination or liaison between the various bodies concerned. It was also obvious that the town has good potential for future tourist and commercial enterprise but it appeared that no effort was being made to develop this. At the same time the town's streetscape and general environment were deteriorating and piecemeal repairs and ad hoc development did not add to this.

It was against this background that the Planning and Development Committee was established by Maynooth Community Council. Its principal aim was to try to involve everyone in the planning process so that the community would have a large say in the future development of the town and that future planning would involve a co-ordinated approach with respect to commercial, amenity and infrastructural developments. To this end all organisations were invited to be represented on the committee. There was an excellent response and a working group selected to plan the work of the committee. Long, medium and short term plans were suggested and in the following months work on all three began and continues to be in progress.

The long term plan involves drawing up a detailed co-ordinated plan for the streetscape, and zoning of Maynooth, and the provision of Amenity and Green Areas. This will be presented to the people of Maynooth for their comments and then to



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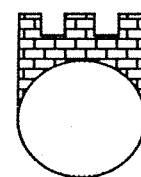


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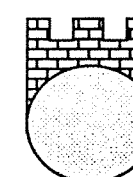
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Community Council Notes

Kildare County Council for their consideration. Tony Bean and myself have begun this process. In the short term it was decided that a general tidying up of the environment was essential and to this end the present SES scheme was started. The work they have done is a testament to the effectiveness of a Committee such as ours. I cannot praise the workers highly enough and wish to pay a special tribute to Ann Cotter, their supervisor whose energy, vision and capacity to get things done have ensured that areas such as "The Pound," for long town eyesores, are now well on the way to becoming pleasant amenity areas of which we can be proud. Maynooth is fortunate in that we have been bequeathed a large recreational area - The Harbour Field and a building with good community potential - The Geraldine Hall.

For a number of practical reasons neither of these community assets have been used to their full potential in the last few years. It has been a major aim of this Committee to rectify this situation. With the full co-operation of the trustees and former managers arrangements are now being made to allow the M.C.C., on behalf of the Community to take over the management of both. It has been no mean achievement of this Committee that the conditions necessary to allow this to happen have now been set in train. We knew that this would not be an easy task and that it would take time. This is why it is part of our medium to long term plan. It is essential that the proper management and administrative arrangements be made for the Harbour Field and Geraldine Hall before the community commits itself to the major expenditure which will be required if the Hall is to become a proper amenity centre and the Harbour Field developed as a full sporting venue to be used by all the community.

It may appear to those "sitting on the sidelines" that our Committee has got little work done. Much of the work, however, is the kind of work that can't be seen. The endless phone calls, meetings and letters that go to ensure that contacts are made so that progress can take place. This first year of our Committee has been spent in laying the ground work for future progress. Misunderstandings have been cleared up, co-operation established between various bodies so that our town can be developed to our mutual satisfaction. Change and continuity are the essential ingredients of a healthy community. Those on either side of these opposing forces will, of necessity, come into conflict from time to time. It is, I believe, an essential function of this committee to ensure that such differences of opinion are aired and settled to everyone's satisfaction. Such a process may be time consuming and frustrating to those of us who like to see things "happen yesterday" but it is a process which will ensure, in the long run, that ongoing development takes place which will be beneficial to everyone in the community.

I mentioned the day to day behind the scene's work which often goes unnoticed. In this regard I would like to pay a special tribute to Fionan Hardiman, our treasurer. He was instrumental in setting up the SES scheme, and in ensuring its ongoing smooth financial running. It is a responsible and tedious task but Fionan performs it with dedication and efficiency.

I feel honoured to have been chairperson of this committee and wish the incoming chairperson and the committee every success in continuing the work which has been begun.

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Thurs 6th May 8.00 p.m. in the Community Council Offices. Anyone who wants to do so is more than welcome to come along.

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BAND BULLETIN

To begin this month we have a little catching up to do on some outstanding March events.

Our Fund Raising Night in the Hitchin Post on 26th March was a major disappointment. Despite trojan work by Kevin Boyd, backed up by a bevvvy of beauties namely Fiona O'Malley, Suzanne Higgins and Margaret Dempsey, the night was severely lacking in one important ingredient - BODIES. There was a very disappointing response, particularly from parents. There was just a trickle of dancers throughout the night, and it was almost closing time when the dance floor finally filled with throbbing teenagers and panting pensioners, both screaming for more. The night was most enjoyable for those who came and thanks to the help of some outside sponsorship we managed to show a small profit.

There was a much better attendance two days later when we presented another one of our house concerts for parents, senior citizens and their friends. Unfortunately on this occasion we were "playing away" in the G.A.A. Club because our Band Hall was much too small to accommodate all the Band and our audience. We were in the happy position of having, almost 70 members taking part and these included our Senior band, Junior Members and people from our flute, saxophone, trombone and beginners classes. It was a really brilliant concert and congratulations to all concerned for a wonderful performance. Our sincere thanks to the G.A.A. Club for allowing us the use of their facilities. It is a tremendous asset to the town in general and to organisations like ourselves in particular.

Thankfully Band funerals are a rare occurrence with us, but at the end of March it was our sad task to say goodbye to Gerry Coyne one of the men associated with the early days of the Band. Gerry was one of four Coyne brothers who played with the Band in the 1930's and was subsequently honoured with an Honorary Membership of the Band by the committee at that time. While a number of our younger members did not have the pleasure of meeting this wonderful and kind man, the older "soldiers" amongst us will always remember his ready smile and his gentle nature. We hope we gave him a send off that he would have been proud of and extend our sincere sympathy to his wife Mary and all his relatives. May he rest in peace.

We would once again remind everyone that with our busy season approaching it is necessary to make all bookings well in advance of your event by writing to the Secretary, Ms. Margaret Dempsey at Old Greenfield, Maynooth. Our diary is already filling up with engagements in Maynooth, Leixlip, Galway and the Curragh Racecourse pencilled in over the next few months. Please give ample time for your request and we shall do our often goes unnoticed. In this regard as possible.

tribute to Fionan Hardiman, our in setting up the SES scheme, smooth financial running. It is but Fionan performs it with dedication. I feel honoured to have been chosen, The Rectory, Lismahon, wish the incoming chairperson success in continuing the work which The next meeting of the Committee is held in All Saints, Moyglare May 8.00 p.m. in the Community Centre. Those who want to do so is more than welcome.

OF IRELAND

Sunday 16th May 10.30 am Morning Prayer.
Sunday 23rd May 10.30 am Eucharist
Sunday 30th May 10.30 am Eucharist

We will be having flag days on 13th, 14th and 15th of May and look forward to your support for this event.

COMMUNITY GAMES

The Community Games Art Competition took place on Saturday April 17th in the Post Primary School.

The results are as follows:-

Girls U/8: 1st Muireann O'Sullivan, 2nd Muire Ennis. **Tiny Tots:** Ciana Ennis. **U/10:** 1st Ruth Hallinan, 2nd Triona Cahill, 3rd Brenda Kearney.

U/12: 1st Lyn Brennan, 2nd Sharon McLoughlin, 3rd Emma Fleming. **U/14:** 1st Andree Ennis, 2nd Maeve Stynes, 3rd Brid Anne O'Shea. **U/16:** 1st Elaine Fleming, 2nd Miriam Gormally, 3rd Aoibhinn O'Sullivan. **U/17:** 1st Catherine Devanney.

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U/14: 1st Geraldine O'Gorman, 2nd Brid Anne O'Shea. "Hallinan Family- three 1st prizes again - CONGRATULATIONS!"

Boys U/8: 1st Alex Wall, 2nd Sean Kennedy. **Tiny Tots:** 1st Ross Cullinane, 2nd Matthew O'Gorman. **U/10:** 1st Andrew Lynch, 2nd Brian McLoughlin, 3rd Brian Lynch and Mark Dunne. **U/12:** 1st Mark Hallinan, 2nd Cillian Carr, 3rd Brian Murray-Davey. **U/14:** 1st Stephen Hallinan, 2nd Gearoid Higgins, 3rd Ciarán McDermott.

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U/10: 1st Finbarr O'Gorman.

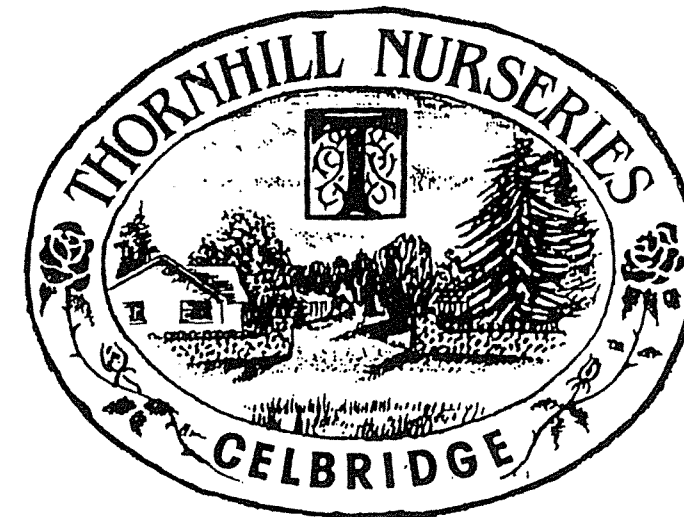
Results of the County finals of U/17- O/17 Quiz.

Congratulations to our bronze medal winners: **U/17:** John Higgins, Helen Connaughton, Vivien O'Connor. **O/17:** Declan O'Connor, Brian O'Malley, Paul Daly.

LEIXLIP ANGLING NOTES.

During the weekend of 20th - 21st March 1993 some members of the Leixlip & District Angling Association came across a group of youths catching what the youths thought were healthy salmon at the back of the E.S.B. dam on the Liffey at Leixlip. On investigation we found that these fish were in fact "Kelts" that is salmon which spawned upriver and were now making their way back to the sea. These fish are generally thin and rather emaciated and their removal from any river is illegal. The committee of L. & D. Angling Association (Leixlip) is concerned with the situation considered at Kilcloon Church) seems to hold hundreds of these fish back to the sea soon. A full list of the following groups: Roses • Moss Peat • Compost • Fisheries Board, the Leixlip District Angling Association • Fertilizers • Weed Killers • Commitment of all concerned in 1993 a section 14 exemption to legally remove the fish from the Department of the Marine. Action was taken by a group of association members using "spinning baits" have succeeded in safely removing 25 salmon and transporting

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them in water filled bins down river and giving them every chance of reaching the sea. Our investigations seem to have shown that the high winter temperatures, combined with the low water levels caused by water extraction may be responsible for the large number of surviving kelts and their problem getting through the dam. This environmental success story can mainly be attributed to the sincere co-operation and commitment of all the bodies and individuals involved, a list far too long to include here, it will suffice to say that with dedicated individuals like these looking after our rivers the future of salmon fishing on the Liffey looks in the pink.

Declan J. Shannon- PRO **Pat O'Donovan - Secretary**
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MAYNOOTH FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Our Annual Spring Show was held on April 20th. It was most successful with a big increase in entries in all classes, this year. **Results:** 1st Prize winner in each class were as follows:- **Class 1.** - Maureen Fagan, **Class 2.** - Maureen Stephens. **Class 3.** - Felicity Satchwell. **Class 4.** - Felicity Satchwell. **Class 5.** - Ethne Nugent. **Class 6.** - Felicity Satchwell. **Class 7.** - Felicity Satchwell. **Class 8.** - Imelda Desmond. Liz Watkins. **Class 10.** - Pam Acton. **Class 11.** - Aileen Howard. **Class 12.** - Frances Lawless. **Class 13.** - Mary McHugh. **Class 14.** - Pam Acton. Felicity Satchwell - won the Ulster Perpetual Cup for the best exhibit in the show. Bradshaw Perpetual Cup for best exhibit in Plant Section won by Aileen Howard.

For the best Flower Arrangement in classes 1 & 2 - Maureen Stephens won the Satchwell Perpetual Cup, Aileen Howard also won the Flower Pot Perpetual Cup for having the best vase of flowers from garden. Aoife Perpetual Cup went to Ethne Nugent for best Miniature Winners in classes 7 & 10 also received R.H.S.I. spoons. We would like to 'Thank' the Divine Word Order for use of their spacious hall. At shows it is vital to have space for all the entries to be seen properly, this was available in the Divine Word. We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to our Flower Club Committee and sponsors for donating prizes for classes and raffle. **Sponsors:-** Flower Pot, Nora McDermott, Mary Doyle, Kilcloon, Katie Flowers: Special thanks to John Cleary for polishing the cups, and everyone who entered to make the 'show' such a success. The next meeting will be on May 18th, when Marie Geran will be the demonstrator. Remember all welcome to attend!

Moirá Baxter
P.R.O.

MAYNOOTH OLD PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE.

Maynooth Old People's Committee celebrate "Active Age Week" **May 9th - 16th 1993.** Yes folks it's that time of year again, when all our Senior Citizens lose the run of themselves. Once again we have a very full programme of events which are as follows:-

Sunday 9/5/93 - Prayers at Mass and service in both churches.
Tuesday 11/5/93 10.30 a.m. I.C.A. Hall, card and board games, prizes awarded followed by tea and cakes.

Wednesday 12/5/93 - 10.30 a.m. Library, launch of book, presentation and reception.

Thursday 13/5/93 10.30 a.m. in I.C.A. hall, bingo and chat - tea and cakes.

Friday 14/5/93 - dance in Keadeen Hotel, run by E.H.B. Bus leaving Maynooth at 7p.m.

Sunday 16/5/93 - 3.30p.m. Post Primary School variety show staged by Community Games. Drama by I.C.A. followed by tea and cakes. Tony Smith Memorial Walk (organised by Labour Party) starts from school at 3p.m.
Display of Crafts in Library.

Competitions:- write about:

- (1) The Generation Gap (Fact or Myth?)
- (2) The role of older people in the community.

I'd like to draw your attention to day 3 of the programme (Wednesday 12/5/93). This book which we intend to publish is a collection of poems and stories written by our own Senior Citizens during "Active Age Week" each year since 1986, and will be on sale in Donovan's Newsagents, Greenfield Shopping Centre, Maynooth Shopping Centre and also Maynooth Book Shop. Our thanks to Breda and Sean Donovan and John Byrne for their generosity and co-operation in this regard. Finally, our annual outing takes place on June 12th. Please have your names in by June 5th. Buses leave Bartons' Lane at 1.45p.m. We take this opportunity to thank Pat Barton for the buses he so willingly gives free of charge and his drivers for their courtesy to our committee and Senior Citizens alike.

MAYNOOTH POST PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

American Tea Party Success

Friday night the 12th February 1993 was a great night out for all those who attended the American Tea Party organised by the Maynooth Post Primary Parents' Association in the County Club Dunshaughlin. Music was provided by Centre-Fold. The function was run as a fund raising activity which netted a profit of £1,787.38 for the Association.

The Committee wish to extend its sincere thanks to all who contributed to the success of the venture. In particular, a special thanks goes to those who sponsored 'spot prizes'.

Dermot Nangle, PRO

MAYNOOTH TIDY TOWNS REPORT

First of all a big thank you to all who supported in anyway our Race Night Fundraiser for our P&D S.E.S. The proceeds from this event will go a long way towards paying the insurance costs for our supervisor and 9 workers.

The Tidy Towns Committee were given the job of selling advertising and seeking sponsorship for the Races. Thank you to all our business friends in Maynooth. A full list of acknowledgements appeared in the Race night Programme.

Horses were sold by Tidy Town Committee members, Planning & Development members and Maynooth Community Councillors. The office staff also played a major part in the success of the night.

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John McGinely acted as M.C. and Race Caller for the night, thanks John.

Our thanks also to the following: Brian O Malley, Fionan Hardiman, Freda Kelliher, Anne Cotter, Kathleen Smith, Tony Bean, Mary Farrell, Derry Cotter, Frances Daly, Mattie Callaghan, Eileen Dunne, Joe Coyle, Geraldine Carwood and Michael Gaffney.

A special word of thanks to Mrs Brady, Clock House, who sponsored the Auction Race, won it and promptly donated her winnings to the fund.

Finally, thanks to those who turned up for our special Saturday clean up but the weather was against us that day. If any one wishes to give us their names we are looking for a few hours of your time at the weekend to work on our Tidy Towns Campaign.

When you read this our Entry for the Bord Failte 1993 Competition will have been submitted.

We look for your support in making Maynooth a Tidy Town and also in our annual door to door collection which takes place later in the month.

Thank you!

Richard Farrell, Secretary/P.R.O.

ROYAL CANAL AMENITY GROUP NOTES

Steam train.

We start this month with a reminder that the steam train will, by popular demand, be running on the 23rd of May next. Tickets which will be on sale shortly, will be available at last years low prices : Adults £3.50, children £1.50, and a special student prices of £2.50. Intending passengers are advised to purchase their tickets in good time as advance orders are quite heavy.

Bereavement.

The Chairman and committee would like to express sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of the late Edward (Ted) Galway who died recently while on holiday in Africa. Ted was very active in both the parent body and the Dublin Branch and will be sadly missed by all.

A brief history.

With the advent of the by-pass, Maynooth has witnessed a massive increase in population and building is still in progress in many parts of the town. In order to appraise our new residents of what this group is about, we include a brief history of the Royal Canal and an outline of the restoration work to date.

Construction of the Royal Canal began in 1790 and the major work was completed in 1817. It is understood that the decision to build a second canal resulted from a dispute among the directors of the Grand Canal. It is reputed that a director walked out of a meeting promising to build a rival canal. It is uncertain which director was involved but the main body of opinion suggests that it was John Binns after whom Binns Bridge is called. It is worth noting at this stage that all the bridges over the canal are called after directors, for example Pike's Bridge at Carton after William Pike. The original Royal Canal company went bust and this is not surprising when one looks at the reason why. The original route of the canal would have been roughly via Dunboyne and straight to Mullingar. However the Duke of Leinster who was a shareholder in the original

company used his influence to have the canal diverted past his residence at Carton near Maynooth. This necessitated the construction of a huge aqueduct over the Ryewater River at Leixlip. The completion of this aqueduct cost at the time £28,230-18-5d which in present day terms would amount to about £3.1 million. This aqueduct carries the canal almost 100ft above the Ryewater River and has to be seen to be appreciated.

Passenger travel on the canal commenced in 1796 but only from Dublin to Kilcock. Commercial boats commenced in about 1800. In 1844 the Midland Great Western Railway purchased the Canal in its entirety and this was the beginning of the down turn in the Canal. A railway was built adjacent to the canal and although the canal was to lose business to the railway it continued to trade successfully for many years. Business began to dwindle in the 1900s with the advent of faster steam engines and the canal was finally closed to traffic in 1962 though very little traffic had been on it for some years before this.

In 1974 Dr. Ian Bath set up the Royal Canal Amenity group to spearhead the restoration of the canal. The local branch was set up in 1984 and work commenced. To date the harbour at Maynooth has been restored and rebuilt as have all the walls in the vicinity of the harbour. The island has been raised and the canal has been dredged by the Office of Public Works. The harbour at Pike's Bridge has also been refurbished and landscaped. All lock gates in the locality have been replaced. Seating has been provided in the vicinity of Maynooth Harbour which also boasts a fine slipway.

Gerry Fitzpatrick P.R.O.

SCOUT NEWS

Summer is here again lets go camping, No! Let's study for our exams. Who said Scouts have no problems? What did we do in April, did we do anything? Well we took our tents and camping gear out of mothballs. No we didn't leave the repairs until now, that was done during the winter. Easter of course is Bob a Job time and again thanks to our many supporters for your generosity and kindness. Last month we reported that our regional Campcraft Competition would be held in the National Campsite of Larch Hill. The Venue has been changed to Kilinthomas Wood, Rathangan (about 1 mile from Rathangan off the Edenderry Road). Of course the highlight of the month for the scouts is the return of that very popular leader Cathal Gaffney (Gaffer). Cathal has been away for 6 months, I believe he was on holiday in Lebanon (Dept. of Defence/United Nations Holidays). Welcome back Cathal. Regular readers will have noticed the lack of fine prose. This is not due to Indy having lost his touch, but because this months report has been written by someone else, Indy is gone to see Mammy somewhere in the Midlands and will be back next month.

Thats all for now.
Bí Ullamh!

Not Indy.

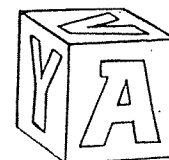
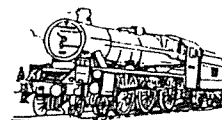
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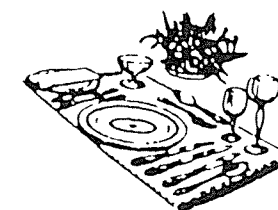
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STUDENT NEWS

New S.U. Officers Elected

The student body recently elected the two sabbatical officers who will serve The Students Union for 1993 - 94. Competition was keen for both positions of President and Vice President, the verdict in doubt to the last minute. Four substantial candidates for President contributed to ensuring a tight count and indeed it was only after a marathon recount that the result became clear. The new President is Joe Donnelly, a first year student who surprised some pundits by topping the poll. He defeated Brian Gillen of 3rd Arts, who perhaps peaked too soon - having embarked on his campaign way before anyone else. Another 3rd year Mags Murphy, was beaten into third place but might have taken the position had she earned the extra handful to pass Gillen and earn a windfall of transfers due to being the only woman candidate. Outgoing sabbatical, Brian Haniffy, had a poor outing and was eliminated after the second count. Joe Donnelly will be remembered by Newsletter readers for being the man behind the collection of a petition expressing the students willingness to co-operate with locals and the Gardai in ending vandalism. He was well placed to appeal to his own classmates in the massive 1st. year constituency and also got over 50% of the votes from the Clerics Ref. It was a help also to be backed by the outgoing President, Geraldine Delancy and SU heavyweights such as Mick Smith and John Flood. The winner of the Vice-Presidential race was Dennis Clohessy who did so in convincing style. His reputation as a hard working Chairman of the Co-operation North Society was an advantage. His wide appeal was illustrated by over 50% support from the Clerics Ref, despite his pro-choice and pro-USI stance. Although Seamie Martin, Maria Lynch and Judy McBreen polled creditably, Dennis was too far ahead to be caught by transfers. Joe Donnelly is a native of Newbridge, Co. Kildare and Dennis Clohessy, a 2nd Arts student, hails from Blessington, Co. Wicklow. They are sure to have the best wishes of the student body as they prepare for an arduous year.

Bar Controversy Continues

A matter of much controversy among the student body has been the status of the SU bar. It was made an issue during the recent USI referendum, when some spokespersons claimed an anonymous investor would provide a new student Social Centre if students voted "No". Students did vote "No", but considerable publicity, speculation and confrontation among various students has left the student body wondering as to what the future holds. Whilst everyone is agreed that a new bar is badly needed, it is not known whether it will come about - if at all - in the near future. Meanwhile the SU has voluntarily shut the bar, following the acceptance of the fact that problems in the town late at night are associated with the usage of the SU building - especially on nights of bar extensions. It is possible also that the standard of management of the events associated with the SU building may have been a problem. The bar extension scheduled for Tuesday April 6th was cancelled and switched to Ballymore Eustace. The SU kept the ticket costs at £3.50 but spent in the region of £2,000 to subsidise transport by buses. As one might imagine, this turn of events have merely served to incite further intensive debate regarding the fundamental SU service.

Successful Women's Week

A very successful women's week was staged in the College during March, at the instigation of the SU's Women's Rights Committee. A substantial amount of money was collected for The Rape Crisis Centre, including the proceeds of several events in the SU building. The week got off to a rousing start on Monday March 22nd with a Mr. Maynooth competition. This was a beauty competition which basically turned the tables on men, the contestants strutting their stuff in self depreciating style. More serious events included informative debates of issues affecting women and altogether no one among the general student body was left unaware. The week was adjudged a success, surpassing all previous attempts at staging such an activity. The committee deserve a commendation for ensuring that the SU's constitutional objective in promoting awareness of Women's Rights was well carried out this year.

Massive Student Contribution To Childline

Máire Geoghegan Quinn, The Minister for Justice, recently visited the College to join with President Ledwith in congratulating and paying tribute to the organisers of the recent Childline cycle to Galway. Maynooth students were not found wanting as regards efforts to collect and contribute to the fundraising for such a needy and worthy cause. A whopping £10,000 was raised by the fundraising committee, which will help Childline greatly in operating their costly service for children affected by abuse. The considerable publicity afforded to these efforts was marvellous and positive publicity for a student body that have suffered their share as regards perception among the public this year.

Seachtain Na Gaeilge

The S.U. recently endorsed a report by a commission of students who encouraged a greater usage of the Irish language both in the Union and the College. This coincided with the completion of a memorable 'Seachtain na Gaeilge'. Highlights of the week included a comprehensive bilingual forum and a well-attended Céilí in the S.U. on St. Patrick's night. The forum was organised jointly by The Literary and Debating Society, The Sociology Society, The Irish Language Society and the Maynooth Peace Group. The forum, chaired by Diarmuid ó Dálaigh featured contributions from Cynthia Ní Mhurchú, Eamon ó Cuiv T.D. and Fiachra ó Céilleachair. Other events and fundraising activities helped to make it the best 'Seachtain na Gaeilge' in many years.

S.U. Opposes Social Welfare Bill

Although some leading S.U. Assembly members initially supported the idea, Maynooth S.U. has now joined the nationwide campaign against the introduction of workfare for students. Section 14 of the current Social Welfare Bill advocates the abolition of most Social Welfare Allowances for full-time students. Should these measures go ahead, they will cause considerable difficulties for most students who will stay in Ireland this summer who will experience difficulties finding suitable employment. It is of course proposed that students do as yet unspecified community work, such as childminding, caring for the handicapped and so on. The S.U. opposes this, principally because it recognises that most students would simply be unqualified to do this service. This issue is sure to become more of a concern as time goes on. CONTINUED

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Maynooth Peace Group Success

The Maynooth Peace Group has been to the forefront in the College response to the recent revulsion showed at the I.R.A. bombings in Warrington. A Book of Condolences uniting students, staff, clergy, administration, visitors and builders was collected by the group in the week after the death of three year old Jonathan Ball. A minutes silence was observed in the canteen and all over the College on Friday March 26th. A banner from Maynooth Peace Group was displayed prominently at the massive rally in Dublin on the following Sunday. The chairperson of the Peace train organisation, Mr. Chris Hudson, visited the College to accept the book at a special presentation. He was invited to Warrington, along with the books his organisation collected around the country. At a moving reception in Stoyte House, Mr. Hudson was presented with the book by Prof. Cosgrove on behalf of the College. Also present were Seán Power T.D., Sen. John Dardis, Cllr. John McGinley, Cllr. Catherine Murphy and Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin of Maynooth Community Council. Afterwards Chris was invited to speak to a packed Callan Hall audience prior to the S.U. elections debate. He warned students not to be ambiguous or ambivalent about Northern Ireland. He urged them to ensure that the I.R.A. would not be allowed to claim they were over 50% of the Irish people, no more than the U.F.F. could be backed by the outgoings of Ulster. At the beginning of SU heavyweights such as Peace Group collected over 2,000 winner of the Vice-President in declaration featuring the statement did so in convincing style, peaceful society in Northern Ireland Chairman of the Co-operation of violence by paramilitary His wide appeal was illustrated by Peace Group have vowed not to Clerics Ref, despite his pro-chulsion towards the I.R.A. and the Seanie Martin, Maria Lynch

Maynooth Connections to Kildare Football Team

The Kildare Football panel at present is complimented by two students and one former student. Glen Ryan is currently studying in the College, attracting plenty of attention on the football pitches at inter-county level, having impressed during Kildare's campaign in 1992. Round Towers clubmate, Lorcan Bardon is currently in 2nd Arts. Having transferred to this county he is now a midfielder on the under 21 team. Originally from Kerry, for whom he played junior football, Kieran Moran is a former student of the college in recent years. He is now of course the goalkeeper for Kildare. So in a sense, Maynooth is well represented.

Tragic Death Of Student

The student community was saddened to learn of the recent death of Kieran Woods. His death followed a fatal injury in a car crash in Co. Carlow. A native of Co. Monaghan, he was currently in the process of completing a H.Dip in Education. A moving ceremonial procession and funeral took place to the College chapel on Wednesday April 7th. He is a profound loss to his classmates on the H. Dip course, the school where he taught and to his colleagues in the seminary. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh a anam.

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Features

BARNEY O'BRIEN

Bernard (Barney) O'Brien - Barney before emigrating to England 35 years ago was a leading cyclist in Ireland winning many awards including Amateur Massed Start All Ireland championship 1955, the 3 day 300 miles tour of Connaught; four tours of Leinster wins; 100 mile town tour of Wicklow; 100 mile time trial championship; two 100 mile grand prix of Kildare and in 1957 in Ras Tailteann while holding race leaders yellow jersey crashed on 4th day and had to retire. Barney was race captain of North Kildare Cycling Club which was formed in 1953. Before then he cycled with a Dublin Club. His death on April 3rd at his residence in England after a short illness came as a great shock to his many friends in Maynooth and elsewhere. A special Requiem Mass for the repose of his soul was held in St. Mary's Church, Maynooth on Saturday, April 24th at 11 o'clock.



Tour of Wicklow 1955, Barney O'Brien

KIMBERLY-CLARK CASTLETOWN HORSE TRIALS 9TH & 10TH APRIL 1993.

Olympic rider, Eric Smiley on his way to victory on his own horse Enterprise at the Kimberly-Clark Castletown Horse Trials held near Celbridge, Co. Kildare on Saturday and Sunday the 9th and 10th April. Eric and Enterprise as members of the Irish Team, completed the Three-Day-Event at the Barcelona Olympic Games last summer.



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On Thursday 6th May, a Basic Youth Leaders Training Course will be held in Maynooth. If you are interested or know anyone who might be, please contact the Youth Office.

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For further information please contact Mary Geagan or Louise Monaghan at the Youth Office Ph: 6280465

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CHILDLINE

£10,066.17 For Childline

Recently through the co-operation of K.C.I. radio station and the Maynooth St Patrick's Day Parade Committee the public of Maynooth became aware of the Dublin-Galway-Dublin Charity Cycle in aid of Childline.

This is our second year to have Childline as our chosen charity. Looking at Irish society today we identified one outstanding problem within the context of young people and that was "Child Abuse". Upon contacting Childline we found out that Childline was a non-government funded organization with an ever-increasing telephone bill.

Last year the number of phone calls received from "Children In Need" increased by 57%.

The cycle took place over the weekend 12th-14th March but the planning began months in advance with the establishment of media and sponsorship contacts as well as the building up of a dynamic group of committed people. This work came to its fruition when the cyclists and collectors left Maynooth in the early hours of Friday 12th March buzzing through the Midlands into the West facing the challenge of a lifetime.

This group of 60 enthusiastic, highly motivated and dedicated students were excellent ambassadors for the college as described by the Minister for Justice Mrs Máire Geoghegan-Quinn at the official presentation of the cheque to Childline.

We recognise that our dream of £10,000 would not have become a reality without the generosity of everyone involved including the tremendous response of Maynooth people during the St Patrick's Day Parade (over £800). We take this opportunity to thank the local shops, restaurants and Maynooth Pitch & Putt Club for their continued support of this charity event. (Photo front cover).

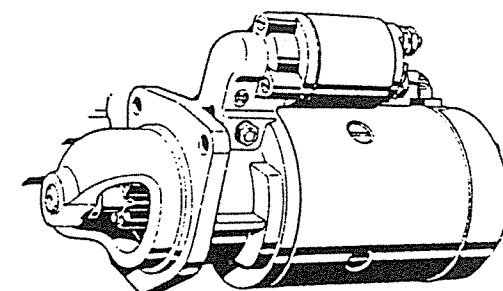
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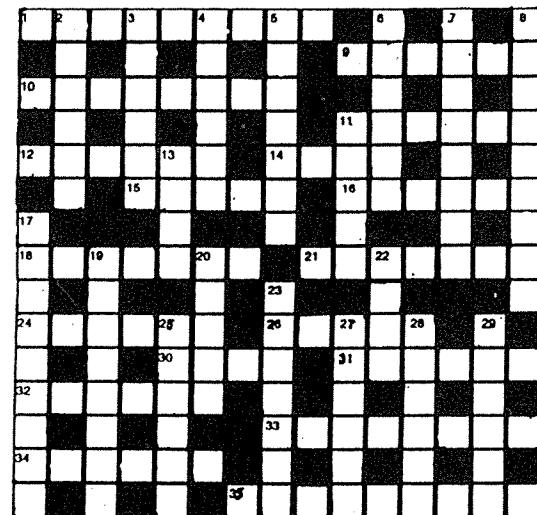
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Clues Across:

1. Top Easter badly for light operas (9)
9. I'm deep to hinder (6)
10. Flan, come to the Spanish dance (8)
11. Beef to the heels, is the one from Mullingar (6)
12. Full of vigour (6)
14. Sounds like it's open for a drink (4)
15. Is Sal a bit ropy (5)
16. Purified petroleum (6)
18. Easily broken (7)
21. Young birds who live on the Canal (7)
24. Speak concerning turf again (6)
26. A finer way to say imply (5)
30. To worry (4)
31. Leered and drew in with the line (6)
32. Cockney slang for the wife (6)
32. Guiltless (8)
34. Election participants (6)
35. The galley led badly, ostensibly (9)

Clues Down:

2. Paleness (6)
3. Queer cat for a commotion (6)
4. Set net badly for beliefs (6)
5. Lay Mona badly for an irregularity (7)
6. Backward Ma and French Dad measure electricity (6)
7. Of necessity (8)
8. Cruel and organless (9)
11. Delighted, glad and pleased (5)
13. Mix up list for fine sand (4)
17. O, I've burst, it's so conspicuous (9)
19. Contamination (8)
20. Metric liquid measure (5)
22. Merriment (4)
23. Sulphuric acid (7)
25. Bear the expense of (6)
27. Mix up finger to the outer edge (6)
28. See cur to save from danger (6)
29. Herb with yellow flowers (6)

Features

SOLUTION TO CROSSWORD NO. 65

Across 1. Apinless (Painless); 5. Aslb (slab); 9. Minimum; 10. Power; 11. Alearn (Learn); 12. Reels; 13. Tests; 15. Tepee; 16. Astir (Stair); 17. Remit; 19. Nooks; 21. Title; 22. Expired; 24. Rued; 25. Atrded In (Traded In)

Down 1. Adamper (Damper); 2. Innocent; 3. + 23. Limped; 4. Summer Project; 6. Sewn; 7. Bursts; 8. Apinters (Painters); 11. Astringer (Stranger); 14. Simpered; 16. Ahlter (Halter); 18. Tendon; 20. Atme (Tame); 23. - see 3.

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1 tbsp (15 ml) dried marjoram

4 fl oz (120 ml) milk

Heat the oven to 230° C, 450° F Gas Mark 8. Sift the flour, baking powder and salt. Mix in the marjoram leaves thoroughly. Rub in the margarine until the mixture looks like fine bread crumbs. Stir in enough milk to make a soft dough. Turn onto a floured board, then roll lightly to 3/4 in (2cm) thick. Cut into rounds with a 2in (5 cm) cutter. Bake at the top of the oven for 8-10 minutes, or until golden brown and well risen. Serve with cheese, or use in place of dumplings with a casserole.

Lemon Caraway Cake

6 oz (175 g) butter

4 oz (100g) caster sugar

3 (size 3) eggs

8 oz (225 g) self raising flour, sieved

5 tbsp (75 ml) lemon curd

1 tbsp (15 ml) caraway seeds

Set oven to 350° F, 180° C (Mark 4). Grease and line an 8 in (20.5 cm) round cake tin. Cream the butter and sugar and beat in the eggs one at a time with a little of the flour. Stir in the rest of the flour, lemon curd and caraway seeds until well mixed. Spoon into tin and smooth top. Bake for one hour or until a skewer comes out clean. Cool in tin before turning out.

DUSTIN'S DIARY

Sorry folks! Had to return to the Big Apple with Albert - Duty calls and all that - Don't I just hate to leave all my charges behind - but sure they are having a well deserved break as well. See you soon Dick - maybe next week at the match!

GARDA TALK

Issue of Identity Cards:

Proprietors of the four Licensed Premises in Maynooth and the Gardai met at Maynooth Garda Station on Tuesday, 13th, April with an agenda to set up an Identity Card scheme for the Maynooth area. Caulfields were represented by John Carey; Noel Brady was the representative for Brady's; Martin Brady was the emissary for the Leinster Arms and John O'Rourke represented The Roost. Sergeant Canny and Garda Martin Caine were the Garda delegation. A very useful productive dialogue on the problems of Underage Drinking ensued and views and issues identifiable to both parties were teased out and exchanged. As a consequence of this get together it has been decided to launch an Identity Card scheme for the Maynooth area. The cost of setting up this initiative is being borne by the owners of the four above mentioned Licensed Premises and for this excellent response they are to be commended.

The aim of the scheme is to help curb the problem of underage drinking. The following guidelines will apply in respect of the issuing of the Identity Cards to young persons.

Cards will be issued only to persons of or over 18 years of age; the cards will be issued at the Garda Station subject to the following conditions: 1. Applicant to produce Birth Certificate; 2. Applicant to produce Passport Size Photograph, which will be then attached to the Card. 3. Apart from Birth Certificate, applicant must produce some form of definite identification i.e., Passport, Driving Licence etc.

It is intended that the new Identity Card will contain the following particulars: Name, Address, Date of Birth, Membership No., Applicant's Photograph, Applicant's Signature, Date of Issue, Garda Station Stamp.

It is accepted that irresponsibility in relation to the consumption of alcohol creates serious sociological problems in the form of crime, vandalism and other patterns of deviant misbehaviour especially among our young. This venture is a sincere and genuine attempt by the people at the coal face of the problem, the Publicans and the Gardaí, to eradicate any abuses in a spirit of co-operation. We now appeal for the support of the Community especially parents. There will be an official launching date of the scheme during the first two weeks of May. Full details will be advertised locally, through church announcements, schools, brochures in public houses and other prominent places frequented by the public.

Any queries or clarification in respect of the new Identity Cards may be discussed by our friendly members at Maynooth Garda Station. When we report to next month's edition the scheme will be up and running and we hope it will be a big success.

Drugs Problem:

This is another modern day irritant afflicting many of our youth. With a view to educating adults on how to identify and diagnose possible symptoms experts from Central Drugs Squad Unit, Harcourt Square will attend at meetings in Maynooth on the following dates:

Location of Meeting: Maynooth Post Primary School, Moyglare Road. **Time:** 8.30 p.m. **Date:** 11th May, (Tuesday).

Parents of Students of Maynooth Post Primary School.

Location of Meeting: Maynooth Post Primary School, Moyglare Road. **Time:** 8.30 p.m. **Date:** 19th May, (Wednesday). **Parents of Students of Boys and Girls National Schools, Maynooth.**

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Notification of above lectures will also be circulated to parents of the relevant schools with the assistance and co-operation of the school authorities. We wish to thank the various School Managers for their willing assistance. All other responsible adults with an interest in this subject are welcome to come along. We are informed that the lectures will be for a period of over two hours and are most informative and demonstrative. Any further information may be obtained at your friendly local Garda Station. Slán until next month.

Your Local Gardai

GARDENING HINTS

During this month the gardener can expect all kinds of weather. Here are a few hints but beware of late frosts when pruning shrubs etc.

Lawns: Mow at least once a week. Apply weed-killer if necessary. Feed poorly growing grass towards the end of the month with sulphate of ammonia at 1/2 ounce per square yard, water copiously afterwards. Spike badly drained areas.

Shrubs: Prune early flowering shrubs such as Kerria Japonica. Watch shrubs for signs of water shortage.

Roses: Spray roses against pests and diseases and apply a general rose fertilizer. Water newly planted roses.

Perennials: Support tall perennials. Hoe between plants to control weeds. Pinch out growing tips of Michaelmas Daisies, Golden Rod, Heleniums and other vigorous plants to form bushy, self-supporting plants. Water newly-planted beds.

Chrysanthemums: Plant outdoor-flowering plants early in the month. Stop the plants about the middle of the month by pinching out the tips of the main stem to encourage bushy growth.

Dahlias: Plant out young dahlias from cuttings after danger of frost is over.

Annuals: Sow hardy annuals outside towards the end of the month. Sow half-hardy annuals under glass.

Polyanthus: Should be propagated by division.

Bulbs: Plant Gladioli in the second half of the month. Divide Snow Drops.

Vegetables: Begin sowing tender vegetables indoors at the start of the month. Sow winter cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli. Salad crops may be grown outside. Thin and weed crops sown earlier. Turnips, carrots and onions are some of the vegetables that need protection against pests.

Fruit: Continue regular spraying of apple trees against disease. Spray strawberries against grey mould disease. Gooseberries and peaches should be protected against pests.

Green House: Plant tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers and melons. Pinch out grape side-shoots one leaf past the flowers. Ventilate and shade the house on warm days.

House Plants: Continue watering and feeding. Take house plant cuttings, divide plants and root runners.

Drying & freezing Herbs: The best time to harvest your herbs is on a sunny day early in summer just before they have started to flower. Choose a dry spell and the middle of the morning, when any dew on the leaves will have evaporated, and the sun has not drawn out the oils. Gather them, tie in bunches and hang them up somewhere warm, shady and airy. When they are

thoroughly dry and brittle, strip them from the stems, and store them in containers away from light.

Softer leaved herbs will freeze very well eg. tarragon, dill and chives. Herbal flowers, or chopped leaves can be frozen in ice cubes.

Lily Lupin

LARINE COURT RESOURCE CENTRE

The Larine Court Resource Centre was opened in 1992 as part of the expanding service being offered to people with special needs in County Kildare. The Centre is located in premises formerly owned by the Coonan family, to the rear of the old family home in the Square, and is accessed through the now familiar black gates. Because of its situation in the heart of Maynooth, the Centre is proud of being fully integrated with the local community.

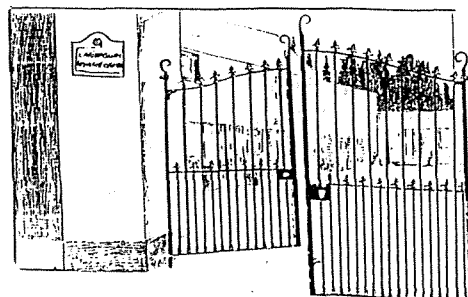
The facility is based around a Garden Centre, Ceramic Workshop and Art and Crafts. While emphasis is placed on meaningful work activities, including basic training in horticulture, ceramic techniques and catering, there are equal opportunities for recreation and creativity as well as life skills and personal development. It is our intention to provide facilities that are interesting, stimulating and gently challenging to all those who attend the service.

Garden World Garden Centre.

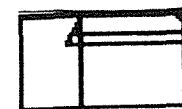
The Garden Centre is an integral part of the Resource Centre and opened to the public on March 15th. The construction of beds and paths and general landscaping was carried out entirely by the people who attend the centre under the supervision of our horticulturist. The beds are designed to be accessible to wheelchair users, elderly and those of us who prefer not to stoop or stretch! The Garden Centre has a wide range of trees, alpines and herbaceous perennials, all at keen prices. Bedding plants will be arriving shortly. Browsers are welcomed! Other Garden World Garden Centres are located at Lusk and Ballyboden.

In the Ceramic Workshop, processes used are coil and slab building, modelling and slip casting as well as hand throwing on the potter's wheel. Decorative techniques employed are hand carving and the use of coloured glazes and slips. The main emphasis in this area is on creativity and enjoyment rather than mass production but surplus stock will be available for sale in the garden shop.

The old stables have been transformed to provide a very pleasant dining room and kitchen. A healthy, hearty lunch is prepared each day in a group setting as well as tea and coffee breaks. At present this service is limited to those who attend the Centre. All facilities are managed by E.V.E. Holdings Limited (Eastern Health Board Vocational Enterprises).



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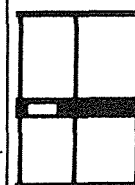
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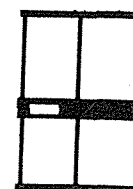
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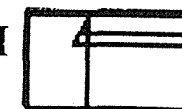
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MAKING A RETREAT

In a busy bustling world few things make more sense than to get away from it all for a day, a week-end, or longer and to **MAKE A RETREAT**.

It was so in the time of Jesus and is so still today. On one occasion he had to say to His over-active apostles : "Come away by yourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile". Mark 6:31.

Pope John Paul II said that even priests and religious can be so busy about the work of the Lord, that they neglect the Lord of the work.

It is vital then, to take time out to **THINK**. "The world is sick because people do not reflect". Pope Paul VI.

A RETREAT, ALONE, OR WITH A GROUP PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY -

To **REFLECT** on the meaning and mystery of life - To meditate on the things of the Spirit - To listen to the voice of the Spirit - To discover God's unconditional love - To **EXPERIENCE** His gentle forgiveness - To share faith and friendship with others - To become aware of others' needs - To pray a little or a lot - To ponder the past and plan for the future - In a word, to be renewed in body, mind and spirit.

"I have come so that they may have **LIFE** and have it to the full" John 10:10.

"Our hearts were made for Thee, O God, and they will not rest until they rest in Thee" - St. Augustine.

CONTACT: The Lay Retreat Association, Milltown Park, Dublin 6. Tel: 2698411 Or Mr. Peter Jordan, Co-ordinator, Tel: 2982870 Or Fr. T. McAssey S.J., Director, Tel: 762884. On May 15/16th Des Walsh is organising an overnight retreat for Men in Emmaus House, Swords. If you would be interested in going along or getting any further information regarding same, don't hesitate to ring Des at 6286420.

MAYNOOTH PEACE GROUP

Three years ago the Co-operation North society was formed by a concerned group of students hoping to play some role in developing understanding between the two communities on the island of Ireland. Co-operation North's main area of appeal for students is the exchange programme. This involves trips to other colleges in Northern Ireland, prejudice reduction workshops and a strong social aspect.

Because of the non-political and non-religious stance of Co-operation North an alternative group was needed to allow students take a stand on the more sensitive issues. Therefore this year the Maynooth peace group was formed. Already this year we collected over 1600 signatures for the **PEACE TRAIN PEACE DECLARATION**; a number of talks were arranged during the year; we attended various marches and demonstrations; and more recently we collected almost 2000 signatures for the Book of Condolences sent to Warrington, also a one minute silence was held in the canteen which was observed by students, staff and site workers.

At the moment the Maynooth Peace Group is attracting a lot of media attention in response to the work and effort our members are putting into the initiative, and we believe that both the student body AND the local community can take great pride in the group's achievements to date, and those to come.

Contact Name: *Denis Clohessy, Students Union, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth*

ODE TO BYGONE AGE

TO THE CUCKOO

Not the whole warbling grove in concert heard
When sunshine follows shower, the breast can thrill
Like the first summons, Cuckoo! of thy bill,
With its twin notes inseparably paired.
The captive 'mid damp vaults unsunned, unaired,
Measuring the periods of his lonely doom,
That cry can reach; and to the sick man's room
Sends gladness, by no languid smile declared.
The lordly eagle-race through hostile search
May perish; time may come when never more
The wilderness shall hear the lion roar;
But, long as cock shall crow from household perch
To rouse the dawn, soft gales shall speed thy wing,
And thy erratic voice be faithful to the Spring!

Wordsworth

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John & Mary McGinley, presented by Muireann Ní Bhrolcháin with their tokens of appreciation for all their hard work for the community.



Christina Sauls receiving her farewell present from Muireann for her service to the Community Council. Good luck in the new job Chris!



Helen Finnan with staff and customers at her salon "Helen's Hair Affair", Newtown Shopping Mall.



Helen Downey and her staff at her salon "Beehive", Maynooth Shopping Centre.



Maynooth Shopping Centre - due for a facelift this Summer. Watch out for the future plans in next months issue.

OPEN DAY IN COLLEGE

Saturday, April 3rd saw the very successful hosting of the Annual Open Day in the College. This is the day when the College throws open its doors to their future students and their parents and relatives. This year saw a dramatic increase in the numbers attending, perhaps a reflection on the times we live in. Despite the awful weather the visitors were given comprehensive tours of both campuses, all departments made themselves available to answer their questions and the restaurant served hot lunches to combat the cold. Hopefully the visitors went away with a very positive view of the College and great credit is due to all the staff and workers involved in the Open Day and its preparation, both before and after the event.

STREET TALK

LOCAL FASHIONS

The Attic Swop Shop

Owners Marian Brophy and Breda Barker spotted a niche in the fashion market of Maynooth for a high quality swap shop and decided to fill it. Both are from the Kilcloone area, Breda (née Daly) having attended the convent primary school here, and therefore knew the town well. With its growing population - both local and student - looking for good quality clothes at an affordable price, a swop shop seemed a logical idea. Their stock includes many well-known names e.g. Steillman, Sporting, Regime, Smodell, Libra, Louis Feraud, Bianca and will carry you through all occasions, casual, formal or semi-formal. They carry a range of knitwear, separates and suits. To complement the clothes a selection of antique costume jewellery and millinery is on offer. There is even a display of light novels to browse through whilst waiting for a changing room. Definitely Marian and Breda, with their friendly, helpful service, have found their niche in Maynooth.

Fred's Fashions:

Situated at Greenfield Shopping Centre and opened since September 1992, this is not a swop shop, it is strictly a "Family Thrift Shop", named after our founder **Fredrick Ozanam**. The shops are becoming known to the public as "Society Shops" which are uniformly painted and run as bright and modern attractive premises. Stocks of clothes are as good as new and our customers come back to us again and again as the stock changes every day. It is run by members of the Conference and Auxiliary, all voluntary of course and headed by our President and all proceeds go to the Society of Vincent de Paul.

RESTAURANTS IN MAYNOOTH

Whilst enjoying shopping locally there are plenty of restaurants to take a break in and plan your next foray to the 'drink-link' machine.

The Castle Gate:

Owned and run by Chris and Linda Cullen this very bright and attractive premises is situated, as its name suggests, alongside the gates of the Geraldine Castle. Both Chris and Linda have a long association with the food industry, Linda on the catering side and Chris as a chef for the last 15 years and as residents in Maynooth were on the lookout for suitable premises to start their own business. The restaurant is very attractively decorated in shades of blue and black with unusual use of wrought iron furniture. This theme is continued through with old-style

black and white photographs hanging on the walls. Outside, in good weather, al-fresco dining can take place in the small patio area to the front which is enhanced by tubs of flowers and hanging baskets. A full range of meals and snacks is offered from breakfast to late teas and all food is home-made as much as possible.

Opening hours:- Mon - Sat: 8.30 a.m. - 6.30 p.m. Sunday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Country Shop:

This well-established restaurant, owned by local man John Bennett, is situated in the basement of the very attractive stone premises known throughout Maynooth as the Country Shop. John had always wanted to do his own thing and when the opportunity arose to take over the restaurant he didn't hesitate. With his staff of five they offer a wide and varied selection of food accompanied by wine if desired, from a full breakfast to late meals up to 7.30 p.m. All food and bread is baked on the premises and a vegetarian meal is prepared each day along with pastas and salads. In fine weather food is served outside in the tree-shaded gardens overlooking the Castle grounds, whilst on cold winter days it is served in the welcoming atmosphere of premises heated by an open fire in its large arched fireplace with its old-fashioned iron ornaments.

Opening hours:- Mon - Fri: 9 a.m.-7.30p.m. Saturday: 9a.m.-5p.m.

The Leinster Arms

Owned by Gerry Brady this restaurant is incorporated into the licensed premises whilst retaining its privacy and welcoming atmosphere. Lunch is served from 12 noon and can be eaten in the restaurant, bar or the enclosed patio area. A full bar menu is on offer from sandwiches and snacks up to carpet-bagger steaks, with desserts being a speciality. From 5.00p.m. until 9.30p.m., an A La Carte dinner is offered from a wide choice of dishes. Of course a full bar licence is in operation for all meals to enhance their enjoyment. The staff of fourteen includes three chefs who can cater for functions of approximately 50 people for all occasions. This attractive restaurant, with its distinctive wall-mounted plough is a definite asset to the licensed premises.

Opening hours: Mon - Sunday 12 noon - 9.30p.m.

The Elite

Open for almost eleven years this very popular coffee shop is situated in the Main Street and provides a comfortable haven for those primarily seeking a snack although a more substantial platter is on offer. All food whether soup, salads, quiches etc. are prepared on the premises and fresh bread, cakes and rolls are baked daily. Since refurbishment it can now seat 52 approx. in very relaxing, comfortable surroundings, with its attractive cooling fan set in the ceiling for those hot summer days. Incorporated into the coffee shop is a take-away sales area where fresh filled rolls can be made to order along with a wide variety of cakes and sandwiches. As fresh cream cakes are a speciality the Elite offers the service of home-made cakes made to order for all occasions.

Opening hours: Mon to Sat 8.30 a.m. - 6.30 p.m.

The Coffee Kitchen

This restaurant, owned by Bill Donovan, is centrally situated in the Maynooth Shopping Centre behind Quinnswoth. Its attractive tiled interior invites the shopper to rest their weary feet, never mind their weary wallet, and order from their wide-ranging menu. From a full breakfast menu until closing time,

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MAYNOOTH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 1993

Provisional Programme

(On-going - Inter estate soccer, Gaelic matches, Pitch and Putt Family Competition, Hudson's Carnival, Bar Person of the Year, Children's Fishing Competition, Tug o War.)

Friday 11th June

Al Brady -Leinster Arms.

Thursday 17th June

Set Dancing, Folk Dancing, Irish Dancing and Accordion Band - GAA

Saturday 12th June

Music in Town

Poetry Reading - Library

Adult Treasure Hunt

Children's Treasure Hunt

Friday 18th June

Bachelor of the Year

- Caulfield's

Sunday 13th June

Talent Competition - Roost

Saturday 19th June

The Elastic Band

Fire-Brigade Display

Children's Disco

Karaoke - Roost

Monday 14th June

Mr & Mrs Competition

- Roost

Sunday 20th June

Outdoor Concert

Finals of all Football Matches

Tae Kwon Do

Sing-along in the Roost

Tuesday 15th June

Old Folks - Caulfield's

Car Trials - Doyle's Mart

7-10pm.

Wednesday 16th June

Table Quiz - GAA



Features

meals and snacks are on offer all day. All produce is home-cooked and prepared - even the chips - and served attractively. The staff of four includes his two daughters and all are well-versed in the catering trade as many satisfied customers can testify. With a complete refit of the restaurant planned for the near future the Coffee Kichen plans to hold onto its position as the longest established restaurant in Maynooth.

Opening hours:- Mon-Wed, Sat 9.30 - 6 p.m. Thurs, Fri., 9.30 - 9 p.m.

Kehoes

Owners Ted and Alverne combine a very successful restaurant with their delicatessen in the Main Street. Alverne, a native of Maynooth said they had always wanted to set up their own business and when the right premises became vacant they seized their opportunity. From breakfast at 7.30 a.m. until closing at 6 p.m., fresh, home baked food is served until it literally runs out. Lasagnes, quiches, home-made soups are a speciality whilst in the delicatessen area all ingredients for the enterprising cook are stocked, even the hard-to-get liquid glucose. Home-made ice-cream is available and a good range of wines is on offer. Kehoes will also do outside catering for all occasions.

Opening hours: Mon to Sat 7.30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

NEW BUSINESSES

We would like to welcome and wish every success to our two new Hairdressing Salons:-

The Beehive

Helen Downey has opened up her new salon in what was formerly known as "New Waves". She has completely renovated the premises and its sparkling pine finish interior has been given extra light and height by a white columned upper storey containing the latest in sunbeds. This spaciousness is enhanced by wall mounted driers and pine-surround mirrors. Helen, who chose this premises for its central location in the Maynooth Shopping Centre, manages the reception and business side of things, whilst her qualified staff of two, Lorna and Sharon are former employees of the old salon. There are special offers for the long term use of the sunbed and short bursts of an even sun tan can be paid for by the minute.

Helen's Hair Affair

Helen Finnan with her staff of three realised her life-long ambition this month when she opened her new hair salon, with her boyfriend Danny Grehan, in the Newtown Shopping Centre. This fast-growing area of Maynooth is ideally suited for this salon and the growth of new businesses. The spacious premises are very attractively decorated in pink and black. The colour scheme even extends to the floor area which is strikingly covered in pink tiles, and the windows covered in pink austrian floral blinds. Plants are used extensively to add to the welcoming air of the salon and a box of books and toys are provided for the younger clients. Helen would like to thank her former employer and trainer from Pat's Hair Salon in Leixlip for all his help and advice in setting up the salon. (See photos page 27)

WRITERS CRAMP

POEM FROM A THREE YEAR OLD

And will the flowers die?

And will the people die?

And every day do you grow old, do I
grow old, no I'm not old, do
flowers grow old?

Old things - do you throw them out?

Do you throw old people out?

And how do you know a flower that's old?

The petals fall, the petals fall from flowers
and do the petals fall from people too,
every day more petals fall until the
floor where I would like to play I
want to play is covered with old
flowers and people all the same
together lying there with petals fallen
on the dirty floor I want to play
the floor you come and sweep
with the huge broom.

The dirt you sweep, what happens that,
what happens all the dirt you sweep
from flowers and people, what
happens all the dirt? Is all the
dirt what's left of flowers and
people, all the dirt there in a
heap under the huge broom that
sweeps everything away?

Why you work so hard, why brush
and sweep to make a heap of dirt?

And who will bring new flowers?

And who will bring new people? Who will
bring new flowers to put in the water
where no petals fall on to the floor where I would like to
play? Who will bring new flowers
that will not hang their heads
like tired old people wanting sleep?
Who will bring new flowers that
do not split and shrivel every
day? And if we have new flowers,
will we have new people too to
keep the flowers alive and give
them water?

And will the new young flowers die?

And will the new young people die?

And why?

Brendan Kennelly

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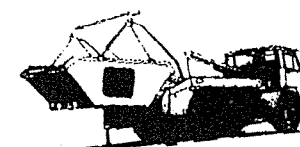
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LEAVY'S GOAT

There could never ever be a poet
To praise the deeds of Leavy's goat.
Human was her persona and Jenny was her name,
She was better than most humans in the caring game.
Like the Leavy's she was of ancient breed
And noble was this Derry's steed.

II

This goat with the stride of pride ne'er did cower
A portant of such healing power,
For Jenny's coat shone of white carisma
And she could cure the plague of asthma.
The drinkers of her mild barely knew a chill or sneeze
Ane were unfettered by the bronchial wheeze.

III

The Leavy children have no end of strength
For they partook of her nourishment
As Balla's kids knew her well
Many's the day they fed her well.
And she fed them but they never knew,
She was the substance of their youth too.

IV

How she made the children laugh,
That joyous happy sporting calf.
As they held her horns or felt her hair
They soon forgot all earthly care.
They loved her and she loved them
Of all goats she was a jem.

V

An Gabhair Ban she did her thing,
While Derry and Marian flayed in life tough ring.
And when recently she sadly died,
Derry buried her with pride.
The drums of the heart did sorrow prime
And broke that happy Greenfield Clime.

VI

But on so fondly did she bleat,
When Tunney walked down the street,
And how she strutted like a fawn,
The praning light-footed Jenny Ban.
For every child felt the need
To touch the coat of Derry's steed.

VII

She had a great dislike of bodhrans
Of speeding cars and butcher stands.
Her favourite group was the Maynooth Brass Band
She used to tap her horns to lend them a hand
How she would have loved to kick the drum
Or stick her horns into Gandy's bum.

VIII

Oh how she knew the failings,
Of the folk who passed her railings,
As to mass or shops they tottered
With dry tongues or hearts besotted.
She could see the steeple rise to adorn
And perhaps thought it was some kind of monumental horn

IX

All the people who in Greenfield dwell
Directions to Leavy's they knew so well
"Just head on up to that yonder dell
It will only take you the shortest spell
Then stop when you get the goats smell
And then go in and ring the bell",

X

When going to town I took a detour
Down by Maynooth tranquil harbour
Its waters shone of grey and white
Like Jenny's coat transformed to light
But as I passed I was sad to note
"Twas the only sign of Leavy's goat.

XI

For in the Goatland of the Heavens she is full of joy,
Recalling times for Jesus when he wandered as a boy
and she's telling him of Greenfields earthly abode
So at sunset they may wander down its quiet road
For the goat of gaiety and the noble deity
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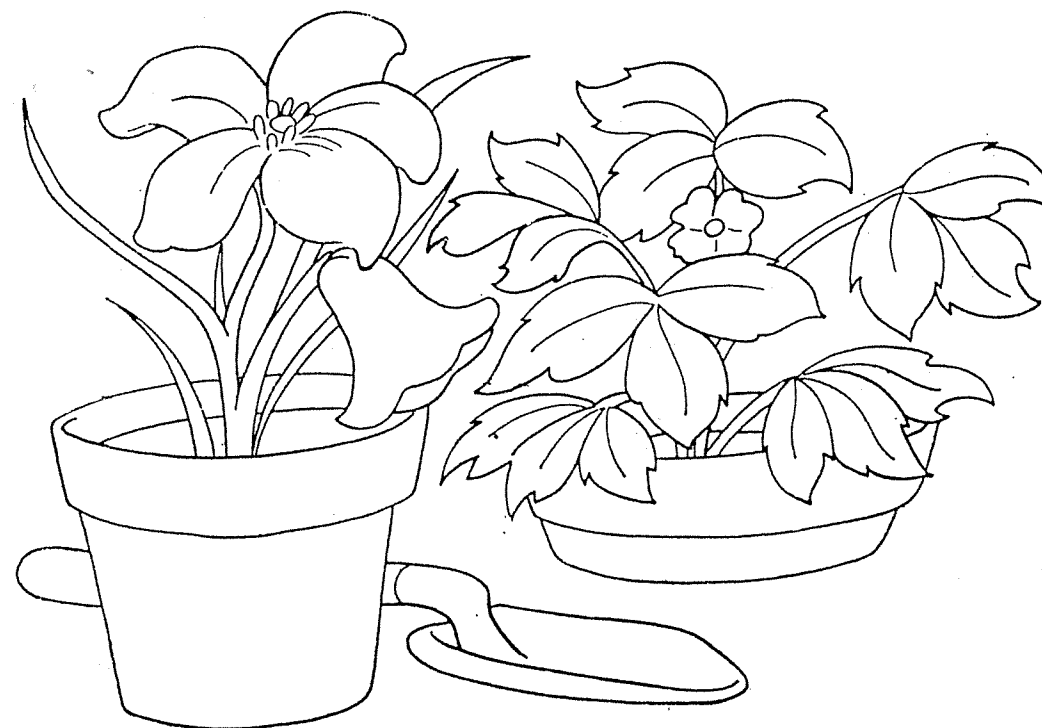
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DRUG COST SUBSIDISATION SCHEME ELIGIBILITY

Q. Who can use this scheme?

A. Persons who:

- do not have a current medical card or long-term illness book;
- are certified as having a long-term medical condition with a regular and on-going requirement for prescribed drugs and medicines in excess of an amount per month currently £32.

Q. Do specified illnesses/conditions only qualify for inclusion in the Scheme?

A. No. The basic requirement is that a person is certified as having a long-term medical condition with a requirement for prescribed drugs and medicines in excess of £32.

Q. What is meant by long-term?

A. In normal circumstances 12 months.

BENEFITS

Q. What are the benefits of the scheme?

A. Persons who qualify will not have to pay more than £32 per month to their pharmacist for all of their prescribed drugs and medicines.

Q. Who decides whether a person qualifies for the new Scheme?

A. The local health board decides on the basis of the information contained in the completed application form.

IDENTITY CARD

Q. Does the health board provide a special card or book to persons availing of the new Scheme?

A. Yes. The health board will provide each person with an authorisation card which they will present at the pharmacy when collecting their drugs and medicines.

OBTAINING DRUGS AND MEDICINES

Q. Does a person have to use the same pharmacy every month?

A. No. However, it is a requirement of the Scheme that all supplies in respect of **any one month** must be obtained from the same pharmacy. In any case where medicines are obtained from a second pharmacy in a calendar month payment of up to £32 will be required. This second payment can then be claimed from the health board under the Drugs Refund Scheme.

OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS

Q. What if more members of the family has a long-term medical condition?

A. Each person certified as being eligible under the Scheme will receive a personal authorisation card.

Q. Will each eligible family member have to pay £32.

A. No. Only one payment of £32 will be required provided that the eligible family members use the same pharmacy within any one month.

Q. What about medicines prescribed for other family members not having long-term medical conditions?

A. They will pay the full cost of their medicines at the time of purchase but may claim a refund from the health board, as at present, under the Refund of Drugs Scheme. In assessing the amount of the refund the health board will have regard to the payment of £32 made in respect of the Drug Cost Subsidisation Scheme.

EQUALITY ARREARS

Amount being paid by the Dept. of Social Welfare.

The regulation under which these arrears are being paid out is Statutory Instrument SI 152 of 1992. Under the regulations the

first phase only provided for payment of:-

- The difference between the lower personal rate paid to a married woman and that paid to a man.

- The extra 3 months duration of Unemployment Benefit.

- Under phase 2 some married women will be entitled to arrears of Unemployment Assistance and a Household Supplement due to be paid in 1993/94.

What should enquirers do?

- Women affected by this should write into the Social Welfare Services Office, Equal Treatment Arrears Section, P.O. Box No. 3497, Dublin 8, stating name, address, RSI No. and amount of arrears actually received.

- They should acknowledge the amount they have received.

- Ask for confirmation of how this amount was calculated.

- Request payment of such further entitlement still due to them (e.g. alleviating payment paid to married men).

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MAYNOOTH PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS

Black Tulips

May 4th will see the Black Tulips blooming again, contemplating a new season of creativity. This time there will be eight sessions, and the aims of the group are as follows: 1. To expose children to the enjoyment of the Arts, to foster an appreciation of reading, writing, drama, art, films etc. with an emphasis on what books have to offer in these areas. 2. To stimulate children's creativity and improve their powers of expression through writing and drama. 3. To encourage children to read more, to increase their critical ability, to introduce them to books which they might not otherwise discover. 4. To increase children's use of the library, to enable them to see the library as a place not just for book borrowing, but as a source of information. 5. To promote the library's importance as a cultural centre. 6. To promote more worthwhile use of leisure time.

Last year's sessions were very successful and three newsletters were produced by the children, containing reviews, pictures, stories, riddles etc. I hope that this year's sessions will be enjoyed as much! Lots of goodies are planned so all of you bookloving, creative and artistic kids - keep an eye on the noticeboards in the childrens library!

Active Age Week

1993 is European Year of Older People, and Active Age Week this year will run from 9th - 15th May. The Old Folks Committee will mount an exhibition of crafts in the library, made by senior citizens and it is hoped that a book will be launched containing writings by the senior citizens of Maynooth, and photographs of Maynooth as it was. We will be preparing a booklist of suggested reading for people in their golden years.

New Fiction

Some new fiction added to stock include the following titles: Margot Abbott - The Last Innocent Hour. Virginia Andrews - Dawn, Heaven, Secrets of the Morning. Emma Blair - Scarlet Ribbons. Greta Curran Browne - Fire on the Hill, Lisa W. Cantrell - The Manse, Ita Daly - All Fall Down, Daniel Easterman - Night of the Seventh Darkness, Lillian Roberts Finlay - A Bona Fide Husband, Frances Fyfield - Deep Sleep, Elizabeth Jane Howard - Making Time, Susan Howatch - Mystical Paths, Marvin Kaye (selected by) - Masterpieces of Terror and the Supernatural, Brid Mahon - A Time to Love, Maisie Mosco - For Love and Duty, Out of the Ashes, Margaret Pemberton - An Embarrassment of Riches, John Updike - Rabbit is Rich, Rabbit Redux.

Non-Fiction

Some new non-fiction titles were also added to stock, and include: M. Young and Tom Schuller - Life After Work, D. Lapierre - The City of Joy, Anne Maguire - For Brians Sake, Jonathan Scott - The Great Migration, Susan Hampshire - The Maternal Instinct, Tim Pat Coogan (ed) - Ireland and the Arts, John Kobal (ed) - Ingrid Bergman, Conor Cruise O'Brien - The Great Melody, Hugh Callaghan - Cruel Fate, Annie Murphy - Forbidden Fruit.

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DEMOCRATIC LEFT NOTES



Maynooth By-Pass : Knock-On Effects

When completed in 1995, the Maynooth by-Pass road will have a major beneficial impact on Maynooth, where traffic conditions have been intolerable for some time. At the same time, the building of the by-pass will generate very significant new traffic flows locally, mainly because of the location of the interchange on the Straffan Road.

The main consequence will be the attraction onto the Straffan Road of local commuter traffic which currently travels to Dublin via Leixlip. To cater for this extra traffic, work on upgrading the Straffan Road, including road widening, bicycle lanes, new traffic lights and a new bridge over the canal, is due to begin shortly. A local committee drawn from residents associations along the route will be monitoring this work, and Councillor Catherine Murphy will be promoting this committee's wishes at County Council level.

From Barberstown to the Interchange

A significant amount of new traffic will also be attracted to the interchange from the southern (Barberstown) side. This will include commuter traffic from around Clane, plus also traffic from further west, in the Edenderry direction. The Straffan Road is simply not up to taking this extra traffic, being too narrow and with a series of bad bends between Barberstown and Taghadoo Cross.

Following enquiries by Catherine Murphy, the County Engineer has revealed that proposals for upgrading this stretch of the Straffan Road have been given a high priority in the recent submission to the Department of the Environment on road improvements in the county. In fact, a £3 million plan to improve the road has been listed second among Category A (top priority) projects in the submission. However, no funding has actually been allocated for the work, which reveals a lack of integrated planning in relation to the knock-on local effects of the by-pass. Catherine Murphy will continue to press for this work to be done. In the meantime, hopefully we will not have to wait for a serious accident before the work is sanctioned.

Celbridge Commuter Traffic

Another likely spin-off of the location of the interchange on the Straffan Road will be the generation of a lot of commuter traffic from Celbridge seeking access to the by-pass. Most residential development in Celbridge has taken place in the vicinity of the Maynooth Road. At present, commuter traffic from this area has to put up with long delays in the morning due to congestion on Celbridge Main Street. A proposal to construct a direct link from the Celbridge-Maynooth road to the by-pass has been turned down by the Minister for the Environment.

The fact that the Straffan Road interchange is only just over a mile away from where Celbridge was seeking its own link will inevitably mean that a lot of Celbridge traffic will opt for this interchange, rather than put up with long daily delays on Celbridge Main Street. This traffic will travel along the Ballygoran Road, emerging at the Straffan Road beside the interchange. This road, of course, is not up to the task of catering for heavy traffic flows. Yet there are no specific plans to upgrade it.

When Councillor Catherine Murphy made enquiries about this, amazingly she was offered the opinion by a County Council Engineer that drivers from Celbridge would not use this route, but would come into Maynooth instead, and then drive out the Straffan Road to the interchange! Bearing in mind that the Maynooth-Celbridge road is being realigned so that traffic will have to go to Ballygoran anyway, and will then have to cross over the by-pass to get to Maynooth, this idea is clearly absurd.

The County Council does have plans to relieve congestion on Celbridge Main Street by building a new bridge across the Liffey at the Castletown end of the Main Street. However, this is years away, and even when built, many commuters from Celbridge will still find it preferable to travel via the Straffan Road interchange. It is imperative, therefore, that the Ballygoran Road be upgraded immediately, and Catherine Murphy is pursuing this as a matter of urgency.

MAYNOOTH DEMOCRATIC LEFT STUDENT NOTES

Democratic Left celebrated one year in existence in Irish politics on February 22nd last. Since the Party was launched, a vibrant branch has been active in Maynooth College. Their high profile, proud record of work and the respect afforded to them is testimony to the efforts of its membership. With the academic year drawing to a close, all that remains is the holding of an A.G.M. before exams demand undivided attention.

The academic year began with the branch mounting a very successful stand at the College Fairs Day. The branch produced and distributed a very effective leaflet on the abortion question among the student body in November. Members were involved in The Youth Peace train from Belfast to Derry on October 30th, so setting the scene for the group to contribute as a substantial component of the Maynooth Peace Group. Party members and supporters were also involved in individual capacities in other organisations and societies in the college. Cllr. Catherine Murphy launched her ultimately unsuccessful election campaign in the college during November. Branch members gained the invaluable experience of canvassing for the party in that same election, Cllr. Murphy was also invited to speak to a packed Callan Hall audience in a debate on abortion prior to those referendums. The branch continued to contribute effectively to Kildare Constituency Council throughout the year. The branch continuously highlighted issues of local College importance such as inadequate library facilities, late grant payments, lack of facilities and the non-existence of an exam appeals system. During January the D.L. education spokesperson addressed the only forum organised by students in the College on the Green Paper. Eamon Gilmore worked closely with the branch throughout the year on such issues. The party's Northern Irish chairperson, Cllr. Seamus Lynch was a special guest of the College Co-operation North group in February. His talk on the Social History of Northern Ireland was widely acknowledged among the student body as the best speech of the year. The branch made a big impression during Rag Week, organising a very successful Blind Date and raising over £100 for charity. That was more than any other club or society in fact. The branch was well represented at the

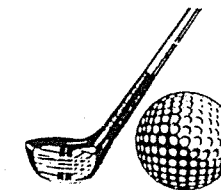
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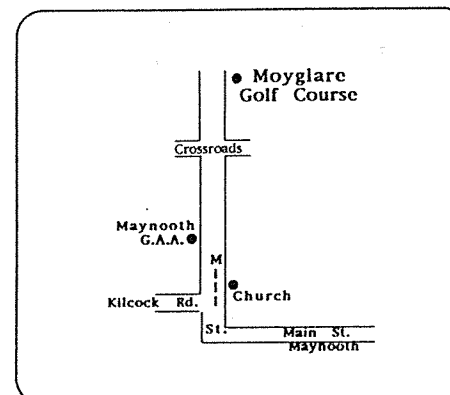
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Political Party Notes

very well attended inaugural D.L. Student Conference in Trinity College at the end of February. The branch was involved with the party education committee during March, formulating policy on the Green Paper. The work of Maynooth Peace group attracted plenty of attention during March, collecting a bulky Book of Condolences for the Warrington atrocities among other things. Cllr. Murphy spoke at a special reception presenting the Book to Mr. Chris Hudson of The Peacetrain Organisation. Fiachra O Ceilleachair spoke at a bilingual debate during Seachtain na Gaeilge in the College, which was reckoned to be the best actual debate of the year. Party members also did their bit for the very successful Women's Week in the College. To round off the year, it is hoped to have Proinsias De Rossa address the A.G.M. The committee for the past year comprised of the following: Fiachra O Ceilleachair, Regina O' Connor Hannon, Marie Therese O' Connor Hannon, Brendan Duggan Jnr., Patricia Carey, Jackie Dorrity, Michelle O' Donovan, Justin Evers. Thanks also goes to the other members, supporters and friends who contributed in any way. The groundwork has been laid for future advances.

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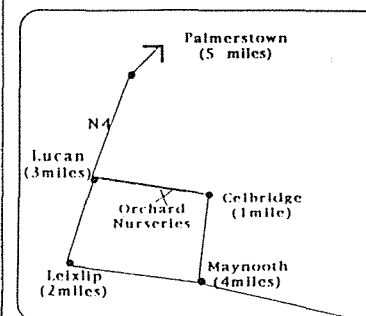


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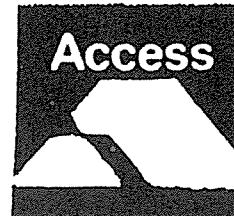
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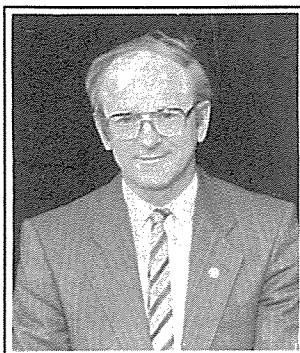
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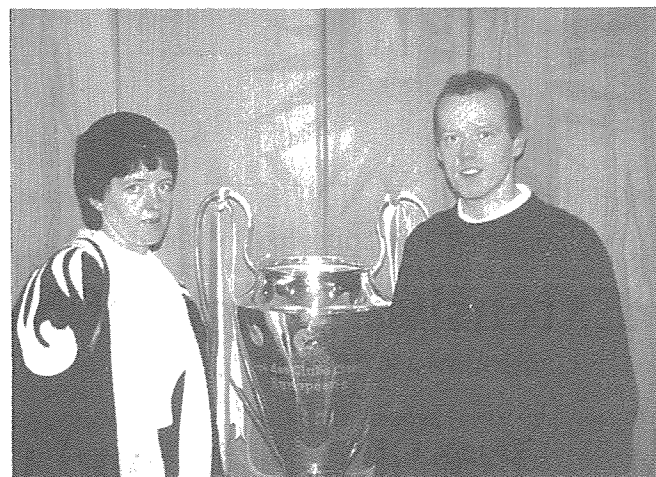
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Thomas Ashe, Principal of Maynooth Post-Primary School.

Born in Listowel, Co. Kerry, Thomas Ashe attended the local national school where he was taught in 3rd class, by the playwright Brian McMahon and then completed his secondary education in St. Michael's College. Before attending U.C.D. he worked for 3 years with A.J. Hogan, a bookmaker for whom he has nothing but praise, describing him as "A most kind and generous man" - a label not usually ascribed to those working in that profession! On moving to Dublin he shared digs with twelve other students - a slight culture shock from living at home with his parents, two brothers and two sisters. When asked why he went to U.C.D. and not Cork, the simple answer was that at that time there was a direct rail link between Listowel and Dublin, and therefore was a natural choice. After graduating Mr. Ashe taught in Tallaght for 5 years, a much smaller town in those days with only one secondary school. From there he was appointed principal of Maynooth Post-Primary school, the position he holds to-day. His first impression of the town was the beauty of the tree-lined Main Street and the great support and help he received from the townspeople. At that time there were only 120 pupils in the school, but with the expansion of Maynooth this number has greatly increased. It is a major disappointment to Mr. Ashe that this growth was not properly anticipated by the Dept. of Education when they sanctioned the extension to the school in 1982 to cater for the needs of 500 students. The present roll-call stands at 600 and another extension is urgently needed if the students are to compete on equal footing in the new Europe where future employment prospects lie. Mr. Ashe firmly believes in giving his students a strong work ethic with which they can tackle their studies and bring to them the hard work and commitment necessary for success. With the instilling of this work ethic he believes that grinds outside of school are unnecessary and in an informal survey discovered that the best results were obtained by students who, in conjunction with their teachers and their parents, brought this commitment to their work. Whilst stating that the points system is fair and free from outside influence, he, at the same time, contends that it has taken a lot of the fun out of learning but as the system is in place it will just have to be worked with. The Green Paper, he sees, as being high in aspirations but possibly without the resources to back it. Mr. Ashe views the siting of the Post-Primary school in the town as vital to the town's development and the manner and style of running the school as an influence on the town itself, with students aspiring to 3rd-level education and various branches of employment. Maynooth has benefited in the past and will benefit in the future from the well-balanced and solid citizens emerging from its school and the contributions they will make to their society. As the school has an open entry policy students come from a full cross-section of society and each child is treated individually and if necessary, positive discrimination is practised in order to bring the child up to the desired level. Mr. Ashe would like to pay tribute to the very

valuable contribution made to the school by the parents association which was put in place right from the foundation of the school. He would also like to acknowledge the help and co-operation given to the school by the College authorities with the shared use of facilities e.g., the swimming pool and looks forward to even closer co-operation in the future. With Monsgr. Ledwith he shares the view of Maynooth as a unique university town - akin to Heidelberg - and hopes that it will be treated as thus by the relevant authorities in charge of its development. Although being an exiled Kerryman Mr. Ashe will still support the kingdom in matters of sport with Kildare and Dublin following close behind. The Dublin connection is of course provided by his wife and with four children all reared and educated in Maynooth - Tomás, Fergus, Catherine and Cormac, he would fail to support Kildare at his peril. Indeed he sees his future as being permanently sited in Maynooth and looks forward to the future development in tandem with the school and town.



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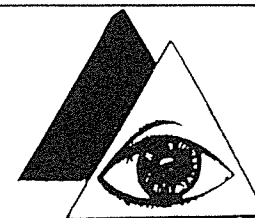
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*Karen Nolan,
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MAYNOOTH ATHLETIC CLUB

Leinster Cross Country.

We had some outstanding performances at these races one session of which was held in Carton, (many thanks to Michael Barry) - on a dreadful day. Our medal winners were as follows: Pierre Ennis (3rd U/9; Pierre, Pat O'Rourke, Morgan Sweeney and Alan Baxter (2nd club) and Pierre, Pat & Morgan on Kildare team (2nd county); David Campbell (3rd U/10 and U/11); Conor Diggins and Declan O'Rourke (on Kildare team 3rd county U/12); Dave Jolley and John O'Rourke (on Kildare team 3rd O/45); Frances Kearney, Margaret Gillick and Marie Gleeson (2nd Novice club); Liam McNamee (1st O/35, 2nd O/40 and on Kildare winning teams). As usual all the athletes juvenile and senior ran their hearts out and there were many other fine performances which didn't make the medals.

All Ireland Cross Country

Held in Santry for the Juveniles and Seniors, the athletes turned out in force. The Munster contingent made medals hard to come by and again everybody performed to their best but without a medal to show. Our placings were; Boys U/9: 8 P. O'Rourke, 22 P. Ennis, 58 M. Sweeney, 69 P. Campbell, 92 C. Carr, 103 D. Adderley, 129 S. Healy. Girls U/9. 72 L. Bruton, 83 G. O'Hurley, 103 O. Doyle. Boys U/10 6 D. Campbell, 74 P. O'Sullivan, 83 N. Healy. Girls U/10. 56 A. Mc Ternan. Boys U/11 9 C. Diggins, 20 K. Ennis, 93 D. Carr. Girls U/11 49 M. O'Sullivan, 53 S. Adderley. Boys U/12 33 D. O'Rourke. Boys U/13 52 T. O'Feeherty. Girls U/13 28 M. Gillick. Marie Gleeson was part of the Kildare team which finished third county.

Indoor Competition.

Declan O'Rourke became the first of our athletes to compete in indoor track and what a start he gave us with a magnificent victory in the 300 m. Well done Declan!

All Ireland Road Walks.

David and Philip Campbell competed in the U/11 competition in Kilcock coming home first and second respectively. Well done Lads!

Kildare 5000 m Road Championships.

These were held in Maynooth (many thanks to GAA club for use of their many facilities). John Campbell has been improving in every outing and had a fine run to finish 7th overall and take the O/35 title. Our mens team were pipped for bronze by a few points.

Results: O/35 Men: 1st. J. Campbell, 3rd Ray McTernan, O/45 Men: 2nd L. McNamee, 4th D. Jolley. O/30 Ladies: 1st. N. McTernan. O/35 2nd F. Kearney. O/40 1st. M. Gleeson : Maynooth 1st Ladies Team.

1992 Track & Field.

The successes at last year's All Irelands have been already well documented. However, we have recently been given further news which enhances these performances. This is, that our athletes set 3 new national records in the course of the championships; Patrick O'Rourke (U/9 60m); Sarah Commene (U/12 300 m), and our U/10 Relay team of Patrick O'Rourke, David Campbell, Patrick Kent and Richard Leavy.

Other Items.

Congratulations to the Post Primary School teams who were very successful in the Schools Cross Country Championships. Emer O'Sullivan and Patricia Purcell - two of our members - were part of the team which finished 3rd in All Ireland. All club members are delighted to see Margaret Gillick back in action after her lay off and no doubt she will be shortly pulling on the club singlet again. Many thanks to all who supported our recent table quiz and the GAA for the facilities. Our next outing will be the first session of Kildare Track and Field Championships in Kilcock on 9th May. The second session will be on 23rd May and Maynooth Community Games Athletics in between on 16th May.

MAYNOOTH BADMINTON CLUB.

Congratulations to our first team for winning their section in the Dublin league. Winning seems to be a habit of theirs this season. The winning of the league final was even a bigger achievement considering the amount of players they had injured but the will to win carried them through it. In the next issue of the Newsletter details will be given for the summer club which will be starting in June. All players and non players are welcome as the club intends to have coaching sessions for those who are interested.

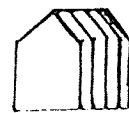
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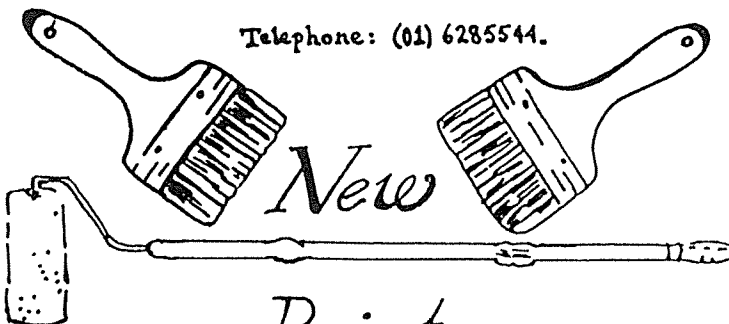
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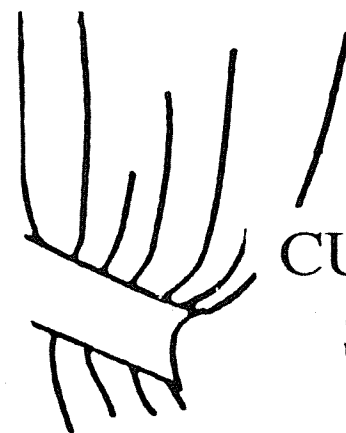
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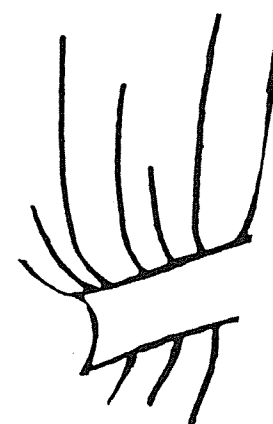
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MAYNOOTH G.A.A.

1st Team Football

(1) Rathangan 2-11 Maynooth 0-4 pts. (Home)

This was the poorest performance by the team for at least 12 months. Maynooth playing at home, started tamely and allowed Intermediate side Rathangan, who fielded many of their Under 21 Championship winning team of 2 years ago, to dominate the exchanges with tigerish tackling, aggressive defending, great running off the ball and intelligent use of open space. Before the homesters realised what was happening Rathangan had galloped into a 9 point lead and they never looked back with Kildare U. 21 star Eric Dockery very prominent in their attack. Maynooth started the second half in more determined fashion but had little luck in trying to pull back the Rathangan lead - Fagan and Mahony both hitting the woodwork with good efforts. While Maynooth's best period of the game was in the later stages they paid the ultimate and inevitable price for a very sluggish performance.

Scorers: Edwards, L. O'Toole, J. O'Toole and Kelly 1 pt each. **Best:** Ennis (until injured), Mahony, Fagan and Devereau.

(2) Maynooth 2-11 Kilcloon 8 pts. (Away)

Maynooth got back on the winning trail and erased the memory of the previous Sunday's debacle against Rathangan with a very useful and entertaining work-out against near-neighbours Kilcloon. Kilcloon had a very youthful (and very promising) side on duty and the more experienced Maynooth side eventually wore down their spirited resistance. David Faherty made a very promising debut in goal and it was especially gratifying to see most of the other experiments working out successfully with Eoin O'Neill, Kelly, Mahony, Fagan, Devereaux, Murray, Nolan and the two Fahertys playing particularly well.

Scorers: J. Nolan 1.1; H. Purcell 1.0; S. Molloy 3 pts; J. Edwards 3 pts; M. Faherty 2 pts; K. Fagan and D. Murray 1 pt each.

(3) Maynooth 2-6 Rathcoffey 5 pts (Away)

Maynooth picked up their first League points with a clear-cut victory over Rathcoffey. It was a good, solid, workmanlike performance by Maynooth embellished by fine performances from David Faherty in goal. Ken Killoran at centre half back. He completely blotted out Rathcoffey dangerman Sean Moriarty - Joey Nevin at right half forward who roamed here and there and everywhere to good effect and Noel Reilly for 2 splendid opportunist goals. Seanie Molloy returned to outfield duty after his sojourn between the posts, and while his free-taking was good his general play was not unexpectedly somewhat lack lustre. A feature of the day was the number of options available to the selectors - 10 subs were tagged out on the sideline ready for action.

Scorers: Reilly 2 goals; Molloy 3 pts; Joey Nevin, Burke and Fagan 1 pt each. **Best:** Faherty, M. Nevin, Noone, Kelly, Killoran, Mahony, Joey Nevin, Reilly and Murray.

(4) Clogherinkoe 1-10 Maynooth 10 pts. (Home)

A match which the home side should never have lost. They gave as good as they got for the entire game which was closely and cleanly fought with the lead changing hands repeatedly. Clogherinkoe started better and with John Lowry, Mick Wynne, Peter Delaney and Tony Roche in good form put it up to the home side in no uncertain fashion. Maynooth responded well but wasted possession through silly mistakes, a proliferation of

handling errors, misplaced passes and an insistence on adhering to short-passing when the conditions cried out for a more direct approach. Notwithstanding being less than convincing in their play Maynooth recovered from a 2 point deficit at half time and hit the front midway through the second half. However, they could never shake off their very dogged opponents and with 5 minutes remaining and the scores standing at 10 pts each disaster struck. A ball which should have been cleared first time by the Maynooth defence was blocked down. In the ensuing scuffle a Clogherinkoe forward managed to get his toe to the ball and bundle it to the net. It was a disastrous and hardly deserved end to the game from a Maynooth point of view and even the Clogherinkoe mentors and players felt we deserved better.

Scorers: Paul Garvey 2 pts; Aidan Burke 2 pts; Ken Killoran, Killian Fagan, Johnny Nevin, Paul Stynes, Fergus Devereaux and Seanie Molloy 1 pt each. **Best:** Conway, M. Nevin, Kelly, Mahony, Fagan and Johnny Nevin.

Underage Football

Under 10

(1) Maynooth 5-1 Celbridge 3-5 (at Salesians)

Scorers: Joe Fleming 2 goals; Peter Sheehan 1 goal; Donal Houlihan 1 goal; Pierre Ennis 1 goal and Stephen O'Malley 1 pt. **Best:** Dean Conway in goal, Derek Connellan at No 3, Aidan Molloy at No 4, Paddy O'Rourke at No 6, Pierre Ennis and Alan Baxter at midfield and in a very lively attack Joe Fleming, Donal Houlihan and Peter Sheehan.

(2) Maynooth 5.10 Kill 1.4 (at Kill)

Scorers: Pierre Ennis 2.3; Peter Sheehan 1.1; Paddy O'Rourke 1.0; Fintan O'Donoghue 1.0; Alan Baxter 3 pts; Joe Fleming 2 pts and Derek Connellan 1 pt. **Best:** Ennis was outstanding at midfield ably assisted by Baxter; Adderly, Molloy, Carr, Quinn and Healy were rock-solid at the back; the forwards brilliantly led by O'Rourke, Fleming and Sheehan went on the rampage scoring at will.

Under 11

(1) Maynooth 2-4 Celbridge 4 pts (At Salesians)

Scorers: David Campbell 2.2; Podge O'Sullivan, Martin Dolan 1 pt each. **Best:** D. Campbell, P. King, S. Devereaux, N. Healy, M. Dolan and K. Grennell.

This was a very good win over a strong and skilful Celbridge side with Maynooth's defence really excelling in atrocious conditions.

(2) Naas 2-5 Maynooth 3-1 (At Naas)

Scorers: Martin Dolan, Killian Grennell and Stephen Fleming 1 goal each; K. Grennell 1 pt. **Best:** Grennell, King, Pidgeon, Gleeson and D. O'Brien.

This was a torrid battle from beginning to end in a sea of mud at Naas. Both teams are to be complimented on serving up such an absorbing tussle in the most difficult conditions imaginable. Naas took full advantage of a gale force wind in the first half and led at the break. In the second half Maynooth stormed back and were unlucky to be just edged out at the final whistle by the narrowest of margins.

U/12 Football League:- Maynooth 3-6 v Kilcock 3-4. Maynooth scored a very good win over Kilcock: This game was close throughout with Maynooth finishing the best. **Maynooth Scorers:-** T. Halton 1.5 pt., K. Ennis 1.1 pt., M. McLoughlin 1 goal. Also to play well - J. Fagan, S. McDermot, A. McCarrow, A. Geoghegan.

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U/12 Football League:- Maynooth 4-3 v Celbridge 2-4. Maynooth got their record win in U/12 League by beating Celbridge: **Maynooth Scorers:-** W. Farrelly 2.1 pt., T. Halton 1.1 pt., S. Lennon 1 goal, K. Ennis 1 pt. Also to play well - J. Fagan, D. Carr, S. Redmond.

U/10 Football Fixtures:- Monday 10th May - Away to Leixlip. Monday 24th May - Home to Confey.

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U/12 Football Fixtures:- Monday 10th May - Home to Leixlip. Monday 24th May - Away to Confey. Monday 14th June - Home to Ballina. Monday 28th June - Away to Carbury.

U/13 Football Fixtures:- Monday 10th May - Home to Leixlip. Monday 24th May - Away to Confey. Monday 14th June - Home to Cappagh. Monday 28th June - Away to Carbury.

Lotto Result for 21st March:- Numbers: 5-11-17. No Winner. Jackpot £150. 3 x £10 Brian Curtis, Josie Murphy, Padraig O'Connor.

Lotto Result for 28th March:- Numbers: 3-6-17. No Winner. Jackpot £200. 3 x £10. Tony Kelly, Kevin McGovern, J. Brennan.

Lotto Result for 4th April:- Numbers: 6-17-21. Jackpot £250. Won by Catherine Flaherty.

Lotto Result for 11th April:- Numbers: 7-10-17. No Winner. Jackpot £150. 3 x £10. Tony Penny, Tom Sullivan, Rachel O'Keffe.

U/16 Hurling League:- Maynooth 6.9 v Broadford 0.0. Maynooth u/16 Hurlers got off to a great start against Broadford in Broadford. Maynooth completely outplayed Broadford in all sections. C. Ryan had a outstanding game and scored 3.4 pts. R. Casey 3 pts. S. Noonan 1 goal, E. Nevin 1 goal. J. O'Shea 1.1 pt., S. Griffin 1 pt. This was a good team performance.

Minor Hurling League:- Maynooth 4-3 v Castledermot 2-9. After a lapse of many years Maynooth returned to the minor grade with a good performance and were very unlucky not to take both points. H. Nevin gave an outstanding performance at full back ably assisted by goalie D. Moore, P. Leacy, T. Farrell, S. Noonan, S. Griffin and N. Gillick. **Maynooth Scorers:-** N. Gillick 3 goals, P. Leacey 3 pts. E. Hassett 1 goal.

U/12 Hurling:- Maynooth 9-1 - Broadford 2-0. Maynooth got off to a great start in this competition with a comprehensive win. Conor Diggins and Michael Ryan dictated midfield and the forwards saw plenty of ball. Also in good form were:- Tommy Mullarkey, Karl Ennis, Brendan Keogh and Aidan McCarron but it was a great all round team performance. **Scorers:-** Peter Guinan (3.0), B. Keogh (3.0), M. Ryan, Sean O'Flaherty, Peter Sheehan (1.0) each, Mikey Gleeson (0.1)

U/14 Hurling:- Broadford 2-0 - Maynooth 0-0. Broadford just shaded this match in which defences were on top in difficult conditions. Matt Callaghan and Rory Kelly were in outstanding form with Seamus Cummins, Eoin Nevin and Kevin Carr also to the fore.

U/11 Hurling:- Maynooth 5-0 - Kilcock 2-0. This was a good win by a team which did not produce all the sparkle shown as u/10's last year and struggled at times. There were good shows from James Mullarkey, Aidan Molloy, Sean O'Flaherty, Peter Guinan and Tommy Masterson. **Scorers:-** S. O'Flaherty (2.0), Damian Travers (2.0), Peter Guinan (1.0).

Minor Football League:- Maynooth 1-11 pts. v Round Towers 0-5 pts. Maynooth completely outplayed Round Towers in

this Minor League Match played in Maynooth. The opening half Maynooth played some great football and led at half time by 7 pts. to no score. In second half Round Towers played their best football but could not overcome the Maynooth defence. **Best for Maynooth:-** S. Noonan, J. Higgins, A. Hassett, K. Killoran, H. Nevin, T. Farrell.

U/16 Football League:- Maynooth 6-7 v Athy 2 pts. Maynooth were never in trouble in this game played in Maynooth. They dominated throughout the field and had great displays by R. Murphy, B. Gannon, D. Moore, A. Gaffney. **Maynooth Scorers:-** D. Moore 2-2 pts., A. Gaffney 2-2 pts., B. Glennon 1 goal, G. Lyons 1.1 pt., J. Lawlor 2 pts.

U/16 Football League:- Maynooth 2-5 v Naas 2-9. A good first half display by Naas earned them a narrow win but Maynooth fought hard to get into this game after letting Naas score two early goals. Naas led at half-time by 2.5 to 0.2. Maynooth came more into the game in second half and two goals from J. Lawlor put Maynooth on the road to fight back but could not get them scores. **Maynooth Scorers:-** J. Lawlor 2 goals, C. Ryan 3 pts. D. Moore 2 pts. This was a great team effort in second half. **Best for Maynooth:-** M. Nugent, S. Griffin, J. Lawlor, C. Ryan, R. Casey.

Maynooth play their 1st round of Junior A Football Championship on Sunday 9th May in Clane at 3.00 p.m. They play Two-Mile-House. **Hope to see all Maynooth in Clane to give us your support.**

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MAYNOOTH SWIMMING CLUB

Once again we start a new term on the 1st May. This term will include the Senior Gala, the date for this has yet to be decided. Each member will be issued with details in the next few weeks. Any parent wishing to have their child's name put on the waiting list should contact our secretary Aine Herns Kennedy, Railpark, Maynooth or any member of the committee. Swimmers with some experience welcome. If there are any members not returning next term, please let a member of the committee know as soon as possible, so their places can be given to new members

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MAYNOOTH TOWN A.F.C.

Our recent indoor Soccer Marathon proved a big success and was enjoyed by all who took part, both young and the not so young. Rivalry was keen throughout the day and a good spirit prevailed throughout. Many thanks to all who took part and to Maynooth Post Primary School for use of the gym. Our next big date is Monday 3rd May when the now Annual trip to Old Trafford takes place. Late adjustments have had to be made to earlier plans because of the game being switched to Monday 3rd May from Saturday 1st May to facilitate live T.V. coverage. This is a game which was selected some time ago by the late Patsy Byrne as a game which would be interesting. How prophetic his plans turned out to be as it may well have a big bearing on the destination of the Premier Division Championship. It will be a nostalgic trip in a sense but nevertheless one of enjoyment as always because Patsy would want it no other way.

Leinster Junior League. Premier Division. Yellowstone Celtic 1 - Maynooth Town 3.

Maynooth were made to fight hard for this win despite the scoreline. Both sides were evenly matched and the exchanges always competitive. The first half was scoreless and it looked as if Maynooth had let their chance slip having to play up the

hill and against the wind in the second half. Philip Doyle crashed home a free kick in the 51st minute. goals in the 85th and 87th minute by Jason Keigher and Philip Doyle before a late goal by Yellowstone completed the scoring. Barry Desmond, Eamon Dunne and Paul McCourt were in top form in defence with Paul Byrne and Jason Keigher also in top form.

Kildare Town 1 - Maynooth Town 1.

This was a superb result for Maynooth having to play for 80 minutes with ten men. Keeper Barry Desmond was ordered off for retaliation following a heavy challenge by a Kildare forward who had committed a similar offence a few minutes earlier. Jason Keigher donned the keepers jersey and gave a five star display between the posts. The game was tough from there on and Maynooth had to fight hard to withstand heavy Kildare pressure. Fifteen minutes into the second half Fergal Barton lobbed a Philip Doyle pass over the advancing Kildare keeper for a deserved lead. It looked as if Maynooth would take both points but ten minutes from time a disputed penalty for Kildare brought the sides level. Maynooth gallantly held out for the remaining minutes for a deserved draw. Paul McCourt, Jason Keigher, Philip Doyle and Paul Byrne shared the honours for Maynooth.

Maynooth Town 3 - Aungier Celtic 2.

This was a cracking game right from the kick-off with Maynooth playing some of their best football of the season. Maynooth scored as early as the 46th second when Gerry Quinn finished a Fergal Barton cross. Aungier were on terms ten minutes later when slack marking by Maynooth provided the opening. Maynooth totally dominated the second half and Gerry Quinn got his second following a Paul Byrne pass before Paul Byrne himself got Maynooths third. With time almost up Aungier got a second in one of their rare raids into Maynooth territory. This result puts a dent in Aungier's title hopes and does no harm to Maynooths outside chance of honours.

Maynooth Town 3 - Bromley 2.

This mid-week game provided excellent entertainment and saw Maynooth stage a gallant fightback. Bromley went two goals in front in the first twenty minutes and it looked as if Maynooth faced a heavy defeat. Maynooth showed true fighting qualities and got stuck into the game after those two goals. Just before the break Philip Doyle crashed home his customary free-kick to bring Maynooth back into the game. Maynooth took over in the second half and Gerry Quinn levelled the scores with a looping shot over the keeper and John Geoghegan secured both points with a fierce right foot drive from 20 yards. Gerry Quinn, Eamon Dunne and Joey Dempsey were best for Maynooth.

Leinster Junior League Division 3 P. Grds. Ballymun Boys 1 - Maynooth Town 2.

This was an admirable performance by an under strength Maynooth side which was short several regulars. It was thought this would be a one sided affair. Ballymun opened the scoring in the 15th minute and went looking to increase the lead immediately but were contained by a very determined Maynooth defence. Maynooth kept plugging away and their persistence was rewarded when Michael Murphy levelled the scores. When it looked as if the points would be shared Mick Hegarty scored the winner with seconds to spare. This was a determined performance by Maynooth and a good all round team display. **Best for Maynooth were:** Eddie Quinn, Mick Faherty and David Cusker.

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Maynooth Town 2 - Ballymun Boys 2.

The return match against Ballymun proved to be as close as the first encountered with Maynooth having to come from behind twice. The 1st half was scoreless and it always looked as if scoring would be at a premium. Ballymun scored after 15 minutes of the second half but Maynooth drew level seven minutes later when Michael Murphy equalised. Ballymun went in front with five minutes remaining but Johnny Thompson proved to be Maynooth's saviour when sent a corner to the Ballymun net in typical Steve Staunton style with seconds remaining. **Best for Maynooth were:** Michael Murphy, Michael Kelly and Barry Farrell.

Maynooth Town 2 - Amalgamated United 2.

League leaders Amalgamated can count themselves lucky to escape with a point after this ding-dong battle. Maynooth had the better of the exchanges and should have scored a dramatic win over their higher rated opponents. Two excellent goals by John O'Neill and Michael Kelly should have secured victory for Maynooth but Amalgamated proved to be of stern stuff when battling all the way to grab a point. **Best for Maynooth were:** John O'Neill, Francis Conlon and Ray McTernan.

U/14 Schoolboys League. Maynooth Town 0 - Sandyford 0

This proved to be a hard slog for Maynooth against a very gritty Sandyford side. Maynooth's defence had to be at their best to fend off a very lively Sandyford forward line. David Coughlan and Darren Naughton were in tip top form in defence for Maynooth with Martin Byrne and Eoin Guha performing well in midfield.

U/12 Schoolboys Cup. Maynooth Town 4 - Greenfort United. 1

Maynooth put up their best performance of the season when causing a major shock in this cup game. Trailing by a goal at half-time Maynooth gave a much improved performance in the second half with Peter Kinsella proving to be the star with a hat-trick. A feature of this second half performance was a superb goal by Emma Kilduff from 25 yards to boost the ego of the female members of the squad. All were stars in this excellent performance.

U/14 Schoolboys League. Maynooth Town 0 - Beech Park 2

Maynooth's long unbeaten run came to an end in this disappointing performance. The loss of key players in vital positions proved a big handicap for Maynooth who battled hard but without success. Martin Byrne hit the post three times for Maynooth and must feel that it was not his day. **Best for Maynooth were:** Aidan O'Brien and Martin Byrne.

U/11 Schoolboys League. Maynooth Town 4 I.G.B.C. 0.

Maynooth were good value for this good win over I.G.B.C. Goals by Trevor McMahon and Shane Folan gave Maynooth a comfortable half-time lead and Trevor Naughton proved the second half hero with two good goals. **Best for Maynooth were:** Andy Madden Colm Cahill and Trevor Naughton.

Once more it is sad to report that vandals have once again struck at our dressing rooms. Prior to Easter the seating was removed with the timber sheeting from the walls and used to provide firewood for a campfire drinking party. A definite line of enquiry is being followed and the club intends to seek compensation from those responsible.

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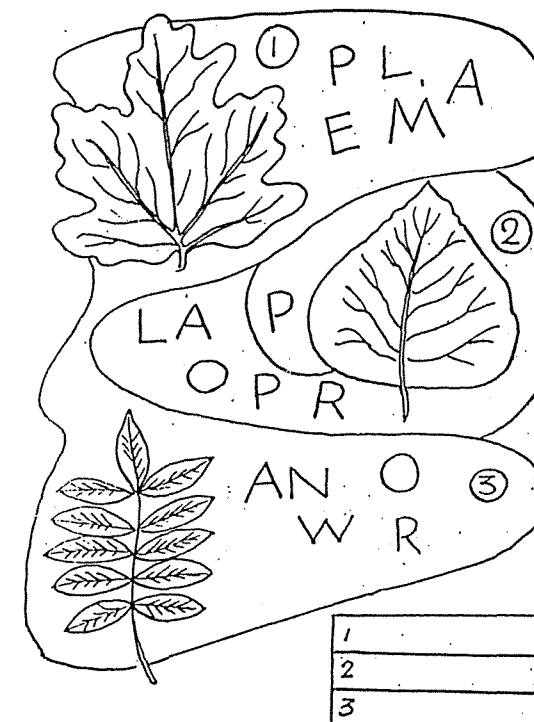
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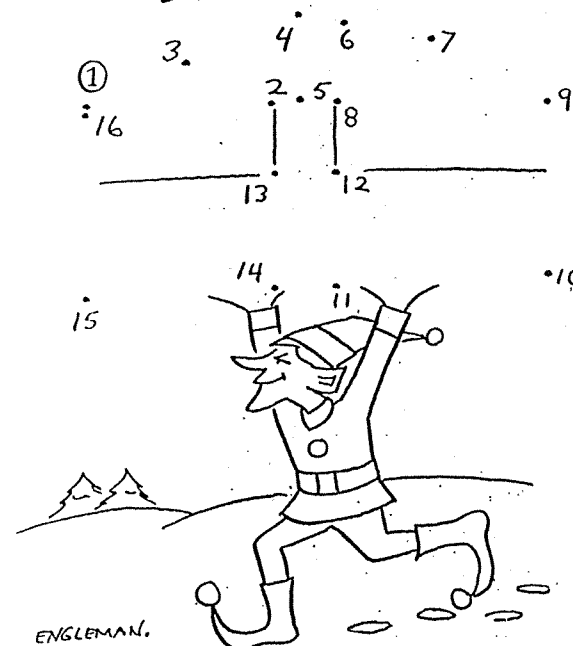
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A special word of thanks to the doctors, nurses and priests of the parish and all our many kind friends. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Louise and John Sauls on the birth of their baby boy Conor.

Congratulations to Brigid Sauls on becoming the proud Granny of Conor.

Congratulations Christina on becoming an Auntie to your nephew Conor.

Congratulations to Willie Sauls on becoming an Uncle to his new nephew Conor.

Congratulations to Trish and Eamonn Daly, Community Council Staff, on the birth of their son.

Congratulations to Joe and Kathleen O'Neill, Greenfield, who celebrated their 44th Wedding Anniversary on April 18th. Best wishes from all your family and friends.

Congratulations to Carol Nolan - 26 Leinster Cottages, on being selected to the Irish Team to represent Ireland in Wales in the Fly Fishing World Championships.

BIRTHDAYS

Joe O'Neill, Greenfield on May 6th.

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